

CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 6864

AN ORDINANCE amending Sections 3.55.030, 3.56.030, 3.61.030, 3.62.030, 3.63.030, 3.64.030, and 3.100.030 of the Bellevue City Code to increase the maximum exclusion period and change the timing of processing appeals of exclusions.

WHEREAS, the City Council has established the Environmental Services Commission, Arts Commission, Human Services Commission, Parks and Community Services Board, Transportation Commission, Planning Commission, and Bellevue-Redmond Tourism Promotion Area Advisory Board, as boards and commissions that are advisory to the Council; and

WHEREAS, in Title 3 of the Bellevue City Code, the City Council has set forth requirements and procedures for how the meetings of those boards and commissions are to be conducted; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to amend the provisions in Title 3 to increase the maximum exclusion period; and

WHEREAS, the City Council also desires to amend provisions in Title 3 to change the timing of processing appeals of exclusions; now, therefore

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

Section 1. Section 3.55.030.F.6.b of the Bellevue City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

b. In deciding whether to issue a notice of exclusion and the terms and length of the exclusion, the presiding officer shall consider the seriousness and number of the disruptions or violations, their impact on the orderly conduct of commission meetings, whether the conduct threatens public safety, and the person's record of conduct at meetings. The presiding officer may issue an exclusion from participating in public comment, or from attendance, at future commission meetings for up to 180 calendar days.

Section 2. Section 3.55.030.F.8 of the Bellevue City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

8. Any person excluded from participation in future public comment periods or from attendance at future commission meetings may appeal the exclusion by submitting a written appeal stating the bases for the appeal to the city clerk within six business days after notice of the exclusion is posted on the door of Room 1E-

113. The city council shall consider any timely appeal at its next regularly scheduled open public meeting, that is at least three (3) business days from the receipt of the appeal. The person's exclusion from public comment periods or from attendance at commission meetings shall remain in effect during the council's consideration of the appeal.

Section 3. Section 3.56.030.F.6.b of the Bellevue City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

b. In deciding whether to issue a notice of exclusion and the terms and length of the exclusion, the presiding officer shall consider the seriousness and number of the disruptions or violations, their impact on the orderly conduct of commission meetings, whether the conduct threatens public safety, and the person's record of conduct at meetings. The presiding officer may issue an exclusion from participating in public comment, or from attendance, at future commission meetings for up to 180 calendar days.

Section 4. Section 3.56.030.F.8 of the Bellevue City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

8. Any person excluded from participation in future public comment periods or from attendance at future commission meetings may appeal the exclusion by submitting a written appeal stating the bases for the appeal to the city clerk within six business days after notice of the exclusion is posted on the door of Room 1E-113. The city council shall consider any timely appeal at its next regularly scheduled open public meeting, that is at least three (3) business days from the receipt of the appeal. The person's exclusion from public comment periods or from attendance at commission meetings shall remain in effect during the council's consideration of the appeal.

Section 5. Section 3.61.030.F.6.b of the Bellevue City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

b. In deciding whether to issue a notice of exclusion and the terms and length of the exclusion, the presiding officer shall consider the seriousness and number of the disruptions or violations, their impact on the orderly conduct of commission meetings, whether the conduct threatens public safety, and the person's record of conduct at meetings. The presiding officer may issue an exclusion from participating in public comment, or from attendance, at future commission meetings for up to 180 calendar days.

Section 6. Section 3.61.030.F.8 of the Bellevue City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

8. Any person excluded from participation in future public comment periods or from attendance at future commission meetings may appeal the exclusion by submitting a written appeal stating the bases for the appeal to the city clerk within

six business days after notice of the exclusion is posted on the door of Room 1E-113. The city council shall consider any timely appeal at its next regularly scheduled open public meeting, that is at least three (3) business days from the receipt of the appeal. The person's exclusion from public comment periods or from attendance at commission meetings shall remain in effect during the council's consideration of the appeal.

Section 7. Section 3.62.030.F.6.b of the Bellevue City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

b. In deciding whether to issue a notice of exclusion and the terms and length of the exclusion, the presiding officer shall consider the seriousness and number of the disruptions or violations, their impact on the orderly conduct of commission meetings, whether the conduct threatens public safety, and the person's record of conduct at meetings. The presiding officer may issue an exclusion from participating in public comment, or from attendance, at future commission meetings for up to 180 calendar days.

