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Thank you.

Lil Clary

Amendments to Chapter 50, Business License Ordinance

I have multiple concerns about the proposals made.

First, it is specious to state that applicants for grow permits excluded processing operations because they were concerned about getting applications in before the cap was reached. I have participated in almost every Planning Commission meeting (and Board meeting) with a cannabis item on the agenda since 2017 and at no point do I recall this reasoning being stated. Rather, what I observed is that Planning Commissioners looked favorably on projects where on site processing was not included.

Second, the cap has been presented as untouchable. But it isn't. And worse yet, there does not appear to be anything that establishes criteria for what limits will be applied to total processing acreage. And that is not the worst: the Board Letter states that it will be possible to apply for a "processing-only" operation. Where will we find language that clarifies this process and decision-making? Will there be ministerial Land Use Permits granted?

Finally, while I am happy to see steps toward a sunset deadline for the so-called legal non-conforming operations it is insulting to find that these operators will be given an additional six months, until December 31, 2022 to 'make progress' and remain on the Eligibility list. What does 'make progress' mean? Certainly Tepusquet residents who have tracked local grow operations have discovered that no deadline is firm and that there is NO public review of decisions about 'progress'.

Lil Clary

Tepusquet Canyon