

Introduced by: Council Members
Sprinkle and Tidwell
Introduced: June 12, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 5068

**A RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE OF ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF
REVENUE TO PROVIDE A TAX PAYMENT HUB IN THE INTERIOR
FOR MARIJUANA CULTIVATORS**

WHEREAS, State Ballot Measure 2, the act to tax and regulate the production, sale, and use of marijuana, was passed on November 4, 2014; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the ballot measure, the State of Alaska levies a tax on the sale of marijuana from a cultivation facility to a retail store or product manufacturing facility; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Revenue Tax Division currently only accepts marijuana cultivation tax payments in cash and at one location in the state, which is in Anchorage; and

WHEREAS, in February 2023, the Alcohol and Marijuana Control Office reported that there were 43 active marijuana cultivation facility licenses in the Fairbanks and North Pole area; and


WHEREAS, local cultivators making tax payments must travel with large sums of cash to Anchorage each month, which causes safety concerns and places undue hardship and expense on marijuana cultivators in the Interior; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for a marijuana cultivation tax payment hub in Interior Alaska.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Fairbanks City Council urges the State of Alaska Department of Revenue to provide a tax payment hub in Interior Alaska for marijuana cultivators.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is hereby directed to send a copy of this resolution to Governor Dunleavy, Department of Revenue Commissioner Adam Crum, Department of Revenue Tax Division Director Colleen Glover, and the Marijuana Control Board.

PASSED and **APPROVED** this 12th day of June 2023.

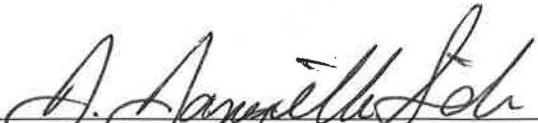


David Pruhs, City Mayor

AYES: PASSED and APPROVED on the CONSENT AGENDA
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
APPROVED: June 12, 2023

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



D. Danyelle Snider, MMC, City Clerk



Thomas A. Chard II, City Attorney