



City of Las Vegas

Agenda Item No.: 57.

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SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: OCTOBER 29, 2014

DEPARTMENT: PLANNING
DIRECTOR: TOM PERRIGO, ACTING

☐ Consent ☒ Discussion

SUBJECT: SUP-55104 - SPECIAL USE PERMIT PUBLIC HEARING - APPLICANT: RG HIGHLAND INTERPRETING LLC, OWNER: 1916 HIGHLAND PROPERTIES, LTD - For possible action on an application for a Special Use Permit FOR A PROPOSED 8,900 SQUARE-FOOT MEDICAL MARIJUANA CULTIVATION FACILITY at 1916 Highland Avenue (APN 162-04-301-005), M (Industrial Zone, Ward 3 (Coffin). The Planning Commission (7-0 vote) and Staff recommend APPROVAL.

PROTESTS RECEIVED BEFORE:

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APPROVALS RECEIVED BEFORE:

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RECOMMENDATION:

The Planning Commission (7-0 vote) and Staff recommend APPROVAL, subject to conditions:

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

1. Location, Aerial and Special Maps
2. Conditions and Staff Report
3. Supporting Documentation
4. Photos
5. Survey Certification
6. Justification Letter
7. Submitted after Final Agenda - Protest/Support Postcards
8. Backup Referenced from the September 30, 2014 Planning Commission Meeting

Motion made by BOB COFFIN to Approve subject to conditions

Passed For: 6; Against: 0; Abstain: 1; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

BOB COFFIN, RICKI Y. BARLOW, LOIS TARKANIAN, STAVROS S. ANTHONY, STEVEN D. ROSS, BOB BEERS; (Against-None); (Abstain-CAROLYN G. GOODMAN); (Did Not Vote-None); (Excused-None)

Minutes:

MAYOR PRO TEM ANTHONY declared the Public Hearing open.

TOM PERRIGO, Acting Planning Director, stated SUP-55104 met the requirements of Title 19 and the use could be conducted harmoniously with the surrounding existing land uses. Staff and the Planning Commission recommended approval. KAREN DUDDLESTEN, Business Licensing Manager, indicated the Compliance Permit was in order and recommended for

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approval.

RICHARD GINOCCHI, President of RG Highland Enterprises Inc., LLC, stated he would be the sole owner of the operation and while he would hire personnel to assist in managing the day-to-day operations and cultivation, he would be directly involved in all aspects of this business. The facility would be located in a nearly 100 percent industrial area, typically with no foot traffic. He assured the Council of his and his cultivation team's extensive business experience and willingness to maintain compliance with state and local regulations. MR. GINOCCHI introduced his attorneys, MARK TERBEEK and LAURA UNGARO.

DAN RUSH, United Food and Commercial Workers Local 5 of California, anticipated RG Highland Enterprises to be one of the best in the medical marijuana profession, noting that MR. GINOCCHI had exercised a lot of responsibility in his approach to the application process. He was proud to be affiliated with this applicant.

ATTORNEY UNGARO noted the freestanding building was compliant.

COUNCILMAN COFFIN pointed out that a text amendment was pending and that this facility would not impact homeowners on the other side of the railroad tracks.

MAYOR PRO TEM ANTHONY declared the Public Hearing closed.