

CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 2042

AN ORDINANCE regarding the auditing of claims against the City; repealing Ordinances No. 147 and 758, and the Bellevue City Code, sections 2.28.010-070; and adding a new chapter 2.30.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Ordinance No. 147 and Ordinance No. 758 and Bellevue City Code, Section 2.28.010 - 070 are hereby repealed.

Section 2. A new section is hereby added to the Bellevue City Code to constitute Section 2.30.010 thereof and to provide as follows:

2.30.010 Services of Auditor. The City Manager may contract for the services of an auditor, upon the approval of the City Council. Said auditor shall be under the direction of the City Council, and shall not be considered an employee of the City nor under the control of the City Administration.

Section 3. A new section is hereby added to the Bellevue City Code to constitute Section 2.30.020 thereof and to provide as follows:

2.30.020 Examination of claims by city officials. All claims presented to the City shall first be examined by the appropriate administrative official thereof. If said official determines a claim to be just, due and unpaid he shall so indicate to the auditor, and shall further indicate the fund from which payment is to be made and whether the appropriate funds are available.

Section 4. A new section is hereby added to the Bellevue City Code to constitute Section 2.30.030 thereof and to provide as follows:

2.30.030 Examination by auditor. The auditor shall examine all claims presented to him by the appropriate administrative officials of the City, and following said examination shall take action as follows:

- a) If he concurs in a finding of the appropriate administrative official that a claim is just, due and owing, and if funds are available, and if he further finds that payment of said claim would not be in violation of any City ordinance, state statute or general law, he may authorize payment of the same. Said authorization shall be sufficient for the honoring and payment of such claim by the City Manager and Finance Director.

- b) If he disagrees with a finding of the appropriate administrative official of the City that a claim is just, due and owing, he shall so indicate in his report to the City Council. No voucher shall be approved or payment ordered on any claim upon which the auditor shall have noted an objection pending presentation thereof to the City Council.

Section 5. A new section is hereby added to the Bellevue City Code to constitute Section 2.30.040 thereof and to provide as follows:

2.30.040 Auditor's report to City Council. The auditor shall periodically, as the City Council may designate, prepare a written report regarding his examination of claims. Such report shall indicate the action taken on each claim presented together with such information thereon, as may enable the City Council to act upon all claims which have not been approved by the auditor.

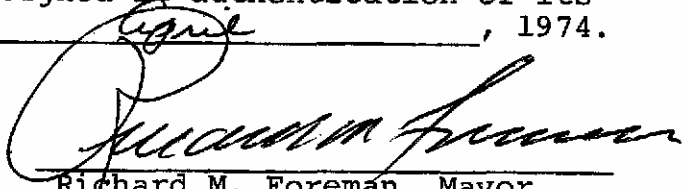
Section 6. A new section is hereby added to the Bellevue City Code to constitute Section 2.30.050 thereof and to provide as follows:

2.30.050 Compliance with state and city regulations. No claim or damages to persons or property shall be presented to the auditor nor approved by the City Council without compliance with the provisions of RCW 35.31.040 and Chapter 2.24 of the Bellevue City Code.

Section 7. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days after its passage, approval and legal publication.

PASSED by the City Council this 8 day of April, 1974, and signed in authentication of its passage this 8 day of April, 1974.

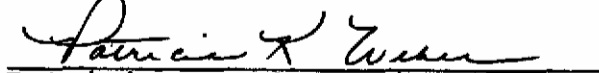
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Richard M. Foreman, Mayor

Approved as to Form


Lee Kraft, City Attorney

Attest:


Patricia K. Weber, City Clerk

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