Campus Wellness II Informative Meeting

On October 2nd at the Hayatt Place Ann Arbor in Conference Room 1 at 6pm., representatives of Campus Wellness II held an informative meeting on their proposed medical marihuana facility. In attendance was Ray Kalasho and Jesi Jensen, representing Campus Wellness II. Five hundred and fifty-eight neighboring residents were mailed a Notice of Citizen Participation Meeting Postcard. Four Neighbors of the facility, both business owners and residents, were also in attendance. Two local business owners by the name of Tom Wilkins with RDR, Micah Bartelme, and a resident couple by the name of Carol and Dave Diephuis came with questions in hand. An image of the Sign-in Sheet is attached.

The closest business owner, Tom Wilkins of RDR, was concerned with customer parking. His concern is that many customers confuse his business parking lot with the business that currently occupies the building that the proposed facility is to be in. He stated that many people end up in his parking lot, park, and then just walk over to the neighboring business. The concern for Tom is that he does not want future customers of the proposed facility to take up parking at his business and walk over to the facility from there. They spoke briefly about why people mistake the two parking lots, decided the current signage is not sufficient and could be more visible to customers. Ray stated, to mitigate that, the proposed facility will have more visible signs and better directions into the correct parking area. Employees of the proposed facility will also be told to advise customers to not park in any other parking are than the facility's designated parking lot. Tom was satisfied with this answer.

Micah Bartelme was concerned with potential clustering of provisioning centers. He said that there is already a provisioning center within 600 feet of the proposed facility currently in operation. Ray and Jesi both have researched the area for other provisioning centers. The Ann Arbor Website, Google maps, and Weedmaps did not show a legitimate facility in the area. He was advised that all temporary operators will be forced to shut down in the coming months, and Ann Arbor ordinances do not allow for the clustering due to buffers. With that said, he was reassured that the end result would be to his satisfaction.

The neighboring couple Carol and Dave Diephuis had just a few questions regarding the facility's security and safety. They were told that the outdoor lighting would be in accordance with the city ordinances. The state laws on security cameras and alarm system would also encourage a safe environment. Everyone in attendance was shown the floor plan of the proposed facility. The entry to the building, entry to the provisioning center, and locations of security cameras were pointed out. These were all satisfactory to the concerned residents.

After a little over an hour of questions and answers, a moment was taken to ask Ray and Jesi anything else. No further questions were asked, business cards were handed out to the residents and business owners, and the meeting was adjourned. Everyone was advised to please feel free to contact either Ray or Jesi with any further questions or concerns about the proposed facility.

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