Ordinance No. 2511

["Beginning July 1, 1998"]

(Amending or Repealing Ordinances)

CFN=786 – SEPA; 122 – Police/Fire Departments
Passed 12/3/1984
Adopting the fire master plan

Amended by Ord. 3573 (Sec. 11.03.510 formerly Sec. 12.12A.510)
Amended by Ord. 3746 (Sec. 11.03.510)
AN ORDINANCE of the City of Kent, Washington adopting the Fire Master Plan and amending Subsection 12.12A.510 D. Kent City Code (Ordinance 2494, City Environmental Policy) in conjunction therewith.

WHEREAS, it is the mission of the Kent Fire Department to protect life and property by responding to requests for assistance (both emergency and nonemergency), to prevent emergencies, and to reduce risk in the fire and life safety environment; and

WHEREAS, to achieve its mission the Fire Department has set administration goals, suppression goals, and code enforcement goals; and

WHEREAS, the City of Kent and Fire District 37, which contracts with the City for fire protection and emergency medical services, have experienced a significant economic and population growth in the past decade; and have experienced an increased demand for emergency services which has strained the fire and life safety systems; and it is anticipated that the city and surrounding area will continue to experience significant growth in the future with limited sources of funding; and such growth has required the City to thoroughly evaluate existing problems, possible solutions for current problems and alternative approaches in order to adequately meet the needs of the community’s future; and

WHEREAS, the department organized an internal committee to draft a Master Plan for fire prevention and control including risk reduction, building and fire code enforcement, emergency medical services, fire suppression, hazardous material incident management, disaster preparedness, non-emergency services; and

WHEREAS, a draft Master Plan was referred to a Technical Committee composed of City of Kent departmental representatives and representatives from King County Departments of Building and Land Development, and Planning; and
WHEREAS, the draft Master Plan was further reviewed by a Citizen's Advisory Committee composed of residents and civic leaders throughout the City and District 37 service area, and representatives of the Chamber of Commerce, Kent School District and other community interests and concerns; and

WHEREAS, numerous meetings with the Citizen Advisory and Technical Advisory Committees were held in 1983 and 1984, during which time an in-depth review was conducted and modifications were made; and during 1984 several presentations were made to community groups, including the Chamber of Commerce Local Government Committee; and

WHEREAS, the matter has been considered by the City Council at a special workshop on October 29, 1984, and a public hearing was held on November 19, 1984; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Master Plan identifies levels or risk and service; projects resource needs for future growth over the next ten years; recommends goals to achieve an adequate level of service; defines measures of effectiveness; establishes a dynamic planning guide for the future delivery of services; and provides for the implementation of this process and standards for implementing regulations to affect these goals; and

WHEREAS, the City having determined that it be in the best interest of the community to adopt and implement the Fire Master Plan; NOW THEREFORE

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENT, WASHINGTON DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City of Kent Fire Master Plan and Executive Summary, a copy of each is filed with the City Clerk and a copy of each is available at Fire Station No. 1, be and the same are hereby adopted.

Section 2. Subsection 12.12A.510 D. Kent City Code (SEPA Substantive Authority)(Ordinance 2494) is amended as follows:
D. The City designates the adopts by reference the following additional policies as the basis for the City's exercise of authority pursuant to this section:

1. The City shall use all practicable means, consistent with other essential considerations of state policy, to improve and coordinate plans, functions, programs, and resources to the end that the state and its citizens may:
   a. Fulfill the responsibilities of each generation as trustee of the environment for succeeding generations;
   b. Assure for all people for Washington safe, healthful, productive, and aesthetically and culturally pleasing surroundings;
   c. Attain the widest range of beneficial uses of the environment without degradation, risk to health or safety, or other undesirable and unintended consequences;
   d. Preserve important historic, cultural, and natural aspects of our national heritage;
   e. Maintain, wherever possible, an environment which supports diversity and variety of individual choice;
   f. Achieve a balance between population and resource use which will permit high standards of living and a wide sharing of life's amenities; and
   g. Enhance the quality of renewable resources and approach the maximum attainable recycling of depletable resources.

2. The City recognizes that each person has a fundamental and inalienable right to a healthful environment and that each person has a responsibility to contribute to the preservation and enhancement of the environment.

3. The City adopts by reference the policies in the following City codes, ordinances, and resolutions:
   a. Kent Citywide Comprehensive Plan (Resolution 817), and its specific components, including, but not limited to the East Hill Plan (Resolution 972), the West Hill Plan (Resolution 1016), the Kent Central Business District Plan (Resolution 764) and the Valley Floor Comprehensive Plan (Resolutions 873 and 924), as amended.
b. Shoreline Master Program (Resolution 907).

c. City of Kent Surface Water and Drainage Plan (KCC 12.14).

d. Electrical or Communications Facilities - Underground Requirements (KCC 7.10).

e. Transportation Master Plan (Resolution 1014).

f. Wastewater Facilities Master Plan (KCC 7.12)

g. Comprehensive Water Plan (Ordinances 2369 and 2329).

h. Construction Standards for Public Works (KCC 4.04)

i. Street Use Permit Requirements (KCC 4.07).


l. Kent Mobile Home Park Code (KCC 12.08).

m. Valley Studies (as adopted in Resolutions 920, 921, 922, 923, and 924).


o. State Building Code, together with the local implementing ordinances (KCC Title 14).

p. State Fire Code, together with the local implementing ordinances (KCC Title 13).

q. Kent Zoning Code (KCC Title 15).

r. Recreational Vehicle Park Code (KCC 12.06).


u. Kent Public Improvements Ordinance (KCC 4.14 & KCC 4.18)

v. Storm Drainage Utility (Ordinance 2325).

w. Storm Drainage Policies (Resolutions 920 and 937).

x. Six Year Transportation Improvement Plan (Resolution 1020).

y. Comprehensive Sewerage Plan (Resolution 915).

z. Fire Master Plan (Ordinance 95).
Section 3. Those levels of service and measurement goals identified in the appendix to the Kent Fire Department Master Plan Executive Summary are hereby adopted as policies and standards of the City of Kent, and the Chief of the Kent Fire Department is directed to enforce such policies and standards and to adopt and administer rules and regulations, as needed, and such other policies and standards for the implementation of Sections 1 and 2 herein, consistent with the Fire Master Plan. Any rules and regulations and such other policies and standards to be adopted by the Department shall be effective upon filing with the Clerk and publication of the text thereof in the official City newspaper.

Section 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days from and after its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

ATTEST:

MARIE JENSEN, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

P. STEPHEN DIJULIO, CITY ATTORNEY

PASSED the ___ day of ___ , 1984.
APPROVED the ___ day of ___ , 1984.
PUBLISHED the ___ day of ___ , 1984.
I hereby certify that this is a true copy of Ordinance No. 2511, passed by the City Council of the City of Kent, Washington, and approved by the Mayor of the City of Kent as hereon indicated.

(SEAL)

MARIE JENSEN, CITY CLERK