Cannabis State Legalization Task Force February 8, 2017 – Meeting Minutes

Year II Planning and Cannabis Legalization Discussion 25 Van Ness Avenue, Rm. 610, San Francisco, CA 94102 | 1PM – 4PM San Francisco, CA 94102

Task Force Proposed Goal

Using Year I recommendations as a foundation, development of specific regulatory recommendations focused on implementation of a local adult use legalization framework for Proposition 64

Meeting Objectives

- Review Year II workplan
- Discuss cannabis legalization landscape and non-retail regulation recommendation priority areas
- 1. Welcome, Agenda Review and Announcements
 - The Task Force Members agreed that Terrance Alan, Task Force Chair, Seat 19, would remain the Task Force Chair for Year II.
 - Terrance Alan, Task Force Chair, Seat 19, thanked Sara Payan, Seat 12, for authoring a news article regarding the health benefits of cannabis.
 - Mr. Alan also thanked the Task Force Members who attended the Board of Supervisors hearing to present the Year I Report and Recommendations on January 9, 2017.

2. Year II Workplan

- Mavis Asiedu-Frimpong, Task Force Coordinator, San Francisco Department of Public Health, presented the proposed Year II Workplan, noting that the proposed topics reflect the priority areas that Task Force Members identified at the December 7, 2016, meeting. The overall structure and process for developing recommendations will be similar to Year I. In response to Task Force Member requests, bimonthly meetings will be held in February and March, and the Task Force will present to the Board of Supervisors after developing recommendations in each recommendation topic area.
- Mavis Asiedu-Frimpong, Task Force Coordinator, noted the following corrections and potential changes to the Year II Workplan:
 - o The September Task Force meeting will be held on September 13, 2017.
 - o The Task Force meeting currently scheduled for April 12, 2017 will likely be rescheduled to April 19th due to scheduling conflicts. Task Force

coordinators will confirm the date and notify Task Force Members in advance.

- Mavis Asiedu-Frimpong, Task Force Coordinator, noted that the Issue Brief format
 for Year II will be similar to Year I, and will focus primarily on State legislative
 updates. Task Force Members will receive a monthly overview of active bills in
 California related to cannabis, and every few months they will receive an Issue
 Brief with more context about the proposed legislation.
- The Task Force Members approved the Year II Workplan and structure by consensus.

3. Cannabis Landscape

- Michelle Magee, Harder+Company Community Research, presented Issue Brief #6, Cannabis Legalization Landscape and California State Regulatory and Legislative Updates.
- Task Force Members discussed the Issue Brief during and after the presentation, asking clarifying questions about the material presented.

4. Non-Retail Regulation Discussion

- Terrance Alan, Task Force Chair, Seat 19, led the Task Force Members in a discussion to outline recommendation priority areas for non-retail cannabis licensing and regulation. Topics of discussion included:
 - o The retail and non-retail aspects of delivery services
 - o Environmental impact of the non-retail industry
 - o The intersection between tourism and the non-retail industry
 - o Licensing elements: operating standards and best practices for the non-retail industry

5. Public Comment

- Alice Lin, an attorney in the cannabis industry, expressed interested in parsing out
 distinctions between the manufacturing of different cannabis products (e.g.,
 extracts, edibles, topicals) and discussing them separately. Terrance Alan, Task
 Force Chair, Seat 19, noted that these distinctions were addressed in the Year I
 Recommendations.
- Aaron Flynn, San Francisco Cannabis Licensing Group, stated that he was pleased
 to see a distinction in discussions between non-retail and retail cannabis businesses
 with regard to the proposed distance from schools and youth centers requirements.
 He noted that he is compiling data about the lease rates that cannabis businesses
 can realistically afford, and offered to share that and other resources with the Task
 Force.

Meeting Materials

• Agenda

Upcoming Task Force Meeting

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
February 22, 2017	1-4PM	1 South Van Ness Avenue, Atrium Conference Room - 2nd Floor, San Francisco, CA 94102

Members Present

Israel Nieves	Quarry Pak	Jon Ballesteros
Patrick Kennedy	Jesse Stout	Barbara Fugate
Liam McCarthy	Erich Pearson	Tom McElroy
Daniel Sider	Sara Payan	Sarah Shrader
Jocelyn Kane	Duncan Talento Ley	Laura Thomas
Tim Morland	Thea Selby	Terrance Alan