



Mendocino County

Legislation Text

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To: Board of Supervisors

From: County Counsel and Executive Office

Meeting Date: March 26, 2019

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Item Type: Regular Agenda

Time Allocated for Item: 20 min

Agenda Title:

Discussion and Possible Action Including Adoption of Resolution Designating the Department of Planning and Building Services as the Department to Administer Chapter 10A.17 of the Mendocino County Code, the Mendocino Cannabis Cultivation Ordinance
(Sponsors: County Counsel and Executive Office)

Recommended Action/Motion:

Adopt Resolution designating the Department of Planning and Building Services as the department to administer Chapter 10A.17 of the Mendocino County Code, the Mendocino Cannabis Cultivation Ordinance; and authorize chair to sign same.

Previous Board/Board Committee Actions:

On April 4, 2017, by Ordinance No. 4831, the Board of Supervisors added Chapter 10A.17 to the Mendocino County Code regarding cannabis cultivation permits. On April 28, 2018, by Ordinance No. 4408, the Board of Supervisors amended section 10A.17.020 and the definition of "Agricultural Commissioner" to allow for the Board to designate other departments or divisions of the County to administer Chapter 10A.17.

Summary of Request:

In March 2018, Mendocino County created the Cannabis Program Unit within the Department of Agriculture to implement the county's Cannabis Cultivation Program, coordinate with departments, streamline processes to effectively implement the Cannabis Program, develop a sustainable framework to institutionalize the program into County government and establish a County infrastructure that evolves with changes in the developing cannabis market.

After reviewing the status of applications, the implementation of the cannabis accommodation zoning district and looking forward to the Phase I re-opening and Phase III opening the County has identified the need to change the cannabis management structure to increase efficiencies.

The Cannabis Program Unit will be under the Department of Planning and Building Services and will report to Planning and Building Director Brent Schultz. Co-locating the Cannabis Program with Planning and Building will create a one-stop shop for inquiries and processing of all cannabis related permits and licenses. The co-location will allow streamlining of application processing and provide the community with both higher quality

and more coordinated service delivery.

To formalize the transition to Planning and Building, staff has prepared a resolution that designates the Department of Planning and Building Services as the department administering the ordinance.

Alternative Action/Motion:

Provide alternative direction.

Supervisory District: All

vote requirement: Majority

Supplemental Information Available Online At: N/A

Fiscal Details:

source of funding: **budgeted in current f/y:**

Choose an item.

current f/y cost: **if no, please describe:**

annual recurring cost: **revenue agreement:**

Choose an item.

budget clarification: Budget Unit 2810 will be administered by Planning and Building

Agreement/Resolution/Ordinance Approved by County Counsel: Yes

CEO Liaison: Carmel J. Angelo, CEO

CEO Review: Yes

CEO Comments:



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Executed By: Meribeth Dermond, Deputy Clerk II

Date: March 27, 2019

Final Status:**Adopted**

Executed Item Number: **Resolution 19-153**