

**ORDINANCE NO. 795
CHAPTER 38, ZONING**

Ordinance Amendment – Chapter 38, Zoning – Medical Marihuana Buffer Zone Requirements

The proposed amendment would set buffer zone requirements for medical marihuana businesses. City Manager Nathan R. Henne listed the proposed buffer zones for schools, residential properties, and other medical marihuana facilities.

A public hearing was conducted to receive citizen comment on the proposed amendments to sections: Section 38-197, 38-217, 38-242, 38-267, and 38-292 of Chapter 38, Zoning.

The following people commented regarding the proposed amendment:

Kasey Hadd, 639 Woodlawn Avenue, said she is a chronic pain patient and has to drive a minimum of 45 minutes to get her medication. She said that not only would local provisioning facilities help her but they may also help with the opioid problem by providing a safer alternative for pain treatment.

Councilmember Fear, a Planning Commission member, noted that the proposed amendment tightened up the existing language and better represents what the Commission intended in the first place.

Whereas, the Council, after due and legal notice, has met and having heard all interested parties, motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Osika that the following ordinance be adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. 795

**AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 38, ZONING,
OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF OWOSSO
ESTABLISHING BUFFER ZONE REQUIREMENTS
FOR MEDICAL MARIHUANA RELATED FACILITIES**

WHEREAS, Section 205 of PA 281 of 2016 (MCL 333.27205) provides that “[a] marihuana facility shall not operate in a municipality unless the municipality has adopted an ordinance that authorizes that type of facility”; and

WHEREAS, Section 205 of PA 281 of 2016 further provides that “[a] municipality may adopt other ordinances relating to marihuana facilities within its jurisdiction, including zoning regulations...”; and

WHEREAS, City Council adopted Ordinance No. 793 to add Chapter 16.5, Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing-police Power Ordinance, and amend various sections of Chapter 38, Zoning, of the Code of the City of Owosso to authorize and regulate medical marihuana related facilities on July 2, 2018;

WHEREAS, the Owosso Planning Commission has met, discussed and authored amendments to the buffer zone requirements for medical marihuana facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on February 25, 2019 at its regularly scheduled meeting regarding the proposal to amend various sections of Chapter 38, Zoning, in which one citizen comment was received; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission and City Staff recommend adoption of the following amendments to the Zoning Ordinance for medical marihuana related facilities; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a public hearing on March 18, 2019, heard all interested persons, and deliberated on the request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE CITY OF OWOSSO ORDAINS THAT:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. That Section 38-197, Principal uses permitted, of Chapter 38, Zoning, Article IX, *B-1 Local Business District* of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read:

Sec. 38-197. - Principal uses permitted. (B-1, Local Business District)

In a B-1 district, no building or land shall be used and no building shall be erected except for one (1) or more of the following specified uses unless otherwise provided in this chapter:

(11) A marihuana provisioning center as authorized by the city of Owosso’s Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing - Police Power Ordinance, Chapter 16.5.

a. Provisioning centers shall be subject to the following standards:

6. Buffer Zones. A provisioning center may not be located within the distance specified from the uses below as determined by the city of Owosso. Distance shall be measured as stipulated in the Michigan Liquor Control Act.
 - i. A provisioning center may not be located within 200 feet of the real property comprising or used by a public or private elementary, vocational, or secondary school. The distance between the school building and the provisioning center must be measured along the center line of the street or streets of address between 2 fixed points on the center line determined by projecting straight lines, at right angles to the center line, from the part of the school building nearest to the provisioning center and from the part of the provisioning center nearest to the school building.
 - ii. A provisioning center may not be located within 100 feet of a residentially zoned structure. The distance between the residential zoned structure and the provisioning center must be measured along the center line of the street or streets of address between 2 fixed points on the center line determined by projecting straight lines, at right angles to the center line, from the part of the residentially zoned structure nearest to the provisioning center and from the part of the provisioning center nearest to the residentially zoned structure.
 - iii. A provisioning center may not be located within 100 feet of a vacant residentially zoned parcel. The distance between the residential zoned vacant parcel and the provisioning center must be measured along the center line of the street or streets of address between 2 fixed points on the center line determined by projecting straight lines, at right angles to the center line, from the intersection of the minimum front or rear yard and side yard setback requirement nearest to the provisioning center and from the part of the provisioning center nearest to the intersection of the minimum front or rear yard and side yard setback requirement.
 - iv. No parcel containing a medical marijuana provisioning center shall be located within 100 feet of a parcel on which another medical marijuana provisioning center is located. The distance between two medical marijuana provisioning centers must be measured along the center line of the street or streets of address between 2 fixed points on the center line determined by projecting straight lines, at right angles to the center line, from the nearest part of each provisioning center to the other provisioning center.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT. That Section 38-217, Principal uses permitted, of Chapter 38, Zoning, Article X, B-2 Planned Shopping Center District, of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read:

