

ORDINANCE

No. 455

*Repealed
by Ord. #2168*

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A MUNICIPAL DEFENSE COMMISSION,
PRESCRIBING ITS DUTIES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the President of the United States, by Executive Order signed on May 20, 1941, created the Office of Civilian Defense in the Office for Emergency Management; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Civilian Defense has requested the cooperation and assistance of all municipalities in carrying out the Civilian Defense program; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to coordinate all municipal defense activity in one municipal agency; now therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. There is hereby created the Municipal Defense Commission of the City of Kirkland to be composed of the Mayor as Chairman and such other persons, not exceeding eleven in number, as the Mayor may appoint from time to time. The Mayor shall designate one of the members so appointed as Vice Chairman. Each member of the Municipal Defense Commission shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor or until the repeal of this Ordinance.

Section 2. The Municipal Defense Commission is hereby authorized to expend whatever funds are appropriated to carry out the functions of the Defense Commission subject, however, to all regulations now provided by law governing this municipality.

Section 3. The Municipal Defense Commission shall be charged with the duty of coordinating all defense activities of this City.

It shall:

(1) Coordinate the activities of municipal and private agencies cooperating in the defense program;

(2) Keep in contact with the Office of Civilian Defense to the end that all requests and suggestions from that office shall receive prompt and efficient response;

(3) Conduct studies regarding defense problems of the City of Kirkland to the end that the municipal government of the City of Kirkland will at all times be abreast of the problems of defense, and information desired by Federal agencies will be readily available;

(4) Survey existing facilities, proffers of facilities, services and ideas originating within the city and make appropriate disposition of them;

(5) Act as a clearinghouse on municipal defense information for all governmental and private agencies cooperating in the defense program;

(6) Direct information regarding the defense program to all municipal departments or agencies which are or may be affected thereby;

(7) Make recommendations, from time to time, for improvements in the handling of defense problems affecting the City of Kirkland;

(8) Perform such other advisory functions as may be requested by agencies or departments of the Federal Government in connection with the National Defense program;

(9) Do whatever is necessary and proper subject to the provisions of Section 2, to carry out the intent and purpose of this Ordinance in assisting proper local authorities in the protection of life and property.

Section 4. The Municipal Defense Commission may expedite procedure by organizing itself into subcommittees and may subdivide its work and prescribe such rules and regulations as are not in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance. It may recommend, for adoption by the City Council, training regulations. It may delegate the authority of preliminary hearings for dismissal of voluntary workers to the heads of Departments.

The Municipal Defense Commission may appoint additional committees to meet any emergency that may arise but shall report same promptly to the Council of the City of Kirkland, which shall have the authority, at its discretion, to order the discontinuance of such committee. Any person appointed to any position created under this Ordinance may be removed by the appointing authority for any reason deemed by it to be sufficient.

Adopted this 15th day of December, 1941.

L. H. Jaycox
Mayor

Attest:

W. B. Wettemyer
Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of an Ordinance of the City of Kirkland and that the same was published or posted according to law, said Ordinance being No. 455 and entitled "An Ordinance as above

W. B. Wettemyer
Clerk