

City Of Calimesa
**Joint City Council & Planning Commission
Action Minutes of the Special Workshop of
June 12, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Hewitt.

ROLL CALL: MAYOR HEWITT, MAYOR PRO TEM DAVIS COUNCIL MEMBER CLARK, COUNCIL MEMBER HYATT AND COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA.

CHAIRPERSON BRITTINGHAM, VICE-CHAIRPERSON BARRON, COMMISSIONER HURT, COMMISSIONER KEITH AND COMMISSIONER LAROCK.

ABSENT: NONE

STAFF: CITY MANAGER JOHNSON, CITY ATTORNEY ENNIS, CITY CLERK GERDES, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR ASKEW, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR GARDNER, PLANNING SECRETARY SHEA, POLICE CHIEF BURCH AND POLICE LT. BELI.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Hewitt.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HYATT, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA, CARRIED 5-0 TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

WORKSHOP ITEMS

1. REGULATION OF MARIJUANA USES AND ACTIVITIES IN CALIMESA.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council provide Planning Commission and City Staff direction to pursue one the following alternatives:

- 1. Prepare a Zoning Text Amendment for a full ban of marijuana-based commercial, industrial, and agricultural activities (Ad Hoc Committee Recommendation).**
- 2. Prepare a Zoning Text Amendment for an allowance of all or some marijuana-based activities.**
- 3. Provide alternative direction to staff.**

City Manager Johnson presented the agenda report and introduced Lt. Paul Bennett from the Riverside County Sheriff's Department and Maricela Marroquin of Richards, Watson and Gershon who both made presentations to the Council and Commission.

Mayor Hewitt called a 5-minute recess at 7:05 p.m.

Mayor Hewitt reconvened the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Richard Esquinas, 1285 Loan Star Court, Calimesa spoke in support of Medical Cannabis in California and provided printed documentation to the Council and Commission.

James Rathburn, 2538 Hampshire, Riverside CA stated he was a data scientist and spoke in support of Medical Marijuana only, not recreational. He stated that he did not agree with the data provided.

Maya Spaeth, 1285 Lone Start Court, Calimesa stated that she is Mr. Esquinas wife and a Pediatric Surgeon. She spoke in favor of Medical Cannabis and the importance of making it safe for those who need it.

Mayor Hewitt thanked the ad-hoc committee for their work in studying and obtaining information and documentation in regards to the regulation of marijuana, - Proposition 64 the AUMA Act.

Joint discussion of the Council and Planning Commission resulted in the following: total ban on store front marijuana businesses, ban on outdoor cultivation and look into home delivery options for those who need it that are seniors and/or ambulatory. Mayor Hewitt stated his opposition to a complete ban of store fronts.

After further discussion, the following action was taken:

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HYATT, SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM DAVIS, CARRIED 4-1(MAYOR HEWITT VOTED NO) TO DIRECT STAFF AND THE PLANNING COMMISSION TO COMPLETE AN ORDINANCE BANNING STORE FRONT BUSINESSES AND OUTDOOR CULTIVATION WITH THE ALLOWANCE OF DELIVERY OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA ONLY.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m. to the Regular Meeting of the City Council on Monday, June 19, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. and the Special Meeting of the Planning Commission on Monday, June 26, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Darlene Gerdes, City Clerk

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM DAVIS, SECOND BY COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA, CARRIED 5-0 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JUNE 12, 2017 SPECIAL MEETING AS PRESENTED. APPROVED: July 17, 2017