

# City of Santa Rosa



## Legislation Details

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**Title:** REPORT - URGENCY ORDINANCE TO EXTEND TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON THE OUTDOOR CULTIVATION OF CANNABIS FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES

**BACKGROUND:** On May 23, 2017, the City Council approved a temporary ordinance establishing a moratorium on outdoor commercial cultivation of cannabis within the city limits. 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 7, 2017.

The draft comprehensive cannabis ordinance is being finalized by staff and will be presented to the Medical Cannabis Policy Subcommittee next month. Following a review with the Subcommittee, the draft will go through public hearings before the Planning Commission and ultimately the City Council in late 2017.

The moratorium on outdoor commercial cultivation is being included in the draft comprehensive cannabis policy effort. Due to expiration of the moratorium on July 7, 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 outdoor commercial cultivation of cannabis to allow time for development of appropriate regulations.

**Sponsors:** Planning and Economic Development

**Indexes:** Not a Project

**Code sections:**

**Attachments:** 1. Staff Report, 2. Ordinance, 3. Presentation

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
6/20/2017	1	City Council	to waive reading of the text and adopt	Pass