

Cannabis Policy Oversight Team (CPOT) Half Day meeting [DRAFT]

August 6th, 2019

8:30am-12:30pm

SE Uplift Neighborhood Coalition , Fireside Room

3534 SE Main St., Portland OR 97214

- **Review and approve subcommittee requests:** Members reviewed, made edits, and decided what subcommittee priorities would move forward for future CPOT discussions. Informed Policy priorities that will be discussed at upcoming CPOT meetings will be listed below.
- **Allocation of Cannabis Tax and tracking use:** Recommendations about the entirety of City's Cannabis tax revenue. Some recommendations include using cannabis tax dollar funds for re-entry housing and assisting individuals who are currently incarcerated.
- Strengthen Social Equity Program with licensing by making recommendations to state regulators.
- **Data Audit:** Currently there is no method to track needs for cannabis businesses. Going forward, CPOT members will discuss how the Cannabis Program can contract with someone to track and analyze data. In addition to this, CPOT members will create a list of what type of data needs to be tracked and the importance of it.
- **Refine Health and Public Safety Policy:** CPOT members will discuss research and recommendations for anti-discrimination laws, policy making, and public health inquiries. They would prefer if a public health official such as an employee from Multnomah County Health Department or Oregon Health Authority would present at an upcoming CPOT session.
- **Social Consumption and identify measures of impairment:** Going forward, CPOT members would like an individual from Government Relations to discuss social consumption at one CPOT Session. The meeting will include discussions about destigmatizing cannabis at the city/state level and how state funds can assist with cannabis research.
- **Sustainability Standards:** CPOT members at some point will discuss recommendations for the state. Recommendations include creating different standards for sustainable acts and improving packaging requirements.

Small group work recommendation language: Kimie presented the 2019 Annual Cannabis Policy Report (working draft) to CPOT members. Members decided to break the report into four main sections. The four sections include: Social Equity, Research, Competency, and Sustainability. All information in the report will be pulled from resources, links, data, and discussions. The final report will result in a strategic guideline for the Cannabis Program, Civic Life, and to the public. Currently, the structure for the final report will be outlined with the following layout:

1. Social Equity	2. Research	3. Competency	4. Sustainability
Description of why social equity needs to be addressed with cannabis policy decision making	Description of why research needs to be addressed with cannabis policy decision making in terms of funding, medical needs, and patient access.	Description of why competency needs to be addressed with cannabis policy decision making to keep the public, stockholders', and consumers' informed.	Description of why sustainability needs to be addressed with cannabis policy decision making in terms of social, human, and environment sustainability.
How social equity is being addressed with City of Portland's Cannabis Program, what barriers does the program face with social equity, and what changes need to occur for improvements?	How research is being addressed currently with the City's policies making? What barriers does the program encounter with research, and what changes need to occur for improvements going forward?	How competency is being addressed with City's Cannabis Program, what barriers is the program encountering? What changes can be made for competency improvements for the Cannabis Program?	How sustainability is being addressed with the City of Portland's Cannabis Program? What barriers does the program currently face with sustainability? How can changes be made for improvements with the program's sustainability practices?
How social equity is being addressed with the City's policies standards? What barriers does the City encounters with Social Equity, and what changes need to occur for improvements	How is research is being addressed with City policies? What barriers does the City currently encounters and how can improvements be made for research? What could the benefits be?	How is competency being addressed with City policies? What barriers with competency is the City currently facing? How can changes be made for competency at the City level? What improvements can be foreshadowed?	How is sustainability being addressed with the City Policies? What barriers is the City currently encountering and how can improvements be made going forward?
How Social equity is being addressed with State policies, what barriers does the State encounters with social equity? What changes need to occur for improvements at the state level?	How research is being addressed at the State level with policy making, what barriers are currently being faced, and what can change for research improvements at the State level?	How is research being addressed at the State level with competency? What barriers are we encountering at the State level, and what changes can be made with state policies regarding competency for beneficial outcomes?	How is sustainability being addressed at the State level with policy making? What barriers us the state currently encountering and how can changes occur at the state level for better sustainability practices for all?

- **Large Group Reviews and approves initial draft recommendations and layout:** CPOT Members reviewed initial draft of 2019 annual Cannabis Policy Report, provided recommendations/suggestions, and decided where priorities should be placed under the four main points. The sub list of priorities will be displayed below under main points.

Social Equity

- Allocation of Cannabis tax and tracking use
- Re-entry Housing
- Coordinating support for incarcerated individuals

Research

- Data Audit
- Social consumption and identify measures of impairment

Competency

- Refine Health and public safety policy
- Social consumption/ identifying measures of impairment
- Destigmatize legal cannabis throughout the regulatory system
- Workforce Training and Education
- Compassionate giving
- Workplace rights
- Promotion of City, CPOT, and Cannabis Grant work
- Convene and host community gatherings
- Health Education
- Participation in/support for conferences
- Engage local press
- Increase public engagement around cannabis policy
- Youth Education
- Activate social media and digital communities

Sustainability

- Tourism
- Packaging requirements
- Recycling capabilities in our own region
- Energy use / credits/ requirements for energy use, insulation, runoff for cannabis businesses; efficiency audits and credits from PGE, Energy Star, UL Listing, or others.

Sub item- City Supporting Small local businesses

- Explore flexibility of 1000' buffer
- Reducing barriers to access

- **Next Steps:** CPOT members divided sections of report to work on for this week. Katherine Krajnak will write a summary for competency and Tim Zimmerman will write a summary about the City supporting small local businesses. Dr. Nicole Bowles will focus on research while Dr. Rachel Knox will write about sustainability. Once summaries are finalized, the writing samples will be emailed to Kimie. Kimie will create a second draft including notes from previous meetings, discussions and, edits. At the next meeting on August 8th, 2019 the second draft of the 2019 Annual Cannabis Policy Report will be ready for review.