ORDINANCE NO. 319

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON AMENDING SIGN EXEMPTION PROVISIONS TO INCLUDE GATEWAY SIGNS CONSTRUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GATEWAY POLICY AND GUIDELINE MANUAL; AND AMENDING SHORELINE MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 20.50.610

WHEREAS, the City adopted Shoreline Municipal Code Title 20, the Development Code, on June 12, 2000; and

WHEREAS, the City has completed a review of its development regulations in accordance with the Washington State Growth Management Act (GMA), RCW36.70A.130, which states “[e]ach comprehensive land use plan and development regulation shall be subject to continuing review and evaluation by the county or city that adopted them”; and

WHEREAS, the City developed the Gateway Policy and Guideline Manual to implement the vision established by the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission conducted a public hearing on November 7, 2002 and developed a unanimous recommendation for approval of this Development Code amendment; and

WHEREAS, a SEPA exemption determination was made based on the provisions of WAC 197.11.800(20); and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that the amendment adopted by this ordinance is consistent with and implements the Shoreline Comprehensive Plan and complies with the adoption requirements of the Growth Management Act, Chapter 36.70A. RCW; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that the amendment adopted by this ordinance meets the criteria in Title 20 for adoption of an amendment to the Development Code;

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Amendment. Shoreline Municipal Code Chapter 20.40 is amended as set forth in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein.

Section 2. Severability. Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance, or its application to any person or circumstance, be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid for any reason, or should any portion of this ordinance be preempted by state or federal law or regulation, such decision or preemption shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance or its application to other persons or circumstances.

Section 3. Effective Date and Publication. A summary of this ordinance consisting of the title shall be published in the official newspaper and the ordinance shall take effect five days
after publication.


Mayor Scott Jepsen

ATTEST:

Sharon Mattioli, CMC
City Clerk

Date of Publication: January 30, 2003
Effective Date: February 4, 2003

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Ian Sievers
City Attorney
20.50.610 Exempt signs.

A. Historic site markers or plaques, gravestones, and address numbers.

B. Signs required by law, including but not limited to:

1. Official or legal notices issued and posted by any public agency or court; or

2. Traffic directional or warning signs.

C. Plaques, tablets or inscriptions indicating the name of a building, date of erection, or other commemorative information, which are an integral part of the building structure or are attached flat to the face of the building, which are nonilluminated, and which do not exceed four square feet in surface area.

D. Incidental signs, which shall not exceed two square feet in surface area; provided, that said size limitation shall not apply to signs providing directions, warnings or information when established and maintained by a public agency.

E. State or Federal flags.

F. Religious symbols.

G. The flag of a commercial institution, provided no more than one flag is permitted per business premises; and further provided, the flag does not exceed 20 square feet in surface area.

H. Neighborhood identification signs with approved placement and design by the City.

I. Neighborhood and business blockwatch signs with approved placement of standardized signs acquired through the City of Shoreline Police Department.

J. Plaques, signs or markers for landmark tree designation with approved placement and design by the City.

K. Existing signs that only replace the copy face and do not alter the size or structure of the existing sign.

L. Real estate signs for single-family residences.

M. City-sponsored event signs up for no more than two weeks.

N. Gateway signs constructed in compliance with the Gateway Policy and Guideline Manual.