



**Cannabis Policy Oversight Team (CPOT)
Meeting Minutes [FINAL]**

June 25, 2020

Zoom video meeting for CPOT members

Audio participation: 888-475-4499 US Toll-free

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In attendance: Al Ochoza, Stephanie Neil, Dr. Rachel Knox, Dr. Nicole Bowles, Danny Rowland, and Tim Zimmerman

Civic Life Staff: Dasheeda Dawson-Cannabis Program Supervisor, Kimie Ueoka-Policy Coordinator, Christina Coursey-Licensing Coordinator, and Arainnia Brown-Admin Coordinator

Introductions: CPOT members along with staff had the opportunity to state their names and state what organizations they are affiliated with. Members disclosed any conflicts of interests as well.

Summary of Last week's Council budget Decisions: On June 17, 2020 City Council voted to approve the budget for FY 20-21. In summary, all voted to redirect more than 15 million dollars from the Police Bureau. The funds will be allocated to different city programs/ initiatives such as the houseless population, black leadership organizations, the Portland Street Response, and much more. In addition to this, the police fund cuts will discontinue police officers to work in schools and other patrols. As for the Cannabis Social Equity Grant, an extra 453K will be funded. The extra amount combined with the ongoing approved amount of 547K totals 1 million dollars for our next grant cycle.

Competency priorities: Stephanie Neil created a matrix which focuses on impact vs. effort for CPOT's competency recommendations. Please look at this matrix when time allows. Allow yourself time to review the high impact section and determine how much impact the certain recommendation can provide. Also, Kimie will send out a competency activity worksheet. Members will fill out this worksheet to express what recommendations will have the most impact overall. After this, a survey can be created, and subcommittee members will have a more concrete plan for their pilot project.

Recruitment process: Currently, Kimie and Dasheeda are in the works of creating a recruitment announcement for CPOT. Once the draft is completed, CPOT members will review, make any edits if necessary, and the announcement will be released.

Next Steps: Kimie is currently reaching out to the Budget and Commissioner Offices to see if a representative can present at one of our CPOT sessions. In addition to this, Kimie or Arainnia will reach out to Markisha Smith, the Director of Equity and Human Rights to see if their program would like to connect. In summary, CPOT along with the Cannabis Program's vision would like to integrate and interconnect with all bureaus, stakeholders, and City Partners to create a better understanding of cannabis matters.