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## CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 3447

AN ORDINANCE creating a new City department, to be known as the Department of Design and Development; separating the Permits and Inspections Division from the Department of Public Works and Utilities, the Land Use Management Division from the Planning Department, and the Office of Environmental Coordination from the Department of General Administration, and assigning them to the Department of Design and Development; establishing the powers of the Department of Design and Development; amending Bellevue City Code 3.10.010, 3.10.020, and 3.39.010; and adding a new Chapter 3.45 to the Bellevue City Code.

WHEREAS, the City Manager appointed a committee to assist her in the evaluation of options for the reorganization of the design review, development review, permitting, inspection and code enforcement functions of the City, and the City Manager has considered the report of said committee; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager has proposed a reorganization of the City government to create a new Department of Design and Development to carry out the functions of design review, development review, permitting, inspection and code enforcement; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that creating a separate Department of Design and Development will enable the City to provide design review, development review, permitting, inspection and code enforcement services to the public faster and more efficiently, while at the same time providing a high quality of service; and

WHEREAS, certain codes, heretofore administered by the Public Works and Utilities Department, the Planning Department, and the Office of Environmental Coordination will be administered by the Department of Design and Development; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to provide for a transition period during which the new department can be organized and made operational, and to provide for flexibility regarding the actual date on which the new department shall commence operations; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. A new Chapter 3.45 is hereby added to the Bellevue City Code, to read as follows:

Chapter 3.45 Department of Design and Development

3.45.010 Department Established--Functions.

There is created and established a Department of Design and Development to which are hereby transferred the Permits and Inspections Division of the Department of Public Works, the Land Use Management Division of the Planning Department, and the Office of Environmental Coordination of the Department of General Administration, and which shall perform all functions heretofore performed by those divisions and that office, including but not limited to the administration and operation of the City's design and development review processes; administration and revision of the Land Use Code, Building Codes and Subdivision and Platting Codes; environmental coordination and administration of the City's Environmental Procedures Code; inspection and enforcement related to said codes; permit coordination and issuance; permit and zoning information services; and plan review functions related to the codes administered by the department.

3.45.020 Director--Appointments--Responsibilities.

The City Manager shall appoint the director of the Department of Design and Development who shall report directly to the City Manager. The Director shall be appointed for an indefinite term and may be removed at any time pursuant to the provisions of RCW 35A.13.100. The Director shall direct the operations of the Department.

3.45.030 Development Standards.

The Director of the Department of Design and Development is authorized to formulate written development standards applicable to the administration, supervision, implementation and enforcement of the codes and ordinances administered by the Department of Design and Development regulating public and private development and work. Said standards shall be effective and shall be enforced by the Department of Design and Development upon their approval by resolution of the City Council. Said standards shall be applied consistently with the provisions of State law and City ordinance.

Section 2. Section 2 of Ordinance No. 2709 and Bellevue City Code Section 3.10.010 are hereby amended to read as follows:

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3.10.010 Office of Environmental Coordination.

There is hereby created and established within the Department of Design and Development an office of environmental coordination. The office shall be responsible for the administration of Bellevue City Code, Chapter 22.02, "Environmental Procedures Code," and for such other functions as the city may be required to carry out under the State Environmental Policy Act.

Section 3. Section 3 of Ordinance No. 2709 and Bellevue City Code Section 3.10.020 are hereby amended to read as follows:

3.10.020 Environmental Coordination--Appointment--Powers and Duties.

The functions of the office of environmental coordination shall be executed under the supervision and control of the environmental coordinator, who shall be appointed by and report to the Director of the Department of Design and Development. The environmental coordinator shall be the responsible official under Bellevue City Code, Section 22.02.030.

Section 4. Section 1 of Ordinance No. 2544, Section 1 of Ordinance No. 2963, Section 1 of Ordinance No. 3158B and Bellevue City Code Section 3.39.010 are hereby amended to read as follows:

3.39.010 Department Established--Functions.

The department of public works and utilities shall perform all functions heretofore performed by said department, except the functions of the storm and surface water utility shall constitute a separate department operating as a component of the waterworks utility and the functions of the Permits and Inspections Division, which are transferred to and shall be performed by the Department of Design and Development. These functions shall include, but not be limited to, the administration, supervision, construction, maintenance and operation of the city's system of streets and other public ways and the water and sanitary sewer systems of the waterworks utility.

Section 5. The functions heretofore performed by the Land Use Management Division of the Planning Department, including but not limited to the administration of and the performance of design review, development review, permitting, code administration and revisions, inspections, and enforcement functions under the Land Use Code, are hereby transferred to and shall be performed by the Department of Design and Development.

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Section 6. The provisions of Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of this ordinance shall become effective on a date on or after January 1, 1985, and on or before June 30, 1985, to be designated by administrative order of the City Manager, but in no event later than June 30, 1985. A copy of said order shall be provided to the Council.

Section 7. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force five days after its passage and legal publication.

PASSED by the City Council this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1984, and signed in authentication of its passage this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1984.

(SEAL)



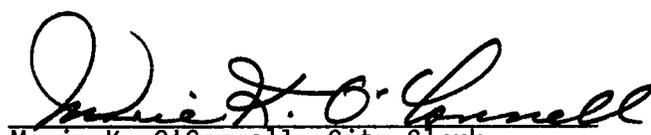
Cary E. Bozeman, Mayor

Approved as to form:



Richard L. Andrews, City Attorney

Attest:



Marie K. O'Connell, City Clerk

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