City of Independence, Ky. RESOLUTION NO. 2024-R-10

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, KENTUCKY, PURSUANT KRS 218B.130(2)(c), DIRECTING THAT THE QUESTION OF ALLOWING CANNABIS BUSINESSES TO OPERATE WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE BE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE IN THE CITY'S ELECTIONS AT THE NEXT REGULAR ELECTION.

WHEREAS, the 2023 Kentucky General Assembly passed KRS 218B.010-.155 relating to the production, delivery, and use of medical cannabis by cardholders; and

WHEREAS, part of that law, specifically KRS 218B.130 (2)(c), allows local governments, including the City of Independence, Kentucky, to enact resolutions directing that the question of prohibiting cannabis businesses from operating within its territory be submitted to the voters of its territory at the next regular election; and

WHEREAS, the City of Independence hereby adopts this resolution pursuant to said statute to place the issue before the voters of the City of Independence to ask: "Are you in favor of the sale of medicinal cannabis at a licensed dispensary and the operation of other cannabis businesses in the City of Independence?"; and

WHEREAS, if the question submitted to the voters passes, medicinal cannabis sales and cannabis business operations may be conducted in the City of Independence, notwithstanding any local government ordinances which prohibit all cannabis business operations within its territory; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of general election law shall apply to public questions submitted to voters under this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, KENTUCKY, AS FOLLOWS: In accordance with KRS 218B.130(2)(c), the City of Independence, Kentucky directs that the question of prohibiting cannabis businesses from operating within its territory be submitted to the voters of its territory at the next regular election, by asking the question: "Are you in favor of the sale of medicinal cannabis at a licensed dispensary and the operation of other cannabis businesses in the City of Independence?"

Done this 3rd day of June 2024 on a Motion made by Council Member Franzen and seconded by Council Member Vogelpohl.

Members present voting in favor: 4

Members present voting against: 2

Christopher J. Reinersman, Mayor

ATTEST:

Gina Rawe, City Clerk

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