

# Cannabis

We have extensive experience advising cities regarding the constantly evolving state law regulations pertaining to cannabis. After the Medical Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act was signed into law, we advised cities regarding the comprehensive regulatory scheme regulating medical cannabis and drafted ordinances prohibiting medical cannabis businesses. After California voters approved Proposition 64, the Control, Regulate and Tax Adult Use of Marijuana Act, we were at the forefront of advising public agencies regarding the legalization of cannabis for personal use, the new regulations pertaining to cannabis cultivation, and the impact of Proposition 64 on policies pertaining to cannabis use and possession by employees. We also advised cities regarding their ability to regulate or prohibit commercial non-medical cannabis businesses in their jurisdictions.

Now that Senate Bill 94 consolidated the medical cannabis and non-medical cannabis regulations into the Medicinal and Adult-Use Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act, we provide advisory assistance to our city clients regarding how to comply with the new regulatory scheme. We assist cities with understanding their options for regulating or prohibiting cannabis businesses in their jurisdiction, as well as advise cities regarding the limits of regulating cannabis cultivation for personal use. We drafted ordinances regulating or prohibiting commercial cannabis activities for over twenty cities, including Agoura Hills, Beverly Hills, Monrovia, San Marino, Temecula, and Yucaipa.

Recently, we provided legal advice to the City of Seaside and assisted with drafting the necessary documents to place Measure G, a cannabis business tax, on the June 2017 ballot. Measure G was overwhelmingly approved by 83% of the voters and established a tax of up to 10 percent on the gross receipts of any cannabis businesses operating in the city.

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