City of Santa Rosa



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Title: REPORT - RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA APPROVING

ARGUMENT IN SUPPORT OF BALLOT MEASURE TO ENACT AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA ADDING CHAPTER 6-10 TO THE SANTA ROSA CITY CODE AND AMENDING CHAPTER 6-04 OF THE SANTA ROSA CITY CODE TO IMPOSE A CANNABIS INDUSTRY TAX ON

CANNABIS BUSINESSES OPERATING IN SANTA ROSA

BACKGROUND: On March 7, 2017, Council, by resolution, declared a fiscal emergency as a result of the recent enactment of the Medical Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act and passage of Proposition 64 (the Adult Use of Marijuana Act) and ordered a special election to be held on Tuesday, June 6, 2017 for the purpose of submitting to Santa Rosa voters an ordinance of the City of Santa Rosa, adding Chapter 6-10 to the Santa Rosa City Code and amending Chapter 6-04 of the Santa Rosa City Code to impose a cannabis industry tax on cannabis businesses operating in Santa Rosa (2) approving ballot language, (3) permitting the filing of ballot arguments, (4) directing the City Attorney to provide an impartial analysis, and (5) setting initial tax rates for a 2-year term. Previously, on February 14, 2017, in anticipation of the possible cannabis tax ballot measure and in accordance with Elections Code sections 9282 and 9287, the Council authorized the appointment of a Council ad hoc subcommittee to draft the argument in support of the proposed measure, subject to approval by the full Council. The ad hoc subcommittee has prepared a draft argument for the Council's consideration.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Council ad hoc committee that the Council adopt a Resolution approving argument in support of ballot measure to enact an Ordinance of the City of Santa Rosa adding Chapter 6-10 to the Santa Rosa City Code and amending Chapter 6-04 of the Santa Rosa City Code to impose a cannabis industry tax on cannabis businesses operating in Santa

Rosa.

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Attachments: 1. Staff Report, 2. Resolution, 3. Exhibit A, 4. Presentation

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