

ORDINANCE NO. 43-19

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Richland amending Richland Municipal Code Section 21.01.050 related to violations and penalties applicable to Title 21, Building Code.

WHEREAS, the City has need, from time to time, to amend the Richland Municipal Code (RMC) to eliminate ambiguity or bring the code into compliance with state or federal law; and

WHEREAS, RMC 21.01.050, a section establishing civil penalties, improperly references Chapter 21.01 instead of Title 21, thereby inappropriately limiting the application of the penalties provision; and

WHEREAS, the intent of RMC 21.01.050 is to create a penalty section that applies to the whole of Title 21 RMC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Richland as follows:

Section 1. Richland Municipal Code Section 21.01.050, entitled Violations – Penalties, as first enacted by Ordinance No. 20-04, and last amended by Ordinance No. 11-10, is hereby amended to read as follows:

21.01.050 Violations – Penalties.

Any violation of any provision of this ~~chapter~~ title shall be considered either a civil infraction pursuant to RMC Title 10 punishable by a fine of not less than \$250.00; or shall be considered a criminal violation as described below. Violations which are subject to the requirements for obtaining a permit in order to correct or abate the violation shall comply with the voluntary correction agreement pursuant to RMC Title 10 and shall obtain the required permit and follow all the provisions of the issued permit.

Any violation of any provision of this ~~chapter~~ title, or of any provision within the codes adopted in this chapter, which is not considered to be a civil infraction as described above and in RMC Title 10, shall be considered a criminal misdemeanor offense subject to the penalties described in RMC 9.02.020(A).

For any violation of a continuing nature, each day's violation shall be considered a separate offense and shall subject the offender to the above penalty for each offense.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect the day following its publication in the official newspaper of the City of Richland.

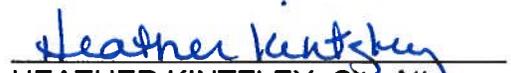
PASSED by the City Council of the City of Richland, Washington, at a regular meeting on the 15th day of October, 2019.


ROBERT J. THOMPSON
Mayor

ATTEST:


TONI FULTON, Acting Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


HEATHER KINTZLEY, City Attorney

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