RULES: 'They are easily ingested by children...'

(Continued from pg. A1) "Is there specific information from the state about quantities and the strains (of marijuana) that go into edibles?" Ryan asked. "Do they have to be made in an oven with a health code?"

City Attorney Shannon Johnson said there are standards that have to be followed.

"There are significant regulations on the edibles," Johnson said.

Ryan indicated she had done research on the topic since the December vote.

"Has anyone received new information that changed their opinion?" she asked. "My research is based on other states and the challenges they have faced."

Councilor Roland Herrera said he understands there are stringent rules for recreational marijuana, just as there are for medical marijuana.

Johnson said the rules mainly focus on packaging and marketing.

"It must be child resistant

for the package and marketing must not be aimed at minors," he said. "I believe there are some specific dosage limits as well. There are stringent regulations in place."

Johnson said the items must be made by a licensed processor in order to be sold in a licensed shop.

Herrera said he had looked at how items were packaged, since that was his initial main concern. Koho made a similar comment last month.

After Johnson noted anything but a unanimous vote on the edible part would require another future vote, Clark made her stance known.

"Where I have a problem is the problems in other states with accidental poisoning (for edibles)," she said. "They are easily ingested by children and animals. When it comes to marijuana, it is not as likely to be ingested by a minor in smokeable form. It is more attractive when in edible form. If we're going to have recreational availability of something potentially harmful, I don't feel this is a helpful thing. I understand they are things people enjoy on a recreational basis, but I don't think this in edible form will be a benefit to the community."

With that, the motion to approve the amended ordinance was passed 5-2, with Clark and Ryan again voting contrary to the majority.

"Any chance this would be the last time talking about marijuana in my term?" Koho asked.

Johnson responded there will be discussion of a marijuana tax coming later. He noted Monday was the first day licenses for recreational marijuana shops could be applied for, but the first licenses aren't expected to be final until October. So-called "early sales" of recreational marijuana are allowed at medical marijuana shops, with a 25 percent tax added. That tax goes away at the end of 2016, replaced by a 17 percent statewide tax and an optional 3 percent local tax.

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Organizers will also work with representatives at Marion-Polk Food Share to plan meals ranging from chicken alfredo to corned beef and cabbage to shepherd's pie.

Rick Guapo, president of the MPFS, said the idea is to work in tandem as Keizer community leaders take on the effort.

"We're supporting them, but it wouldn't be possible without Keizer people taking the lead," Guapo said.

St. Edward parishoner Eileen Zielinski, who is also a member of the MPFS board of directors, helped plant the seed now growing at the church.

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Daughter Tammy went to Stanford on a State Farm Foundation scholarship and worked for State Farm during the summers. Rosemary worked in Sam's office for a while, while youngest son George Kurt worked as an unThe Community Dinners will be modeled after like events in Silverton, where a similar program was started in 2008 and now serves about 400 people each time out. The hope is to draw attendees from all walks of life, from young families and seniors to the members of the homeless community.

Guapo said seeing the program in action in Silverton clarified the vision he had for MPFS as a whole.

"Making sure no one is going hungry is about being a good community and the Community Dinner helps us be a better community," Guapo said.

Ideally, Guapo said, the dinners will break down the barriers most are naturally given to erecting between themselves and others.

derwriter for a while.

"He was a great example to his kids," Sam said of his dad. "He's a very hard worker. He's honest in his dealings. He always puts the other person first in his relationships."

Sam recalled first wanting to be a State Farm agent.

"I went to Lancaster Mall with dad one night," Sam said. "It seemed like everyone knew him. That was when it clicked. "If we break bread together and start a conversation with our neighbor, we no longer think of them as someone not worthy of support. We see them as John or Sally and we get to know their story," Guapo said.

While the dinners will be free, freewill donations will be gratefully accepted.

"There will be giving baskets on each table for those who want to give at the end of a meal. We hope it becomes self-supporting after a few months," said Bay.

Henny said St. Edward is also donating the use of flatware and silverware to each meal to help cut down on the costs.

"The mission is bringing all facets of the community together to sit down for dinner," Henny said.

That's what I wanted to do."

In 1981 Sam was offered the chance to run his own agency, with a caveat: he wouldn't have the opportunity to share an office with his dad.

"That disappointed me, but I wanted to be a State Farm agent badly enough that I didn't care," Sam said. "That first year I lived at his house, so we talked business all the time. We still do that."



