

ORDINANCE O-4923

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND
EXTENDING THE TERMS OF SELECT BOARD AND COMMISSION
MEMBERS THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026.

1 WHEREAS, the City Council is committed to improving the recruitment process for City
2 boards and commissions, and Council will conduct a comprehensive discussion on the topic
3 at its retreat on February 27, 2026; and
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5 WHEREAS, under the existing recruitment timeline, the terms of several current board
6 and commission members are scheduled to expire on March 31, 2026, with new terms
7 beginning April 1, 2026; and
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9 WHEREAS, at its meeting on January 6, 2026, the City Council reviewed options for
10 recruitment and directed staff to extend all of these expiring board and commission member
11 terms through June 30, 2026, to allow time for thoughtful consideration and implementation of
12 process improvements; and
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14 WHEREAS, extending current terms will ensure continuity of service for active boards
15 and commissions while providing the Council time to evaluate recruitment strategies, formats,
16 and forms prior to initiating the next recruitment cycle; and
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18 WHEREAS, the terms for boards and commissions are established through various
19 ordinances and policies, and Council has determined that it is necessary and appropriate to
20 modify these established terms on a one-time, non-recurring basis in order to facilitate desired
21 process improvements.
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23 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Kirkland do ordain as follows:
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25 Section 1. The appointments of the following boards and commission members with
26 terms scheduled to expire in 2026 are extended on a one-time basis through June 30, 2026:
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| 28 | Cultural Arts Commission: | Alisa Sargsyan |
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| 30 | Design Review Board: | Shannon Andrews Merkel |
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| 33 | Park Board: | Amy Ambrosini |
| 34 | | Paul Stull |
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| 36 | Planning Commission: | Julia Nolan |
| 37 | | Angela Rozmyn |
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| 39 | Salary Commission: | Greta Climer |
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| 41 | Transportation Commission: | Katherine Casseday |
| 42 | | Patrick Vu |
| 43 | | Nithin Balamurugan (Youth Member) |
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| 45 | Tourism Development Committee: | David Lynx (Seat 4) |
| 46 | | Phil Megenhardt (Seat 5) |
| 47 | | Jackie Socha (Seat 6) |

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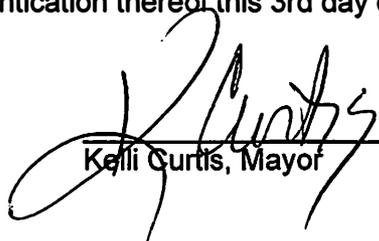
Section 2. For the term immediately following each of the extended term positions stated in Section 1, the immediately following term will be effective July 1, 2026, but will expire on March 31 of the applicable year of expiration, rather than being for the full term otherwise established by applicable ordinance, resolution, or policy. This is a one-time, non-recurring modification to shorten the otherwise applicable term period.

Section 3. 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 4. This ordinance shall be in force and effect five days from and after its passage by the Kirkland City Council and subsequent publication, as required by law.

Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open meeting this 3rd day of February, 2026.

Signed in authentication thereof this 3rd day of February, 2026.

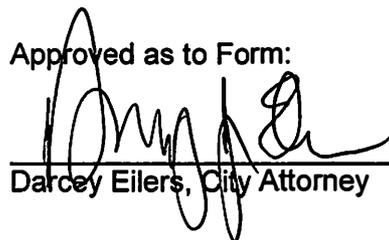

Kelli Curtis, Mayor

Attest:


Anastasiya Warhol, City Clerk

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Approved as to Form:


Darcey Eilers, City Attorney