

ORDINANCE 4056

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND ESTABLISHING THE SALARY FOR THE MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 4019.

WHEREAS, under state law the salary for municipal court judges must be established by ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the salary for the Kirkland Municipal Court Judge was last established by Ordinance No. 4019; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds there is a need to increase the current part-time position of the Kirkland Municipal Court Judge to a full-time equivalent judicial position; and

WHEREAS, under state law full-time municipal court judge positions must be filled by election; and

WHEREAS, in order to be eligible for state contribution to the Municipal Court Judge's compensation, the City must make the Judge's position elective and compensate the Judge at a rate equivalent to at least ninety-five percent of a district court judge salary; and

WHEREAS, the salary of district court judges is set by the Washington Citizens' Commission on Salaries for Elected Officials and is currently set at \$125,672 a year; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires that the Kirkland Municipal Court Judge's salary be adjusted automatically to reflect future adjustments made by the Washington Citizens' Commission on Salaries for Elected Officials.

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

Section 1. Effective immediately, the salary for the Kirkland Municipal Court Judge position shall be 95% of a district court judge's annual salary or the sum of \$119,388 annually.

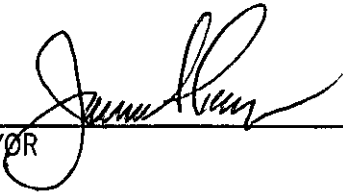
Section 2. Commencing September 1, 2006, and thereafter on the first day of September of each successive year, the salary paid the Kirkland Municipal Court Judge shall automatically be adjusted to an amount equal to 95% of the salary of district judges as set by the Washington Citizens' Commission on Salaries for Elected Officials for the succeeding year.

Section 3. Ordinance No. 4019 is repealed effective immediately.


Section 4. 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 5th day of September, 2006.

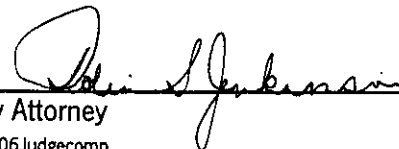
Signed in authentication thereof this 5th day of
September, 2006.


MAYOR

Attest:


City Clerk

Approved as to Form:


City Attorney
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