



RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA

Community Development Department
January 10, 2018

Background



- **November 8, 2016:**
 - Question 2 passed
- **Early 2017:**
 - Legislative changes; codification of Ballot Question into NRS Chapter 453D
- **July 1, 2017:**
 - Early Start Program for existing Medical MJ Establishments
- **Late 2017:**
 - Marijuana Working Group formed and stakeholder outreach completed

Previous Actions & Staff Efforts



- **July 2017**
 - City Council decides to participate in Early Start Program
 - 4 Medical MJ dispensaries permitted to sell Recreational MJ temporarily
- **September – November, 2017**
 - Community outreach & stakeholder feedback
 - Drafted initial policy framework
- **December 2017**
 - Planning Commission for initial policy feedback

Timeline Going Forward



- **January 16, 2018:**
 - DoT permanent recreational MJ regulations to be adopted
 - Legislative Commission approval planned for February
- **Late January / Early February, 2018:**
 - Staff to draft code changes to Title 4 (*Bus. Lic*), Title 5 (*Priv. Lic.*), Title 8 (*Criminal Offenses*), and Title 18 (*Annex. & Land Dev.*)
- **February 21, 2018:** Planning Commission (Title 18)
- **March 14, 2018:** 1st Reading of Ordinance / Introduction
- **March 28, 2018:** 2nd Reading / Adoption
- **Late April 2018:** DoT application period to begin

Key Decision Points for Council



1. Business License Fees
2. Home Delivery
3. Extension of Early Start Program
4. Zoning Designations
5. Retail Stores in Downtown
6. Locational Criteria for Recreational Establishments
7. Hours of Operation

Title 5 – Business License Fees



- **Amount of Privileged Business License Fee**
 - State law authorizes a fee up to 3% of gross revenue as a flat fee, percentage of gross revenue, or a combination
 - Currently charging flat fees: \$75K annually for dispensaries and approx \$20K annually for all others
- ***Staff recommends 3% of gross revenue collected quarterly (effective July 1, 2018)***
- **Additional Fees**
 - One time application fee
 - General business license fee
 - Normal inspection and compliance fees

Title 5 – Home Delivery



- **Home Delivery Recommendation**
 - *Staff recommends allowing the licensed retail stores to make home deliveries pursuant to the State requirements*
- **State Home Delivery Requirements**
 - No more than 5 oz. per trip; no more than 1 oz. per customer
 - No advertising or signage on the cars
 - Only during hours of operation; no extra stops (fueling stops must be logged)
 - Private residences only; delivery only to the customer who ordered; no delivery to casinos
 - Product in locked container not visible to the public
 - Deliverers must hold agent card from State; deliverers must give notice of person / car to the State; all deliveries must be extensively documented in manifesto that State has access to for inspection; and age verification required

Title 5 – Early Start Program Extension



- **Dept. of Taxation Early Start Program**
 - Extended thru June 30, 2018
 - Initially only through March 30, 2018
- **Reno Temporary Add-On License for Med. Dispensaries**
 - RMC change set to expire March 30, 2018
- ***Staff Recommendation: Extend to June 30, 2018***
 - Clean-up change to Title 5 scheduled for 1st reading at January 24th meeting

Title 18 – Uses and Definitions



- **Prohibited Uses**
 - Outdoor Cultivation
 - Marijuana Lounges
- **New Use**
 - Marijuana Distribution Facility
 - Allowed wherever warehouse / distribution uses are allowed
- **Adding in new definitions**

Title 18 – Signs and Aesthetics



- **Dispensaries**
 - Limited to wall signs only
 - No temporary or window signs
 - Limiting signs to logos and copy approved by the State
- **Cultivation, Production, Distribution, and Laboratory Testing Facilities**
 - All signs prohibited except a maximum six square foot, non-illuminated sign on the door or window
- **All facilities shall maintain a clean, orderly, professional, and dignified appearance**



Two Policy Choices Zoning Designations

Follow staff's recommended zoning districts

Allow in the same locations where MME's are allowed.



Three Policy Choices Retail Dispensaries in Downtown

No retail dispensaries in Downtown

Retail dispensaries allowed in all Downtown zoning districts where medical dispensaries are allowed.

Retail dispensaries allowed in existing, established medical dispensaries in Downtown, but no new establishments.



Two Policy Choices Separation Between Community Facilities and Schools

Increased distance separation beyond State law

Follow State law



Two Policy Choices Distance Between Retail Dispensaries

No distance separation

Add a distance separation between retail facilities



Three Policy Choices Distance Between Retail Dispensaries

Follow existing established hours of operation in code

6:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.



QUESTIONS?