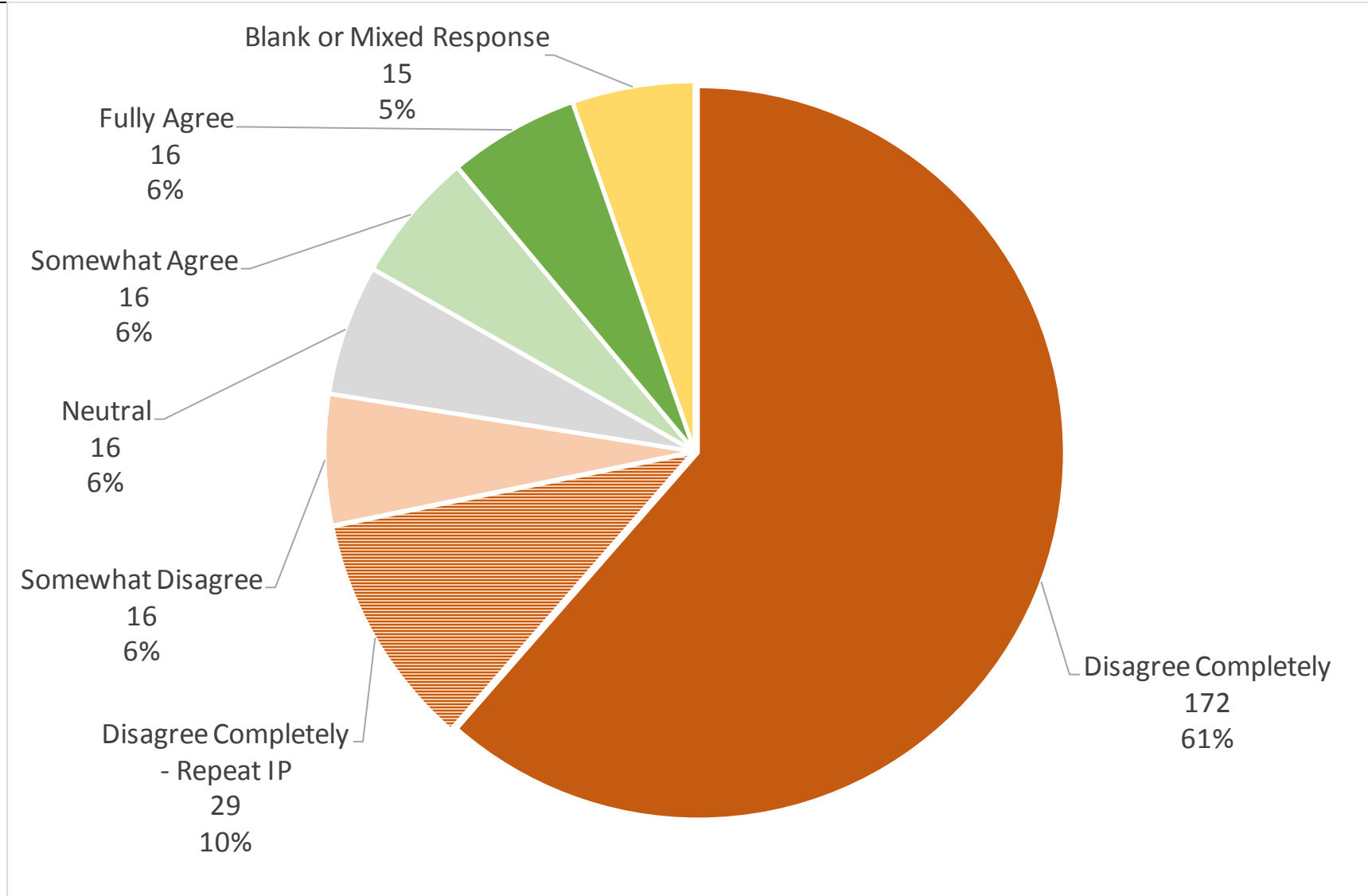


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Framework Reaction

1b. Comments about your reaction answer



Note: There were two IP addresses that answered just the first question 14 or 15 times – these responses are separated for context

1. dubious economic value; 2. unproven formula with huge uncertainty and downside risk; 3. Orinda can afford to wait till a winning formula emerging instead of become early guinea pig to try it out

1. its harmful to children. 2. drug dealer, cartels may get involved.

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1000' buffer is a mistake
Absolutely NO.
As a former smoker (1954-1985), I have seen and experienced the long-term results of mood-altering inhalants. These include nicotine delivered through cigarettes, cigars and pipes as vehicles. From the late 1950s to date, scientists have worked to document the negative results of tobacco use. Albeit slowly we have made notable steps away from ingesting smoke of any kind into our lungs, at least here in the US. Part of the process is education but also in the development local regulations about where tobacco may be used. Having made this 'progress', why would we offer regulations/ordinances permitting the farming and distribution of that very toxin we have tried to lead our children away from? Ask yourself, "Is it because I want more money in the County coffers at the expense of the health of our residents?" Don't let the "PROFIT AT THE EXPENSE OF HEALTH" lead us to an early and painful death.
Based on our limited resources, Cannabis should not be allowed in Contra Costa County anywhere other than is legally required.
Be careful cannabis to your living environment
Because commercial cannabis cultivation can improve economic development, increase residents' welfare and improve the living standard of residents. Can have medical effects, pain relief, fight cancer.
Bethel Island is a small community which already is fighting drug use and homelessness. The new framework would allow cultivation on nearly all of the island.
Cannabis business can help bring a lot of income tax, and will increase a lot of employment! Cannabis also has a lot of use in medical, can help cancer patient reduce pain!
Cannabis cultivation is conducive to the development of economy, increase employment opportunities, increase income tax, cannabis also medical use, analgesia, fight against cancer.
Complete prohibition
Concerns about crime, addiction, and adolescent safety can be more than adequately addressed with research provided by the many peer-reviewed studies that are available. Bans and other restrictions fuel a dangerous black market and hurt the people who are being helped by cannabis.
Contra Costa county should embrace all cannabis avenues.
Contra County residents voted---overwhelming---for access to cannabis. The current bans effectively eliminate local access and suppress the will of the voters.
Create a lot of employment, and income tax, and medical use!
do not want commercial cannabis in my neighborhood
Dont like indoor grows. Too many fires
Don't like legal cannabis
Don't want cannabis in the area. It brings crime and fights.
Grow areas are too large and too close to residential areas
Growing cannabis will destroy your living environment
I agree there needs to be some regulated buffer distances for schools, parks etc.
I am a 64-year old female who wants access to and might like to cultivate my own personal use marijuana. I voted for legalization. I would defer to what seems to be working in other states.

