

**MOTION**

GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

Cannabis businesses, like any other commercial enterprise, have a profound impact on the communities in which they operate. Therefore, it is essential that the voices and concerns of residents, community organizations, and relevant City departments are heard and considered during the cannabis license application and approval process. Incorporating robust community input ensures that new and expanding cannabis businesses are not only compliant with regulations but also contribute positively to the social and economic fabric of their neighborhoods, fostering a collaborative approach to responsible operations within the City of Los Angeles.

A revised criteria on community engagement would ensure that cannabis businesses are well-integrated into their communities and have demonstrated support from local residents, fostering responsible and beneficial development within the City of Los Angeles.

**I THEREFORE MOVE** that the City Council REQUEST the City Attorney to draft and present an ordinance that establishes a requirement for type-10 (retail) cannabis license applications to include letters of support from the corresponding neighborhood council, the Council Office where it will reside, LAPD and a community based organization that serves the community where the cannabis business would operate, before approval to open and operate is granted.

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