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Some of our neighbors have recently received the notice from the city for the final public hearing on the "special exception use request", for a second medical marijuana dispensary, which is already in business in our immediate neighborhood (3152 Packard), East of Creek Drive a residential street. We have not received anything from the city on this issue

Although we do not object the necessity of having marijuana dispensaries, we are concerned with the location of some of these centers. There is already an existing and busy marijuana dispensary on 3060 Packard, next to a piano school, (the old Loving Branch Library), at almost the same distance west of Creek Drive as the one East of Creek Drive at 3152 Packard.

Within a two mile radius from the corner of Creek Drive and Packard encompassing the area; West of Creek Dr., South of Stadium Blvd., East of State Street, North of Ellsworth Rd. there are approximately seven dispensaries, four on Packard.

We are surrounded by several businesses that have liquor licenses, gas stations, a drug store, a party store and a bar. It is our understanding that in Detroit there is a spacing restriction of a 1000 feet from Drug Free Zones, liquor stores and other dispensaries. Unfortunately we do not know if Ann Arbor has the same restriction. The dispensary on 3152 Packard is located within a few feet from Banfield's a popular Bar/Restaurant.

A bigger concern is that less than ½ a mile East of 3152 Packard on Pittsfield Ave. there is an elementary school and ½ a mile down the road, South of Packard another elementary and a middle school. There are many middle school children who walk home from school and during summer vacation there are always children riding their bikes in the neighborhood. We would hope that there are age limitations on who can enter a medical marijuana dispensary.

If you look at the Map of Ann Arbor and the location of almost all of the dispensaries, there are two clusters, one in the Southeast side on Packard South of Stadium and one on the Kerry Town/ Down Town area. Why so many dispensaries clustered together and none in the other areas of the City?

In light of these concerns we would like to be reassured that there will be oversight by the City to ensure only legal access to these dispensaries is maintained.

Sincerely,

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