

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-903

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, WASHINGTON, AMENDING SECTION 2.24.010 OF THE DEER MUNICIPAL CODE TO DECLARE ALL REFERENCES IN THE CITY CODE TO MUNICIPAL COURT SHALL BE DEEMED REFERENCES TO SPOKANE COUNTY DISTRICT COURT; TERMINATING THE CITY OF DEER PARK MUNICIPAL COURT; CONTAINING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND SETTING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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**WHEREAS**, for the past several months, the Mayor, City Council, and City staff have studied the issue of whether the City should discontinue its municipal court and begin direct filing cases in Spokane County District Court; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City staff recommend the court be discontinued and the City Council concurs that this recommendation is in the best interests of the citizens of the City of Deer Park; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has negotiated an Interlocal Agreement with Spokane County for direct filing of cases in Spokane County District Court, for certain prosecution and public defender services, and for jail and other court-related services; NOW, THEREFORE

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, WASHINGTON DO ORDAIN  
AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** Section 2.24.010 of the Deer Park Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

**2.24.010 Spokane County District Court.**

All current references in City Ordinances and in the Deer Park Municipal Code to the Deer Park Municipal Court, shall be hereafter deemed references to the District Court in and for the State of Washington for Spokane County.

**Section 2.** The City of Deer Park has complied with RCW 3.50.060 and hereby terminates its municipal court.

**Section 3.** **Severability.** If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance.

**Section 4.** The City Clerk/Treasurer is hereby directed to publish a summary of this Ordinance consisting of the title.

**Section 5.** **Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall be effective at 12:01 a.m. on January 1, 2011.

APPROVED:

  
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MAYOR ROBERT WHISMAN

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

  
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DEBY CRAGUN, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

BY:   
CHARLES D. ZIMMERMAN

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK :	<u>12/3/10</u>
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SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO.  
of the City of Deer Park, Washington

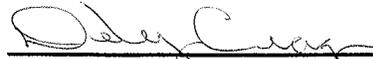
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On the 15<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2010, the City Council of the City of Deer Park, passed Ordinance No. 2010-903. A summary of the content of said ordinance, consisting of the title, provides as follows:

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The full text of this Ordinance will be mailed upon request.

DATED this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2010.

  
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DEBY CRAGUN, CITY CLERK