

RESOLUTION NO. 2024 - 44

A RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ENACTED BY RESOLUTION 2023 – 87 FOR AN ADDITIONAL SIX (6) MONTHS, ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA (STATE ISSUE 2), AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Ohio voters passed a statutory initiative that legalizes the purchase and use of recreational marijuana for adults 21 and older, becoming the 24th state to do so; and

WHEREAS, on December 11, 2023, this Council adopted Resolution 2023 – 87 establishing a six (6) month moratorium regarding related cultivation, sale, and use of marijuana products in Parma Heights, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the Administration and Council require additional time to further review new applicable law in order to consider reasonable regulations to protect the health, welfare, safety, peace, and comfort for the citizens of the City of Parma Heights; and

WHEREAS, this Council desires to extend the moratorium, for a temporary period of time, not to exceed six (6) months from the date of passage of this Resolution, regarding related cultivation, sale, and use of marijuana products.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Parma Heights, County of Cuyahoga and State of Ohio:

Section 1: That this Council hereby approves an extension of the temporary moratorium established by Resolution 2023 – 87 for a period of six (6) months from the date of passage of this Resolution on the issuance of permits related to recreational marijuana within the City of Parma Heights.

Section 2: This moratorium shall be in effect for a period not to exceed six (6) months from the date of passage of this Resolution or until Council enacts an Ordinance or Resolution revoking this moratorium, whichever shall occur sooner.

Section 3: This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of the Council and of any of its Committees comprised of a majority of the members of the Council that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law.

Section 4: This Council declares this Resolution to be an emergency measure for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, and safety of this municipality, and for the further reason that this measure is necessary to allow the Administration and Council an opportunity to further review new applicable law and to consider possible amendments to the Parma Heights Zoning Code; wherefore, this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately after its passage by Council and approval of the Mayor.

PASSED: 5-28-2024

Thomas Rounds
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: Barbara Allen
CLERK OF COUNCIL

5-28-2024
APPROVED

FILED WITH
THE MAYOR: 5-28-2024

Marie Gallo
MAYOR MARIE GALLO