

ORDINANCE NO. 4053

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND RELATING TO RODENT CONTROL.

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

Section 1. Section 9.04.040 of the Kirkland Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

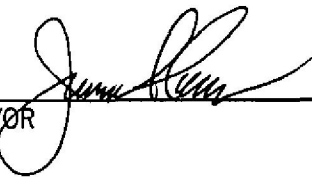
**9.04.040 Rat baiting.**

All applicants for a demolition or a land surface modification permit and those persons undertaking a land clearing project, shall ~~complete~~ initiate a rat baiting program on the project site at least fifteen days prior to the start of demolition, clearing or land surface modification activity. The baiting program must continue at least until the project begins, however, no demolition, clearing or land surface modification work shall commence until all significant rat activity has been abated even if it has been 15 or more days since the initiation of the rat baiting program, unless approved by the building official. The rat baiting program shall be approved by a qualified pest control agent and be consistent with the Seattle-King County Health Department guidelines and recommendations for rat baiting. The use of any pesticides shall fully comply with WAC 16-2 28-1380. The building official shall not issue or deliver any demolition or land surface modification permit, nor shall any land clearing begin, until the applicant has filed with the city a copy of the rat baiting program and a declaration, under penalty of perjury, that the requirements of this section have been complied with. The rat baiting program may be terminated at any time, due to the lack of rat activity, upon a written recommendation of the pest control agent or upon approval of the building official, however, the program must be reinstated upon discovery of additional rat activity by the pest control agent or the building official and all work may be required to be stopped until the additional rat activity has been abated as determined in writing by the pest control or upon approval of the building official. At the discretion of the building official, a project unlikely to disturb a nesting place of rats may be exempted from the requirements of this section. ~~This section shall apply to all demolition permits and land surface modification permits issued by the city after January 1, 2003, even if a complete permit application was submitted prior to January 1, 2003.~~


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 18th day of July, 2006.


Signed in authentication thereof this 18th day of  
July, 2006.

  
MAYOR

Attest:

  
City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

  
City Attorney