

# Measure Z Committee

Adopted Minutes

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Thursday, September 16, 2010, 6:00 p.m.  
City Council Chambers, City Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
One Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Oakland, CA

## **Members:**

Dale Gieringer	District 1	Keith Stephenson	District 7
Joseph E. Villatoro	District 2	TC Everett	At Large
Richard Lee	District 3	Leslie Bonett	Mayor
James Anthony	District 4	Wendy Herndon	City Auditor
Matt Hummel	District 5	Jeff Baker	City Administrator
Dhar Mann	District 6		

## **DRAFT MINUTES**

### **A. Roll Call and determination of quorum**

*Members Present: Villatoro, Mann, Stephenson, TC Everett, L. Bonett, W. Herndon, J. Baker and Chairperson Lee*

*Members Excused: D. Gieringer, M. Hummel, J. Anthony*

A quorum for the meeting was achieved.

### **B. Open Forum / Public Comment**

*There were no speakers at Open Forum.*

### **C. Review of the Pending List**

*There were two additions to the Pending List.*

- 1. Provide update for annual report for next meeting.*
- 2. In the event of passage of Proposition of 19, a discussion of the focus of the Measure Z Committee.*

### **D. Approval of Draft Minutes**

*The Draft Minutes of the meeting of August 19, 2010 were approved, by consensus.*

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**E. Reports for Discussion and Possible Action:**

1. Discussion: Restructuring of Monthly Meeting Schedule to Every Other Month (Even-Numbered Months Only).

**ACTION:** (Item Tabled Until Next Meeting)

2. Development of Guidelines, Fees and Overall Regulation of Measure Z Clubs

Staff person Baker noted a request from the Office of the City Attorney that the Measure Z Committee no longer refer to private adult cannabis establishments as “Measure Z Clubs.” The term infers a connection between private adult cannabis establishments and the Measure Z Committee.

Chairperson Lee asked whether the City Attorney provided any recommendations for a name. Further, Chairperson Lee referenced an earlier press conference that included the City Attorney and members of law enforcement who publicly proffered support for Proposition 19. There is somewhat of a conflict supporting two positions: public support from the City Attorney and law enforcement regarding Proposition 19; the commonly known facts surrounding the city’s debt, decreasing law enforcement staffing, and a possible revenue stream from law-abiding residents – with the request to refrain from using the term “Measure Z Clubs.”

Member Everett added that the position of the City Attorney was interesting in that the initial position was the “clubs” were illegal and there was no name for the establishments. Lastly, Member Everett offered support to Chairperson Lee to push forward with the objectives of the Proposition 19.

Member Herndon commended Chairperson Lee for being on the “front lines” of the cannabis movement and expressed concern with City Attorney motives regarding “Measure Z Clubs.”

Member Hummell expressed surprise at the City Attorney’s position since the “Measure Z Clubs” have always been referred to as such. The existence of the “clubs” have been embodied in all correspondence between the City Council and Committee in the past.

Member Bonett commented on her support and endorsement of Proposition 19. Regarding the “Measure Z Clubs” she noted the Committee is not opening the clubs. She added that perhaps the Committee should be renamed the “Proposition 19 Committee.”

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Member Mann suggested discussion of the issues of “guidelines” and “fees” are scheduled for Committee discussion after the November election in order to obtain clarification as to where we actually are.

Staff person Baker suggested the Committee acknowledge the request from the City Attorney and agreed with the position taken by Member Anthony at an earlier meeting that it is not clear whether the City Attorney is legal counsel for the Committee. A definitive decision regarding the “clubs” and “guidelines” would probably be more appropriate following November’s election.

**Motion:** Chairperson Lee made a Motion to cancel October’s meeting and return to discuss this issue in November. Motion seconded by Member Hummell.

**Action:** Motion passed by consensus.

#### **F. Announcements**

Chairperson Lee: Announced East Bay Activist’s Meeting/Pizza Party following tonight’s meeting at the Student Union; a Rebecca Kaplan birthday party is scheduled tonight at Scotts’ restaurant and the International Cannabis Hemp Expo (INCHE) at the Cow Palace, trade show on Saturday and Sunday.

Member Mann: Announced IGROW is rebranding itself and launching new brand on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. In addition, there is a filming of Oakland’s newest reality show centered on the cannabis movement, by Original Production, October 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Member Bonett acknowledged over 40 persons in the audience. Secondly, she announced and provided flyers for a concert series at Oakland’s Woodminster Amphitheater with various artists over the next four weekends.

#### **G. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned.