

# CORE Stakeholder Meeting

April 1, 2021

# REMINDER: District 2 Cannabis CUP Moratorium

- Planning Division is bringing at request of D2 Councilmember
- If adopted will prohibit the processing and issuance of cannabis CUPS in D2 for a possible maximum of 2 years
- April 6<sup>th</sup> 5pm City Council Meeting
- Note: D2 Councilmember has requested that OCM bring moratorium on accepting D2 BOP applications to Law & Legislation Committee April 20<sup>th</sup>

## REMINDER: District 6 Cannabis Delivery Cap Continuation

- OCM directed by Law & Legislation Committee to bring 6-month extension of delivery cap in D6
- April 20<sup>th</sup> City Council Meeting

# REMINDER: City Council/ Law & Legislation Committee Dates and Items

- April 6<sup>th</sup> City Council
  - D2 Moratorium on CUPs
- April 20<sup>th</sup> Law & Legislation Committee
  - D2 BOP Moratorium
  - **CORE 2.0**
- April 20<sup>th</sup> City Council
  - D6 extension of delivery cap for 6 months
  - Resolution to accept GO-Biz grant fund award

Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Opportunity to Apply for **Storefront Dispensary Permit** 

- Thank you for participating in the RFQ and all the work that led to this moment
- OCM is aware that some are unhappy about the RFQ process and others are disappointed they did not submit their responses before the deadline
- By the end of this meeting, there will be 92 more people who will be disappointed

### RFQ Stats

- 106 SOQ numbers issued by Screendoor
- 102 eligible SOQs submitted
  - 2 OCM test submissions (#s 17 & 18)
  - 2 SOQs submitted by individuals who were not CORE-certified participants (#s 11 & 91)
- Aggregated demographic statistics will be available on OCM website

### RFQ: Evaluator Information

- Volunteered their free time to read and evaluate the SOQs because of their commitment to and belief in furthering equity in the cannabis industry
  - They were not acting in their professional capacities, but as individuals with specialized knowledge and expertise
- Evaluators were "sourced" by the City Manager's Office with assistance from Economic Development

### **Margeaux Bruner**

- Director of Compliance & Diversity Inclusion for Red, White and Bloom, a multi-state cannabis and hemp CBD business.
- Board of Directors of the Minority Cannabis Business Association
- Former Political Director for the Michigan Cannabis Industry Association
- Appointed to the Michigan State Marijuana Policy Workgroup
- Commissioner for the Michigan Impaired Driving Safety Committee representing qualified and registered patients

### **Javier Montes**

- owner of Delta-9 THC in the South Bay Area of Los Angeles for over 14 years
- Vice President of the United Cannabis Business Association (UCBA), the largest LA trade association of legal dispensaries
- Member of the LA County Advisory Working Group on Cannabis Regulation which contributed to the development of a pathway for licensing in Unincorporated Los Angeles County
- Advocate for minority inclusion, public safety, effective enforcement, and best practices in retail

### Sam Smalls

- A finance, investment, and banking professional since 1991
- Treasury and Debt Manager with the Metropolitan Water District, the nation's largest municipal water wholesale agency serving over 19 million Californians
- Senior Vice President with George K. Baum & Company, a boutique investment bank specializing in municipal finance with projects typically involving a significant real estate component as an element of the financing structure
- Managing Director with Jefferies LLC, a global investment banking firm assisting public sector clients with their infrastructure financing needs
- Senior Vice President with M.R. Beal, a boutique minority-owned investment banking firm

### **Amber Littlejohn**

- Executive Director of the Minority Cannabis Business Association
- As MCBA's former Senior Policy Advisor, she helped develop and implement MCBA's federal policy program
- As an attorney and advocate, she has developed creative strategies to expand and stabilize emerging markets by engaging and supporting under-represented business interests and communities.
- Prior to her work with MCBA, Amber was a successful business owner, advisor, and advocate for the natural products industry

### Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) Scores

- Individual emails went out Monday with the number assigned to your SOQ by Screendoor. If you did not receive this email, please let us know
- For those that listed on Screendoor that they preferred to be contacted by phone, we called Monday and Tuesday to provide your Screendoor numbers
  - Rumors that we notified anyone by phone or otherwise of their score or their ranking are not accurate
- Scores will be listed by Screendoor number on the OCM website
- Potential score range was 0 400
- ❖ Actual scores ranged from 107 382

### Top 10 Scoring SOQs

- Top 10 SOQ will be listed in alphabetical order, not in the order that they scored
- And the top ten scoring SOQs were submitted by.....

## Top 10 Scoring SOQs Submitted by:

- Maisha Bahati
- Brandon Bolton
- Mindy Galloway
- Jarett Hill
- Robert Jackson
- Daniel Kang
- La Krisha King
- Mark Mabutas
- Malaki Seku Amen
- Michael Snell

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- OCM staff will be contacting those top ten scorers to discuss any questions about the storefront dispensary BOP process
- For those 92 who were not the top scorers, OCM looks forward to continuing to work with you on your cannabis business