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Special Meeting Minutes May 21, 2018

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Colusa, State of California meets in Special Session this 21st day of May 2018 at the hour of 6:00 p.m. Present: Supervisors Denise J. Carter, John D. Loudon, Kent S. Boes, and Gary J. Evans, Chairman. Absent: Supervisor Kim Dolbow Vann.

Present: Wendy G. Tyler, CAO/Clerk to the Board/Safety/Risk Manager.
Ben Richie, DeNovo Planning Group.
Jean Terkildsen, Ethel Killian, Williams citizens.
Marion Mathis, Maxwell citizen.
Tom Indrieri, Lincoln citizen.
Monica Sankey, Jen Roberts, Arbuckle citizen.
Nancy Loudon, Janice Bell, Ben Carter, Santana King,
Richard Selover, Colusa citizens.
Peggy Scroggins, County Auditor-Controller.
Michael P West, Colusa County Office of Education.
Ann Nordyke, Chief Deputy Clerk.

Opening Prayer - Pledge of Allegiance

PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENT **Note: 5 minutes per person/15 minutes per issue.**

Ms. Yerxa states she is here to invite the Board members to the 150th anniversary of the incorporation of the City of Colusa and distributes invitations to each Board member present.

I. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT/BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

1. Chairman Evans makes time for a presentation on the commercial cannabis community-wide workshops and survey results, and potential direction to staff regarding cannabis regulation in Colusa County.

Ms. Tyler states late spring last year the Board members formed an Ad-hoc Marijuana Committee for the purpose of researching various elements of commercial cannabis operations and potential parameters for considering such activity in the

unincorporated areas of the County. She further states the Ad-hoc Committee provided a report to the Board members on October 17, 2017 regarding the various license types and their potential impacts, as well as how neighboring counties are currently managing commercial cannabis operations and upon the conclusion of the report, Chairman Evans directed the matter be placed on a future agenda to give the Board members an opportunity to digest the information received during the presentation and to allow the public to provide input. On October 31, 2017 the Board members received public input and discussed a number of potential issues involved with allowing commercial cannabis operations in the unincorporated areas of Colusa County. The Board members then directed staff to conduct public outreach in an effort to provide the public throughout the County an opportunity to express their opinions. She states the Board subsequently approved a contract with the DeNovo Planning Group to conduct a series of 7 public workshops throughout the County. The workshops began on February 27, 2018 and ended on March 22, 2018, and were held in Williams, Grimes, Princeton, Arbuckle, Maxwell, Colusa and Stonyford.

Mr. Richie goes over the Cannabis Dialogue Community Workshop Summary report and speaks to the following:

- Public Outreach Process Overview,
- Results and Findings,
- Participation Levels,
- Survey Results for:
 - Indoor Cultivation,
 - Outdoor Cultivation,
 - Processing and Manufacturing,
 - Primary Concerns,
- Survey Results by Community,
- Workshop Group Discussion results,
- Workshop Observations, and
- What are other Counties and Cities doing.

Lengthy discussion is held regarding concerns, benefits, volume of feedback via the internet surveys verses the workshops surveys, public safety, crime and potential impact to young children and teenagers as well as the reputation of the County.

6:32 p.m. Chairman Evans opens discussion to the public.

Messrs Riordan, White, West, Phillips and Elliot speak in opposition of having any part of cannabis in the County.

Ms. Ortiz inquires if there has been any discussion of hemp and inquires if the Board members have a time frame as to when they will be making a decision regarding cannabis.

Mr. Indrieri states he is completely against outdoor grows and retail shops in town. He further states he would like to see cannabis kept in the industrial zoned properties, tucked out of the way.

Mses. Terkildsen and Mathis state they are 100% opposed to having cannabis in the County.

Ms. Scroggins states as the Auditor of the County, she would like to see what the cost would be to the County if allowed and what type of revenue will be gained as well as impact to the community.

Mr. Clyde states he would like to know what the benefits to the County would be and the pros and cons of allowing cannabis within the unincorporated areas of the County.

Mr. Plucker states there are a lot of unknowns, and everyone is trying to play catch up with how to regulate and permit. He states the County needs to lead by example. Noting, this is not something that can be done overnight.

Lengthy discussion is held regarding track and trace, medical marijuana, hemp, impacts to the county, revenue, not having retail stores in the downtown area, crime, regulations, environment, pesticides, delivery options for medical, and keeping things status quo.

Chairman Evans states the County has an ordinance in place now that is in compliance with the law and we don't have to do anything.

Further discussion is held regarding manufacturing and process analysis, re-establishing the Ad-hoc Committee to gather further information and possible doing a ballot measure in November.

Mr. Selover states he likes the idea of the Ad-hoc Committee being re-established and suggests keeping the discussion regarding cannabis alive and educating ourselves and the community because at some point in time this will be back before this body. Discussion is held.

Following discussion, Chairman Evans directs the CAO and staff to work with the County Clerk-Recorder and Mr. Plucker to see if there is time to put a ballot measure together for the November election and re-agendize for the June 26, 2018 Regular Board meeting for further discussion and consideration.

Chairman Evans adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m. to reconvene in Regular Session on May 29, 2018 at the hour of 9:00 a.m.

Gary J. Evans, Chairman

Attest: Wendy G. Tyler,
Clerk to the Board of Supervisors

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Ann Nordyke, Chief Deputy Clerk