



Press Release (Revised)

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Subject: **City of King City Council Adopts Cannabis Storefront Retail Ordinance (REVISED)**

The City of King City Council adopted an ordinance at its February 25, 2020 meeting, which will allow cannabis storefront retail businesses in King City. The ordinance is scheduled to take effect on March 26th. The ordinance allows up to a maximum of two cannabis storefront retail businesses in the following areas:

- The highway service zoned area west of the freeway excluding properties located on Canal Street;
- The C2 zone; and
- The First Street corridor and highway service zoned areas on First Street from Ellis Street to Highway 101.

The ordinance also includes minimum standards for each business. Eligible applicants shall be selected through a pre-application process. Applications will be scored by an independent third party based on established criteria. Those meeting a minimum required score will be entered into a lottery. The first two applications selected in the lottery will be eligible to proceed through the normal City cannabis permitting process. The Notice of the Pre-Application Process is anticipated to be released on May 11, 2020 and the deadline for accepting applications is tentatively scheduled for July 9, 2020.

The ordinance amends the current cannabis ordinance, which allows the following uses in the City's industrial area, which includes the M-1, M-2 and M-3 zoning districts and the East Ranch Business Park Specific Plan area:

- CA Types 2 (small indoor cultivation)
- CA Type 3 (medium indoor cultivation)
- CA Type 4 (nursery)
- CA Type 6 (non-volatile manufacturing)
- CA Type 7 (volatile manufacturing)
- CA Type 8 (testing)
- CA Type 10 (non-storefront delivery)
- CA Type 11 (distribution)
- CA Type 12 (microbusiness)

Industrial hemp manufacturing is also allowed in the same zones as cannabis manufacturing. Hemp cultivation is prohibited in all zones of the City.

Any questions can be directed to City Hall at 831-385-3281.



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