



OFFICIAL PUBLIC NOTICE

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA TO AMEND TITLE 13, CHAPTER 1 (DEFINITIONS) AND CHAPTER IV AND TO ADD ARTICLE 20 TO CHAPTER IX FOR THE ADOPTION OF NEW REGULATIONS RELATED TO PROHIBITING MEDICAL MARIJUANA/ MARIJUANA CULTIVATION

The Costa Mesa Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider Code Amendment CO-15-06 to amend Title 13 as follows:

- Chapter 1, adding new definitions related to marijuana and/or medical marijuana cultivation
- Chapter IV, adding cultivation of marijuana and/or medical marijuana as a prohibited use in all zoning districts
- Chapter IX, adding Article 20 with specific regulations related to medical marijuana and/ or marijuana cultivation.

The new state laws continue to recognize the power of local governments to regulate marijuana cultivation. However, under AB 243, the State Department of Food and Agriculture will establish a 'Medical Cannabis Cultivation Program,' which will be administered by the Department's secretary unless the City adopts land use regulations or ordinances regulating or prohibiting the cultivation of marijuana by March 1, 2016.

Environmental Determination: Exempt per Section 15061(b)(3) General Rule.

The public hearing will be held as follows:

DATE: Monday, December 14, 2015
TIME: 6:00 p.m. or as soon as possible thereafter
PLACE: City Council Chambers at City Hall
77 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, California

A copy of the draft amendment can be viewed on the City's webpage www.costamesaca.gov under the Development Services Department/Planning Division heading 72 hours prior to the hearing date. Public comments in either oral or written form may be presented during the public hearing. Any written communication, photos or other materials for distribution to the Planning Commission must be received by the Planning staff (2nd floor) prior to **3:00 pm** on the day of the hearing (see date above). If the public wishes to submit written comments to the Planning Commission at the hearing 10-copies will be needed for distribution to the Commissioners, City Attorney and Staff. Please note that no copies of written communication will be made after **3:00 PM**. If you challenge this action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you, or someone else raised, at or prior to the hearing. For further information, telephone (714) 754-5245, or visit the Planning Division, Second Floor of City Hall, 77 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, California. The Planning Division is open 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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