

TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON ISSUANCE OF LICENSES FOR SHORT
TERM RENTALS OF REAL PROPERTY IN THE VILLAGE OF
ELLICOTTVILLE NEW YORK

Whereas, pursuant to the Village of Ellicottville's Laws of 2012 as amended in 2018, and 2019 no rental of real property in the Village of Ellicottville for a period of less than 30 days until such time an Application submitting mandatory criteria is submitted to the Village and a License permitting the same is thence issued; and

Whereas, on or about March 7th, 2020 the Governor of the State of New York declared a State of Emergency across the State based upon an emergent pandemic caused by a quickly spreading deadly virus now commonly referred to as Covid-19; and

Whereas, on or about March 7th. 2020 the Governor of the State of New York pursuant to his emergency's powers commenced issuing a set of emergency Executive Order's (now Executive Orders 202 through- 202-13), which amongst other things placed the State of New York on "Pause" to encourage self-isolation, and the shutdown of non-essential businesses to the maximum extent possible,as part of a coordinated response to arrest the rapid spread of the disease which is now anticipated to overwhelm the available health care systems, and result in the death of well over 100,000 people; and

Whereas, the pandemic now appears to have spread through the most heavily populated metropolitan core of the State of New York, and through many urban cores of surrounding states; and

Whereas, the State of New York is currently strategically allocating its own insufficient medical equipment and human resources to immediately effected down-state areas, and is attempting to prevent the pandemic spreading throughout the whole of the State at one time, so that resources may then be rotated through the State, after the number of critical down-state infections begins to decline; and

Whereas, the Village of Ellicottville exists as a resort community of approximately 400 people, without a hospital, or the ability or resources to provide sufficient personal protective equipment, quarantine services, or health care personnel to address a larger population; and

Whereas certain short term rental businesses have commenced marketing Ellicottville NY as a safe refuge for persons from urban cores to shelter from the pandemic, without any identified effort or ability to assure the encouragement of a large influx of untested individuals will not spread the disease to an area currently lacking the resources to provide treatment to affected persons, or to provide protections to not yet afflicted persons; and

Whereas on or about April 1, 2020 the Ellicottville Village Board of Trustees determined, pursuant to Village Law Section 4-412, that there then existed a threat to public health in the Village of Ellicottville, threatened by the solicitation of influx of persons into the Village of Ellicottville, NY, which in particular threatens to quicken and exacerbate the threat of the deadly Covid-19 virus to areas that currently lack the resources to address the health crisis, and which virus threatens loss of life throughout the Village and thence resolved, pursuant to Village Law Section 4-412, and otherwise, neither the Village Clerk, nor any other Village employee, shall issue any licenses for any new Short Term rentals for the next Ninety days, unless the Governor's Emergency Declaration of March 7th, 2020 was earlier rescinded; and

Whereas the public health crisis brought about by the Covid -19 pandemic continues, and the conditions supporting the issuance of the moratorium on short term rentals persist; it is now hereby

Resolved pursuant to Village Law Section 4-412, and otherwise, that neither the Village Clerk, nor any other Village employee, shall issue any licenses for any new Short Term rentals until December 31st, 2020,, unless the Governor's Emergency Declaration of March 7th, 2020 is earlier rescinded

So Resolved this 21st day of July, 2020





