ORDINANCE NO. 2011-06-027

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES, AMENDING CURRENT SECTION 10.10.005 BY ADOPTING STATE LAW CRIMINAL OFFENSES BY REFERENCE

WHEREAS, the City of Bellingham prosecutes, under its own laws and within its own municipal court, all misdemeanor and gross misdemeanor offenses occurring within the City of Bellingham, and

WHEREAS, the City has an existing criminal code (Title 10) in the Bellingham Municipal Code, and

WHEREAS, the City of Bellingham wishes to have a criminal code which is similar in format and content with existing state law, and

WHEREAS, the Bellingham Municipal Code has not adopted two state laws, Cyberstalking – RCW 9.61.260 and Violation of a civil Anti-Harassment Order – RCW 10.14.170, and

WHEREAS, adoption of and amending the Bellingham Municipal Code to include existing state criminal offenses is necessary to preserve the public safety, health, and welfare of the community;

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM DOES ORDAIN:

Section 1. Section 10.10.005 of the Bellingham Municipal Code shall be amended to read as follows:

10.10.05 – Adoption by Reference

The following provisions of the revised code of Washington as presently constituted or hereinafter amended are adopted by reference:

RCW 9A.36.041	Assault in the Fourth Degree
RCW 9A.36.050	Reckless Endangerment
RCW 9A.46.020	Harassment
RCW 9A.46.040	Court Ordered Requirements upon person charged with crime- violation
RCW 9A.46.080	Order restricting contact – Violation
RCW 10.14.170	Criminal Penalty [Violation of Civil Anti-Harassment Order]
RCW 9.61.230	Telephone harassment
RCW 9.61.260	Cyberstalking
RCW 9A. 46.110	Stalking
RCW 9A.36.070	Coercion

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	PASSED by the Council this <u>6th</u> day of <u>June</u> , 2011.
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	APPROVED by me this day of Une, 2011.
	Mayor
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