Sec. 38-217. - Principal uses permitted. (B-2, Planned Shopping Center District)

In a B-2 district, no building or land shall be used and no building shall be erected except for one (1) or more of the following specified uses unless otherwise provided in this chapter:

- (4) A marihuana provisioning center as authorized by the city of Owosso's Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing - Police Power authorizing ordinance.
 - a. Provisioning centers shall be subject to the following standards:
 6. Buffer Zones. A provisioning center may not be located within the distance specified from the uses below as determined by the city of Owosso. Distance shall be measured as stipulated in the Michigan Liquor Control Act.
 - i. A provisioning center may not be located within 200 feet of the real property comprising or used by a public or private elementary, vocational, or secondary school. The distance between the school building and the provisioning center must be measured along the center line of the street or streets of address between 2 fixed points on the center line determined by projecting straight lines, at right angles to the center line, from the part of the school building nearest to the provisioning center and from the part of the provisioning center nearest to the school building.
 - ii. A provisioning center may not be located within 100 feet of a residentially zoned structure. The distance between the residential zoned structure and the provisioning center must be measured along the center line of the street or streets of address between 2 fixed points on the center line determined by projecting straight lines, at right angles to the center line, from the part of the residentially zoned structure nearest to the provisioning center and from the part of the provisioning center nearest to the residentially zoned structure.

- iii. A provisioning center may not be located within 100 feet of a vacant residentially zoned parcel. The distance between the residential zoned vacant parcel and the provisioning center must be measured along the center line of the street or streets of address between 2 fixed points on the center line determined by projecting straight lines, at right angles to the center line, from the intersection of the minimum front or rear yard and side yard setback requirement nearest to the provisioning center and from the part of the provisioning center nearest to the intersection of the minimum front or rear yard and side yard setback requirement.
- iv. No parcel containing a medical marijuana provisioning center shall be located within 100 feet of a parcel on which another medical marijuana provisioning center is located. The distance between two medical marijuana provisioning centers must be measured along the center line of the street or streets of address between 2 fixed points on the center line determined by projecting straight lines, at right angles to the center line, from the nearest part of each provisioning center to the other provisioning center.

SECTION 3. AMENDMENT. That Section 38-242, Principal uses permitted, of Chapter 38, Zoning, Article IX, *B-3 Central Business District* of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read:

Sec. 38-242. - Principal uses permitted. (B-3, Central Business District)

In a B-3 district, no building or land shall be used and no building shall be erected except for one (1) or more of the following specified uses unless otherwise provided in this chapter:

