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AN ORDINANCE relating to zoning; and amending K.C.C. 21A.08.040, Ordinance 10870, Section 332, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.08.050, Ordinance 10870, Section 333, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.08.060, Ordinance 10870, Section 424, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.20.060, Ordinance 10870, Section 427, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.20.080 and Ordinance 13130, Section 3, and K.C.C. 21A.32.045.

SECTION 1. Ordinance 10870, Section 332, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.08.050 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

A. General services land uses.

KEY		RESOURCE			RESIDENTIAL				COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL								
P-Permitted Use		A	F	M	R	U	R	U	R	N	B	C	B	R	B	O	I
C-Conditional Use		G	O	I	U	R	E	R	E	E	U	O	U	E	U	F	N
S-Special Use	Z	R	R	N	R	B	S	B	S	I	S	M	S	G	S	F	D
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	N	C	S	R	L	N	R	N	D	H	N	U	N	O	N	C	S
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		R							A	O							L
		E							L	O							
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SIC#	SPECIFIC LAND USE	A	F	M	RA	UR	R1-8	R12-4	NB	CB	RB	O	I				
	<b>PERS ONAL SERVICES:</b>																
72	General Personal Service						C25 C37		P	P	P	P3	P3				
7216	Drycleaning Plants												P				
7218	Industrial Laund erers												P				
7261	Funeral Home/ Cremat ory					C4	C4	C4		P	P						
*	Cemet ery, Columbarium or Mausoleum				P2431	P24C5	P24C5	P24C	P24	P24	P24C5	P24					
*	Day Care I	P6			P6	P6	P6	P	P	P	P	P7	P7				
*	Day Care II				P8C	P8C	P8C	P8C	P	P	P	P7	P7				
074	Veterin ary Clinic	P9			P9C31	P9C10			P10	P10	P10		P				
753	Autom otive Repair (1)								P11	P	P		P				

754	Automotive Service							P11	P	P		P
76	Miscellaneous Repairs	C33			P32 C	P32	P32	P32	P	P		P
866	Church, Synagogue, Temple				P12 C	P12 C	P12 C	P	P	P		P
83	Social Services (2)				P12 C	P12 C	P13	P	P	P		P
*	Stable	P14 C			P14 C	P14 C						
0752	Animal speciality services				C P	C		P	P	P	P	P
*	Kennel or Cattery	P9			C	C			C	P		
*	Theatrical Production Services								P30	P28		
*	Artist Studios				P28	P28	P28	P	P	P	P29	P
*	Interim Recycling Facility				P21	P21	P21	P22	P22	P	P21	P
*	Dog training facility	C34			C34	C34		P	P	P		P
	<b>HEALTH SERVICES:</b>											
801-04	Office/Outpatient Clinic				P12 C	P12 C	P12 C	P	P	P	P	P
805	Nursing and Personal Care Facilities						C		P	P		
806	Hospital						C13		P	P	C	
807	Medical/Dental Lab								P	P	P	P
808-09	Miscellaneous Health								P	P	P	
	<b>EDUCATION SERVICES:</b>											

*	Elementary School				P15 a	P	P		P16c	P16c	P16c	
*	Middle/Junior High School				P16 31	P	P		P16c	P16c	P16c	
*	Secondary or High School				P16 26 and	P26	P26		P16c C	P16c C	P16c	
*	Vocational School				P13	P13 C	P13 C			P	P17	P
*	Specialized Instruction School		P18		P19 and 31	P19 C20	P19 C20	P	P	P	P17	P
*	School District Support Facility				P16 23 and	P23 C	P23 C		P	P	P	P
<b>GENERAL CROSS REFERENCES:</b>		Land Use Table Instructions, see K.C.C. 21A.08.020 and 21A.02.070; Development Standards, see K.C.C. chapters 21A.12 through 21A.30; General Provisions, see K.C.C. chapters 21A.32 through 21A.38; Application and Review Procedures, see K.C.C. chapters 21A.40 through 21A.44; (*)Definition of this specific Land Use, see K.C.C. chapter 21A.06.										

