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MENDOCINO COUNTY GENERAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE ACTION MINUTES – February 27, 2023

**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 Maureen Mulheren and Committee Member/Chair John Haschak. Chair Haschak presiding.

Staff Present: Steve Dunncliff, Deputy Chief Executive Officer; Christian M. Curtis, County Counsel; Atlas M.A. Pearson, Senior Deputy Clerk of the Board; Kim Saylor, Deputy Clerk of the Board; and Lillian Bearden, Deputy Clerk of the Board.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by: Supervisor Haschak.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – REGULAR CALENDAR**2A) PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS TO STAFF AND A REFERRAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF THE COUNTY OF MENDOCINO CANNABIS DEPARTMENT MONTHLY UPDATE FOR FEBRUARY – SPONSOR: CANNABIS**

Presenter/s: Kristin Nevedal, Director, Cannabis; and Elora Babbini, Chief Planner, Cannabis.

Public Comment: Scott Ward; Michael Katz; Hannah Nelson; Monique Ramirez; Paul Hansbury; Susan Tibbon; Heidi Wordhouse; Corinne Powell; Chantal Simone-Peitre; Adina Flores; and Charles.

COMMITTEE RECESS: 10:32 A.M. – 10:45 A.M.

Committee Action: No Action Taken.

2B) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION INCLUDING PROVIDING A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO APPROVE THE CANNABIS DEPARTMENT'S REQUEST TO FILE A LOCAL JURISDICTION ASSISTANCE GRANTS PROGRAM (LJAGP) BUDGET AMENDMENT REDUCING THE AMOUNT OF DIRECT GRANT FUNDS AVAILABLE TO APPROXIMATELY \$3.6 MILLION AND REDIRECTING THE BALANCE OF APPROXIMATELY \$6.8 MILLION TO FUND EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH TIMELY APPLICATION REVIEW THAT WERE NOT KNOWN TO THE DEPARTMENT WHEN FILING THE ORIGINAL APPLICATION - SPONSOR: CANNABIS

Presenter/s: Kristin Nevedal, Director, Cannabis; and Steve Duncliff, Deputy Chief Executive Officer.

Public Comment: Scott Ward; Chantal Simone-Peitre; Michael Katz; Hannah Nelson; Tamara Kislak; Adina Flores; Corinne Powell; Monique Ramirez; and Matt Humphrey.

Committee Action: Upon motion by Supervisor Haschak, seconded by Supervisor Mulheren, IT IS ORDERED that the General Government Committee direct staff to bring the budget amendments to the full Board of Supervisors on March 28, 2023, including specific needs for closing the budget gap this year, budget development for next year, and provide the Board with specific numbers for all budget items. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 2 – Supervisor Mulheren and Supervisor Haschak

No: 0 – None

Absent: 0 – None

2D) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION INCLUDING A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD REGARDING APPLICANT NOTIFICATION OF A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED CANNABIS BUSINESS TAX REDUCTION, ESTABLISHMENT OF A CANNABIS BUSINESS TAX PENALTY AND INTEREST AMNESTY PROGRAM, AND A PRIOR YEAR CANNABIS BUSINESS TAX PAYMENT PLAN - SPONSOR: SUPERVISOR MULHEREN

Presenter/s: Supervisor Mulheren; Kristin Nevedal, Director, Cannabis; and Chamise Cubbison, Auditor-Controller/Treasurer-Tax Collector.

Public Comment: Tamara Kislak; Michael Katz; Hannah Nelson; Monique Ramirez; Nicholas Hoelsing; and Chantal Simone-Pietre.

Committee Action: Upon motion by Supervisor Mulheren, seconded by Supervisor Haschak, IT IS ORDERED that the General Government Committee work with county staff to bring back the dollar amounts for 50 percent reduction in cannabis business tax for years 2023 and 2024; bring back an amnesty program for penalties and interest from years 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022; and bring back a payment plan for years 2019, 2020, 2021, and 2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 2 – Supervisor Mulheren and Supervisor Haschak

No: 0 – None

Absent: 0 – None

2C) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION INCLUDING DIRECTION TO STAFF REGARDING THE DEVELOPMENT OF MENDOCINO COUNTY’S 2023 LEGISLATIVE PLATFORM - SPONSOR: EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Presenter/s: None.

Public Comment: None.

Committee Action: No Action Taken.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – OTHER BUSINESS**3B) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 23, 2023 REGULAR MEETING - SPONSOR: EXECUTIVE OFFICE/CLERK OF THE BOARD**

Presenter/s: Atlas Pearson, Senior Deputy Clerk of the Board.

Public Comment: None.

Committee Action: Upon motion by Supervisor Mulheren, seconded by Supervisor Haschak, IT IS ORDERED that the General Government Committee approves minutes of January 23, 2023 regular meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 2 – Supervisor Mulheren and Supervisor Haschak

No: 0 – None

Absent: 0 – None

3A) PUBLIC EXPRESSION

Presenter/s: Michael Katz; and Hannah Nelson.

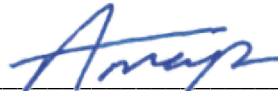
3C) ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

THERE BEING NOTHING FURTHER TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, THE MENDOCINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ADJOURNED AT 12:35 P.M.

Attest: ATLAS M.A. PEARSON
Senior Deputy Clerk of the Board


JOHN HASCHAK, Chair


ATLAS M.A. PEARSON

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