CITY OF REDMOND ORDINANCE NO. 2025-05

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF REDMOND AMENDING THE REDMOND CITY CODE CHAPTER 7 REGULATING BUSINESS LICENSES, AS IT RELATES TO RETAIL MARIJUANA DISPENSARIES.

WHEREAS, the City of Redmond has all powers that the constitutions, statutes, and common law of the United States and Oregon expressly or impliedly grant to allow the City; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2024, House Bill 4121 was signed in to law, establishing a permanent cap on the per capita number of retail marijuana licenses of one license per 7,500 residents in Oregon who are 21 years of age or older; and

WHEREAS, the City of Redmond receives official population estimates from Portland State University based on a total population regardless of age; and

WHEREAS, establishing a per capita number of retail marijuana licenses of one license per 10,000 residents takes into account an approximate number of residents who are older than 21 years of age versus residents who are not 21 years of age or older; and

WHEREAS, on November 5, 2024, voters approved advisory ballot measure 9-177 by a margin of 53.5% to 46.5%, which requested the City Council allow the sale of marijuana items by a marijuana retailer within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held multiple public hearings to consider changing the Redmond City Code to allow retail marijuana dispensaries in City limits, has reviewed the existing record and has gathered additional evidence and public testimony; and

WHEREAS, the City of Redmond finds that certain business license regulations are necessary for efficiency, aesthetics, prevention of blight, and orderly administration for retail marijuana dispensaries within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the attached amendments are necessary to further these interests; and

WHEREAS, This ordinance was considered by City Council on March 25, 2025, and approved for a first reading by a margin of 4-0 (2 abstain, 1 absent).

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY OF REDMOND ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE: The City of Redmond hereby amends the Redmond City Code Sections 7.020 through 7.021. The amendments and adopted text are attached hereto as "Exhibit A".

SECTION TWO: SEVERABILITY: The provisions of this Ordinance are severable. The invalidity of any section, clause, sentence, or provision of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity of any other part of this Ordinance which can be given without such invalid part or parts.

SECTION THREE: EFFECTIVE DATE: This Ordinance shall be effective on the 30th day following its passage.

PASSED by the City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor this 8th day of April 2025.

	/s/ Ed Fitch	
	Ed Fitch, Mayor	
ATTEST:		
	/s/ Kelly Morse	
	Kelly Morse, City Recorder	

EXHIBIT A

Sec. 7.020. - Applicant Review.

The person or department designated to review a license application may require the applicant to supply information necessary to determine whether the business complies with this Code, city ordinance, or state or federal law. If the applicant fails to supply information so required or submits false or misleading information, the license shall be suspended or denied. All businesses must comply with the provisions of this Code, city ordinances, and all state and federal laws (with the exception of federal laws related to retail marijuana businesses and processing industrial hemp) before a license may be issued.

Sec. 7.021. – Retail Marijuana Dispensary Business Licenses.

The City may not accept an application for a retail marijuana business license unless there is not more than one active retail marijuana business license per 10,000 City of Redmond residents.