

OKANOGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS'

RESOLUTION 64 - 2016

A resolution repealing resolution 017-2016 which imposed a moratorium on the siting of additional marijuana growing, producing, processing, or retail operations within the unincorporated boundaries of Okanogan County.

WHEREAS: Okanogan County has seen a proliferation of marijuana operations in the unincorporated areas since the legalization of marijuana through the adoption of I-502, and

WHEREAS: The Revised Code of Washington 36.70 (Planning Enabling Act) authorizes counties to adopt land use controls within the unincorporated areas, and

WHEREAS: The Okanogan Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) had determined, based on the Washington State Liquor Control Boards (WSLCB) lack of response to the local issues brought to their attention that the State's implementation of regulation adopted pursuant to I-502 does not provide sufficient controls over the siting of marijuana operations, and

WHEREAS: The BOCC determined, based on numerous complaints from members of the public that the existing local land use regulations concerning marijuana did not provide adequate controls over the siting of marijuana operations, and

WHEREAS: In recognition of the inadequacies found in current land use regulation the BOCC proposed a revised zone code OCC 17A through code amendment 2015-1 which applied stricter controls over the siting of marijuana operations, and

WHEREAS: The BOCC adopted Resolution 017-2016 which imposed a moratorium on the siting of additional marijuana growing, producing, processing, or retail operations within the unincorporated boundaries of Okanogan County to prevent new operations from vesting in the existing regulations in accordance with RCW 19.17.095, and

WHEREAS: The BOCC has adopted the revised zone code OCC 17A through Ordinance 2016-4 on July 26, 2016 which adopted updated regulation for the siting of marijuana operations, and

WHEREAS: The moratorium adopted through resolution 017-2016 is no longer necessary to protect the public health and safety, be it therefore

RESOLVED: The Okanogan Board of County Commissioners repeals resolution 017-2016 whereby the moratorium as described above is lifted.

DATED at Okanogan, Washington this 26 day of July 2016.



ATTEST:

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Laleña Johns, Clerk of the Board

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OKANOGAN, WASHINGTON**

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