

ORDINANCE NO. 7 -2024

**AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE PROHIBITION OF CANNABIS BUSINESS OPERATIONS IN THE CITY OF WORTHINGTON, KENTUCKY**

**WHEREAS**, on April 15, 2024, the Kentucky General Assembly adopted House Bill 829, signed into law by the Governor on April 17, 2024, amending KRS Chapter. 218B, the Kentucky Medical Cannabis chapter; and

**WHEREAS**, KRS §§218B.090 and 218B.130 authorize local governments to prohibit cannabis business operations within their territory through the passage of an ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary and appropriate, and in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the City of Worthington's residents and members of the public who visit, travel, or conduct business in the City of Worthington to prohibit all cannabis business within the boundaries of the City of Worthington; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Worthington wishes to utilize the authority granted to it by KRS §§218B.090 and 218B.130 to prohibit cannabis business operations within the City of Worthington;

**NOW BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Worthington, Kentucky, as follows:

**SECTION I: Definitions.** The definitions within KRS §218B.010 are hereby adopted as if set out herein and as relevant to this ordinance.

**SECTION II: Cannabis Businesses Prohibited.** All cannabis businesses are hereby prohibited from operating within the city limits of the City of Worthington, Kentucky.

**SECTION III: Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication according to law.

  
MAYOR, CITY OF WORTHINGTON, KENTUCKY

ATTEST:

  
CITY CLERK-TREASURER

FIRST READING: 8/15/24

SECOND READING: 8/19/24