B. Development conditions.

1. Except SIC Industry No. 7534-Tire Retreading, see manufacturing permitted use table.
2. Except SIC Industry Group Nos.:
  - a. 835-Day Care Services, and
  - b. 836-Residential Care, which is otherwise provided for on the residential permitted land use table.
3. Limited to SIC Industry Group and Industry Nos.:
  - a. 723-Beauty Shops;
  - b. 724-Barber Shops;
  - c. 725-Shoe Repair Shops and Shoeshine Parlors;
  - d. 7212-Garment Pressing and Agents for Laundries and Drycleaners; and
  - e. 217-Carpet and Upholstery Cleaning.
4. Only as an accessory to a cemetery, and prohibited from the UR zone only if the property is located within a designated unincorporated Rural Town.
5. Structures shall maintain a minimum distance of one hundred feet from property lines adjoining

residential zones.

6. Only as an accessory to residential use, and:

a. Outdoor play areas shall be completely enclosed by a solid wall or fence, with no openings except for gates, and have a minimum height of six feet; and

b. Outdoor play equipment shall maintain a minimum distance of twenty feet from property lines adjoining residential zones.

7. Permitted as an accessory use. See commercial/industrial accessory, K.C.C. 21A.08.060.A.

8. Only as a reuse of a public school facility subject to K.C.C. chapter 21A.32, or an accessory use to a school, church, park, sport club or public housing administered by a public agency, and:

a. Outdoor play areas shall be completely enclosed by a solid wall or fence, with no openings except for gates and have a minimum height of six feet;

b. Outdoor play equipment shall maintain a minimum distance of twenty feet from property lines adjoining residential zones;

c. Direct access to a developed arterial street shall be required in any residential zone; and

d. Hours of operation may be restricted to assure compatibility with surrounding development.

9.a. As a home occupation only, but the square footage limitations in K.C.C. chapter 21A.30 for home occupations apply only to the office space for the veterinary clinic, office space for the kennel or office space for the cattery, and:

(1) Boarding or overnight stay of animals is allowed only on sites of five acres or more;

(2) No burning of refuse or dead animals is allowed;

(3) The portion of the building or structure in which animals are kept or treated shall be soundproofed. All run areas, excluding confinement areas for livestock, shall be surrounded by an eight-foot-high solid wall and the floor area shall be surfaced with concrete or other impervious material; and

(4) The provisions of K.C.C. chapter 21A.30 relative to animal keeping are met.

b. The following additional provisions apply to kennels or catteries in the A zone:

- (1) Impervious surface for the kennel or cattery shall not exceed twelve thousand square feet;
- (2) Obedience training classes are not allowed except as provided in subsection B.34. of this

section; and

(3) Any buildings or structures used for housing animals and any outdoor runs shall be set back one hundred and fifty feet from property lines.

10.a. No burning of refuse or dead animals is allowed;

b. The portion of the building or structure in which animals are kept or treated shall be soundproofed.

All run areas, excluding confinement areas for livestock, shall be surrounded by an eight-foot-high solid wall and the floor area shall be surfaced with concrete or other impervious material; and

c. The provisions of K.C.C. chapter 21A.30 relative to animal keeping are met.

11. The repair work or service shall only be performed in an enclosed building, and no outdoor storage of materials. SIC Industry No. 7532-Top, Body, and Upholstery Repair Shops and Paint Shops is not allowed.

12. Only as a reuse of a public school facility subject to K.C.C. chapter 21A.32.

13.a. Except as otherwise provided in 13.b of this subsection, ((Θ))only as a reuse of a surplus nonresidential facility subject to K.C.C. chapter 21A.32.

b. Allowed for a social service agency on a site in the NB zone that serves transitional or low-income housing located within three hundred feet of the site on which the social service agency is located.

14. Covered riding arenas are subject to K.C.C. 21A.30.030 and shall not exceed twenty thousand square feet, but stabling areas, whether attached or detached, shall not be counted in this calculation.

15. Limited to projects which do not require or result in an expansion of sewer service outside the urban growth area, unless a finding is made that no cost-effective alternative technologies are feasible, in which case a tightline sewer sized only to meet the needs of the public school, as defined in RCW 28A.150.010, or the school facility and serving only the public school or the school facility may be used. New public high schools

shall be permitted subject to the review process set forth in K.C.C. 21A.42.140.

