



City of Tukwila

Washington

Ordinance No. 2614

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TUKWILA, WASHINGTON, ADOPTING A NEW SECTION OF THE TUKWILA MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH PENALTIES FOR THE CRIME OF EXPOSING MINOR CHILDREN TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, TO BE CODIFIED AS TUKWILA MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 8.06.050; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Tukwila recognizes that domestic violence incidents committed in the presence of minor children can result in not only risk to the children but life-long adverse psychological and other adverse impacts on those children; and

WHEREAS, the City Council seeks to send a message that the City of Tukwila does not tolerate domestic violence, especially domestic violence committed in the presence of minor children; and

WHEREAS, the City Council seeks to reduce the impact of domestic violence incidents on all victims and witnesses, including minor children who are present when an incident occurs;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TUKWILA, WASHINGTON, HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Tukwila Municipal Code Section 8.06.050 Established. A new section of the Tukwila Municipal Code entitled, "Exposing Minor Children to Domestic Violence," is hereby established to read as follows:

8.06.050

A. A person commits the crime of exposing children to domestic violence when he or she:

1. Commits a crime against a family or household member, as defined in RCW 10.99.020; and

2. The crime is committed in the immediate presence of, or is witnessed or heard by, the person's or the victim's minor child, minor stepchild, or a minor child residing within the household of the person or victim.

3. For the purposes of this section, "minor" shall mean under 18 years of age on the date of the violation.

B. Exposing children to domestic violence is a gross misdemeanor. Any person convicted of this crime shall be punished by imprisonment of not less than 30 days.


Section 2. Corrections by City Clerk or Code Reviser. Upon approval of the City Attorney, the City Clerk and the code reviser are authorized to make necessary corrections to this ordinance, including the correction of clerical errors; references to other local, state or federal laws, codes, rules, or regulations; or ordinance numbering and section/subsection numbering.

Section 3. Severability. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance or its application to any person or situation should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portions of this ordinance or its application to any other person or situation.

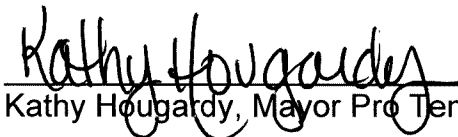
Section 4. Effective Date. This ordinance or a summary thereof shall be published in the official newspaper of the City and shall take effect and be in full force five days after passage and publication as provided by law.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TUKWILA, WASHINGTON, at a Regular Meeting thereof this 16th day of September, 2019.


ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:



Christy O'Flaherty, MMC, City Clerk



Kathy Hougaard, Mayor Pro Tempore

APPROVED AS TO FORM BY:


Rachel B. Turpin, City Attorney

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City of Tukwila Public Notice of Ordinance Adoption for Ordinances 2613-2614.

On September 16, 2019 the City Council of the City of Tukwila, Washington, adopted the following ordinances, the main points of which are summarized by title as follows:

Ordinance 2613: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TUKWILA, WASHINGTON, AUTHORIZING THE MAXIMUM CAPACITY OF A LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX TO FUND INVESTMENTS IN AFFORDABLE AND SUPPORTIVE HOUSING, TO BE CODIFIED AT CHAPTER 3.14 OF THE TUKWILA MUNICIPAL CODE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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The full text of this ordinance will be provided upon request.

Christy O'Flaherty, MMC, City Clerk

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