

County of Monterey

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CANNABIS PROGRAM
COUNTY OF MONTEREY

Meeting Minutes - Draft

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Wednesday, March 27, 2024

3:30 PM

Cannabis Committee

NOTE: All agenda titles related to numbered items are live web links. Click on the title to be directed to corresponding Committee Report.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Members of the public may address comments to the Committee concerning each agenda item. Timing of the public comment shall be at the discretion of the Chair.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:40pm.

Additions and Corrections

No additions or corrections.

Public Comment Period

Joey Espinoza, Michelle Hackett.

Approval of Action Minutes

1. Consider approval of action minutes from the March 6, 2024, Cannabis Committee meeting.

ACTION: The Board of Supervisors Cannabis Committee Minutes from March 6, 2024, was approved by consensus.

Regular Agenda

2. Verbal update on the County of Monterey Cannabis Program Manager recruitment.

Presenter: Nick Chiulos, Chief Assistant County Administrator Officer

ACTION: The committee received a verbal update on the status.

3. Receive an Auditor-Controller Office memoranda update on commercial cannabis business tax collections and payment plan tax payments.

Presenter: Joey Nolasco, Auditor-Controller Analyst

ACTION: Report deemed as received.

4. Receive a status update on the commercial cannabis business tax payment plans.

Presenter: Joann Iwamoto, Interim Cannabis Program Manager

ACTION: Report deemed as received.

5. Receive memoranda update on Cannabis Program performance indicators, SMART goals and active grants.

Presenter: Myles Echenique, Management Analyst II

ACTION: Report deemed as received.

6.
 - a. Receive a status update on the County cannabis business tax revenue generated by nursery activities;
 - b. Consider the financial impacts of a tax exemption for self-producing nursery operators; and
 - c. Recommend the Committee take no action on a tax exemption for self-producing nursery operators at this time; and
 - d. Provide further direction as appropriate or consider a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors.

ACTION: Report deemed as received; committee opted to take no action on a tax exemption for self-production nursery operators at this time.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:24pm. The next meeting is scheduled for May 2, 2024.