

ORDINANCE O-4606

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND RELATING TO RESTRICTED AREAS AND OBSTRUCTIONS.

1 WHEREAS, Washington Administrative Code ("WAC") Section
2 332-52-155 relating to anchorage provides that a vessel may not be
3 moored for periods longer than thirty consecutive days or more than
4 ninety days in a three hundred sixty-five day period while providing that
5 cities may adopt different anchorage or moorage restrictions inside their
6 city limits; and

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8 WHEREAS, prior to its repeal as part of a comprehensive
9 overhaul of Title 14 of the Kirkland Municipal Code ("KMC") in 2013,
10 KMC Section 14.16.030 had prohibited moorage or anchorage for over
11 10 days in Kirkland;

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13 WHEREAS, based in part on recent expressions of concern from
14 members of the public, the City Council has concluded that a restriction
15 on the length of time that vessels may be moored or anchored within
16 the waters of the City of Kirkland ("City") should be reinstated and that
17 such length of time should be shortened to 72 hours (3 days) consistent
18 with the approach taken in other jurisdictions; and

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20 WHEREAS, the Council has further concluded that the total
21 number of hours that vessels may be moored or anchored within
22 Kirkland should be limited to 216 hours (9 days) in any one month period
23 with limited exceptions.

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25 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Kirkland do
26 ordain as follows:

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28 Section 1. Kirkland Municipal Code Chapter 14.16 is amended
29 to add a new Section 14.16.030 to read as follows:

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31 **14.16.030 Anchorages.**

32 It is unlawful for any owner or operator of any vessel or watercraft to
33 anchor, moor, or otherwise secure such vessel or watercraft to the bed
34 of any waters in the city limits of Kirkland for a period longer than 72
35 hours out of any one week period or for a period in excess of 216 hours
36 in any one month period, in both instances except under the following
37 conditions:

38 (1) Where moored to a public pier or buoy in a manner
39 consistent with any posted regulations; or

40 (2) Where moored to a private pier with the permission of the
41 owner or lessee of the real property to which the pier is attached; or

42 (3) Where anchorage or moorage is necessary because of an
43 emergency situation; or

44 (4) When given prior written permission by the city.

45 Section 2. This ordinance shall be in force and effect five days
46 from and after its passage by the Kirkland City Council and publication,
47 as required by law.

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49 Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open
50 meeting this 3rd day of October, 2017.

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52 Signed in authentication thereof this 3rd day of October, 2017.


Amy Walen, Mayor

Attest:


Kathi Anderson, City Clerk

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Approved as to Form:


Kevin Raymond, City Attorney