

## INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

To: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCILMEMBERS

VIA: Kent Cagle, City Manager

Traci Briggs, City Attorney

FROM: LUCY ALDRICH, CITY SECRETARY

DATE: JUNE 14, 2022

SUBJECT: INITIATIVE PETITION – CERTIFICATION

On May 25, 2022, an initiative petition was filed with the City Secretary's office.

Any initiative ordinance may be submitted to the council by a petition signed by qualified electors of the city equal in number to at least twenty-five percent of the number of voters in the last regular municipal election of the mayor and at-large councilmembers.

The May 7, 2022 election had a voter turnout in the amount of 4,072. Twenty-five percent of 4,072 is 1,018. Review of the submitted petition was completed within the required ten days. Let this memorandum reflect the certification of more than 1,018 registered voters signed the petition in support of an initiative ordinance eliminating low-level marijuana enforcement in the City of Killeen and that the petition was filed and completed as required by charter.

The next steps are for the City Council to conduct a public hearing on the proposed ordinance and consider the ordinance not later than sixty days from June 14, 2022 (August 13, 2022). If the City Council shall fail to pass an ordinance proposed by the initiative petition or shall pass it in a form different from than set forth in the petition, the proposed ordinance shall be submitted to the electors on the first authorized uniform election date prescribed by the Election Code. The next uniform election is scheduled for November 8, 2022. If an election is to be held, it would need to be ordered by August 22, 2022.

Lucy Aldrich	
City Secretary	