

**Cannabis State Legalization Task Force**  
**November 9, 2016 – Meeting Minutes**  
**Full Meeting – Finalize Preliminary Recommendations**  
**San Francisco County Transportation Authority Hearing Room**  
**1455 Market Street, 22<sup>nd</sup> Floor, San Francisco, CA 94103 | 1PM – 4PM**

**1. Welcome, Agenda Review and Announcements**

- Board of Supervisors Task Force presentation: The Task Force is required by Ordinance to present its Year I report and recommendations to the Board of Supervisors before the end of its inaugural year. Task Force members expressed an interest in being part of this presentation, and Terrance Alan, Task Force Chair – Seat 19, suggested discussing the presentation as a part of the next Task Force meeting.
- Task Force meeting date change to Wednesday, December 7th: The Task Force normally meets on the second Wednesday of the month, and Terrance Alan, Task Force Chair, Seat 19, proposed changing the date of December’s meeting (which would normally be 12/14) to Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, in order to use the meeting time to prepare for the aforementioned presentation to the Board of Supervisors, tentatively scheduled for December 12th. Task Force Members agreed to this date change for that purpose.
- Administrative Tasks: Mavis Asiedu-Frimpong, Task Force Coordinator, made the following announcements:
  - i. Ms. Asiedu-Frimpong introduced Harder+Company Community Research as consultants who will be assisting Task Force staff with administrative tasks for the remainder of Year I and into Year II.
  - ii. The Task Force has a new email address ([cannabis.taskforce@sfdph.org](mailto:cannabis.taskforce@sfdph.org)), and members of the public may direct any questions about the Task Force there.
  - iii. Task Force coordinators created an Agency Framework Brainstorming Tool in response to a request by Daisy Ozim, Seat 21 and Task Force Co-Chair, at the November 9th Task Force meeting. The document outlines AUMA regulatory agencies and the potential local equivalents. Ms. Asiedu-Frimpong suggested that the Task Force use this as a reference tool during the Regulation and City Agency Framework recommendations discussion.
  - iv. Kevin Reed, Seat 11, could not attend the meeting but asked that his comments be read and entered into the record. Terrance Alan, Task Force Chair, read these comments to the Task Force and opened the floor for comments on the statement. [Statement attached to these meeting minutes].

**2. Task Force Draft Recommendations – Regulation and City Agency Framework**

- Terrance Alan, Task Force Chair, led the Task Force in reviewing and finalizing the

draft set of Regulation and City Agency Framework recommendations to be shared with the Board of Supervisors and the public.

**3. Task Force Recommendations: Land Use, Social Justice and Tourism**

- Terrance Alan, Task Force Chair, led the Task Force in reviewing and finalizing the preliminary set of Land Use, Social Justice and Tourism recommendations to be shared with the Board of Supervisors and the public.

**4. Task Force Recommendations: Public Safety and Social Environment**

- Terrance Alan, Task Force Chair, led the Task Force in reviewing and finalizing the preliminary set of Public Safety and Social Environment recommendations to be shared with the Board of Supervisors and the public.

**5. Public Comment**

- Terry Darcy, of Terry A. Darcy & Associates, asked that the Task Force's recommendations allow for flexibility with regard to clustering of cannabis businesses. Terry also recommended the Task Force be more flexible about cannabis delivery rules by considering door-to-door models and other alternatives to brick and mortar locations on a case-by-case basis. Terry also suggested that there be more flexibility with respect to distance requirements, especially for proximity to schools requirements, and proposed reducing this requirement from 1,000ft to 600ft. Terry further suggested that this be reviewed on a case-by-case basis, as well.
- Regina Dick-Endrizzi, of San Francisco's Office of Small Business, mentioned the challenges in regulating businesses and consumers outside of San Francisco and suggested that the Task Force look into this issue further. Regina also suggested adding the San Francisco Office of the Environment to the list of organizations that the Task Force should engage.
- Nina Parks, small business owner, noted San Francisco's limited parking availability and asked that the Task Force note the implications delivery will have on San Francisco parking options. Nina further noted that the Cannabis Delivery Association had developed a best practices document to share with the Task Force and further suggested the Task Force partner with the Association on future efforts.

**6. Closing Remarks:**

- The Task Force was asked to submit evaluation forms.

**Meeting Materials**

- Agenda
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- Recommendations to be finalized:
  - a. Regulation and City Agency Framework
  - b. Land Use, Social Justice, Tourism
  - c. Public Safety and Social Environment

**Members Present**

Terrance Alan  
 Maggie Weiland  
 (alternate for  
 Jocelyn Kane)  
 Dave Falzon  
 Thea Selby  
 Tom McElroy  
 Quarry Pak

Sara Payan  
 Sarah Shrader  
 Tim Morland  
 Erich Pearson  
 Jesse Stout  
 Jennifer Garcia  
 Liam McCarthy

Duncan Talento  
 Ley  
 Daniel Sider  
 Laura Thomas  
 Jon Ballesteros  
 Israel Nieves  
 (alternate for  
 Tomas Aragon)

**Upcoming Task Force Meeting**

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
<b>December 7, 2016</b> <b>Full Meeting: Prepare for upcoming BOS hearing and Year II planning discussion</b>	1PM – 4PM	25 Van Ness Avenue – Rm. 610 San Francisco, CA, 94102

***Statement from Kevin Reed, Member  
San Francisco Cannabis State Legalization Task Force***

As many of you know, I was not until recently appointed to this distinguished body. Since I was not present for the discussion that brought this Task Force to these recommendations, I hope the members permit me the the opportunity to submit these comments for the record and your consideration.

Among the recommendations included in the materials provided for our review is that "San Francisco should use an evidence-based approach to inform future adult use cannabis policies and legislation." This is an important recommendation and I am happy to support its inclusion as a fundamental guide for how future law and policy ought to be developed. But, why limit ourselves to the future? I challenge this Task Force to hold ourselves to that same standard; I think it is incumbent on this body to ensure that the recommendations we provide are also evidenced-based.

With this in mind, I want to raise concerns about the recommendations included within the licensing section, specifically those aimed at regulating delivery services. A couple of the recommendations posed in the delivery services platform appear to conflict with the evidenced-based policy standard.

1. First, what evidence is this body relying on to support a recommendation that in-home cannabis delivery services pose or present any legitimate security risk for residential neighborhoods to justify a recommendation that delivery hubs should be in non-residential or live/work commercial zoning locations?
2. Second, what evidence is this body relying on to support a recommendation that delivery drivers pose or face significant threats which requires specialized training or use of GPS body cameras?

These policy recommendations serve to unduly burden delivery services. They present unnecessary operational costs which may raise the barrier to market entry which arguably conflicts with another Task Force recommendation. Unless there is some body of evidence to suggest these recommendations are necessary, the Task Force should reserve recommendations on delivery services and stand on the weight of the recommendation to ensure law and policy be evidenced based.

I appreciate your consideration of these concerns.

Sincerely,

Kevin Reed