

RULES, ELECTIONS, AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT and RESOLUTION relative to proposed amendments to Section 104 of Article 10 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) and the rules and regulations of commercial cannabis activities.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR:

1. APPROVE the recommendations as detailed in the Communication from the Chair, Rules, Elections, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee, dated March 5, 2019.
2. ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION, as submitted by the Chair, Rules, Elections, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee, dated March 5, 2019, authorizing the City to access state and federal level summary criminal history information for licensing of all owners of commercial cannabis businesses in the City, and restricting the City from disseminating the information to a private entity.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

At a special meeting held on March 5, 2019, the Rules, Elections, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee considered a Department of Cannabis Regulation (DCR) report pertaining to proposed amendments to the LAMC regarding commercial cannabis activities.

During discussion, the DCR presented its report and addressed the Committee regarding the proposed amendments to the LAMC and the Social Equity Programs outlined in the DCR report. Additionally, the DCR provided clarification on the status of Phase 2 and 3 applications, and responded to concerns of the Committee members regarding the licensure of new cannabis commercial businesses. The DCR reported that until the Social Equity Programs are fully established, new licenses for cannabis businesses will be postponed. Additionally, the Chair of the Committee submitted recommendations and a Resolution for the Committee to consider along with the DCR report.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended that Council adopt the recommendations and Resolution from the Chair's communication. This matter is now forwarded to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

RULES, ELECTIONS, AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

MEMBER

VOTE

WESSON YES
HARRIS-DAWSON YES
MARTINEZ YES

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