

ORDINANCE O-4932

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND ADOPTING A DEFINITION OF RESIDENCY FOR PURPOSES OF ESTABLISHING ELIGIBILITY TO SERVE ON CITY ADVISORY BODIES.

1 WHEREAS, pursuant to chapter 3.08 Kirkland Municipal Code (KMC), Kirkland
2 residency is a requirement for appointments to most City boards and commissions; and
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4 WHEREAS, residency requirements are intended to ensure appointed individuals have
5 a genuine interest in the recommendations made to Council and in the impact of those
6 recommendations on the Kirkland community; and
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8 WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to adopt a definition for the terms "resident" and
9 "reside" for purposes of determining an individual's eligibility for appointment to City advisory
10 bodies, as those terms are not currently defined in code or policy; and
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12 WHEREAS, Council desires to adopt a single definition applicable to any residency-
13 related requirement for appointment to a City board, commission, or committee, rather than
14 incorporate a definition into each of the various ordinances and resolutions that contain the
15 requirements for eligibility for serving on the City's many advisory bodies.
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17 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Kirkland do ordain as follows:
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19 Section 1. A definition of residency for purposes of eligibility to serve on City advisory
20 bodies is hereby adopted and shall be codified as Section 3.08.120 of the Kirkland Municipal
21 Code to read as follows:
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23 **3.08.120 Definition of Residency for Eligibility to Serve on City Advisory Bodies**
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25 For purposes of establishing eligibility for appointment to and service on a city advisory board,
26 commission, or committee, a person is a resident of Kirkland or resides in Kirkland when that
27 person's permanent address where they physically reside and maintain their abode or
28 habitation is within the jurisdictional boundary of the city of Kirkland. A person may have only
29 one permanent address at a time and must physically reside at that address at least nine
30 months of each calendar year for it to be considered their residence.
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32 Section 2. The City Manager or designee shall ensure that currently appointed board,
33 commission, and committee members confirm whether they reside within Kirkland, unless a
34 particular position lacks a residency requirement.
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36 Section 3. If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or
37 circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance or the application of the provision
38 to other persons or circumstances is not affected.
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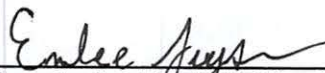
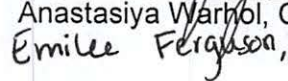
40 Section 4. This ordinance shall be in force and effect five days from and after its
41 passage by the Kirkland City Council and publication, as required by law, in the summary form
42 attached to the original of this ordinance.
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44 Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open meeting this 7th day of
45 April, 2026.
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47 Signed in authentication thereof this 7th day of April, 2026.

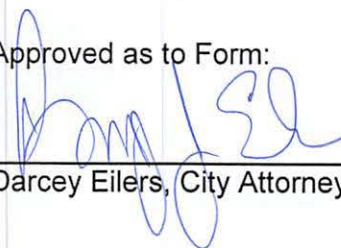

Kelli Curtis, Mayor

Attest:


Anastasiya Warhol, City Clerk

Emilee Ferguson, Deputy City Clerk

Publication Date: April 13, 2026

Approved as to Form:


Darcey Eilers, City Attorney

PUBLICATION SUMMARY
OF ORDINANCE NO. O-4932

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1 SECTION 1. Adopts a definition of residency for purposes of appointment to and
2 service on city advisory boards, commissions, and committees.
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4 SECTION 2. Directs the City Manager to ensure that currently appointed members
5 confirm their residency within Kirkland.
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7 SECTION 3. Provides a severability clause for the ordinance.
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9 SECTION 4. Authorizes publication of the ordinance by summary and establishes the
10 effective date as five days after publication of summary.
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12 The full text of this Ordinance will be mailed without charge to any person upon request
13 made to the City Clerk for the City of Kirkland. The Ordinance was passed by the Kirkland City
14 Council at its meeting on the 7th day of April, 2026.
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16 I certify that the foregoing is a summary of Ordinance O-4932 approved by the Kirkland
17 City Council for summary publication.



Anastasiya Warhol, City Clerk
Emilee Ferguson, Deputy City Clerk