Ordinance No. 3177

["Beginning July 1, 1998"]

(Amending or Repealing Ordinances)

Repealed by Ord. 3415
ORDINANCE NO. 3177

AN ORDINANCE of the City Council of the City of Kent, Washington, amending Chapter 14.06 of the Kent City Code entitled "Dangerous Buildings" relating to enforcement and abatement.

WHEREAS, the Kent City Council has adopted Chapter 1.04 of the Kent City Code relating to enforcement and abatement of violations of certain City codes; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of enacting the provisions of Chapter 1.04 were to establish a uniform system of code enforcement; and

WHEREAS, amending the Uniform Code for the Abatement of Dangerous Buildings as adopted pursuant to Chapter 14.06 of the Kent City Code to allow for enforcement of said code under Chapter 1.04 will assist in the furtherance of this objective; NOW, THEREFORE,
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENT, WASHINGTON, DOES
HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 14.06.010 of the Kent City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 14.06.010. Uniform Code for the abatement of dangerous buildings adopted.

A. There is hereby adopted by reference, the Uniform Code for the abatement of Dangerous Buildings 1991 Edition, as published by the International Conference of Building Officials, except as amended pursuant to this Chapter, 14.06. One (1) copy is on file in the city clerk’s office.

B. Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this code shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punishable by a fine of five hundred dollars ($500.00) or by imprisonment for not more than ninety (90) days, or both fine and imprisonment for each day the violation is allowed to exist.

Section 2. There is hereby added a new section, 14.06.020 to Chapter 14.06 of the Kent City Code as follows:

Sec. 14.06.020. Amendments.

The following amendments to the Uniform Code for the Abatement of Dangerous Buildings adopted in section 14.06.010 are hereby adopted.
A. Section 202 of this code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 202. All buildings or portions thereof which are determined after inspection by the building official to be dangerous as defined in this code are hereby declared to be public nuisances and shall be abated by repair, rehabilitation, demolition or removal in accordance with the procedure specified in Section 401 of this code provisions of Section 14.06.030(A) below.

B. Section 205 of chapter 2 and chapters 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 of the Uniform Code for the Abatement of Dangerous Buildings 1991 Edition are hereby repealed.

C. Section 301 of this code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 301. For the purpose of this code, certain terms, phrases, words and their derivatives shall be construed as specified in either this chapter or as specified in the Building Code or the Housing Code. Where terms are not defined, they shall have their ordinary accepted meanings within the context with which they are used. Webster's Third New International Dictionary of the English Language, Unabridged, copyright 1986, shall be construed as providing ordinary accepted meanings. Words used in the singular include the plural and the plural the singular. Words used in the masculine gender include the feminine and the feminine the masculine.
BUILDING CODE is the Uniform Building Code promulgated by the International Conference of Building Officials, as adopted by this jurisdiction.

DANGEROUS BUILDING is any building or structure deemed to be dangerous under the provisions of Section 302 of this code.

ENDANGERED as used in Section 302 means negatively affected, to any degree, by any and all conditions, actions or omissions which, singularly or together, reduce or are likely to reduce or negatively impact the life or limb, health, property or safety of the public, including but not limited to, economy in the provision of public services, general welfare, economic viability, or security in the enjoyment of the community.

HEALTH OFFICER as used in the Uniform Code for the Abatement of Dangerous Buildings shall mean the building official or his or her designee.

HOUSING CODE is the Uniform Housing Code promulgated by the International Conference of Building Officials, as adopted by this jurisdiction.

Section 3. There is hereby added a new section, 14.06.030, to Chapter 14.06 of the Kent City Code as follows:

Sec. 14.06.030. Violation; enforcement.

A. Any violation of any provision of this chapter shall be enforced pursuant to Kent City Code Chapter 14.08.
Section 4. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance.

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days from and after its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

JIM WHITE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

BRENDA JACOBER, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ROGER A. LUBOVICH, CITY ATTORNEY
PASSED ___ day of ___________, 1994.
APPROVED ___ day of ___________, 1994.
PUBLISHED ___ day of ___________, 1994.

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of Ordinance No. 3177, passed by the City Council of the City of Kent, Washington, and approved by the Mayor of the City of Kent as hereon indicated.

BRENDA JACOBER (SEAL)
BRENDA JACOBER, CITY CLERK