San Francisco Cannabis Legalization Task Force

Year I Update: Final Report and Recommendations

San Francisco Board of Supervisors Land Use and Transportation Committee

January 23, 2017
Agenda

Part I: Technical Overview & Recommendations Summary

Part II: Task Force Member Presentation

- Public Safety and Social Environment
- Land Use and Social Justice
- Regulation and City Agency Framework
Prop 64 AUMA Overview

• Legalizes the adult use of cannabis
• Creates state licensing and regulatory system
• Preserves local control
• Effective dates – November 9, 2016 and January 1, 2018
Task Force Overview

- BOS Task: Advisory body for policymakers on the legal, social, land use, and enforcement issues
- 2 year active period, began January 2016
  - Year I: January – December 2016
  - Year II: January – December 2017
- Goal: Make recommendations in three key areas – Public Safety and Social Environment, Land Use and Social Justice, Regulation and City Agency Framework
- Finalized recommendations (see final report)
Public Safety and Social Environment

**Recommendation subcategories:**
- Public Safety
- Public Consumption
- Youth Access and Exposure
- Tourism/Hospitality

**Recommendation themes:**
- Public safety standards and protocols should be revised as necessary to ensure **protection of individuals and communities**.
- San Francisco should provide **public consumption** options in the City.
- **Youth access and exposure** can be limited by relying on existing models, principles, and research.
- San Francisco should develop policies that include a variety of **cannabis tourism and hospitality** options.
Land Use and Social Justice

Recommendation subcategories:

• Land Use
• Social Justice/Workforce Development

Recommendation themes:

• San Francisco should provide for both retail and non-retail cannabis industry locations.

• To effectively assess retail adult use zoning applications, the Land Use decision-making process is need of objective standards.

• San Francisco should develop cannabis workforce and entrepreneurship pathways that reflect social justice principles in all aspects of the industry.
Regulation and City Agency Framework

Recommendation subcategories:

- Licensing
- Taxation and Revenue
- Agency Oversight

Recommendation themes:

- San Francisco should have a **local cannabis licensing structure** that builds upon the State system and also considers local needs.
- San Francisco’s **local cannabis taxation scheme** should consider its impact on the illicit market and the cash-only nature of the industry.
- **Tax revenue allocation** could support social justice efforts.
- Cannabis regulation would require **competent agency oversight and effective collaboration** across multiple City agencies.
Part II: Task Force Member Presentation

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Agency Oversight

San Francisco should consider new and/or existing regulatory oversight structures for adult use cannabis regulation. Options would include the following:

• **Option 1**: Standalone agency with its own staff and Commission.
• **Option 2**: Standalone agency with its own staff, no Commission.
• **Option 3**: Part of an existing agency or agencies.

*The entities responsible for regulation should not play an advocacy role*
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