

REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL



DATE: January 17, 2017

TITLE: Ordinance to Allow Certain Medical Marijuana Manufacturing Facilities to Request a Minor Modification to a Conditional Use Permit to Allow Manufacturing of Medical Marijuana

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Reviewed by: Charles Rangel, Interim Community Development Director

RECOMMENDATION

- 1) Open the Public Hearing;
- 2) Take Public Testimony;
- 3) Close the Public Hearing; and
- 4) Introduce for First Reading, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Desert Hot Springs amending Section 17.180.060 "Medical Marijuana Manufacturing Facilities" of Chapter 17.180 "Medical Marijuana Facilities Operation and Location" of Title 17 "Zoning" of the Desert Hot Springs Municipal Code to allow certain medical marijuana manufacturing facilities to request a minor modification to a Conditional Use Permit to allow manufacturing of medical marijuana," waive the reading of the Ordinance in its entirety and City Clerk read by title only.

DISCUSSION

The City adopted an ordinance to allow for manufacturing, testing, and distribution of medical marijuana, in addition to cultivation and dispensing. Staff has found that several duly permitted cultivators would like to add a "manufacturing use" to their project. This Ordinance would allow marijuana manufacturing facilities which desire to operate within an existing duly approved marijuana cultivation facility to apply for a minor modification to their entitlements, to be approved administratively based upon several findings, so long as the added manufacturing use does not result in any additional impact or expansion of use or structure(s).

This Ordinance would amend Section 17.180.060 of the City's Municipal Code to enact reasonable regulations pertaining to Medical Marijuana Manufacturing Facilities to allow existing duly approved Medical Marijuana Cultivation Facilities to apply for a modification to a duly approved conditional use permit to allow for medical marijuana manufacturing.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact as a result of this action.

EXHIBIT(S)

- 1) Ordinance