

OKANOGAN COUNTY

COMMISSIONERS' ORDINANCE 2023-15

AN ORDINANCE revising Okanogan County Code (OCC) Chapter 2.20 County hours.

WHEREAS the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) is in the process of reviewing and updating the Okanogan County Code; and

WHEREAS RCW 36.16.100 requires the BOCC to prescribe county office hours by resolution, but does not require office hours to be codified; and

WHEREAS in 1978 the BOCC codified two prior resolutions: Resolution R-73 (1964) authorizing weekday office closure for holidays falling on weekends and Resolution P-22 (1958) establishing county office business hours; and

WHEREAS Resolution P-22 (1958) is out of date and county office hours differ among the various offices; and

WHEREAS the BOCC after consideration has determined that rather than codify county office hours, each county office's hours should be published on the county website and posted at the main entrance of each office; and

WHEREAS the BOCC desires to keep a summary statement in the OCC regarding county office hours for transacting business but desires to address specifics via resolution and adoption of a policy; and

WHEREAS the BOCC has prescribed updated county office hours and adopted a policy regarding county office hours in Resolution 62-2023; and

WHEREAS publication of the public hearing notice was placed in the newspaper of record and the BOCC conducted a public hearing on Tuesday, May 30, 2023 to consider whether OCC Chapter 2.20 County hours should be revised as described in Attachment A; and

NOW THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF OKANOGAN COUNTY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Revise. The revisions to OCC Chapter 2.20 County hours as described in Attachment A, which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference are hereby adopted.

Section 2. Repeal. Resolution P-22 (1958) is repealed.

Section 3. Decodify. Resolution R-73 (1964) is hereby decodified, but remains in effect and is incorporated in the newly adopted policy regarding County Office Hours;

Section 4. Effective date. This ordinance takes effect immediately;

Section 5. Codify. The Clerk of the Board is directed to proceed with codification of the changes described in Attachment A.

DATED this 30<sup>th</sup> day of may, 2023, at Okanogan, Washington.

ATTEST:



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Laleña Johns, Clerk of the Board

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OKANOGAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Chris Branch, Chairman

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Andy Hover, Vice Chairman

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Jon Neal, Member

## **Attachment A**

### **Chapter 2.20 COUNTY OFFICE HOURS**

Sections:

#### **2.20.010 Hours for transacting business**

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Okanogan County offices shall be kept open for the transaction of business for days and hours as set by BOCC resolution. Hours for each office will be published on the County website and posted at the main entrance to each office.