Section 8. Section 3.62.030.F.8 of the Bellevue City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

8. Any person excluded from participation in future public comment periods or from attendance at future commission meetings may appeal the exclusion by submitting a written appeal stating the bases for the appeal to the city clerk within six business days after notice of the exclusion is posted on the door of Room 1E-113. The city council shall consider any timely appeal at its next regularly scheduled open public meeting, that is at least three (3) business days from the receipt of the appeal. The person's exclusion from public comment periods or from attendance at commission meetings shall remain in effect during the council's consideration of the appeal.

Section 9. Section 3.63.030.F.6.b of the Bellevue City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

b. In deciding whether to issue a notice of exclusion and the terms and length of the exclusion, the presiding officer shall consider the seriousness and number of the disruptions or violations, their impact on the orderly conduct of commission meetings, whether the conduct threatens public safety, and the person's record of conduct at meetings. The presiding officer may issue an exclusion from participating in public comment, or from attendance, at future commission meetings for up to 180 calendar days.

Section 10. Section 3.63.030.F.8 of the Bellevue City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

8. Any person excluded from participation in future public comment periods or from attendance at future commission meetings may appeal the exclusion by

submitting a written appeal stating the bases for the appeal to the city clerk within six business days after notice of the exclusion is posted on the door of Room 1E-113. The city council shall consider any timely appeal at its next regularly scheduled open public meeting, that is at least three (3) business days from the receipt of the appeal. The person's exclusion from public comment periods or from attendance at commission meetings shall remain in effect during the council's consideration of the appeal.

Section 11. Section 3.64.030.F.6.b of the Bellevue City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

b. In deciding whether to issue a notice of exclusion and the terms and length of the exclusion, the presiding officer shall consider the seriousness and number of the disruptions or violations, their impact on the orderly conduct of commission meetings, whether the conduct threatens public safety, and the person's record of conduct at meetings. The presiding officer may issue an exclusion from participating in public comment, or from attendance, at future commission meetings for up to 180 calendar days.

Section 12. Section 3.64.030.F.8 of the Bellevue City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

8. Any person excluded from participation in future public comment periods or from attendance at future commission meetings may appeal the exclusion by submitting a written appeal stating the bases for the appeal to the city clerk within six business days after notice of the exclusion is posted on the door of Room 1E-113. The city council shall consider any timely appeal at its next regularly scheduled open public meeting, that is at least three (3) business days from the receipt of the appeal. The person's exclusion from public comment periods or from attendance at commission meetings shall remain in effect during the council's consideration of the appeal.

Section 13. Section 3.100.030.F.6.b of the Bellevue City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

b. In deciding whether to issue a notice of exclusion and the terms and length of the exclusion, the presiding officer shall consider the seriousness and number of the disruptions or violations, their impact on the orderly conduct of commission meetings, whether the conduct threatens public safety, and the person's record of conduct at meetings. The presiding officer may issue an exclusion from participating in public comment, or from attendance, at future commission meetings for up to 180 calendar days.

Section 14. Section 3.100.030.F.8 of the Bellevue City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

8. Any person excluded from participation in future public comment periods or from attendance at future commission meetings may appeal the exclusion by submitting a written appeal stating the bases for the appeal to the city clerk within six business days after notice of the exclusion is posted on the door of Room 1E-113. The city council shall consider any timely appeal at its next regularly scheduled open public meeting, that is at least three (3) business days from the receipt of the appeal. The person's exclusion from public comment periods or from attendance at commission meetings shall remain in effect during the council's consideration of the appeal.

Section 15. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days after its passage and legal publication.

Passed by the City Council this 23rd day of SEPTEMBER, 2025 and signed in authentication of its passage this 28th day of SEPTEMBER, 2025.

(SEAL)



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lynne Robinson".

Lynne Robinson, Mayor

Approved as to form:
Trisna Tanus, City Attorney

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Trisna Tanus".

Trisna Tanus, City Attorney

Attest:

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Charmaine Arredondo".

Charmaine Arredondo, City Clerk

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