

Amendments to Title 19 and Title 5 of the RMC for the Prohibition of Marijuana Uses

Community & Economic Development Department

City Council July 10, 2018

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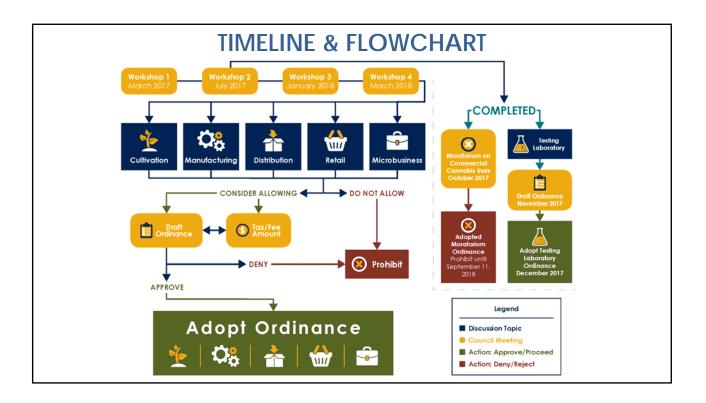
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EXISTING CITY STANDARDS

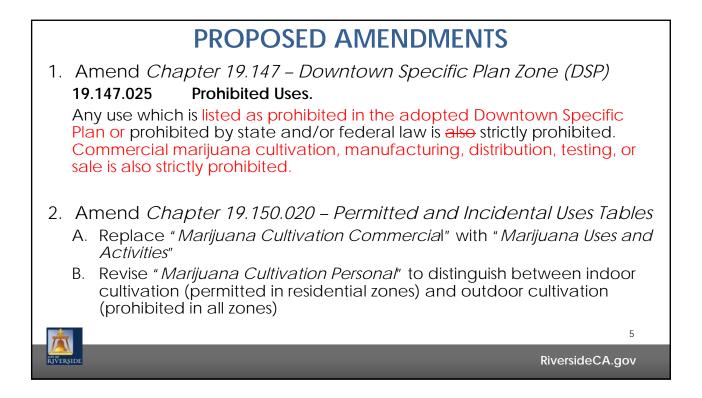
- 1. Medical marijuana dispensaries and commercial marijuana cultivation specifically prohibited
- 2. Other commercial and non-medical marijuana land uses prohibited by exclusion (not specifically listed)
- 3. Chapter 19.342 Marijuana Cultivation currently provides a limited exemption for the non-commercial cultivation of no more than eight (8) marijuana plants by primary caregivers and qualified patients for their own medical use

Prop 64 now allows personal cultivation of up to 6 plants in private residences

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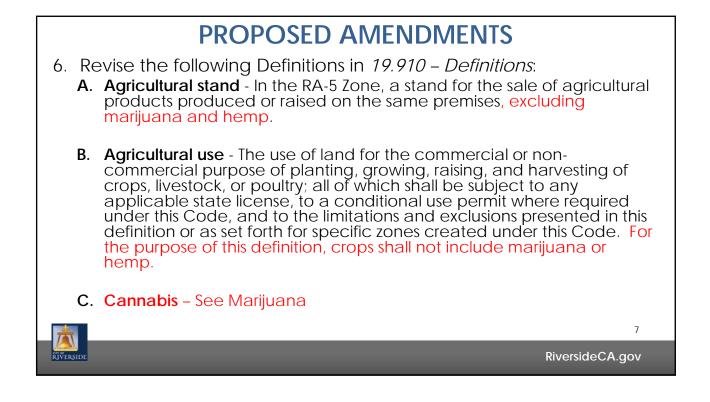


