From: Xiaoyue .

To: Burke, Clarissa

Subject: Re: against cannabis sale in mountain view Date: Monday, April 23, 2018 10:38:58 PM

Attachments: image.png

Clarissa,

Thank you for clarifying for the survey. I am wondering if you can provide some email address for city council and other governors who can hear my voice. I wrote to city council before but got no reply.

I want to add one scientific paper I came cross https://s3.amazonaws.com/static.cammy.com/reports/burglar-survey-study-final-report.pdf, which studied the motivation and target selection of residential burglaries. The finding was "The decision to commit a burglary is often made while under the influence of drugs or alcohol or during periods of substance abuse (page 8 of 63)". I would like the city know that once cannabis is legalized, the crimes in the city will become more.

If you are in MV nextdoor community, you could see people posted home burglaries every other day, which is much more often than before (eg, today's top post: Home burgled on Avenue Avenue Avenue Balance Research Researc

1) cannot stop recurrent burglaries in waverly park neighbourhood; 2) is already understaffed as commented by officer in our March 21 planning meeting, 3) need to put extra effort for cannabis regulation and 4) not to mention dealing with even more rising crimes as the consequence of more cannabis use in the city.

While getting taxes from cannabis, the city/MVPD needs to spend more money to hire officers for regulation and residence protection. I hope this information can be passed to decision makers. Thank you very much.

Regards,

Xiaoyue



Home burgled on

Avenue

Neighbors please be advised our home was ransacked by burglars.

We returned from vacation yesterday to discover this heartbreaking scene.

The police upon visiting advised us yesterday the homeless community along the trail leading up to El Camino is growing and burglaries and suspicious person citings are continuing to rise in the area.

The mental anguish and the insecurity is simply unsurmountable.

Please msg privately if you are able to offer any information

I have reported this information to the police.

17h ago · 49 neighborhoods in Crime & Safety

On Wed, Mar 28, 2018 at 10:26 AM, Burke, Clarissa < Clarissa.Burke@mountainview.gov > wrote:

Dear Dr.

Thank you very much for your input on this subject. I have noted your comment. I urge you to stay informed and continue to give your input through the process. You can do this through the following ways:

- Visit the Cannabis Regulation webpage
- Attend community, Environmental Planning Commission, and City Council meetings
- Provide public comment to staff

In response to your specific questions regarding the survey: postcard notices (attached) were sent in January to every property address and property owner on record in Mountain View advertising the survey and cannabis community meeting. Noticing of the community meeting and survey was also posted on City and Police Department social media accounts, in the newspaper, on the City website, and physical postings at the library and City Hall.

Nearly 100 people attended the community meeting and 1,595 people responded to the online survey. Summaries of the feedback received through the community meeting and survey can be found on the <u>webpage</u> or in the Environmental Planning Commission (EPC) Staff Report for the 3/21/2018.

The EPC Staff Report for the 3/21/2018 contained comprehensive results of the community meeting, survey, and direct community input to staff. The Staff Report and attachments can be found here or through the Cannabis Regulation webpage.

Please feel free to contact me with further questions or concerns. Thank you,

Clarissa Burke | Planning Division

City of Mountain View | 650.903.6306

clarissa.burke@mountainview.gov

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From: Xiaoyue
Sent: Friday, March 23, 2018 9:58 AM

To: , Planning Division
Cc: , City Clerk; Burke, Clarissa

Subject: Re: against cannabis sale in mountain view

Thank you very much Linda.

Clarissa, can you share the voting results of survey from the EPC members on Wednesday? Thank you.

Regards,

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On Fri, Mar 23, 2018 at 8:45 AM, Planning Division < Planning. Division@mountainview.gov wrote:

