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El Dorado Growers Alliance <eldoradogrowersalliance@gmail.com> To: edc.cob@edcgov.us Mon, May 11, 2020 at 11:19 AM

SUBJECT: File 20-0609 Commercial Cannabis In Meyers Planning Area

Supervisors:

We are in strong support of the ordinance fix to allow commercial cannabis activity in the Meyers planning area. The Meyers area could not be in the original ballot measures because it was developing new zoning at the time. Providing commercial cannabis opportunities in the Meyers area will provide legal alternatives for cannabis operators who are currently in the illegal market.

It's important that our commercial cannabis program is fair for the entire County and adjusted as we learn how the program is functioning. The concept used for setbacks in this ordinance should be the model used throughout the entire commercial cannabis program. Commercial cannabis setbacks and site mitigations should be site-specific requirements that are developed during the licensing process.

The 800-foot setbacks from our own property line are indefensible, arbitrary, and excessive. Even if the end result (at the end of the licensing process) is similar, based on permit conditions added by the Planning Commission, we need to eliminate the 800-foot setbacks so Growers understand at this important time that they have a chance to get a license. People will do what you want them to do if incentives are properly aligned.

While you are in the fixing mode please fix the 800-foot setback and odor standards for cultivation licenses. To the best of my knowledge, no other county in the state uses these standards as criteria for licensing.

To quote the owner of Poor Reds, "All we're asking for is fairness."

Rod Miller

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NO Cannabis in Meyers PLEASE!!!

1 message

Diana Woodbury <diana.sapphira@gmail.com> To: edc.cob@edcgov.us

Mon, May 11, 2020 at 12:14 PM

I am writing to request that you do everything in your power not to allow cannabis shops or sales in Meyers. All the studies show that neighborhoods where these shops are opened have more car accidents, more crime, more drug use, and children are more apt to get hooked on drugs. The year after marijuana was legalized in Colorado, car accident fatalities doubled!

I have been fighting tobacco use for at least 30 years. Second hand smoke kills 63,000 Americans every year. After dealing with a neighbor for over two years who smoked marijuana, and getting so sick from the stench of their secondhand marijuana smoke that I was unable to open my windows or doors in the summer, I cannot stress strongly enough how important it is NOT to allow the sale of cannabis in our small community. Bad enough that yet another product which kills when used as intended is readily available and sold in South Lake Tahoe. Just last week, as my husband and I were hiking, I felt dizzy and nearly passed out when the wind carried the stench of marijuana smoke from a couple smoking quite a distance away. We were on top of some cliffs, and had to climb down steep rocks to escape the toxic mind altering smoke. Needless to say, our hike and my entire day, was destroyed by two thoughtless selfish pot smokers.

I am a close friend of Dr. Jeffrey Wigand, the whistle blower who worked as head of research for the third largest tobacco company in the world. He says marijuana is far worse than tobacco... higher tar content, worse chemical effects on the brain, heart and lungs, etc...

Please do everything in your power to keep our community free of cannabis, marijuana, and all other brain destroying drugs!

Kind Regards, Diana Woodbury 530 416 2833

Please call me if you would like to discuss the many reasons that cannabis has no place in our precious community, and Big Tobacco's corrupt misinformation and influence, using the same tired sales tactics that they used for tobacco throughout history. "Medical tobacco" and "more doctors smoke Chesterfields" is now the new "medical marijuana". Over 7 million people died from Tobacco last year. Marijuana is their next product which will kill when used as intended. https://www.usnews.com/news/health-news/articles/2019-05-15/study-ties-legalizing-pot-to-car-accidents-injuries

https://www.drugabuse.gov/publications/research-reports/marijuana/there-link-between-marijuana-use-psychiatric-disorders

https://www.fool.com/investing/2018/07/22/big-tobacco-makes-its-first-investment-in-the-mari.aspx

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CANNABIS SHOP IN MEYERS

1 message

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Mon, May 11, 2020 at 2:39 PM

Adding another cannabis shop to our area is unnecessary. There is one very active cannabis shop in the middle of South Lake Tahoe, about 7 miles from Meyers, and there may be two others. How many does an area of this size need? Answer: no more.

I'd be surprised if the local highway patrol and sheriffs are not against this, knowing that crime will increase as well as accidents (see link below).

Increasing your tax base is appealing, nevertheless, there is a price to pay with crime and health. Having marijuana more available, within walking distance of neighborhoods, will raise the amount of under age people using it. I've read that there may be positive reasons for cannabis use, but all the information is very controversial. Don't risk it and don't bring added crime and accidents into Meyers.

https://www.usnews.com/news/health-news/articles/2019-05-15/study-ties-legalizing-pot-to-car-accidents-injuries

Yours, Diana Hamilton-Smith 6 year Meyers resident 32 year SLT Resident (38 years in El Dorado Co.)