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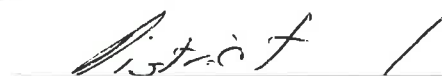
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Julie Patterson-Hunter

From: Julie Patterson-Hunter
Sent: Tuesday, July 26, 2016 8:14 AM
To: All BOS Board Members
Cc: Rick Haffey; Alison Barratt-Green
Subject: FW: July 26, 2016 BOS Vote - Measure W

District unknown

From: Paul Bamboo [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, July 25, 2016 11:49 AM
To: bdofsupervisors
Subject: July 26, 2016 BOS Vote - Measure W

Greetings Mr. Scofield. I am a 30+ year resident of Nevada County and presently you represent the area in which I live. I will not bore you with the sob stories I am sure you hear daily regarding the BOS vote on July 26th. So hear are the facts.

George Boardman of the Union stated in his article that the " Defeat of Mesure W gives the Supervisors a real opportunity to lead". He additionally wrote that "The voters of Nevada County have afforded the B.O.S. a rare opportunity. A chance to show real leadership in fashioning a medical marijuana ordinance that is a workable compromise on this divisive issue".

As a resident of your district, here is what a good proposal regarding the issue would be.

Completely reject the ordinance that will be voted upon on July 28th.

Repeal the original urgency ordinance enacted earlier this year.

Revert back to the old ordinanc that was in effect before the beginning of the calendar year 2016.

This would be a win-win situation for both sides while an amicable ordinance is worked out in the next several months for implementation in 2017. There will be no extensive collateral damage to the county if the above recommendations are enacted.

Thanks for your consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

A concerned Nevada County resident and family.

Julie Patterson-Hunter

From: Julie Patterson-Hunter
Sent: Tuesday, July 26, 2016 8:13 AM
To: All BOS Board Members
Cc: Rick Haffey; Alison Barratt-Green
Subject: FW: Measure W

District 2 resident

From: Donna Panza [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, July 25, 2016 12:05 PM
To: bdofsupervisors
Subject: Measure W

Dear Supervisors,

I am writing to you in opposition to the counties proposed interim ordinance. You need to rescind Measure W and ordinance #2405. Nevada county voters rejected Measure W by a landslide 20%. Please honor our vote and adopt the stakeholders recommendations.

Sincerely,
Donna Panza
Nevada County Resident

Julie Patterson-Hunter

From: Julie Patterson-Hunter
Sent: Tuesday, July 26, 2016 8:11 AM
To: All BOS Board Members
Cc: Rick Haffey; Alison Barratt-Green
Subject: FW: No on W

District could be 1 or 5

From: Michael Sinclair [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, July 25, 2016 11:01 PM
To: bdofsupervisors
Subject: No on W

I voted NO on W, why are you dismissing the will of the people and focusing your OWN choices, creating a void filled by large illegal grows. You asked for the people to decide....they did....now do your job, and write measures that represent what the people want and need. Those who need it most can't afford to buy it, and need to grow a couple plants (6 per person, 12 max per parcel), OUTSIDE, to obtain a one year supply. It's underhanded, and ignorant of you to think they can afford a \$10,000 greenhouse and purchase a 20 acre parcel outside of town. You guys should represent EVERYONE in this county. Who DO YOU represent????????, certainly not me.

Julie Patterson-Hunter

From: Julie Patterson-Hunter
Sent: Tuesday, July 26, 2016 8:10 AM
To: Alison Barratt-Green; Rick Haffey
Subject: FW: Support for proposed Marajuna ordinance

Dist 2 resident

From: lbarhydt [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, July 25, 2016 9:58 PM
To: Richard Anderson; Hank Weston; Dan Miller; Ed Scofield; Nate Beason
Cc: Clerk of Board
Subject: Support for proposed Marajuna ordinance

We would like to offer our support for the emergency marajuna grow ordinance. We feel the grows should be for personal use only and those demanding larger grows are growing for commercial purposes. We don't believe multiple percriptions should be allowed for o n e grow site. It should only be for the resident otherwise it is a commercial grow.

We encourage you to pass the ordinance you have developed allowing law enforcement to eradicate the large illegal grow sites that are a nuisance to neighbors, landowners, and detrimental to the environment.

