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ORDINANCE NO. 3660

AN ORDINANCE adopting the Uniform Fire Code, 1976 Edition, for King County together with amendments; amending Ordinance 2097, Sections 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13, and K.C.C. 17.04.010, 17.04.030, 17.04.050, 17.04.060, 17.04.070, 17.04.080, 17.04.090, 17.04.100, 17.04.110, 17.04.120, and 17.04.130; amending Ordinance 3087, Section 7, and K.C.C. 17.08.060; repealing Ordinance 2097, Section 4, and Ordinance 2161, Section 1, and KCC 17.04.040.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Ordinance 2097, Section 1, and KCC 17.04.010 are each amended to read as follows:

THE UNIFORM FIRE CODE ((1973)) 1976 EDITION, as published by the Western Fire Chiefs Association and the International Conference of Building Officials (including Appendices A ((G;-D;-and-E)) through G, together with amendments, additions and deletions listed in this chapter is adopted as the Fire Code of King County, and hereinafter referred to as "this code".

SECTION 2. ORDINANCE 2097, Section 3, and KCC 17.04.030 are each amended to read as follows:

UNIFORM FIRE CODE, ((Page-14;)) SECTION 1.203, FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU, is hereby repealed and the following is substituted:
SECTION 1.203. ESTABLISHMENT AND DUTIES OF BUREAU OF FIRE PREVENTION. For the purpose of this code the Bureau of Fire Prevention in the Building and Land Development Division of King County shall be operated under the supervision of the ((Director of Building;)) Fire Marshal, Building and Land Development Division, Department of Planning and Community ((and-Environmental)) Development, and shall enforce the fire prevention provisions and shall have authority in a fire department or fire district in the performance of duties connected with this code. The bureau of Fire Prevention may assume an advisory status in the matters of operation, function, expenditure, tactics, personnel and equipment or any other function as the fire district sees fit to request. The fire suppression and tactical provisions may be enforced by the Chief of a fire department or fire district. The

Chief of a fire department or fire district, acting under the supervision of the Board of Fire Commissioners in that district and in coordination with the Bureau of Fire Prevention, may perform the duties specified in the Uniform Fire Code within the geographical boundaries of that fire protection district, to the full extent required by the Bureau of Fire Prevention.

SECTION 3. Ordinance 2097, Section 4, and Ordinance 2161, Section 1 and KCC 17.04.040 are each repealed.

SECTION 4. Ordinance 2097, Section 5, and KCC 17.04.050 are each amended to read as follows:

UNIFORM FIRE CODE, ((PAGE-18,)) SECTION 1.215, "BOARD OF APPEALS," is amended to read as follows: In order to determine the suitability of alternate materials or methods of construction, and to provide for reasonable interpretation of the provisions of this code, there shall be and is hereby created a Fire Prevention Advisory and Appeals Board, consisting of seven members who are qualified by experience and training in fire protection to pass upon pertinent matters. The Fire Marshal shall be an ex officio member and shall act as Secretary of the Board. The Fire Prevention Advisory and Appeals Board shall be appointed by the County Executive, confirmed by the Council, and shall serve for a two-year term or until their successor is appointed and qualified. Initially four members shall be appointed to a two-year term and three members to a one-year term. The Board shall adopt reasonable rules and regulations for conducting its investigations and shall render all decisions and findings in writing to the Fire Marshal with a duplicate copy to the appellant and may recommend to the County Council such new legislation as is consistent therewith.

SECTION 5. Ordinance 2097, Section 6, and KCC 17.04.060 are each amended to read as follows: A new section is hereby added to the UNIFORM FIRE CODE, ((PAGE-36)) ARTICLE 1, DIVISION IV, DEFINITIONS, to read as follows:

SECTION 1.429. DEFINITION OF CURRENT EDITION. (1) Current

1 edition of the Uniform Building Code shall be the ((1973)) 1976
 2 Edition; (2) Current edition of the Uniform Mechanical Code shall
 3 be the ((1973)) 1976 Edition; and (3) Current edition of the
 4 National Fire Protection Association shall be the ((1971-1972))
 5 1976 Edition.

