

# CITY COUNCIL OF EAST ORANGE

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EAST ORANGE, N.J.  
**RESOLUTION NO. 1** 412

Resolution offered by Council Member HOLMAN

## RESOLUTION EXTENDING LOCAL SUPPORT FOR THE FLOWER GARDEN DISPENSARY LLC TO OPERATE AS A STANDARD CANNABIS RETAILER IN THE CITY

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the provisions of P.L. 2021, c. 16, known as the “New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act,” the City of East Orange adopted Ordinance No. 45-2021, as amended from time-to-time to regulate and tax cannabis businesses within the City (the “Cannabis Ordinance”); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-7.8, and N.J.A.C. 17:30-7.10 applicants for cannabis business licenses need to submit proof of local support from the City in the form of a resolution from the City Council as part of either their conversion-to-annual or annual license application(s) to the State Cannabis Regulatory Commission (“CRC”); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to a Notice of Local Support Application Acceptance dated October 17, 2022, the City’s Board of Cannabis Control (“BCC”) scored and heard The Flower Garden Dispensary LLC’s (“Applicant”) local support application to operate as a Standard Cannabis Retailer (“Standard Retailer”) in the City, and endorsed Applicant to the City Council for a resolution of local support; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council deliberated on the BCC’s endorsement of Applicant and, having determined that Applicant was eligible and deserving of a resolution of local support, issued to Applicant Resolution No. I-146 which expired on or about October 24, 2023 (the “Resolution”); and

**WHEREAS**, Applicant having appeared before the BCC on October 5, 2023, to request an extension of the Resolution on the basis its annual Standard Retailer license application was still pending before the CRC, and for good cause shown, the BCC voted to approve Applicant for an endorsement extending the Resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council hereby agrees to extend the Resolution for another six-month period; and

**WHEREAS**, Cannabis Ordinance authorizes up to six (6) Standard Retailer permits to be issued to Applicants; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council has determined that the issuance of a Standard Retailer license to Applicant by the CRC would not exceed any local permitting limits; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the East Orange City Council hereby authorizes the

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<b>CLAYBROOKS</b>		✓			<b>PULLINS</b>	✓			
<b>BRENT</b>				✓	<b>LEWIS</b>	✓			
<b>GARRETT-WARD</b>	✓				<b>JAMES</b>				✓
<b>LENEUS</b>	✓				<b>AWE</b>	✓			

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 Action on Veto - ✓ To Sustain      ✓✓ To Over-Ride

VOTES REQUIRED \_\_\_\_\_

Approved as to:  
 Factual Contents Cynthia S. Brown      Appropriation Comptroller  
 Form and Legality Counsel  
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 Presented to Mayor December 17, 2023      Adopted December 11, 2023  
 Approved Ted R. Green, Mayor      Christopher Awe, City Council Chairman  
 Vetoed December 13, 2023.      Cynthia S. Brown City Clerk  
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issuance of this resolution extending local support to Applicant for the purpose described herein; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** pursuant to the Cannabis Ordinance the foregoing resolution extending local support shall expire 180 days from the date of issuance, unless extended by the City Counsel in its sole discretion.

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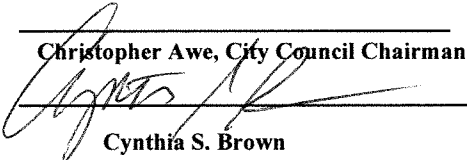
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