16.a. For middle or junior high schools and secondary or high schools or school facilities, only as a reuse of a public school facility or school facility subject to K.C.C. chapter 21A.32. An expansion of such a school or a school facility shall be subject to approval of a conditional use permit and the expansion shall not require or result in an extension of sewer service outside the urban growth area, unless a finding is made that no cost-effective alternative technologies are feasible, in which case a tightline sewer sized only to meet the needs of the public school, as defined in RCW 28A.150.010, or the school facility may be used.

b. Renovation, expansion, modernization or reconstruction of a school, a school facility, or the addition of relocatable facilities, is permitted but shall not require or result in an expansion of sewer service outside the urban growth area, unless a finding is made that no cost-effective alternative technologies are feasible, in which case a tightline sewer sized only to meet the needs of the public school, as defined in RCW 28A.150.010, or the school facility may be used.

c. In CB, RB and O, for K-12 schools with no more than one hundred students.

17. All instruction must be within an enclosed structure.

18. Limited to resource management education programs.

19. Only as an accessory to residential use, and:

a. Students shall be limited to twelve per one-hour session;

b. Except as provided in subsection c. of this subsection, ((A))all instruction must be within an enclosed structure; ~~((and))~~

c. Outdoor instruction may be allowed on properties at least two and one-half acres in size. Any outdoor activity must comply with the requirements for setbacks in K.C.C. chapter 21A.12; and

d. Structures used for the school shall maintain a distance of twenty-five feet from property lines adjoining residential zones.

20. Subject to the following:

- a. Structures used for the school and accessory uses shall maintain a minimum distance of twenty-five feet from property lines adjoining residential zones;
- b. On lots over two and one-half acres:
- (1) Retail sale of items related to the instructional courses is permitted, if total floor area for retail sales is limited to two thousand square feet;
  - (2) Sale of food prepared in the instructional courses is permitted with Seattle-King County department of public health approval, if total floor area for food sales is limited to one thousand square feet and is located in the same structure as the school; and
  - (3) Other incidental student-supporting uses are allowed, if such uses are found to be both compatible with and incidental to the principal use; and
- c. On sites over ten acres, located in a designated Rural Town and zoned any one or more of UR, R-1 and R-4:
- (1) Retail sale of items related to the instructional courses is permitted, provided total floor area for retail sales is limited to two thousand square feet;
  - (2) Sale of food prepared in the instructional courses is permitted with Seattle-King County department of public health approval, if total floor area for food sales is limited to one thousand seven hundred fifty square feet and is located in the same structure as the school;
  - (3) Other incidental student-supporting uses are allowed, if the uses are found to be functionally related, subordinate, compatible with and incidental to the principal use;
  - (4) The use shall be integrated with allowable agricultural uses on the site;
  - (5) Advertised special events shall comply with the temporary use requirements of this chapter; and
  - (6) Existing structures that are damaged or destroyed by fire or natural event, if damaged by more than fifty percent of their prior value, may reconstruct and expand an additional sixty-five percent of the original floor area but need not be approved as a conditional use if their use otherwise complies with



development condition B.20.c. of this section and this title.

21. Limited to drop box facilities accessory to a public or community use such as a school, fire station or community center.

22. With the exception of drop box facilities for the collection and temporary storage of recyclable materials, all processing and storage of material shall be within enclosed buildings. Yard waste processing is not permitted.

23. Only if adjacent to an existing or proposed school.

24. Limited to columbariums accessory to a church, but required landscaping and parking shall not be reduced.

25. Not permitted in R-1 and limited to a maximum of five thousand square feet per establishment and subject to the additional requirements in K.C.C. 21A.12.230.

26.a. New high schools shall be permitted in the rural and the urban residential and urban reserve zones subject to the review process in K.C.C. 21A.42.140.

b. Renovation, expansion, modernization, or reconstruction of a school, or the addition of relocatable facilities, is permitted.

