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CITY OF MONTEREY SEEKS PUBLIC INPUT ON CANNABIS BUSINESSES

New Website and Virtual Town Halls to Solicit Feedback on Cannabis, Other Topics

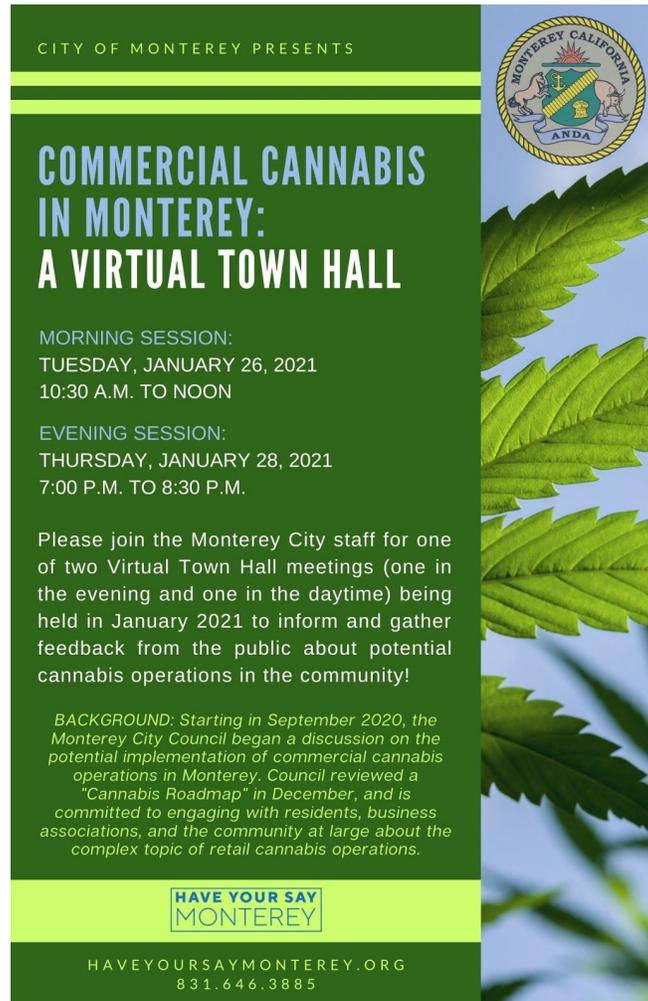
Monterey, CA. – The City of Monterey will host two virtual town halls to solicit feedback about cannabis operations within the City of Monterey, **Tuesday, January 26 at 10:30 a.m. and Thursday, January 28 at 7 p.m.** Residents can register at haveyoursaymonterey.org/cannabis. Parallel, the City is also launching a new web-based engagement platform called, *Have Your Say Monterey*, at haveyoursaymonterey.org which features a community survey about cannabis operations. A mail in version of the survey will be also sent at the end of January via USPS to all households in Monterey to allow residents to submit their opinion and views via traditional mail.

“Have Your Say Monterey is a new platform that empowers residents, business operators, and members to learn from and provide valuable feedback to their city government on important policies, programs, and projects taking shape in Monterey,” said Assistant City Manager Nat Rojanasathira. “This new tool supplements the variety of public engagement tools that the City has to offer, including public City Council, Board and Commission meetings, Town Halls, phone calls, e-mails, social media, and letters.”

Visitors to the dynamic web portal can engage with the City by reading reports, watching videos, asking questions, and taking surveys during a time that is most convenient for them. In addition to cannabis, active topics include the City’s response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Transportation Sea Level Rise Adaptation Plan, the North Fremont Transportation Corridor, and more.

Public input received through the interface on topics such as cannabis operations, will be shared with decision-makers, including the City Council, staff, and City commissions.

Flyer on Virtual Town Halls Scheduled About Potential Commercial Cannabis Operations:



Flyer PDFs in English and Spanish:

<https://www.monterey.org/Portals/0/MajorProjects/Cannabis/Cannabis-Town-Hall-Flyer-EngSpa.pdf>

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