

Cannabis Advisory Task Force (CATF)
Next-Step Deliverables & Phased Work Plan

Purpose

This document outlines the phased deliverables of the Cannabis Advisory Task Force following its advisory engagement with City Council. Its purpose is to provide a structured and transparent roadmap for the next five months, clearly identifying the focus and objectives of each scheduled meeting.

Phase I – Zoning & Land Use (February)

Primary Focus: Where Cannabis related businesses may operate.

Key Topics

1. Zoning classifications and permitted use (see City Zoning Districts Worksheet)
2. Buffer zones (schools, parks, residential areas)
3. Industrial vs commercial placement
4. Equity considerations in zoning decisions
5. Alignment with existing comprehensive plans

February Meeting Deliverables

1. Discussion with Hannah Sabo, Zoning Administrator
2. Recommendations Framework for Council consideration (Headed by Zoning Subcommittee)

Phase II – Taxes, Fees, Public Safety & Enforcement (March)

Primary Focus: Regulatory structures and public protection concerns

Key Topics

1. Local tax and fee implications (“inclusive” taxes and fees)

2. Enforcement roles and responsibilities
3. Impaired driving and “consumption behind the wheel” initiatives
4. Enforcement as it relates to field based testing (e.g. LabLight-style approaches)

March Meeting Deliverables

1. Radar check with Patrick Duhaney, City Manager
2. Recommendations Framework for Council consideration

Phase III – Parental & Community Education (April)

Primary Focus: Leadership concerns from Jan 13th Council Meeting (youth violence and public safety), Prevention, education, and community readiness

Key Topics

1. Survey Alignment
2. Revisit tax implications as they relate to prevention funding
3. What parental education looks like
4. Youth exposure prevention strategies
5. Public facing education vs targeted stakeholder education
6. Community messaging around responsible use

April Meeting Deliverables

1. Definition and scope of “parental education”
2. Menu of education delivery models (schools, community orgs, digital)
3. Recommendations on funding alignment
4. Recommendations on Public safety and youth-impact considerations

Phase IV – Market Structure & Business Definitions (May)

Primary Focus: Economic inclusion and market balance

Key Topics

1. Microbusiness vs small business terminology
2. Multi-State Operators (MSOs) vs. local stakeholders
3. Barriers to entry and scalability considerations
4. Ensure competitive fairness without over-restriction

May Meeting Deliverables

1. Terminology alignment document
2. Market structure comparison brief
3. Policy considerations supporting local participation

Cross-Cutting Considerations (Ongoing)

These items will be addressed across all phases as needed:

1. Business Licensing
 - a. Timing, scope, and administrative considerations
 - b. Alignment with zoning and enforcement capacity
2. Budget (Current Fiscal Year)
 - a. Identification of recommendations feasible within the existing budget
 - b. Flagging of items requiring future fiscal planning

Outcome

At the conclusion of these phases, the CATF Board will deliver a consolidated advisory report to City leadership.

1. Phased and deliberate
2. Grounded in public safety and youth protection
3. Supportive of compliance economic participation
4. Aligned with executive and council priorities