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I am a cancer patient and it is VERY inconvenient for me to have to drive into Berkeley to be able to go to a dispensary to get the medical marijuana that I use and that help me with pain.
I am against any commercial cultivation of cannabis whether in the towns and cities or in unincorporated areas. Whatever tax bump we receive will need to be spent on the increased ills weed brings (more pot related ER visits, increased drug related crime and homelessness, gangs and cartels). One need only look at Oregon to get a good idea of the unintended consequences. See this article: http://fortune.com/pot-marijuana-colorado/
I am against to any cannabis activities
I am as open to new regulation but I still have more questions than answers. For example, could you open a commercial kitchen for edibles but also be a vitamin store? Joint business ventures often do better commercially since one acts like a crutch for the other during slow times of the year.
I am deeply concerned and don't see the benefit of this to Lamorinda residents. With Colorado as an example, a lot of things went wrong. These were called unexpected, but leading supporters of marijuana cultivation and manufacturing in incorporated area changing their mind. Such experience should be seriously considered. The potential but immaterial Benefit should not be the focus. At least, we should not rush into a decision. Instead, observe how it goes in the neighboring communities in the Bay Area first, and learn from their experience. Bottom line, I don't see how it could be justified that we have to become the first batch of guinea pigs when we don't know where we are heading for.
I am mostly interested in personal cultivation so most of the commercial regulations are of no importance to me.
I am not familiar with the existing framework.
I can think of no reason to permit any cannabis sales in Contra Costa County. My experience (33 years) in the Navy and in the private sector (30 years) have demonstrated nothing but bad results can come, especially for long people and skilled workers. results from recreational use of cannabis
I don't agree with the county limiting the number of growing areas. Anyone who gets proper permit should be allowed to grow and let the market determine the demand.
I don't want my kids to close then addict to drugs!
I don't want the stuff anywhere near me. It is already becoming a problem. People think because it's legal they can smoke it where ever and when ever they want, even next door. The smell is nauseous to me and triggers my Asthma.
I feel our county's agriculture resources; land, water, compost, and sunlight should be used to produce food, to create a sustainable county. Allowing cannabis farming on productive food ag. land, when will still have hunger issues and water shorages, is irresponsible.
I felt that the proposed buffers were too restrictive to development.
I have serious concerns over allowing marijuana cultivation and manufacturing in unincorporated areas around Lamorinda. The decision should be centered by community rather than being politically correct or pursuing uncertain fees. The possible undesirable impact on the community, including but not limited to safety, education, house value, both short term and long term, should be carefully considered. Experience from other communities, e.g., lessons learned from Colorado (http://fortune.com/pot-marijuana-colorado/) should be considered. We could have the excuse of not knowing the consequence, but we cannot use the same excuse of "unexpected" effect since these already happened elsewhere following similar initiatives.
Before a careful and detailed plan is provided to address similar issues, the framework is not ready.
I oppose any commercial cannabis business in unincorporated contra costa county areas

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I oppose any use of unincorporated county area for cannabis purposes.
I oppose commercial marijuana activities in CCC.
I support complete ban of commercial cannabis activities in contra costa county.
I think the county should compliment the state regulations concerning cannabis businesses. Zoning seems sparse for retailers; especially considering nonstorefront retail. Zoning should be different for storefront vs considering retailers. The buffer for residential seems excessive. I think that should be removed altogether.
I would like to comment that county on a solid proposal.
I would like to see strict measure to ensure non medical usage is completely banned. Harvesting in the county is exposing grave danger to children and young people, not to mention possible crimes and damages related to that. Safe environment is important to everyone, especially family and children, which is the main driving force of the prosperity of the county.
I'm a cannabis user
If allowed commercial users, we'd not have qualified soldiers to protect our country..... Total disaster!
Improve the economy and increase welfare. Pain relief, fight cancer.
In my experience, marijuana users are much calmer, quieter and less a bother than people who drink alcohol and are loud, boisterous and sometimes violent. Some I have spoken with seem to believe that marijuana is a gateway drug to the addictive and dangerous drugs that present serious problems. I think our household medicine cabinets and household alcohol cabinets are often much more a gateway to these problems. I think this should be taken into consideration and that marijuana sales should be treated similar to alcohol sales.
It can bring a lot of tax, and also bring a lot of employment to us, and help patient treatment!
It harms environment, increases crimes, and not good example setting for kids.
It help develop the economy, also help a lot of patient!
It is bad for the teenagers.
It is kind of murder of ourselves
It is much better to regulate cannabis, than let the black market control it. Plus setting the age to 21 is much better, as cannabis when used recreationally by minors is very damaging to them. so I fully support.
It is pretty open ended and I did not get an understanding that there was research done across the nation of other communities grappling with this. Would have found more value in the framework if clear pin pointed solutions from other communities would have been identified.
It is shocking to know that Walnut Creek is considering making it legal.
It is still a controversial plant. It is not suitable in the populated neighborhood area.
It is still illegal federally, so it cannot be legalized in the state
It should not be in populated residential area.
it will bring gangs, make kids easier access of cannabis. the cost of regulation, law enforcement will also increase.
It will bring in illegal transaction/activities in the community, promote the marijuana use to our kids, affect the environment, increase the drought problem, damage the soil. No benefit at all.
It will destroy our community completely by poisoning our kids.
It would cause a lot of problems.
It's going to cause lots problems for teenage health if they can get it easily.

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Items about controlling the number of stores is not useful. Stores will come and go based on quality, cost, and service. Same with land use. There may be an initial rush but people will still grow walnuts. It is now a legal substance similar to alcohol. Should be sold at DB Safeway. Safeguards look reasonable, IMHO.
It's been legalized; why prevent your constituents from receiving the tax money they voted that they wanted? It will only help to improve the community and get rid of black market transactions
It's harmful to everybody in public uses of the cannabis.
It's ok for people who need it for medical use under doctor's prescription. If now we plan to open to public, do we think about people who will mis-use, and combine with alcohol, gun, by the end, it will create more complicated situation between neighbors, and also make more difficult situations for police officers to handle it under law enforcement.
It's premature to discuss commercial cannabis without better understanding the impact from the recently legalized recreational use.
Just because the prop is passed doesn't mean it's a good idea to grow it in our backyard.
Just do a math. The benefit from planting and trading marijuana will be way much than the unbelievable costs May way beyond we could imaged that would be inevitable adding to our communities and families. Think about how easily it may poison our teenagers and young people and increase possibility of severe traffic accidents which may kills numerous of lives and harmness on public safety Which we all could not afford! Why we want to risk our lives for the small benefit from it.
Just keep the Cannabis Regulation 2017-26 in effect and don't change anything. I don't want any cannabis to be manufactured, distributed, or grown in our county. I believe this will only pave the way for big commercial growers to buy up land to cultivate it and create big agribusiness cannabis monopolies that will eventually lead to undesirable consequences in our community associated with it. Consequences like our youth thinking it's o.k. to indulge in the use of a hallucinogen because their parents use it, second hand smoke inhalation by children in the homes of users, adults driving under the influence of it, law enforcement associated with its use etc.
Largely overlooked the negative impact on environment and society safety.
lead to more Crimes, Traffic Accidents, Education Problems
Many factors.
Marijuana is banned at the federal level. Cultivation, possession and selling marijuana are considered federal crimes and prosecuted by the FBI. We don't want our community become an FBI target. Our neighborhood will becomes unhealthy and unsafe.
Medical use, bring a lot of income tax!
My family moved to Orinda for its high quality school district. Marijuana use among students is a big concern for my family. If cannabis cultivation is allowed, my family will consider moving to another area.
Need stricter limits on proximity to residential neighborhoods and schools. Need lower limits on quantity of plants for commercial farming. Requires direct taxation and other levies to support increased police patrols and enforcement burden.
Need to be more specific
Need to include stronger language that any and all costs associated with safety, security, enforcement and compliance should be entirely covered by fees and/or possible taxes levied on cannabis businesses/uses.
No cannabis cultivation in CCC
No cannabis in CCC!
No cannabis in my back yard.

