

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MCCLEARY  
REPEALING AND REPLACING MCCLEARY  
MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 2.72 “PUBLIC  
RECORDS”; ADOPTING NEW RULES AND  
REGULATIONS GOVERNING PUBLIC RECORDS IN  
THE CITY OF MCCLEARY.**

**RECITALS:**

**WHEREAS**, RCW 42.56, Washington’s Public Records Act (“Act”) allows the public to request public records from the City; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Act, the Washington Legislature requires that each local agency shall provide rules of procedure for the guidance of the public in making requests for inspection or copying of public records; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Act, a local agency shall appoint and publicly identify a public records officer whose responsibility is to serve as a point of contact for members of the public in requesting disclosure of public records and to oversee the agency’s compliance with the public records disclosure requirements of the Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the State Legislators made revisions to the Public Records Act and the City Council desires to adopt them and modify the City’s practices and policies to be consistent with the State law; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council held a public hearing on \_\_\_\_\_ to consider this Ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, the City finds that repealing and replacing MMC Chapter 2.72 with the proposed sign verbiage will ensure the City’s Municipal Code is aligned with the Supreme Court decision and will make the administration of the Sign Code more simple and equitable for City staff, citizens, and business owners alike;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the City Council of the City of McCleary, Washington do ordain as follows:

**SECTION I:** MMC Chapter 2.72 titled “PUBLIC RECORDS”, last amended by Ordinance 646 sec. I, 1997, is repealed and reenacted as shown in Exhibit A.

SECTION II: If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The Council hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, and phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, or phrase had been declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION III: This Ordinance shall be published by an approved summary consisting of the title.

SECTION IV: This Ordinance shall take effect upon the fifth day following the date of publication.

PASSED THIS \_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2024, by the City Council of the City of McCleary, and signed in approval therewith this \_\_\_\_, day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

CITY OF McCLEARY:

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CHRIS MILLER, Mayor

ATTEST:

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JENNA AMSBURY, Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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CHRISTOPHER JOHN COKER, City Attorney