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Ramirez, Angelica

Public Comment - Group 2

From: Jim Mannoia <jim.mannoia@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 15, 2020 2:00 PM
To: Hart, Gregg; Hartmann, Joan; Williams, Das; Adam, Peter; Lavagnino, Steve; sbcob
Subject: Board of Supervisors Meeting June 2 - C.U.P.s - PLEASE READ INTO THE RECORD

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Dear Supervisors,
I am writing to strongly urge you at your upcoming meeting in early June to accept the recommendations from your own Planning Commission to change the Zoning and Land Use rules so that ALL cannabis grows in the county require conditional-use permits (C.U.P.s). I know you understand the advantages this would give you AND us. I don't need to repeat them. But with this industry so new and the effects and the technology changing so rapidly, requiring C.U.P.s would give you the ability to help us your constituents more effectively. It would allow you on a case-by-case basis to control the terrible odor we continue to experience at periodic times especially in the evening and in the mornings. It would also allow you to control the unsightly parking which is accumulating along many of our formerly beautiful scenic rural roads. And it would allow you to reduce the ugly chain fences and tacky barriers now hiding what has always been beautiful country views.

Please PLEASE embrace this recommendation and help us.
Sincerely!
Jim Mannoia
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Carpinteria, CA

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From: Pravrajika Vrajaprana <vrajaprana@icloud.com>
Sent: Friday, May 15, 2020 2:38 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Conditional Use Permit for Cannabis growers.

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Dear Friends, we at the Vedanta Temple in Montecito want to put our 2 cents in regarding the explosion in cannabis in and around Carpinteria. It REEKS in Carpinteria and even our Sunday School children and school-age friends who go to school in Carp complain about it. The kids have told us that the adults tell them not to take drugs. Then they have told us, "But we smell it all the time! They're growing it around the school!" It's absolutely appalling to us all.

Please know that all of us at the Vedanta Temple are strongly opposed to the massive marijuana production. We've seen the effects for years and it's not getting better. We're aghast that it really just comes down to money.

Please insure that Cannabis growers have to get a CUP.

With best wishes,

Kathryn Densmore and all residents
Vedanta Society of Southern California
901 Ladera Lane
Santa Barbara, CA 93108

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From: gnekow1@aol.com
Sent: Sunday, May 17, 2020 3:37 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: "PLEASE READ THIS INTO THE RECORD"

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For the June 2nd meeting regarding sensible cannabis cultivation, please note the following urgent concerns:

1. Highway 246 is the major highway in the Santa Ynez valley. In Colorado, since cannabis legalization, traffic fatalities have tripled, due to impaired drivers. Concentrating cannabis farms on this major highway, with the increase in impaired drivers it will bring, will be a clear danger to my family and neighbors whose homes front the highway.
2. Since legalization, Colorado has had a quadrupling of emergency room visits for 'cannabis induced psychosis', which includes paranoid schizophrenia, which can be irreversible. Dear friends, godparent to our granddaughter, experienced a murder-suicide involving paranoid schizophrenia from cannabis use, and our family has yet to recover. A local friend has had a similar experience in his family, and our daughter has encountered multiple cases of it in San Diego, where she is a police officer. This danger is tragic and real, and should not be encouraged to be concentrated in our valley when we have other options now available
3. Cannabis cultivation in Carpinteria has resulted in lawsuits against established agriculture, plummeting home values and chronic debility due to the odor. Because of the turpine creep, cannabis can destroy established wineries in our valley and degrade or ruin a billion dollar wine industry that has taken decades to establish. Cannabis does not seem to be compatible with existing agriculture as required by state agricultural standards when a new crop is introduced.

Thank you,

Pamela and William Gnekow, MD

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From: Patti Ruben <pattiruben@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 15, 2020 8:54 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: CUP for Cannabis

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To the Board of Supervisors: PLEASE READ THIS INTO THE RECORD. CUP's are required throughout county businesses. Regarding cannabis cultivation; the odor, unknown particles, air quality and unbreathable journeys from place to place is unbearable. For over 2 years driving at Casitas Pass and Foothill is a choking nightmare. Way before COVID-19 I carried a mask in my car and practiced social distancing routes! I have to believe COVID-19 will find its cured with a vaccine, but what happens with Final Permits? As I understand it, they RUN WITH THE LAND? If true, in terms of "forever"why would the Board choose anything other than these common practices and requirements? It's a mystery.....What would the Board gain by not? Frankly, it's an embarrassment that a constituent needs to even defend this.

