## REGULATION CONFIRMING THAT APPLICANTS FOR A MEDICAL CANNABIS BUSINESS UNDER MEASURE Z MUST BE A COLLECTIVE OR A COOPERATIVE

Measure Z enacted Vista Municipal Code ("VMC") Chapter 5.94 in its entirety, and further references to Measure Z will be to the provisions of that Chapter.

## Authority; Background

Before operating a medical cannabis business under Chapter 5.94, the medical cannabis business must receive a Notice of Completed Registration and be included on a registration list. Receipt of a Notice of Completed Registration and inclusion on a registration list is reserved for "collectives" or "cooperatives" pursuant to the defined terms of VMC § 5.94.030:

"Notice of Completed Registration' means a written notice to an applicant for <u>collective or cooperative</u> registration issued by the City as a ministerial duty indicating that the application is complete and accurate."

"Registration list' means the list of [each] registered medical cannabis <u>collective and cooperative</u> maintained by the City."

(Italics and underscore added). See, VMC § 5.94.030 for a definition of "Collectives" and "Cooperatives."

## Rule re Submission of Complete Applications by Collectives and Cooperatives

To submit a complete application qualifying an applicant for a Notice of Completed Registration and inclusion on a registration list, an applicant must provide the following documentation with respect to the applicant's status:

- "10. If the medical cannabis business/collective is a non-profit corporation, a certified copy of the Collective's Secretary of State Articles of Incorporation, Certificate(s) of Amendment, Statement(s) of Information.
- 11. If the medical cannabis business or collective is an unincorporated association, a copy of the Articles of Association must be provided."

If an application omits documents satisfying either paragraphs 10 or 11, the application is incomplete and must be denied pursuant to VMC § 5.94.070.A.1 and/or A.2. If an application provides documents for the applicant itself, matching the documents described in paragraphs 10 or 11, the application is complete as to those items. To satisfy paragraphs 10 or 11, the provided documents must be an exact match to the medical cannabis business, as identified in the application, which will operate in Vista.

APPROVED PER VMC § 5.94.170.B:

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