

CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 437

AN ORDINANCE relating to the filing of petitions with the City of Bellevue; prescribing terms and conditions, and amending Ordinance No. 110.

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

Section 1. Section 1 of Ordinance No. 110, passed by the City Council on July 12, 1955, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 1. DEFINITIONS. When used in this ordinance the following words shall have the meanings respectively ascribed thereto; unless the context thereof shall clearly indicate a contrary meaning:

- (a) 'Circulator' shall mean and include one who circulates pages of a petition for signatures.
- (b) 'Petition' shall mean and include any group of separate pages or group of pages containing an identical text and prayer, except for signatures, intended by the circulators, signers or sponsors to be presented and considered as one petition.
- (c) 'Petitioner' shall mean any signer of the petition having the legal qualifications required by statute or ordinance relating thereto.
- (d) 'Signer' shall mean any person who signs the petition, without regard to his legal qualification therefor.
- (e) 'Sponsor' the person or persons filing the petition with the City Clerk as ex-officio Clerk of the Council.
- (f) 'Page' shall mean one sheet of paper containing all the pertinent information and material required by statute or ordinance to be on petitions, or, if all the required data cannot conveniently be placed thereon, more than one sheet."

Section 2. Section 3 of Ordinance No. 110 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 3. CONTENTS OF PETITION. Each page of a petition shall contain the full text and prayer of the petition, including all pertinent information and material required by the statute or ordinance relating thereto, places for signatures, and, in addition thereto, shall contain a statement substantially as follows:

This page is one of a number of identical pages forming one petition seeking the (purpose) above stated and may be filed with other pages containing additional signatures.

The undersigned has read the above or attached text and prayer of the petition and consents (1) to the filing of other pages hereto to be considered as a part of this petition up through the working day upon which this petition is filed with the City of Bellevue, and (2) to the right of signers to request of the City of Bellevue, withdrawal of their signatures up through the working day immediately prior to the terminal date, which terminal date is the date upon which the City Engineer of the City of Bellevue commences to determine the legal sufficiency of the petition, and which terminal date is to be within seven (7) days after this petition is filed with the City Clerk of the City of Bellevue.

Additional signature pages may be added to the text of the petition, provided that such signature page or pages were affixed to the text page or pages of the petition at the time of affixing signatures thereto, which fact shall be certified by the circulator or sponsor at the time of filing the pages with the City Clerk."

Section 3. Section 4 of Ordinance No. 110 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 4. **EFFECTIVE LIFE OF PETITION OR SIGNATURES.** Each petition shall contain a space for the date of signing the same by each of the signers and no signature shall be considered by the City in determining the legal sufficiency of such petition which is dated more than ninety (90) days prior to the date of the filing of the petition with the Clerk."

Section 4. Section 5 of Ordinance No. 110 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 5. **TERMINAL DATE.** The City Engineer is hereby directed to start to determine the legal sufficiency of each petition on or before seven (7) days after the filing of same with the City Clerk. Upon starting such determination, the Engineer shall file a certificate with the Clerk stating the date upon which such determination was started, which date shall be referred to as the terminal date, and upon which terminal date the City Council does hereby declare that the jurisdiction of the City of Bellevue shall attach to said petition."

Section 5. Section 6 of Ordinance No. 110 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 6. **WITHDRAWAL OR ADDITION OF SIGNATURES.** Additional pages of signatures may be added to the petition by filing same with the City Clerk of the City of Bellevue up through the working day upon which this petition is filed with the City, and written request to withdraw signatures from the petition may be filed with the City Clerk, up through the working day immediately prior to the terminal date as defined herein. No person signing such petition shall be permitted to request the withdrawal of his or her signature therefrom, and no additional pages containing additional signatures may be added to the petition, after the aforementioned deadlines."

Section 6. Section 8 of Ordinance No. 110, passed July 12, 1955, is hereby repealed.

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 on this 11th day of April, 1961, and signed in authentication of its passage this 11th day of April, 1961.

Jim L. Buck
Mayor

Approved as to Form:

Joseph W. Miller
City Attorney

(SEAL)

Attest:

James P. Scholz
City Clerk

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