



## Town of Windsor

### Proposition 64 – Adult Use of Marijuana Act

#### Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

- 1. What exactly has been legalized?** It is now legal for a person 21 years of age or older to possess and use up to 1 ounce of marijuana and cultivate up to 6 marijuana plants for recreational (nonmedical) purposes.
- 2. Why is dealing with this such an urgent matter?** Certain aspects of the law took effect on November 9, 2016, the day after the Statewide election. The urgency is to allow the Town to maintain control over marijuana activities within town boundaries and allow for more time to research best policies for all marijuana activities, including protections to neighborhoods and children.
- 3. What about growing marijuana plants?** Proposition 64 allows indoor and outdoor growing of marijuana plants to take place in residential neighborhoods (up to 6 plants total per household). However, Windsor has enacted the local option under the law and currently has a ban (moratorium) on all outdoor growing and a ban on all indoor growing, unless the indoor growing meets certain standards (contact the Community Development Department at (707) 838-1000 for these standards).
- 4. Where can people smoke marijuana as a recreational use?** Marijuana can be smoked only in private property areas, not in public places, on sidewalks or in public parks. Smoking cannot take place in a vehicle. Smoking also cannot take place within 1,000 feet of schools, daycare or youth centers, unless inside a private residence, where the smoking is not detectable by the children.
- 5. Where can people purchase marijuana for recreational use?** The law requires the State of California to draw up regulations and licensing requirements for commercial and retail marijuana businesses by January 1, 2018. As such, none of these commercial establishments are in business yet, to the best of the Town's knowledge. Purchasing marijuana is not possible in Windsor due to zoning prohibitions against marijuana businesses.
- 6. What is the Town of Windsor doing to address Proposition 64?** The Town Council recently enacted the local option under the law and currently has a ban (moratorium) on all outdoor growing and a ban on all indoor growing, unless the indoor growing meets certain standards. Further, the Town is currently studying the many other aspects of the new law including commercial and retail marijuana businesses, deliveries of marijuana, smoking in multifamily housing, possession on Town property and hemp cultivation, among other issues. Your input is crucial as we study these areas as potentially adopt new local laws to deal with them. Comments or suggestions can be emailed to [Prop64@townofwindsor.com](mailto:Prop64@townofwindsor.com).
- 7. How does this new law affect the medical marijuana law (Prop. 215)?** Proposition 215 still stands and is valid. Proposition 64 deals with recreational (nonmedical) marijuana.
- 8. What should I do if I see what I think are illegal marijuana activities, growing, smoking or other activities I am unsure about?** Any illegal marijuana activities should be reported to the Windsor Police Department at (707) 838-1234. If you believe the illegal marijuana activity pertains to licensing and permitting violations, contact the Community Development Department at (707) 838-1000.
- 9. How can I provide my opinion or get more information?** The Town has set up a special email address at [Prop64@townofwindsor.com](mailto:Prop64@townofwindsor.com) for you to send in your questions and comments. You may also call Town Hall at (707) 838-1000 and speak with the Community Development Director or Town Manager.