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LUDLOW RESOLUTION 2024-9

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LUDLOW, KENTUCKY DIRECTING THE QUESTION OF PROHIBITING CANNABIS BUSINESSES FROM OPERATING WITHIN ITS TERRITORY BE SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS 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, the Act authorizes the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to issue licenses to the following businesses:

- (a) Tier I cannabis cultivator;
- (b) Tier II cannabis cultivator;
- (c) Tier III cannabis cultivator;
- (d) Tier IV cannabis cultivator;
- (e) Cannabis dispensary;
- (f) Cannabis processor;
- (g) Cannabis producer; or
- (h) Cannabis safety compliance facility; and

WHEREAS, due to the present uncertainties regarding the potential future impacts that allowing one or more classes of cannabis business might have on Kentucky municipalities in general, and on the City of Ludlow in particular, it is necessary and appropriate, and in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the City of Ludlow's residents and members of the public who visit, travel or conduct business in the City of Ludlow to allow the voters of the City of Ludlow to determine whether the city should allow cannabis businesses by way of referendum vote.

WHEREAS, the City of Ludlow utilizes its authority under KRS 218B.130(2)(c) by directing that the question of prohibiting cannabis businesses from operating within the City of Ludlow be submitted to the voters at the next regular election.

WHEREAS, if the question submitted to the voters passes, medical cannabis sales and cannabis business operations may be conducted in the City of Ludlow, 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 the public questions submitted to voters under this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LUDLOW, KENTUCKY AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I

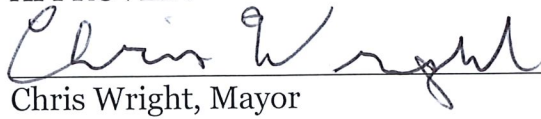
That the City of Ludlow, in accordance with KRS 218B.130(2)(c) hereby directs this Resolution to the Kenton County Clerk and further directs the Kenton County Clerk to place before the voters of the City of Ludlow at the next regular election the question, which shall be

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“Are you in favor of the sale of medicinal cannabis at a licensed dispensary and the operation of other cannabis business in the City of Ludlow?”

Passed and approved by 5 members of the Ludlow City Council,
Ludlow, Kentucky on this the 8th day of August, 2024

APPROVED:


Chris Wright, Mayor

ATTEST:


Laurie Sparks, City Clerk