# Cannabis Regulatory Commission

### Regular Meeting

Thursday, January 3, 2019

## **AGENDA**

Council Chambers, City Hall, One Frank H. Ogawa Plaza

### Members:

| Lanese Martin | District 1 | Frank Tucker            | District 7 |
|---------------|------------|-------------------------|------------|
| Chang Yi      | District 2 | Jeff Hutcher            | At Large   |
| Zach Knox     | District 3 | Stephanie Floyd-Johnson | Mayor      |

Jin Jack ShimDistrict 4VacantCity AuditorMatt HummelDistrict 5Greg MinorCity AdministratorDerreck JohnsonDistrict 6

Available on-line at:  $https://www.oaklandca.gov/boards-commissions/cannabis-regulatory-commission \\ MEETING AGENDA$ 

- A. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum
- B. Open Forum / Public Comment
- C. Review of the Pending List and Additions to Next Month's Agenda
  - Use of cannabis tax revenues (since July 2017)
  - Annual report (since September 2017)
- D. Approval of the Draft Minutes from the Cannabis Regulatory Commission meeting of December 2018.
- E. Reports for Discussion and Possible Action
  - 1. Ethics Training
  - 2. CRC's 2016-2018 Annual Report
  - 3. Letter to City Attorney's Office
- F. Announcements
  - 1. Update on Cannabis Permitting Process.
- G. Adjournment

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.

† This meeting is wheelchair accessible. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in the meetings of the Cannabis Regulatory Commission, please contact the Office of the City Clerk (510) 238-3612. Notification two full business days prior to the meeting will enable the City of Oakland to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility. In compliance with Oakland's policy for people with chemical sensitivities, please refrain from wearing strongly scented products to events.

Questions or concerns regarding this agenda, or to review any agenda-related materials, please contact the Cannabis Regulatory Commission at (510) 238-6370.

### DRAFT CANNABIS REGULATORY COMMISSION 2016-2018 ANNUAL REPORT SUMMARY

|                       | 2016  | 2017                                   | 2018                                  |
|-----------------------|---|--|---------------------------------------|
| State Actions         | California Voters Pass the Adult Use of                   | State Legislature Consolidates Medical | State Agencies Introduce Updated      |
|                       | Marijuana Act (AUMA) or Proposition 64                    | Cannabis and Regulation Act (MCRSA)    | Regulations and Propose Further       |
|                       |   | with AUMA via Medical and Adult Use of | Regulations                           |
|                       |   | Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act     |                                       |
|                       |   | (MAUCRSA)                              |                                       |
|                       |   | State Agencies Release Initial         | The Legislature Considers and Passes  |
|                       |   | Regulations                            | Numerous Cannabis Related Bills       |
| City Council/City     | City Council Enacts Initial Equity                        | City Administration Presents Race and  | Eight New Dispensary Operators        |
| Administration        | Program and OMC Updates                                   | Equity Analysis                        | Selected                              |
| Actions               | City Council Considers Various                            | City Council Enacts Revised Equity     | City Council Amends OMC 5.80 and      |
|                       | Proposals to Amend Initial Equity                         | Permit Program                         | 5.81 to Protect Work-Live and         |
|                       | Program   |  | Residential Premises                  |
|                       | City Council Directs the City                             | City Council Funds Technical and       | City Council Passes Clean-Up          |
|                       | Administration to Conduct a Race and                      | Financial Assistance via Incoming New  | Amendments                            |
|                       | Equity Analysis of the Different Proposals                | Cannabis Tax Revenue                   |                                       |
|                       |   | City Council Further Amends OMC to     | City Council Places Ballot Measure re |
|                       |   | Incorporate Adult Use and Temporary    | Cannabis Tax Policy Before Oakland    |
|                       |   | State License Process                  | Voters                                |
|                       |   | Applications for Non-Dispensary        |                                       |
|                       |   | Permits Become Available               |                                       |
|                       |   | Applications for 8 New Dispensary      |                                       |
|                       |   | Permits Accepted                       |                                       |
| CRC                   | Passage of Proposition 64                                 | Establish a Permitting Process for     | Protect Live-Work and Residential     |
| Recommendations       |   | Cannabis Events                        | Premises                              |
| Adopted by State,     | <ul> <li>Expand Equity Qualifying Police Beats</li> </ul> | Allow for Shared Space                 |                                       |
| City Council, or City |   |  |                                       |
| Administration        | Expand Size of Personal Cultivation                       |  |                                       |
|                       | Allow Onsite Consumption at                               |  |                                       |
|                       | Dispensaries  |  |                                       |

