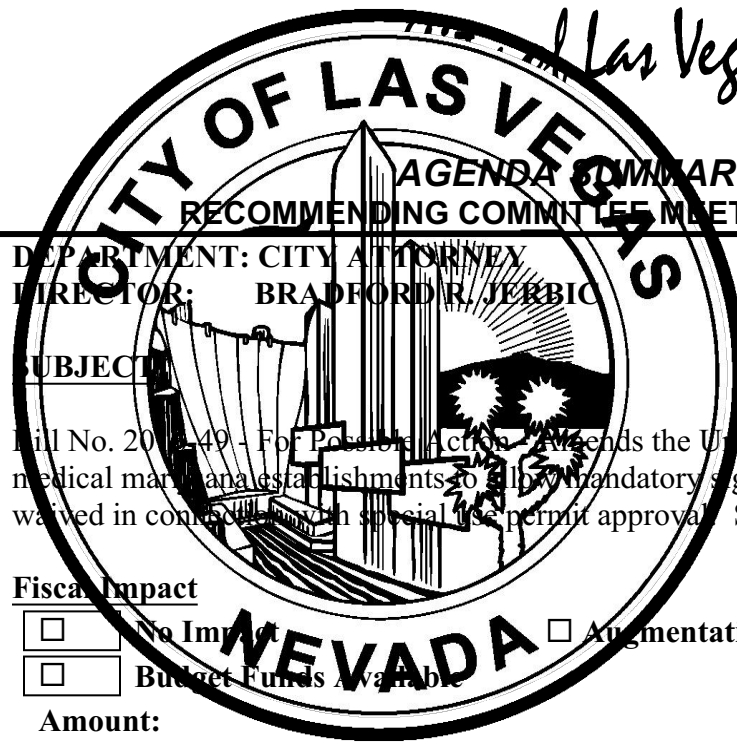




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RECOMMENDING COMMITTEE MEETING OF: JULY 18, 2016

DEPARTMENT: CITY ATTORNEY
DIRECTOR: BRADFORD R. JERBIC

☐ Consent ☒ Discussion

SUBJECT:

Bill No. 2016-49 - For Possible Action - Amends the Unified Development Code regarding medical marijuana establishments to allow mandatory signage requirements and limitations to be waived in connection with special use permit approval. Sponsored by: Councilman Bob Coffin

Fiscal Impact

☐ No Impact ☐ Augmentation Required
☐ Budget Funds Available

Amount:

Funding Source:

Dept./Division:

PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

This bill will amend the Unified Development Code regarding medical marijuana establishments to allow mandatory signage requirements and limitations to be waived in connection with special use permit approval. The bill follows up a licensing ordinance adopted in April that, among other things, relaxed certain advertising limitations. This bill is designed to allow the Council additional flexibility under Title 19 to take into account individual circumstances.

RECOMMENDATION:

This bill should be submitted to a Recommending Committee for review, hearing and recommendation to the City Council for final action.

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

Bill No. 2016-49

Motion made by BOB COFFIN to Approve as Do Pass

Passed For: 3; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

BOB BEERS, RICKI Y. BARLOW, BOB COFFIN; (Against-None); (Abstain-None); (Did Not Vote-None); (Excused-None)

Minutes:

COUNCILMAN BARLOW declared the Public Hearing open.

TOM PERRIGO, Director of Planning, explained that the current code states that medical marijuana establishments, which include collection, dispensary and cultivation facilities, are limited to one 30 square foot sign that is no more than two feet high and is internally illuminated; this is currently a non-waivable requirement. The proposed bill removes the asterisk for each of

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those medical marijuana establishments means that the sign requirement can be waived following Title 19 sign requirements for commercial signs. MR. PERRIGO confirmed for COUNCILMAN BARLOW that the waiver request would follow the normal process; signage would be considered by the Downtown Design Review Committee, the Planning Commission and then the City Council. He further clarified that if this bill is adopted, and the City Council wants to waive this requirement for a billboard and consider a free-standing commercial sign, it would have to meet Title 19 standards for a free-standing sign. Those standards are one sign for every 100 linear feet, two square feet of sign area per linear foot and no more than 40 feet high. A variance from that standard could be requested for on-premise advertising signs on a case by case basis. COUNCILMAN BARLOW verified that this waiver would allow for this process to transpire.

MONA LISA SAMUELSON, medical marijuana advocate, thanked the Recommending Committee for all the hard work relating to medical marijuana including the signage consideration.

COUNCILMAN BARLOW declared Council Public Hearing closed.