

Public Comments
for Discussion re
Update of Medical
Marijuana Ordinance

3/10/16

Ruth Hanover

From: Carson Anderson
Sent: Tuesday, December 29, 2015 3:42 PM
To: 'wayoutside@hotmail.com'
Cc: Ruth Hanover
Subject: Status of Your Zone Change/GPA and Lot Line Adjustment Applications

Hello Tom. First of all, I greatly appreciate your patience. The learning curve as the County's only planner, and in mastering the regulations in a new a planning jurisdiction has been steep.. simply learning how to locate files and research the wide range of topics patrons bring to me for action has been daunting. Getting a new Medical Marijuana ordinance in place by early spring 2016 has been another layer of responsibility imposed atop everything else.. so thank you for bearing with me.

Had the opportunity this afternoon to retrieve your planning file and assess where we are in the approval process. The LLA issue had apparently been processed separately ahead of the GPA/ZC matter and has been approved by DOT Director Tippett.. subject to minor conditions of approval and edits to the legal description requested by the County Surveyor. This was brought to the attention of Hunt Land Surveying in late August so that they could bring back a clean title report and any related edits to the Map; however, it appears that they did not get back to us.. and I was too buried with other items to notice that this was one of the sticking points in moving your process forward. Ruth left a message with Hunt this afternoon to get things rolling again. Once they follow up we can issue a clean Letter of Conditioned Approval for the LLA... we should be able to get this processed by the end of next week I would think, and have it ready for you to record at that time.

As for the ZC/GPA matter, I think the earliest we can get that before the Planning Commission would be February 11th with Board action sometime during March. Hopefully that will meet your timeline? Let me know.

Carson

Ruth Hanover

From: Jon Pulliam <jpulliam@tds.net>
Sent: Thursday, February 11, 2016 12:28 AM
To: Info.Planning
Subject: No on 2 Acre Commercial Marijuana Growing Operations

To the Trinity County Planning Commission,

My family has owned property in the Trinity Center – Covington Mill area for over 50 years. We have worked long and hard to see our property, and residence, to where it is today. For some reason, both the Trinity County Planning Commission and the Trinity County Board of Supervisors are in the mindset to ram-rod through a county ordinance permitting commercial marijuana production on parcels as small as 2 acres. This will destroy our quality of life and impose numerous problems associated with the commercial cultivation of marijuana.

This plan has not been thought-out in a logical manner and will end-up imploding on the residents of Trinity County. If Trinity County officials think they are going to eventually reap vast tax revenue funds, from marijuana grow sites, they are mistaken. Look as to how crime has increased drastically throughout the county the last few years, from minor thefts to homes being burglarized and simple physical assaults to even some homicides. Thievery is rampant and transients who are unemployed “trimmers,” loiter around Weaverville and Hayfork, as well as other towns. The dogs owned by the transients are often unleashed as well as being unlicensed and probably not vaccinated, as we have seen with some outbreaks of canine cough and canine flu.

The widespread growing of marijuana will tax our water resources consisting of springs, wells, and streams. Already illegal dams have been constructed necessitating the Department of Fish and Wildlife to patrol streams for illegal dams with then require removal. Rodenticides are killing our wildlife population and even some domestic dogs have succumbed to the poison. Then there is the constant stench of marijuana hanging in the air as one travels along our state highways and county roads.

Placing 2 acre marijuana growing operations in residential areas is unacceptable and unsafe when considering the attraction of criminal activity, water quality, and the quality of life for local residents.

Reducing the parcel size to 2 acres is not conducive for the safety of our residents and a larger parcel size must remain in effect. Please consider requiring minimum parcel sizes of at least 30 acres and setbacks of at least 300 feet for commercial marijuana growing operations. Please do not rush to a proposal of a 2 acre minimal parcel size which will only drastically increase the problems associated with marijuana cultivation.

Sincerely,

Jon Pulliam

Ruth Hanover

From: John and Evelyn Ward <jeward@shasta.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 27, 2016 2:12 PM
To: Info.Planning
Subject: commercial grows

Hello, Planning Commission,

Of course the growers want you to adopt Humboldt County's very grower-friendly ordinance for commercial grows. But we aren't Humboldt County and citizens other than the growers don't want us to be. Please consider the negative impacts large grows have had on our community and environment, and don't be pressured into giving way to the growers at the expense of everyone else. They came to our county to put in illegal grows and do not deserve special treatment or consideration. Pot is here to stay and could be beneficial to the county if tightly regulated, as with alcohol, but it should not be viewed as a benign crop. Please start out conservatively: 30 acre minimum lot size for commercial grows, minimum 500 ft. setbacks, and special use permits for all commercial grows.

Thank you,
John Ward

February 29, 2016

Subject; Commercial Marijuana Cultivation

Hello,

My name is Jim Bonk. My wife and I live in Lewiston on Goose Ranch Road. We feel that commercial marijuana cultivation should be kept to agricultural and unclassified parcels of 30 acres and greater. The talk of allowing these grows on two acre parcels is just plain crazy. I know you folks are trying to generate income for the county but think about the effect that will have in future years. It will be impossible to change back that decision. Simply put you cannot put the paste back into the tube. If need be allow an exception for the folks in Trinity Pines.

Please do not liberalize the requirements of County Ordinance 315-797 for commercial marijuana cultivation.

Sincerely, James and Billie Jo Bonk

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James Bonk". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name.

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TRINITY COUNTY
PLANNING DEPARTMENT

To all in charge of directing the future of our Trinity County:

We the people are not seeking an illegal business. This is our future. Trinity County needs to seize this opportunity! If the Planners and Supervisors do not get on board with the Medical Marijuana Industry, this County has a dim future!

By making more restrictive rules, we are not preventing the problems in our community that already exist. Proper Management of the Medical Marijuana Industry will eliminate most of these existing problems.

We the people, ask the leaders of our community, to design a system of compliance. Doing this will launch our County out of poverty. Prove to us that our Leaders really care about the financial stability of our County.

As we can all see, worldwide there is a huge demand for Medical Marijuana. **IT IS LEGAL!** Let us capitalize on the once in a lifetime opportunity we have right now. The Residents of Trinity County should be given this opportunity first. Please support a residency requirement to be allowed to grow Commercial Medical Marijuana. Trinity County is a very special place to all of us that reside here.

As you will see in the Model attached: (Not many parcels are square, therefore the rectangular Model). You Leaders of our Community could adopt a system that is favorable to the Cottage Industries we claim to support. Lets encourage our people to do for themselves. This will create a positive attitude and reduce the need for some public Assistance.

Thank You for your consideration

Sincerely Curt M Connor

Trinity County Resident since 1979

Acres	Rectangle Property Size $L = 935 \times 465 = W$	1,000 sqft per Acre Garden Size	Maximum set back attainable
10		100' x 100'	186'
9	887' x 442'	94' x 94'	174'
8	835' x 417'	89' x 89'	165'
7	780' x 390'	83' x 83'	153'
6	723' x 361'	77' x 77'	142'
5	660' x 330'	70' x 70'	130'
4	590' x 295'	63' x 63'	115'
3	510' x 255'	54' x 54'	101'
2	418' x 209'	44' x 44'	83'

