

RESOLUTION NO. 28734

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA INITATING AN AMENDMENT TO TITLE 20 (ZONING) OF THE SANTA ROSA CITY CODE TO COMPREHENSIVELY ADDRESS MEDICAL CANNABIS AS A LAND USE AND TO RELOCATE AND INCORPORATE CHAPTER 10-40 (MEDICAL CANNABIS DISPENSARIES) INTO TITLE 20 (ZONING); FILE NO. REZ15-007

WHEREAS, On October 9, 2015, Governor Brown signed into law Assembly Bill 266, Assembly Bill 243, and Senate Bill 643, which together establish a framework for regulating medical marijuana; and

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Rosa asserts an interest in retaining local regulatory control of medical cannabis land use activities such as cannabis cultivation and dispensaries; and this assertion complies with the deadlines established by state laws for exercising such local control; and

WHEREAS, the City exercises the land use powers of the City to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public which would be put at risk if commercial cultivation of cannabis for medical purposes is allowed to move forward in the City without local regulation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Santa Rosa hereby directs staff to initiate an amendment to Title 20 (Zoning) to comprehensively address medical cannabis as a land use and to relocate and incorporate Chapter 10-40 (Medical Cannabis Dispensaries) into Title 20 (Zoning).

IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED this 19th day of January, 2016.

AYES: (7) Mayor Sawyer, Vice Mayor Schwedhelm, Council Members Carlstrom, Combs, Coursey, Olivares, Wysocky

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

APPROVED: _____
Vice Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney