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MENDOCINO COUNTY GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

ACTION MINUTES – June 26, 2024

BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF MENDOCINO - STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FAIR STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS
(PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE §25150)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 - OPEN SESSION (PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL 9:00 A.M.)

Present: Committee Member/Supervisor Glenn McGourty and Committee Member/Chair John Haschak. Chair Haschak presiding.

Staff Present: Steve Dunnicliff, Deputy Chief Executive Officer; Charlotte Scott, Assistant County Counsel; Lillian Bearden, Deputy Clerk of the Board; and Atlas M.A. Pearson, Senior Deputy Clerk of the Board.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by: Sara McBurney.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 - REGULAR CALENDAR

2A) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION INCLUDING RECOMMENDATIONS TO STAFF AND A REFERRAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF THE COUNTY OF MENDOCINO CANNABIS DEPARTMENT MONTHLY UPDATE FOR MAY 2024 - SPONSOR: CANNABIS

Presenter/s: Sara McBurney, Senior Program Manager, Cannabis; and Jared Schwass, Deputy County Counsel.

Public Comment: Corinn Powell; and Hannah Nelson.

Committee Action: Upon motion by Supervisor McGourty, seconded by Supervisor Haschak, IT IS ORDERED that the General Government Committee refers to the Board of Supervisors recommending approval of the Mendocino Cannabis Department Monthly Update for May 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 2 - Supervisor McGourty and Supervisor Haschak

No: 0 - None

Absent: 0 - None

2B) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION INCLUDING A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO CONSIDER A REDUCTION IN THE CANNABIS BUSINESS TAX FOR CALENDARS YEAR 2025 AND 2026 - SPONSOR: SUPERVISOR HASCHAK

Presenter/s: Supervisor McGourty; and Gretchen McLaughlin, Code Enforcement Manager, Planning and Building Services.

Public Comment: Corinn Powell; Hannah Nelson; and Edie Letterman.

Committee Action: Upon motion by Supervisor McGourty, seconded by Supervisor Haschak, IT IS ORDERED that the General Government Committee recommends the Board of Supervisors consider a reduction in the Cannabis Business Tax of 40% for calendar year 2025, and 35% for calendar year 2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 2 - Supervisor McGourty and Supervisor Haschak

No: 0 - None

Absent: 0 - None

2C) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ILLEGAL CANNABIS CULTIVATION SITES WITHIN UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF MENDOCINO COUNTY, POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS, AND THE NEED FOR PROPERTY OWNERS TO PRIORITIZE CLEANUP EFFORTS - SPONSOR: SUPERVISOR MCGOURTY

Presenter/s: Sara McBurney, Senior Program Manager, Cannabis.

Public Comment: None.

Committee Action: Upon motion by Supervisor McGourty, seconded by Supervisor Haschak, IT IS ORDERED that the General Government Committee refers to the Board of Supervisors a discussion of illegal cannabis cultivation sites within unincorporated areas of Mendocino County, potential environmental impacts, and encouraging property owners to prioritize voluntary cleanup efforts when the Ad Hoc report had been released. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 2 – Supervisor McGourty and Supervisor Haschak

No: 0 – None

Absent: 0 - None

COMMITTEE RECESS: 10:09 A.M. - 10:16 A.M.

3B) PUBLIC EXPRESSION

Presenter/s: None.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 - OTHER BUSINESS

3a) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 22, 2024, REGULAR MEETING - SPONSOR: EXECUTIVE OFFICE/CLERK OF THE BOARD

Presenter/s: Lillian Bearden, Deputy Clerk of the Board.

Public Comment: None.

Committee Action: Upon motion by Supervisor McGourty, seconded by Supervisor Haschak, IT IS ORDERED that the Board of Supervisors approves minutes of May 22, 2024, regular meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 2 - Supervisor McGourty and Supervisor Haschak

No: 0 – None

Absent: 0 - None

3c) ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

THERE BEING NOTHING FURTHER TO COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE, THE MENDOCINO COUNTY GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE ADJOURNED AT 10:31 A.M.

Attest: ATLAS M.A. PEARSON

Senior Deputy Clerk of the Board

JOHN HASCHAK, Chair

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