

RESOLUTION NO. 2318

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLDEN, COLORADO ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO EVALUATE OPTIONS FOR THE LICENSING, PERMITTING, ESTABLISHMENT OR OPERATION, INCLUDING ZONING, OF RETAIL MARIJUANA BUSINESSES WITHIN THE CITY OF GOLDEN

WHEREAS, at the November 6, 2012, general election the voters of the State of Colorado adopted Amendment 64 of the Colorado Constitution ("Amendment 64"), which is codified as Section 16 of Article XVIII of the Colorado Constitution; and

WHEREAS, Amendment 64 permits persons twenty-one years of age and older to possess, use, display, purchase or transport one ounce or less of marijuana, or marijuana accessories, to grow limited amounts of marijuana and manufacture and sell marijuana accessories; and

WHEREAS, Amendment 64 and its enacting legislation the Colorado Retail Marijuana Code C.R.S. 12-43.3-101 et seq. provide for the establishment of retail marijuana establishments, which include cultivating, testing and product manufacturing facilities, and retail marijuana stores; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinances No. 1936 and No. 1954, the City of Golden has enacted a moratorium in effect until July 1, 2014 pertaining to such retail marijuana establishments; and

WHEREAS, the Golden City Council and the Golden community would benefit from a community conversation about the short and long term community impacts related to the regulation, permitting, location and operation of such marijuana establishments.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOLDEN, COLORADO:

Section 1. An Amendment 64 Implementation Task Force (Task Force) is hereby established.

Section 2. The Amendment 64 Implementation Task Force is charged with the identification and evaluation of all reasonably available options for the City to efficiently and effectively fulfill its obligations under the Colorado Constitution, laws and rules and regulations related to retail marijuana cultivating, testing and product manufacturing facilities, and retail marijuana stores, which options shall include the outright prohibition of any or all such uses.

Section 3. The Task Force shall convene and begin meeting as soon as practical after appointment and will present its report to Council on or before April 24, 2014.

Section 4. The Task Force will consist of nine (9) members. Six of these members will be appointed by the Mayor with City Council's consent to ensure a diverse range of community perspectives are represented on the panel. The remaining three will be at large community members appointed by the Mayor with City Council's consent through an application process. The application deadline will be February 3rd, and the Mayor will make such appointments of all members on February 13th, 2014.

Section 5. Task Force members must reside in, work in, or own a business in Golden, although the Task Force may seek suggestions and ideas from other sources as it sees fit.

Section 6. The Amendment 64 Implementation Task Force will terminate after it formally presents its recommendations to City Council

Adopted this 23rd day of February, 2014.