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CITY OF BELPRE
ORDINANCE NO. ______ (2024-25)

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A SIX-MONTH MORATORIUM ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF INPATIENT OR OUTPATIENT ADDICTION FACILITIES, INCLUDING SOBER LIVING HOMES AND RECOVERY HOMES, WITHIN THE CITY OF BELPRE

WHEREAS, due to the opioid crisis that is affecting every community in the Mid-Ohio area, there is a growing need for inpatient and/or outpatient treatment facilities; and

WHEREAS, while recognizing the need for such addiction treatment facilities, the Council of the City of Belpre also recognizes the need to assure that such facilities are properly zoned to mitigate the harmful impact such facilities can have on residential and commercial areas; and

WHEREAS, the City Council needs time to study and determine the impact such addiction treatment facilities could have on the City to assure they are properly zoned and desires to maintain the status quo while doing so; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds it to be in the best interest of the health, safety and the general welfare of the citizens of Belpre to adopt a six month moratorium on the establishment or commencement of inpatient and/or outpatient addiction treatment facilities as well as any establishment or commencement of any sober living home or recovery home facility within the City to allow ample time to determine appropriate zoning for such facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELPRE, OHIO, THAT:

SECTION I

It is the legislative intent of this Ordinance to establish a temporary moratorium on the establishment or commencement of inpatient and/or outpatient addiction treatment facilities, as well as any establishment or commencement of any sober living home or recovery home facility within the City of Belpre. The purpose of this moratorium is to maintain the status quo while the City reviews and studies these types of facilities to determine the appropriate zoning for such facilities for the purpose of protecting residential and commercial neighborhoods from negative and secondary effects created by such facilities.

SECTION II

A temporary moratorium is hereby imposed on the establishment or commencement of inpatient and/or outpatient addiction treatment facilities, sober living homes or similar uses within the City of Belpre for a period of six months from the effective date of this Ordinance, unless ended earlier by action of the City Council. Said moratorium may be reasonably extended by the Council, if necessary, by ordinance.

SECTION III

No inpatient and/or outpatient addiction treatment facilities, sober living facilities or similar uses, as determined by the Safety-Service Director or Mayor, shall be established or shall commence operations within the City of Belpre for a period of six (6) months from the effective date of this Ordinance.

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SECTION IV

The City Safety-Service Director along with the Mayor, and City Council Committee on Zoning are hereby directed to study these uses and to make a recommendation to Council, as son as is practicable, the appropriate zoning for inpatient and/or outpatient addiction treatment facilities and sober living facilities, or similar uses.

SECTION V

The Ordinance is declared to be an EMERGENCY measure, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and welfare of the citizens of the City of Belpre, Ohio; and further reason that a residential and outpatient facility has received a business license from the City, has opened a facility on Washington Boulevard in the City, and problems have arisen in regard to the proper care of the residents in this facility, and other facilities. Wherefore, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

PRESENTED TO MAYOR 3/25

APPROVED BY MAYOR: 3/25

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION OF PUBLICATION

The undersigned Clerk of the Council of the City of Belpre, Ohio, does hereby certify that on Mar(h) > Oou , this Ordinance was published by posting a copy of the same at the five public places designated by the City Council in Ordinance No. 18 (2006-07).