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No cannabis is appropriate
No commercial cannabis business in CCC
No large scale cultivation should be allowed in cc
No permit
No, I don't want to have cannabis growing from my neighbor or my own backyard.
<p>No, this does not raise the value of the property or enrich the area. Discovery Bay is unincorporated and do not have the additional coverage needed for enforcement of regulations for this industry. Making access closer for youth that are already challenged enough with underaged selling at "smoke shops" with addictive vaping, tobacco. Remember, Discovery Bay Safeway's gas station has been shut down for selling to under legal age how many times? Go to a city that can afford the "extra" activity that comes with this.</p> <p>The numbers of grow houses that exist and have been busted are not run by people for the best interest of the community - They are pursuing income under the cover of a residential neighborhood by converting a family dwelling into a hydroponic "grow house".</p> <p>This industry can be anywhere - the customer base is prevalent - They will drive, to the source. There should be zero sales unless in An industrial complex with plenty of parking out of residential shopping centers for community. The smoke shop at Sandy Cove shopping center is unnecessary and stories of lude behavior toward female employees by owner are numerous. Please restrict selling medicinal marijuana to an industrial site only, IF the need exists in the Discovery Bay community, a Dmv licensed adult can go to like they go to get their car repaired. The additional alcohol and customers to "Aloha Club" have already attracted more violence, drunk driving and deaths. With a location that can be seen from the street with festive lights that compete with traffic lights. One would hope a "club" could have been a great resturant but the profit margin on a bar is so much more. Marijuana is already projected to make 8 billion in tax revenue for Ca. Please consider the extracurricular activities that come with legalized substances and keep separation of the licensing for dispensing of marijuana from the highly profitable alcohol dispenseries.</p>
Only brings in crime
Outdoor grow shouldn't be allowed. Prohibits all commercial cannabis uses
outdoor grows should be permitted with the number limited to 6 plants
<p>Please no commercial use in the home town, no cannabis cultivation in the backyard. We care about children safe, family save and community save. Economic profit is countable, but the huge security risks are uncountable. This is some side effect of taking marijuana which obviously put a nice and peaceful home town into uncountable risks: " Short-term side effects may include a decrease in short-term memory, dry mouth, impaired motor skills, red eyes, and feelings of paranoia or anxiety.[21][24][25] Long-term side effects may include addiction, decreased mental ability in those who started as teenagers, and behavioral problems in children whose mothers used cannabis during pregnancy.[21] Studies have found a strong relation between cannabis use and the risk of psychosis." (side effect informations come from Wikipedia)</p>
Please not in our country. Too dangerous for kids

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Properties within agriculturally zoned areas should be allowed to engage in agricultural practices within the bounds of the current zoning as follows:

84-38.402 - Permitted.

Uses permitted in the A-2 district shall be as follows:

(1) All types of agriculture, including general farming, wholesale horticulture and floriculture, wholesale nurseries and greenhouses, mushroom rooms, dairying, livestock production, fur farms, poultry raising, animal breeding, aviaries, apiaries, forestry, and similar agricultural uses. (2) Other agricultural uses, including the erection and maintenance of buildings for the storage of agricultural products and equipment; sheds; warehouses; granaries; dehydration plants; hullers; fruit and vegetable packing plants; and agricultural cold storage plants on parcels at least ten acres in size. (3) A grower stand or farm stand.

Cannabis is a cash crop and should be treated as such in a fashion similar to other cash crops within the boundaries of state law. The zoning allows for farm stands etc, this should be no different, again, within the bounds of state law. Processing of crops is an allowable use under this zoning as well and no special use permits are required. Cannabis is just another crop. Let farmers farm and read your zoning ordinance relative to agricultural endeavors. Why is this crop being treated differently from any other crop other than as it pertains to state law? While it is understandable that there should be some sort of regulation and taxation, what is the rationale for making it difficult for agricultural landowners to produce a cash crop that will actually allow them to farm profitably? A wine grape grower can grow grapes and produce a consumable on site with no restrictions on who can and who cannot grow wine grapes and who can or cannot produce wine. Are they as heavily regulated??

regarding outdoor personal use & growing, we as a society should not impede on the natural and low cost personal cultivation of (6) plants. These (2) items seem very appropriate: The plants are not visible from a public right-of-way or adjacent parcel.

3. No part of the plants being cultivated are within five feet of any property line.

People need their medicine and we should not create unnecessary barriers to growing their own medicine. Costs are already high for people who need medications and we should support compassion. Additionally indoor only growing could pose fire risks with inadequate electrical wiring or other potential fire hazards. I don't feel it is right to force people inside when there already are limits to living spaces and access to proper lighting. Outdoors does not have those issues. You pretty much eliminate a lot of risk with allowing outdoor growing.

Shocking to hear about the framework

strongly disagree

strongly disagree with the proposal of cannabis in incorporated in Contra Costa county.

Taxes killing me

The extreme caution is unnecessary. Look at how cannabis has been dealt with in Oregon and the other states AND how the cities of Sacramento, Oakland, Berkeley and San Francisco have successfully dealt with this.

The proposed framework is too restrictive with respect to retail sales, commercial growing and buffer distances. This is an important new industry. Its development should be nurtured and encouraged, not burdened with unnecessary restrictions

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There is no merit to introduce substance
To our neighborhood nocomp
Think about our kids, and what cannabis is going to bring to our community, don't understand anybody would agree to the frame work
This frame work may seems to be beneficial to certain extent in the short term, but in the long run, it will have foreseeable negative consequences in education, community, health, house values, public facilities and government tax income.
This is a great start but should not be so difficult for growers zoned A-2 and not effecting the community. Regulation is needed to stave off the black-market.
Today's gun disaster will be the future if we do not prohibit of Marijuana
Traffic safety and kids influence concerns.
We don't need marijuana in our county, where there are lots of kids, barely any water, really bad traffic, worsening safety!
we don't need this type of things in our neighborhood! please spend your time and effort on something meaningful and bringing positive change for our community, no this cannabis business - a negative impact in our county.
We moved to Orinda for its residential atmosphere and high quality school district. Marijuana use in school is a big concern for us. If cannabis cultivation is permitted, we'll consider moving to other places.
We should allow commercial businesses. We should allow as many as it can handle. If there are too many, they won't survive. We should allow outdoor growing of six plants county-wide, as it is more environmentally-friendly and less costly than indoor growing. If there are problems with outdoor growing by neighbors, they should be complaint driven with mediators rather than law enforcement. Personal grows should not require any special permitting. It's just six plants!
We will face more crime, traffic accidentce, unsafe neiboughhood, worse air, addicted children
What are we doing to ourselves, young adults, teenagers and young children? Do we really want to deal with marijuana caused deaths on the highway? What are we setting ourselves up for?
Why arent you guys making money on this and let me grow or open avdispensary in Bethal Island please?
Why don't bring in some good business and let us feel proud of you and ourselves. You know there can be really bad consequence of marijuana business in the neighboring unincorporated lands. How can you be so easily convinced that all the good promises can materialize while the bad things won't happen.
With some modifications, of course, but this is the right direction if taxes are low, outdoor gardens are allowed and we get ventilated on-site adult consumption sites.
with the amount of people in this county it is only rational to have cannabis businesses where the citizens of this county can actually reach them. the preliminary map show very little land allocated to sale of cannabis (and land where it is allocated is very far from the majority population). also where to individual delivery services come into play in this? now -a-days most citizens live very busy lives and don't have the time or energy to go to a storefront to receive their cannabis. look at hospital pharmacies for example, I personally have my medication shipped to my house because I don't have the time to pickup my meds while they are open. I think this map should be revaluated with cooperation from cities on where storefronts/deliveries should be allowed.
Worried, concerned, angry3000
You guys are dragging your feet you need to release permits for people to get their meds.
You need to respect the will of the voters who overwhelmingly voted in for legalization and retail.

