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Public Comment Regarding Marijuana facilities, cultivation, and manufacturing.



- I feel that the commission needs to minimize the areas where the new facilities would be located.
- I believe it would be best to group the facilities rather than allow their scattering throughout the city. Just a few reasons follow here:
  - The public welfare would benefit as the monitoring efforts and monitored areas would be more consolidated.
  - The policing of the new areas would also seem more focused and efficient if the new places were grouped.
  - Do we need more labs for testing and more manufacturing of marijuana in our community? Are the facilities used for medical use unable to handle the area's needs?
- I also question whether or not the areas designated on the map are compliant with community law. The following is a short list of churches, parks, and schools that would be too close to the new facilities if established as designated on the map.
  - The Seventh Day Adventist Church and School on College Parkway
  - Pioneer High School at Park and Fall
  - Silver State School at Roop and Fairview
  - The park at Champagne Circle
  - The gun club, baseball diamonds, and soccer fields off of Arrowhead
  - Jehovah's Witness Church on College Parkway
  - Good Shepherd Wesleyan Church on Solomon
  - The park in the Colony on Washoe Street
- Do the locations on the map adhere to the 1000' buffer regarding residential areas that are part of the proposal of May 2014 by Sattler and Steel?
- Some of the leadership and the public equate the sales and manufacturing regulations with those in place for liquor and/or cigarettes; however, we see the situation quite differently. We note some thoughts in this vein as these new operations get underway in Carson City.
  - The rules allowing individuals to grow up to 6 plants for themselves seem quite unenforceable.

- At the Greenhouse Garden Center, we have already seen a strong uptick in sales of products for the cultivation of marijuana. Some of those customers will surely live within the 25-mile radius from a marijuana facility if the locations on the map become a reality.
- What is the best way to help the sheriff's department stay within the compliance of the law? Used in public areas can be detrimental to others as witnessed at Mills Park on July 4, 2017 and earlier at Lake Tahoe's Chimney Beach. Even my neighbor upwind from me on their own property affects my own backyard and its environment.
- The location of these new marijuana operations should not contribute to negative public perception (likely already in place) of certain lower income neighborhoods in the city.
- Therefore, I feel that not all G1 or L1 locations should be allowed.

Sincerely,  
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Our thoughts for tonight's meeting

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