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CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 5060

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Bellevue, as required and adopted pursuant to the Growth Management Act of 1990, as amended, (chapter 36.70A RCW); adopting certain Phase II 1997 amendments to the Comprehensive Plan; repealing Policies S-DT-88, S-DT-89, S-DT-90, S-DT-91, S-DT-92 and S-DT-93 of the Downtown Subarea Plan; adding new general policies and new Policies S-DT-88, S-DT-90 and S-DT-91 to the Downtown Park Policies of the Downtown Subarea Plan and modifying a subheading therein and; establishing an effective date.

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on certain Phase II amendments to the Comprehensive Plan on September 24, 1997 and thereafter made certain recommendations to the City Council with regard thereto; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to adopt certain Phase II amendments to the Comprehensive Plan as recommended by the Planning Commission, as part of the City's 1997 amendments to the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered this amendment and other Phase II amendments concurrently with the other 1997 amendments to the Comprehensive Plan adopted by Ordinance Nos. 5025 through 5029 inclusive; and

WHEREAS, the City of Bellevue has complied with the requirements of the State Environmental Policy Act and the City Environmental Procedures Code; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. Policies S-DT-88, S-DT-89, S-DT-90, S-DT-91, S-DT- 92 and S-DT-93 of the Downtown Subarea Plan are repealed.

Section 2. The Downtown Park section of the Downtown Subarea Plan is amended by the addition of new general policies, the modification of a subheading, and the addition of new Policies S-DT-88, S-DT-90, and S-DT-91 to read as follows:

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Downtown Park

POLICIES

The Downtown Park is one of Bellevue's finest public assets. It is an important gathering place for people, a venue for special events and a key factor in the developing identity of downtown. The Park plays a pivotal role in making downtown an appealing place to live, work and play.

General Land Use

POLICY S-DT-88. Develop and operate the Downtown Park within the framework of the Council approved Downtown Park master plan.

Urban Design

POLICY S-DT-90. Strengthen pedestrian connections between the Park and other Downtown features, including Bellevue Square, the NE 6th Street pedestrian corridor, Bellevue Way, Main Street, and Meydenbauer Bay; in order to enhance the role of the Park as a major pedestrian destination and as a pedestrian linkage with other areas of Downtown.

POLICY S-DT-91. Within density and height limits permitted in the Land Use Code, work with adjoining property owners through the Design Review process to ensure a graceful transition between the Park and future development. The ground level of buildings facing the Downtown Park should include pedestrian oriented uses, be visually accessible, and where appropriate, provide pedestrian connections for the general public and for commercial uses that complement the Park. A continuous north-south pathway on private properties separating adjoining development from the Park shall not be required.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force five days after its passage and legal publication. This ordinance and the Comprehensive Plan shall be available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk.

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PASSED by the City Council this 23rd day of March, 1998, and signed in authentication of its passage this 23rd day of March, 1998.

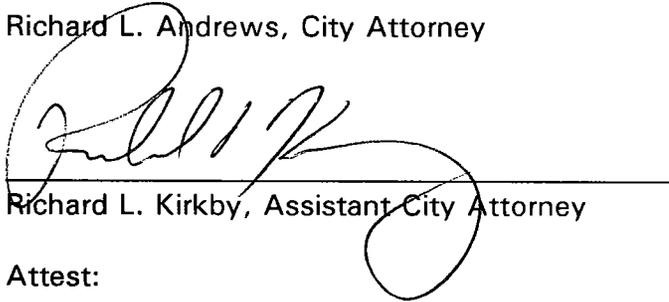
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Mike Creighton, Mayor

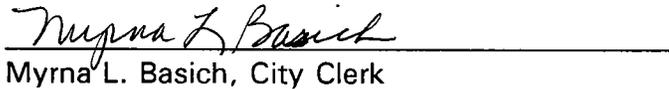
Approved as to form:

Richard L. Andrews, City Attorney



Richard L. Kirkby, Assistant City Attorney

Attest:



Myrna L. Basich, City Clerk

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