

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE

Ballot Language for August 2, 2022 Election

RESOLUTION

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, held at the Meridian Municipal Building, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864, in said Township on the 25th day of January, 2022, at 6:00 p.m., Local Time.

PRESENT: Supervisor Pro-Tem Daniel Opsommer, Clerk Deborah Guthrie, Treasurer Phil Deschaine, Trustees Patricia Jackson, Kathy Sundland, Courtney Wisinski

ABSENT: Supervisor Ron Styka

The following resolution was offered by Treasurer Deschaine and supported by Clerk Guthrie:

WHEREAS, the Township received a petition on July 26, 2021, pursuant to MCL 333.27956(1); and

WHEREAS, the Township Clerk verified that the petition contained the requisite number of signatures required pursuant to MCL 333.27956(1); and

WHEREAS, the petition initiated an ordinance to completely prohibit any marihuana establishment as defined in the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act, Initiated Law 1 of 2018; and

WHEREAS, on August 3, 2021, the Township Board previously certified the ballot language to the Ingham County Clerk to place the question on the ballot of November 2, 2021, but due to a question whether that was a “regular election,” the Township Board rescinded its August 3, 2021 resolution and directed that the question be placed on the next regular election ballot; and

WHEREAS, the next regular election is August 2, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following ballot language be placed on the August 2, 2022 regular election ballot by the Ingham County Clerk:

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN
INITIATION OF ORDINANCE TO
PROHIBIT ADULT-USE MARIHUANA ESTABLISHMENTS

Shall the Charter Township of Meridian, under the authority of Section 6, Subsection 1 of the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act,

Initiated Law 1 of 2018 ("MRTMA"), MCL 333.27956.1, adopt the following initiated ordinance that completely prohibits adult-use (also known as "recreational") marihuana establishments as defined in Section 3(i) of MRTMA, MCL 333.27953(i), within the boundaries of the Township: "All adult-use (also known as 'recreational') marihuana establishments as defined in Section 3(i) of the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act, Initiated Law 1 of 2018, are prohibited within the boundaries of the Charter Township of Meridian."

Yes ____

No ____

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all prior motions and resolution in conflict with this resolution are hereby rescinded.

ADOPTED:

YEAS: Trustees Jackson, Supervisor Pro-Tem Opsommer, Trustees Sundland, Wisinski, Clerk Guthrie, Treasurer Deschaine

NAYS: None

Resolution passed: 6-0

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
) ss:
COUNTY OF INGHAM)

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Meridian at a regular meeting held on the 25th of January, 2022.



Deborah Guthrie, Clerk
Charter Township of Meridian