### DRAFT CANNABIS REGULATORY COMMISSION 2016-2018 ANNUAL REPORT SUMMARY

|                         | 2016                                    | 2017                                  | 201                                   |  |
|-------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
|                         |   |                                       | Formalize CRC's Role re Oversight of  |  |
|                         |   | Formalize CRC's advisory role for all | Spending of Cannnabis Revenues        |  |
|                         | Cannabis Job Training                   | City cannabis matters                 | Received                              |  |
|                         | Clarify Legal Paths for Disgarding      | Expand the Areas Where Cannabis       | Eliminate Taxes for Compassion        |  |
|                         | Cannabis Waste                          | Activity is Allowed                   | Programs                              |  |
|                         | Improve Banking Access for Cannabis     |                                       |                                       |  |
|                         | Businesses                              |                                       |                                       |  |
| CRC                     | • Expedite Building and Fire Permitting |                                       |                                       |  |
| Recommendations         | Expedite building and the Fermitting    |                                       |                                       |  |
|                         | • Less Criminal Enforcement of Cannabis |                                       |                                       |  |
| State, City Council, or | Offenses and Less Disparate Enforcement | Remove Limit on the Number of         | Establish Oakland is a Sanctuary City |  |
| City Administration     | Outcomes by Race                        | Dispensary Permits                    | Policy for Cannabis                   |  |

# Cannabis Regulatory Commission

Regular Meeting

Thursday, December 6, 2018

# **MINUTES**

Council Chambers, City Hall, One Frank H. Ogawa Plaza

### Members:

| Lanese Martin | District 1 | Frank Tucker            | District 7 |
|---------------|------------|-------------------------|------------|
| Chang Yi      | District 2 | Jeff Hutcher            | At Large   |
| Zach Knox     | District 3 | Stephanie Floyd-Johnson | Mayor      |

Jin Jack ShimDistrict 4VacantCity AuditorMatt HummelDistrict 5Greg MinorCity AdministratorDerreck JohnsonDistrict 6

Available on-line at:  $https://www.oaklandca.gov/boards-commissions/cannabis-regulatory-commission \\ MEETING AGENDA$ 

### A. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

Present: Martin, Yi, Knox, Shim, Hummel, Tucker, Floyd-Johnson, Minor

Absent: Johnson, Hutcher

### B. Open Forum / Public Comment

Alexis Bronson requested that the CRC agendize a discussion on the equity dispensary process and how the City handles runner-ups. William Taggart offered the website <a href="www.dopecpa.cool">www.dopecpa.cool</a> as a cannabis regulatory resource, and Stephen Cassidy suggested the CRC only allow public speakers to comment once per item.

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

- *Use of cannabis tax revenues (since July 2017)*
- *Annual report (since September 2017)*
- Onsite consumption/lounges (since October 2017)
- *OPD updated training bulletin (since March 2018)*

Member Minor mentioned the Public Ethics Commission and City Attorney's Office availability to provide trainings on ethics and parliamentary procedures in upcoming months. Members expressed support for these trainings, however, Member Tucker inquired whether they could take place at time other than the standard meeting time.

Members then raised concerns regarding the issue of whether the CRC has oversight authority over cannabis tax revenues and how the City Attorney's Office has not provided guidance on this and other questions.

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.

\$ This meeting is wheelchair accessible. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in the meetings of the Cannabis Regulatory Commission, please contact the Office of the City Clerk (510) 238-3612. Notification two full business days prior to the meeting will enable the City of Oakland to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility. In compliance with Oakland's policy for people with chemical sensitivities, please refrain from wearing strongly scented products to events.

Questions or concerns regarding this agenda, or to review any agenda-related materials, please contact the Cannabis Regulatory Commission at (510) 238-6370.

