CANNABIS PROGRAM UPDATE

The overarching goal of the Cannabis Program Update is to expand opportunities for growth within the cannabis industry while balancing the need to increase neighborhood compatibility between cannabis uses and the surrounding neighborhoods.

This Ordinance update will repeal and replace Section 26-88-250 through 258 of the Sonoma County Code. Proposed text edits are included as noted below in the listed exhibits.

This publication does not include all alternatives or policy options that will be presented to the decision makers, as many will be informed by the Environmental Impact Report (EIR). In some instances, the project proposal is purposefully permissive to allow the EIR to study the maximum impact level which could occur. By studying the maximum project, decision makers will have more information and a wider range of possible project alternatives and policy options available to select from.

Although comments can be submitted at any time throughout this process, comments submitted within 30 days of publication of this draft Ordinance would best assist staff in the development of the final project proposal to be evaluated in the Environmental Impact Report.

EXHIBIT A – General Plan Amendment

A-1: GP Glossary

EXHIBIT B - Chapter 4, Cannabis License

EXHIBIT C – Chapter 26, Article 04. Section 26-04-020. Definitions

EXHIBIT D – Allowed Land Uses and Specific Use Standards

D-1: Land Use Table

D-2: Article 18. Section 26-18-020 – Ag Crop Production & Cultivation

D-3: Article 18. Section 26-18-115 – Cannabis Cultivation

D-4: Article 18. Section 26-18-270 – Cannabis Events

D-5: Article 20. Industrial Manufacturing and Processing Use Standards

D-6: Article 22. Section 26-22-120 – Periodic Special Events

D-7: Article 26. Retail Use Standards

EXHBIT E – Comparison Table

EXHIBIT F – Pipeline Provision