

CITY OF DUNDEE

Meeting: Planning Commission Meeting
Location: City Council Meeting Chambers
620 S.W. 5th Street
Dundee, Oregon 97115
Date: October 21, 2015
Time: 7:00 p.m.

I. Meeting called to order.

Chairman Fiedler called the meeting to order. Commissioners present, consisting of quorum, were Gerald Fiedler, David Hinson, Isaiah Cox, Francisco Stoller, and Gary Rodney.

Also in attendance were City Administrator Rob Daykin, City Planner Jessica Pelz, and City Planner Doug Rux.

Commissioners Michelle Kropf and Danny Sikkens were absent.

II. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting(s)

It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes from September. Motion carries, unanimous.

III. Public Comment

There were no members of the public present.

IV. Marijuana Legislation Discussion

Newberg City Planner Doug Rux was introduced. He presented a printed PowerPoint presentation regarding marijuana laws. The presentation gave a history of the law and the City's response to them to date.

Questions were as follows:

1. Whether the City can tax anything (cookies, etc.) and whether we could regulate where any business was located.
CA Daykin answered that a city could tax anything; that although the state does not have a sales tax the city was not pre-empted from doing so. Planner Rux explained further about how the tax for recreational marijuana would work and whether cities would be grandfathered in once OLCC established their rules and taxes.
2. Whether it could be required that growing happen inside.
3. Fencing for growers.

4. About individual growers and how many plants they are able to grow. Planner Pelz noted that she didn't believe that the City could regulate individuals growing at home. It was up to them to follow state law.
5. Whether there were rules in place regarding smoking at home.
6. About the processing aspect and whether there were any dangerous methods that the City needed to consider with regard to zoning. Planner Rux responded that he was unaware of any.
7. About the production side and whether they were limited to a quantity. It was responded that it was dependent upon whether it was classified as an individual or commercial use.
8. How 100 pot plants might smell. Planner Pelz responded that it probably depends upon the stage of processing as to how it smells—similar to wine production.
9. Whether City Council had put a limitation on the hours that dispensaries can operate. Answered that there were no limitations on hours of operation.
10. The definition of "recreational" and the City Attorney's objections.
11. Clarification on how soon the city needed to establish zoning regulations. There was discussion about the interpretation of the state's timeline. It was decided that the City had until July to establish regulations since, although applications could be submitted to OLCC on January 3, licenses are not going to be issued until then.
12. Security. Commissioner Rodney stated that his preference was that the operations take place indoors due to safety measures and mischief. Commissioner Stoller stated that the people he's talked to have stated that, because the growers know how much their product is worth, there is a lot of money paid for security.
13. Whether crops could be grown in the agricultural zone in Dundee. It was answered that yes, growing would be allowed. It was noted that growers were heavily regulated.
14. Whether some of the marijuana uses could be combined. Could a grower also process? Or could a processor have a retail section in the building.
15. Whether any cities have already drafted regulations. Planner Rux responded that he believed communities were beginning to talk about it, but he did not think they'd started drafting anything.

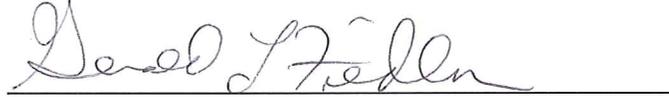
CA Daykin stated that the general direction from City Council was to have the Planning Commission look at the issue and decide on definitions and use standards. City Planner Pelz stated that she believed it would be difficult to begin drafting regulations without knowing what the state rules would be. There was discussion about when the process should begin and what meetings were open. Planner Pelz stated that they would send around the state rules so that the commission could read through them and give thoughts on regulations.

V. Planning Issues from Commission Members.

There were no issues for discussion from the Commission members.

VI. Adjournment

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Meeting was adjourned.



Gerald Fiedler, Chairman

ATTEST:


Melody Osborne, Planning Secretary