

ORDINANCE 3846

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND RELATING TO THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, decisions made by the City Council relating to transportation issues can have significant impacts on the lives of residents of the City of Kirkland; and

WHEREAS, the City Council would like advice on these issues from a specialized commission made up of persons who currently reside or work within the City of Kirkland or its Potential Annexation Area; and

WHEREAS, in 2000 the City Council chose to establish a pilot transportation commission for two years and the City Council would like to have an ongoing Kirkland Transportation Commission.

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

Section 1. There is hereby created a new Chapter of the Kirkland Municipal Code to be known as Chapter 3.45, entitled, "Transportation Commission" and to read as follows:

3.45.010 Membership – Compensation.

The transportation commission shall consist of eight commissioners, who shall be appointed by majority vote of the city council from persons who reside or work within the city of Kirkland or its Potential Annexation Area. At least three of the eight members should have some expertise in transportation related issues, such as a background in one of the following disciplines: engineering, transportation demand management, or land use planning. One member shall be a youth who, at time of appointment, is at least 16 but not yet 18 years of age. No commissioner shall receive any compensation for his or her services.

3.45.020 Terms of commissioners – Filling vacancies.

Initial terms shall be: Two members for terms expiring March 31, 2004, two members for terms expiring March 31, 2005, two members for terms expiring March 31, 2006, and one member for a term expiring March 31, 2007. The youth member's initial term shall expire March 31, 2005. Subsequent terms shall be for four years, except that subsequent terms for the youth member shall be two years. Vacancies shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term of the vacant position. A member's term shall begin upon appointment by the city council and taking the usual oath of qualification. A commissioner will be expected to attend no less than eighty percent of all meetings for which there is no prearranged absence. In addition, when a member misses three or more consecutive meetings not excused by a majority vote of the transportation commission, the commission shall consider recommending removal of that member. The transportation commission shall report to city council about a member's pattern of absence, together with the commission's recommendation concerning removal. A member may be removed by a majority of the city council. A member finding themselves

unable to attend regular meetings is expected to tender their resignation. A resignation will be effective on such date as designated by the resigning commission member.

3.45.030 Officers of Commission - Meetings - Quorum.

Immediately after their appointment, members of the commission shall meet and organize by electing from the members of the commission a chair and a vice-chair, and such other officers as may be necessary, and adopt rules needed for the conduct of its business. The chair and vice-chair will be elected at the final meeting of each calendar year to serve a one-year term. A member may serve as chair multiple times, but not for more than two consecutive years. It shall be the duty of the chair to preside at all meetings of the commission. In the chair's absence, the vice-chair shall preside. Five members of the commission shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and five affirmative votes shall be necessary to carry any proposition. Typically, a meeting of the commission shall be held at least once a month.

3.45.040 Powers and duties of commission.

The commission shall advise the city council, city manager, and the public works department regarding those transportation issues referred to them by the city council. The commission shall have the power to advise regarding planning and development of those transportation issues given them by the city council. The commission shall submit to the city council through the city manager recommendations for other transportation issues of interest to the commission or associated with council-directed items as the commission feels is advisable.

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 open meeting this 2nd day of July, 2002.

Signed in authentication thereof this 2nd day of July, 2002.



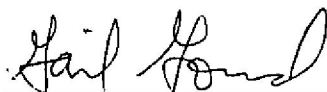
MAYOR

Attest:



Deputy City Clerk

Approved as to Form:



City Attorney
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