

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, November 12, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, in the Board Chambers of the Eric Rood Administrative Center, at 950 Maidu Ave., California, 95959, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing to consider the following project:

PLN24-0114, ORD24-1: A Zoning Ordinance Amendment to Section 12.03.300 and adding Section 12.02.713 to the Nevada County Code to amend the County's Commercial Cannabis Cultivation Ordinance. The ordinance proposes the following general changes in addition to other minor changes, clarifications, and clean-up: 1) Allow a maximum of two (2) Retail Dispensaries in select areas of the unincorporated County through a competitive selection and Use Permit process; 2) Allow for manufacturing, indoor cultivation, distribution, and testing laboratories in Industrial (M1) zone districts in the unincorporated County; 3) Create an Exclusion Zone combining district that would prohibit all commercial cannabis activities; 4) Allow temporary cannabis events/markets in certain commercial/industrial zones; 5) Require all cannabis sold at storefront and non-storefront retail stores to be Nevada County grown only; 6) Require all property taxes to be paid prior to issuing cannabis permits. Additionally, a Competitive Application Selection Process for up to two (2) retail storefront commercial cannabis dispensaries and the establishment of a retail commercial cannabis application evaluation committee is proposed. **PROJECT LOCATION:** Countywide. **RECOMMENDED ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:** Find the project Categorically Exempt pursuant to CEQA sections 15061(b)(3) and 15308 and consistent with CEQA section 15162. **RECOMMENDED PROJECT ACTION:** Recommend approval and adoption of the Nevada County Commercial Cannabis Cultivation Ordinance amendments and Resolution for the Competitive Selection Process and establishment of the Evaluation Committee. **Project Planner:** Brian Foss, Planning Director.

Documents pertaining to the property affected by the proposed action are available for public review and consideration at the following locations: at the Clerk of the Board's Office, 950 Maidu Avenue, Suite 200, Nevada City, CA 95959; and the Nevada County Planning Department, 950 Maidu Avenue, Suite 170, Nevada City, CA 95959.

You have a right to attend the public meeting to discuss the project, provide oral testimony, and/or submit written materials regarding these matters. Written materials and comments (an original and 9 copies) may be submitted to the Clerk of the Board at 950 Maidu Avenue, Nevada City, CA 95959; by emailing BOS.PublicComment@nevadacountyca.gov; or by submitting an e-comment online at www.nevadacountyca.gov/boardmeetings and must be received no later than 4:00 pm on November 11, 2024. As the date grows closer to the public hearing, please see the November 12, 2024, agenda for information on how to provide comments during the public hearing. Written or emailed public comments received by 4:00 p.m. the day prior to the meeting will be provided to the Board members electronically or in written format and will become part of the public record. The Board Chair may place reasonable restrictions on the time allowed to any person to speak on these matters.

If you challenge the proposed action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Board of Supervisors at, or prior to, the public hearing.

NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: 
Tine Mathiasen, Chief Deputy Clerk of the Board

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