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CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 4036

An ORDINANCE establishing a Transportation Commission, providing for membership, eligibility requirements, removal, filling of vacancies, meetings and setting forth its duties and powers and adding a new Chapter 3.63 to the Bellevue City Code.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. There is hereby created a new chapter of the Bellevue City Code to be designated Chapter 3.63 and to read as follows:

CHAPTER 3.63

TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

3.63.010. Transportation Commission. There is hereby created and established the Transportation Commission of the City of Bellevue.

3.63.020. Membership - Appointment. The Transportation Commission shall consist of seven members appointed by the Mayor with the consent of a majority of the City Council.

3.63.030. Eligibility - Composition - Term.

- A. No person shall be eligible to be appointed as a member of the Transportation Commission unless he or she is a resident of the City. A position on the Commission shall become vacant upon a member ceasing to be a resident of the City.
- B. For the initial appointments only, three members of the Commission shall be from the residential community and three members shall be from the business community. There shall be no such requirement as to the seventh member, who shall serve as chair of the Commission until May 31, 1990. Commission members shall serve without compensation and shall be appointed without regard to political affiliation.
- C. The term for all positions on the Commission, except for initial appointments as hereinafter provided, shall be four years. Each position shall expire on May 31st of the last year of the term. Persons appointed to a position during the pendency of the term for that

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position shall serve until the end of the term. The initial appointments to the Commission shall be as follows:

- i. Three members, including the chair, shall be appointed to a four-year term;
- ii. Two members shall be appointed to a three-year term;
- iii. Two members shall be appointed to a two-year term;

For the initial appointments, one member from the residential community and one member from the business community shall be appointed for each of the above terms.

- D. No person shall serve more than two consecutive terms, provided a person appointed to fill a term of two years or less is eligible to serve two successive four-year terms, and provided further, a person who is ineligible to serve for having served two consecutive terms may again serve after two years have elapsed from the end of the second such term.
- E. The City Manager may assign representatives from one or more departments of the City to serve as ad hoc and non-voting members of the Commission.

3.63.035. Officers. The officers shall be the chairperson and vice-chairperson. The vice-chairperson of the Commission shall be appointed by the Mayor and shall serve in such position until May 31, 1990. Thereafter, the members of the Commission shall elect from its members the chairperson and the vice-chairperson annually. The Commission may also elect from its members such other officers as the Commission may deem necessary.

3.63.040. Removal. Members of the Commission may be removed at any time by the Mayor, with the consent of a majority of the City Council. The decision of the City Council shall be final and there shall be no appeal therefrom.

3.63.050. Vacancies. Vacancies occurring otherwise than through the expiration of a term shall be filled for the unexpired term by the Mayor with the consent of a majority of the City Council.

3.63.060. Meetings. The Commission shall meet at least once a month. All meetings shall be open to the public, provided the Commission may hold executive sessions as permitted by

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law. A majority of the membership shall constitute a quorum. Action may be taken by a majority of the members present, when a quorum exists.

3.63.070. Power and Duties. The Commission shall act in a policy advisory capacity to the City Council. To that end, the Commission may hold public hearings and shall make such studies, analyses and reports as are required by the Traffic Standards Code or requested by the City Council and shall review, advise and make recommendations to the City Council as needed, regarding:

- A. The preparation of Transportation Facilities Plans as provided for by Bellevue City Code 14.10.030.A.
- B. The progress of Transportation Facilities Plans and corrective actions as required by Bellevue City Code 14.10.045.A.
- C. The progress of implementation schedules for the first 24-month period of each Plan and the validity of the land use assumptions which were used in the Plan as required by Bellevue City Code 14.10.045.B.
- D. The progress of the implementation schedule and level of service analysis for each Plan for the first 36-month period of the Plan as required by Bellevue City Code 14.10.045.C.
- E. The progress of the implementation schedule and level of service analysis for each Plan for the first 48-month period of the Plan as required by Bellevue City Code 14.10.045.D. Therewith the Commission shall report on the validity of the land use assumptions on which the Plan is based and determine whether the Congestion Limitation for the Plan has been exceeded.
- F. Changes to the Traffic Standards Code or other City regulations or programs regarding transportation management as required by Bellevue City Code 14.10.045.
- G. Long- and short-range funding programs for transportation facilities.
- H. Make recommendations whether libraries and not-for-profit hospitals should be exempted from the requirements of the Traffic Standards Code.
- I. Short-term planning studies and implementation programs.

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- J. Capital Improvement Program (C.I.P.) and six-year Transportation Improvement Program (Six-year T.I.P.) project prioritization.
- K. Non-motorized system implementation programs.
- L. Construction design standards.
- M. Any other activities that the City Council may so direct.
- N. Coordination of duties with other Council appointed boards, committees and commissions, as appropriate.

Provided that the Commission shall not be responsible for the following activities:

1. Long range transportation planning, comprehensive plan updates and subarea transportation planning where the Planning Commission has lead responsibility.
2. Traffic operations and street maintenance activities where professional staff receives clear direction from City Council.

3.63.080. Staff Support. The Transportation Division of the Public Works and Utilities Department shall provide technical and clerical support for the Commission.

Section 2. After a period of twenty-four months from the first meeting of the Commission, the City Council shall review the progress of the Commission and determine whether the Commission should continue as defined herein.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force five days after its passage and legal publication.

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PASSED by the City Council this 5th day of September
1989, and signed in authentication of its passage this 5th day
of September, 1989.

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