



OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

June 10, 2021

NOTICE TO ALL CURRENT COMMERCIAL CANNABIS PERMIT APPLICANTS

RE: ADDITIONAL RETAIL PERMITS

Pursuant to Fresno Municipal Code (FMC) Section 9-3306(b), up to seven (7) additional retail cannabis permits may be authorized by City Council Resolution.

On June 10, 2021 the City Council approved Resolution 2021-163 to authorize seven (7) additional cannabis retail permits. With the approval of this Resolution, up to twenty-one (21) total cannabis retail business permits may be awarded by the City Manager. The seven additional cannabis retail permits shall be dispersed evenly by Council District as required by FMC Section 9-3307(b).

FMC Section 9-3316(a), states, "The City Manager shall adopt the procedures to issue commercial cannabis business permits, which shall include or require the City Manager to provide detailed objective review criteria to be evaluated on a point system or equivalent quantitative evaluation scale tied to each set of review criteria. The City Manager or designee(s) shall be authorized to prepare the necessary forms, adopt any necessary rules to the application, regulations and processes, solicit applications, and conduct initial evaluations of the applicants."

In consideration of Resolution 2021-163, the City Manager has determined that the seven additional cannabis retail permits will be issued to qualified applicants in the current application process. The City is not accepting new cannabis retail permit applications at this time.

For all current information related to the Cannabis application process, please go to:
<http://www.fresno.gov/cannabis>