Chairperson Yi then moved to form a subcommittee with Vice-Chair Knox to draft a letter to the City Attorney's Office. Vice Chair Knox seconded the motion and it was moved by consensus with Member Minor abstaining.

Member Tucker then moved to remove onsite consumption/lounges from the pending list. Vice-Chair Knox seconded the motion and it was moved by consensus, with both Members Shim and Minor abstaining.

Chairperson Yi inquired regarding the status of OPD's updated training bulletin; Member Minor offered to contact OPD for an update. Chairperson Yi then moved to remove the OPD updated training bulletin from the pending list; Member Tucker seconded the motion and it was moved by consensus with Member Minor abstaining.

D. Approval of the Draft Minutes from the Cannabis Regulatory Commission meeting of September and November 2018.

Vice-Chair Knox moved to approve the September minutes; Member Tucker seconded the motion and it passed with Members Minor and Martin abstaining.

Member Tucker moved to approve the November minutes; Vice-Chair Knox seconded the motion and it passed with Members Minor, Floyd-Johnson, Martin and Hummel abstaining.

### E. Reports for Discussion and Possible Action

### 1. CRC's 2016-2018 Annual Report

Member Minor provided background on the lack of annual reports and the chart summarizing various CRC and cannabis regulatory activity from 2016-2018. Chairperson Yi commented on how the application data has evolved over last two years and suggested the annual report include this data in graphic format.

Chairperson Yi then moved to form a subcommittee to finalize the report that would include Chairperson Yi, Member Martin, Member Hummel, and Member Floyd-Johnson. Vice-Chair Knox seconded the motion and it passed with Member Minor abstaining.

### 2. Extension of Equity Program's Permit Restrictions

Members engaged in an extensive discussion regarding whether to extend the cannabis ordinances' permitting restrictions and how to further the overall equity program.

Member Hummel stated he was against extending the permitting restrictions but that we need to look at expanding the equity program in other ways.

Member Shim also discouraged extending the permitting restrictions in consideration of general applicants who have been waiting for the initial phase of permitting to end.

Member Floyd-Johnson expressed concern over who would be impacted by the end of the permitting restrictions and a need to gather more information on what is and is not working in order for the CRC to make effective recommendations to the City Council.

Member Martin emphasized that permitting alone is not sufficient for a business to be operational but permitting restrictions are important for disrupting the status quo.

Vice-Chair Knox agreed that permitting was only one component of cannabis business' success and noted that other aspects like technical assistance, fee exemptions and loans will continue to be available to equity applicants. Vice-Chair Knox also emphasized access to capital as being the main obstacle facing equity applicants.

Member Tucker supported extending the permitting restrictions and highlighted that the permitting restrictions created incentives to assist those disproportionately impacted by the war on drugs get into the regulated market. Member Tucker mentioned that he has seen similar programs benefit small businesses in other contexts.

Member Minor mentioned upcoming funding opportunity when state opens applications for local grants under AB 1294 and that past and present surveys of equity applicants can guide our understanding of what equity applicants need to be successful.

There were two public speakers on this item. Robert Raiche discouraged extending the permitting restrictions because it would encourage cannabis businesses to leave Oakland. Orville Meaux encouraged maintaining the permitting restrictions unless a better solution is presented to ensure a successful equity program.

The members introduced two separate motions, both failed to attract a majority of the members present.

First, Member Tucker made a motion to extend the permitting restrictions that was seconded by Vice-Chair Knox. Members Tucker, Knox, Martin and Floyd-Johnson voted in favor, Members Yi, Hummel and Shim opposed, and Member Minor abstained.

Second, Member Tucker accepted an amendment to the original motion from Member Martin to extend the permitting restrictions for three months and Vice-Chair Knox seconded the motion. Tucker, Knox, Martin and Floyd-Johnson voted in favor, Members Yi, Hummel and Shim opposed, and Member Minor abstained.

### 3. Space Provided Equity Applicants Under Incubator Program

Member Minor provided some background on the draft language attached to the agenda. Member Hummel and Vice-Chair Knox encouraged the City to audit and inspect incubator relationships to ensure equity applicants have adequate space to operate. Chair Yi and Vice Chair Knox debated whether to keep or modify the broad language in the proposed regulation.

