Sunset for Legal Non-Conforming Operations with Land Use Approval and Acreage Secured Under the Cap

50-7 (a)(3)(iv)

If a cannabis operation that claimed legal nonconforming status pursuant to County Code Section 35-1003 has an approved land use entitlement and has been placed on the Eligible Business License Applicants List: Unincorporated, but does not have an approved and issued business license by October 31 June 30, 2022, the operation must suspend all commercial cannabis activity no later than October 31 June 30, 2022. The applicant may continue to pursue a business license and the operation shall retain its place on the Eligible Business License Applicants List: Unincorporated, but must suspend all commercial cannabis activity by the date provided in this subsection unless and until a business license is approved and issued. If the operation still does not have a business license approved and issued by December 31, 2022, it shall cease all commercial cannabis activity and lose its place on the Eligible Business License Applicants List: Unincorporated, and staff shall provide written notification to the state pursuant to section 50-31(b) of this chapter.

REVISED Recommended Actions

That the Board of Supervisors:

- a) Consider the introduction (First Reading) of an Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara amending Chapter 50 of the Santa Barbara County Code, Licensing of Commercial Cannabis Operations in the unincorporated area of the County with the change made during the hearing to modify the proposed June 30, 2022 date to October 31, 2022 in Section 50-7 (a)(3)(iv);
- b)Read the title and waive further reading of the Ordinance in full; and
- c)Set a hearing on the Administrative Agenda for March 1, 2022 to consider the Second Reading and CEQA determination for amendments to Chapter 50.