ORDINANCE NO. 20-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GROVER BEACH, CALIFORNIA REPEALING AND ADDING SECTION 2700 OF CHAPTER 7 OF ARTICLE II, ADMINISTRATION, OF THE GROVER BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE

- WHEREAS, the City of Grover Beach is a General Law city organized pursuant to Article XI of the California Constitution; and
- WHEREAS, the City adopted Ordinance 80-2 in 1980 establishing and defining public places for posting ordinances, resolutions and notices after their passage; and
- WHEREAS, this Municipal Code section created the obligation to post ordinances, resolutions and notices at City Hall, the United States Post Office and the Grover Beach Chamber of Commerce; and
- WHEREAS, due to the advent of modern technology including computers, social media, the internet and other electronic means of communication, it has become unnecessary to post ordinances, resolutions and notices at as many locations as required in Ordinance 80-2; and
- WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 36933 allows within 15 days after passage for the City Clerk to publish ordinances at least once in a newspaper of general circulation published and circulated within the City; and
- WHEREAS, and the general practice of both publishing and posting is unnecessary and not required and it is significantly more cost effective to merely publish ordinances, and
- **WHEREAS,** since Section 36933 fails to require publication of resolutions and notices, those documents shall be noticed in a manner consistent with state law.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GROVER BEACH AS FOLLOWS:

- **PART 1.** Section 2700 of Chapter 7 of Article II is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:
- Section 2700. <u>Publishing of Ordinances and Resolutions.</u> All ordinances shall be published in a manner and consistent with Government Code Section 36933 or as amended.
- **PART 2.** Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such a decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The City Council declares that it would have passed this Ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, or phrases, be declared invalid.
- **PART 3.** All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with those sections amended or added herein are hereby repealed.
- **PART 4.** Effective Date. This Ordinance shall not become effective and in full force and effect until 12:01 a.m. on the thirty first day after its final passage. However, within fifteen

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(15) days after adoption by the City Council, the Ordinance shall be published once, together with the names of the Council Members voting thereon, in a newspaper of general circulation within the City.

INTRODUCED at a regular meeting of the City Council held on March 2, 2020 and **PASSED, APPROVED,** and **ADOPTED** by the City Council on March 16, 2020, on the following roll call vote, to wit:

AYES:

Council Members – Lance, Nicolls, Shah, Mayor Pro Tem Bright and

Mayor Lee

NOES:

Council Members - None

ABSENT:

Council Members - None

ABSTAIN:

Council Members - None

RECUSED:

Council Members - None

JEFF LEE, MAYOR

Attest:

WENDI SIMS, CITY CLERK

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Approved as to Form:

DAVID P. HALE, CITY ATTORNEY