

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

PLANNING DIVISION

DATE: December 3, 2015

TO: Planning Commission

FROM: Craig Jimenez, Planning Division Manager

SUBJECT: PH-2 - Ordinance No. 2016-01

Earlier this year, the "Medical Marijuana Regulation and Safety Act" was enacted by the State of California. This legislation requires local jurisdictions to modify their existing regulations to respond to and be consistent with the changes in state law specifically related to cultivation, distribution and transportation of medical marijuana.

As certain deadlines were required by the legislation, Staff took caution to ensure these requirements could be met and provided the necessary public notice to address these changes. The City Attorney's Office determined that it was appropriate for the City to limit modifications to the Monrovia Municipal Code (MMC) to Title 5 (Business Taxes, Licenses and Regulations). Amendments to Title 5 are not under the purview of the Planning Commission. Since an amendment to Title 17 (Zoning) is not necessary, no action is required by the Planning Commission.

The proposed ordinance will be introduced at City Council meeting on December 15, 2015. A public hearing is scheduled for the City Council meeting on January 19, 2016.