6 SECTION 6. Ordinance 2097, Section 7, and KCC 17.04.070 are
 7 each amended to read as follows: A new division, Division V, is
 8 hereby added to the Uniform Fire Code, ((PAGE-36,)) ARTICLE 1,
 9 GENERAL PROVISIONS, as follows:

10 DIVISION V. Section 1.501. VIOLATION PROVISIONS. Notwith-
 11 standing any specific remedies enumerated in the text of codes
 12 adopted by reference in this document or other regulations herein
 13 adopted; violation, or failure to comply with the provisions of
 14 this ordinance, shall subject the offender, upon conviction there-
 15 of, to a fine of not exceeding two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00)
 16 or imprisonment for a period not exceeding ninety (90) days, or
 17 both, and each day that such violation or failure to comply exist
 18 shall constitute a separate offense. The prosecutor may, as an
 19 alternative to criminal action, seek legal or equitable relief to
 20 enjoin or abate any violation of the laws incorporated by refer-
 21 ence herein.

22 Section 1.502. CIVIL PENALTY APPEAL. In addition to or as
 23 an alternate to any judicial or administrative remedy provided
 24 herein or by law, any person, firm, corporation or organization
 25 violating any of the provisions of this Code, or by each act of
 26 commission or omission procures, aids or abets such violation,
 27 shall incur a cumulative civil penalty in the amount of three
 28 dollars per day, per each violation, plus billable costs of the
 29 Building and Land Development Division, Department of Planning
 30 and Community ((and-Environmental)) Development, from the date
 31 set for compliance until such violation is corrected or such
 32 notice of violation is complied with. All civil penalties and
 33 appeals will be enforced in accordance with the procedures

1 specified in (~~the Uniform Housing Code, 1973 Edition, as amended~~
 2 ~~and adopted by this ordinance.~~) KCC Title 23, Enforcement.

3 SECTION 7. Ordinance 2097, Section 8, and KCC 17.04.080,
 4 are each amended to read as follows:

5 UNIFORM FIRE CODE (~~(PAGES 71 and 72)~~) ARTICLE 12, FIREWORKS,
 6 is hereby repealed. (For control of fireworks see (~~Chapter~~)
 7 KCC 6.26 (~~(of this county code)~~)).

8 SECTION 8. Ordinance 2097, Section 9, and KCC 17.04.090 are
 9 each amended to read as follows:

10 UNIFORM FIRE CODE, (~~(PAGE 75)~~) SECTION 13.208, REQUIRED
 11 VERTICAL DRIVEWAY CLEARANCE, is amended to read as follows: Acces
 12 driveways serving buildings or property located more than one
 13 hundred fifty (150) feet from a street shall have a vertical
 14 clearance of not less than twelve (12) feet above the finished
 15 driveway surface.

16 EXCEPTION: Groups R-3 and M Occupancies as specified in the
 17 Building Code.

18 Where auxiliary means of access or fire protective measures,
 19 approved by the Fire Marshal, are provided, the above required
 20 clearance may be modified or waived.

21 Fire lanes shall be established at buildings as required by
 22 the Fire Marshal. Such fire lanes shall be maintained with
 23 adequate height and width to allow access, and have a surface
 24 capable of supporting fire apparatus. Fire lanes shall be appro-
 25 priately marked and obstruction of fire lanes is prohibited by
 26 other than emergency vehicles.

27 Obstruction of a fire lane by a parked vehicle or any other
 28 object shall be deemed a public nuisance and immediate hazard to
 29 life and property; upon a signed complaint by the Fire Marshal,
 30 his authorized designee, or the Chief of the Fire District, it
 31 shall be abated immediately without prior notification to the
 32 owner of the obstructing vehicle or object.