During public comment, Stephen Cassidy expressed concern over some of the proposed regulation, including the word "successfully."

Vice-Chair Knox then suggested substituting the word "reasonably" for the word "successfully" in the proposed language and then accepting the rest of language as an administrative regulation. Member Hummel made a motion to adopt Vice-Chair Knox's suggestion, Member Shim seconded the motion and the motion passed by consensus.

### F. Announcements

1. Update on Cannabis Permitting Process.

Member Minor provided a brief update on local and state applications. Members Martin, Hummel, Yi and Floyd-Johnson expressed an interest in including a survey of equity applicants in the CRC's forthcoming

annual report.

Member Hummel encouraged people to contact the new City Auditor and encourage her to appoint a representative to the CRC.

### G. Adjournment

Dear City Attorney's Office,

The Oakland cannabis Regulatory Commission respectfully requests your presence at our next calendered commission meeting, the first Thursday of February 2019.

We have had a standing request since late 2017 for your office to attend and advise regarding the commission's responsibilities and powers now that marijuana legalization has been codified and implemented on the state level. In light of the numerous legal, tax, and permitting changes in the last two years, we request clarity as a commission as to how and if our role in overseeing adult use of marijuana or our responsibility to oversee tax revenues have changed. As you know under Measure Z, we had no obligations to oversee taxes since there were no taxes put into effect, for example. Now that there are real tax revenues in play, we want to make sure we're meeting the oversight responsibilities outlined in Measure Z.

We look forward to hearing from your office at your earliest convenience.



# **AGENDA ITEM F**

# UPDATE ON CANNABIS PERMIT PROCESS

# **APPLICATIONS**

|  | TOTALS | PENDING | GRAND TOTAL |
|--|--------|---------|-------------|
| Total Complete & Incomplete Applications       | 1455   | 89      | 1544        |
| Total Complete Applications                    | 1366   |         |             |
| Complete General Applications                  | 568    |         |             |
| Equity Applications based on residency         | 697    |         |             |
| Equity Applications based on conviction        | 101    |         |             |
| Incubators                                     | 328    |         |             |
| Interested in Incubating                       | 31     |         |             |
| Complete Application with property             | 1038   |         |             |
| Complete Application without property (Equity) | 278    |         |             |
| Complete Applicants without property (General) | 50     |         |             |
|  | 1366   |         |             |

| COMPLETED APPLICATIONS BY BUSINESS TYPE | GENERAL | INCUBATOR* | INTERESTED IN INCUBATING* | EQUITY |
|---|---------|------------|---------------------------|--------|
| Delivery                                | 133     | 62         | 5                         | 199    |
| Cultivator (Indoor)                     | 125     | 64         | 16                        | 125    |
| Cultivator (Outdoor)                    | 5       | 4          | 0                         | 36     |
| Distributor                             | 128     | 87         | 5                         | 202    |
| Mfg. Volatile                           | 67      | 43         | 2                         | 46     |
| Mfg. Non-Volatile                       | 98      | 61         | 3                         | 138    |
| Transporter                             | 9       | 4          | 0                         | 37     |
| Lab Testing                             | 3       | 3          | 0                         | 15     |
| GRAND TOTALS                            | 568     | 328        | 31                        | 798    |

\*These numbers are part of the General Total

12/30/2018

# LOCALLY AUTHORIZED FOR TEMPORARY STATE LICENSE

|            | Delivery | Distributio | Cultivation | Lab Testing | Mfg. V | Mfg. NV | Transport |     |
|------------|----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------|---------|-----------|-----|
| EQUITY     | 112      | 102         | 47          | 3           | 8      | 58      | 11        | 341 |
| INCUBATORS | 52       | 80          | 61          | 2           | 32     | 66      | 1         | 294 |
| GENERALS   | 7        |             | 1           | 0           | 0      | 4       |           | 12  |
| TOTALS:    | 171      | 182         | 109         | 5           | 40     | 128     | 12        | 647 |

12/29/2018