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CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 4144

AN ORDINANCE relating to solid waste disposal, prohibiting the placement of residential yard waste in solid waste or recycling containers for collection by City contracted haulers, and amending contracts with City haulers.

WHEREAS, Chapter 70.95 RCW, as amended by the "Waste Not Washington Act" (SHB 1671), requires that the County Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan include strategies and procedures for reduction of solid waste and for the collection of source separated recyclable materials from residences in urban areas: and

WHEREAS, the City has agreed to cooperate with King County in implementing solid waste reduction and recycling programs through implementation of the Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the County has established a goal of a 65 percent reduction of the waste stream by the year 2000 with a 35 percent reduction by 1992; and

WHEREAS, the City previously established a voluntary curbside recycling program and yard waste collection program to help achieve the City and County waste stream reduction goals; and

WHEREAS, low participation in the yard waste collection program for the first six months of that program has resulted in an average overall waste stream reduction of only 3 percent attributable to that program; and

WHEREAS, in order to achieve the City and County waste stream reduction goals it is desirable to increase citizen participation in the yard waste collection program; and

WHEREAS, one of the methods proposed to achieve waste stream reduction goals is to require separation of yard waste from solid waste and to separately collect yard waste and solid waste; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. <u>Definitions</u>: For purposes of this ordinance, the following words shall have the meaning hereinafter provided:

1. "Solid waste," as used herein, shall mean and include all garbage, rubbish, trash, refuse, debris, scrap, waste materials, and

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discarded materials of all types whatsoever, except hazardous wastes, medical waste, animal waste, any and all source-separated recyclable materials, and yard waste.

- 2. "Yard waste" as used herein, shall mean and include all loose materials such as sod, grass, weeds, flowers, leaves, etc., as well as branches and prunings less than four inches (4") in diameter and five feet (5') in length. It excludes food waste; plastics and synthetic fibers; lumber; and any wood or tree limbs over four inches (4") in diameter or five feet (5') in length and soil contaminated with hazardous waste.
- 3. "City contracted hauler" means a company contracting with the City to collect and dispose of solid waste, recyclable materials or yard waste.

Section 2. The deposit of yard waste in solid waste containers or recycling containers for collection by City contracted haulers is prohibited. No solid waste or recyclable materials that are mixed with yard waste will be collected by City contracted haulers. Yard waste will only be collected by City contracted haulers if the yard waste is separated and contained in approved containers and the resident is participating in the City's yard waste collection program.

Section 3. The City Manager or his designee is authorized and directed to take all action necessary to implement the provisions of this ordinance, including the amendment of any solid waste, recycling or yard waste contract necessary to achieve the purposes of this ordinance and to modify or establish new rates for the collection of solid waste, recyclable materials or yard waste.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force on July 1, 1990.

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PASSED by the City Council this 29 day of 1990, and signed in authentication of its passage this 29 day of
Terry Lukens, Wayor
Approved as to form:
Richard L. Andrews, City Attorney
Richard L. Kirkby, Assistant City Attorney
Attest: Marie K. O'Connell, City Clerk
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