

ORDINANCE NO. 3647

AN ORDINANCE adopting a Uniform Building Code for King County, in accordance with RCW 19.27; adopting supplemental amendments, additions and deletions to the Code necessary for its application in King County; providing for the issuance of permits and setting of fees; providing for appeals and penalties for violations; repealing Ordinances ~~289~~¹⁴⁰, 2096, 2505, 2599, and 2626; and KCC 2.36.010, 16.04, 16.08, 16.12, 16.16 and 16.20.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Ordinances ~~269~~¹⁴⁰, 2096, 2505, 2599, and 2626, and KCC 2.36.010, 16.04, 16.08, 16.12, 16.16 and 16.20 are each repealed and the following substituted.

SECTION 2. Adoption. The following volumes, as published in book form by the International Conference of Building Officials, together with amendments, additions and deletions hereinafter adopted by reference, are adopted as the building codes of King County and hereinafter referred to as "the code":

(1) The Uniform Building Code, 1976 Edition (Third printing), with Appendix, and the Uniform Building Code Standards, 1976 Edition (First printing);

(2) The Uniform Mechanical Code, 1976 Edition (Second printing), with Appendix;

(3) The Uniform Housing Code, 1976 Edition (First printing);

(4) The Uniform Code for the Abatement of Dangerous Buildings, 1976 Edition (First printing).

SECTION 3. Term amendments. Whenever the following words appear in the code, they are to be changed as follows:

(1) "city" to "county"

(2) "cities" to "county"

(3) "city limits" to "county confines"

- 1 (4) "city of" to "King County"
- 2 (5) "city council" to "county council"
- 3 (6) "city treasurer" to "county comptroller"
- 4 (7) "mayor" to "county executive"
- 5 (8) "building official" to "manager, building and land
- 6 development division, department of planning and community develop-
- 7 ment."

8 SECTION 4. Appeals and Enforcement

9 (1) The following appeal procedures are substituted for those
 10 set forth in the Uniform Building Code and Uniform Mechanical Code:

11 (a) In order to determine the suitability of alternate
 12 materials and methods of construction and to provide for reason-
 13 able interpretations of the provisions of the code, the building
 14 code advisory and appeals board is hereby established. The board
 15 shall consist of thirteen members who are qualified by experience
 16 and training to pass on matters pertaining to building construction.
 17 The manager, building and land development division, shall be an
 18 ex officio member and shall act as secretary of the board. The
 19 building code advisory and appeals board members shall be appointed
 20 by the county executive and confirmed by the county council, and
 21 shall serve for a two-year term or until their successors are
 22 appointed and qualified. The board shall adopt reasonable rules
 23 and regulations and shall render all decisions and findings in
 24 writing to the manager and to the appellant. The board may re-
 25 commend amendments to the code consistent with its findings to the
 26 county council;

27 (b) The manager, building and land development division, or
 28 his authorized designee, is authorized to enforce the provisions of
 29 the code, and all supplemental regulations adopted by reference in
 30 this Title, pursuant to the enforcement and penalty provisions of
 31 KCC Title 23;

1 (2) Appeal procedures involving administration of the Uni-
2 form Housing Code and the Uniform Code for the Abatement of
3 Dangerous Buildings as adopted in Section 2 of this Ordinance
4 shall be set forth in the supplements adopted by reference in
5 Section 6 of this Ordinance.

6 SECTION 5. Supplements to the code. The county council
7 hereby declares that supplemental amendments, additions and
8 deletions to the code are necessary for its application in King
9 County. Such supplements shall be prepared by the manager, Build-
10 ing and land development division, and adopted by reference by the
11 council. The manager shall make the adopted supplements readily
12 available at reasonable cost to persons performing any activity
13 subject to the code.

SECTION 6. Supplements adopted. The King County supplements to the adopted 1976 Editions of the Uniform Building Code, Uniform Mechanical Code, Uniform Housing Code, and Uniform Code for the Abatement of Dangerous Buildings, attached to Ordinance 3647, are hereby adopted as part of the code; as such they constitute county regulation for any activity subject to the code.

SECTION 7. Severability. If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance or the application of the provision to the other persons or circumstances shall not be affected.

SECTION 8. Additional requirements. All buildings having floors used for human occupancy located more than sixty-five (65) feet above the lowest level of approved Fire Department vehicle access shall be provided with an approved automatic fire extinguishing system throughout.

INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 13th day of March, 19 78.

PASSED at a regular meeting of the King County Council this 27th day of March, 19 78.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Bernice Stern
Chairman

ATTEST:

Dorothy M. Owens DEPUTY
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 29th day of March 19 78.

[Signature]
King County Executive