

COMMERCIAL CANNABIS EXTENSION AND RFPS



Application Time Extension

- In the commercial cannabis ballot measures, it said applications would be available by July 2019
- They allowed for the Board of Supervisors to extend the deadline for any unforeseen circumstances
- Due to scheduling and logistical issues staff is asking for an extension until September 30, 2019
 - Staff have been collecting data on best practices for the application process, permitting process and operations
 - Working with State agencies
 - Working on forming new ordinances with public and staff
 - Looking at the most effective and efficient enforcement procedures



Illegal Grow Enforcement

- Staff have been studying new enforcement procedures after starting new civil procedures last year
- Found that some local governments moved to using satellite photos to better identify illegal grows
- Using photos (GIS layer) to use as evidence to post property
 - Easier to identity and starts the civil process in expedited manner
- Might be able to use GIS layer for many other departments due to updated information



Project Management Firm for Commercial Cannabis Application Process

- After studying the operation of other counties, the amount of applications vary considerably and the expertise varies
- Having a project management firm to manage the process will help to get applications completed and processed in a timely manner
- Other counties stated that they misjudged the amount of applications or having a difficult time processing them
 - A firm that helped with the logistics of the application process will help with these two issues



Action Today

- Approve an extension to the deadline to have commercial cannabis applications available to September 30, 2019 due to scheduling and logistical issues and
- Approve the release for a request for proposals for satellite services for up-to-date mapping data to track illegal cannabis activities and another for project management services for the commercial cannabis permitting process