27. Limited to projects that do not require or result in an expansion of sewer service outside the urban growth area. In addition, such use shall not be permitted in the RA-20 zone.

28. Only as a reuse of a surplus nonresidential facility subject to K.C.C. chapter 21A.32 or as a joint use of an existing public school facility.

29. All studio use must be within an enclosed structure.

30. Adult use facilities shall be prohibited within six hundred sixty feet of any residential zones, any other adult use facility, school, licensed daycare centers, parks, community centers, public libraries or churches that conduct religious or educational classes for minors.

31. Subject to review and approval of conditions to comply with trail corridor provisions of K.C.C.

chapter 21A.14 when located in an RA zone.

32. Limited to repair of sports and recreation equipment:

- a. as an accessory to a large active recreation and multiuse park in the urban growth area; or
- b. as an accessory to a park, or a large active recreation and multiuse park in the RA zones, and

limited to a total floor area of seven hundred fifty square feet.

33. Accessory to agricultural or forestry uses provided:

- a. the repair of tools and machinery is limited to those necessary for the operation of a farm or forest.
- b. the lot is at least five acres.
- c. the size of the total repair use is limited to one percent of the lot size up to a maximum of five

thousand square feet unless located in a farm structure, including but not limited to barns, existing as of December 31, 2003.

34. Subject to the following:

- a. the lot is at least five acres.
- b. in the A zones, area used for dog training shall be located on portions of agricultural lands that are unsuitable for other agricultural purposes, such as areas within the already developed portion of such agricultural lands that are not available for direct agricultural production or areas without prime agricultural soils.

c. structures and areas used for dog training shall maintain a minimum distance of seventy-five feet from property lines.

d. all training activities shall be conducted within fenced areas or in indoor facilities. Fences must be sufficient to contain the dogs.

35. Limited to animal rescue shelters and provided that:

- a. the property shall be at least four acres;
- b. buildings used to house rescued animals shall be no less than fifty feet from property lines;

c. outdoor animal enclosure areas shall be located no less than thirty feet from property lines and shall be fenced in a manner sufficient to contain the animals;

d. the facility shall be operated by a nonprofit organization registered under the Internal Revenue Code as a 501(c)(3) organization; and

e. the facility shall maintain normal hours of operation no earlier than 7 a.m. and no later than 7 p.m.

36. Limited to kennel-free dog boarding and daycare facilities, and:

a. the property shall be at least five acres;

b. buildings housing dogs shall be no less than seventy-five feet from property lines;

c. outdoor exercise areas shall be located no less than thirty feet from property lines and shall be fenced in a manner sufficient to contain the dogs;

d. the number of dogs allowed shall be limited to twenty-five, consistent with the provisions for hobby kennels as outline in K.C.C. 11.04.060.B;

e. training and grooming are ancillary services which may be provided only to dogs staying at the facility;

f. the facility shall maintain normal hours of operation no earlier than 7 a.m. and no later than 7 p.m.;  
and

g. no new facility shall be permitted to be established after one year from the effective date of this ordinance.

37. Not permitted in R-1 and subject to the additional requirements in section 30 of this ordinance.

SECTION 2. Ordinance 10870, Section 333, as amended and K.C.C. 21A.08.060 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

A. Government/business services land uses.

B. Development conditions.

1. Except self-service storage.

2. Except SIC Industry No. 8732-Commercial Economic, Sociological, and Educational Research, see general business service/office.

3.a. Only as a re-use of a public school facility or a surplus nonresidential facility subject to the provisions of K.C.C. chapter 21A.32; or

b. only when accessory to a fire facility and the office is no greater than one thousand five hundred square feet of floor area.

4. Only as a re-use of a surplus nonresidential facility subject to K.C.C. chapter 21A.32.

5. New utility office locations only if there is no commercial/industrial zoning in the utility district, and not in the RA-10 or RA-20 zones unless it is demonstrated that no feasible alternative location is possible, and provided further that this condition applies to the UR zone only if the property is located within a designated unincorporated Rural Town.

