ORDINANCE 0-3253

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND RELATING TO CRIMES, THEIR CLASSIFICATION AND PENALTIES, AND AMENDING SECTION 1.04.010 OF THE KIRKLAND MUNICIPAL CODE.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Kirkland as follows:

Section 1. Section 1.04.010 Classes of crimes - penalties of the Kirkland Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1.04.010 Classes of crimes - penalties.

- (a) Any offense defined by this code and any violation of a mandatory provision of this code or any other ordinance of the city constitutes a crime, unless it is a civil violation or traffic infraction. Civil violations include only those violations specifically designated as such in this code or in any ordinance of the City. Traffic infraction means an offense under the provisions of Title 12 of this code, for which monetary penalty may be imposed pursuant to RCW Chapter 46.63. et seq. Crimes are either misdemeanors or gross misdemeanors. [Crimes-are either-simple-crimes-or serious-crimes.]
- (b) Gross misdemeanor.

 Every crime designated in any section of this code or any other ordinance of the City as a serious crime is a gross misdemeanor. Designation as a serious crime may be by notation with (S) immediately preceding the code section, or

by use of the words "serious crime" within the section which establishes the elements of the crime, or by listing in Section 1.04.011. Any person convicted of a gross misdemeanor for which no penalty is specifically prescribed shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than one year, or by a fine of not more than five thousand dollars, or by both such imprisonment and fine. [A erime-is-a-serious-crime-if-it is-so-designated-in-this-code or-other-ordinance-of-the city---Besignation-may-be-by listings-of-sections-which-are serious-crimes,-by-notation with-(6)-immediately-preceding the-code-section;-by descriptive-language-in-the text-of-the-provision,-or-by specification-that-the-penalty for-violation-of-the-provision may-include-imprisonment---Any person-convicted-of-a-serious crime-for-which-no-punishment is-specially-prescribed-shall be-punished-by-imprisonment for-not-more-than-one-year,-or by-a-fine-of-not-more-than five-thousand-dollars,-or-by both-such-imprisonment-and fine-1

(c) Misdemeanor. Every crime which is not a gross misdemeanor is a misdemeanor [not-designated-as-a-serious erime-is-a-simple-crime]. crime designated as a simple crime in this code or any other ordinance is a misdemeanor. Any person convicted of a misdemeanor [a simple-erime] for which no punishment is specially prescribed shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than 90 days or by a fine of not more than one thousand

[five-hundred] dollars or both such imprisonment and fine.

(d) Notwithstanding the maximum penalties established in this section for gross misdemeanors and misdemeanors, the maximum penalty which may be imposed upon any person convicted of a criminal violation of a Kirkland ordinance, including any section of this code shall not exceed the maximum penalty which could be imposed for violation of a state criminal statute having the same elements.

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

Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in regular, open meeting this 16th day of April ,1991.

Signed in authentication thereof this 16th day of April 1992.

MAYOR

Attest:

Approved as to Førm:

City Attorney

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