Dave and Laura Barhydt
[REDACTED]

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy Tab@|PRO

Julie Patterson-Hunter

From: Julie Patterson-Hunter
Sent: Tuesday, July 26, 2016 8:07 AM
To: All BOS Board Members
Cc: Rick Haffey; Alison Barratt-Green
Subject: FW: I support the proposed MMJ ordinance

District 3 resident

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, July 25, 2016 9:45 PM
To: bdofsupervisors
Subject: I support the proposed MMJ ordinance

I will not be able to attend Tuesday's Board of Supervisors meeting as I will be working, but I wanted to provide my thoughts on the proposed medical marijuana cultivation ordinance.

I have read and I support the proposed MMJ ordinance. The proposed comprise ordinance provides for indoor and outdoor medical marijuana cultivation while protecting the community from the growing number of illegal, commercial growing operations that have overwhelmed western Nevada County.

I think it's very important to note that a number of adjoining County's have enacted a total prohibition on outdoor marijuana cultivation. In addition, across California a large number of towns and counties have bans of outdoor and indoor cultivation.

The comprise ordinance provides a balanced approach and I urge the Board of Supervisors to adopt the proposed ordinance.

Steve Enos

Nevada County resident

Julie Patterson-Hunter

From: Julie Patterson-Hunter
Sent: Tuesday, July 26, 2016 8:08 AM
To: All BOS Board Members
Cc: Rick Haffey; Alison Barratt-Green
Subject: FW: Thank you - We're with you in spirit today!

District 4 resident

From: Anne Solik [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, July 26, 2016 7:58 AM
To: bdofsupervisors
Subject: Thank you - We're with you in spirit today!

From the little guys in Nevada County. There are so many of us that do not grow, and do not care about marijuana grows. WE DO however, care about our woods, our animals and our safety.

I live on the ridge tucked back in the woods. It has been a long time since I have been able to just walk our many beautiful trails. There are traps, I have been told to go home, stay off the trail... threatened not to say anything. I have had drugged out grower workers end up on my property doing crazy things - even on Christmas day. I saw a neighbor get beaten up for calling the police. I have seen dead animals, heard gun shots around the clock, some of my neighbors have had water issues with these people. Walk the woods and you will see all the poison bags... siphon hoses.. so sad. Hang out at Waste management and watch all the thousands of plastic pots and chemical bags that go into the dump.

They talk like they are peace loving and doing nothing to hurt anyone but we just don't have a voice and they can't or won't see another point of view... like the animals here we've learned to skirt around them to avoid trouble.

Please - hold onto your beliefs and know that the regular Nevada Country Taxpaying people are counting on you to support us too.

Thank you!

Julie Patterson-Hunter

From: Julie Patterson-Hunter
Sent: Tuesday, July 26, 2016 8:04 AM
To: Alison Barratt-Green; Rick Haffey
Subject: FW: Vision, Mission and Value Statements (Resolution 16-080) and Article 5
Attachments: 16-080 vision statement.pdf

Dist 4 resident

From: Karen Melquist [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, July 25, 2016 9:13 PM
To: Nate Beason; Ed Scofield; Dan Miller; Hank Weston; Richard Anderson
Cc: Clerk of Board
Subject: Vision, Mission and Value Statements (Resolution 16-080) and Article 5

The highest word count in the redlined Article occurs in Sec G-IV 5.10 Liability for Costs outlining a financial approach to addressing irresponsible growers with per plant/per day abatement civil penalties. (The document available online has subsection A, then C through F; there is no **B**.) It should be clarified in discussion if this is your intent:

- 1) The prior fines subsection will continue through December 31, 2016...at which time
- 2) January 1, 2017 (in Sec G-IV 5.10, subsection C, 12) the per plant/per day penalties apply...while
- 3) Subsection D regarding Liens on property will be effective immediately.

Otherwise, the documentation is – as promised – is simple and straight forward.

The track record of Measure W would cause any conscientious voter to scrutinize this new draft of Article 5 with a jaundiced eye. From the starting gate, with a judicial review of the *Impartial Analysis*...an embarrassment for yourselves, no doubt; to the outside world, it was an absolute debacle. It was so striking a violation of your own value statement for “Open and Honest Communication” that here are a couple of points to consider.

