

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-04

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF HILLIARD, FLORIDA, EXTENDING THAT CERTAIN ORDINANCE NO. 2017-05, KNOWN AS THE "MEDICAL MARIJUANA MORATORIUM ORDINANCE," APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL ON MARCH 2, 2017, FOR A PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS FROM MARCH 1, 2018 TO SEPTEMBER 1, 2018; PROVIDING FOR THE CONTINUED VALIDITY OF ALL OTHER PROVISIONS OF ORDINANCE NO. 2017-05; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town Council did, on March 2, 2017, approve that certain Ordinance No. 2017-05, known as the "Medical Marijuana Moratorium Ordinance," providing for a temporary moratorium with exemptions as to the filing and/or application for the establishment of certain businesses as more particularly described in said Ordinance No. 2017-05, within the Town limits, through March 1, 2018; and

WHEREAS, since the Town Council approved Ordinance No. 2017-05, the Florida Legislature has amended Section 381.986, Florida Statutes to further delineate the manner in which municipalities may regulate medical marijuana treatment centers; and

WHEREAS, the Town has not concluded its review of regulations regarding the subject businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council now desires to extend the temporary moratorium for a period of six months; and

WHEREAS, the extension of the temporary moratorium is in the best interest of the citizens of the Town of Hilliard.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE TOWN OF HILLIARD HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Extension of Temporary Moratorium. The temporary moratorium established by Ordinance No. 2017-05, known as the "Medical Marijuana Moratorium Ordinance" is hereby extended from March 1, 2018 through September 1, 2018.

SECTION 2. Validity of Remaining Provisions. Except as amended in Section 1 above, all other provisions, terms, and conditions of Ordinance No. 2017-05, including the findings made by the Town Council in passing Ordinance No. 2017-05, are hereby declared to remain in full force and effect and remain valid through September 1, 2018.

SECTION 3. Effective Date. The effective date of this Ordinance shall be the date of second reading and final approval. This Ordinance shall not be codified.

ADOPTED this 15th day of March, 2018 by the Town Council for the Town of Hilliard, Florida.

TOWN OF HILLIARD, FL

By:

John P. Beasley
Council President

Attest:

Lisa Purvis
Town Clerk

Approved:

Cris W. McConnell
Mayor

Approved as to legal form:

Reba Abraham Pearce
Town Attorney

Date of Town Council First Reading: February 15, 2018
Dates of Town Council Publications: February 22, 2018
Dates of Town Council Public Hearings: March 15, 2018
Date of Town Council Second Reading: March 15, 2018
Date of Town Council Final Passage: March 15, 2018