6.a. All buildings and structures shall maintain a minimum distance of twenty feet from property lines adjoining residential zones;

b. Any buildings from which fire-fighting equipment emerges onto a street shall maintain a distance of thirty-five feet from such street;

c. No outdoor storage; and

d. Excluded from the RA-10 and RA-20 zones unless it is demonstrated that no feasible alternative location is possible.

7. Limited to storefront police offices. Such offices shall not have:

a. holding cells,

b. suspect interview rooms (except in the NB zone), or

c. long-term storage of stolen properties.

8. Private stormwater management facilities serving development proposals located on commercial/industrial zoned lands shall also be located on commercial/industrial lands, unless participating in

an approved shared facility drainage plan. Such facilities serving development within an area designated urban in the King County Comprehensive Plan shall only be located in the urban area.

9. No outdoor storage of materials.

10. Limited to office uses.

11. Limited to self-service household moving truck or trailer rental accessory to a gasoline service station.

12. Limited to self-service household moving truck or trailer rental accessory to a gasoline service station and SIC Industry No. 4215-Courier Services, except by air.

13. Limited to SIC Industry No. 4215-Courier Services, except by air.

14. Accessory to an apartment development of at least twelve units provided:

a. The gross floor area in self service storage shall not exceed the total gross floor area of the apartment dwellings on the site;

b. All outdoor lights shall be deflected, shaded and focused away from all adjoining property;

c. The use of the facility shall be limited to dead storage of household goods;

d. No servicing or repair of motor vehicles, boats, trailers, lawn mowers or similar equipment;

e. No outdoor storage or storage of flammable liquids, highly combustible or explosive materials or hazardous chemicals;

f. No residential occupancy of the storage units;

g. No business activity other than the rental of storage units; and

h. A resident director shall be required on the site and shall be responsible for maintaining the operation of the facility in conformance with the conditions of approval.

15.a. The floor area devoted to warehousing, refrigeration or storage shall not exceed two thousand square feet;

b. Structures and areas used for warehousing, refrigeration and storage shall maintain a minimum

distance of seventy-five feet from property lines adjoining residential zones; and

c. Warehousing, refrigeration and storage is limited to agricultural products and sixty percent or more of the products must be grown or processed in the Puget Sound counties. At the time of the initial application, the applicant shall submit a projection of the source of products to be included in the warehousing, refrigeration or storage.

16. Only as an accessory use to another permitted use.

17. No outdoor storage.

18. Only as an accessory use to a public agency or utility yard, or to a transfer station.

19. Limited to new commuter parking lots designed for thirty or fewer parking spaces or commuter parking lots located on existing parking lots for churches, schools, or other permitted nonresidential uses that have excess capacity available during commuting; provided that the new or existing lot is adjacent to a designated arterial that has been improved to a standard acceptable to the department of transportation;

20. No tow-in lots for damaged, abandoned or otherwise impounded vehicles.

21. No dismantling or salvage of damaged, abandoned or otherwise impounded vehicles.

22. Storage limited to accessory storage of commodities sold at retail on the premises or materials used in the fabrication of commodities sold on the premises.

23. Limited to emergency medical evacuation sites in conjunction with police, fire or health service facility. Helistops are prohibited from the UR zone only if the property is located within a designated unincorporated Rural Town.

24. Allowed as accessory to an allowed use.

25. Limited to private road ambulance services with no outside storage of vehicles.

26. Limited to two acres or less.

27a. Utility yards only on sites with utility district offices; or

b. Public agency yards are limited to material storage for road maintenance facilities.

28. Limited to bulk gas storage tanks that pipe to individual residences but excluding liquefied natural gas storage tanks.

29. Excluding bulk gas storage tanks.

30. For I-zoned sites located outside the urban growth area designated by the King County Comprehensive Plan, uses shall be subject to the provisions for rural industrial uses in K.C.C. chapter 21A.12.

31. Vector waste treatment, storage and disposal shall be limited to liquid materials. Materials shall be disposed of directly into a sewer system, or shall be stored in tanks (or other covered structures), as well as enclosed buildings.

