



AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE

DOWNTOWN DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING OF: AUGUST 19, 2014

DEPARTMENT: PLANNING
DIRECTOR: FLINN FAGG

☐ Consent ☒ Discussion

SUBJECT: UP-5531 (DDRC) - SPECIAL USE PERMIT NON-PUBLIC HEARING - APPLICANT: OVER THE RAINBOW, LLC - DOWNTOWN RAINBOW COMMERCIAL, LLC - For possible action on an request for the REVIEW OF BUILDING AND SIGN ELEVATIONS ONLY IN ASSOCIATION WITH A PROPOSED 5,025 SQUARE-FOOT MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSARY at 1225 North Rainbow Boulevard, Suites 118 through 122 (APN 138-23-110-041), C-1 (Limited Commercial Zone, Ward 5 (Barrow). Staff recommends APPROVAL.

SPECIAL P.C.: 08/19/2014

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends APPROVAL, subject to conditions:

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

1. Conditions and Staff Report
2. Supporting Documentation
3. Submitted after Final Agenda - Revised Staff Report by Staff

Motion made by DEBRA HEISER to Approve subject to conditions and amending Condition 1 as read for the record:

1. All development shall be in conformance with the site plan, building elevations and sign elevations, date stamped 08/04/14, except as amended by conditions herein.

Passed For: 4; Against: 1; Abstain: 1; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 1

TRINITY HAVEN SCHLOTTMAN, DEBRA HEISER, RIC TRUESDELL, COURTNEY MOONEY; (Against-DAVID BRATCHER); (Abstain-MIKE NOLAN); (Did Not Vote-None); (Excused-QUENTIN ABRAMO)

NOTE: MEMBER NOLAN abstained from voting, as he does business with one of the applicants, unrelated to this item.

Minutes:

FLINN FAGG, Planning Director, reported that this dispensary will be located in a strip retail building. The applicant is proposing to paint a 25 square-foot, non-illuminated sign on the face of the building. The sign elevations are in conformance with the code.

STEVEN COOKSEY, Los Angeles, California, appeared stating he agreed with staff conditions and confirmed they would not be placing a panel in the freestanding sign.

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MEMBER BRATCHER asked the applicant why they chose to do a painted sign. STEVEN replied that they wanted the sign to be more subdued, as they were not trying to pull people off the street. They could do an illuminated box sign if preferable to the Committee.

CHAIR TRUESDELL commented that what was submitted meets the Citys requirements but opined that if this were a shopping center he managed and had an interest in, he would not be eager to have a painted sign. MEMBER BRATCHER asked how it would be known that the sign was in place since a painted sign does not require a permit. MR. FAGG informed MEMBER BRATCHER that all signs now require a certificate per Title 19. MEMBER BRATCHER indicated he would be voting against this item.

MR. FAGG read the amended language to Condition 1 into the record.