



Deschutes County Cannabis Advisory Panel

Meeting #10: Monday, January 22, 2024, 6:00 p.m.
 Deschutes Services Building, Allen Room (2nd Floor), 1300 NW Wall Street, Bend, Oregon 97703

MEETING FORMAT

The Cannabis Advisory Panel will conduct this meeting virtually and be available for those that want to attend in person. Members of the public may listen, view, and/or participate in this meeting using Zoom. Using Zoom is free of charge.

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TOPIC	DESIRED OUTCOME
1. Introductions	Welcome attendees
2. Approval of October 23, 2023, Minutes <i>See Packet: Draft minutes</i>	Approve Minutes
3. Presentation on mid-year updates from Departments who received Cannabis Revenue Tax Dollars <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Trevor Stephens, Community Justice 2. Angela Havnear, Community Development 3. Jessica Jacks, Health Services 4. Joe Brundage and Dustin Miller, Sherriff's Office 	Information and discussion
4. Presentation on current marijuana trends and culture throughout Deschutes County Dustin Miller and Tony Romas, Sherriff's Office	Information and discussion
5. Proposed PSA outreach campaign Liz Lotochinski	Information and discussion
5. Public Comments Members of the public are welcome at every CAP meeting. Each person's time will be limited to allow time for everyone who wishes to speak. In addition, written comments will be accepted at any time.	Opportunity to hear from members of the public who are present.
6. Next steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Next meeting: tentatively scheduled for April 15, 2024 @ 6pm. 	Placeholders for the April 2024 agenda

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potential agenda topics: Recommendations of allocation of FY 24'-25' Cannabis Tax Revenue, potential presentation from departments requesting budget allocations, 	
Wrap up and Adjourn	

Cannabis Advisory Panel (CAP) Board Order

On October 6, 2021, the Deschutes County Board of Commissioners appointed 8-members to the Deschutes County Cannabis Advisory Panel (CAP) by adopting Order 2021-045. The Board appointed the CAP to meet quarterly and provide at least three recommendations:

1. The use of moneys transferred to the county under ORS 475B.759;
2. Increases in public safety measures related to marijuana use and marijuana entitles in the county; and
3. Issues presented by the production, processing, wholesaling and distribution of marijuana in the unincorporated area subject to the jurisdiction of the county.



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Minutes

Deschutes County Cannabis Advisory Panel

Meeting #9: Monday, October 23, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

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This meeting was conducted in person and by video. It was video recorded and can be accessed at the Deschutes County Meeting Portal website www.deschutes.org/meetings.

I. Introductions / Call to Order

This meeting was called to order at 5:58 p.m. by Cannabis Advisory Panel Chair Liz Lotochinski. Present via Zoom: Present in person: Jen Patterson, Deschutes County Strategic Initiatives Manager; Liz Lotochinski; Mary Fleischmann; Gary Bracelin; Hunter Neubauer; Dr. Andrew Aasen; Jeremy Giffin; Matt Hurt; Detective Dustin Miller, Deschutes County Sheriff's Office; Detective Tony Ramos, Deschutes County Sheriff's Office.

II. Approval of July 17, 2023, Minutes

Mary Fleischman moved to approve the minutes. Dustin Miller seconded the motion. Minutes approved unanimously.

III. Presentation on Water Usage pertaining to Marijuana Usage and Rules

Jeremy Giffin, CAP Member and Deschutes Basin Watermaster, gave a presentation on water usage pertaining to marijuana. Exempt uses of groundwater include anyone who has one well (multiple wells or linked wells do not apply), 15,000 GPD for domestic purposes which is a very generous amount of water, in addition 5,000 GPD for industrial and commercial usages (does not include irrigation uses like Marijuana grow if it has an intent to sell), ½ acre lawn/non-commercial garden – which is regulated from the source, and stock watering. Service water exempt uses include natural springs, stock watering, and fish protection.

Deschutes County numbers: OLCC (THC) Sites = 54, ODA (Hemp) = 9, Unregistered = 4. Total 67. Water usage is becoming an important tool in enforcing or citing grow operations. OWRD received \$5 million in funding from, SB 5561, which in part funds 14 new Cannabis Assistant Watermasters, Enforcement Section.

Over 2,218 desktop investigations were performed by department staff in 2022. 811, 37%, of these investigations had no water rights.

IV. Discussion on adapting a copy of the Jackson County Mailer for Deschutes County

Liz opened the topic up for discussion. Dustin Miller likes the idea but mentioned that there would be a financial obligation to sending out a letter. There are other options to getting the information out like social media. Liz brought up possibly using some of the tax revenue funds for a mailer – the budget discussion will take place during the January CAP meeting. A narrow mailing focus, like the rural areas, could be a more beneficial route or a mention in the property tax mailer. Other options are to have radio PSAs plus social media plus a letter. The CAP members are all in favor of getting a message out letting people know the resources to report suspected illegal grows and/or operations.

The CAP members decided to draft a short blurb for social media and potentially pod cast material to propose as an outreach campaign.

V. Cannabis Advisory Panel Chair Appointment

Andrew Aasen motioned to amend the CAP charter section VII. Dustin Miller seconded the motion; the changes were adopted unanimously. Dustin Miller nominates Liz Lotochinski to serve another two-year Chair term, Mary Fleischman seconded the motion; the nomination was unanimously passed.

VI. Public Comments

No public comments

VII. Next Steps

Next meeting topics will include an update to CAP on the spending of recommended funds for FY '24. Finalize proposed PSA outreach campaign. Sherriff's Department to give an update on current marijuana trends and culture throughout the County.

VIII. Wrap up and Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 7:27p.m. The Advisory Panel agreed that the next meeting would be held on Monday, January 22, 2024, at 6:00p.m. in the Allen Room.

Minutes respectfully submitted by
Jen Patterson, Strategic Initiatives Manager,
Deschutes County Administrative Services