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City Council Work Session February 11, 2014 6:00 PM

● **CALL TO ORDER.**

1. Amendment 64 Proposed Local Regulations. (staff: Ginny Sawyer, Don Vagge; 10 minute staff presentation; 60-90 minute discussion)

The purpose of this work session is to provide Council specific options regarding recreational marijuana as allowed by Amendment 64. Amendment 64, allows local municipalities to permit retail marijuana establishments and to impose local restrictions on the time, place, manner and number of retail marijuana operations. Amendment 64 allows persons 21 years-of-age or older to legally possess up to one ounce of marijuana without a doctor’s recommendation and to grow up to six marijuana plants, provided the cultivation takes place in a locked and enclosed space. Local jurisdictions have the option to restrict where the cultivation of marijuana takes place, and to enact local prohibitions on public consumption.

Following the November 26, 2013 work session, staff was asked to return for a follow-up work session with more detailed options for regulating recreational marijuana in Fort Collins. General agreement from the November work session included:

- Allowing retail marijuana businesses.
- Allowing only existing licensed Medical marijuana centers to apply for retail licenses.
- Developing retail requirements (similar/same as Medical establishments) upon which to base licensing.
- Requiring any Medical Center that receives a Retail License to maintain their Medical business.
- Prohibiting personal growing in multifamily, two-family, and single-family attached dwelling units.

- Prohibiting the display and transfer of marijuana in City parks and on other City-owned property.
- Adopting local ordinances prohibiting “open and public” consumption and consumption by persons under 21.
- Not pursuing regulations addressing consumption on private property.

Staff is presenting options relates to the above direction and will incorporate Council direction into ordinances that will be brought for consideration on First Reading on March 4, 2014. The City of Fort Collins currently has a ban on all retail marijuana activity through March 31, 2014.

2. Community Green House Gas Goal Review. (staff: Lucinda Smith, John Phelan, Bruce Hendee; 15 minute staff presentation; 1 hour discussion)

The purpose of this work session is to frame alternative community greenhouse gas goals and seek direction on Council priorities for which goal(s) to aim for in the upcoming Climate Action Plan update. In 2008, Fort Collins City Council adopted community greenhouse gas reduction goals for 2020 and 2050, and progress is reported annually. New findings about the urgency of addressing climate change and recent technological opportunities warrant a re-evaluation of these goals; do they position Fort Collins optimally to address the environmental, economic and social objectives of the community? Three alternative goals were identified and discussed at a high level:

- o Alternative A: 80% below 2005 by 2050 (Keep current long-term goal)
- o Alternative B: Carbon neutral (100% reduction) by 2050
- o Alternative C: 80% below 2005 by 2030 (Accelerate achievement of current goal by 20 years)

City Council will have the opportunity to consider goal options to inform the 2014 update to the Fort Collins Climate Action Plan and the Energy Policy.

3. Social Sustainability Gaps Analysis. (staff: Mary Atchison, Bruce Hendee; 15 minute staff presentation; 45 minute discussion)

The Social Sustainability Gap Analysis is the first step in the development of a Social Sustainability Strategic Planning Process. This analysis examined a variety of social issues that impact the social environment of our community to determine the scope of the need among our citizens, and the capacity that currently exists within our community to meet those needs. The issues examined in the study are:

- Housing
- Homelessness
- Persons living in poverty
- Health and wellness
- At-risk youth and education
- Diversity and equity
- Needs of targeted populations.

● **OTHER BUSINESS.**

● **ADJOURNMENT.**