

City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: JULY 1, 2025

- FROM: CITY COUNCILMEMBER SEAN H. MILL WARD: ALL
- SUBJECT: MOTION TO RECONSIDER RIVERSIDE MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 5.77 OF TITLE 5 CANNABIS BUSINESS ACTIVITIES AND TITLE 19 ZONING FOR COMMERCIAL CANNABIS BUSINESS LOCATIONS

ISSUE:

Consideration of a Motion to Reconsider amendments to Chapter 5.77 (Cannabis Business Activities) of Title 5 and Title 19 (Zoning) of the Riverside Municipal Code (RMC) related to the Commercial Cannabis Business Program.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council consider a Motion to Reconsider amendments to Chapter 5.77 (Cannabis Business Activities) of Title 5 and Title 19 (Zoning) of the Riverside Municipal Code (RMC) related to the Commercial Cannabis Business Program.

BACKGROUND:

On June 17, 2025, the City Council held a public hearing and considered an item to amend Chapter 5.77 (Cannabis Business Activities) of Title 5 and Title 19 (Zoning) of the Riverside Municipal Code (RMC) related to the Commercial Cannabis Business Program.

There was a motion to approve staff's recommendation by Councilmember Cervantes, which was seconded by Councilmember Falcone, and the vote on the motion was three in favor, two opposed, with two councilmembers absent. City Council Resolution No. 24255 establishes the Rules of Procedure and Order of Business of the City Council. Under those rules, a minimum of four affirmative votes are required for the City Council to act on an item of business or for the adoption of any ordinance or resolution. As a result, the item was not approved.

DISCUSSION:

Councilmember Mill, as a member who voted with the majority in the June 17, 2025, Public Hearing, has requested that a motion to reconsider be agendized for this item. Four affirmative votes are needed to approve the motion to reconsider. If the motion is approved the item will be brought back for a Public Hearing on July 1, 2025. If the motion is not approved, the July 1, 2025

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Public Hearing on the item to amend Chapter 5.77 (Cannabis Business Activities) of Title 5 and Title 19 (Zoning) of the Riverside Municipal Code (RMC) related to the Commercial Cannabis Business Program will be withdrawn.

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