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Dear Commissioners

In advance of Tuesday night's meeting I would like to add my comments and suggestions to the record. Please note my email from last month and I again want to thank the commission for its thoughtful discussion and consideration of my prior comments. There is however another item that we would like to address after reading the Staff report and ordinance included with your agenda for Tuesday.

As discussed prior, my clients have property that is currently zoned in the RE district and it was our desire to have both a growers and a processors license at that location. In fact, our business plan for this facility is to use the grow license for the sole purpose of being the wholesale supplier for the processing license. Consistent with the industrial research and development purpose of the property, it would make it far more cost effective to co-locate this licenses.

The draft ordinance as attached allows for co-location of licenses only in your M districts and specifically precludes it from your RE district although that district allows either license independently. This seems inconsistent and would arbitrarily limit the most productive use of the available RE parcels and in particular, my client's. As discussed in my email below, our parcel 3935 Research Park Dr. (an old Federal Mogul building) is used and tax assessed identically to M zoned property at 3735 Varsity Dr. 1,500 ft away. Although its slightly larger, the streets and buildings look on google satellite. Yet, the facility on Varsity could have co-location of licenses and our parcel on Research Dr. cannot per this draft ordinance.

I ask that you reconsider this provision and allow co-location of licenses on RE zoned properties the same as you would for M as it relates to a grower and a processor license.

Thank you again for your consideration and I'll look forward to seeing each of you on Tuesday.

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