

**CITY OF LIBERTY LAKE
SPOKANE COUNTY, WASHINGTON
ORDINANCE NO. 188-A**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LIBERTY LAKE, WASHINGTON, AMENDING
THE UTILITY TAX RATE TO PROVIDE REVENUE FOR CITY SERVICES AND
CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS;
AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, the City has reviewed the six percent (6%) Utility Tax Rate established for 2011; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that for the 2012 Budget there are sufficient revenues from other sources; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the public interest is best served by reducing the utility tax rate for 2012; and

WHEREAS, the City Council will annually review the utility tax rate before adoption of each annual budget;

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

Section 1. Amendment. City Ordinance No. 188 shall be amended as follows:

Section 4. Occupations Subject to Tax - Amount.

- All references in Section 4 to a tax rate of six percent (6%) shall be reduced to three percent (3%); and
- Paragraph six (6) shall be deleted in its entirety. Provided the City Council will continue to conduct an annual review of the utility tax rate prior to adoption of the City's annual budget.

Section 2. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be published in the official newspaper of the City, and shall take effect and be in full force on January 1st, 2012.

Section 3. Severability. If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance, or its application to any person or circumstance should 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, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance.

All other terms and conditions of Ordinance No. 188 shall remain in full force and effect without any further changes.

Passed by the City Council this 13th day of December, 2011.

Wendy VanOrman
Mayor, Wendy Van Orman

ATTEST:

Ann Swenson
City Clerk, Ann Swenson

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Sean P. Boutz
City Attorney, Sean P. Boutz

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned City Clerk of the City of Liberty Lake, of Spokane County, Washington, HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Ordinance is a full, true, and correct copy of Ordinance No. 188-A duly adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of said City, duly and regularly held at the regular meeting placed thereof on December 13, 2011 of which meeting all members of said City Council had due notice and at which a majority thereof were present; and that at said meeting said Ordinance was adopted by the following vote: 6-0, unanimous.

AYES, and in favor thereof: Mayor Pro Tem Crump; Council Members: Langford, Schuler, Owens, Romney, and Kaminskas.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Council Member: Beckett.

ABSTAINED: None.

CITY OF LIBERTY LAKE



CITY CLERK