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**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

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**WHEREAS**, in 2012 the voters of the State of Washington approved Initiative 502 (I-502), which allows the Washington State Liquor Control Board (WSLCB) to license marijuana producers "to produce marijuana for sale at wholesale to marijuana processors and other marijuana producers" (I-502, Sec. 4(1)); and

**WHEREAS**, I-502 allows the WSLCB to license marijuana processors to "process, package and label usable marijuana and marijuana-infused products for sale at wholesale to marijuana retailers" (I-502, Sec. 4(2)); and

**WHEREAS**, I-502 allows the WSLCB to license marijuana retailers to "sell usable marijuana and marijuana-infused products at retail in retail outlets" (I-502, Sec. 4(3)); and

**WHEREAS**, Walla Walla County enacted Ordinance 415 on September 16, 2013, which placed a moratorium on the acceptance or issuance of project permits for recreational marijuana producers, processors and retailers, (Section II, B, 1-3); and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance 415 enacted interim zoning that stated that marijuana production, marijuana processing and marijuana retailing shall not be considered permitted or allowed uses in unincorporated Walla Walla County during the pendency of the Ordinance (Section II, B, 4); and

**WHEREAS**, the County has continued to move forward with the consideration of possible permanent zoning regulations regarding recreational marijuana uses, utilizing the services of the firm of Stalzer and Associates; and

**WHEREAS**, Stalzer and Associates prepared proposed code amendments that were reviewed by the County Planning Commission at workshop held on May 7, 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing was held before the County Planning Commission on June 4, 2014, and that body adopted recommendations to be made to the Walla Walla County Board of Commissioners regarding possible code amendments; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners reviewed the Planning Commission's recommendations and other information regarding land use regulations/zoning for production, processing, and retail marketing of recreational marijuana relative to I-502 in a public workshop held July 29, 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board held a public hearing on September 2, 2014; and



**WHEREAS**, the notice of public hearing for the September 2, 2014 hearing noted that among other options, the Commissioners would discuss a prohibition of recreational marijuana land uses as an option, and the extension of the moratorium and interim zoning under Ordinance 415 as an option; and

**WHEREAS**, after public comment, the Board voted to enact a permanent prohibition of land uses engaged in the production, processing or retail sale of marijuana; and

**WHEREAS**, regulations enacting a permanent prohibition will require additional staff analysis and drafting; and

**WHEREAS**, the public will need to have the opportunity to comment on the permanent regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board also voted to extend Ordinance 415's moratorium and interim zoning for an additional 60 days from its expiration; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance 415 shall expire on September 15, 2014, unless extended; and

**WHEREAS**, additional time is necessary to allow for the drafting of the regulations and public comment, and

**WHEREAS**, the 60<sup>th</sup> day from September 15, 2014 is a Friday, and the Board meets regularly on Mondays; now therefore

**BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED** by this Board of Walla Walla County Commissioners that the regulations enacted by Ordinance 415 shall be extended for an additional 63 days, expiring at 12:01 a.m. on Tuesday, November 18, 2014, unless an ordinance is adopted rescinding the moratorium and interim zoning. This moratorium and interim zoning may be extended by the Board of County Commissioners following a public hearing prior to such extension. This ordinance will be published by an approved summary consisting of the title.

PASSED by the Walla Walla County Board of County Commissioners in regular session at Walla Walla, Washington, then signed by its membership and attested by its Clerk in authorization of such passage this 8<sup>th</sup> day of Sept., 2014.

(September)

Attest:

Connie R. Vinti  
Connie R. Vinti, Clerk of the Board

absent

James K. Johnson, Chairman, District 1

Perry L. Dozier  
Perry L. Dozier, Commissioner, District 2

Gregory A. Tompkins  
Gregory A. Tompkins, Commissioner, District 3

Constituting the Board of County Commissioners  
of Walla Walla County, Washington

Approved as to form

Jesse D. Nolte  
Jesse D. Nolte, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

