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AN ORDINANCE relating to the Traffic Code, amending Sections 11.62.020 and 11.62.040 of the Seattle Municipal Code to make the Traffic Code consistent with changes in the Seattle Fire Code, prohibiting the transport of **hazardous** materials at all times through the Battery Street Tunnel and on the Alaskan Way Viaduct during peak travel periods.

Date introduced/referred: September 6, 2005 Date passed: September 19, 2005 Status: Passed Vote: 8-0 (Excused: Compton) Date of Mayor's signature: September 22, 2005

Committee: Transportation **Sponsor:** CONLIN

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Traffic Code consistent with changes in the Seattle Fire Code,

prohibiting the transport of hazardous materials at all times through

the Battery Street Tunnel and on the Alaskan Way Viaduct during peak

travel periods.

WHEREAS, on August 15, 2004, the Seattle City Council adopted

Ordinance 121524 which adopted the 2003 International Fire Code with

local amendments as the Seattle Fire Code; and

WHEREAS, the Traffic Code prohibits the loading or transport of any flammable liquids, combustible liquids except heating oil, or hazardous chemicals as defined by the Seattle Fire Code, upon the Battery Street depressed roadway from the Alaskan Way Viaduct to Aurora Avenue North at any time, and the Alaskan Way Viaduct between the hours of seven a.m. and nine a.m. and four p.m. and six p.m. on weekdays; and

WHEREAS, the Seattle Fire Code regulates the transportation of hazardous cargo through tunnels; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. <u>Section 11.62.020 of the Seattle Municipal Code</u> is amended as follows:

SMC 11.62.020 Hazardous Materials.

No person shall load or transport any <u>hazardous materials in</u> accordance with Section 317

of the Seattle Fire Code and Subsection 13.1 of National Fire Protection Standard 502, 2001 edition, as amended by Ordinance 121524,

upon:

A. Battery Street <u>Tunnel and</u> depressed roadway from the Alaskan Way Viaduct to Aurora Avenue North at any time.

B. Alaskan Way Viaduct between the hours of seven a.m. and nine a.m. and four p.m. and six p.m. on weekdays, which time periods may be revised at the discretion of the Director of Transportation.

Section 2. <u>Section 11.62.040 of the Seattle Municipal Code</u> is amended as follows:

SMC 11.62.040 Explosives.

No person shall load or transport any explosive, as defined in the Seattle Fire Code, upon the following arterial streets:

A. Alaskan Way Viaduct;

B. Battery Street <u>Tunnel and</u> depressed roadway from the Alaskan Way Viaduct to Aurora Avenue North.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days from and after its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten (10) days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

Passed by the City Council the ____ day of _____, 2005, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this _____ day of _____, 2005.

President ______ of the City Council

Approved by me this _____ day of _____, 2005.

Gregory J. Nickels, Mayor

Filed by me this _____ day of _____, 2005.

City Clerk

(Seal)

Katherine Casseday:sfm

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