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Permitting number for cultivation should coincide with population density, i.e. more permits in lower density parts of county.

Sensitive Site Buffers (other than 1000')

1. If permitted, which buffer distance from sensitive uses such as schools and parks do you think is appropriate for commercial cannabis uses?

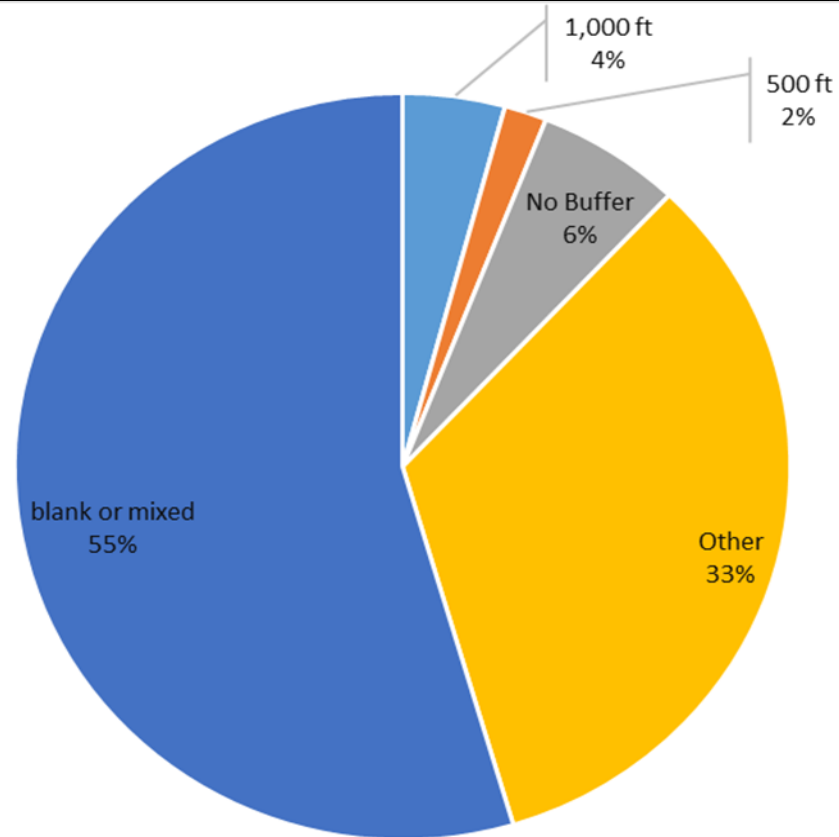


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2b. If other, what is that distance
150ft
3 Miles
100ft
5 miles
5 miles
1 mile
out of our county
2000 feet
5000
5000
10000ft
10000ft
10000 ft
10000 ft
Cannabis farms should be located out of the public's sight. Our communities should not be subject to living in environments where cannabis is seen or smelled.
5 miles
2 miles
As far as we can, may be 1000 miles away
The,further,the better
1 mile
>50 miles
One mile
10 miles
1 mile
1 mile
5 miles
2 miles
5000
1 mile
1mile
15 miles
1000 miles
5000 ft
do not let public grow cannabis

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1 mile
At lease 1 Mile
5,000 ft
Completely NO!!!
As far as possible.
As far as possible.
100 mile
10,000 feet
5 miles
Do not support any land use for cannabis
as far as possible
100 miles
5 miles
10000 feet
25miles
10miles
50miles
At least 20 miles
10000ft
should completed prohibited in the residential area
10miles
Whatever the standard distance is for establishments that sell alcohol and prescription drugs.
The state regs are sufficient.
Schools 1,000; parks 500.
What buffer exists for beer, wine and liquor sales?
Commercial cultivation should be restrickted to property parcels of 20 plus ac. Set backs inforced of 100feet.
600 ft.
2000 ft
Our cities should be considering buffers on businesses that distribute sugar, the number one health threat to our children and opioids, the number one drug threat to our community.
no distance is far enough
5000 ft
3000
To be studied
A 10 miles
1000 miles

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1000 miles
Don't allow it at all
5 miles
1000000000 feet
5miles
1 mile
5000
cannabis shouldn't be allowed to planted in the county
1000 miles
5 miles
10 miles
As far away as possible
At least 1 mile
5000 miles
10 miles
20 miles
15miles
As far as possible.
Please don't permit that
Please don't give the permit for commercial cannabis uses.
3000 feet, if unfortunately it permitted.
3000 feet if unfortunately permitted
5 miles
5 MILES
5 miles
No buffer. Should not be permitted.
School is misspelled I think there is an opportunity for the framework to give suggested guidelines as to the buffer distance. It looks like North Richmond is a community that can potentially be surrounded by Cannabis, would prefer that cannabis sales is not visible within schools and neighborhoods.
Cannabis should not be allowed anywhere near sensitive areas such as schools or parks. No buffer at all, buffers don't work!
Next county
It should not be allowed whatsoever
2-5 miles
2 miles200
More than 1000 from school
Try mile(s)

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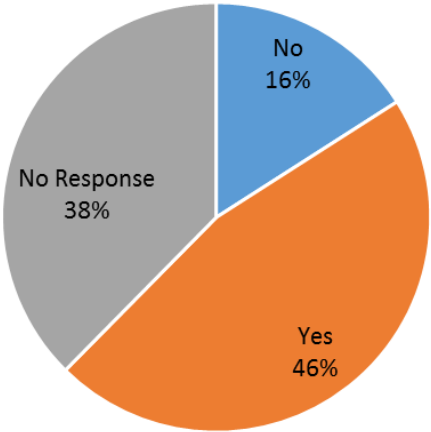
Complete prohibition
two miles
7.5 to 10 Miles
50 miles
5 miles
5mi
Should not be allowed
Completely out of the Town of Moraga!
100 miles or don't allow in first place
250 ft.
I think 1000 ft is not far enough from a school.
Against allowing commercial cultivation
500 ft

Residential Buffers (other than 500')

3a. If permitted, should a buffer be required between residential uses and commercial cannabis uses such as retailing, distributing or testing? If Yes, what distance

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3a. Should a buffer be required between residential and commerical cannabais uses?



