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RECORD OF ORDINANCES

Dayton Legal Blank, Inc.

Form No. 30043

Ordinance No. 2017-03

Passed 3/9, 2017

ORDINANCE 2017-03

AN ORDINANCE IMPOSING A MORATORIUM FOR A PERIOD OF ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY (180) DAYS ON THE GRANTING OF ANY PERMIT ALLOWING RETAIL DISPENSARIES, CULTIVATORS, OR ANY PROCESSORS OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA WITHIN THE CITY OF NORTHWOOD, OHIO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City of Northwood, Wood County, Ohio desires to coordinate regulations regarding the location and operation of businesses within the City, including retail dispensaries, cultivators, or processors of medical marijuana; and

WHEREAS, for the purposes of this Ordinance, "retail dispensaries", "cultivators", and "processors" are defined in newly enacted Chapter 3796 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio recently enacted laws concerning medical marijuana; and retail dispensaries, cultivators, and processors of medical marijuana within corporate limits; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 523 became effective on September 8, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Revised Code §3796.29 allows municipalities to prohibit and/or limit the location of retail dispensaries, cultivators, and processors of medical marijuana within corporate limits; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the City Council and the Planning Commission review and make recommendations on this issue to conform to the City's goals of providing adequate regulations; and

WHEREAS, a moratorium on the granting of permits within the City of Northwood will allow the City time to accomplish these goals.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF NORTHWOOD, WOOD COUNTY, OHIO HEREBY ORDAINS THAT :

SECTION 1. that the City Council seeks a moratorium on permits for the establishment of retail dispensaries, cultivators, and processors of medical marijuana to preserve the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Northwood, Ohio.

SECTION 2. That the City Council seeks to limit the duration of the moratorium and to request the immediate investigation and review of proposed comprehensive regulations for the establishment of retail dispensaries, cultivators, and processors of medical marijuana within the one-hundred and eight day period of the moratorium.

SECTION 3. That the City Council hereby imposes a moratorium on permits for the establishment of retail dispensaries, cultivators, and processors of medical marijuana for a period of one hundred eighty (180) days is reasonable and will allow a study for comprehensive regulations.

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SECTION 4. It is found and determined that all formal actions of council concerning or relating to the passage of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of the Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees, that resulted in such formal actions, were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements of the City of Northwood and the State of Ohio.

SECTION 5. That this Ordinance constitutes an emergency measure because the moratorium needs to be instituted at the earliest possible date and because Chapter 3769 of the Ohio Revised Code became effective on September 8, 2016, and is thereby necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, safety, and welfare of our citizens. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately after its passage by the Council.

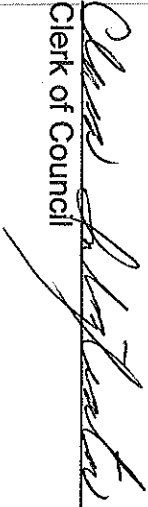
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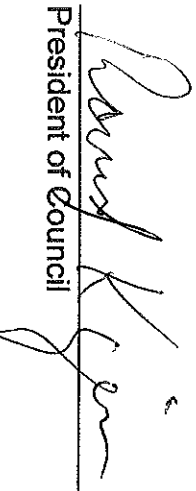
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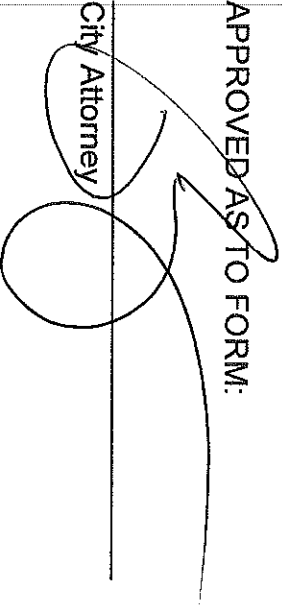
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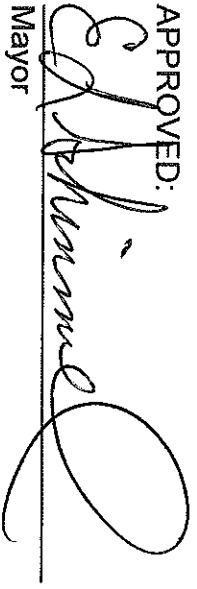
ADOPTED _____ As an emergency measure.

ATTEST:


Clerk of Council


President of Council

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

APPROVED:

Mayor