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MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 18, 2015
TO: Deschutes County Planning Commission
FROM: Matthew Martin, Associate Planner
RE: Text Amendments Addressing Medical Marijuana Dispensaries

The Planning Commission will hold a work session on February 26, 2015, to discuss establishing code standards related to medical marijuana dispensaries.

I. BACKGROUND

On March 17, 2014, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Ordinance No. 2014-008 establishing a moratorium on the operation of any marijuana dispensary in any area subject to the jurisdiction of Deschutes County (Attachment 1). This ordinance included a sunset clause resulting in the repeal of the ordinance on May 1, 2015. In anticipation of this repeal, Staff is presenting proposed text amendments that define, permit, and establish standards for medical marijuana dispensaries. These amendments do not address regulation of recreational marijuana.

II. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

The following chapters of Deschutes County Code Title 18, County Zoning, are proposed for amendment (Attachment 2):

Defining Medical Marijuana Dispensaries

Chapter 18.04. TITLE, PURPOSE AND DEFINITIONS

Conditional Use Subject to Site Plan, Conditional Use, and Specific Use Standards

Chapter 18.16. EXCLUSIVE FARM USE ZONES

Permitted Outright Subject to Site Plan and Specific Use Standards

Chapter 18.65. RURAL SERVICE CENTER – UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY ZONE
Proposed in Commercial/Mixed Use District

Chapter 18.66. TERREBONNE RURAL COMMUNITY ZONING DISTRICTS
Proposed in the Commercial and Commercial-Rural Districts

Chapter 18.67. TUMALO RURAL COMMUNITY ZONING DISTRICTS
Proposed in the Commercial and Industrial Districts

Chapter 18.74. RURAL COMMERCIAL ZONE
Proposed in Deschutes Junction, Deschutes River Woods Store, Spring River,
Pine Forest and Rosland

Chapter 18.100. RURAL INDUSTRIAL ZONE

Chapter 18.108. URBAN UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY ZONE - SUNRIVER
Proposed in the Commercial, Town Center, and Business Park Districts.

Specific Use Standards for Medical Marijuana Dispensaries

Chapter 18.116. SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS

III. PLANNED SCHEDULE

Below is the planned schedule of public meetings in anticipation of adoption of final amendments prior to May 1, 2015.

Before the Planning Commission

2/26/15	Work Session
3/12/15	Public Hearing
3/26/15	Deliberation and Decision

Before the Board of County Commissioners

4/06/15	Work Session
4/15/15	Public Hearing
4/29/15	Deliberation and Decision

Attachments:

1. Ordinance No. 2014-008
2. Proposed Text Amendments