

**CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING LAND USE CODE
AMENDMENTS TO ESTABLISH LOCATIONAL RESTRICTIONS ON MARIJUANA
PRODUCTION, PROCESSING, SELLING, AND DELIVERY**

Councilmembers Nick Licata and Sally Clark are proposing to amend the Land Use Code in response to recently enacted state laws regarding the production, processing, selling, and delivery of marijuana and marijuana products. The amendments would establish restrictions on the production, processing, selling, and delivery of marijuana in:

1. Single-family zones
2. Multifamily zones
3. Neighborhood Commercial 1 zones
4. The following Downtown zones:
 - Pioneer Square Mixed
 - International District Mixed
 - International District Residential
 - Downtown Harborfront 1
 - Downtown Harborfront 2
 - Pike Market Mixed.
5. The following landmark and historic districts:
 - Ballard Avenue Landmark District
 - Columbia City Landmark District
 - Fort Lawton Landmark District
 - Harvard-Belmont Landmark District
 - International Special Review District
 - Pike Place Market Historical District
 - Pioneer Square Preservation District
 - Sand Point Overlay District.

Additionally, the proposed legislation would add definitions related to marijuana. It would also modify provisions for community gardens and urban farms on industrially zoned property in the Duwamish and Ballard/Interbay Manufacturing and Industrial Centers to clarify existing standards and limit indoor agricultural operations to a maximum size of 10,000 square feet, excluding associated office or food processing areas.

PUBLIC HEARING

The City Council's Housing, Human Services, Health, and Culture Committee will hold a public hearing to take comments on the proposal on Wednesday, April 24, 2013. The hearing will be held in City Council Chambers, 2nd floor, Seattle City Hall, 600 Fourth Avenue. The entrances to City Hall are located on the west side of Fifth Avenue and the east side of Fourth Avenue, between James and Cherry Streets.

The meeting begins at 2 p.m. For more information on the time of the hearing, please check the Committee agenda a few days prior to the meeting at www.seattle.gov/council/com_assign.htm. For those who wish to testify, a sign-up sheet will be available outside the Council Chamber one-half hour before the public hearing.

Directions to City Hall, and information about transit access and parking, are available at http://www.seattle.gov/council/visiting_city_hall.htm.

Questions concerning the public hearing may be directed to Newell Aldrich in the offices of Councilmember Licata at 386-9011 or via e-mail at newell.aldrich@seattle.gov. Print and communications access is provided on prior request. Please contact Newell Aldrich at 386-9011 as soon as possible to request accommodations for a disability.

WRITTEN COMMENTS

For those unable to attend the public hearing, written comments may be sent to:

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Written comments should be received by Tuesday, April 23, 2013 at 5 p.m.

INFORMATION AVAILABLE

Electronic copies of the proposal may be obtained online at www.seattle.gov/dpd/planning/CannabisZoningRestrictions, and paper copies are available at the DPD Public Resource Center, 700 5th Avenue, Suite 2000 in the Seattle Municipal Tower. The Public Resource Center is open 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. Questions regarding the proposal may be directed to Rebecca Herzfeld at (206) 684-8148 or via email at rebecca.herzfeld@seattle.gov.