

## ORDINANCE NO. 340

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WOODINVILLE, WASHINGTON, REQUIRING ALL BUILDINGS WHERE THE DISCHARGE OF INDOOR FIREWORKS IS PERFORMED TO BE PROTECTED THROUGHOUT WITH AN APPROVED PERMANENTLY INSTALLED FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM; PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT UNDER THE FIRE CODE; AMENDING THE UNIFORM FIRE CODE BY ADDING A NEW SECTION TO 15.33.120 OF THE WOODINVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE; 15.33.120 (1003.2.12); PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, Woodinville Fire and Life Safety District has identified a serious threat to life safety through evidence of the Rhode Island nightclub fire where at least 100 people perished due to indoor pyrotechnics; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined that, had the facility been provided with an approved automatic fire sprinkler system, the number of victims would have been reduced if not eliminated; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council wants to minimize the threat of fire inside occupied structures from the use of indoor pyrotechnics;

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOODINVILLE, WASHINGTON DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** Section 15.33.120 of the Woodinville Municipal Code, entitled "Section 1003 amended – Fire sprinkler systems – Installed," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1003 of the 1997 Edition of the Uniform Fire Code, as adopted by this chapter, is hereby amended by amending subsections 1003.2.3.6 and 1003.2.9 and adding subsections 1003.2.3.9, 1003.2.10, 1003.2.11, and 1003.2.12 which subsections shall read as follows:

**1003.2.3.6 Amusement Buildings.** An automatic sprinkler system shall be installed in all amusement buildings. The main waterflow switch shall be electrically supervised. The sprinkler

shutoff valve shall be supervised. When the amusement building is temporary, the sprinkler water-supply may be of approved temporary type.

EXCEPTION: An automatic sprinkler system need not be provided when the floor area of a temporary amusement building or occupancy is less than 1,000 square feet and the exit travel distance from any point is less than 50 feet.

**1003.2.3.9** In group A occupancies when the occupant load exceeds 200 (i.e., 201 or more), the entire building shall be sprinklered. Area separation walls as noted in Section 504.6 of the Uniform Building Code shall not be considered to separate a building to enable deletion of the required fire sprinkler system.

**1003.2.9.** Group R, Division 1 Occupancies. In all Group R, Division 1 Occupancies having three or more floor levels or containing five or more dwelling units and hotels (motels) having three or more floor levels or containing ten or more guest rooms. Quick response standard sprinkler heads shall be used in accordance with their approved listing in the dwelling unit and guest room portions of the building. Area separation walls as noted in Section 504.6 of the Uniform Building Code shall not be considered to separate a building to enable deletion of the required fire sprinkler system.

**1003.2.10 Group R, Division 3 Occupancies.**

1. An automatic sprinkler system shall be installed in all Group R, Division 3 Occupancies exceeding 2,500 square feet gross floor area (including attached garages) without adequate fire flow.

2. An automatic sprinkler system shall be installed in all Group R, Division 3 Occupancies without approved Fire Department access as defined in Woodinville Transportation Infrastructure Standards and Specifications.

**1003.2.11** In all occupancies requiring 2,000 gallons per minute or more fire flow, or where the total floor area included within the surrounding exterior walls on all floor levels including basements exceeds 10,000 square feet. Area separation walls, as noted in Section 504.6 of the Uniform Building Code, shall not be considered to separate a building to enable deletion of the required fire sprinkler system.

EXCEPTION: Group U Occupancies and Group R-3/R-1 Occupancies.

**1003.2.12 Indoor pyrotechnics.** The discharge of indoor pyrotechnics (fireworks) shall only be allowed in facilities that are protected throughout by a permanently installed and approved fire sprinkler system.

**Section 2.** Definitions for the terms "Approved" and "Fireworks" are hereby added to section 15.33.030 of the Woodinville Municipal Code, entitled "Definitions," which section is hereby amended to read as follows:

Unless otherwise provided in this section, the definitions in the Uniform Building Code and the Uniform Fire Code shall apply to this chapter.

(1) "Life safety/rescue access" shall mean access to all floor levels and each roof level of a building on not less than 20 percent of the building perimeter by utilizing a 35-foot ladder. An alternate method would be at least one stairway enclosure with exit doorways from each floor level and with a door opening onto each roof level, which conforms to the requirements of the Uniform Building Code.

(2) "Fire detection system" shall mean a heat and/or smoke detection system monitored by a central and/or remote station conforming to the current requirements of the National Fire Protection Association Standards and/or the Building Official, Fire Chief or their designee.

(3) "Fire sprinkler system" shall mean an integrated system of piping connected to a water supply with sprinklers which will automatically initiate water discharge over a fire, conforming to the current requirements of the National Fire Protection Association standards and/or Building Code, Fire Code, and their standards.

(4) "Ambulatory" shall mean, able to walk about, not bedridden.

(5) "A patient capable of unassisted self preservation" shall be considered to be ambulatory.

(6) "False alarms" shall be any alarm not initiated from an emergent condition or malicious activation out of the control of the property owner/tenant.

(7) "Standby personnel" are personnel whose sole responsibility is to watch for fire and contact the appropriate agency in the event fire is detected.

(8) "Approved" shall mean to have been reviewed and inspected by the local governmental authority having jurisdiction at the time of installation.

(9) "Fireworks" shall be defined as per the state of Washington's definitions in the Revised Code of Washington and Washington Administrative Code.

**Section 3.** All other codes as required by the State of Washington and the Codes of the City of Woodinville shall be followed prior to the issuance of a permit to discharge pyrotechnics indoors.

**Section 4.** Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

**Section 5.** Effective Date. This ordinance, being an exercise of power specifically delegated to the City legislative body, is not subject to referendum and shall take effect five days after passage and publication of the Ordinance or a summary thereof consisting of the title that is approved by the City Council.

**PASSED** by the City Council of the City of Woodinville this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July 2003.

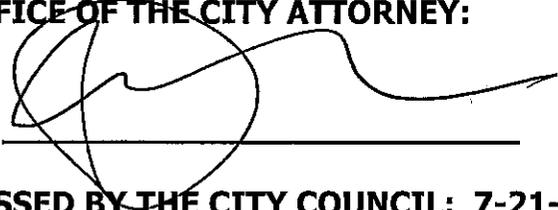
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**MAYOR SCOTT HAGEMAN**

**ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:**

  
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**SANDRA PARKER**  
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