32. Provided:

a. Off-street required parking for a land use located in the urban area must be located in the urban area;

b. Off-street required parking for a land use located in the rural area must be located in the rural area; and

c.(1) Except as provided in 32.c.(2) of this subsection, ((Θ))off-street required parking must be located on a lot that would permit, either outright or through a land use permit approval process, the land use the off-street parking will serve.

(2) For a social service agency allowed under K.C.C. 21A.08.050B.13.b. to be located on a site in the NB zone, off-street required parking may be located on a site within three hundred feet of the social service agency, regardless of zoning classification of the site on which the parking is located.

33. Subject to review and approval of conditions to comply with trail corridor provisions of K.C.C. chapter 21A.14 when located in an RA zone.

34. Limited to landscape and horticultural services (SIC 078) that are accessory to a retail nursery, garden supply center and farm supply. Construction equipment for the accessory use shall not be stored on the premises.

35. Allowed as a primary or accessory use to an allowed industrial-zoned land use.

36. Accessory to agricultural uses provided:

a. In the RA zones and on lots less than thirty-five acres in the A zone, the floor area devoted to warehousing, refrigeration or storage shall not exceed three thousand five hundred square feet unless located in a building designated as historic resource under K.C.C. chapter 20.62;

b. On lots at least thirty-five acres in the A zones, the floor area devoted to warehousing, refrigeration or storage shall not exceed seven thousand square feet unless located in a building designated as historic resource under K.C.C. chapter 20.62;

c. In the A zones, structures and areas used for warehousing, refrigeration and storage shall be located on portions of agricultural lands that are unsuitable for other agricultural purposes, such as areas within the already developed portion of such agricultural lands that are not available for direct agricultural production, or areas without prime agricultural soils;

d. Structures and areas used for warehousing, refrigeration or storage shall maintain a minimum distance of seventy-five feet from property lines adjoining residential zones; and

e. Warehousing, refrigeration and storage is limited to agricultural products and sixty percent or more of the products must be grown or processed in the Puget Sound counties. At the time of the initial application, the applicant shall submit a projection of the source of products to be included in the warehousing, refrigeration or storage.

37. Use shall be limited to the NB zone on parcels outside of the Urban Growth Area, Rural Towns and Rural Neighborhoods and the building floor area devoted to such use shall not exceed ten thousand square feet.

SECTION 3. Ordinance 10870, Section 424, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.20.060 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

A. All signs, except billboards, community bulletin boards, community identification signs, political



signs, real estate signs and special event signs, shall be on-premise signs, except that signs located on lots without public street frontage in business, office and industrial zones may have one off-premise directional sign of no more than sixteen square feet.

B. Fuel price signs shall not be included in sign area or number limitations of K.C.C. 21A.20.090, 21A.20.095, 21A.20.100 and 21A.20.110, but only if the signs do not exceed twenty square feet per street frontage.

C. Except as otherwise provided in K.C.C. 21A.20.115, projecting and awning signs and signs mounted on the sloping portion of roofs shall not be permitted for uses in the Resource and Residential zones. In other zones, projecting and awning signs and signs mounted on the sloping portion of roofs may be used in lieu of wall signs, but only if:

1. They maintain a minimum clearance of eight feet above finished grade;
2. They do not project more than six feet perpendicular from the supporting building facade;
3. They meet the standards of K.C.C. 21A.20.060J. if mounted on the roof of a building; and
4. They shall not exceed the number or size permitted for wall signs in a zone.

D. Changing message center signs, and time and temperature signs, which can be a wall or freestanding sign, shall not exceed the size permitted for a wall or freestanding sign(~~, and~~). Changing message center signs shall be permitted for all uses only in the NB, CB, RB, O and I zones and only for elementary, middle, junior, secondary, and high schools and colleges and universities in the RA zone. Changing message center signs and time and temperature signs shall not exceed the maximum sign height permitted in the zone.

E. Directional signs shall not be included in the sign area or number limitation of K.C.C. 21A.20.070, 21A.20.095, 21A.20.100 and 21A.20.110, but only if the signs do not exceed six square feet in surface area and are limited to one for each entrance or exit to surface parking areas or parking structure.

