

1<sup>st</sup> reading 12-13-23  
2<sup>nd</sup> reading 1-3-24  
3<sup>rd</sup> reading 1-10-24  
Voted On 1-10-24  
Ayes: 6 Nays: 0  
PASSED X DEFEATED \_\_\_\_\_

**ORDINANCE NO. 2023-28  
(AS AMENDED)**

**AN ORDINANCE  
DECLARING A SIX-MONTH MORATORIUM ON ACCEPTING  
FOR FILING, AND CONSIDERING, REVIEWING AND  
APPROVING, APPLICATIONS FOR MARIJUANA SALES AND  
RELATED ACTIVITIES IN ORANGE VILLAGE, PROHIBITING  
THE SALE OF MARIJUANA IN ORANGE VILLAGE FOR SIX-  
MONTHS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, State Issue 2 legalized recreational marijuana in Ohio, and was recently passed at the November 7, 2023 election; and

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio does not yet have any administrative framework for regulating the sale of marijuana, but State Issue 2 permits local authorities to ban or restrict marijuana sales at the local level; and

WHEREAS, the Orange Village Council wishes to study and observe what regulations the state, and local governments in the area, enact and what effects such regulations have on local communities; and

WHEREAS, Orange Village Council deems it to be in the best interest of the Village to provide for a six (6) month moratorium on the sale of marijuana in the Village to observe the effects of marijuana sales throughout the state and at the local level.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF ORANGE VILLAGE, CUYAHOGA COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO:**

SECTION 1. That there is hereby declared a moratorium upon the acceptance for filing and considering, reviewing, and approving all applications for marijuana sales facilities and related activities in Orange Village, Ohio for a period of six (6) months from the date of enactment of this Ordinance through December 31, 2024. During the time of the moratorium, no person shall be permitted to apply for any building or zoning permit for a facility that would be used to sell marijuana in Orange Village, or sell marijuana in Orange Village.

SECTION 2. That this Ordinance shall not be construed as prohibiting Village Council from extending said moratorium if Village Council deems, in its judgment, that good cause exists for the extension of said moratorium.

SECTION 3. That the actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this legislation were adopted in lawful meetings of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were held in compliance with all legal requirements including Chapter 105 of the Codified Ordinances of Orange Village.

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SECTION 4. That this Ordinance constitutes an emergency measure in that the same provides for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety, and welfare of the inhabitants of Orange Village and, further, provides for the usual daily operation of a municipal department and allows for the Village to monitor the effects that might arise from the passage of Issue 2; wherefore, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED: JANUARY 10, 2024

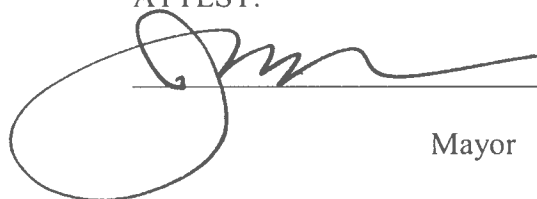
  
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Council President

Submitted to the Mayor for

approval on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of JANUARY, 2024

Approved by the Mayor this  
10<sup>th</sup> day of JANUARY, 2024

  
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Clerk of Council

ATTEST:  
  
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Mayor