

**LOCAL PROPOSAL – TOWNSHIP OF XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
INITIATION OF ORDINANCE**

To the Clerk of the Township of XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX: We, the undersigned qualified and registered electors, residents in the Township of XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX, YYYYYY County, State of Michigan, respectively, petition to initiate an ordinance to provide for a limited number of allowed marihuana establishments within the township limits, to be submitted to the electors of the township at the next regular election pursuant to the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act, MCL 333.27956(1).

The Township of XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX Ordains:

Section 1. Title. This ordinance shall be known and cited as the “Local Marijuana Control Ordinance.” This ordinance shall take effect immediately after certification of the election at which the electors approve it.

Section 2. Amendment only as needed. Existing resolutions, ordinances, parts of ordinances or sections in conflict with provisions of this ordinance are amended only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.

Section 3. Limited Scope. The purpose of this ordinance is to provide for limited Adult Use Retail Establishments in the municipality. The scope of this ordinance is limited to providing for the number of Adult Use Retail Establishments allowed to operate in the city limits; it does not require licenses or license fees; it does not provide for other adult use establishment types, does not establish zoning regulations, selection criteria, nor regulate the operation of any cannabis establishment, reserving these matters to state licensing regulations and to the township government for any additional police power, zoning ordinances, resolutions, or other government action as may be appropriate in the township board’s discretion.

Section 4. Limited Number of Establishments Allowed. Only **three** Adult Use Retail Establishments may operate at any one time in the township and shall be operated as authorized and licensed by the CRA, subject to MRTMA, township zoning restrictions, and municipal regulations, if enacted. All other license types are prohibited except with board approval. Unless and until the township enacts an ordinance requiring and providing for local permits for Adult Use Retail Establishment locations to operate in the city, applicants may at any time after July 4, 2025 make application to CRA for a state marijuana establishment license for any location in the township not contrary to zoning regulations and may thereafter lawfully operate an Adult Use Retail Establishment at such location, unless three Adult Use Retail Establishment locations are already in operation at that time.

Section 5. Regulations, resolutions, and government actions. Police power ordinances, zoning, and government actions adopted by the township may regulate Adult Use Retail Establishments and require that an adult use retail establishment obtain a local permit, pay annual regulatory fees not exceeding \$5,000, and may establish a process designed select applicants best suited to operate in compliance with MRTMA in the township, but may not disenfranchise an Adult Use Retail Establishment already licensed by CRA to operate in the municipality before such ordinance is enacted.

Section 6. Definitions of Terms.

- a) “MRTMA” means the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act.
- b) “Marihuana” is synonymous with “marijuana” and “cannabis.”
- a) All definitions provided in Section 3 of the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act, hereinafter referred to as “MRTMA,” are incorporated by reference into this ordinance, except as otherwise provided herein.
- b) “CRA” means Michigan Cannabis Regulatory Agency and is synonymous with the term Michigan Marijuana Regulatory Agency, or any successor agency.
- c) “Adult Use Retail Establishment” means a licensed retailer, or a microbusiness or class A microbusiness, which is a regulated commercial retail business allowed under this ordinance and licensed pursuant to MRTMA to engage in acquisition and retail sale or transfer of cannabis and related accessories to persons 21 years and older.

Section 7. Severability. If any section, sub-section, clause, or provision of this ordinance shall be declared to be unconstitutional, void, illegal, in conflict with state law or rules, or ineffective by any court of competent jurisdiction; such section, sub-section, clause, or provision shall thereby cease to be a part of this ordinance, but the remainder of this ordinance shall stand and be in full force and effect.