

ORDINANCE NO. 4839

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELLensburg, WASHINGTON, RELATING TO TITLE 3 "BUILDINGS AND FIRE" AND ADDING A NEW SECTION 3.03.125 TO THE ELLensburg CITY CODE.

WHEREAS, the City of Ellensburg has adopted the 2015 International Fire Code in Chapter 3.03 of the Ellensburg City Code; and

WHEREAS, KVFR has identified a potential operational and enforcement issue with current fire hydrant spacing requirements; and

WHEREAS, the proposed ordinance language will enhance fire department operational effectiveness without reducing water supply for firefighting operations;

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Ellensburg, Washington do hereby ordain as follows:

**Section 1. A new section entitled "3.03.125 Section 507 amended - Fire Protection Water Supplies" is hereby added to the Ellensburg City Code:**

**3.03.125 Section 507 amended - Fire Protection Water Supplies**

Section 507.5 of the International Fire Code is amended to add a new subsection and to read as follows:

Section 507.5.1 Where required. Where a portion of the facility or building hereafter constructed or moved into or within the jurisdiction is more than 400 feet (122 m) from a hydrant on a fire apparatus access road, as measured by an approved route around the exterior of the facility or building, on-site fire hydrants and mains shall be provided where required by the fire code official. Note: Fire hydrants located on the opposite side of minor and principal arterial streets as defined and designated by the City of Ellensburg Development Standards, will not be counted in the fire hydrant spacing calculations.

Exceptions:

1. For Group R-3 and Group U occupancies, the distance requirement shall be 600 feet (183 meters).
2. For buildings equipped throughout with an approved automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1 or 903.3.1.2, the distance requirement shall be 600 feet (183 meters).
3. When hydrants inside the 400 feet requirement in 507.5.1 are discounted as stated above, the distance requirement shall be 600 feet (183 meters) when calculated fire flow requirements are under 3000 GPM.

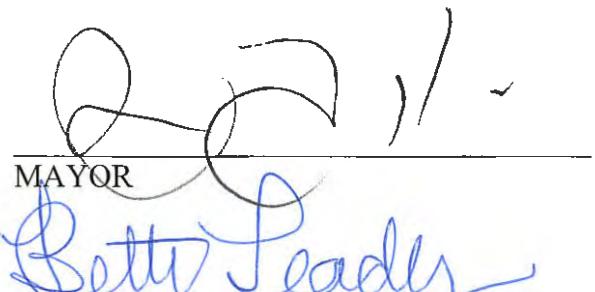
**Section 2. Severability.** If any portion of this ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion(s) of this ordinance.

**Section 3. Corrections.** Upon the approval of the City Attorney, the City Clerk and the codifiers of this ordinance are authorized to make necessary corrections to this ordinance including, but not limited to, the correction of scrivener's/clerical errors, references, ordinance numbering, section/subsection numbers and any references thereto.

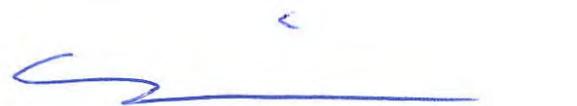
**Section 4. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days after its passage, approval and publication.

The foregoing ordinance was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council on the 4th day of November, 2019.

ATTEST:

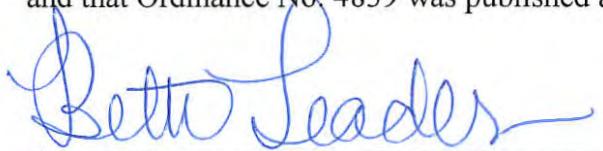
  
MAYOR  
Beth Leader  
CITY CLERK

Approved as to form:

  
CITY ATTORNEY

Publish: 11-7-2019

I, Beth Leader, City Clerk of said City, do hereby certify that Ordinance No. 4839 is a true and correct copy of said Ordinance of like number as the same was passed by said Council, and that Ordinance No. 4839 was published as required by law.

  
BETH LEADER