

Dear Chairman Harris-Dawson Planning and Land Use Management Committee

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My name is Monsignor John Moretta. I am the Pastor of Resurrection Catholic Church in Boyle Heights, CD 14. I have worked for some 35 years here as Pastor. I am very sensitive to the sale of alcohol in our area. In my parish alone in a one mile distance we have some 15 places that serve or sell alcohol. I don't believe that is a good mix for a healthy neighborhood. That does not include various companies that have wanted to come and set up their sales in that one mile area.

The illegal marijuana places are out of sight. I just had a meeting on Monday with the executive director of the City's cannabis licensing department, Cat Packer. I would think as I understand the RBP Ordinance it would create more opportunities to sell liquor even without public input. I ask that you convey my thoughts to your various members.

Sincerely,

Monsignor John Moretta