We purchased in Carpinteria 3 years ago, both my husband and I have never had respiratory problems til now. Never! Find out what's happening before it's too late, or tell us why you would decide not to?

Patti Ruben

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From: Dennis Strong <strongbox9@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 18, 2020 2:17 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: FW: FW: 10 injured DOWNTOWN L.A. MAJOR FIRE

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Dear Clerk,

Will you please forward this email to all five of our county supervisors. This is the story of and explosion and fire that occurred last Saturday evening in a cannabis processing firm in downtown Los Angeles. I am a 35 year resident of Solvang and a retired Los Angeles City Firefighter. I am forwarding this story to our Board in case they are not aware of the inherent dangers of cannabis processing. The processing uses large amounts of butane or propane which is very explosive in order to extract the honey oil from the plants. I know that we are in the middle of permitting or not permitting cannabis grows, but I feel that the processing, if it is going to take place in the county, needs to be highly regulated and regularly inspected for compliance along with the grows themselves. It should be classified as a hazardous material processing business with all the necessary regulations. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

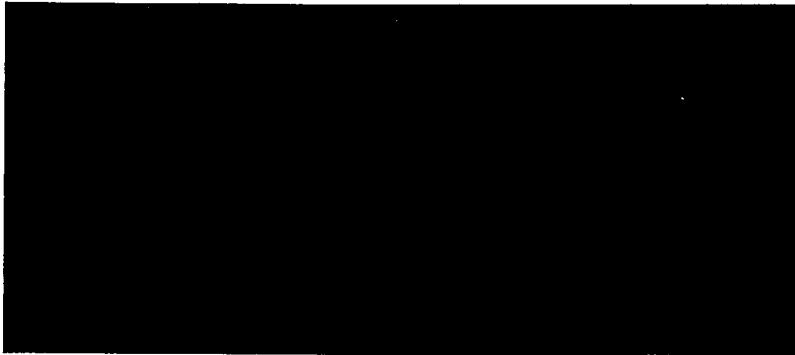
Dennis Strong, Solvang

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From: atschroeder@charter.net
Sent: Sunday, May 17, 2020 6:30 AM
Subject: FW: 10 injured DOWNTOWN L.A. MAJOR FIRE

From: "Larry Ford"
To:
Cc:
Sent: Saturday May 16 2020 8:28:52PM
Subject: 10 injured DOWNTOWN L.A. MAJOR FIRE

[10 Firefighters Injured in Downtown LA Explosion, Fire](#)



10 Firefighters Injured in Downtown LA Explosion, Fire

Approximately 10 firefighters were injured as multiple buildings were on fire in downtown Los Angeles Saturday,

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From: Theresa Reilly <tree101@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 18, 2020 3:14 PM
To: sbcob
Subject: Re: Cannabis Land Use Ordinances Recommendations

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Dear County Supervisors,

As a resident of Buellton, I am very concerned about the proliferation of cannabis cultivation in the corridor between Buellton and Lompoc. While I support measured, well-planned cultivation in general, I believe there are too many acres being concentrated along Hwy 246 in an area close to schools, residences, senior living communities, parks and pre-existing agricultural industries such as vineyards, equestrian centers and other small farms. Odor is a major concern as there are already days that the skunk smell of cannabis is reaching my home and the River View Park. Carpinteria is so horrendous that I am affected by the odor even driving on 101 with my windows and vents closed. Increased traffic, safety and security issues, lighting, and aesthetic degradation of the viewscape are all factors to consider.

I urge you to approve the County Planning Commission's recommendations amending the Cannabis Land Used Ordinances to:

- 1) Require Conditional Use Permits for cannabis cultivation and on-site processing activities on agriculturally designated lands.
- 2) Require Odor Abatement Plans for all cannabis cultivation and processing.

With regard to Odor Abatement, methods which add other odors that may be noxious to sensitive individuals are not good solutions!

Thank you for your diligence in monitoring this burgeoning industry with a balanced approach taking our local communities into consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa Reilly

(Note: Comments - without my address - may be read into the record.)

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