

Request for Action

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Broken Arrow City Council Meeting of: 08-01-2017

To: From: Title:	Mayor and City Council Office of the City Attorney	
Consideration,	discussion, and possible adoption of Ordinance No. 3489-Corrected, amending Chapter 16, Offenses- MISCELLANEOUS, Article 1, In General, Section 16-28, Possession of marijuana and controlled dangerous substances; adding Schedule I and II drugs to the definition of controlled dangerous substances, of the Broken Arrow Code; repealing all ordinances to the contrary; and declaring an emergency	

Background:

On July 1, 2017, State law is being amended to include Schedules I and II drugs as drugs whose possession is a misdemeanor. Previously, possession of Schedule I or II drugs was considered a felony under State law. The proposed ordinance amendment adds Schedules I and II drugs to the definition of controlled dangerous substance. This will allow the City to file misdemeanor charges in Municipal Court for the possession of Schedule I and II drugs. In order to address publication issues, Staff is recommending adoption of the ordinance and approval of the emergency clause.

Cost:	\$0
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Approved By:	Michael L. Spurgeon, City Manager
Attachments:	Ordinance No. 3489

Recommendation:

Adopt Ordinance No. 3489-Corrected and approve emergency clause.