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RECOMMENDATIONS

~~Item~~ Communication
from Rules Committee chair

1. ADOPT the Department of Cannabis Regulation (DCR) reports as amended to REQUEST the City Attorney, with the assistance of DCR, to prepare and present draft ordinance(s) to the City Council by Nov. 9, 2018 which shall also include addressing the two issues outlined in the Oct. 14, 2018 letter submitted by the Southern California Coalition and Americans for Safe Access, as well as the pending Cannabis Corporate Responsibility policy.
2. NOTE AND FILE the CAO report and REQUEST the City Attorney, with the assistance of DCR and the CAO, to prepare and present draft ordinance(s) to the City Council by Nov. 9, 2018 with respect to an in-lieu fee for Tier 3 Social Equity applicants, an annual renewal fee, and an ownership change application fee. Furthermore INSTRUCT the DCR, in coordination with CAO, to prepare and provide the necessary analysis with respect to all three fees for Council consideration.
3. INSTRUCT the DCR, with the assistance of the CAO and City Attorney, to report back on a fee deferral policy that may include the following criteria:
 - a. \$1M appropriation for first 3 years to set up a revolving fund for the fee deferral program;
 - b. Limit to Tier 1 and 2 Social Equity applicants;
 - c. Funding mechanism for fee deferrals;
 - d. Cap on # of applicants for fee deferrals;
 - e. Determination on which applicants would receive fee deferrals and criteria as determined by DCR; and,
 - f. Applicants who elect to participate in the program will have payback timeline between 6-12 months.
4. REQUEST the City Attorney, with the assistance of DCR and the LAPD, to implement a 90-day policy of non-enforcement with respect to Phase II applications for commercial cannabis activity. Furthermore, REQUEST the City Attorney, with the assistance of DCR and the LAPD, to report back with recommendations with respect to enforcement of illegal cannabis businesses that may include a prioritization of enforcement against different types of illegal cannabis businesses based on established criteria.
5. INSTRUCT the City Clerk to send letters to the CAO and CLA with respect to the reports as outlined in Council File No. 18-1800-S2 Motion 20A as adopted by the Council, and provide notification that these reports are required to be submitted to the City Council by Nov. 9, 2018.