MINUTES

October 20, 2016

LANCASTER PLANNING COMMISSION RECESSED MEETING FROM THE REGULAR MEETING OF October 17, 2016

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CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Vose reconvened the meeting from October 17th at 5:03 p.m.

INVOCATION

Vice Chair Hall.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Vose.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioners Cook, Harvey, Smith, Vice Chair Hall, and Chairman Vose.

Absent: Commissioner Coronado.

Also present were the City Attorney (Allison Burns), Assistant City Attorney (Jocelyn Corbett), Planning Director (Brian Ludicke), and Recording Secretary (Marion Coleman). There was one person in the audience.

RECONVENED PUBLIC HEARING

4. LANCASTER MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENT: MEDICAL CANNIBAS CULTIVATION ORDINANCE

Chairman Vose opened the recessed meeting at 5:05 p.m., to hear a request by the City of Lancaster, to amend Title 5 and Title 17 of the City of Lancaster Municipal Code relating to the regulation of commercial medical cannabis cultivation, City-wide.

Attorney Allison Burns informed that modifications had been updated and redlined on the Ordinance from the October 17th meeting, emphasizing the five points to be discussed. Commissioners and staff acknowledged receipt of the copies. There were no speaker cards. Public hearing closed at 5:07 p.m.

Attorney Allison Burns, Commissioners, and Staff revisited and discussed five remainder sections in the draft ordinance:

- Section 5.56.020 definition of "Canopy" [Commissioner Coronado entered the dais at 5:12 p.m.]
- Section 5.56.030.C. Limit on number of medical cannabis cultivation facilities permitted
- Section 5.56.130.M.5.c. and 5.d Medical cannabis cultivation facility operational requirements (employee criminal background)
- Section 17.43.110.A.1, A.2, and A.3 Permitted zones, distance requirements and other conditions for approval
- Section 17.43.110.A.4 Permitted zones, distance requirements and other conditions for approval (canopy area)

It was moved by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Coronado recommending with modifications, to the City Council the draft ordinance attached hereto adding Chapter 5.56 and Chapter 17.43 to the Lancaster Municipal Code with the finding that it provides adequate safeguards to protect the general health, safety, and welfare of the City of Lancaster. Motion carried with the following vote (6-0-0-0-0):

AYES: Cook, Coronado, Harvey, Smith, Hall, and Vose.

NOES: None.
ABSTAIN: None.
RECUSED: None.
ABSENT: None.

It was moved by Commissioner Smith and seconded by Commissioner Cook to support the concept of allowing commercial medical cannabis cultivation facilities to locate within the City of Lancaster. Motion carried with the following vote (5-1-0-0-0):

AYES: Cook, Coronado, Harvey, Smith, and Hall.

NOES: Vose.
ABSTAIN: None.
RECUSED: None.
ABSENT: None.

DIRECTOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT

None.

COMMISSION AGENDA

None.

PUBLIC BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR - NON-AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Vose declared the meeting adjourned at 5:54 p.m., to the Special Meeting for Agenda Review on Monday, November 14, 2016, at 5:30 p.m., in the Parks, Recreation & Arts Conference Room, Lancaster City Hall.

JAMES D. VOSE, Chairman Lancaster Planning Commission

ATTEST:

BRIAN S. LUDICKE, Planning Director City of Lancaster