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The Southern California Coalition represents major stakeholders from every segment of the cannabis industry in Southern California. Below is our platform. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at (310) 493-7651.

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1. Cultivation/Manufacturing Licensure

All license applications for cultivation and manufacturing, not currently sharing an address with a dispensary eligible for Proposition D limited Immunity, shall be available equally to potential licensees.

2. Testing/Distribution/Transportation Licensure

As many facilities may exist as are required to support the existing surrounding licensed cannabis businesses. Zoning: TBD

3. Dispensary Licensure

Entities currently eligible for Proposition D limited immunity shall enjoy priority licensing, both as to their status as dispensaries and as to any products they cultivate/manufacture at the one site allowed under Ordinance 182580 (Proposition D). The City of Los Angeles should establish a reasonable time frame for priority licensing, which shall be no less than six months and no more than a year from the date the first dispensary license is issued.

4. Delivery Licensure

Delivery services shall be defined as a dispensary which does not allow walk-in clients and which has no on-site sales. Delivery services may only locate or operate in compliance with state law, which currently requires a brick and mortar location. Delivery services must observe the same health and safety rules as walk-in dispensaries, though zoning requirements may differ. To accommodate the specialized nature of delivery services, the City will establish rules relating to the maintenance of delivery vehicles and standards for driver employment.

5. Social Justice

To correct the current imbalance of minority ownership, a portion of permits shall be set-aside for groups that have a minimum of 50+1% equity stake held by ethnic minority owners. For the purposes of this section, the definition of minorities shall be expanded to include women. To ensure that victims of the drug war are not inappropriately excluded from licensure, the City's standards for licensing shall be no more stringent than those imposed at the State level. The City shall review, on a case-by-case basis, ownership of a marijuana business by those whose felony conviction would otherwise exclude them from licensure.

6. Security and Nuisance Abatement

Reasonable Security requirements must be in place to address public safety issues, as well as prevent theft and diversion. In accordance with existing City law, all odors must be controlled. All enforcement shall be administrative in nature.

7. Enforcement

Once the city has passed its new ordinance and the requisite number of applications have been processed; the Southern California Coalition supports enforcement to shut down unpermitted businesses.



Proposal for March Ballot initiative

Any new Ballot initiative should not be based around Prop D or the PRE-ICO sponsored "Los Angeles Marijuana Regulation and Safety Act." The AUMA or the Adult Use of Marijuana Act is a recreational law not a continuation of medical marijuana under Prop 250. Prop D is about limited imunity from procicution which has no baring if marijuana is legal.

Under Legalization dispensary limits do not make sense moving forward. Why limit tax revenue under legalization? Prop D's focus was limiting dispensary numbers. However the city collected the 6% of gross sales from dispensaries regardless of their ICO status. Shouldn't those dispensaries which have paid the increased tax burden under Prop D be allowed to participate under legalization? Any new ballot initiative should focus on the maxim tax benefits dispensaries can provide Los Angeles. We support HHH and I voted YES on the bond personally. What if Marijuana taxes could be pinned to our Homeless pandemic. Los Angeles could have a powerful 1-2 punch in dealing with Homeless in Los Angeles.

The city has been sensitive to the fact that Marijuana providers under Prop D have been a white dominated industry. Enshrining the Prop D dispensaries "the 135" will ensure that Marijuana dispensaries will forever be a white male dominated monopoly.

Zoning could be a powerful tool in any new ballot proposal. Proper zoning will limit the availability of possible locations in compliance and therefor limit the number of dispensaries.

If we are going to follow the Colorado Model the argument of keeping "the 135" limit because they have a per-existing relationship the regulators does not make sense either. We have no regulators under Prop D. Therefor no relationship exists for PRE-ICO or any other dispensary.

Prop D and the Interim Control Ordinance never envisioned legalization. Why are we updating a law which does not comport to the proposed AUMA recreational use act? We need to start fresh with out dispensary limits and the special status for PRE- ICO dispensaries.

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