

CITY OF OBETZ
RECORD OF ORDINANCES



ORDINANCE: 12 – 26

PASSED: March 9, 2026

AN ORDINANCE TO EXTEND THE MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE AND PROCESSING OF PERMITS ALLOWING RETAIL DISPENSARIES, CULTIVATORS, OR PROCESSORS OF ADULT USE MARIJUANA WITHIN THE CITY OF OBETZ, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Council adopted Ordinance No. 08-24 on March 25, 2024 to impose a moratorium on the issuance and processing of any permits for cultivators, processors, and retail dispensaries of adult use marijuana as defined in Sections 3780.01 through 3780.99 of the Ohio Revised Code; and,

WHEREAS, a moratorium until September 30, 2024 was established to provide sufficient time for state regulations to be adopted, amendments to state law to be adopted, and/or an opportunity for the Mayor, Council and City staff to study the foregoing and adopt legislation that provides for the orderly implementation of adult use cannabis in the City consistent with State laws and regulations; and,

WHEREAS, Council adopted Ordinance 42 – 24, thereby extending the moratorium until February 28, 2025; and,

WHEREAS, Council adopted Ordinance 13 – 25, thereby extending the moratorium until July 31, 2025; and,

WHEREAS, Council adopted Ordinance 42 – 25, thereby extending the moratorium until March 1, 2026; and,

WHEREAS, although a number of bills are pending in the Ohio General Assembly to make significant changes to the citizen-initiated adult cannabis use provisions of the Revised Code, the General Assembly has yet to adopt a proposed reform to the new law; and,

WHEREAS, based on the foregoing, Council desires to further extend the moratorium until October 1, 2026.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OBETZ, OHIO, THAT:

Section 1. Section 4 of Ordinance 08-24 is amended by deleting the date "March 1, 2026" and replacing it with the date "October 1, 2026."

Section 2. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, property, health, safety and welfare in the City and for the usual daily operation of the City for the reasons set forth and defined in the preamble to this Ordinance; WHEREFORE, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption by Council.

Passed this 9 day of March, 2026.

ATTESTS:

Stacey Boumis
Stacey Boumis, Clerk of Council

Angela M. Kirk
Angela M. Kirk, Mayor

Derek Varney
Derek Varney, Council President Pro-Tem

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Eugene Hollins
Eugene Hollins, Esq., Law Director

CERTIFICATION OF PUBLICATION

Pursuant to the City Charter, I, Stacey E. Boumis, Clerk of Council of the City of Obetz, Ohio, do hereby certify that Ordinance 12-26 was duly posted at 11:00 AM (time) on the 18 day of March, 2026, at the Obetz Government Center, Obetz Athletic Club, and Obetz Community Center as well as on the Obetz website.



Stacey Boumis
Stacey Boumis, Clerk

3/18/26
Date