

**ORDINANCE OF THE LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND IN PART  
LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP CODE OF COMPILED ORDINANCES, VOL. II, ADDING  
ORDINANCE 30.

Said ORDINANCE adding to the LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP CODE OF COMPILED  
ORDINANCES, VOL. II, is adopted at a REGULAR meeting held on 2/14/19 at 7:00  
P.M. at 205 N. Paw Paw St., Lawrence, MI 49064.

WHEREAS, Lawrence Township, Van Buren County, Michigan, Board of Trustees wishes to  
adopt an Ordinance preventing Marihuana establishments from operating within the Township;

THEREFORE, THE MUNICIPALITY OF LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP, VAN BUREN,  
MICHIGAN, ORDAINS:

**ORDINANCE NO. 30**  
**Lawrence Township**

**LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP PROHIBITION OF MARIHUANA ESTABLISHMENTS  
ORDINANCE**

An ordinance to provide a title for the ordinance; to define words; to prohibit marihuana  
establishments within the boundaries of Lawrence Township pursuant to Initiated Law 1 of 2018,  
MCL 333.27951 et seq., as may be amended; to provide penalties for violation of this ordinance;  
to provide for severability; to repeal all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict therewith;  
and to provide an effective date.

**THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE ORDAINS:**

**Section 1. Title**

This ordinance shall be known as and may be cited as the Lawrence Township Prohibition of  
Marihuana Establishments Ordinance.

**Section 2. Definitions**

Words used herein shall have the definitions as provided for in Initiated Law 1 of 2018, MCL  
333.27951 et seq., as may be amended.

**Section 3. No Marihuana Establishments.**

Lawrence Township hereby prohibits all marihuana establishments within the boundaries of the  
Township pursuant to Initiated Law 1 of 2018, MCL333.27951 et seq., as may be amended.

**Section 4. Violations and Penalties**

a. Any person who disobeys neglects or refuses to comply with any provision of this ordinance or who causes allows or consents to any of the same shall be deemed to be responsible for the violation of this ordinance. A violation of this ordinance is deemed to be a nuisance per se.

b. Any person found to have violated this Ordinance by a court of competent jurisdiction, is responsible for a municipal civil infraction under Lawrence Township Code of Compiled Ordinances, Vol. II, Ordinance 25, Municipal Civil Infractions Ordinance.

c. This ordinance shall be administered and enforced by the Ordinance Enforcement Officer of the Township or by such other person (s) as designated by the Township Board from time to time.

2. All other acts, sections, and provisions of the Lawrence Township Code of Compiled Ordinances shall remain in full force and effect except as changed by this Ordinance. The above modifications can be inserted directly into the respective acts, sections, and provisions of the LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP CODE OF COMPILED ORDINANCES, Vol. II.

3. CONFLICTING ORDINANCES: All other ordinances and parts of ordinances, or amendments thereto, of Lawrence Township in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

4. RECODIFICATION: That the Ordinance is hereby amended to recodify the numbering of articles and sections to conform to a standard or model codification scheme established by the Ordinance.

5. SEVERABILITY. If more restrictive, State or Federal Law or Regulations exist, they shall govern. The invalidity of any clause, sentence, paragraph, or part of this ordinance shall not affect the validity of the remaining parts of this ordinance. This Ordinance is to be construed as consistent with State and Federal Law and Regulations.

6. SAVINGS CLAUSE. A prosecution that is pending on the effective date of this ordinance and that arose from a violation of an ordinance repealed or amended by this ordinance, or a prosecution that is started within 1 year after the effective date of this ordinance arising from a violation of an ordinance repealed or amended by this ordinance and that was committed before the effective date of this ordinance, shall be tried and determined exactly as if the ordinance had not been repealed or amended.

7. EFFECTIVE DATE: This ordinance shall take effect 30 days after the publication.

Motion offered by Spenner and supported by Carpp.

Roll Call Vote: Yes: Spenner, Thompson, Stroud, Carpp

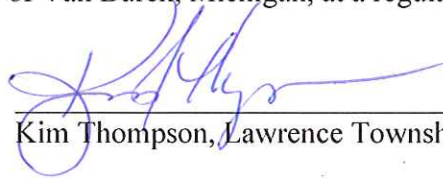
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ORDINANCE DECLARED ADOPTED:

I hereby certify the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of the ordinance adopted by the Lawrence Township Board of Trustees, County of Van Buren, Michigan, at a regular meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> Feb, 2019.

Date:

2/14/19



Kim Thompson, Lawrence Township Clerk

This Ordinance amendment was published on \_\_\_\_\_.