

MEASURE H
THE CITY OF COLFAX

Shall the City of Colfax adopt an ordinance which allows and regulates marijuana dispensaries, cultivation, delivery and use, and imposes a sales tax of up to fifteen percent (15%) on the sale of marijuana and marijuana products, which shall be in addition to established municipal and state taxes on such sales, and dedicates all revenues derived from such tax to reduce City business and residential sewer service charges.

YES

NO

IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF COLFAX MEASURE H
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Measure H is a City-initiated ballot measure that was placed on the ballot by the Colfax City Council. Colfax Municipal Code Chapter 17.162 presently prohibits medical marijuana dispensaries in all zoning districts throughout the City of Colfax.

Measure H, if passed, will repeal the prohibition on medical marijuana dispensaries in Colfax and will allow medical marijuana dispensaries to operate on parcels not zoned residential. All dispensaries will be required to obtain a conditional use permit in order to operate.

Measure H contains provisions that will allow indoor and outdoor cultivation of marijuana in certain locations by qualified patients of up to 100 square feet per patient and by qualified caregivers of up to 100 square feet per patient to a maximum of five patients. The Measure allows commercial cultivation of marijuana limited to four acres per person or entity. It will additionally allow medical marijuana delivery, transportation, manufacturing and related businesses within Colfax City limits. Medical marijuana cultivation, delivery, transportation, manufacturing and related businesses will require licenses issued both by the City and the State of California.

Measure H also contains provisions that will impose a special tax of up to 15% on all medical marijuana sales and manufacturing within the City. The amount of the special tax may be periodically adjusted by the City Council but cannot exceed 15% without a vote of the people. The proceeds of the special tax will be used solely to raise revenue to reduce City business and residential sewer service charges. Since the Measure proposes to impose a special tax, a 2/3 vote in favor of the Measure is required for the ordinance to become effective. Medical marijuana dispensaries, cultivation, delivery, transportation, manufacturing and related businesses will not be allowed in Colfax unless the special tax is approved.

A "Yes" vote on Measure H is a vote to adopt the proposed ordinance and allow medical marijuana dispensaries, cultivation, delivery, transportation, manufacturing and related businesses to be permitted in Colfax and a special sales tax of up to 15% to be imposed on medical marijuana sales and manufacturing. The proceeds of the special sales tax will be used to reduce City business and residential sewer service charges.

A "No" vote on Measure H is a vote to reject the proposed ordinance and continue the current prohibition of medical marijuana dispensaries in Colfax.

The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure H. If you desire a copy of the ordinance, please call the Colfax City Clerk's office at (530) 346-3213 and a copy will be mailed at no cost to you.

Argument in favor of Measure H

Dedicating a Revenue Tax on MEDICAL Cannabis Dispensaries for Assistance with Residents' Sewer Bills

With the passage of the Compassionate Use Act, MEDICAL cannabis has been legal in CA since 1996.

Over the last two decades, MEDICAL cannabis has trended towards lower THC (psychoactive) varieties that deliver higher doses of other non-psychoactive elements demonstrated to be effective in treating anorexia, arthritis, cancer, chronic pain, glaucoma, migraine headaches, severe nausea and seizures.

MEDICAL cannabis is not new to Colfax. The city had a dispensary for eight years with absolutely no problems or complaints according to official county and city records.

With Measure H, the city proposes to allow a maximum of three MEDICAL cannabis dispensaries, charge a special tax of up to 15% of gross revenue and to use that revenue to help residents lower their sewer bills.

Measure H will allow Colfax to participate in the generally recognized thriving Medical cannabis economy in Placer County via local taxation of dispensaries, while regulating all aspects of MEDICAL cannabis in Colfax through a local ordinance written to comply with state law.

No other source of funding has ever been identified by Colfax City Hall for sewer rate reduction.

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Argument against Measure H

No argument against Measure H was filed.