## Municipality of Anchorage



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## Resolution 2018-17 Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors

## RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT

A Resolution of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors Requesting the State Of Alaska Marijuana Control Board to Adopt Regulations Allowing On-Site Consumption of Marijuana Or Approve Designated Areas For On-Site Consumption In Licensed Retail Marijuana Establishments.

WHEREAS, the Alaska Marijuana Control Board (AMCB) is considering whether or not to adopt proposed regulation changes in 3 AAC 306 of the Alaska Administrative Code, dealing with onsite marijuana consumption endorsements for retail marijuana establishments; and

WHEREAS, currently consumption of marijuana on, in or upon any public place is prohibited by Alaska Statute 17.38.040 and Anchorage Municipal Code section 8.35.300; and

WHEREAS, under state law, consumption of marijuana or a marijuana product on the premises of a licensed retail marijuana store may not be allowed, except in a designated area on the licensed premises as authorized with prior approval of the AMCB and when purchased on the licensed premises (3 AAC 306.305(a)(4) and 3 AAC 306.310(b)(2)), yet the AMCB has not authorized on-site consumption anywhere in the state to date; and

WHEREAS, Anchorage Municipal Code subsection 10.80.310B.2. does not allow consumption of marijuana on the premises of a licensed retail marijuana store, but the Anchorage Assembly reserved AMC subsection 10.80.305A.4 in the Code for potential future amendment to allow on-site consumption consistent with any action by the AMCO authorizing it; and

WHEREAS, on-site consumption has been an issue and concern among stakeholders, tourists, and residents for consumers to have a safe and legal space to smoke socially, promote cannabis culture and integrate recreational cannabis into their communities; and

WHEREAS, on-site consumption of alcohol is common under a beverage dispensary or restaurant or eating place liquor license, there are no comparable marijuana retail establishment licenses allowing consumption of on-site only of products purchased on the premises; and

WHEREAS, when authorization for on-site consumption at designated areas on licensed premises is provided, it would mitigate the risk and potential for illegal consumption of marijuana in public or on licensed retail premises where it is not authorized; and,

WHEREAS, on July11, 2017 the Anchorage Municipal Assembly approved a resolution, AR No. 2017-251(S) titled, "A Resolution of the Anchorage Municipal Assembly Requesting the State Of Alaska Marijuana Control Board to Adopt

Regulations Allowing On-Site Consumption of Marijuana or Approve Designated Areas For On-Site Consumption in Licensed Retail Marijuana Establishments; now,

## THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Girdwood Board of Supervisors supports adoption of regulations and approval of designated areas for on-site consumption on the licensed premises of retail marijuana stores located in Anchorage to legitimize such use for tourists, visitors, residents and patrons as soon as possible.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a vote of 5 to 0 this 19 <sup>th</sup> day of November, 2018.	
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Mike Edgington, GBOS Land Use Supervisor	Date
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