

**CITY OF KENMORE
WASHINGTON
ORDINANCE NO. 25-0640**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KENMORE, WASHINGTON, AMENDING ORDINANCE 22-0543, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE 22-0555, ORDINANCE 23-0569, ORDINANCE 23-0575, ORDINANCE 23-0586, ORDINANCE 24-0606, ORDINANCE 24-0612, ORDINANCE 25-0625 ORDINANCE 25-0629 AND ORDINANCE 25-0638 TO EXTEND AND RENEW FOR AN ADDITIONAL SIX-MONTH PERIOD THE CITY'S INTERIM REGULATIONS RELATING TO THE TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT (TOD) DISTRICT OVERLAY APPLICABLE TO CERTAIN REAL PROPERTIES IDENTIFIED BY THE FOLLOWING TAX PARCEL (TPN): TPN 086650-0000, TPN 670540-0000, TPN 182260-0000, TPN 011410-0841, TPN 011410-0843, TPN 011410-0850, TPN 011410-0855, TPN 011410-0860, TPN 011410-0865, TPN 011410-0885, TPN 011410-0870, TPN 011410-0881, TPN 011410-0889; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Ordinance 15-0406, which established the Transit Oriented Development (TOD) District Overlay, which is codified at Chapter 18.29 of the Kenmore Municipal Code (KMC); and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the TOD District Overlay is to reinforce the City's planned concentrations of pedestrian-oriented mixed-use development at intensities that support and are supported by multi-modal transportation options, including high-capacity transit; and

WHEREAS, the City has directed the Planning Commission to review the City's TOD District Overlay regulations as part of the State-mandated Comprehensive Plan update; and

WHEREAS, the City became aware of the potential of lower density projects within the TOD District Overlay area, which would interfere with the City's intended planning for the TOD District Overlay area; and

WHEREAS, on August 16, 2021, the City Council adopted public emergency Ordinance 21-0533 that established an effective date for a six-month moratorium to and through February 16, 2022 to give the Planning Commission sufficient time to hold a hearing, complete planning for the TOD District Overlay area, and provide recommendations to the City Council regarding the appropriate regulatory framework for the TOD District Overlay; and

WHEREAS, on September 27, 2021, following a public hearing held by the City Council on the six-month moratorium, the Council adopted Ordinance 21-0535 amending

Section 2 of Ordinance 21-0533 to allow an additional exemption for building permit applications for or the construction of transitional housing or permanent supportive housing or building permit application for or the construction of indoor emergency housing; and

WHEREAS, on February 14, 2022, following a public hearing held by the City Council on the moratorium and interim regulations, the Council repealed the moratorium (Ordinance 21-0533 and Ordinance 21-0535) and immediately adopted interim regulations (Ordinance 22-0543) allowing certain development applications at appropriate densities within the TOD District Overlay consistent with the City's long-range planning, prior to completion of the City's regulatory review process; and

WHEREAS, on July 25, 2022, following a public hearing, the City Council adopted Ordinance 22-0555 extending and renewing interim regulations adopted by Ordinance 22-0543 for a further six-month period through January 25, 2023 to provide additional time for the Planning Commission to hold a public hearing, complete planning for the TOD District Overlay area, provide recommendations to the City Council regarding the appropriate regulatory framework for the TOD District Overlay and for Council to consider the recommendation; and

WHEREAS, on October 18, 2022, the Planning Commission held a public hearing regarding a proposed regulatory framework for the TOD District Overlay; and

WHEREAS, on November 21, 2022, the Planning Commission presented recommendations to the City Council regarding a proposed regulatory framework for the TOD District Overlay; and

WHEREAS, on November 28, 2022, the City Council gave direction on the proposed regulatory framework for the TOD District Overlay and requested consideration of an ordinance at a future meeting; and

WHEREAS, on November 28, 2022 the City Council gave direction to "carve out" certain parcels close to Swamp Creek in proximity to SR522 and 80th Ave NE from the proposed regulatory framework and thereby reduce the area applicable to the TOD District Overlay pending completion of a channel restoration assessment of Swamp Creek to determine where channel restoration would provide the most ecological benefit and options for new regulations for the "carve out" area to incentivize Swamp Creek channel restoration; and

WHEREAS, on January 9, 2023, following a public hearing the City Council adopted Ordinance 23-0569 extending and renewing interim regulations adopted by Ordinance 22-0543, as renewed by Ordinance 22-0555 for a further six-month period through July 25, 2023, to provide additional time for the City Council to consider adoption of an ordinance for the TOD regulatory framework; and

WHEREAS, on February 13, 2023, Council gave direction and confirmed which certain proposed new TOD amendments should or should not apply on applicable regulations for the reduced TOD "carve out" area; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2023, the City Council adopted Ordinance 23-0574 adopting municipal code and zoning map amendments related to a Transit-Oriented Development regulatory framework; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2023, the City Council held a public hearing on the proposed six-month extension and renewal of the City's interim regulations authorized and imposed by Ordinance 22-0543, as renewed, and extended by Ordinance Nos. 22-0555 and 23-0569; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2023, the City Council adopted Ordinance 23-0575 amending the interim regulations established by Ordinance 22-0543, and as codified at Section 18.29.020 and Figure 18.29.020.1 of the Kenmore Municipal Code, to reduce the area of the Transit Oriented Development (TOD) District Overlay to the following real properties, identified by Tax Parcel Number and address:

1. TPN 086650-0000, 17915 80th Ave NE, Kenmore, WA 98028
2. TPN 670540-0000, 17827 80th Ave NE, Kenmore, WA 98028
3. TPN 182260-0000, 17811 80th Ave NE, Kenmore, WA 98028
4. TPN 011410-0841, 17721 80th Ave NE, Kenmore, WA 98028
5. TPN 011410-0843, 17715 80th Ave NE, Kenmore, WA 98028
6. TPN 011410-0850, 17525 80th Ave NE, Kenmore, WA 98028
7. TPN 011410-0855, 7900 NE Bothell Way, Kenmore, WA 98028
8. TPN 011410-0860, 7850 NE Bothell Way, Kenmore, WA 98028
9. TPN 011410-0865, 7800 NE Bothell Way, Kenmore, WA 98028
10. TPN 011410-0885, 7750 NE Bothell Way, Kenmore, WA 98028
11. TPN 011410-0870, 7760 NE Bothell Way, Kenmore, WA 98028
12. TPN 011410-0881, 7638 NE Bothell Way, Kenmore, WA 98028
13. TPN 011410-0889, 7644 NE Bothell Way, Kenmore, WA 98028

(referenced together as the "Reduced TOD Area")

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2023, the City Council held a public hearing on the proposed six-month extension and renewal of the City's interim regulations authorized and imposed by Ordinance 22-0543, as renewed, and extended by Ordinance Nos. 22-0555, 23-0569, and as amended and extended by Ordinance 23-0575; and

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2023, the City Council adopted Ordinance 23-0586 to extend and amend the interim regulations established by Ordinance 22-0543 and as amended and extended by Ordinance 23-0575 for a further six months; and

WHEREAS, on February 26, 2024, the City Council adopted Ordinance 24-0606 to extend and amend the interim regulations established by Ordinance 22-0543 and as amended and extended by Ordinance 23-0586, for a further six months; and

WHEREAS, on July 15, 2024 the City Council adopted Ordinance 24-0612 to extend and amend the interim regulations established by Ordinance 22-0543 and as amended and extended by Ordinance 24-0606, for a further six months; and

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2024 the City Council held a discussion on the results of the channel restoration assessment of Swamp Creek including for the Reduced TOD Area; and

WHEREAS, on January 13, 2025 the City Council adopted Ordinance 25-0625 to extend and amend the interim regulations established by Ordinance 22-0543 and as amended and extended by Ordinance 24-0612; and

WHEREAS, on June 23, 2025 the City Council adopted Ordinance 25-0629 to extend and amend the interim regulations established by Ordinance 22-0543 and as amended and extended by Ordinance 25-0625; and

WHEREAS, on December 8, 2025, the City Council adopted Ordinance 25-0638 to extend and amend the interim regulations established by Ordinance 22-0543 and as amended and extended by Ordinance 25-0629; and

WHEREAS, on May 18, 2026, the City Council held a public hearing on this Ordinance and considered extending the interim regulations; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that additional time is necessary to consider and potentially adopt an ordinance and new regulations to incentivize Swamp Creek channel restoration including for the Reduced TOD Area; and

WHEREAS, the regulations of zoning and land use are valid exercises of the City's police powers under Art. XI, Sec. 11 of the Washington State Constitution, and such police powers grant the City the authority to adopt interim regulations; and

WHEREAS, RCW 35A.63.220 and RCW 36.70A.390 authorize the City Council, as the governing body, to renew and extend interim regulations on development or land use for one or more six-month periods if a subsequent hearing is held and findings of fact are made prior to said extension and renewal; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the public, and is necessary for the protection of public health, safety, property, or peace, to extend and renew for an additional six-month period the interim regulations established in Ordinance 22-0543, as amended, extended, and renewed by Ordinance Nos. 22-0555, 23-0569, 23-0575, 23-0586, 24-0606, 24-0612, 25-0625, 25-0629 and 25-0638;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENMORE, WASHINGTON ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Findings of Fact in Support of Renewal and Extension. The City Council adopts the recitals set forth above, and in Ordinance Nos. 22-0543, 22-0555, 23-0569, 23-0575, 23-0586, 24-0606, 24-0612, 25-0625, 25-0629 and 25-0638 which are incorporated herein by reference, as findings of fact in support of the extension and renewal of interim regulations.

Section 2. Six-Month Extension and Renewal of Interim Regulations. Section 4 of Ordinance 22-0543, as amended by Ordinance Nos. 22-0555, 23-0569, 23-0575 23-0586, 24-0606, 24-0612, 25-0625, 25-0629 and 25-0638 is further amended to read as follows:

Section 4. Duration. The interim regulations established by Ordinance 22-0543, as renewed and extended by Ordinance Nos. 22-0555, 23-0569, 23-0575, 23-0586, 24-0606, 24-0612, 25-0625, 25-0629 and 25-0638 as amended by Section 3.D of Ordinance No. 23-0575, shall be extended and renewed for an additional period of six (6) months from the adoption date of this Ordinance, ~~December 8, 2025~~ May 18, 2026 (to and through ~~June 8, 2026~~ November 18, 2026), and shall automatically expire at the end of that day unless repealed, modified, or renewed and extended (after subsequent public hearing if renewed and extended), and entry of appropriate findings of fact as provided in RCW 35A.63.220 and RCW 36.70A.390.

Section 3. Transmittal of Ordinance. The City Manager is directed to transmit this ordinance to the Washington State Department of Commerce as required by law.

Section 4. Severability. If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the ordinance, or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances, is not affected.

Section 5. 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.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING THEREOF ON THE 18th DAY OF May 2026.

CITY OF KENMORE



Mayor Nigel Herbig

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:



Scott Passey, City Clerk

Approved as to form:



Dawn Reitan (May 19, 2026 11:19:31 PDT)

Dawn Reitan, City Attorney

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