3b. If yes, what distance

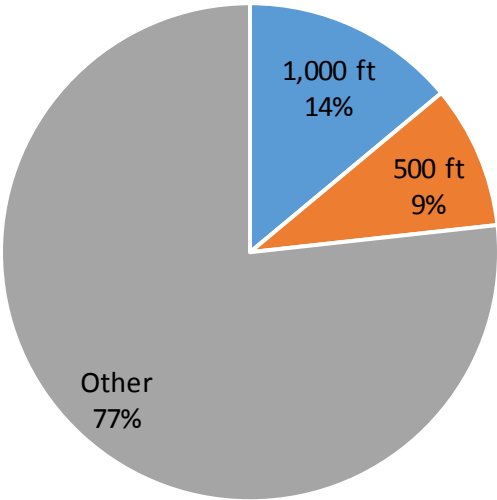


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If other, what is that distance?
3 Miles
5 miles
10miles
1 mile
out of our county
5000
5000
10000ft
10000ft
8000 ft
8000 ft
maximum possible
5 miles
1 mile
1000 miles away
The further the better
1mile
50 miles
10 miles
3000 ft
One mile
5 miles
2 mikes minimum
5000
1mile
1mile
10 miles
1000 miles
5000 ft
do not let public grow cannabis
1 mile
At lease 1 Mile
5,000 ft
As far as possible.
As far as possible.

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100 mile
10,000 feet
1 mile
2 miles
Do not support any land use for cannabis
100 miles
5 miles
20miles
19 miles
25miles
10miles
50miles
â%¥10 miles
1 mile
10000ft
20 Miles
10 miles
A commercial farm should be able to have tasting and retail shop on farm samecas winnery
2000
no distance is far enough
5000 ft
3000
2miles
As far as possible
TBD
10miles
1000 miles
1000 morning miles
Don't allow it at all
3 miles
10000000 feet
5 miles
5 miles
1 Mile
5000
not within county limit

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1000 miles
5miles
As far as possible.
As far away as possible
At least 1 mile
5000 miles
10 miles
10 miles
As far as possible.
no distance is good enough
Please don't give the permission
3000 feet if unfortunately it gets permitted.
3000 feet
5 miles
5 MILES
5 miles
Should not be near any Residental area.
Again, need deeper understading of what other communities are doing in terms of buffer. Is this the county can research and s hare with the community as to what others may be engaging/grappling with?
Should NOT be permitted. Buffer zones do not work. Prohibition does. Do not permit this activity.
5 miles
1,000,000 feet sway
2-5 miles
2000 ft
Again miles, adults can drive to go get it, shouldn't be close to residential areas
10000
7.5-10 Miles.
50 miles
5 miles
5mi
Should not be allowed
Just READ 1b above.
100 miles
250 ft.
Against allowing commercial cultivation
should be allowed in industrial, commercial and mixed districts, not in residential only areas

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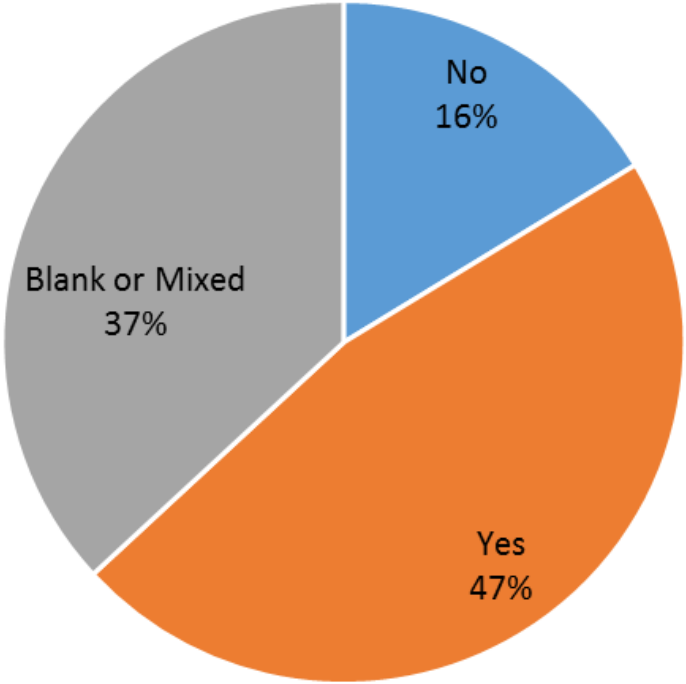
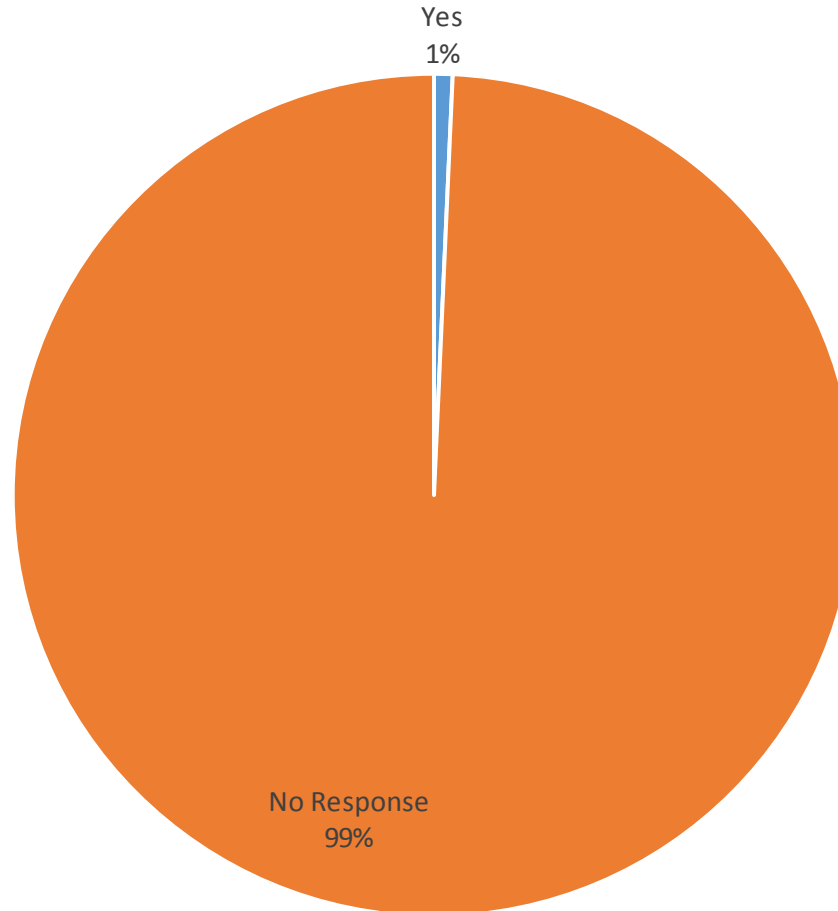
Caps									
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Outdoor Personal Grow

(Should it be allowed by right? Number of plants? Other requirements?)

5b. Comments about Outdoor Cultivation for Personal Use



While I do believe that indoor cultivation is the more perfect solution in terms of concealment of smell. The price of cultivating plants indoors is very expensive in California at \$.18 /Kw it costs \$300 just to run lights for the plants over the course of the grow. This doesn't include a/c or dehumidifying either. The carbon foot print is quite immense. This is why I believe outdoor cultivation is a reasonable solution. Outdoor cultivation completely removes the carbon footprint, and with only 3 plants the smell will be very minimal.

