

# *Cannabis Regulatory Commission*

Regular Meeting

Thursday, February 6, 2020, 6:30 pm  
Council Chambers, City Hall, One Frank H. Ogawa Plaza

## MINUTES

### **Members:**

Lanese Martin	District 1	Frank Tucker	District 7
Chang Yi	District 2	Vacant	At Large
Zachary Knox	District 3	Stephanie Floyd-Johnson	Mayor
Debby Goldsberry	District 4	Tiyanna Long	City Auditor
Claudia Mercado	District 5	Greg Minor	City Administrator
Joshua Chase	District 6		

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### MEETING AGENDA

#### A. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

*Present: Yi, Knox, Goldsberry, Mercado, Chase, Tucker, Floyd-Johnson, Long, Minor.*

*Absent: Martin.*

#### B. Open Forum / Public Comment

*Members of the public asked about the CRC's authority as a commission, establishing cannabis consumption lounges*

#### C. Review of the Pending List and Additions to Next Month's Agenda

- *Information on private use of cannabis (since May 2019)*

*Member Tucker moved for the CRC to receive a training on parliamentary procedure. Member Floyd-Johnson seconded the motion and it passed by consensus.*

*Vice-Chair Knox moved for the Workforce Board and Revenue Management Bureau staff to present at next month's meeting. Member Floyd-Johnson seconded the motion and it passed by consensus.*

*Member Goldsberry moved for the CRC to connect with the agencies listed on the City of Oakland's cannabis permit inspection card in the future. Member Floyd-Johnson seconded the motion and it passed by consensus.*

*Chair Yi moved to remove Information on private use of cannabis from the pending list. Member Floyd-Johnson seconded the motion and it passed by consensus.*

#### D. Approval of the Draft Minutes from the CRC meeting of December 2019.

Persons may speak on any item appearing on the agenda; however, a Speaker Card must be filled out and given to a representative of the Cannabis Regulatory Commission. Multiple agenda items cannot be listed on one speaker card. If a speaker signs up to speak on multiple items listed on the agenda, the Chairperson may rule that the speaker be given an appropriate allocation of time to address all issues at one time (cumulative) before the items are called. All speakers will be allotted 3 minutes or less – unless the Chairperson allots additional time.

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*Member Floyd-Johnson moved to approve the Draft Minutes. Member Tucker seconded the motion and it passed by consensus.*

E. Reports for Discussion and Possible Action

1. OPD security inspections and trends in crimes against cannabis businesses.

*Officer Romero provided an overview of crime trends against cannabis businesses in Oakland, noting reports are based on when people report incidents. Officer Romero also summarized security inspections he performs as part of the cannabis permitting process.*

*Members asked follow up questions regarding the status of investigations on those committing crimes against cannabis operators, which cannabis business types are robbed more often, what time of day do crimes take place, what to do if you are being followed, and what percentage of crimes are inside jobs.*

*Members of the public shared their experiences as cannabis business owners, concerns re OPD's response to burglaries, and suggestions on how cannabis operators can work together.*

*Member Goldsberry made a motion to add to the pending list a shared drive regarding cannabis robberies and burglaries. Chair Yi seconded the motion and it passed by consensus.*

2. Cannabis Events.

*Member Minor provided background re City's current event permitting process and state ABC issue limiting location of cannabis events. Chair Yi shared his experiences trying to organize a cannabis event, issues with finding a non-ABC location, finding insurance, and obtaining BCC approval. Chair Yi suggested bringing any state bill to address ABC issue to the CRC for its review.*

3. Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz) Draft Cannabis Equity Grants Program For Local Jurisdictions Grant Solicitation.

*Member Minor provided background on this grant opportunity. Vice-Chair Knox moved that staff apply for the maximum amount possible and return to the CRC for further discussion once the City is awarded funds. Chair Yi seconded the motion and it passed by consensus.*

4. CRC 2019 Annual Report

*Chair Yi and Member Minor provided background on the process used for the last CRC report to City Council. Chair Yi and Member Mercado offered to be on a subcommittee to draft the 2019 annual report.*

F. Announcements

1. Cannabis Dispensary Permit Applications Available Through February 27, 2020 at <https://www.oaklandca.gov/services/cannabis-dispensary-applications>
2. Update on Cannabis Permitting Process

G. Adjournment