

ORDINANCE 1129
CITY OF LACEY

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LACEY, WASHINGTON,
ESTABLISHING A DOMESTIC PARTNERSHIP REGISTRY WITHIN THE
CITY OF LACEY AND ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 2.86 TO THE LACEY
MUNICIPAL CODE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LACEY,
WASHINGTON, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Black Hills Alliance has requested the City of
Lacey to create a domestic partnership registry in order to allow
residents of the City of Lacey to make an official record of their
domestic partnerships and has assured the City of Lacey that the
creation of such a registry would not extend any tangible medical,
employment, or other legal benefits to those registering,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF LACEY, WASHINGTON, that there be added to the Lacey Municipal
Code, a new Chapter 2.86, to read as follows:

Section 2.86.010 Domestic Partnership Registry - Established.
There is hereby established in the City of Lacey a Domestic
Partnership Registry. Registration of a domestic partnership shall
be voluntary and shall be subject to fulfilling the requirements of
Section 2.86.020.

Section 2.86.020 Registration Prerequisites.

The City of Lacey shall add to the Domestic Partnership Registry a
domestic partnership after receipt of an application for
registration of domestic partnership signed under oath and
acknowledged by both partners attesting to the following:

- A. Neither of the individuals ^{is} ~~are~~ married. CMT
- B. The individuals are in a relationship of mutual support,
caring and commitment.

- C. Both of the individuals are of the age of eighteen (18) years or older.
- D. The individuals are not related in blood closer than would bar marriage in the State of Washington.
- E. Each of the individuals ~~are~~^{is} the other's sole domestic partner. *ent*
- F. Both applicants are residents of the City of Lacey.
- G. Both applicants acknowledge that neither filing the application nor the issuance by the City of Lacey of a registration certificate shall constitute a marriage or marriage certificate.
- H. Both individuals acknowledge that such registration or the issuance of a registration certificate does not afford their relationship any new or different legal status nor create any new or different legal rights or responsibilities. *ent*
- I. Such application and registration ~~is~~^{are} not intended to either establish or provide evidence of any contractual relationship or contractual obligation between the partners.
- J. Such Domestic Partnership Registration is a public record subject to public disclosure in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 42.17 RCW.

Section 2.86.030 Filing Fee.

The application set forth in Section 2.86.020 shall be accompanied by a filing fee in the amount established by resolution of the City Council. Prior to the time that such a Resolution is passed by the City Council, the filing fee shall be in the sum of Twenty Five Dollars (\$25.00).

Section 2.86.040 Certificate of Registration.

Upon receipt of the application in the form prescribed by Section 2.86.020 and the fee specified in Section 2.86.030, the City of Lacey shall issue a Certificate of Registration of Domestic Partnership.

Section 2.86.050 Termination of Registration.

The City of Lacey shall remove from the Domestic Partnership Registration list any registered domestic partnership upon the

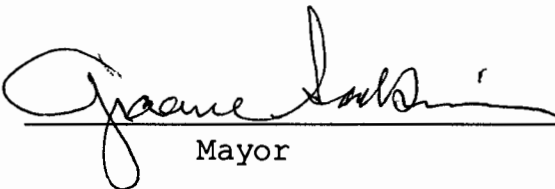
receipt of a Domestic Partnership Registration termination notice signed under oath by at least one of the partners of the registered domestic partnership. If only one partner signs a termination notice, the City shall notify the other partner by first class mail at the address provided at the time of registration.

Section 2.86.060 County Registry.

If Thurston County establishes a county wide Domestic Partner Registry substantially similar to the registry established in this Ordinance, no new registrations shall be accepted by Lacey subsequent to the effective date of such county Ordinance.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LACEY, WASHINGTON,
this April day of 13, 2000.

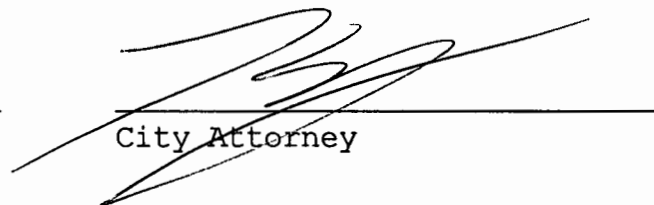
CITY COUNCIL

By: 
Mayor

Attest:

Approved as to form:


City Clerk


City Attorney

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