F. Regarding sign illumination and glare:

1. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, ((A))all signs may be illuminated;

2. The light source for indirectly illuminated signs shall be no farther away from the sign than the height of the sign;
  3. Indirectly and directly illuminated signs shall be arranged so that no direct rays of light are projected from such artificial source into residences or any street right-of-way;
  4. Electrical requirements for signs shall be governed by chapter 19.28 RCW and WAC 296-46-910; and
  5. Signs with an on/off operation shall be permitted only in the CB, RB and I zones.
- G. Maximum height for wall signs shall not extend above the highest exterior wall or structure upon which the sign is located.
- H. Maximum height for projecting signs shall not extend above the highest exterior wall upon which the projecting sign is located.
- I. Maximum height for awning signs shall not extend above the height of the awning upon which the awning sign is located.
- J. Any sign attached to the sloping surface of a roof shall be installed or erected in such a manner that there are no visible support structures, shall appear to be part of the building itself, and shall not extend above the roof ridge line of the portion of the roof upon which the sign is attached.
- K. Except as otherwise permitted by this chapter, off-premise directional signs shall not exceed four square feet in sign area.
- L. Mixed use developments in the NB, CB, RB or O zones are permitted one permanent residential identification sign not exceeding thirty-two square feet in addition to the maximum sign area requirements in the zone where the mixed use development is located.

SECTION 4. Ordinance 10870, Section 427, as amended, and K.C.C. 21A.20.080 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

Except as otherwise provided in K.C.C. 21A.20.115, signs in the R, UR and RA zones are limited as

follows:

A. Nonresidential use:

1. One indirectly illuminated sign identifying nonresidential uses, not exceeding twenty-five square feet and not exceeding six feet in height is permitted; and

2. Schools are permitted one sign per school or school facility entrance, which may be located in the setback. Two additional wall signs attached directly to the school or school facility are permitted. Changing message center signs, if allowed under K.C.C. 21A.20.060, shall be limited to hours of operation between 7 a.m. and 10 p.m.(;

~~3. Home occupation and home industry signs are limited to:~~

~~a. wall signs not exceeding ten percent of the building façade on which they are located; and~~

~~b. one freestanding sign not exceeding six square feet for each street frontage of at least one hundred feet.)~~

B. Residential use:

1. One residential identification sign not exceeding two square feet is permitted; ~~((and))~~

2. One permanent residential development identification sign not exceeding thirty-two square feet is permitted for each entrance into a development. The maximum height for the sign shall be six feet. The sign may be freestanding or mounted on a wall, fence or other structure; and

3. Home occupation and home industry signs are limited to:

a. one nonilluminated wall sign not exceeding ten percent of the building façade on which they are located; and

b. in the RA zone, one nonilluminated freestanding sign not exceeding twenty-four square feet and a maximum height of six feet.

SECTION 5. Ordinance 13130, Section 3, and K.C.C. 21A.32.045 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

A nonconforming use ((which)) that has been discontinued or a nonconforming structure or site improvement ((which)) that has been damaged or destroyed, may be re-established or reconstructed if:

A. The nonconforming use, structure, or site improvement ((which)) that previously existed is not expanded;

B. A new nonconformance is not created; and

C.1. The use has not been discontinued for more than twelve months prior to its re-establishment, or the nonconforming structure or site improvement is reconstructed pursuant to a complete permit application submitted to the department within twelve months of the occurrence of damage or destruction; or

2. If the use has been discontinued for more than twelve months, the applicant provides documentation that demonstrates to the satisfaction of the department that there was no intent to abandon the use. Documentation may include, but is not limited to, requests for approvals necessary to reestablish the use or structure submitted to appropriate county, state and federal agencies within twelve months after the use was discontinued. A statement from the property owner that merely states that there is no intent to abandon is not sufficient documentation without a showing of additional actions taken by the property owner to reestablish the use or structure.

SECTION 6. Pursuant to K.C.C. 20.44.080, the metropolitan King County council finds that the requirements for environmental analysis, protections and mitigation measures in the chapters of K.C.C. Title 21A amended by this ordinance, provide adequate analysis of and mitigation for the specific adverse environmental impacts to which the requirements apply.

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

30 days prior  
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