AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND AMENDING SECTION 21.06.255 OF TITLE 21 OF THE KIRKLAND MUNICIPAL CODE TO REOUIRE ALL COMMERCIAL BUILDING AND GRADING PERMITS TO EXPIRE IN THREE YEARS.

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

Section 1. Kirkland Municipal Code Section 21.06.255 is hereby amended to read as follows:

21.06.255 Permit expiration.

(A) Every building permit and its associated ancillary permits issued for an IRC permitted structure or for a tenant space within an existing building, shall expire in two years from the date of issuance.

(B) Every LSM permit and every building permit and its associated ancillary permits issued for a commercial, educational, institutional, multi-family, public, industrial or similar structure shall expire-if in three years from the date of issuance the work-authorized on the site by such permit is not started within 180 days of the date of issuance, or if the work authorized is suspended or abandoned for a period of 180 days after the work has been started. The building official-shall determine if work has been suspended or abandoned by evaluating significant progress made over any 180 day period.

(C) Sign permits and electrical, mechanical, plumbing permits not associated with a building permit shall expire one year from the date of issuance.

(D) The building official may grant a 30 day extension of time for permits when only the final inspection is remaining and all other work has been approved.

Section 2. If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance, or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

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 <u>4th</u> day of September . 2007.

Attest:

Approved as to Form: **City Attorney**