

**TOWN OF PARACHUTE, COLORADO**  
**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-24**

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**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF PARACHUTE, COLORADO OPPOSING THE BALLOT QUESTION TO PROHIBIT THE OPERATION OF RETAIL MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENTS AND STRONGLY ENCOURAGING THE ELECTORATE TO VOTE “NO.”**

**WHEREAS**, in 2015, a Petitioners Committee was formed and the Committee submitted to the Town Clerk a Citizens’ Initiated Petition to prohibit retail marijuana establishments in the Town of Parachute (the “Town”);

**WHEREAS**, the Initiated Ordinance was placed on the agenda for the Board of Trustees regular meeting on September 17, 2015, at which, the Board of Trustees voted not to adopt the Initiated Ordinance and for the Initiated Ordinance to be placed on the ballot of the November 2016 general election, as prescribed by paragraph (5)(F) of Section 16 of Article XVIII of the Colorado Constitution;

**WHEREAS**, as a result, the following ballot question will appear on the November 2016 election ballot:

***“Shall the Town of Parachute prohibit the licensing and operation of retail marijuana cultivation facilities, retail marijuana product manufacturing facilities, retail marijuana testing facilities, and retail marijuana stores?”***

*Yes*      \_\_\_\_\_

*No*        \_\_\_\_\_”

(the “Marijuana Prohibition Ballot Question”).

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 1-45-117(1)(b)(III) of the Fair Campaign Practices Act (C.R.S. § 1-45-101, *et seq.*), the Board of Trustees wishes to formally take a position with respect to the Marijuana Prohibition Ballot Question;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees believes that retail marijuana establishments have aided in stabilizing the Town’s economy, provided needed tax revenue, created jobs, and spurred other economic activity and, as a result, prohibiting retail marijuana establishments would be devastating to the Town’s economy; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees believes it is in the best interests of the Town for the

Board of Trustees to oppose the Initiated Ordinance and encourage the Town's registered electorate to vote "NO" on the Marijuana Prohibition Ballot Question;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF PARACHUTE, COLORADO THAT:**

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein as if set forth in full.

Section 2. The Board of Trustees opposes the passage of the Marijuana Prohibition Ballot Question that will appear on the November 8, 2016 coordinated election ballot and strongly encourages the electors of the Town of Parachute to vote NO in opposition of the Marijuana Prohibition Ballot Question.

Section 3. Adoption of this resolution may be reported or distributed only through established, customary means by which information about other proceedings of the Board of Trustees is regularly provided to the public; however, paid advertising may not be used.

**INTRODUCED, PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** by a vote of 5 to 1 of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Parachute, Colorado at a regular meeting held at the Town Hall in the Town of Parachute, Colorado on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2016 and approved by the Mayor on the 20 day of October, 2016.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE  
TOWN OF PARACHUTE, COLORADO**

By Roy B. McClung  
Roy B. McClung, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

Lucy Cordova  
Lucy Cordova, Town Clerk