

City of Troy, Missouri
Public Hearing
Wednesday, June 12, 2019
6:30 P.M.

Present for the Public Hearing were Aldermen Detert, Norman, Anderson and Sconce. Aldermen Curt and Walker were not present. Mayor Cross was not present. Also present were City Attorney Granneman and City Clerk Schneider.

Mayor Pro Tem/Board President Sconce opened the public hearing and requested citizen comment on a proposed Ordinance Amending Chapter 405: Zoning Regulations of the City of Troy Missouri for Marijuana for Medicinal Purposes in Compliance with Amendment 2, Codified as Article XVI, Section 1 of the Missouri Constitution.

Harvey Rhoads, 815 Huntington Drive, asked whether his 3,800 square foot building at 5 Dandelion Drive, west of Kroger and located behind Community State Bank, would be eligible for a medical marijuana dispensary based on the 1,000 feet restriction. Alderman Detert confirmed that the restriction is currently set at 1,000 feet. Mr. Rhoads said the stigma for cannabis and marijuana has changed drastically for its use as a mild, healing drug.

All citizens gathered around two maps reflecting a 1,000 and 500 feet radius restriction distance from elementary schools, daycare facilities and churches. Mr. Rhoads said his building was located in the 1,000 feet radius but not the 500 feet radius. He continued that church-tenants could move out of their locations.

Alderman Norman asked for the definition of a dispensary. City Attorney Granneman replied that a dispensary would be licensed by the State to acquire, purchase, sell and transport marijuana and products for a qualifying patient, caregiver or approved facility by prescription and managed by the State. A state-issued card would be needed in order to make a purchase. August 3rd was the deadline for identifying and giving facility licenses.

City Clerk Schneider read an email written by Kyle Lenzen, GJ. Grewe of his concerns with the 1,000 feet restriction which would decrease the City's chance at attracting a new business opportunity and the success or failure for the business itself.

Mr. Rhoads did not want to lose the possibility of a tenant and asked if the restriction could instead be set between 500 and 1,000 feet.

Discussion continued on security of the building which was dictated by the State. No applications have been acted on.

Alderman Detert recommended 100 feet restriction on medicinal marijuana dispensary just like a liquor license restriction.

The public hearing closed at 6:58 p.m.