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I think outdoor cultivation should be allowed. having personally been around outdoor cultivation this plant really doesn't smell until the last 4 weeks of its life. And even then the odor is minimal.
Who's going to verify that it's 6 plants or under? And who's going to verify it's for personal use only? It adds more burden on the police force and increase cost.
Rome didn't fall in a day. Passing such a regulation is a start.
Seriously, people will wonder what we were talking about in a year or so.
not allowed
outdoor cultivation should not be allowed on the east side of the county, because it is the area of agriculture core.
Against !
Very bad idea! It will be visible. A hint to kids that it's okay and an invitation for crime.
Bad idea! It will invite crime to our neighborhood as it can be visible.
THIS WILL ATTRACT MORE CRIMES TO OUR COMMUNITY
This will ATTRACT CRIMES to our community.
Outdoor cultivation put neighbor youth at risk and lowers home values.
Kids will go in backyard and help themselves
No more than 3
To provide dirty business
Negative externality to community
Shouldn't permitted
It wastes resources, and it is harmful to the environment and society at large.
It will arise much more troubles between neighbors
Not allowed. It's very difficult and no effective way to secure the amount per permit to plant
Cap at 3 plants maximum.
Should not be allowed
It should be forbidden
Pot growing is water and pesticide intensive. It should be banned in our county. People can purchase via mail order so it doesn't curtail their right to use it.
He will make it commercial
Do we have regulations to ensure such outdoor cultivation is limited to personal use? If not, we are not there yet.
How can we ensure this will be limited for personal use?
personal use can become commercial use
No!!!!
Shouldn't be allowed.
Shouldn't be allowed.
Do not like it
Don't support

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Do not support any land use for cannabis
Will creative easy access for under age users.
it's impossible to prove and guarantee its personal use. If the cultivators sell it sneakily, it will take huge efforts and resource for law enforcemnet to find out.
We are in drought. We can't afford wasting water resources on drugs!
Prohibite use in any schools, public parks, museum, or facilities. Especially for those places with lots of kids activities like school , park, playground and etc.
Since this is still a controversial matter, growing it outdoor will graphycally amplify it.
Not allowed
Our children and juveniles will take marijuana as acceptable behavior, have easier access, and eventually double the risk of getting addictive or even worse becoming drug-addictive.
I'm allergic to sycamore trees. They grow 50 feet high. There's nothing to stop my neighbors from planting them. Also, I hate the smell of curry. Guess what? That's my problem. State regs sufficiently govern outdoor grows.
Some strains just do better in natural light.
State law
Not visible from public right of way
Allowing outdoor cultivation would be a money saver as the citizen would not have to buy power and special equipment. it is a good idea with some common sense regulations, such as setbacks from neighbors and not visible from beyond the property.
The plots on the Bethel Island are generally too small for personal use cultivation.
People should be allowed to grow cannabis on their property just as they do other plants and vegetables.
Indoor cultivation only.
No objection to personal use, concerned about outdoor cultivation due to safety reason
Visual symbol of controversial topic in open area is not suitable in the neighborhood
Don't bring cannabis to CCC!
No cannabis at all
No!
No cannabis at all
It should not be allowed
It has lots of potential risk to environment and community and it's hard to keep the limit so it shouldn't be permitted.
absolutely no outdoor cultivation
it's almost impossible for LE to check outdoor cannibus plant number cultivated.
No outdoor cultivation for personal use.
the smell affects neighborhood health
Will attract criminals
It's a kind of drug. I don't think it's wise to plant or use it as wish.
second hand inhale of that is harmful

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It's harmful to people, the public environment
Outdoor cultivation of cannabis leads to same negative impact to the wellbeing and safety of the community, disregard the purpose
Drug cultivation will lead to similar damage to community, disregard whether or not it is for personal use or business use
NO OUTDOOR GROWING RESIDENTIAL OR COMMERCIAL
NO OUTDOOR CULTIVATION OF ANY KIND
home break-ins will go through the roof. Crime will increase with no consequences
Not permitted.
Not sure.
Should not be allowed. Invites crime and theft. Places neighbors in harms way.
There are so many healing properties in cannabis that I think if you need it you should be able to grow it.
Abuse as will happen
Again, crime will increase as Thieves will go into people's backyards and steal their plants, Once the criminals know the homeowner is growing they will then break into the house
This is a small number of plants and the number of outdoor cultivators is unlikely to be significant.
This could be an invitation to theft.
Once again, it is illegal in the US by the federal government, therefore it is not legal in the state
Personal quantity only
They can grow it indoors or in their garage
Complete prohibition no cannabis
Should be able to grow for personal use outside as long as not visible from street
It will be in all our neighborhoods. Terrible idea!
Medicinal Marijuana can be helpful for some citizens with seizures among other ailments. They should be able to benefit and be allowed to exercise their full rights within the law. Personal use is a necessity for some patients, for relief of pain etc. Growing their own could be more economical & perhaps organic. Making it harder for a self grower could be considered inhumane. A plant still needs to be nurtured, pruned etc- not everyone is equipped for gardening their medicinal marijuana. People that are should be allowed use of Sunshine that could raise their vitamin D & increase other healthy benefits of Mother Nature in CA. Research has shown some people's brains do not benefit over longtime use, but for many, this choice works best compared to other prescribed medications and pharmaceutical's that may have adverse side effects.
Depends on location to neighbors and/or 'smell' issues.
I am a senior citizen on a fixed income who just built a small "forever house" in El Sobrante. I don't have room to designate as an indoor grow area and I wouldn't be able to afford the electricity to grow. Also using artificial light is not environmentally wise. We have a small house on a large (1/3 acre) so we could discreetly grow a few plants if we wanted to if the county allowed us to. I am allergic to most prescription pain pills, and anxiety medication which even if I could tolerate them there are too many serious side effects. There are no side effects with cannabis and no one has ever died.
It's environmentally cleaner and CoCo won't lose the tax income as long as we don't ban.
Very important and would help the bee populations.

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Absolutely. It's silly to allow indoor, which is much more resource intensive, creates fire hazards, and other potentially unsafe conditions without allowing outdoor personal cultivation.
Yes why do you guys want to stand in the way for people to grow there own? We grow vegetables its natural let us grow please
It smells terrible. Don't allow any cultivation.
It is discriminatory to make people grow indoors. It is environmentally better and less costly to grow outdoors. We should have that right.
Indoor cultivation is energy intensive, and adds to global warming. The biggest issue with outdoor cultivation in residential areas is theft. Stolen plants would have a high likelihood being taken by and distributed to the children in the area, thus if an individual wants to cultivate in their backyard, the county may want the grower to provide some type of approved security. I do not want law enforcement to be focusing on the theft of cannabis plants by locals.
should NOT be allowed
People growing six plants for personal use should be able to do so.
Outdoor and indoor cultivation should be measured by canopy size not number of plants. One could grow huge plants for unneces sary large yields, when other hobbieist may like to have 20 little plants that would yield far less than 6 massive unregulated size plants.
We as a society should not impede on the natural and low cost personal cultivation of (6) plants. These (2) items seem very a ppropriate: The plants are not visible from a public right-of-way or adjacent parcel.
3. No part of the plants being cultivated are within five feet of any property line.
People need their medicine and we should not create unnecessary barriers to growing their own medicine. Costs are already high for people who need medications (Bog Pharma) and we should support compassion. Additionally, indoor only growing could pose fire risks with inadequate electrical wiring or other potential fire hazards. I don't feel it is right to force people inside when there alre ady are limits to living spaces and access to proper indoor lighting. Outdoors does not have those issues. You pretty much eliminate a lot of risk and financial impacts with allowing outdoor growing.
Regulate outdoor cultivation to secure covered greenhouses; do not require heavy regulation as it may be a barrier for some that simply want to enjoy what's legal