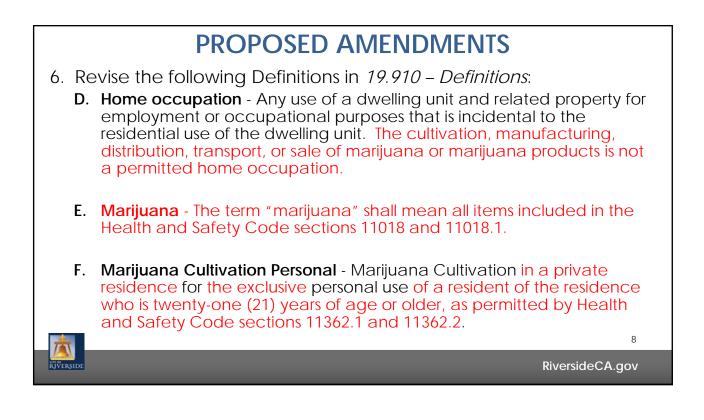


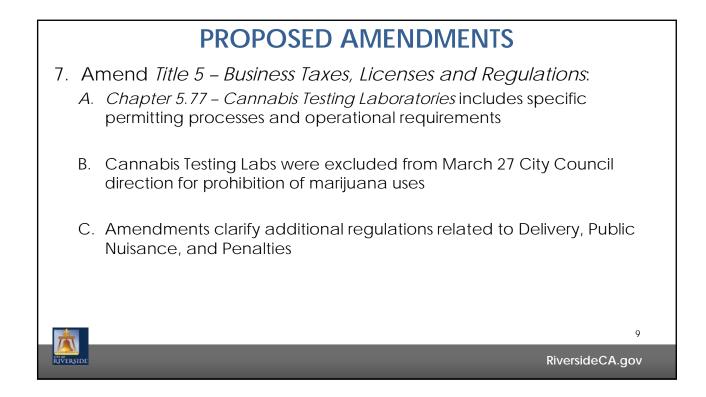
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

- Amend Chapter 19.220 Specific Plan Overlay Zone (SP)
 A. Refers to the underlying zone for marijuana uses
- 4. Replace in whole *Chapter 19.342 Marijuana Cultivation* with the new *Chapter 19.342 Marijuana Uses and Activities*
 - A. Becomes the primary regulating chapter for marijuana uses. See Exhibit 8.
- 5. Amend Chapter 19.485 Home Occupations
 - A. The cultivation, manufacturing, distribution, transport, or sale of marijuana or marijuana products A medical marijuana dispensary is not a permitted home occupation.









PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION

- 1. May 31, 2018 Item presented to Planning Commission
- 2. Zoning Code Text Amendments require a minimum of 4 affirmative votes
- 3. Planning Commission denied the Zoning Code Amendments by a vote of 2 ayes, 5 noes, and 1 abstention
- 4. Councilmember Conder, with Councilmember Adams concurring, referred/appealed this item to City Council for further consideration

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ORDINANCE ADOPTION TIMELINE			
Ordinance Steps/Council Action	Key Dates		
Ordinances Introduced	7/10		
Ordinances Adopted (Second Reading)	7/24		
Effective Date of Amendments	8/24		
Moratorium Expiration	9/11		
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RECOMMENDATIONS

That the City Council:

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 Determine that Planning Case P18-0337 is not subject to review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines sections 15060, subdivision (c)(2) (the activity will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment) and 15061, subdivision (b)(3) (there is no possibility the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment) and additionally find that this action is categorically exempt from review under CEQA under the Class 8 Categorical Exemption (regulatory activity to assure the protection of the environment), CEQA Guidelines section 15308;

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RECOMMENDATIONS CONT.

- 2. Approve Planning Case P18-0337 based on the analysis outlined in the staff report;
- Introduce and subsequently adopt the attached Ordinance amending Chapters 19.147 – Downtown Specific Plan, 19.150.020 – Permitted and Incidental Uses Table, 19.220 – Specific Plan Overlay Zone, 19.342 – Marijuana Uses and Activities, 19.485 – Home occupations, and 19.910 – Definitions of the Riverside Municipal Code; and
- Introduce and subsequently adopt the attached Ordinance amending Chapter 5.77 – Cannabis Testing Laboratories of the Riverside Municipal Code.

