Ordinance No. _____

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MEDINA, WASHINGTON, ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 12.44 TO THE MEDINA MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING STREET VACATION POLICIES AND PROCEDURES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Medina Municipal Code (MMC) does not contain street vacation policies or procedures, which inhibits the City's efficient consideration and determination of petitions seeking vacation of City streets; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to establish street vacation policies, procedures, standards and criteria to better guide the City and the City Council in addressing street vacation petitions; and

WHEREAS, the Council engaged in a lengthy process of developing comprehensive street vacation policies and procedures, including a legislative hearing regarding proposed new Chapter 12.44; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has duly considered **Exhibit A** to this Ordinance, comprising a new chapter 12.44 of the MMC entitled Street Vacations, and finds that it will provide the structure and guidance needed to address future street vacations, will reduce the City's costs and expenses in performing such actions, and will enable better decisions in the public interest;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEDINA, WASHINGTON, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1.</u> <u>Adopt New MMC Chapter 12.44.</u> For the reasons set forth above, the City Council hereby adopts new Chapter 12.44, entitled Street Vacations, into the Medina Municipal Code, all as set forth in attached **Exhibit A**, incorporated herein by this reference.

<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Corrections</u>. The City Clerk and codifiers of this Ordinance are authorized to make necessary corrections to this Ordinance, including but not limited to the correction of scrivener and clerical errors, references, ordinance numbering, section/subsection numbering and any references thereto.

<u>Section 3</u>. <u>Severability</u>. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such invalidity shall not affect the validity or effectiveness of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

<u>Section 4.</u> <u>Effective Date.</u> This Ordinance or a summary thereof consisting of the title shall be published in the official newspaper of the City and shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after such publication.

APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEDINA ON THE _____ DAY OF _____, 2021 AND SIGNED IN AUTHENTICATION OF ITS PASSAGE THE _____ DAY OF _____, 2021.

Jessica Rossman, Mayor

Approved as to form: Ogden Murphy Wallace, PLLC

Attest:

Scott M. Missall, City Attorney

Aimee Kellerman, City Clerk

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