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Attn: Jason Rosenthal

December 26, 2022

Jason:

"[Convenience Stores/Drug Stores/Grocery Store, retail/Variety Stores] are listed as a permitted use for property zoned B-2 General Business Zoning District. Medical cannabis dispensing sites are considered "Drug Stores" permitted in B-2 General Business Zoning Districts. Any and all state federal guidelines related to medical cannabis dispensing will have to be followed, and the City of Thomasville does not have any additional zoning restrictions for this use at this time."

As stated in a previous letter dated November 5, 2022, the location you are submitting for consideration for a Medical Cannabis Dispensary at 3050 Hwy 5 in Thomasville, Alabama is located in a B-2 Zoned District.

If you have additional questions, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,



Jessie Moss
Ordinance Compliance Officer



ORDINANCE NO. 2022-5

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE OPERATION OF
MEDICAL CANNABIS DISPENSING SITES**

FOR THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF THOMASVILLE, ALABAMA;

WHEREAS, in the 2021 Legislative Session, the Alabama Legislature passed Act No. 21-450 (the “Act”) legalizing and creating a regulatory framework for medical cannabis; and

WHEREAS, the Alabama Legislature made a number of findings of fact, including:

“Medical research indicates that the administration of medical cannabis can successfully treat various medical conditions and alleviate the symptoms of various medical conditions.”

“There are residents in Alabama suffering from a number of medical conditions whose symptoms could be alleviated by the administration of medical cannabis products if used in a controlled setting under the supervision of a physician licensed in this state.”

“Establishing a program providing for the administration of cannabis derivatives for medical use in this state will not only benefit patients by providing relieve to pain and other debilitating symptoms, but also provide opportunities for patients with these debilitating conditions to function and have a better quality of life and provide employment and business opportunities for farmers and other residents of this state and revenue to state and local governments.”

; and

WHEREAS, the Act authorizes and requires the Medical Cannabis Commission to regulate dispensary operations, thus addressing any health, safety or welfare concerns for the citizens of the City of Thomasville, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, the Act requires the governing body of any municipality by ordinance to authorize the operation of the dispensing sites within the corporate limits of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, a dispensary would be required to purchase a business license and pay sales tax to the City of Thomasville, Alabama, thus increasing revenue; and

WHEREAS, the City of Thomasville, Alabama, wishes to authorize the operation of medical cannabis dispensing sites within the corporate limits of the City of Thomasville, Alabama to assure its citizens can receive the medical and economic benefits of medical cannabis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council (the “Council”) of The City of Thomasville, Alabama (the “City”) that, in accordance with Alabama Code §20-2A-51, a holder of a license granted by the State of Alabama pursuant to Act No. 21-450 is hereby authorized to operate a medical cannabis dispensing site within the corporate limits of The City of Thomasville, Alabama subject to the provisions of Act No. 21-450, any relevant provisions of the *Code of Ordinances* of The City of Thomasville, Alabama and any applicable zoning restrictions The City of Thomasville, Alabama may adopt pursuant to §20-2A-51(c)(3), *Code of Alabama*.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that should any additional federal laws or state laws regarding the sale of medical cannabis be enacted, such laws shall not become effective in The City of Thomasville, Alabama, until the same shall be approved for application in The City of Thomasville, Alabama, by the City Council of The City of Thomasville, Alabama;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that in the event that the location of the medical cannabis dispensing site is moved from its original location in The City of Thomasville, Alabama, the new location must be approved in advance by Zoning Board of Adjustments of The City of Thomasville, Alabama;

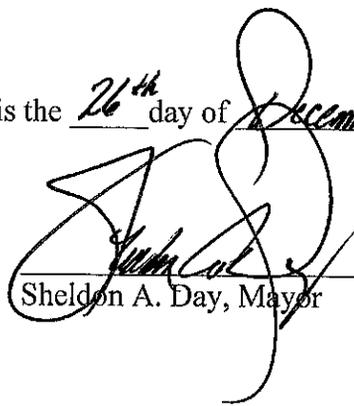
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the advisory board that regulates the dispensary operations for medical cannabis in The City of Thomasville, Alabama, be comprised preferably, if allowed by the statute, the Chief of Police of The City of Thomasville, Alabama or in the alternative, a medical physician or pharmacist who is a resident of The City of Thomasville, Alabama.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any business license or sales tax revenue generated by medical cannabis dispensaries authorized by this Ordinance shall be designated for Drug Enforcement and Substance Abuse Awareness by the Thomasville Police Department as approved by the City Council of The City of Thomasville, Alabama.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption, approval and publication as required by law.

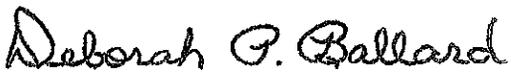
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the City Clerk of The City of Thomasville, Alabama is hereby authorized and directed to cause this Ordinance to be published one (1) time in a newspaper of general circulation published in The City of Thomasville, Clarke County, Alabama.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this the 26th day of December, 2022.



Sheldon A. Day, Mayor

ATTEST:



Deborah P. Ballard, City Clerk