Hi Xiaoyue,

I am copying the City Clerk's office on this email and they will take care of letting Council know. I am also copying Planner Clarissa Burke and she will make sure any future meetings the members are aware of your emails. Please let me know if you need anything else.
Linda Brooks, Planning Secretary
650-903-6306
From: Xiaoyue Sent: Thursday, March 22, 2018 2:46 PM
To: , Planning Division Subject: Re: against cannabis sale in mountain view
Hello,
I was told to contact city council to express concern about cannabis sale in mtv. I wrote an email to city council but did not get response. How can I move forward? Your planning department only takes voice for regulating, not banning cannabis. Thank you.
Regards,
Xiaoyue
On Tue, Mar 20, 2018 at 2:27 PM, , Planning Division < Planning.Division@mountainview.gov > wrote:
Yes there sure is. Please show up and there will be a chance during the item to speak on that item. ©
From: Xiaoyue Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2018 1:46 PM To: , Planning Division Subject: Re: against cannabis sale in mountain view
Hi Linda,
Thank you for forwarding the email. I am wondering if there is a chance for public comments for tomorrow's meeting at 7pm. Thank you.
Regards,
Xiaoyue

On Tue, Mar 20, 2018 at 8:25 AM, Planning Division < Planning. Division@mountainview.gov> wrote:

Thank you for your input regarding the EPC Item on Marijuana Regulation. I have forwarded your email on to the Environmental Planning Commission and the staff person for this item, Clarissa Burke. Please let me know if you need anything else.

Linda Brooks, Planning Secretary

650-903-6306

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From: Xiaoyue
Sent: Monday, March 19, 2018 12:42 PM

To: epc@mountainview.gov

Subject: against cannabis sale in mountain view

Hello,

I am STRONGLY AGAINST cannabis sale in mountain view. As a senior scientist in Pharmaceutical company, I can tell you that biological signaling inside human body is way more complicated than what we understand. What's even worse, we don't know much about cannabis itself either. Please read the link of scientific researchers from top universities and institutes who admitted that they did not know enough about cannabis. http://www.businessinsider.com/biggest-science-questions-researchers-bave-marijuana-2017-3.

Based on current study, Cannabis has below problems:

- 1) It brings in breathing problems and increased heart rate, which definitely a driving safety concern and medical burden to the society. If you don't want to add more work for mtv police, please do NOT allow cannabis in mtv.
- 2) it harms mental health, and may produce depression and anxiety. What could be the potential consequence of mental health? Maybe gun violence? If you don't want to see Florida high school tragedy happen in mtv, please do NOT allow cannabis in mtv.
- 3) If teenagers use it, they will lose mental ability irreversibly, which means lower IQs after becoming adult. Mtv as a home of high tech, you don't want to see your next generation is not as creative as the older generation. With so many competitive high schools around and for our next generation, please do NOT allow cannabis in mtv.
- 4) The smell of the cannabis is definitely disturbing to anyone who don't use it. You don't want a city with beautiful "Mountain view" to have disgusting smells. This definitely will result in the move out of high tech people, visitors, and crashed housing prices. For money's sake, please no cannabis in mtv.

I hope the city could allow a working mom to raise mentally-healthy kids in the city happily. Thank you very much.

Regards,

Xiaoyue PhD

Mountain View, 94040

From: Jaime
To: <u>Burke, Clarissa</u>
Subject: Cannabis Survey

Date: Friday, March 09, 2018 12:21:30 AM

Hi Clarissa you were listed for receiving comments on this issue. I missed the online survey it seems but I'd still like to add my comments on this matter.

My family and I live on Ave and we are apposed to marijuana retail stores in Mountain View. I've read in the Daily Post about several other cities along the Peninsula who have rejected such stores in their city limits and good for them. Mountain View should follow their example because I've seen the trashiness that follows these stores, especially with first hand experience from San José's decline after their embrace of such stores and the poor culture that follows it. Marijuana is so openly smoked their that you are frequently smelling it all about town on the streets and on the road while driving, crowded places, downtown, etc. It really turns a town to be not family friendly quick and sends a horrible message to our children. Don't encourage this low form of human behavior, drug use should not be respected and kept in the dark where it belongs.

Don't be wooed by taxes and other shortsighted justifications that turn a blind eye to greater costs than a forgoing of hypothetical taxes with zero downsides. Let's be realistic and not sacrifice greater human aspirations by not being accepting of cheap underachieving human behavior.

