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## **ORDINANCE NO. 371**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON, EXTENDING A MORATORIUM FOR SIX MONTHS ON THE FILING, ACCEPTANCE OR APPROVAL OF ANY APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF LAND UTILIZING COTTAGE HOUSING BONUS DENSITIES

WHEREAS, Shoreline development regulations increased the minimum lot size for low density districts from the interim zoning code (Title 21A of the King County Code, adopted on June 26, 1995 by City Ordinance No. 11), while adopting a cottage housing bonus density that was permitted in R8-12 and R18-48 zones, and could be approved as a conditional use permit in R4 -6 zones, as part of the City's strategy to reach GMA population targets; and

WHEREAS, City Council passed Ordinance No. 362 on August 23, 2004 which adopted findings that 1) existing land development standards intended to require the integration of new cottage housing residential development with existing neighborhoods may not be adequate, particularly in many existing low density neighborhoods; 2) the continued acceptance of development applications proposing the creation of residential development utilizing existing cottage housing development standards and density may allow development that is incompatible with existing neighborhoods, leading to erosion of community character and harmony, and a decline in property values; and 3) the integrity of existing land uses, the Comprehensive Plan, and the State Growth Management Act planning process may suffer irreparable harm unless a moratorium preventing the creation of cottage housing development was adopted; and

WHEREAS, a six -month moratorium was adopted by Ordinance No. 362 which expires February 23, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that review of cottage housing issue should include a process for surveying interested parties including developers, neighbors to existing cottage housing, and cottage residents; and this process will require additional time up to an additional six –month period; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with state law, the City Council conducted a public hearing on this extension on January 24, 2005 prior to passage of this ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the protection of the public health, safety and welfare requires that the moratorium established by Ordinance No. 362 be extended for an additional six month period; NOW, THEREFORE,

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## THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. Findings of Fact. The recitals set forth above are hereby adopted as Findings of Fact by the City Council.
- Section 2. Moratorium Extended. The Shoreline City Council hereby extends the moratorium established by Ordinance No. 362, upon the acceptance of applications for and the issuance of any land use, building and development permits or approval, or any other permit, license or approval required to construct, install, relocate, or operate any residential development utilizing cottage housing bonus densities.
- Section 3. Effective Date and Duration. The current moratorium shall expire at midnight on February 23, 2005. The extension authorized herein shall immediately take effect upon expiration of the current moratorium and shall thereafter be in effect for 180 days (until August 22, 2005) unless repealed, modified, or extended by action of the City Council.
- **Section 4. Publication**. The summary of this ordinance is approved as a summary of this ordinance for publication in the official newspaper of the City.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON January 24, 2005

Mayor Ronald B. Hansen

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ATTEST:

Sharon Mattioli, MMC

City Clerk

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City Attorney

Date of Publication:

January 27, 2005

Effective Date:

February 1, 2005