To: All of Council

8/10/17

Mayor: Sam Keller

Law Director: Debbie Slaughter

SSD: Tom Braun

Police Chief: Emmett Stone

**Economical Director: Carolyn Statkus** 

A meeting of Laws Rules and Ord. was held on Tues. 8/8/17 in Council Conference room, at City Hall, at 7:00 PM

In Attendance:

Committee Members: Dennis Dinkelacker, Jim Sunderhaus, Patrick Tietmeyer and Kitty Zech, Chair

Council Members: Jim Martin and Amy Sunderhous R: cuttor

Law Director: Debbie Slaughter

## Topic of discussion:

State of Ohio House Bill 523 - Addressing Medical Marijuana Cultivators, Processors, Retail Dispensary Establishments and Medical Marijuana related Businesses or Home Occupations licensed under Ohio Revised Code, passed earlier this year. However, regulations addressing this House Bill are not scheduled to be adopted until on/or before Sept. 8, of this year.

As all other communities in the State, Cheviot is faced with the choices of:

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- 1. Do nothing at this time abiding by whatever State Regulations are adopted.
- 2. Adapting our own additional Regulations to prohibit or limit the number of such Licenses in the City.
- 3. Establishing a temporary Moratorium on the granting of any Permit allowing Retail Dispensaries, Cultivators, or Processors of Medical Marijuana, and other related businesses within the City of Cheviot

Faced with this uncertainty and the many questions involved, the Committee feels the wisest course of action, at this time, would be to establish a Moratorium on granting any Permits for Medical Marijuana related businesses in Cheviot, for a period to end on Dec. 31, 2017. This would allow the Committee time to review the forthcoming regulations, do further research and make recommendations as to what would best serve the people and City of Cheviot.

The Committee will meet again once the Regulations are adopted by the State to begin this process. Meeting adjourned: 8:05PM

Respectfully submitted:

Kathleen Zech

Dennis Dinkelack

Jim Sunderhaus

Patrick Tietmeyer