

COPLEY TOWNSHIP

BE IT HEREBY KNOWN BY ALL THOSE PRESENT THAT ON THE 20TH DAY OF MAY, 2024, THE COPLEY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES MET IN SPECIAL SESSION, COMMENCING AT 6:00 P.M., COPLEY TOWNSHIP, SUMMIT COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO
WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

SCOTT D. DRESSLER

BRUCE KOELLNER

JAMES SCHULTE

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-65

A RESOLUTION TO PROHIBIT ADULT-USE CANNABIS OPERATORS AND MEDICAL MARAJUANA CULTIVATORS, PROCESSORS AND RETAIL DISPENSARIES WITHIN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF COPLEY TOWNSHIP, SUMMIT COUNTY

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2023, voters in Ohio approved State Issue 2, which enacts new Chapter 3780 of the Ohio Revised Code, effective thirty days from the date of the election; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 3780 authorizes and regulates recreational adult-use cannabis in the State of Ohio; and

WHEREAS, R.C. 2780.25 authorizes townships to prohibit or limit the number of adult-use cannabis operators (as defined in R.C. 3780.01) within the unincorporated area of the township; and

WHEREAS, medical marijuana is regulated in Ohio by Chapter 3796 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, R.C. 3796.29 similarly authorizes townships to prohibit or limit the number of marijuana cultivators, processors, or retail dispensaries licensed under Chapter 3796 within the unincorporated area of the township; and

WHEREAS, the Copley Township Board of Trustees finds it to be in the best interest of the township to prohibit adult-use cannabis operators licensed under Chapter 3780, as well as cultivators, processors and retail dispensaries licensed under Chapter 3796, within the unincorporated area of the township;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

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- 1) All terms used in this resolution shall be defined in the same manner as R.C. Chapter 3796, as it pertains to medical marijuana, and R.C. Chapter 3780, as it pertains to adult-use cannabis. All terms used in this resolution but not defined in those chapters shall be construed, for purposes of this resolution, in a manner to be consistent with the use of such terms in both chapters.
- 2) Adult-use cannabis operators, as well as cultivators, processors, and retail dispensaries of medical marijuana are hereby prohibited from operating within the unincorporated area of Copley Township, Summit County, Ohio.
- 3) It is the intent of the Board of Township Trustees to prohibit the operations described in Section 2 above to the maximum extent permitted by R.C. 3780.25, R.C. 3796.29, and any other applicable provisions of state law. This resolution shall be construed in a manner that gives maximum effect to that intent and shall be read in conjunction with and addition to Copley Township Resolution No. 2016-36 which prohibits medical marijuana cultivators, dispensaries and processors.

FURTHER, that all actions of this Board meet the requirements of O.R.C. Section 122.22(A)

Motion by: Trustee Dressler

Second by: Trustee Schulte

Scott D. Dressler

1990, no. 10, pp. 11-12.

Bruce Koellner

James Selsrite aye
Vote

Fiscal Officer's Certification

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This is a true and exact copy of Resolution 2024-65 passed by the Copley Township Board of Trustees at their special meeting on May 20, 2024 and is recorded in the Copley Township Board of Trustees' *Record of Proceedings*.



Linda Peiffer, Fiscal Officer