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Council Renews Medical Cannabis Moratorium

MOUNTLAKE TERRACE — A moratorium on medical cannabis activities, such as “collective gardens,” was renewed by the City Council after a February 6 public hearing.

The moratorium continues through August 4 unless the Council extends it. The Council had originally adopted a moratorium as a precaution while the Washington State Legislature was considering a bill to allow medical cannabis dispensaries and other activities. Changes to state law on medical cannabis (marijuana) were passed soon after this to allow certain types of medical cannabis collective gardens.

During the City’s moratorium, collective gardens for medical cannabis are not allowed in Mountlake Terrace. Whether or how they can be located later is an issue for more analysis and public input before a decision is made.

The moratorium allows the city additional time to review the issues and impacts of medical cannabis collective gardens and to propose options for addressing security, safety, taxation, property values, community risks and benefits, licensing, zoning, and other issues related to medical cannabis.

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