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Commercial marijuana is planted outdoors and affected by the seasonal climate. It should be planted outdoors in April-May and harvested in October. We hope to speed up the identification of planting, ensure planting and harvesting this year, and delay the time. The loss this year will be enormous.
Because of the outdoor planting in early May, the October harvest, the government should as soon as possible to ensure that can be planted this year, once the delay time, this loss is very serious. Cause social unrest
We hope we can get cannabis's license as soon as possible, we hope we can start cultivate cannabis at May 2018, because outdo or cultivation time is May to October!
San Ramon, Danville are prestigious communities in the US. It takes hundred years to build such wonderful places. Introducing marijuana into these neighborhoods is brainless. Our kids should compete in STEM nationally and internationally. They should not be surrounded by

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marijuana no matter what excuses adult legislators could come up. When marijuana is in, school will be down, our valuable engineer families and other mid class families will move out, marijuana consumers will move in, house price down, real estate tax down, public facilities maintenance is down, School funding reduced, etc. etc. it is a foreseeable chain reaction in a death spiral.
What really is the issue? Not many people can grow anything, much less marijuana. Six plants--who is worried?
No, No, No to this cannabis framework.
PLEASE BUILD A BETTER COMMUNITY FOR OUR KIDS
Please build a better neighbourhood for our kids.
The key issue is keeping those 21 and under away from pot. If allowed as a landscape plant, it will be nearly impossible. I would also like to see stern laws created to fine/arrest people adults/youth who knowingly or accidentally provide cannabis to youth.
The framework does not address the need for and the cost of police patrols and enforcement activities, which should be expected to be very significant costs. The framework must impose direct taxation, license fees, and fines for every residential and commercial grower to address these costs. These revenue streams must cover MORE than the cost of police services, and produce net improvements to police services for the unincorporated county areas. The framework must support auditing and automatic increases (but not decreases) in revenue should costs become higher than expected.
EBMUD must be consulted regarding water conservation restrictions and costs. Cannabis is a very demanding crop and requires far more water than is currently supported in this water district.
The framework must also plan for increased traffic, whether industrial or commercial, to and from the farms and retail locations. These costs must also be imposed directly on the growers and retailers.
Set firmly against this proposal
We love California because of its beautiful landscape and clean air. Our community is calm and safe. It is important to keep this place great for our children, and beyond. We do not want to see cannabis cultivation/recreation in any sort. It is a disgrace to collect money from this business. It took generations and so many lives to fight with the cigarette industry, it is astonishing to see state is legalizing something even worse. At least, a driver smoking cigarette is not DUI!
It should absolutely not allowed to have outdoor or indoor cultivation at residential area, especially at townhouse or condominium. It will avoid potential lawsuits between homeowners for property damage due to mis planting at garage or any sharing wall with neighbors
NO NO!
The framework should also include regular review/revisiting of the regulations. For example, a yearly review for the first 3-5 years after adoption and biannual review after that.
Do not end up on the wrong side of history. Despite your personal biases this will move forward with or without you. However we will remember your actions come election.
What are the basis for the distance? How was it assumed that a distance like 1000 ft is enough to prevent impact on students and school routines?
We need fully functional people for our society, cannabis can destroy people's neural system
Do not support any land use for cannabis
Disagree Completely

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Cannabis is not without risk; Marijuana smoke was identified as a human carcinogen by the state of CA since 2009, when it was put on the proposition 65 list.

A well regulated cannabis business would be welcomed by the citizens. We voted for it and won by a significant margin. Most city councils seem to believe that they know what is best for us in spite of how we voted. It is not up to them to decipher the votes. Implement what we voted on in a timely manner. I've seen the county's presentation and it was fine, though it contained NOT ONE positive impact of cannabis.

There are over 25K cannabis studies published in the medical literature. There have been over 100 clinical studies with human subjects. Consider that most FDA-approved drugs undergo 1-2 clinical studies before approval.

These studies demonstrate that cannabis can help treat symptoms related to neurological and psychological disorders, and to gastrointestinal, infectious, and inflammatory diseases. These studies demonstrate that cannabis is safe and effective.

Yet currently, because of bans and moratoriums, there are no legal cannabis companies in Contra Costa County. Your residents call us everyday because they can no longer find the products that are helping them.

Harry J. Anslinger was the first commissioner of the Federal Bureau of Narcotics, which was the predecessor to the DEA. Anslinger was able to convince congress to pass the Marijuana Tax Act of 1937. At the Senate Hearing on marijuana, he testified that:

"... the primary reason to outlaw marijuana is its effect on the degenerate races."

He went on:

“There are 100,000 total marijuana smokers in the U.S., and most are Negroes, Hispanics, Filipinos and entertainers. This marijuana causes white women to seek sexual relations with Negroes, entertainers and any others.”

And later:

“Reefer makes darkies think they’re as good as white men.”

The fact is, cannabis prohibition laws were never about the plant, but rather about who was using it. It remains so to this day.

According to the Attorney General, in 2016 alone, over 3000 kids were arrested in California for cannabis-related misdemeanors. These are simple possession arrests. Over 70% of those arrests were children of color. We don’t need cannabis laws to protect our children. We need to protect our children from the cannabis laws.

It should be noted that the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment has stated that cannabis use among middle and high school students has remained unchanged since legislation passed there in 2012.

Make no mistake: when you vote to extend your ban, you’re voting for a racist and nativist legacy: 80 years of misinformation, persecution,