Value Statement: We tailor our products to meet the unique needs of our customers, not presuming that “one size fits all.”

No allowance is made for ownership of contiguous parcels in areas designated primarily for agricultural uses (Sec. G-IV 5.4 E 2) while setbacks (Sec. G-IV 5.4, F.) are to be measured “to the property line of any adjacent Legal Parcel under separate ownership.”...presumably based on odor concerns.

The setback section recognizes the era of rampant land speculation when so many large parcels were divided into 5 acre pieces which never sold....purchased eventually by one owner. Where is the “variance” process for this *unique* need?

Value Statement: Integrity

The vote on W was not just an outdoor cultivation issue (Sec. G-IV 5.2 W). The rebuttal to the NO argument on the ballot (Miller, Weston, Royal, Heilmann, Spencer) touted “legitimate patients could grow up to 12 plants indoors.” Now, cultivation of any kind is prohibited in R-1, R-2 and R-3 zones (G-IV 5.4, E, 1.2).

While the unfortunate statement “...if they don’t like it, they can move” cannot be placed directly on your doorstep, this demeaning attitude is now stuck to the entire process. The special consideration in Ordinance 2405 to all legitimate patients is now revealed as the political ploy it was to sell Measure W.

Value Statement: Pride of Ownership

Whether this is “the best you can do” remains to be seen. Any assumptions regarding your electorate went out the window on June 7th. Compare your action on the 26th with 2012...think of it in comparison to 2017. Seriously review Resolution 16-080 with that perspective.....

Sincerely,

The Turners of District 4

Julie Patterson-Hunter

From: Julie Patterson-Hunter
Sent: Tuesday, July 26, 2016 8:03 AM
To: All BOS Board Members
Cc: Alison Barratt-Green; Rick Haffey
Subject: FW: Marijuana ordinance

Dist 1(?) resident

Julie Patterson Hunter
Clerk of the Board

-----Original Message-----

From: Bracken Ridge Ranch [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, July 25, 2016 6:42 PM
To: bdofsupervisors
Subject: Marijuana ordinance

Dear BOS,

My husband and I have been long-time residences of Nevada County. Over the years we have seen the drug culture creep into this once pristine and appealing area. With it a higher crime rate has also managed to nudge its way in. Little by little this area is changing and not for the better. One has only to read the local sheriffs blotter to comprehend what is going on.

The marijuana growers are asking for 25 plants in an outdoor rural grow. From a financial point of view I can understand their request.

That is great pay for a part-time job for the growers.

To say nothing of the people they employ...We live on a small farm and we can't find anyone to work for us for 15.00 an hour They all say they can make 25.00 per hour or more working for the growers, and can make more in 1 month than the average wage earner can make in 6 months. All cash under the table and all tax free.

The local hardware stores benefit by selling PVC irrigation, lighting, fans, dehydrators, and so on..so yes t is good for the community in that respect.

On the other hand have you been in public places (stores, post offices, etc.) and smelled the stench of marijuana on people? How did they get there unless they are driving under the influence.

I also don't understand how growers can be allowed to impose their nuisance operation on the rest of the citizens of this county. It's summertime and already the stench is overwhelming just driving down the roads.

This back and forth bantering will, I am sure, land nicely in their favor, which in turn will open the door to the proposed "Recreational Use Marijuana" grows soon to hit California. God help us when that happens.

I am sure you are aware that most of the marijuana that is currently being grown is already sent out of the area for re-sale. Every year for the past 5 or so years, out of the area "buyers" visit our community during peak harvest . I am also sure that you have done research and know that in an outdoor grow under the care of experienced growers 1 plant can produce about 17 ounces. So 25 plants can theoretically produce 25 or more pounds...and there are how many growers now in our county?

The bottom line is that this is, and always has been, about the money..money from the harvest, money collected by the county for permits and possibly taxes..it has very little to do with pain relief...either that or we have a very unhealthy county.

Please do the right thing and put a stop to the nonsense. What kind of a message is it sending to the youth of our community.

--
Jodi McDonad

