



**City of Grass Valley
City Council and Redevelopment Agency
Agenda Action Sheet**

Council Meeting Date: November 23, 2010

Date Prepared: November 15, 2010

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Title: Medical Marijuana Moratorium

Agenda: Administrative

Recommended Motion: Provide staff direction regarding the restricted allowance or moratorium on medical marijuana dispensaries

Background Information: This past year the City delayed taking action on a complete ban or restricted allowance of medical marijuana dispensaries. The City did put in place a temporary moratorium that will expire on February 23, 2011. This was done in primarily to allow any action the City may take to be consistent with Proposition 19 should it be passed. As Proposition 19 failed, staff is now requesting Council direction regarding medical marijuana dispensaries. The adoption of an ordinance will need to follow a very tight time frame. A proposed regulatory ordinance would need to be heard by the Planning Commission in December. The first reading of an ordinance by the Council would need to be heard on January 11 and adopted on the January 25 and immediately published for the required 30 days to be effective on February 24, 2011. Staff and the City Attorney have worked on a regulatory ordinance that may be finalized and ready for the December Planning Commission meeting. The City Attorney and staff would need to draft an ordinance placing a permanent moratorium in place, but this may also be ready for the December, but will only need Council actions and therefore could be done in January. Due to the tight time frames staff is requesting Council direction on the desired course of action.

Funds Available: N/A

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Reviewed by

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