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and incarceration. And, you're preventing access for people who use cannabis to alleviate stress and suffering, to help with sleep, pain, anxiety, and depression.
If at all possible, can the council please consider grouping these types of businesses together such as manufacturing, cultivating, and testing in industrial complexes. That way it is easier for the company's to go Green with green energy as well as water supplies. The more people who chip in the lesser the cost is to the individual and the quality and durability go up. It's better to build once and maintain something rather than having to replace low quality time and time again.
OREGON.Wash.Col. Is failing 90% of all farms r closing folding as we speak.t
In my opinion, pot is legal and is going to be used wherever legal to smoke - if I understand correctly. We have a lot of Ag land in East County. It will be grown, manufactured and sold somewhere...why not garner some income while we can. I live in Knightsen. We will never have another source of income, such as new housing, etc. This is an opportunity like none other. It's unfortunate the town council can't see the big picture. I vote we at least are able to cultivate in Knightsen. The council is aware (I was not) that it's already grown all over town. Why then can't we benefit from it? Their logic made no sense to me.
The County should be considering studies from peer-reviewed journals that discuss how a local cannabis industry is healthful for the community: It reduces crime, dui, provides important job opportunities in the health sciences industry, and provides a community with safer alternatives to NSAIDs, opioids, and other harmful drugs. It does not increase adolescent use and addiction. This information is widely cited, even by anti-cannabis agencies like NIDA, yet we've never seen a municipality or a County refer to those very important resources when developing policy. Prohibition is extremely dangerous and it hurts the very people you're intending to protect.
Contra Costa County will attract undesirables trying to make money associated with the new law. Please make every effort to overturn further laws encouraging it before our state falls into the hands of unscrupulous crime bosses bent on making a fortune with no regard for our families and our community's future.
I agree the County should place a cap on the number of commercial cannabis retailers and manufacturing sites. I do not believe there should be a cap on the number of cultivator growth sites.
we really need to consider the potential risk a community that allows cannabis planting and circulation. Especially the long term negative impact on our children.
No marijuana in contra costa!
It will bring in illegal transaction/activities in the community, promote the marijuana use to our kids, affect the environment, increase the drought problem, damage the soil. No benefit at all.
Please don't give the permission to the commercial cannabis uses
From surface, cannabis cultivation seems harmless, but the truth is opposite: it could result in a devastating outcome: undermine the safety of the community, turn the county into a vulnerable area for criminals, drug dealers, inevitably it will jeopardize the houses' value, the housing market, eventually it will undermine the county's economic system, an outcome that is opposite to the purpose of establishing commercial cannabis business.
If permitted, it will definitely undermine the entire wellbeing of CCC, it is just a matter of time.
Real Estate Values will plummet. Any type of knowledge of any type of growing will become a permanent disclosure item in any Real Estate transaction.

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I AM VERY CONCERNED ABOUT HOME INVASIONS. THEY OFTEN HIT THE WRONG HOUSE. CRIME INCREASE. SMELL IS HORRENDOUS.
How about we just keep it out of Discovery Bay. we are a small residential community with a lot of weekenders. lets not become the place to live and play as well as grow weed.
Why add to the issues we already have with Cannabis
It seems like many of the parcels within North Richmond which have potential for cannabis sale are within 1,000 feet of residential and school sites. North Richmond cannabis sales would be too close to the community and in fact, surrounded by this business. There are other unincorporated areas in Contra Costa, and I hope that we adopt a framework that values the needs of North Richmond as the other unincorporated areas. Meaning, if community members of other unincorporated sites are asking for a certain buffer zone, that we also apply those wishes to a community that does not often have many of it's residents engaging with this topic.
If however, the community decides that they do want commercial cannabis businesses surrounding North Richmond, It is my hope that the county is thinking about a North Richmond Community Foundation or trust that funnels generated funds back into the community.
In addition, besides the buffer zones, it will be important to support cannabis businesses who give back to the community. With that, I think it's important for Cannabis businesses who land in North Richmond to commit to funding the arts and culture in North Richmond . The profits of the sale can then beautify North Richmond and add to the arts, culture and history.
Contra Costa co should restrict this activity wherever possible. The one thing that is known is there is not enough law enforcement to enforce any zoning or buffering requirements.
This is an absolute disgrace the Contra Costa County has forced this measure into our community, why not allow our community to vote on this matter, why is it up to the politicians to decide? Are small quiet community will be inflexed with gangs and criminals
As to #4, capping the number of commercial cultivators and retailers etc. merely invites corruption, monopolistic practices and similar ills. While not everyone should be able to receive a licence for the asking, of course, responsible, qualified persons who demonstrate the capacity to comply with reasonable regulatory requirements should be able to obtain one without excessive red tape and unnecessary barriers or complications. The law should not artificially limit the number of persons or firms who want to enter and compete in this new marketplace.
In general, I favor a regulatory regime roughly similar to that applied to the production, purchasing and consumption of alcohol and tobacco, both of which are far more harmful and have fewer, if any, beneficial uses.
Do not allow any growing or use in our wonderful county. It is ILLEGAL
Knowing information from CO why are we doing this? Medical marijuana for those needing it is OK with me and that's it. Now look what has happened since this has been legalized. Push! Push! Push for the next thing!
Outdoor growing is the preferred way for personal cultivation, less costly and more environmentally friendly. Should be regulated by location not general assumptions
I, and all the others attending the meeting on Wednesday night, March 15 led by Ruben (sorry I can't remember his last name) were so impressed with his presentation. Job well done. Thank you for giving us a voice in this matter.
We need to reduce the stigma that has been foisted on cannabis by normalizing it. Any added taxes have to be minimal for us to rein in the underground marketplace, not more than 2-3% max. El Sobrante needs more than one retail site and the whole county could use some

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ventilated on-site consumption sites like coffee houses where people can go out to socialize instead of just drinking bars where nobody can consume it.
It is very important to me that there would be designations in the cannabis tax that earmark funds it generates from commercial cannabis to return them into the budget of the communities where the taxes are collected; schools, parks, open spaces, perhaps a community center! I think 60% of the funds should go to the communities from which the funds come, and 40% can go to the counties general fund.
I have no issue with legal, permitted activities related to cannabis in or around my community. Growing for personal use on your property should just follow state law (no additional local law needed)
I have seen young lives ruined and bad mistakes made in various industrial processes as a result of cannabis use.
Cannabis is now legal in California and it was greatly supported by 61% of voters for Prop. 64. We should honor that and bring the industry to Contra Costa. We certainly can use the tax revenue. We deserve to have good access to quality products nearby so we don't have to drive very far and waste gas and fighting traffic to get it. We also should allow on-site consumption, like cannabis lounges, so people will have a place to consume cannabis socially. Many people live in restricted multi-family dwellings and rentals that could prevent them from using it at home. We deserve equal rights to our alcohol drinking peers who can go to bars to consume. We should have the same right to consume in places outside the home as well. Rehab centers should not be considered "sensitive use," as cannabis is known to be a harm reduction measure to enable people to step off opiates and alcohol. Studies show that there are fewer opioid-related deaths and use in medical marijuana states.
I would oppose to allowing commercial marijuana growing now in Orinda for the following reasons: first, the economic benefits are dubious. Second, granting marijuana growing now means using Orinda as a guinea pig in a risky experiment. Finally, as an affluent town, Orinda can afford to pursue the more prudent and responsible option of waiting before jumping on the marijuana bandwagon.
The distance between commercial or medical cannabis dispensaries and residential areas, parks etc. should be the same as required for alcohol sales in my opinion. Also, its important to NOT get greedy with permit fees and taxes ... revenue from these can benefit our communities but if the amounts charged are too high, cannabis revenue will be driven into the black market and underground. The final regulations should make it easier and more attractive to do business openly than it would be to move into the "underground". Testing and support for open businesses should be strong to ensure that the criminal element is at a disadvantage.
Suggest 50sqft indoor and 100sqft outdoor
As the citizens of Contra Costa County have voted high in favor of Prop 64, we should honor that and not heavily regulate personal use growing. There are many positives w/ growing your own medicine that include those folks who really want to grow organic cannabis. We should pave the way to allow for those opportunities.
No limit on testing sites. Market will determine need. Buffer for sensitive sites should be treated exactly the same as alcohol sales. 10mg/THC does in a single package is much too low. 25mg minimum. Packaging would be wastful at 5mg per dose.