

**CITY OF COSTA MESA  
NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a Public Hearing will be held by the Costa Mesa City Council at the regular meeting on Tuesday, **January 5, 2016**, at 7:00 p.m. or as soon as possible thereafter, in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 77 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, California, for the purpose of considering adoption of proposed Ordinance No. 16-01 (Code Amendment CO-15-06) that would amend Title 13 as follows:

- Chapter 1, adding new definitions related to marijuana and/or medical marijuana cultivation and related enforcement
- Chapter IV, adding cultivation of marijuana and/or medical marijuana as a prohibited use in all zoning districts
- Chapter IX, adding Article 20 with specific regulations related to medical marijuana and/or marijuana cultivation.

The new state laws continue to recognize the power of local governments to regulate marijuana cultivation. However, under AB 243, the State Department of Food and Agriculture will establish a 'Medical Cannabis Cultivation Program,' which will be administered by the Department's secretary unless the City adopts land use regulations or ordinances regulating or prohibiting the cultivation of marijuana by March 1, 2016.

**Environmental Determination:** Exempt per Section 15061(b)(3) General Rule.

The Council will also receive for first reading, Ordinance No. 16-01: **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA, TO AMEND TITLE 13, CHAPTER 1 (DEFINITIONS AND ENFORCEMENT) AND CHAPTER IV (CITYWIDE LAND USE MATRIX) AND TO ADD ARTICLE 20 TO CHAPTER IX FOR THE ADOPTION OF NEW REGULATIONS RELATED TO PROHIBITING MEDICAL MARIJUANA/MARIJUANA CULTIVATION**

A copy of the proposed ordinance is available on the City's homepage [www.cityofcostamesaca.gov](http://www.cityofcostamesaca.gov) under Agendas/Minutes, and posted outside of City Hall on the City's posting boards. The proposed ordinance can also be viewed in-person at the City Clerk's Office in City Hall (77 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, CA 92626) from Monday to Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. **Please note that City Hall will be closed for the holidays beginning Thursday, December 24, 2015 through Friday, January 1, 2016. Regular business hours will resume on Monday, January 4, 2016.**

At said Public Hearing, all persons either favoring or opposing the proposed ordinances will be heard.

**Public Comments:** Public comments in either oral or written form may be presented during the public hearing. Any written communications, photos, or other material for copying and distribution to the City Council that is 10 pages or less, must be submitted to the City Clerk NO LATER THAN 3:00 P.M. on the day of the hearing, **January 5, 2016** and can also be emailed to [cityclerk@costamesaca.gov](mailto:cityclerk@costamesaca.gov) If the public wishes to submit written communication, photos, or other material for distribution to the City Council at the meeting AFTER 3:00 p.m., 10 copies will need to be provided for distribution. Please note that NO copies of written communication will be made AFTER 3:00 p.m. Any materials to be displayed on the overhead projector at the Council Meeting must be submitted to the City Clerk NO LATER THAN 15 MINUTES PRIOR TO THE START OF THE MEETING. If you should need further assistance, please contact the

City Clerk's Office at (714) 754-5225.

IF THE AFOREMENTIONED ACTION IS CHALLENGED IN COURT, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing described in the notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Council at, or prior to, the public hearing.

Brenda Green, City Clerk, City of Costa Mesa

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