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ORIGINAL

CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 4878

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Finance Director to refer delinquent accounts receivable to a collection agency and to write-off accounts receivable determined to be uncollectible; amending Section 3 of Ordinance 2809, as most recently amended by Ordinance No. 4191; codifying such amended section as new Section 3.37.100 of the Bellevue City Code; and providing an effective date.

WHEREAS, RCW 19.16.500 authorizes cities, subject to certain procedural requirements, to retain collection agencies for the purpose of collecting outstanding accounts receivables; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to authorize the Finance Director to refer delinquent accounts receivables of any City department to a collection agency for collection and to write off certain accounts receivables if found to be uncollectible; now, therefore,

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

Section 1. Section 3 of Ordinance No. 2809, as amended by Section 1 of Ordinance No. 4191, is further amended to read as follows and is hereby codified as new Section 3.37.100 of the Bellevue City Code:

3.37.100 Authority of Director regarding delinquent accounts.

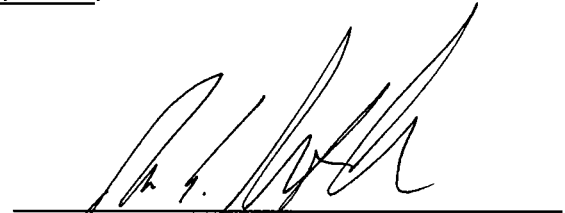
The Finance Director or his authorized representative shall have the authority to refer delinquent accounts, including but not limited to fees, taxes, penalties and interest, of the City or any of its departments to an agency for collection and to write-off accounts that are over one year old in an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00 per account. This write-off option shall be utilized only after it has been determined by the Finance Director that there is no cost-effective means of collecting the account. Prior to assigning any account to a collection agency, the Finance Director, or his authorized representative, shall ensure that the procedural requirements of RCW 19.16.500, or any successor statute, have been met.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty days after its passage.

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PASSED by the City Council this 3rd day of June, 1996, and signed in authentication of its passage this 3rd of June, 1996.

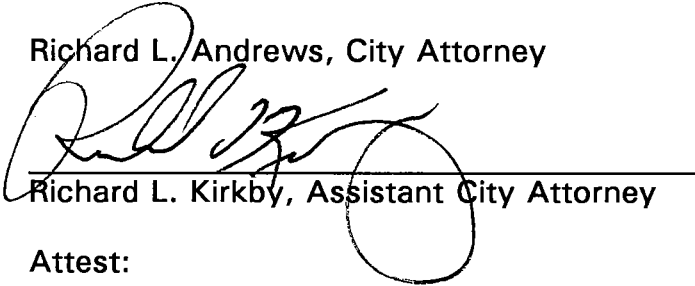
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Ronald E. Smith, Mayor

Approved as to form:

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Myrna L. Basich, City Clerk

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