Ordinance No. 2024-06

AN ORDINANCE RESTRICTING THE AREA THAT MEDICAL MARIJUANA AND RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA FACILITIES MAY BE PLACED WITHIN THE VILLAGE, AND DECLARING SAME AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Village of Antwerp has an interest in regulating and restricting the placement of certain business enterprises within the Village of Antwerp,

WHEREAS, based on new legislation passed in the State of Ohio, there is a potential that Medical Marijuana facilities, and/or Recreational Marijuana facilities will be legally allowed to operate in the Village of Antwerp,

WHEREAS, areas zoned as B-1 are considered to be the Business Downtown District and areas zoned I-2 are considered to be the Industrial Grain District, in the Village of Antwerp,

WHEREAS, regulating and restricting the placement of certain businesses and facilities in areas zoned within the Village as B-1 and I-2 is a necessary means to protect public health and safety,

WHEREAS, regulating and restricting placement of these businesses and facilities advances the interests, safety, and well-being of residences and businesses within the Village,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ANTWERP, PAULDING COUNTY, OHIO:

Section 1 - Definition:

"B-1" zoned areas are considered to be the Business Downtown District in the Village of Antwerp.

"I-2" zoned areas are considered to be the Industrial Grain District in the Village of Antwerp.

"Adult use cannabis operator" means a level 1 adult use cultivator, a level 2 adult use cultivator, a level 3 adult use cultivator, an adult use processor, and an adult use dispensary.

"Dispensary" means a person who has a certificate of operation to operate a dispensary under Chapter 3796 of the Ohio Revised Code, and Chapter 3796 of the Ohio Administrative Code.

Section 2 - Prohibited Conduct

No dispensary, adult use cannabis operator, processor, or cultivator shall be permitted to be placed in the Business Downtown District of the Village of Antwerp or the Industrial Grain Districts, the areas designated as B-1 and I-2.

Section 3 - Effective Date

This ordinance is deemed an emergency measure, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the public and shall be in full force and effect at the earliest period allowed by law.

Section 4 - Prior Ordinances

This ordinance is intended as supplemental regulation on the subject matter addressed herein, and non-conflicting prior ordinances shall remain in full force and effect.

PASSED:	
Jan Rech	
Mayor	
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Fiscal Officer	
1st Reading:	(OR) Rules Suspended
2nd Reading	8/14/2024
3rd Reading	((