



County of Santa Cruz Board of Supervisors

Agenda Item Submittal

From: County Administrative Office

Subject: Defer public hearing to consider amendments to Santa Cruz County Code associated with retail sales and consumption at cannabis farms

Meeting Date: January 28, 2025

Formal Title: Defer to on or before March 25, 2025, a public hearing to consider amendments to Santa Cruz County Code (SCCC) Chapter 13.10.640 and 13.10.372

Recommended Actions

Defer to on or before March 25, 2025, first reading and approval in concept hearing of proposed amendments to Santa Cruz County Code section 13.10.640 and 13.10.372.

Discussion

On October 29th the Board reviewed proposed ordinance language to allow cannabis sales and consumption at existing farms. The Board approved the proposed language and directed staff to complete the ordinance amendment process and seek input from the Planning Commission and return to the Board by January 28, 2025. Staff has been working to evaluate the environmental considerations associated with the above-mentioned code changes. The Planning Commission is scheduled to consider these changes on February 12, 2025. Staff is requesting the deferral of the consideration of these ordinances to March 25, 2025, to provide time to incorporate any additional direction received from the Planning Commission.

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact associated with the recommended action.

Strategic Initiatives

N/A

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Artificial Intelligence Acknowledgment:

Artificial Intelligence (AI) did not significantly contribute to the development of this agenda item.