

Ann Arbor City Council Regular Session: September 04, 2018
Email Redactions List Pursuant to Council Resolution R-09-386

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2		7:14 PM	Christopher Taylor, Howard Lazarus	Jeanice Switft			
3		9:40 PM	Jacqueline Beaudry	Chuck Warpehoski			
4		9:41 PM	Jacqueline Beaudry	Chuck Warpehoski			
5		9:46 PM	Ryan Stanton	Charles Ream	Christopher Taylor		

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From: Swift, Jeanice <swift@aaps.k12.mi.us>
Sent: Tuesday, September 04, 2018 7:14 PM
To: Taylor, Christopher (Mayor); Lazarus, Howard
Subject: Support of Amendments Re: Marijuana Dispensaries/Facilities
Attachments: Marijuana Dispensary Letter_090418.docx

Tuesday, September 4, 2018

Dear Mayor Taylor and City Council,

As the Superintendent of Ann Arbor Public Schools, I am writing to support the Ann Arbor City Council's thoughtful consideration of the impact upon our children and schools of the ordinances regarding medical marijuana dispensaries. Specifically, I encourage you to carefully consider dispensary locations relative to our schools.

Mayor and Council, I know you share the critical priority of student safety and wellbeing. Our community values its neighborhood schools and the importance of ensuring that areas near our schools remain safe and supportive of students within the community.

We understand that the City Council is scheduled to vote on whether or not to expand the 1000-foot buffer zone to include daycare and youth centers on Tuesday, September 4, 2018. I would like to add support to the amendments involving the location of the dispensaries:

1. To increase the minimum distance between marijuana dispensaries from the current 600 feet to 1000 feet.
2. To expand the 1000-foot buffer zone between schools and marijuana dispensaries/facilities to include childcare centers, childcare homes and youth centers.

3. To give consideration to protecting other vulnerable populations including those in substance use disorder services or programs.

Ann Arbor's schools are strategically situated in safe neighborhoods and we support all efforts to maintain them as such. As educators whose responsibilities include the protection of our community's children in and around our buildings, we want to encourage you, as you work through these decisions, to keep the safety of our children at the forefront.

I urge you to include the expertise readily available within our own community and engage all impacted stakeholders in the formation of a strategic planning committee around the use of medical marijuana to ensure that all voices are heard. There is no safe amount of marijuana exposure for children and it is our collective responsibility to maintain the safety of our infants, toddlers, grade-school children and adolescents in Ann Arbor.

Sincerely,

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Superintendent of Ann Arbor Public Schools



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From: Warpehoski, Chuck
Sent: Tuesday, September 04, 2018 9:40 PM
To: Beaudry, Jacqueline
Cc: Warpehoski, Chuck
Subject: amendment

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From: Warpehoski, Chuck
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To: Beaudry, Jacqueline
Cc: Warpehoski, Chuck
Subject: RE: amendment

Sorry, typo, here is the corrected version

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From: Charles Ream [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, September 04, 2018 9:46 PM
To: stant1rj@gmail.com
Cc: Taylor, Christopher (Mayor)
Subject: Fwd: Text, dispensary distances

What an astounding victory tonight. Such a great speeches by Chuck W and the mayor! I pay homage to the great mayor of Ann Arbor ,who seems to really understand this city.
Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Chuck Ream [REDACTED]
Date: September 4, 2018 at 4:35:02 PM EDT
To: moksha None [REDACTED]
Subject: Fwd: Text, dispensary distances

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From: Charles Ream [REDACTED]
Date: Tue, Sep 4, 2018 at 4:10 PM
Subject: Text, dispensary distances
To: [REDACTED]

Your vote tonight on the direction of cannabis policy in Ann Arbor might seem like a small thing– But it is a big thing. It shows the direction of your thinking and shows that you really think there is something seriously wrong with cannabis.

Your voters haven't believed that for 50 years.

If you vote down this foolish ordinance on the agenda tonight people in the cannabis industry might not be highly interested in donating money to a local ballot initiative for 2020.

If you move cannabis policy into reverse tonight it will be no trouble to raise the \$30,000 or so that it would cost to create a 2020 ballot initiative that will really open up cannabis commerce in Ann Arbor. It's your choice here tonight.

Voters are aware that negative research will be provided about cannabis as long as there is lots of money available to produce this research.

It is just plain wrong to demand further distances between dispensaries and demand that they be far away from all sorts of things.

How absurd, this is complete discrimination.

We have heard about mental problems with children exposed to cannabis. This was pretty well settled in the 70s. Children are just fine.

You are aware of the quotation from new England journal of medicine editor Marsha Angell that "it is simply no longer possible to believe much of the clinical research that is published".

Are you fully aware that the United States government itself has a patent number 6630507 titled "Cannabinoids as antioxidants and neuroprotectants"? The patent application states that Cannabinoids are "anti-oxidant drugs, that have particular application as neuroprotectants". The US government can't have it both ways, cannabis can't protect the brain and damage the brain at

the same time.

You absolutely know that there is no connection logically between childcare centers and cannabis dispensaries. No councilmember has even attempted to explain what the logical connection could be.

Please vote no on this backward looking, fear laden effort to further restrict dispensaries.

Please represent the highly intelligent voters of Ann Arbor who have heard this kind of negative stuff about cannabis so many times before, and they don't believe it!

Believe in the wisdom of your voters and not any vocal minority - whomever they are. Please stick up for Ann Arbor!

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