

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-

AN ORDINANCE amending the City of Yakima Municipal Code section 6.08.015 by adopting Revised Code of Washington 69.50.475, relating to penalties for sales of cannabis by cannabis retail outlets to persons under twenty-one years of age.

WHEREAS, by initiative the people of the State of Washington legalized cannabis sales in authorized retail outlets; and

WHEREAS, several cannabis retail outlets exist within the corporate limits of the City of Yakima; and

WHEREAS, it is a criminal offense under the Revised Code of Washington, 69.50.475, punishable as a gross misdemeanor, for cannabis retail outlets to sell cannabis products to persons under twenty-one years of age; and

WHEREAS, the City of Yakima must adopt within the Yakima Municipal Code the aforementioned state law in order to prosecute violations in Yakima Municipal Court; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds the sale of cannabis by cannabis retail outlets to persons under twenty-one years of age to be contrary to the peace and dignity of the City of Yakima and that adoption of the state law prohibiting such sales is necessary for public safety; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF YAKIMA:

Section 1. The following section, 6.08.015, of the City of Yakima Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

6.08.015 Statutes adopted.

The following Revised Code of Washington (RCW) sections, as currently enacted or as hereafter amended or recodified from time to time, are hereby adopted by reference and shall be given the same force and effect as if set forth herein in full:

- 69.41.010 Definitions—Legend Drugs.
- 69.41.030 Possession of Legend Drugs Without Prescription or Order.
- 9.47A.010 Definition.
- 9.47A.020 Unlawful inhalation—Exception.
- 9.47A.030 Possession of certain substances prohibited, when.
- 9.47A.040 Sale of certain substances prohibited, when.
- 9.47A.050 Penalty.
- 69.50.101 Definitions.
- 69.50.102 Definitions—Drug paraphernalia.
- 69.50.4011 Counterfeit Substances—Penalty.
- 69.50.4013 Possession of Controlled Substances—Penalty— Possession of Usable Cannabis, Cannabis Concentrate, or Cannabis Infused Product—Delivery.
- 69.50.4014 Possession of forty grams or less of marijuana—Penalty.

69.50.412	Prohibited acts.
69.50.4121	Drug paraphernalia—Selling or giving—Penalty.
69.50.445	Opening package of or consuming marijuana, useable marijuana, or marijuana-infused product in view of general public—Penalty.
69.50.475	Cannabis retail outlets—Sale to persons under the age of twenty-one—Penalty.
69.51A.060	Use or Display of Medical Marijuana.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect 30 days after its passage, approval, and publication as provided by law and by the City Charter.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, signed and approved this 6th day of February, 2024.

Patricia Byers, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rosalinda Ibarra, City Clerk

Publication Date:

Effective Date: