

CITY OF GIG HARBOR

ORDINANCE NO. 585

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO AND REGULATING THE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF SIGNS: AMENDING SECTION 17.80.070 OF THE GIG HARBOR MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT PROVISIONS.

WHEREAS, the existing sign code does not adequately regulate the enforcement of the unauthorized installation and placement of certain types of signs, and

WHEREAS, it is the interest of the city council to have the sign code equitably and effectively administered and enforced,

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Gig Harbor, Washington, ORDAINS as follows:

Section 1. Section 17.80.070 of the Gig Harbor Municipal Code is hereby enacted to read as follows:

"17.80.070 Administration and Enforcement. The code administrator shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of this code.

A. Removal of Signs. The Code Administrator may order the removal of any sign erected, installed or maintained in violation of this ordinance. He/she shall give written notice specifying the violation to the holder to the sign permit, or the owner of the property where the sign is erected, to correct said violation or remove the sign within thirty (30) days. In the event the violation is not corrected within thirty (30) days, a citation shall be issued to the owner of the sign or the owner of the property where the sign is located. If, in the opinion of the code administrator, the condition of the sign presents an immediate threat to the safety of the public, the enforcing officer may cause immediate removal of the sign at cost to the owner of the premises. A sidewalk/sandwich board sign placed in non-compliance of this code shall be subject to removal by order of the city's code enforcement officer after providing a two (2) day written notice. Failure to remove any non-complying sidewalk/sandwich board sign(s) located within the city's right-of-way after order and notice from the code enforcement officer shall subject such non-complying sign(s) to immediate removal by the city in addition to civil

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penalties as provided under the code. Such confiscated signs may be reclaimed by the owner from the city after paying a fifty dollar (\$50) fee.

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Section 2. This ordinance shall be and is hereby declared to be in full force and effect five (5) days after official publication of the ordinance.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Gig Harbor, Washington, and approved by its Mayor at a regular meeting of the council held on this 27th day of August, 1990.



Gretchen A. Wilbert, Mayor

ATTEST:



Michael R. Wilson
City Administrator/Clerk

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