

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, INITIATING A TEXT AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FRESNO PURSUANT TO FRESNO MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 15-5803-A(1) TO ALLOW MARIJUANA OPERATIONS, CULTIVATION, MANUFACTURE, EXTRACTION, TESTING, DISTRIBUTION, DELIVERY, AND MEDICAL DISPENSARIES WITHIN THE CITY OF FRESNO

WHEREAS, the City Council recently adopted an ordinance addressing recreational marijuana activities; and

WHEREAS, the State of California will implement a marijuana regulatory system beginning in January 2018 and recognizes the authority of local jurisdictions to prohibit or regulate marijuana businesses under local land use regulations; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to allow marijuana businesses that intend to operate within the City to begin the application process with the Bureau of Cannabis Control for a license while the City is engaged in the process of amending the Zoning Ordinance concerning marijuana activities.

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to formally address marijuana operations, cultivation, manufacture, extraction, testing, distribution, delivery, and medical dispensaries within the Zoning Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Fresno as follows:

1. Pursuant to Fresno Municipal Code, Section 15-5803-A(1), the Council initiates the necessary proceedings to amend the text of the City of Fresno's Zoning Ordinance so as to formally address cultivation, manufacture, extraction, testing,

distribution, delivery, and/or medical dispensaries by allowing and regulating them in certain zone districts within the City.

2. The Council directs that marijuana businesses that intend to operate within the City may begin the application process for a license with the Bureau of Cannabis Control while the City is engaged in the process of amending the Zoning Ordinance concerning marijuana activities.

3. The City may immediately begin to issue letters to marijuana businesses to apply for a temporary state license for cultivation, manufacture, extraction, testing, distribution, delivery, and/or medical dispensaries.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF FRESNO) ss.
CITY OF FRESNO)

I, YVONNE SPENCE, City Clerk of the City of Fresno, certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Fresno, at a regular meeting held on the _____ day of _____, 2017.

AYES :
NOES :
ABSENT :
ABSTAIN :

Mayor Approval: _____, 2017
Mayor Approval/No Return: _____, 2017
Mayor Veto: _____, 2017
Council Override Vote: _____, 2017

YVONNE SPENCE, MMC
City Clerk

BY: _____
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

BY: _____
Mary Raterman-Doidge Date
Deputy City Attorney

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