



County of Monterey

Cannabis Committee

Meeting Agenda - Final

Government Center- Board
Chambers
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor
Salinas, CA 93901

Thursday, October 6, 2022

2:00 PM

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Call to Order

Additions and Corrections

Public Comment Period

This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons to address the Committee on any matter not on this agenda but under the jurisdiction of the Committee.

Approval of Action Minutes

1. Consider approval of action minutes from the September 1, 2022 Cannabis Committee meeting.

Attachments: [Action Minutes-September 1, 2022](#)

Regular Agenda

2. Receive a report on the Industrial Hemp Pilot Program Regulatory Update.

Presenter: Graham Hunting, Deputy Agricultural Commissioner

Attachments: [Industrial Hemp Pilot Program Update](#)

3. Receive a Cannabis Program memoranda on current cannabis cultivation square footage, land use permits, cannabis business permits, and other updates.

Presenter: Myles Echenique, Management Analyst II

Attachments: [Memorandum of Cannabis Program](#)

4. Receive a Treasurer-Tax Collector memoranda update on commercial cannabis tax payments including quarterly payments under the informal payment plan.

Presenter: Lynnette Charlesworth, Management Analyst III

Attachments: [TTC Cannabis Commercial Tax Update](#)

5. a. Receive information and provide direction regarding proposed amendments to Monterey County Code Chapter 7.90 related to commercial cannabis retail operations; and
- b. Direct staff to present the Cannabis Committee's recommendation to the Board of Supervisors; and
- c. Provide further direction as appropriate.

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
 [A. Cannabis signage regulations and retail storefronts of outside jurisdictions](#)
 [B. Residents per Retailer by County](#)

6. a. Receive a report on initial staff findings related to cannabis consumption lounges.
- b. Provide further direction as appropriate.

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
 [A. Jurisdictions Permitting Cannabis Consumption Lounges](#)
 [B. California's Clean Air Laws Infographic](#)
 [C. Tracking Tobacco Laws, A California Digest](#)

7. a. Receive a report outlining the need for an administrative manual and revisions to the Growing Equity Together framework; and
- b. Consider recommending that the Board of Supervisors adopt the proposed administrative manual and revisions to Growing Equity Together framework; and
- c. Provide direction to staff as appropriate.

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
 [A. Proposed Growing Equity Together Administrative Manual](#)
 [B. Proposed Revisions to Growing Equity Together Program Framework](#)

8. a. Receive a report on commercial cannabis manufacturing business activity and related commercial cannabis revenue in the unincorporated area of Monterey County;
- b. Review staff recommendations to amend the commercial cannabis manufacturing tax rate;
- c. Direct staff to prepare a report to the Board of Supervisors on the Committee's recommendation regarding an amended rate for commercial cannabis manufacturing; and
- d. Provide further direction as appropriate.

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
 [A. Manufacturing Tax Rates of Nearby Jurisdictions](#)**Adjournment**

Next meeting scheduled for November 3, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.

Committee Members: Supervisor Mary Adams, Chair; Supervisor Chris Lopez, Vice Chair

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