Ordinance No. 3618

["Beginning July 1, 1998"]

(Amending or Repealing Ordinances)

Amends Ord. 3187 (Sec. 3.70.050)
ORDINANCE NO. 3618

AN ORDINANCE of the City Council of the City of Kent, Washington, amending section 3.70.050 of the Kent City Code, entitled “Authorization by City Council required,” raising the minimum bid amount requiring Council authorization for public works contracts only from $35,000 to $50,000.

WHEREAS, by the passage of HB 2527, which became effective on June 13, 2002, the Legislature revised the bidding requirements applicable to First Class Cities for public works projects; and

WHEREAS, HB 2527 raised the maximum amount for allowing a First Class City’s own staff to make public works improvements from $35,000 to $50,000; and

WHEREAS, traditionally, the City Council has paralleled this standard by requiring Council authorization only for public works contracts that exceed this contract amount; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to increase the minimum public works contract amount for Council authorization to $50,000 to be in alignment with these bidding standards; NOW THEREFORE,
THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KENT, WASHINGTON, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. - Amendment. Section 3.70.050 of the Kent City Code, entitled "Authorization by City Council required," is hereby amended as follows:

Sec. 3.70.050. Authorization by City Council required. Any contract twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000) or more (thirty-five to fifty thousand dollars ($35,000 to $50,000) or more for public works and improvement contracts), intended for the purchase, lease or rental of supplies, material equipment or services, must be in writing and authorized by the City Council before becoming effective and binding upon the City. When the Council has specifically considered and approved a particular program or matter in which the amount of the contract and the contracting parties have been identified, such as awards of bids, funding of certain programs, authorization to purchase or to negotiate for the purpose of a particular item or service, or other similar program or matter, such consideration shall constitute Council authorization for the purpose of this section.

SECTION 2. - Severability. If any one or more section, subsections, or sentences of this ordinance are held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this ordinance and the same shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. - Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days from and after its passage as provided by law.

JIM WHITE, MAYOR

Council Authorization – Public Works & Improvement Projects
I hereby certify that this is a true copy of Ordinance No. 3618 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, CITY CLERK

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