

Thursday, October 7, 2021, 6:30 pm
Teleconference Meeting

MINUTES

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Members:

Vacant	District 1	Frank Tucker	District 7
Tracey Corder	District 2	Chaney Turner	At Large
Austin Stevenson	District 3	Stephanie Floyd-Johnson	Mayor
Vacant	District 4	TiYanna Long	City Auditor
Vacant	District 5	Greg Minor	City Administrator
Vacant	District 6		

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MEETING AGENDA

A. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

Present: Minor, Stevenson, Turner, Floyd-Johnson, Long, Tucker
Absent: Corder

B. Approval of the Draft Minutes from the CRC Meeting on August 5, 2021.

Vice-Chair Long moved to approve the minutes as drafted. Member Floyd-Johnson seconded the motion and it passed by consensus.

C. Reports for Discussion and Possible Action

1. Establishment of Process to Certify Equity Businesses

Member Minor introduced the item then Ramon Garcia and Nina Parks presented a powerpoint presentation regarding a statewide certification program for equity businesses that features a clear identifier for equity businesses. Additional information on the project is available at equitytrade.org.

Members of the public inquired whether the program would support equity-owned delivery companies that sell products made by general applicants. Nina Parks confirmed that equity-owned delivery businesses would be included.

2. Revolving Loan Program for Cannabis Equity Applicants

Member Minor provided an overview of the revolving loan program and policy questions around loan forgiveness for the commission and City Council to consider. Members of the public emphasized how capital

intensive the regulated marketplace is and that Oakland should find a creative solution to avoid equity applicants being in debt and in a worse position.

Chair Turner then made a motion to freeze collections on delinquent equity applicants until the City Council evaluates the program. Member Stevenson seconded the motion. Vice-Chair Long then made a friendly amendment for the CRC to recommend that the City Council halt collections of delinquent equity applicants. Chair Turner seconded the motion. Member Floyd-Johnson voted in favor, however, Member Turner had left the meeting so there was no quorum to pass the motion.

3. Local Jurisdiction Assistance Grant Program

Member Minor provided an overview of the current proposal. Member Floyd-Johnson emphasized having performance measures to ensure permitting is expedited. Member Stevenson moved to continue the rest of the agenda to the next meeting due to the lack of quorum.

4. Develop Onsite Consumption Regulations

5. Implementation Update on Current BCC and Go-Biz Grants

D. Review of the Pending List and Additions to Next Month's Agenda

- *Staffing/Costing of a Department of Cannabis (since January 2021)*
- *Follow Up Questions re Revenue Management Bureau Report (since June 2021)*

E. Open Forum / Public Comment

F. Announcements

1. Update on Cannabis Permitting Process
2. Apply to serve on CRC here:

<https://oakland.granicus.com/boards/w/8552f8c4c0e15460/boards/6697>

G. Adjournment