- (9) A marihuana provisioning center as authorized by the city of Owosso's Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing - Police Power authorizing ordinance.
 - a. Provisioning centers shall be subject to the following standards:
 - 6. Buffer Zones. A provisioning center may not be located within the distance specified from the uses below as determined by the city of Owosso. Distance shall be measured as stipulated in the Michigan Liquor Control Act.
 - i. A provisioning center may not be located within 200 feet of the real property comprising or used by a public or private elementary, vocational, or secondary school. The distance between the school building and the provisioning center must be measured along the center line of the street or streets of address between 2 fixed points on the center line determined by projecting straight lines, at right angles to the center line, from the part of the school building nearest to the provisioning center and from the part of the provisioning center nearest to the school building.
 - ii. A provisioning center may not be located within 100 feet of a residentially zoned structure. The distance between the residential zoned structure and the provisioning center must be measured along the center line of the street or streets of address between 2 fixed points on the center line determined by projecting straight lines, at right angles to the center line, from the part of the residentially zoned structure nearest to the provisioning center and from the part of the provisioning center nearest to the residentially zoned structure.
 - iii. A provisioning center may not be located within 100 feet of a vacant residentially zoned parcel. The distance between the residential zoned vacant parcel and the provisioning center must be measured along the center line of the street or streets of address between 2 fixed points on the center line determined by projecting straight lines, at right angles to the center line, from the intersection of the minimum front or rear yard and side yard setback requirement nearest to the provisioning center and from the part of the provisioning center nearest to the intersection of the minimum front or rear yard and side yard setback requirement.
 - iv. No parcel containing a medical marijuana provisioning center shall be located within 100 feet of a parcel on which another medical marijuana provisioning center is located. The distance between two medical marijuana provisioning centers must be measured along the center line of the street or streets of address between 2 fixed points on the center line determined by projecting straight lines, at right angles to the center line, from the nearest part of each provisioning center to the other provisioning center.

SECTION 4. AMENDMENT. That Section 38-267, Principal uses permitted, of Chapter 38, Zoning, Article XII, *B-4 General Business District* of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read:

Sec. 38-267. - Principal uses permitted. (B-4, General Business District)

In a B-4 district, no building or land shall be used and no building shall be erected except for one (1) or more of the following specified uses unless otherwise provided in this chapter:

- (10) A marihuana provisioning center as authorized by the city of Owosso's Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing - Police Power authorizing ordinance.
 - a. Provisioning centers shall be subject to the following standards:
 6. Buffer Zones. A provisioning center may not be located within the distance specified from the uses below as determined by the city of Owosso. Distance shall be measured as stipulated in the Michigan Liquor Control Act.
 - i. A provisioning center may not be located within 200 feet of the real property comprising or used by a public or private elementary, vocational, or secondary school. The distance between the school building and the provisioning center must be measured along the center line of the street or streets of address between 2 fixed points on the center line determined by projecting straight lines, at right angles to the center line, from the part of the school building nearest to the provisioning center and from the part of the provisioning center nearest to the school building.
 - ii. A provisioning center may not be located within 100 feet of a residentially zoned structure. The distance between the residential zoned structure and the provisioning center must be measured along the center line of the street or streets of address between 2 fixed points on the center line determined by projecting straight lines, at right angles to the center line, from the part of the residentially zoned structure nearest to the provisioning center and from the part of the provisioning center nearest to the residentially zoned structure.
 - iii. A provisioning center may not be located within 100 feet of a vacant residentially zoned parcel. The distance between the residential zoned vacant parcel and the provisioning center must be measured along the center line of the street or streets of address between 2 fixed points on the center line determined by projecting straight lines, at right angles to the center line, from the intersection of the minimum front or rear yard and side yard setback requirement nearest to the provisioning center and from the part of the provisioning center nearest to the intersection of the minimum front or rear yard and side yard setback requirement.
 - iv. No parcel containing a medical marijuana provisioning center shall be located within 100 feet of a parcel on which another medical marijuana provisioning center is located. The distance between two medical marijuana provisioning centers must be measured along the center line of the street or streets of address between 2 fixed points on the center line determined by projecting straight lines, at right angles to the center line, from the nearest part of each provisioning center to the other provisioning center.

