

**ORDINANCE NO. 65
CITY OF LIBERTY LAKE
SPOKANE COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY LAKE, WASHINGTON, IMPOSING A
MORATORIUM ON THE ACCEPTANCE OF PERMIT APPLICATIONS FOR
HALFWAY HOUSES AND CRISIS RESIDENTIAL HOUSING, COMMUNITY
TREATMENT FACILITIES, SECURE RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT HOUSING FOR
SEX OFFENDERS OR SIMILAR FACILITIES WITHIN THE CITY OF LIBERTY
LAKE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 01-022, the City Council imposed a moratorium on the filing of applications with Spokane County for development permits associated with halfway houses and crisis residential housing, community treatment facilities, secure residential treatment housing for sex offenders or similar facilities during the interim period of the City of Liberty Lake;

WHEREAS, moratoria and interim zoning ordinances enacted under RCW 35A.63.220 are methods by which local governments may preserve the status quo so that new plans and regulations will not be rendered ineffective by intervening development; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Liberty Lake City Council to insure the development of fair and reasonable regulations regarding the above use; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide the City with adequate time to develop and recommend standards for development under the City Zoning Code it is necessary to preserve the status quo;

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

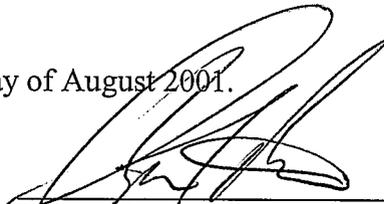
Section 1. Moratorium. The Liberty Lake City Council hereby imposes a moratorium upon the filing and acceptance of applications with the City for development permits (including building permits, land use permits, licenses and approvals identified in City Ordinance) for halfway houses and crisis residential housing, community treatment facilities, secure residential treatment housing for sex offenders or similar facilities as those terms are defined in City Ordinance or Spokane County Code (Ordinance). Further, the Planning and Community Development Director of the City shall develop a work plan in order to expeditiously review existing regulations and propose regulations deemed appropriate to serve the public health, safety and welfare in the City of Liberty Lake.

Section 2. Public Hearing. The City shall schedule and give proper notice of a public hearing on this moratorium within 60 days of the date of this ordinance.

Section 3. Term. The moratorium established by this ordinance shall be for a six-month period beginning on August 31, 2001.

Section 4. Effective Date. The City Council declares an emergency and that an urgency exists to immediately pass this moratorium which could not reasonably have been anticipated and therefore to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the City, this ordinance shall take effect and be in full force immediately upon its passage and the date of incorporation.

PASSED by the City Council this 28th day of August 2001.



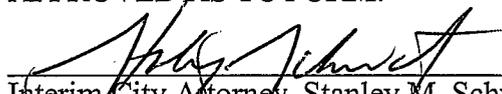
Mayor, Steve Peterson

ATTEST:



Interim City Clerk, Arlene Fisher

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Interim City Attorney, Stanley M. Schwartz
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**NOTICE OF ORDINANCE PASSED
BY LIBERTY LAKE CITY COUNCIL**

The following is the title and summary of Ordinance No. 65 passed by the City of Liberty Lake City Council on the 28th day of August, 2001.

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The introductory Paragraphs state that the City adopts a moratorium on the filing of applications for halfway houses, crisis residential housing, community treatment facilities, secure residential treatment housing for sex offenders or similar facilities.

Section 1. Moratorium. Imposes a moratorium on the filing and accepting of applications for development of halfway houses, crisis residential housing, community treatment facilities, secure residential treatment housing for sex offenders or similar facilities.

Section 2 Public Hearing. Provides the City shall schedule a public hearing on the moratorium within sixty (60) days.

Section 3 Term. Imposes the moratorium for six (6) months.

Section 4 Effective Date. Declares that the moratorium is immediately effective.

The full text of the Ordinance is available at the Interim City of Liberty Lake City offices as identified above. A copy will be mailed out upon request.



Arlene Fisher
Interim City Clerk

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