

Dear Supervisor Williams, please rescind the CCAO on September 14. These are the reasons this CCAO is a very bad idea. And rescinding this ordinance will also save taxpayer money and negate the need to put this on the ballot where it is sure to lose. Please show your constituents that you care about them and their concerns. We don't want more marijuana in our county.

Deanna Apfel
A Constituent

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