CITY OF SAMMAMISH
WASHINGTON
ORDINANCE NO. O2003-125

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SAMMAMISH, WASHINGTON, AMENDING KING COUNTY CODE SECTION 17.04.070(J), AS ADOPTED BY CITY OF SAMMAMISH ORDINANCE NO. O2000-64, TO INCREASE THE PENALTIES FOR BLOCKING A FIRE LANE OR FAILING TO MARK OR MAINTAIN A FIRE LANE

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted a Criminal Code by means of Ordinance No. O2000-52; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. O2000-64 amended the City’s Criminal Code by adopting parts J, K, and L of King County Code (“KCC”) Section 17.04.070, which made blocking a fire lane or failing to mark or maintain a fire lane a civil infraction; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that blocking or failing to mark or maintain fire lanes presents a risk to the health, safety, and welfare of the public and the City’s Firefighters; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the penalties for such violations set forth in KCC 17.04.070(J) do not act as a sufficient deterrent to the blocking or failing to mark or maintain fire lanes,

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAMMAMISH, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. KCC 17.04.070(J) Amended. King County Code Section 17.04.070(J), as adopted by City of Sammamish Ordinance No. O2000-64, is hereby amended to read as follows:

J. Violation - Civil infraction. Any person who fails to mark or maintain the marking of a designated fire lane as prescribed in this chapter, or who parks a vehicle in, allows the parking of a vehicle in, obstructs, or allows the obstruction of a designated fire lane commits a civil infraction to which the provisions of RCW 7.80 shall apply. The penalty for failing to mark or maintain the marking of a designated fire lane shall be one hundred and fifty dollars per day. The penalty for parking a vehicle in, allowing the parking of a vehicle in, obstructing, or allowing the obstruction of a designated fire lane shall be two hundred and fifty dollars.

Section 2. Severability. Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance, or its application to any person or circumstance, be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid for any reason, or should any portion of this Ordinance be pre-empted by state or federal law or regulation, such decision or pre-emption shall not affect the validity of the remaining
portions of this Ordinance or its application to other persons or circumstances.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be published in the official newspaper of the City, and shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after the date of publication.


CITY OF SAMMAMISH

[Signature]
Mayor Kenneth J. Kilroy

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

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Melanie Anderson, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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Bruce L. Disend, City Attorney

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