

RECORD OF ORDINANCES

Dayton Legal Blank, Inc.

Form No. 30043

Ordinance No. _____

Passed _____, 20____

CITY OF BELPRE ORDINANCE NO. 7 (2026-27)

AN ORDINANCE TO EXTEND THE ONE YEAR MORATORIUM ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF INPATIENT OR OUTPATIENT ADDICTION FACILITIES, INCLUDING SOBER LIVING HOMES AND RECOVERY HOMES, WITHIN THE CITY OF BELPRE FOR AN ADDITIONAL PERIOD OF ONE (1) YEAR

WHEREAS, ORDINANCE NO 27 (2025-2026) was passed on August 11, 2025, to establish a one (1) year moratorium on the establishment of inpatient or outpatient addiction facilities, including sober living homes and recovery homes, within the City of Belpre.

WHEREAS, said Moratorium will expire on September 24, 2026, and

WHEREAS, the Belpre City Council has determined that the Moratorium needs to be extended for an additional one-year term to allow additional study of this topic.

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

SECTION I

It is the legislative intent of this Ordinance to extend the six-month 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 for an additional one year period from September 25, 2025. 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 an additional period of one (1) year 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 one (1) year from September 24, 2026 to September 23, 2027.

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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 soon 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.

PASSED: August 24, 2026

James B. McArthur
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: Kimberly S. Meredith

PRESENTED TO MAYOR: 8/25/26

Susan J. Arnold
MAYOR

APPROVED BY MAYOR: 8/25/26

CLERK'S CERTIFICATION OF PUBLICATION

The undersigned Clerk of the Council of the City of Belpre, Ohio, does hereby certify that on August 25, 2026, 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).

August 25, 2026
Date

Kimberly S. Meredith
CLERK