SECTION 5. AMENDMENT. That Section 38-292, Principal uses permitted, of Chapter 38, Zoning, Article XIII, *I-1 Light Industrial District*, of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read:

Sec. 38-292. - Principal uses permitted. (I-1, Light Industrial District)

In an I-1 district, no building or land shall be used and no building shall be erected except for one (1) or more of the following specified uses unless otherwise provided in this chapter and subject further to the review and approval of the site plan by the planning commission in accordance with section 38-390:

- (11) A marihuana provisioning center as authorized by the city of Owosso's Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing - Police Power authorizing ordinance.
 - a. Provisioning centers shall be subject to the following standards:
 1. Hours. A provisioning center may only sell to consumers or allow consumers to be present in the building space occupied by the provisioning center between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m.
 2. Indoor Activities. All activities of a provisioning center, including all transfers of marihuana, shall be conducted within the structure and out of public view. A provisioning center shall not have a walk-up window or drive-thru window service.
 3. Other Activities. Marihuana and tobacco products shall not be smoked, ingested, or otherwise consumed in the building space occupied by the provisioning center.

4. Nonconforming Uses. A provisioning center may not locate in a building in which a nonconforming retail use has been established in any district.
5. Physical Appearance. The exterior appearance of the structure shall remain compatible with the exterior appearance of structures already constructed or under construction within the immediate area, and shall be maintained so as to prevent blight or deterioration or substantial diminishment or impairment of property values within the immediate area.
6. Buffer Zones. A provisioning center may not be located within the distance specified from the uses below as determined by the city of Owosso. Distance shall be measured as stipulated in the Michigan Liquor Control Act as follows:
 - i. A provisioning center may not be located within 200 feet of the real property comprising or used by a public or private elementary, vocational, or secondary school. The distance between the school building and the provisioning center must be measured along the center line of the street or streets of address between 2 fixed points on the center line determined by projecting straight lines, at right angles to the center line, from the part of the school building nearest to the provisioning center and from the part of the provisioning center nearest to the school building.
 - ii. A provisioning center may not be located within 100 feet of a residentially zoned structure. The distance between the residential zoned structure and the provisioning center must be measured along the center line of the street or streets of address between 2 fixed points on the center line determined by projecting straight lines, at right angles to the center line, from the part of the residentially zoned structure nearest to the provisioning center and from the part of the provisioning center nearest to the residentially zoned structure.
 - iii. A provisioning center may not be located within 100 feet of a vacant residentially zoned parcel. The distance between the residential zoned vacant parcel and the provisioning center must be measured along the center line of the street or streets of address between 2 fixed points on the center line determined by projecting straight lines, at right angles to the center line, from the intersection of the minimum front or rear yard and side yard setback requirement nearest to the provisioning center and from the part of the provisioning center nearest to the intersection of the minimum front or rear yard and side yard setback requirement.
 - iv. No parcel containing a medical marijuana provisioning center shall be located within 100 feet of a parcel on which another medical marijuana provisioning center is located. The distance between two medical marijuana provisioning centers must be measured along the center line of the street or streets of address between 2 fixed points on the center line determined by projecting straight lines, at right angles to the center line, from the nearest part of each provisioning center to the other provisioning center.
7. Odor. As used in this subsection, building means the building, or portion thereof, used for a provisioning center.
 - i. The building shall be equipped with an activated carbon filtration system for odor control to ensure that air leaving the building through an exhaust vent first passes through an activated carbon filter.

