

Recreational Marihuana Work Session

Legislative Intent

- ▶ The purpose of this ordinance is to regulate recreational marihuana establishments. The City finds that these activities are significantly connected to the public health, safety, security, and welfare of its citizens and it is therefore necessary to regulate and enforce safety, security, fire, policing, health, and sanitation practices related to such activities and also to provide a method to defray administrative costs incurred by such regulation and enforcement. It is not the intent of this ordinance to diminish, abrogate, or restrict the protections for recreational marihuana use found in the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act, MCL 333.27951 et seq. (the “Act”).
- ▶ This ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the City of Marquette Regulation of Recreational Marihuana ordinance.

Authorization of Marihuana Establishments




- ▶ The City hereby authorizes, subject to the issuance of a municipal license by the city clerk, the following number of marihuana establishments within the boundaries of the City, pursuant to section 6.1 of the Act. The establishments authorized pursuant to this ordinance are relating only to the Act:

Type of Establishment	Number Established
Class A Marihuana Grower	
Class B Marihuana Grower	
Class C Marihuana Grower	
Excess Marihuana Grower	
Marihuana Processor	
Marihuana Retailer	
Marihuana Safety Compliance Facility	
Marihuana Secure Transporter	
Marihuana Microbusiness	
Temporary Marihuana Event	
Designated Consumption Establishment	

Permitted Locations

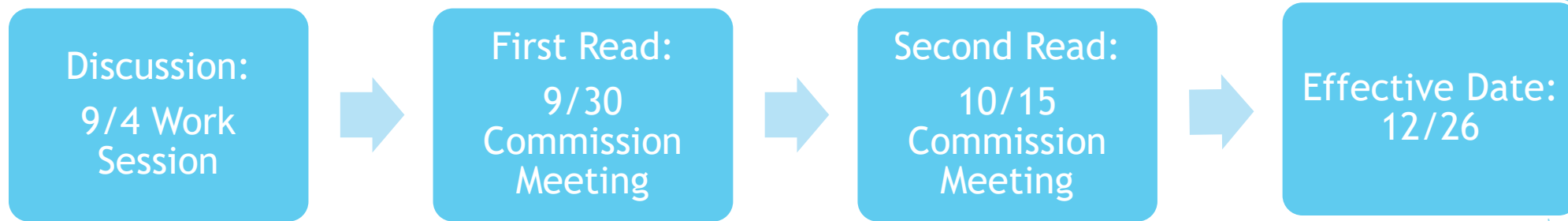
- ▶ All City licenses for marijuana establishments shall be issued for a specific physical location, which shall be designated as the licensed premises. The permissibility of a license in a specific location is contingent on the requirements provided in the City of Marquette Land Development Code.

Provisional License

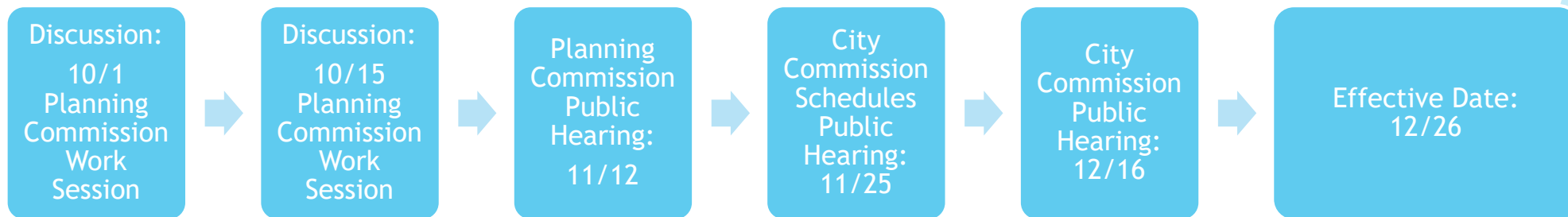
- ▶ The applicant applies for and obtains prequalification for a State license from the Marijuana Regulatory Agency. 
- ▶ The applicant submits their application for a City license with proof of the State prequalification. 
- ▶ The City reviews the application and, if acceptable, issues a provisional license along with an attestation form for the State. 
- ▶ Upon receipt of a valid state license, the City Clerk shall issue the applicant a one-year municipal license that runs concurrently with the one-year State license.

Timelines

Marihuana Ordinance



Land Development Code Amendments



State Timeline

11/6/18: Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act (MRTMA) passed by Michigan voters.



3/1/19: Marijuana Regulatory Agency (MRA) was established by the Governor.



7/3/19: MRA releases emergency rules for implementing MRTMA.



11/1/19: MRA plans to begin accepting marihuana license applications.