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Thu, Mar 26, 2020 at 8:03 AM

To: Jon Vegna <jvegna@edcgov.us>, Planning Department <planning@edcgov.us>, Julie Saylor <julie.saylor@edcgov.us>

Kind Regards,

Cindy Munt

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From: RG <r.goobic@comcast.net>

Date: Thu, Mar 26, 2020 at 7:56 AM

Subject: planning commission 03-26-2020 meeting, item 3, file #20-0382

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Hello,

My name is Ron Goobic. I want to begin by stating that I feel it is inappropriate to continue with a public hearing such as this while we are in the midst of a pandemic. While you have offered the public the option to participate by phone, this meeting is not on the top of most people's lists of priorities. We, as members of the public, have a right to attend this meeting. Many of us are not comfortable attending a public meeting at this time due to the Corona Virus and COVID19. **I respectfully request that this meeting be postponed or continued to a later date when we are not under a shelter in place or stay at home order.**

Ordinance 5000 is the product of countless hours of debate among community members and the county government. The intent of ordinance 5000 is to allow medical cannabis patients to cultivate cannabis for medical use subject to certain restrictions. The fact that the State of California passed legislation legalizing adult-use cannabis should not be used as a reason to eliminate the protections afforded by ordinance 5000. Lumping medical cultivation together with adult-use significantly changes the guidelines that El Dorado County medical cultivators have had since the passage of ordinance 5000.

One concern I have with the proposed changes is that it substantially reduces the number of plants that a medical cultivator can grow. The current guidance from ordinance 5000 goes by parcel size and square footage of the garden. Many medical cultivators grow substantially more than 6 plants to guard against plant diseases/crop failure, to ensure that there are a variety of different effective strains available for medical use, and to maintain mother plants for future crops. I use high CBD tincture for a seizure disorder that requires a very substantial amount of cannabis

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to produce. Limiting the size of the garden to 6 plants would surely reduce the amount of medicine produced. Though a rule limiting any cannabis garden to 6 plants may simplify enforcement, it puts medical growers in a position where the garden sizes and plant numbers permitted by ordinance 5000 would become criminal. Legalizing adult use cannabis cultivation should not have the effect of criminalizing medical gardens. A medical cannabis garden serves a very different purpose than an adult-use cannabis garden. Putting the same rules in place for both types of gardens treats them as one and the same. I urge you to consider a different way to allow for adult-use cultivation while still protecting the rights of medical cannabis cultivators afforded by ordinance 5000.

Please consider this my opposition to the proposed changes to ordinance 5000.

Thank You,
Ron Goobic

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From: Brian Goobic <b.goobic@comcast.net>

Date: Thu, Mar 26, 2020 at 7:51 AM

Subject: RE: planning commission meeting 03-26-2020 item 3 file #20-0382

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