

City of Santa Rosa



Legislation Details

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Title: REPORT - URGENCY ORDINANCE TO IMPOSE A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON THE ELIGIBILITY OF THE LIMITED LIGHT INDUSTRIAL (-LIL) COMBINING DISTRICT FOR MEDICAL CANNABIS COMMERCIAL CULTIVATION

BACKGROUND: On June 13, 2017, the City Council approved a temporary ordinance establishing a moratorium on the eligibility of the Limited Light Industrial (-LIL) Combining District for medical cannabis commercial cultivation. The temporary moratorium was an urgency ordinance under Government Code section 65858 that went into effect immediately and is effective for a period of 45 days. The 45-day period is set to end on July 28, 2017.

The draft comprehensive cannabis ordinance is being finalized by staff and will be published for public comment on June 30, 2017. The draft ordinance and feedback received by the public will be presented to the Medical Cannabis Policy Subcommittee in July. Following a review with the Subcommittee, the draft will then go through public hearings before the Planning Commission and the City Council in late 2017.

The moratorium on the eligibility of the Limited Light Industrial (-LIL) Combining District for medical cannabis commercial cultivation is being included in the draft comprehensive cannabis policy effort. Due to expiration of the moratorium on July 28, 2017, additional time is needed to complete the public process of reviewing the comprehensive policy and finalizing the regulations. Under Government Code section 65858, Council may adopt a subsequent temporary urgency ordinance to maintain the moratorium in effect for up to an additional 10 months and 15 days allowing time to complete the process. Under the City Charter, five affirmative votes are necessary to adopt an urgency ordinance.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended by the Planning and Economic Development Department that the Council adopt an urgency ordinance to impose a temporary moratorium on the eligibility of the Limited Light Industrial (-LIL) Combining District for medical cannabis commercial cultivation to allow time for development of appropriate regulations.

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