

ORDINANCE O-4676

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND RELATING TO SPECIAL EVENTS, INCLUDING LIMITED DURATION SEASONAL EVENTS.

1 WHEREAS, as acknowledged in Kirkland Municipal Code ("KMC")
2 Section 19.24.010(19), special events held in Kirkland, whether
3 conducted on public or private property, can affect or impair the
4 ordinary and normal use by the general public of public property or
5 public rights-of-way within the vicinity of such event; and
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7 WHEREAS, such special events if unregulated through the
8 issuance of special event permits through Chapter 19.24 KMC can have
9 other potential adverse public impacts, such as those related to
10 vehicular traffic flow, on-street parking, hours of operation, noise and
11 glare; and
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13 WHEREAS, KMC Section 19.24.020 requires the issuance of
14 special use permits in order to mitigate such potential adverse impacts;
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17 WHEREAS, KMC Section 19.24.090(b) presently defines a special
18 event as an event limited to no more than three consecutive calendar
19 days, even though some limited duration seasonal events, such as large
20 scale holiday light displays, may last more than three consecutive days;
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23 WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to amend KMC Section
24 19.24.090(b) to provide for the issuance of special event permits for
25 limited duration events such as seasonal event lasting more than three
26 consecutive days, thereby providing for the imposition of reasonable
27 special use permit requirements concerning the time, place and manner
28 of such events as may be necessary to mitigate potential adverse public
29 impacts and to otherwise help protect the safety and rights of persons
30 and property.
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32 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Kirkland do
33 ordain as follows:
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35 Section 1. Kirkland Municipal Code Section 19.24.090 is
36 amended to read as follows:
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38 **19.24.090 Limitations on special events.**

39 (a) No more than two special event permits shall be issued per
40 calendar month at any one venue, or along any one street. The central
41 business district and marina park shall be considered as the same. This
42 limitation shall not apply to community events designated by the city
43 council or special events that meet the criteria of Section 19.24.190(4).

44 (b) Special events shall be limited to no more than three (3)
45 consecutive calendar days; ~~one~~ although an additional one (1) day total
46 may be permitted for either event load-in or load-out provided,

47 however, that limited duration events such as seasonal events lasting
48 more than three (3) consecutive calendar days may be allowed with the
49 approval of the director and together with the imposition of any permit
50 conditions as may be necessary to address anticipated event impacts,
51 such as those related to public rights-of-way impacts, duration,
52 operating hours, public safety, noise and glare.

53 (c) Athletic events, including runs and bike races, shall be
54 restricted to city streets or designated trails; sidewalks will remain open
55 for use by the general public. Organized walks may take place on city
56 streets, trails, or sidewalks.

57 (d) Athletic events held on city streets which include road
58 closures, either rolling or stationary, shall clear the street of all
59 participants and traffic control devices no later than twelve p.m.

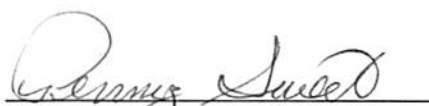
60 (e) The director of parks and community services, in consultation
61 with the police department and the special events team, shall have the
62 authority to limit the number of participants in athletic events if deemed
63 necessary by the director to protect the health, safety and welfare of
64 both the participants and the surrounding community.

65 (f) Any applicant who objects to the limitation of the number of
66 participants in athletic events by the director of parks and community
67 services may appeal in writing (including email) to the city manager for
68 a review of that decision. The city manager will consider the appeal and
69 either affirm or reverse the decision within ten business days following
70 the city manager's receipt of the appeal or within such other time as the
71 city manager and the applicant mutually agree.

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

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77 Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open
78 meeting this 2nd day of January, 2019.

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80 Signed in authentication thereof this 2nd day of January, 2019.



Mayor

Attest:

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Kathi Anderson, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:



Kevin Raymond, City Attorney