## STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF WASHINGTON CITY OF LAKE ELMO

## ORDINANCE NO. 8128

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO A DEVELOPMENT MORATORIUM ON RESIDENTIALLY ZONED PROPERTY.

The Lake Elmo City Council ordains that Section 301.150 and its subdivisions shall be added to the Lake Elmo Municipal Code to read as follows:

## 301.150. Development Moratorium.

- A. The City of Lake Elmo is in the process of studying planning concepts relating to cluster developments in residential zones as an alternative to traditional development methods in order to encourage developers to retain wetlands, natural topography, wooded areas and other natural and/or agricultural features which would help enhance the rural character of the City.
- B. The City has conducted informational meetings, has drafted proposals to implement cluster development regulations, and has scheduled and will conduct public hearings in order to obtain public input prior to the adoption of any required changes to its Comprehensive Plan and Official Controls.
- C. Pending the completion of the public hearings and the adoption of amendments to its Comprehensive Plan and Official Controls, the Lake Elmo City Council has determined that it would be in the public interest to impose a rezoning and development moratorium on those parcels of land which will be impacted by the proposed amendments.
- D. In order to achieve the above objectives, there is hereby imposed, except as hereinafter provided, the following limited rezoning and development moratorium, pursuant to the provisions of M.S. 462.355, Subd. 4, on all property within the City of Lake Elmo:
  - No property may be rezoned from a nonresidential use category to a residential use category.
  - 2. No property may be rezoned from one residential use category to another residential use category.

- 3. Property which is currently zoned in a residential use category may not be further subdivided.
- 4. Vacant lots in a subdivision which has already been approved by the City Council may be developed consistent with the City's current zoning and building regulations.
- E. This moratorium shall not apply to subdivisions resulting in parcels of ten acres or greater; nor shall it apply to subdivisions where necessary to allow for minor lot line adjustments.
- F. The development moratorium shall commence on the day following the publication of this ordinance and shall continue until June 1, 1996.

Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective the day following its publication.

Adoption Date. Passed by the City Council of the City of Lake Elmo the 5th day of December, 1995.

Wyn John, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary Kueffner, City Administrator

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