



Monterey County Cannabis Committee Meeting Agenda

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

Monday, March 22, 2021

10:00 AM

Board Chambers

Chair Chris Lopez and Supervisor Luis Alejo

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2. If you choose not to attend the Cannabis Committee meeting but wish to make a comment on a specific agenda item, please submit your comment via email by 5:00 p.m. on the day prior to the meeting. Please submit your comment to Heather Miller at millerhe@co.monterey.ca.us. Your comment will be placed into the record at the meeting.

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4. If you attend the Cannabis Committee meeting in person, you will be required to maintain the appropriate social distancing of a 6-foot distance between yourself and other individuals.

Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order No. N-25-20, Supervisors may participate in the meeting by telephone or video conference.

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

Call to Order**Additions and Corrections**

Continuance of Closed Session to be held at the conclusion of the Board's Regular Agenda, or at any other time during the course of the meeting announced by the Chairperson of the Board.

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

Approval of Minutes from the February 26, 2021 Cannabis Committee "Special" meeting.

Attachments: [MINUTES February 26 2021 Cannabis Standing Committee final](#)

Regular Agenda

1. a. Receive a verbal update on Cannabis Assignment as it relates to CARES funding.
- b. Provide direction to staff.

Presenter: Ezequiel Vega, Budget Director

2. Receive a report on the findings of the Cannabis Business Permit fee study, and support a recommendation that the Board of Supervisors adopt a resolution to amend Articles I.E, IX, XVII, and XXI of the Monterey County Master Fee Resolution to update fees for processing Cannabis Business Permits.

Presenters: Joann Iwamoto, Cannabis Program
 Jerry Wolf, MGT Consulting

Attachments: [Board Report](#)
 [Attachment A Draft BoS Resolution Amending Articles](#)
 [Monterey County Master Fee Resolution](#)
 [Attachment B Monterey County Report DRAFT Report](#)

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

b. Provide direction to staff.

Presenter: Myles Echenique, Cannabis Analyst

Attachments: [Memorandum of Cannabis Program](#)

4. a. Receive a report on the process required to amend Monterey County Code to allow construction

of new greenhouses to be used for commercial cannabis cultivation.

b. Provide direction to staff.

Presenter: Craig Spencer, Housing and Community Development Planning Services Manager

Attachments: [CC Report Amend 21.67](#)

5. a. Receive a verbal presentation of the Cannabis Distribution Tax.**b. Provide direction to staff.**

Presenters: Kristina Parson, Deputy Treasurer-Tax Collector
Lynnette Beardsall, Management Analyst III

6. a. Receive a verbal presentation of the CA Cannabis Authority Administrative Fees.**b. Provide direction to staff.**

Presenter: Mary Zeeb, Treasurer-Tax Collector

Adjournment

The next meeting is scheduled for April 21, 2021.