

**RESOLUTION 07-111
CITY OF LIBERTY LAKE,
SPOKANE COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY LAKE,
SPOKANE COUNTY, WASHINGTON, SUPPORTING THE PERPETUAL
EXTENSION OF THE CONSERVATION FUTURES PROGRAM, AND OTHER
MATTERS PROPERLY RELATED THERETO.**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Liberty Lake, Spokane County, Washington is desirous of stating its support for the extension of the Spokane County Conservation Futures Program contemplated by Spokane County Proposition No. 1, entitled "Advisory Ballot Proposition on Extending Conservation Futures Tax";

WHEREAS, public notice was provided including the title and number of the ballot proposition, and a public hearing was conducted on October 16, 2007, to provide members of the public an approximately equal opportunity to express an opposing view;

WHEREAS, the funds collected may be used for the acquisition of new conservation futures properties and the maintenance of those properties previously acquired;

WHEREAS, open space land which can be acquired with the tax money includes lands, the preservation of which, would, among other matters: (1) conserve and enhance natural or scenic resources; or (2) protect streams or water supplies; or (3) promote conservation of soils, wetlands, or beaches; or (4) enhance the value to the public of abutting or neighboring parks, forests, wildlife preserves, nature reservations or sanctuaries or other open space; or (5) enhance recreation opportunities; or (6) preserve historic sites; or (7) preserve visual quality along highways, roads, and street corridors or scenic vistas;

WHEREAS, the people of Liberty Lake have benefitted from the acquisition of important natural lands near the Liberty Lake community and throughout Spokane County;

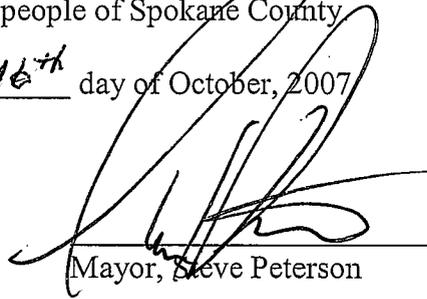
WHEREAS, additional lands in the Liberty Lake area, which have attracted passionate public interest, have been nominated for acquisition under the Conservation Futures Program; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Liberty Lake finds that the restriction of uses on private property which prohibits all economic benefit to its owner is rightfully prohibited by the Fifth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution and the sole method for perpetual public enjoyment of significant natural spaces is through public ownership and maintenance;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Liberty Lake, Washington, that the City Council of the City of Liberty Lake supports the conservation futures tax and recommends the citizens of Liberty Lake support its extension.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Liberty Lake urges the Spokane County Commissioners to make the Conservation Futures Program and its full funding a permanent legacy for the people of Spokane County.

Approved by the City Council this 16th day of October, 2007



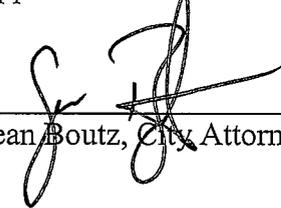
Mayor, Steve Peterson

Attest:



Arlene Fisher, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:



Sean Boutz, City Attorney