

Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Angelique Gaeta

SUBJECT: MEDICAL MARIJUANA -

DATE: February 11, 2016

OUTREACH UPDATE

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INFORMATION

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide the Council with an update on outreach the Administration is conducting in response to the Council's direction to meet with stakeholders on a number of items.

On December 8, 2015, the Council directed Staff to return in March 2016 with an analysis on a number of questions concerning medical marijuana in San Jose. In sum, among other things, those questions included an analysis of the cost of creating a Division of Medical Marijuana Control and sources of funding; and, analyses on whether the City should consider the following:

- Allowing registered collectives to transact business with licensed/permitted marijuana cultivators and manufacturers throughout the State of California;
- Allowing registered collectives to have multiple locations for cultivation, manufacturing and extraction;
- Allowing registered collectives to locate their off-site facilities for cultivation, manufacturing and extraction (currently regulated under the City's program) outside the City and the contiguous counties and locate anywhere in the State of California;
- Allowing registered collectives to share a single cultivation site for multiple separate grows;
- Removal of the 50-foot buffer required to be kept between collective sites where cultivation and manufacturing are occurring (does not include 50-foot buffer required between collective sites where retail dispensing is occurring); and
- Allowing for greenhouse, but not sun-grown, cultivation of marijuana in appropriately zoned locations in the City.

To better inform its analysis, the Administration will be hosting meetings with all stakeholders and groups potentially impacted by the cultivation, manufacturing and dispensing of medical marijuana in the City, including: registered collectives and their members, cultivators, manufacturers, community based organizations, the County Department of Environmental

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Health, the County Department of Agriculture, the District Attorney's Office and the U.S. Attorney's Office.

The following is a timeline outlining when staff anticipates conducting meetings and outreach with the above groups so that staff can return to the Council with a report in March 2016:

ACTION ITEM

TIMELINE

Two (2) meetings with Community & Stakeholder Groups

February – March 2016

Meeting with County Departments

February 2016

Meeting with Law Enforcement Agencies

March 2016

All notices for community outreach and stakeholder meetings will be widely published. In an effort to ensure an open and transparent processes, City staff will also be tracking and documenting all public comments throughout this process.

/s/
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