Thank you,

~Jaime

From: Jennifer

To: epc@mountainview.gov

Subject: Marijuana regulation in mountain view Date: Monday, March 19, 2018 8:18:07 PM

Hi EPC, I have some thoughts on marijuana regulation that are medical as I'm a primary care doctor and concerned about the health of my family and community. I'm concerned about the risks of lung cancer with marijuana in addition to the known cardiovascular and cognitive effects. Because it has similar risks to other smokable products, We need to instate the sameLaws that we have for nicotine for marijuana. So no advertising to children, there is a billboard with a lamb on it in San Jose advertising cannabis that should be illegal for mountain view. We should also require any smokable takeout sales to have black lung pictures on it as nicotine does in other countries. We should have warning signs required on doors of clubs. Lastly I would like marijuana Cafes/bars to have negative Air pressure rooms to protect the workers and public from second hand smoke as well as create a public health safety net as we are probably not prepared for the next pandemic. There's a great article on NPR about second hand cannabis smoke out today, please read it if you have a chance. I don't think stigmatizing marijuana and its users is necessary, I'd prefer we just be honest about the known risks and benefits. Best, Jennifer

From: Yuantao

To: epc@mountainview.gov
Subject: Cannabis regulation

Date: Monday, March 19, 2018 4:34:36 PM

Dear Staff of EPC,

I just heard that there will be a meeting about Cannabis regulation at Mountain View. I lived here for more than 12 years and have two kids at school age. I would like to express my strong concern of the exposure to this drug to the under-age children. There are also studies of the long term bad impact of using this kind of drugs to driving safety. It is really a shame that after so many years of getting used to know that "smoking" is not a good habit, now Cannabis is coming back.

I really living in Mountain View and would like to see the city is a safe, peaceful place. Please consider seriously.

thanks, Yuantao From: Li,

To: epc@mountainview.gov

Subject: I am against the proposal of selling CANNABIS to the public by any form

Date: Monday, March 19, 2018 1:58:26 PM

Dear City Council Commitee,

I just heard that there is a heat discuss or debate on "development of commercial CANNABIS regulations in Mountain View" and i was totally shocked by some people are actually in favor of this proposal.

I am completely against this proposal.

I cannot imagine what will happen if our generation get addicted to CANNABIS or any kind similar just because those toxic things is so easy to access. I even cannot imagine what will happen next if any of my two sons or maybe both of them get addicted to them just because those toxic things' exposure to the public. I really cannot imagine.

If we go any further, what if 20% of our kids get addicted to it. Do you like to see this happening? Do you like to see your own children to get addicted to those thing?

On the contrary, we should provide our kids a better world with right guidance and right values, other than any form of toxics.

Please stop doing this, stop any people or company or organization selling those CANNABIS to the to us, to the kids and to the public.



From: Joy

To: <u>epc@mountainview.gov</u>

Subject: Strongly oppose Cannabis in MV and other nearby neighborhoods

Date: Monday, March 19, 2018 1:06:00 PM

Dear government officials,

My name is Joy I am a resident in Mountain View Los Altos neighborhood. I am writing to oppose Cannabis and anything related to recreational drug in this neighborhood, for our children's sake.

Thank you!



From: Jelena F

To: epc@mountainview.gov

Subject: Re: PACT - Discussions: Commercial Cannabis Regulations Study Session

Date: Monday, March 19, 2018 7:37:58 AM

Additional, timely, information regarding the second hand marijuana smoke that partially shapes my opinion:

https://www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2018/03/19/592873218/are-there-risks-from-secondhand-marijuana-smoke-early-science-says-yes

On Sun, Mar 18, 2018, 17:37 Jelena
Hello,
Per John Scarboro's suggestion, sharing my view on recreational cannabis use regulations.
Thanks!
------ Forwarded message -----To: John Scarboro

Hi John,

Thanks for reaching out.

As far as this issue is concerned, I strongly believe that commercial cannabis sales need to be far away from any school and or educational institution that caters children (daycare, child care), as well as city parks.

It should still be accessible and so would not mind terribly if it was close to Caltrain (downtown).

Either way, we know how cigarettes grew their addicted base and we need not help cannabis industry do the same.

Also, strongly in favor of 9% city tax on sales.

Thank you

From: Linfeng

To: epc@mountainview.gov

Subject: About Commercial Cannabis Regulations
Date: Sunday, March 18, 2018 6:36:21 PM

Dear committee and staff of Environmental Planning Comission,

Hope this email find you well.

This is Linfeng with 2 kids in the elementary school of Mountain View Whisman School district. My opinion to cannabis sales in Mountain View is strong opposite.

