

Presented by: The Manager
Introduced: 12/22/2015
Drafted by: A. G. Mead

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA

Serial No. 2014-50

An Ordinance Imposing a Limited Moratorium on the Receipt or Processing of Applications, Permits, or Pending Approvals Pertaining to Marijuana Establishments.

WHEREAS, on November 4, 2014, the Alaskan voters approved a ballot measure legalizing the use of marijuana, and, with a State license, the operation of marijuana establishments, defined as cultivation, manufacturing, testing and retail facilities; and

WHEREAS, the initiative, which goes into effect on February 24, 2015, requires the State to begin accepting and processing applications for the registration of marijuana establishments within one year of the effective date of the act; and

WHEREAS, the initiative authorizes local governments to enact legislation concerning the time, place and manner related to the operation of registered marijuana establishments; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public's best interest that the CBJ thoughtfully consider and adopt land use regulations that ensure the orderly development and regulation of marijuana establishments within the CBJ; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this moratorium is to allow the CBJ a reasonable period of time to consider and enact legislation concerning the operation of marijuana establishments in the CBJ.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF JUNEAU, ALASKA:

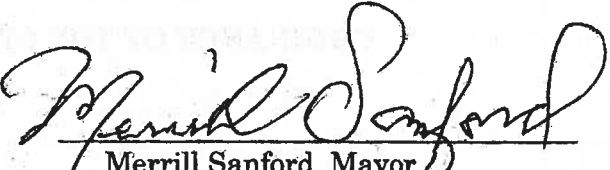
Section 1. Classification. This is a non-code ordinance.

Section 2. Moratorium. Notwithstanding CBJ 49.25.300 or any other section of the Land Use Code, no development permit application shall be accepted, or pending applications approved, pertaining to marijuana establishments, including marijuana cultivation, testing, and product manufacturing facilities and marijuana retail stores.

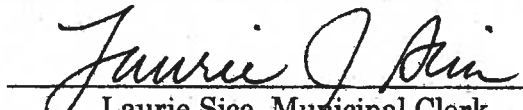
Section 3. Moratorium Period. The prohibition imposed by Section 2 shall be in effect through October 19, 2015.

Section 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective 30 days after its adoption.

Adopted this 12th day of January, 2015.


Merrill Sanford, Mayor

Attest:


Laurie Sica, Municipal Clerk