

County of Santa Barbara BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Minute Order

June 22, 2021

Present: 5 - Supervisor Williams, Supervisor Hart, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Nelson, and Supervisor Lavagnino

COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE

File Reference No. 21-00584

RE: HEARING - Consider recommendations regarding the third quarter update on cannabis compliance, enforcement, and taxation, Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-2021, as follows: (EST. TIME: 45 MIN.)

a) Receive an update on the status of cannabis tax collection, land use permitting, business licensing, and enforcement;

b) Provide direction to staff to respond to State Local Authorization inquiries with a 'Pending' or 'Local Compliance Underway' for provisional license holders and operators only if they demonstrate appropriate progress through the land use or business licensing application process; file required County cannabis tax report(s) and pay required taxes on cannabis operations; and continue to comply with other conditions of Chapter 50, as outlined in the report;

c) Provide any other direction to staff regarding the County's cannabis program; and

d) Find that the proposed actions are administrative activities of the County, which will not result in direct or indirect changes to the environment and therefore are not a "project" as defined for the purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under State CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5).

COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION: POLICY HEARING TIME: 3:40 PM - 4:50 PM (1 HR. 10 MIN.)



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Received and filed staff presentation and conducted public hearing.

A motion was made by Supervisor Lavagnino, seconded by Supervisor Hartmann, that this matter be acted on as follows:

a) Received and filed;

b) Provided direction;

c) Directed staff to amend the County of Santa Barbara's process to allow applicants to apply for a State License once: (1) A Land Use Permit has been approved; and (2) A County Business License application has been deemed complete and to notify applicants that they may not begin cultivation until they: (1) Have obtained a final Land Use Permit; (2) Have been issued a County Business License; and (3) Have been issued a State License; and

d) Approved.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - Supervisor Williams, Supervisor Hart, Supervisor Hartmann, Supervisor Nelson, and Supervisor Lavagnino