Marijuana selling and drug dealers around middle schools and high schools is always a big issue to all parents. With local marijuana stores, more young dealers can get cheap marijuana supplies more easily, and they can sell those marijuana (wrapped in beautiful candies, treats, cigarettes, etc) to more students, and later solicit them to try more strong and more harmful drugs.

Definitely a cannabis store can bring more taxes to the city in short-term, however, in long-term, more kids could have a miserable life relying to drugs, and more citizens could be killed by marijuana influenced car drivers. Nobody can guarantee she/he won't be influenced by marijuana related issues unless she/he never walks on street. "In Washington, fatal crashes involving marijuana doubled after the state legalized it in 2012, according to AAA. The percentage of drivers involved in fatal crashes who recently used marijuana more than doubled from eight to 17 percent between 2013 and 2014. One in 6 drivers involved in fatal crashes in 2014 had recently used marijuana, the automobile agency reported."

(https://www.mercurynews.com/2017/12/27/no-smoking-pot-when-driving-or-riding-in-car)

Also, marijuana related store robbery would be another horrible issue. There will be plenty cash in these store day and night, and attracting more robberies. Nobody wants a cannabis store next to her/his house, nobody!!!

After the vote of California Proposition 64, even robbers from North Carolina were attracted to drive a long way, coast to coast, to rob in North Bay in Petaluma, and three innocent houses are robbed for marijuana. These residencies in the 3 houses have nothing related to marijuana at all. (https://www.mercurynews.com/2018/03/14/three-north-bay-robbery-suspects-arrested-at-sfo)

There are other easy channels for patients to get medical using cannabis instead of a local store.

That's why my family strongly against the allowing of even a single cannabis store in Mountain View.

Thanks a lot for making Mountain View a better place for kids, and for everyone!

Linfeng

Brooks, Linda

From: Tingting

Sent: Tuesday, March 20, 2018 12:00 PM

To:epc@mountainview.govSubject:Cannabis Regulations

Dear officer,

I have been a resident in Mountain View since 2009, and I am a mother of two daughters, 6 and 3 years old. I love this city, I love the clean and quiet environment, and I want my daughters to grow up healthy and safe here.

So I am strongly against legalizing of commercial use of cannabis in Mountain View.

Cannabis activities will increase crime and make our city unsafe. I noticed that on March 13th 2018, just a few days ago, 3 robberies happened in North Bay, the suspects are from North Carolina and were looking for marijuana, but none of the targeted homes actually cultivate marijuana. That means if we legalize the cannabis activities, EVERY home in Mountain View may be the target of robbery, not only the cannabis dispensing locations. That will be the nightmare of all the residents!

Legalizing of cannabis will expose our kids more to cannabis, which is extremely harmful for our kids. According to the MVWSD recent survey, some middle school or elementary school parents already worry about the impact of drugs on their children. If we make cannabis legal, it will be worse. I don't want my kids, or any kids breathe second-hand smoke from cannabis or even use it. Children are our future. If the city legalize the commercial use of cannabis, they may earn some dollars today, but will lose the future of the city!

So, please consider my opinions and keep the commercial use of cannabis illegal.

Thank you for your kind attentions.

Tingting

From: Guang-

To: epc@mountainview.gov

Subject:Regarding Commercial Cannabis RegulationsDate:Tuesday, March 20, 2018 11:42:39 PM

To whom it may concern:

As a resident in the City of Mountain View, I am writing to you to express my strong opposition to allow Cannabis stores to be opened within the city limit. It would have very bad influence to our kids, our neighborhood, and our city image as a whole. I am sure the City is able to find other source of income increase instead of relying on Cannabis tax.

Best regards,



From: FULIANG

To: <u>epc@mountainview.gov</u>

Subject: Say no to cannabis related business

Date: Wednesday, March 21, 2018 6:14:21 AM

Dear respected city EPC staff,

We are residents living in Mountain View, and are very surprised to learn that there is an attempt to create commercial sales (whether store-front or non-storefront sales) of cannabis in the city of Mountain View. We are deeply concerned of this attempt and want to say clearly and loudly NO to it.

