Dear Supervisors,

I am writing in reponse to Brent Shultz's memo posted to the CEOs agenda item today.

Firstly, I recall the Board directed Mr. Shultz to provide copies of recent correspondence between his staff and CDFW and CDFA. He did not.

Previously, Supervisor Williams requested PBS provide a copy of "Appendix G" to the Board and the public and it was like pulling teeth. Supervisor Haschak requested copies of correspondence between CDFA and PBS (the "County"), was denied a copy and had to request same from CDFA.

Why is PBS so reluctant to share needed communications? Why has the Board not reprimanded this behavior and seeming obstruction in public information.

Mr. Schultz's memo does not shed light on process with state agencies or substantive content. He has indicated no progress and "no cost recovery" potential for proposals made thus far. At the last Board meeting, supervisors were asked to not bother PBS so they "could get the job done". I see only a summary of what has previously been discussed, no new insight or documentation. What job is getting done??

I also want to comment on the proposed Ad Hoc formation to further address cultivation ordinance change. Supervisor Brown recommended she was best qualified to serve as the Ad Hoc, arguing she alone is the only supervisor who had not served on a related Ad Hoc in the past. Perhaps not having served on a former cultivation Ad Hoc would actually be a detriment regarding familiarity with many complex details. But more importantly, these complexities are far from resolution and will likely take many months of further staff, Supervisor and Planning Commission considerations taking any final action well past January of 2021 when Supervisor Brown will retire. The same timing concerns also apply to Supervisor McCowen.

Please select any future cannabis Ad Hoc committee members from among Supervisors who will remain on the Board after January 2021.

Thank you for your consideration of the above comments.

Sincerely,

Corinne Powell