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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(9) Nay(4) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 10/27/2018

Type of NC Board Action: For

Impact Information

Date: 03/05/2019

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 18-0600

Agenda Date:

Item Number: Cannabis Department

Summary: The VNNC is to file a CIS and Call to Action for CF#18-0002s100 and CF#18-0600. The VNNC is to Support the following "Cannabis Regulation. Fund 15 additional staff to process cannabis applications, enforce penalties and monitor the social equity component. Set-up a special fund within the General Fund to track the fees and fines collected by this department. Allocate Excess Cannabis Revenues back into communities where cannabis businesses are in operation. Allocate a portion of the Excess Cannabis Revenues to Neighborhood Councils where cannabis businesses are located, to be used for neighborhood specific problems. Set-up a system for Neighborhood Councils to file official complaints against cannabis businesses that are in violation. Create and manage an interactive website to monitor retailer activity and compliance, including taxes paid and to help potential retailers locate viable locations and connect with the appropriate Neighborhood Councils. Fund a committee with law enforcement, cannabis regulation and community members to establish and recommend cannabis regulations and applications, taking into consideration the need to prevent racial profiling, while still enforcing the law. Fund a transparent training program for licensed owners, with a contact person designated to clarify training and to track training of employees. Monitor the social equity program to ensure these applicants adhere to all requirements and that all applicants are treated equitably. A motion was made by Mr. Thomas, 2nd by Ms. Keshishyan and carried with a vote of 9 ayes, 4 nays and 0 abstentions.