1 SECTION 9. Ordinance 2097, Section 10, and KCC 17.04.100
2 are each amended to read as follows:

3 UNIFORM FIRE CODE, ((PAGE-77;)) SECTION 13.307, FIRE ALARM
4 SYSTEMS, is amended by adding a new subsection as follows: (e)
5 FIRE DRILLS. Fire drills shall be held at least once a month in
6 educational occupancies where such occupancies constitute the
7 major occupancy of a building and at least once every two months
8 in institutional occupancies where such occupancies constitute the
9 major occupancy of a building. During severe weather, fire drills
10 may be postponed. A record of all fire drills shall be kept by
11 the person in charge of such occupancies. Records of fire drills
12 shall include the time and date of each drill held.

13 In educational occupancies fire drills shall include complete
14 evacuation of all persons from the building. In institutional
15 occupancies fire drills shall be conducted to familiarize operat-
16 ing personnel with their assigned positions of emergency duty;
17 complete evacuation of occupants from the building at the time of
18 the fire drill shall be required only where it is practicable and
19 does not involve moving or disturbing persons under medical care.

20 SECTION 10. Ordinance 2097, Section 11, and KCC 17.04.110,
21 are each amended to read as follows:

22 UNIFORM FIRE CODE, ((PAGE-129)) SECTION 15.704, DISPENSING
23 SERVICES, SUB-SECTION (b) SUPERVISION, is hereby amended to read
24 as follows: Every service station open to the public shall have
25 an attendant or supervisor on duty whenever the station is open
26 for business.

27 1. If the dispensing of Class 1 liquids at a service station
28 available and open to the public is to be done by a person other
29 than the service station attendant, the nozzle shall be a listed
30 automatic closing type without latch open device.

31 SECTION 11. Ordinance 2097, Section 12, and KCC 17.04.120
32 are each amended to read as follows:

1 UNIFORM FIRE CODE ((PAGES ~~135~~ and ~~136~~) SECTION 15.710,
2 MARINE SERVICE STATIONS, SUB-SECTION (d) DISPENSING, paragraph 3,
3 is amended to read as follows: Dispensing of flammable or com-
4 bustible liquids into the fuel tanks of marine craft shall be by
5 means of an approved type hose, equipped with a listed automatic
6 closing nozzle without a latch open device.

7 SECTION 12. Ordinance 2087, Section 13 and KCC 17.04.130
8 are each amended to read as follows:

9 A new section is hereby added to the UNIFORM FIRE CODE,
10 ((PAGE 210)) ARTICLE 31, WELDING AND CUTTING, CALCIUM CARBIDE
11 AND ACETYLENE, to read as follows:

12 SECTION 31.114. PERMIT REQUIRED. A "no fee" permit shall
13 be required of each company, corporation, co-partnership or
14 owner-operator performing welding or cutting operations. This
15 permit shall not be required for each welding or cutting job
16 location. The company, corporation, co-partnership or owner-
17 operator shall notify the Bureau of Fire Prevention in advance
18 where such work is taking place, except where such work is done
19 in response to an emergency call that does not allow time for
20 the Bureau of Fire Prevention to be notified in advance of the
21 work.

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SECTION 13. Ordinance 3087, Section 7, and KCC 17.08.060 are each amended to read as follows:

Fire Flow Criteria. Required fire flows determined by the fire marshall shall be based on criteria set forth in the Guide for Determination of Required Fire Flow 1974 Edition published by the Insurance Service Office. Such required fire flow shall be for a minimum of two hours of continuous flow, except that this requirement shall not apply to those projects which have previously received letters of approval for the adequacy of water of water supply in regards to fire flow from the King County Fire Marshal as of the effective date of this ordinance.

INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 13th day of March, 1978.

PASSED this 3rd day of April, 1978.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Bernice Stern
Chairman

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Clerk of the Council

APPROVED this 5th day of April, 1978.

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King County Executive