

# Ordinance Extending the Moratorium on Commercial Marijuana Land Uses And Activity

Community & Economic Development Department

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### Issue

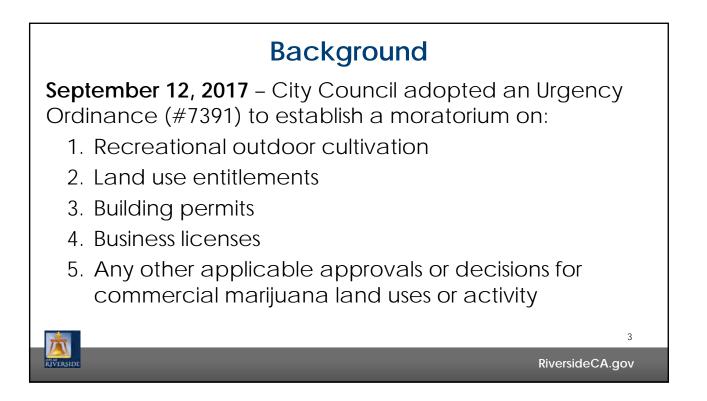
Extension of an initial 45-day moratorium on commercial marijuana uses and recreational outdoor cultivation, for an additional period of 10 months and 15 days.

- Maintain exemption of marijuana testing laboratories.

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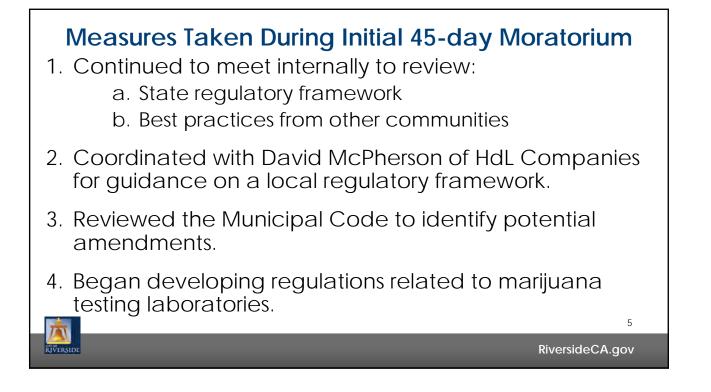


- 1. Existing Municipal Code is vague and open to interpretation
- 2. Need to adapt to and satisfy changes in state law
- 3. Need time to research best practices from other communities
- 4. Need to develop regulations that address marijuanarelated land uses and clarify the Municipal Code



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EJ2 Don't we need a public health, safety and welfare reason?? Eastman, Jay, 09/21/2017



## **Moratorium Process**

- 1. Existing Moratorium expires October 27, 2017
- 2. This Ordinance would extend the moratorium no more than 10 months and 15 days (to expire on September 11, 2018)
- 3. Adoption of Ordinance requires four-fifths vote
- 4. Must make findings to support the moratorium (see report)
- 5. Prior to September 11, 2018, the Council may extend moratorium for up to one additional year





## Recommendation

That the City Council:

Introduce and immediately adopt the attached ordinance extending the existing moratorium prohibiting all land use entitlements, building permits, business licenses and any other applicable approval or decisions for commercial marijuana land uses and/or activities, as well as prohibiting all recreational outdoor cultivation, but exempting testing laboratories as part of the future marijuana certification process per State licensing.



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