- ii. The filtration system shall consist of one or more fans and activated carbon filters. At a minimum, the fan(s) shall be sized for cubic feet per minute (CFM) equivalent to the volume of the building (length multiplied by width multiplied by height) divided by three. The filter(s) shall be rated for the applicable CFM.
 - iii. The filtration system shall be maintained in working order and shall be in use. The filters shall be changed a minimum of once every 365 days.
 - iv. Negative air pressure shall be maintained inside the building.
 - v. Doors and windows shall remain closed, except for the minimum time length needed to allow people to ingress or egress the building.
 - vi. An alternative odor control system is permitted if the special use applicant submits and the municipality accepts a report by a mechanical engineer licensed in the State of Michigan demonstrating that the alternative system will control odor as well or better than the activated carbon filtration system otherwise required. The municipality may hire an outside expert to review the alternative system design and advise as to its comparability and whether in the opinion of the expert it should be accepted.
- (12) Marihuana growers, processor, safety compliance facility or secure transporter as authorized by the city of Owosso's Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing - Police Power authorizing ordinance shall be subject to the following standards:
- a. Minimum Yard Depth/Distance from Lot Lines. Minimum yard depth/distance from lot lines shall adhere to measurement requirements as listed in Article XVI. –Schedule of Regulations for each zoning designation as listed.
 - b. Indoor Growing and Processing. In the I-1 light industrial district, marihuana growing shall be located entirely within a fully enclosed, secure, indoor facility or greenhouse with rigid walls, a roof, and doors. Marihuana processing shall be located entirely within one or more completely enclosed buildings.
 - c. Maximum Building Floor Space. The following maximum building floor space shall apply in the I-1 light industrial district:
 - 1. If only a portion of a building is authorized for use in marihuana growing or processing, a partition wall at least seven feet in height, or a height as required by the applicable building codes, whichever is greater, shall separate the marihuana growing or processing space from the remainder of the building. A partition wall must include a door, capable of being closed and locked, for ingress and egress between the marihuana growing or processing space and the remainder of the building.
 - d. Lighting. Lighting shall be regulated as follows:
 - 1. Light cast by light fixtures inside any building used for marihuana growing or marihuana processing shall not be visible outside the building from 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. the following day.
 - 2. Outdoor marihuana grow lights shall not be illuminated from 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. the following day.
 - e. Odor. As used in this subsection, building means the building, or portion thereof, used for marihuana growing or marihuana processing.
 - 1. The building shall be equipped with an activated carbon filtration system for odor control to ensure that air leaving the building through an exhaust vent first passes through an activated carbon filter.

2. The filtration system shall consist of one or more fans and activated carbon filters. At a minimum, the fan(s) shall be sized for cubic feet per minute (CFM) equivalent to the volume of the building (length multiplied by width multiplied by height) divided by three. The filter(s) shall be rated for the applicable CFM.
 3. The filtration system shall be maintained in working order and shall be in use. The filters shall be changed a minimum of once every 365 days.
 4. Negative air pressure shall be maintained inside the building.
 5. Doors and windows shall remain closed, except for the minimum length of time needed to allow people to ingress or egress the building.
 6. An alternative odor control system is permitted if the applicant submits and the municipality accepts a report by a mechanical engineer licensed in the state of Michigan demonstrating that the alternative system will control odor as well or better than the activated carbon filtration system otherwise required. The municipality may hire an outside expert to review the alternative system design and advise as to its comparability and whether in the opinion of the expert it should be accepted.
- f. Security Cameras. Security cameras must be used and shall be directed to record only the subject property and may not be directed to public rights-of-way as applicable, except as required to comply with licensing requirements of the state of Michigan. Recordings shall be kept for 90 days.
- g. Buffer Zones. A provisioning center may not be located within the distance specified from the uses below as determined by the city of Owosso. Distance shall be measured as stipulated in the Michigan Liquor Control Act as follows:
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provisioning centers must be measured along the center line of the street or streets of address between 2 fixed points on the center line determined by projecting straight lines, at right angles to the center line, from the nearest part of each provisioning centers to the other provisioning center.

SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this article is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this article. The city hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance, and each section, subsection, clause or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one (1) or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases be declared unconstitutional.

SECTION 7. AVAILABILITY. This ordinance may be purchased or inspected in the city clerk's office, Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

SECTION 8. EFFECTIVE DATE. This amendment shall become effective April 7, 2018.

Motion supported by Councilmember Fear.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Councilmember Haber, Mayor Pro-Tem Osika, Councilmembers Bailey, Law, Pidek, Fear, and Mayor Eveleth.

NAYS: None.

I hereby certify that the foregoing document is a true and complete copy of action taken by the Owosso City Council at the regular meeting of March 18, 2019.


Amy K. Kirkland, City Clerk

