

## AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND RELATING TO YOUTH AND BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

The City Council of the City of Kirkland do ordain as follows:

Section 1. Findings. The City Council has received a recommendation from the Kirkland Youth Council that youth be given a position on City boards and commissions. City Council has considered the concept and now makes the following findings. Youth are a significant and important segment of the Kirkland community. Kirkland's youth are assets of our community and are a population from which Kirkland's leaders of the future will come. An important function of the City Council's advisory bodies is for the City Council to receive advice from persons affected by the relevant issues. A youth member on certain boards and commissions would reflect the value the City places on the perspective and participation of youth. The City Council finds that creating a "youth-specific" seat on certain City boards and commissions best provides for the representation of our community's youth.

Section 2. There is hereby created a new section of the Kirkland Municipal Code to be know as Section 3.08.110 and to read as follows:

**3.08.110 Youth member of boards and commissions.**

(a) General. The City Council has created a number of citizen advisory boards and commissions and is now adding a youth-specific seat to certain boards and commissions. Rules and policies relating to boards and commissions are contained in a variety of ordinances, resolutions, and other documents. The provisions of this section will prevail over all other rules or policies of the City to the extent of any conflict with this section.

(b) Youth-specific seat defined. There is hereby added to the boards and commissions specified below a youth-specific seat, which shall increase the total number of members by one. Appointment to a youth-specific seat shall be made for a two-year term. A youth-specific seat on a board or commission can be filled only by a person who, at time of appointment, is at least sixteen but not more than eighteen years of age. The person so appointed may complete their term even if he or she is over the age of eighteen. All other qualifications and requirements applicable to members of the board or commission shall apply to the youth member.

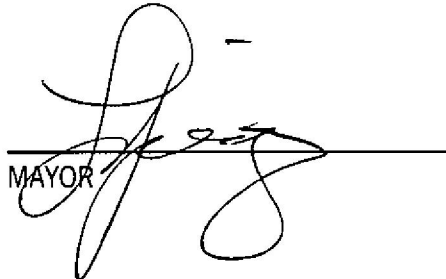
(c) Changes effective. The changes shown below shall go into effect for each listed body when its youth-specific seat is first filled:

- Human Services Advisory Committee — Increase to 5 "at large" members.
- Library Board — Increase to 6 members.
- Park Board — Increase to 8 members. Five members shall constitute a quorum and five affirmative votes shall be necessary to carry any proposition.
- Plaza of Champions Committee — Increase to 5 "at large" members.

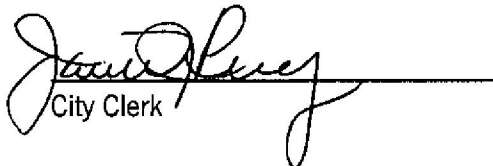
Section 3. This ordinance shall be in force and effect five days from and after its passage by the Kirkland City Council and publication, as required by law.

Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open meeting this 17th day of October, 2000.


Signed in authentication thereof this 17th day of October, 2000.

  
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 MAYOR

Attest:

  
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 City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

  
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 City Attorney  
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