

# REPORT

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council  
From the City Manager

November 13, 2017

## **SUBJECT**

Second Reading of Zoning Ordinance Amendments Regarding Cannabis Cultivation and Commercial Cannabis Activity

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Waive Second Reading and Adopt the Ordinance to Amend Article 59 of the Zoning Ordinance

## **BACKGROUND**

On October 23, 2017, the City Council introduced and approved amendments to Article 59 of the Zoning Ordinance related to cannabis cultivation and commercial cannabis activity. This is the second reading of that ordinance, as required by law. A link to the October 23 meeting agenda is provided [here](#).

On October 23, the City Council also provided direction on future regulation of cannabis-related activity, and staff will return with proposed regulations in spring 2018.

## **ANALYSIS**

The amendments contained in the Final Ordinance (Attachment 1) repeal Article 59 of the Zoning Ordinance in its entirety and replace it with express provisions limiting indoor cultivation to six cannabis plants, banning all outdoor cultivation, and banning all commercial cultivation, manufacturing, testing, retail and distribution, except for deliveries.

If adopted, this ordinance will be effective 30 days from this action (December 13, 2017).

## **ALTERNATIVES**

The City Council may choose to not adopt the ordinance or reintroduce the ordinance with changes.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

No fiscal impact is expected with this change.

**ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

This activity is not a project under CEQA as defined in CEQA Guidelines, Section 15378, because it has no potential for resulting in either a direct or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment.

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**ATTACHMENT**

1. Final Zoning Ordinance Amendment