It is not simply a commercial activity as it would affect our children, increase crime rate and add big burdens to our police offers. A seemingly small profit in the near term would have a long lasting negative effect on the community as well as causing much worse damage.

Please reject such attempt. Mountain View doesn't need such business.

Thank you!

Jane and Fuliang

From: , Planning Division
To: "Christina
Cc: Burke, Clarissa

Subject: RE: Strongly Opposed to Commercial Cannibis Stores

Date: Thursday, March 22, 2018 1:37:25 PM

Thank you for your input regarding Marijuana Regulation. The EPC meeting was last night so I am forwarding this email on to Planner Clarissa Burke and she will let EPC or Council members at future meetings be aware of your email. Please let me know if you need anything else.

Linda Brooks, Planning Secretary

650-903-6306

From: Christina

Sent: Thursday, March 22, 2018 10:36 AM

To: epc@mountainview.gov

Subject: Strongly Opposed to Commercial Cannibis Stores

Dear City Council Committee,

I strongly against the proposal of opening commercial stores of Cannabis. I think it should be banned for retail in Mountain View. My reasons are as follow:

- 1. It is against the Federal law.
- 2. Our city is such a beautiful, healthy and young community that is supposed to be family friendly. Who would want to have their young kids be exposed to Cannabis?
- 3. If those stores are allowed in Mountain View, it will attract certain type of people who most families with kids do not want to have interaction with.
- 4. After their consumption of cannabis, their behaviors can be hard to control. It is unsafe for them to drive or perform duties. That could jeopardize not only their own safety but the safety of other people.
- 5. Mountain View housing price is so high and the city may be better off by collecting high property tax rather than collecting taxes from Cannabis which may potentially damage the community and lower home values nearby.

Hope you seriously consider my opinions, for our next generation.

BTW, I am a resident in Mountain View since late 2008. I now live in Whisman Station.

Best Regards, Christina From: Fernando
To: Burke, Clarissa

Subject: Commercial Cannabis Information

Date: Thursday, April 19, 2018 11:36:17 AM

Hi Clarissa,

I'm interested in learning more about the city of Mt. View as it pertains to commercial cannabis activities.

I've recently been approved by the state of California's Bureau of Cannabis Control as a cannabis event organizer and I'd like to learn more about the future consideration of events in Mt. View. If there are any upcoming meetings, tasks force or future discussions regarding the possibility of doing business with the city, please let me know.

Thanks in advance! I appreciate your time and should you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me directly.

Sincerely,



Founder - VaporTent Lounges | https://www.VaporTent.com (408) 569-9052 | fernando@vaportent.com



Cannabis Event Organizer License #: CEO14-18-0000026-TEMP

From: john b
To: <u>Burke, Clarissa</u>
Subject: Cannabis flyer

Date: Saturday, February 03, 2018 4:13:57 PM

The flyer states public meetings to start over a year after the law was passed. Im not sure where i stand on this issue, but as a matter of governance, the city appears to be dragging their feet. This could have been addressed much earlier so that issues where all resolved by January, witness san jose. Is it foot dragging, incompetance, or something else?

Johnb

From: Carol Burke, Clarissa

Subject: Sale of Pot in Mtn. View

Date: Monday, February 05, 2018 11:59:47 AM

Dear Clarissa, Mayor and City Council,

I regret that I can't be present at your meeting on Feb. 15 but I welcome the opportunity to express my thoughts on the issue.

I've lived in Mountain View since 1971 and have owned a home here since 1975. My City of Mountain View went through many changes back then and I think we can all agree that what was once called just a "renters town" with many bars etc. has become a lovely family oriented city. The performing arts center and city hall for example, were projects that required thought and intelligence and sought to promote pride for the people who live here.

I can only say now that I'm ashamed of Mountain View and the people running it because it seems that the almighty dollar in the form of revenues has taken any and all good sense away. You can dress it up all you want.... Cannabis is Pot and it's a gateway drug that obviously many of our bordering cities don't want to have anything to do with. Just us! Wow, isn't that a source of pride for out city. Oh they will come here to spend money but they don't want it in their cities. The medical use argument is also a joke.... when my husband had cancer he was well able (if he wanted it) to get help from his doctor in a pill form.

