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COUNTY OF LAKE  
CANNABIS TASK FORCE MEETING MINUTES  
Conference Room B  
Meeting Held Remotely through Zoom  
February 6, 2023  
1:00 PM

STAFF PRESENT

Mireya G. Turner, CDD Director  
Andrew Amelung, Cannabis Program Manager  
Katherine Schaefer, Assistant Planner

TASK FORCE MEMBERS PRESENT

William Weiss – North Lake County  
Jan Coppinger – South Lake County  
Katherine Vanderwall – Agricultural Commissioner  
Rebecca Harper – Farm Bureau  
Jennifer Smith – Lake County Cannabis Alliance  
Nara Dahlbacka – Cannabis Industry  
Robert Geary – Tribal Representative  
Fire Marshall Paul Bleuss and Chief Willie Sapeta – Lake County Fire Chief Association  
Representatives

TASK FORCE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

N/A

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Bart Levenson  
Erin McCarrick  
Paul Bernacchio  
Sara Bodnar

1. Welcome & Introductions

The meeting was called to order by Cannabis Program Manager Andrew Amelung at 1:08 p.m.

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2. Roll Call of Task Force Members

Roll Call was taken by Cannabis Program Manager Andrew Amelung. Cannabis Program Manager Andrew Amelung, and Assistant Planner Katherine Schaefer were present along with the Following Task Force members:

Present: Jan Coppinger, Jennifer Smith, Katherine Vanderwall, Nara Dahlbacka, Paul Bleuss, Robert Geary, William Weiss

Absent: Rebecca Harper

3. Consideration of Minutes from the January 23, 2023 Task Force Meeting

Community Development Director Mireya G. Turner opened the January 23, 2023 minutes for review.

Task Force members Bleuss and Sapeta discussed clarifications and new information to Item 5.

Task Force members approved the minutes from the January 23, 2023 meeting without amendments.

Absent: Rebecca Harper

4. Consideration of Recommendations on Cannabis Retail Sales Permitting Process and Limitations on Concentrations of Cannabis Retail Sales

Cannabis Program Manager Andrew Amelung presented a Memo to the County of Lake Cannabis Ordinance Task Force and opened discussion to Task Force members.

Task Force member Rebecca Harper joined the meeting at 1:30pm.

Cannabis Task Force Recommendations to the Board of Supervisors are as follows:

*Permitting Process:*

Require a discretionary permit for Retail Sales based on zoning.

*Location Limitations:*

Recommendation moved to the next meeting to provide the Lake County Cannabis Alliance time to provide a model for discussion, and for Staff to create additional informational maps.

5. Public Comments



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Community Development Director Mireya G. Turner opened public comment at 2:01p.m: Bart Levenson, Erin McCarrick, Paul Bernacchio, and Sara Bodnar spoke. No further people wished to speak and public comment was closed at 2:33 p.m.

6. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Cannabis Task force adjourned at 2:33pm.