

Brief comments regarding regulations for Cannabis

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Hi Donna -

It was suggested I send these your way, ahead of tonight's meeting.

Climate Smart Missoula has been tracking the potential to regulate cannabis and the issues and proposals brought forward to the Planning Board. We are very supportive of taking actions that are in line with our city/county/community climate and energy goals. This is the opportunity to get in front of the energy issue so grow operations make the right choices from the start, before investing in lighting and other equipment. If the County's zoning options are deemed reasonable to the City, there is clearly benefit to consistency between the two jurisdictions. If more time is needed, that is understandable, but we should not kick this can down the road, hoping for the best outcome because we won't get the best or even something sufficient, given the energy use anticipated.

Thank you for allowing us to share these brief comments and our apologies that we have other work commitments this evening and cannot attend Planning Board.

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