I believe you are opening up a pandora's box and there will be more crime as a result for our police and our community to deal with. You all should know full well what's going to happen and still you seem unanimous and "anxious" for this harmful substance to come to our city. You're all an embarrassment. I hope you have the nerve to read this at your meeting. Please reconsider your position on this issue!!!

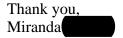


From: Miranda
To: Burke, Clarissa
Subject: Cannabis Regulations

Date: Wednesday, February 07, 2018 9:41:01 AM

Hi Clarissa,

I am a resident of Mountain View on Thaddeus drive. I would love for MV to change their policy on commercial cannabis activities and allow the legal selling of marijuana both medically and recreationally. I am unable to make the meeting tomorrow, but wanted to contribute my voice.



From: Norma
To: Burke, Clarissa

Subject: Cannabis Regulations for Mountain View Date: Friday, February 02, 2018 4:44:32 PM

Dear Ms. Burke, thank you for making email communication a part of community input concerning cannabis regulations for Mountain View.

I've been a Mountain View resident since January, 2006, and have seen many changes occur in our city. The potential change concerning the recent vote on Proposition 64 by California voters in 2016 to legalize adult-use cannabis in the state alarms me, and I'd like to go on record against any legal non-medical sale, use or growth of marijuana/cannabis in Mountain View. I concur with the medical need and uses for cannabis for people with health conditions that benefit from this, and feel Mountain View should be able to identify locations for medical cannabis dispensaries that will be away from schools and other areas where there are activities for children.

I feel having locations for the sale (and growth) of adult-use cannabis in Mountain View is not desireable. First, at this point all sales and use of cannabis are against federal law, although it appears federal law is willing to "give a pass" of its use and sale for medical purposes.

I believe having sales, use and growth of cannabis for non-medical purposes is not only illegal on the federal level, but it also frequently functions as a "gateway drug" for more serious drug use. If legal shops for adult-use non-medical cannabis are opened, this will mean there will be edibles and other forms of ingesting cannabis that will be unregulated and far too attractive for children, if not at the store location certainly in the homes of users.

I recognize that, legally or illegally, children under the legal age of 21 currently do have access to cannabis, whether in the home or even at school, but having the non-medical use and sale of cannabis legally offered in Mountain View, it will mean an even greater exposure to this drug for underage children.

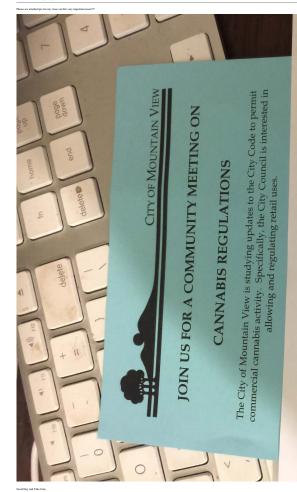
I also recognize it's "easy to get" medical marijuana cards, for I've heard this as an excuse (too many times) from people who want to support non-medical use and sale of marijuana/cannabis; but if cannabis use is limited to medical-use-only, it does give some opportunity for much-needed oversight and regulation of the drug's availability in the community.

The excuses that legalizing the sale of cannabis takes it out of the hands of criminals and will enrich the state's coffers through tax money are, at best, only partially true. Doctors in Colorado, where the legalized use of cannabis for the non-medical population has existed long enough for records to be kept, legalized adult-non-medical-cannabis use has ended up costing the state more in emergency room costs, health costs, etc., than taxation of the drug brings into the state.

Please put me down as being strongly against legalized non-medical sales and use of cannabis in Mountain View. Please also put me down as acknowleding the effectiveness of the medical use of cannabis, and suggesting locations for medical cannabis dispensaries be considered that are away from schools and other areas where children are active.

Thank you,





Cannabis Activities should remain illegal and not permitted in The City of Mountain View.

- Cannabis is illegal by Federal Law
 Will increase number of vehicle fatalities & dui's
 Will require more law enforcement support
 Will increase crime, especially robberies at Cannabis Depensing Locations
- 6) Long term health effects of using Cannabis is more dangerous than alcohol and cigarettes 7) Will drive up vehicle and medical insurance costs 8) Cannabis acceptance should not be politically driven 5) Sets a bad influence and presentence for children in our city

Lets keep our wonderful city clean from creating new problems in dealing with Cannabis

From: Bill
To: Burke, Clarissa
Subject: Cannabis Regulations

Date: Thursday, February 08, 2018 7:43:41 PM

Hi Clarissa,

I won't be able to attend the community meeting on cannabis regulation and am emailing you per the instructions on the circular I received in the mail.

