

**CITY OF MERCER ISLAND
ORDINANCE NO. 25C-08**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MERCER ISLAND, WASHINGTON,
RENEWING INTERIM ZONING REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE
24C-08 ON RESIDENTIAL PARKING IN RESPONSE TO SENATE BILL 6015;
PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE
DATE.**

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of Washington passed Substitute Senate Bill 6015, effective June 6, 2024, adopting minimum parking requirements for residential development by adding a new section to chapter 36.70A RCW; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mercer Island must amend several code sections to ensure that the Mercer Island City Code (MICC) is consistent with state requirements for residential parking configurations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mercer Island must adopt regulations consistent with state requirements for residential parking configurations; and

WHEREAS, to be compliance with Substitute Senate Bill 6015 and prevent the potential harm to public health, safety, property, and welfare resulting from the MICC being noncompliant with state requirements, the City Council found that immediate action was necessary to adopt the interim zoning regulations in Ordinance Number 24C-08; and

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 24C-08 on June 4, 2024, effective immediately for a period of one year; and

WHEREAS, the City is authorized under RCW 35A.63.220 and 36.70A.390 to renew interim zoning and official controls for an additional six-month period, provided a public hearing is held prior to renewal; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a public hearing on May 6, 2025 which satisfies the requirements on RCW 35A.63.220 and RCW 36.70A.390; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance, as an interim zoning and official control ordinance, is not subject to referendum;

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

Section 1. Findings. The findings adopted for Ordinance No. 24C-08 and the “Whereas Clauses” set forth in the recitals of this ordinance are hereby adopted as the findings of fact of the City Council for passing this ordinance.

Section 2. Renewed. The interim regulations adopted by Ordinance No. 24C-08 are renewed.

Section 3. Duration of Interim Zoning and Official Controls. The interim zoning and official controls renewed by this ordinance shall be effective for a period of six-months, unless repealed, extended or modified by the City Council pursuant to RCW 35A.63.220 and RCW 36.70A.390.

Section 4. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, or its application held inapplicable to any person, property, or circumstance, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity of any other section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance or its application to any other person, property, or circumstance.

Section 5. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force on June 3, 2025, provided 5 days have passed since its passage and publication.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCER ISLAND, WASHINGTON, AT ITS MEETING ON XX.

CITY OF MERCER ISLAND

Salim Nice, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ATTEST:

Bio Park, City Attorney

Andrea Larson, City Clerk

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