**CITY OF LIBERTY LAKE SPOKANE COUNTY, WASHINGTON**
**ORDINANCE NO. 219A**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY LAKE, WASHINGTON, UPDATING THE PARKS, RECREATION, OPEN SPACE, AND TRAILS PLAN**

WHEREAS, the City of Liberty Lake Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Trails Plan ("Plan") has been developed and adopted to guide and shape the future parks, recreation, open space, and trails system in Liberty Lake; and

WHEREAS, the 2026 update combines technical analysis with the input of the community to establish priorities for the future improvements of parks and recreation facilities, programs, and services in Liberty Lake; and

WHEREAS, the Plan was originally designed to supplement the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space element of the City's Comprehensive Plan by expanding on the information contained in the Comprehensive Plan to provide significantly greater detail regarding the inventory of park and recreation facilities, demands and needs for the future, management and operations, and level of service; and

WHEREAS, the City's updated Plan now includes the City's Comprehensive Plan Park and Recreation Element; and

WHEREAS, using public input gathered through the months-long planning process, the updated Plan takes into consideration current and future needs, current trends, public desires, and in depth analysis to establish a long term vision for the City of Liberty Lake parks, recreation, open space, and trails system; and

WHEREAS, the multi-layered public input process utilized for the updated Plan was designed to provide multiple opportunities for a range of audiences and constituencies to participate, which the City received very consistent feedback; and

WHEREAS, the City's updated Plan will be utilized as a basis for grant applications through the WA State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) for multiple categories of grants from the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board (RCFB); and

WHEREAS, the format of the updated Plan was based on the six (6) required RCO plan elements; and

WHEREAS, the 2026 Parks, Recreation, Open Space, & Trails Plan Update process was a "bottom up" effort, involving early and continuous public participation throughout the creation process and the public had the opportunity to comment throughout the process; and

WHEREAS, comments have been solicited from the public, focus groups and interested parties and affected agencies on the 2026 Parks, Recreation, Open Space, & Trails Plan Update;

and

WHEREAS, the City will incorporate the 2026 Parks, Recreation, Open Space, & Trails Plan into the City Comprehensive Plan during the next update cycle.

NOW THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Liberty Lake, Washington does ordain as follows:

**Section 1.** Contents of the 2026 Parks. Recreation. Open Space, & Trails Plan Update.
The City of Liberty Lake 2026 Parks, Recreation, Open Space, & Trails Plan Update is hereby adopted as set forth in Exhibit A, which is incorporated herein by this reference.

**Section 2.** Severability.

If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance and the attachments hereto shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance.

**Section 3.** Administration and Enforcement.

A. Administration. Planning & Building Services shall be responsible for the administration of this Ordinance and projects shall be reviewed prior to the issuance of any permits or approvals to ensure the project conforms to the adopted Parks, Recreation, Open Space, & Trails Plan herein.

B. Enforcement. Projects that do not conform to the adopted Parks, Recreation, Open Space, & Trails Plan herein shall be subject to the denial of permits or approvals until the project is brought into conformance.

**Section 4.** Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect five (5) days after publication of this Ordinance or a summary thereof in the official newspaper of the City as provided by law.

PASSED by the City Council this 19th day of May, 2026.

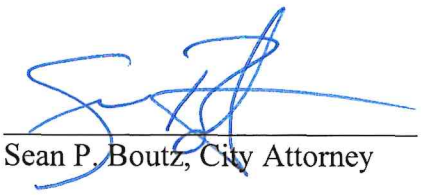
Cris Kaminskas, Mayor

Attest:

Rochelle Caton

Rochelle Caton, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:



Sean P. Boutz, City Attorney

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