My request is this: It took us decades as a society to finally make smoking of tobacco in public a rare sight (at least in California). Likewise, we sensibly restrict consumption of alcohol in a way that confines it largely to private homes and businesses.

I urge the City Council to take the lessons from these related regulatory paradigms and to implement common sense regulations that ensure that legal consumption of marijuana is largely confined to private homes.

Put simply: I do not want to breathe second hand smoke as I walk down the street with my wife and four kids.

I'm aware that California no longer views marijuana as illegal (as long as one pretends that our federal criminal code no longer applies here, of course). Legality aside, however, no one will convince me that marijuana consumption is a virtue.

Let's at least treat it like the vice it is and ensure it's kept far out of public view in the same way we prohibit public consumption of alcohol in our family friendly community.

Kindly, Bill From: Leslie
To: <u>Burke, Clarissa</u>
Subject: Cannabis Regulations

Date: Thursday, February 15, 2018 9:03:53 PM

Dear Ms Burke,

Thank you for offering your email address on the announcement of a community meeting on Feb. 15. I had to travel to another state to visit my mother and therefore missed the meeting. I would like to offer a few thoughts in this brief message. I am a Mountain View resident. If I were in town, I would try to present these thoughts to the City Council.

I oppose the commercial sale of cannabis in Mountain View.

- A. Mountain View is the only town in the region to approve commercial sale of cannabis. This will make Mountain View a Head-quarters for pot-heads. Is that really the character the city wants to have identified with Mtn. View? It is extremely unappealing to me.
- B. Mountain View used to be a good place for pedestrians. This is no longer true. Individuals have been killed and injured on our streets and in nearby locations like Los Altos. Drivers who are smoking or high will certainly make the traffic more dangerous. Use of electronic devices is considered either equally or more dangerous than drunk drivers. Mixing that with pot is sure to create even more frequent accidents.

It could be illegal to drive while high. It is already illegal to drive while talking on a hand held cell phone or to drive while intoxicated. Those laws are not always obeyed or enforced.

C. Questions about the exact number of feet or yards a cannabis dispensary should be from a school are rather quaint. Teenagers still manage to buy beer or liquor when underage, sometimes with the help of a slightly older friend. It will be very difficult to keep underage smokers away from a cannabis store. It has been true for decades that dope is sold on local campuses of high schools and schools of younger children. If the children/teens cannot get into a cannabis store, there will be a brisk sale near campuses. When I first moved to this area to attend Stanford, I saw a film about the drug problems at Palo Alto High and the use of heroin by area teenagers.

If police will be called upon to watch out for these situations, it will call for more police and a bigger budget for the police force.

- D. The debate about where cannabis stores should be located compares allowing them in existing retail locales or setting them in areas farther from neighborhoods or other retail. This is a prescription for urban blight: creating an area where citizens can go for something shady in an area not expected to be presentable.
- E. Growing cannabis requires an enormous amount of water. California is not a state with an enormous amount of water. In Mountain View, we have had voluntary rationing of water very recently. We have had a 5 year long drought which seemed to end last year and seems to have restarted this year. It is not possible for our elected representatives to call themselves "green" and also protect and promote growing cannabis. Residents might well wonder why they are being asked to limit their use of water while the cannabis business is able to use it in great quantities.

Thank you for your kind attention.
Leslie Ph.D.

Mountain View, CA

From: Jeffrey
To: Burke, Clarissa

Subject: Cannabis survey feedback

Date: Wednesday, February 14, 2018 3:49:53 PM

I posted this on FB - MVPD suggested that I send to you.



The survey is poorly done in terms of some of the response options and issues. First do some citizen interviews to find out what is worrying people along with the issues that are used. For example, store location is intertwined with hours, proximity to bars specifically, and where pot may be smoked (right, there are other means to take it in) or might end up being smoked ... not just the type of commercial area it is. If sale were limited to liquor stores it might be a fit in terms of regulations, if not the preferences of the sellers and buyers.