

MEMO



TO: Mayor Hahs and Members of the Board of Aldermen
FROM: Larry Miller, Building & Planning Manager
DATE: March 15, 2023
SUBJECT: Chapter 65 Amendments

This is an amendment to Chapter 65 (Zoning) regarding the addition of provisions for comprehensive (including recreational) marijuana dispensaries, cultivation facilities, manufacturing facilities, testing facilities, transportation/storage facilities, and consumption lounges in specific zoning districts.

This was recommended to the Board of Adjustments by the P&Z Commission unanimously on February 8, 2023.

This amendment is the same that was previously reviewed in the P&Z packet on February 21, 2023. Below are some of the key points in this amendment.

- Recreational marijuana should be allowed in the same locations as medical marijuana.
- Dispensary hours should be limited to 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., and there should be no on-site consumption during business hours.
- The distance between churches, schools, and state-licensed daycares should be 500'.
- The method of measuring separation distance should match the State's.
- Consumption lounges should be allowed if they meet the same separation distances. Conditions should be added that limit their hours of operation to 7 a.m. to 1 a.m. and prevent access by anyone under the age of 21.