CITY OF GIG HARBOR

ORDINANCE NO. 649

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Gig Harbor relating to the Gig Harbor Building Code Advisory Board; changing the number of active members from three to six; changing the authority of the Hearing Examiner and Building Code Advisory Board; and amending Sections 15.02.010 B and 15.06.037 of the Gig Harbor Municipal Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF GIG HARBOR DOES ORDAIN;

<u>Section 1</u>. Section 15.02.010 of the Gig Harbor Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

15.02.010 Building code advisory board.

- A. There is created a building code advisory board in order to:
 - 1. Consider appeals of administrative determination where alternate materials or methods of construction are proposed to those stated within Title 15 of this code;
 - 2. Review new code standards and ordinance revisions within Title 15 of this code;
 - 3. Make recommendations to the Gig Harbor city council when new standards or revisions to Title 15 of this code are being considered for adoption; and
 - 4. Provide reasonable interpretations of the building codes and Title 15 of this code as requested by the Gig Harbor building official/fire marshal.
- B. The building code advisory board shall consist of three six members who are qualified by experience and training to pass upon matters of building construction and who are not employees of the jurisdiction. The board shall be comprised of one two statelicensed contractors, one two architects, and one two engineers, all of whom must be residents of the Gig Harbor community, at least one two of whom is—a are city residents. The building code advisory board shall be appointed by the mayor and approved by the city council and shall hold office for a four-year term. The terms shall not run concurrently, and the first selected board member's terms shall run for two, three, and four years, respectively. The mayor may remove any board member at his/her pleasure and discretion. The board shall adopt rules of procedure for conducting its business and shall render all decisions and findings in writing to the applicant with a duplicate copy to the building official.

<u>Section 2</u>. Section 15.06.037 of the Gig Harbor Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

<u>15.06.037 Appeals -- Hearing examiner/building code advisory board.</u> Section 204 of the Uniform Building Code is amended to read as follows:

- A. Appeals of Civil Penalty Citation; and Appeals of Administrative Determinations of a nontechnical standard or code shall be considered pursuant to the Hearing Examiner, Chapter 17.10 of the Gig Harbor Municipal Code.
- B. Appeals of Administrative Determination, where alternative materials or methods of construction are proposed, shall be considered pursuant to the Building Code Advisory Board, Chapter 15.02 of the Gig Harbor Municipal Code.
- C. <u>Limitations of Authority</u>. The Hearing Examiner and Building Code Advisory Board shall have no authority relative to interpretation of the administrative provisions of this code nor shall the Hearing Examiner and Building Code Advisory Board be empowered to waive the requirements of the code.

<u>Section 3</u>. Whenever any conflict occurs between any section of this Ordinance and the Code referred to in this Ordinance, the Code shall prevail.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force on the first day of January, 1994.

PASSED by the Gig Harbor City Council and approved by its Mayor at a regular meeting of the council held on the 27th day of September, 1993.

APPROVED:

Gretchen A. Wilbert, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mark Hoppen, City/Administrator

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