



Cannabis Advisory Task Force (CATF)

January 12, 2026; 3:00 – 4:00 PM
Department of Economic Development
4525 Main Street, Suite 700
Boardroom B

Minutes

Attendance

Members Present

Jason Blanchette, Travis Chick, Michael Clark, Adam Dobbins, Brandon Hackney, Letitia Tibbs, Andrew Lock, Michael Mauch, Tamara Netzel, Jairo Padilla, Stacey Smith, Mark Stevens, Ryan Suit, LaTonya Warren

Members Present Virtually

Cavelle Mollineaux, virtual attendance from Phoenix, AZ

Members Absent

John Katsias

City Staff Present

Vivian Alibah, Andrew Damon, Natacia James

City Staff Present Virtually

Jessica Koepf, Kayla Dotson

Guests

Brandon Jackson, Mike Hashemy

I. Welcome and Call to Order

- a. Vice Chair Jason Blanchette called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

II. Officer Election

- a. Latonya Warren was nominated as Chair, and it was unanimously approved.
- b. Jason Blanchette was nominated to remain Vice Chair, and it was unanimously approved.

III. Approval of Minutes

- a. The November 10, 2025 CATF meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

IV. City Council Presentation

- a. Vice Chair Jason Blanchette shared an updated version of the City Council presentation and informed the members that former Chair, Andrew Lock, will be presenting it to Council on Tuesday, January 13th. Natacia James, Clerk, will send this updated version to members.
- b. Natacia also asked that members please notify her by email if they plan to attend the City Council meeting on Tuesday.

V. Public Survey Questions

- a. Chair Warren acknowledged that originally the goal was to focus on consolidating the questions into a more concise and digestible survey but given the current climate and movement with this topic, it may be best to shift and prioritize zoning ahead of drafting the survey questions.
- b. Mr. Hackney mentioned that Zoning Administrator, Hannah Sabo, would like to be added to the next meeting's agenda to facilitate a wider discussion regarding zoning as it relates to the purpose of this board.
- c. Stacy Smith mentioned that a consideration for moving forward with drafting a survey is that it could be used to discover what the public is *primarily* concerned with surrounding this topic and, as a result, Council may utilize that information to direct the focus of this task force.

VI. Committee Member Comments

- a. Chair LaTonya Warren proposed the idea of transitioning into monthly meetings as momentum on this topic is gaining. The issue was also raised that at one point, meetings were moved from 3:30 pm to 3:00 pm but unfortunately the website information was not updated at the time. To officially make these changes, a vote was taken for each item, as follows:
 - i. A motion was made to meet monthly by Tamara Netzel and seconded by Michael Mauch; the vote was unanimously approved.
 - ii. A motion was made to formally change the meeting time to 3:00 pm, every second Monday of the month; it was unanimously approved.
- b. February will focus on Zoning, with Hannah Sabo from Planning and Development in attendance to offer insight from the city perspective and what their process is.
- c. Tax & Revenue will be the next focus, and Public Safety will follow.
- d. Michael Mauch suggested that the subcommittee items remain as standing agenda items so that if there is an update, it can be shared, but if not, the group can move along fairly quickly.
- e. Chair Warren asked if Letitia Tibbs could help facilitate the conversation with city leadership on future items.

VII. Public Comment

- a. Mike Hashemy, Citizen, offered a suggestion that the zoning document that is being created have a map or visual aid included for members of the public to make it more consumable.
- b. Brandon Jackson is the owner of a dispensary in Michigan and a resident of Chesapeake.

VIII. Announcements – Next Meeting Date

- a. The next meeting will be held on Monday, February 9, 2026.

IX. Adjournment

- a. Meeting adjourned at 4:03 pm.