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Please post. Thanks.

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From: Marjorie Lindbeck
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Dear Members of the Commission:

I just became aware of this special meeting tonight to consider reducing the distance requirement between cannabis dispensaries and I am writing to voice my opposition to this change.

There is also a reference made in the staff report of the desire to place dispensaries away from parks and residential areas. I am aware that I live in a mixed-use zone, but this is definitely residential. We have 31 units in this building at 700 E. Union that are all occupied and some have small children. There are many such buildings within this block and nearby! Further, there is a park planned right across the street to support all the families and downtown residents — the first such urban park in Pasadena. It is egregious that staff would recommend decreasing the required separation between dispensaries and not realize that you would be impacting a heavily populated area with many families, even though this is not zoned residential. We who live here call it downtown residential, and this area was developed with careful thought and planning to attract downtown residents. Please consider this decision carefully, and I will certainly make my fellow neighbors aware of this potential change. I only learned of this special meeting today, and, to my knowledge, no one in the neighborhood has been advised of this change which might place 3 such dispensaries within blocks of our downtown residences and park — nor has there been anything in the paper that I have seen. Further, as a resident of District 3, I don't see why this area should be home to a concentration of cannabis dispensaries within blocks of my home while several districts have none!

Thank you very much,

Marjorie

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