

NANCY McPeak

From: smai4321@gmail.com
Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2019 9:57 PM
To: NANCY McPeak
Subject: Objection the cannabis dispensary store.

To: planning board

Dear Planning Board members,

I am a long term resident in Alameda and am writing this to object to the approval of a cannabis dispensary store at 1528 Webster Street. The safety of the community is pending on your decisions. Please make your decision carefully.

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Much thanks!

Sara Mai

Sent from my iPhone

NANCY McPeak

From: Debby Au <debbyau1338@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 07, 2019 7:03 AM
To: NANCY McPeak
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Pui Tai Au

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From: AlamedaOwners <alamedapropertyowners@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2019 9:44 PM
To: NANCY McPeak
Cc: AlamedaOwners
Subject: NO to Cannabis dispensary

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Frances C.

NANCY McPeak

From: Anita Ng <anita1338@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2019 9:41 PM
To: NANCY McPeak
Subject: Cannabis store

Dear Planning Board members,

I am a long term resident and business owner in Alameda and I am writing this to object to the approval of a cannabis dispensary store at 1528 Webster Street.

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Anita Ng
510-290-1338
1529 Webster st
Alameda

Sent from my iPhone

NANCY McPeak

From: Gary Chan <alamedachan@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 08, 2019 1:54 PM
To: NANCY McPeak
Subject: Cannabis dispensary at 1528 Webster St

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Gary Chan

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NANCY McPeak

From: Devona Cheng <devona88@hotmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, March 09, 2019 12:27 PM
To: NANCY McPeak
Subject: Object to cannabis dispensary

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Name

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NANCY McPeak

From: gerstle@mindspring.com
Sent: Saturday, March 09, 2019 2:41 PM
To: NANCY McPeak
Subject: Conditional Use Permit, 1528 Webster Street - Deny

Dear Planning Board Members,

I am writing to object to the conditional use permit for the Cannabis Club proposed for 1528 Webster Street, which is item 7-B on your March 11th agenda.

Specifically, I find your exclusion of martial arts centers from the category of “youth centers” to be discriminatory and culturally insensitive. Martial arts is an an important component of youth education that contributes to the development of the entire child. Not every culture should be required to have an educational space that looks like a traditional classroom. Learning takes many forms. This exclusion is ethnocentric and lacks the understanding of how different cultures educate their children. This youth center is directly adjacent to the cannabis club and the use permit should be denied.

Regards,

Steve Gerstle
Alameda

NANCY McPeak

From: Suzanne Lindsey <suzlindsey@earthlink.net>
Sent: Sunday, March 10, 2019 5:16 PM
To: NANCY McPeak
Subject: Neutral no more

Just looking at news on TV
Guard shot at Oakland Dispensary.
Put the dispensary away from commercial district, don't put Webster Street in jeopardy.
Suzanne Lindsey

Sent from Earth

NANCY McPeak

From: marlene mujicafill <mmujicafill@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 10, 2019 5:11 PM
To: NANCY McPeak; Jeffrey Cavanaugh; Ronald Curtis; David Mitchell; Rona Rothenberg; Asheshh Saheba; Sandy Sullivan; Alan Teague
Cc: Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft; Tony Daysog; Jim Oddie; Malia Vella; John Knox White; Joanna Lau CPA; masteryan.127.148@sfly.com; Simon Fill
Subject: Opposition to Recreational Use Marijuana Dispensary on Webster St, Alameda

Dear Members of the Alameda Planning Board,

I am reaching out to you in order to voice our family's strong opposition to allow a recreational use marijuana dispensary and on-site consumption store at 1528 Webster Street in Alameda.

For the last three years, our 11-year-old son has been attending martial arts lessons several times a week at the International Chi Institute, at 1532 Webster St in Alameda. During the summer, our son attends camp there Mon-Fri, 9AM-5:30PM. It would be absolutely unethical to treat the International Chi Institute as anything other than what it is: a safe place of learning and growth for the children of Alameda. The City of Alameda should not put monetary profit above the invaluable quality of life enhancements that safe spaces such as the Chi Institute offer Alamedans, a place where our children and families can congregate.

Please consider our concerns seriously.

Respectfully,
Marlene Mujica-Fill & Simon Fill
2824 Santa Clara Ave
Alameda CA 94501

NANCY McPeak

From: Jessica Zeng <jessicayz928@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 07, 2019 7:58 PM
To: NANCY McPeak
Subject: To: planning board

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Much thanks!

Jessica Zeng

NANCY McPeak

From: Tom Brody <dnarepairgene@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 10, 2019 9:24 AM
To: NANCY McPeak; Tony Daysog
Subject: Publication on AlamedaPatch regarding "marijuana lounge and shop" on Webster and Haight.
Attachments: Vaping (medical journal article).pdf

Ms. Nancy McPeak
Executive Assistant
Community Development Department
Alameda, CA

CC: City Councilman Mr. Tony Daysog

March 10, 2019

Dear Ms. McPeak,

A recent edition of Alameda Patch provides an opinion called, "A Marijuana Lounge and Shop on Webster & Haight?" This new opinion recommends that I contact you, regarding the subject of the news opinion. This is to respectfully suggest that the City of Alameda oppose marijuana lounges and oppose vendors that market equipment for "vaping." My reasons for opposing marijuana lounges, and the like, in the City of Alameda are as follows:

(1) It can reasonably be argued that businesses of this type are immoral. Marijuana, vaping, and relating activities taints and detracts from the ability of children and teenagers to maintain focus on career goals, and taints and detracts from the ability of children and teenagers from their duty to become productive members of society. In other words, time spent in smoking marijuana and vaping, where friends are involved, is time spent engaging in meaningless chit-chat. Put another way, time spent in smoking marijuana and vaping, is time THAT IS NOT SPENT, in athletics, sports, reading from history books, exploring hiking trails in the Oakland hills, bicycling, learning computer programs, and dreaming up new inventions such as robotics, computer software, new methods of agriculture, new musical compositions, and so on. In other words, my contention is that marijuana and vaping is immoral in way similar to the reasons why gambling is immoral - - it squanders your time and it squanders your life.

(2) Marijuana and vaping results in lung damage, including chronic bronchitis, airway obstruction, and damage to our chromosomes. Please see the following articles in medical journals:

Yayan and Rasche (2016) Damaging effects of cannabis use on the lungs. Adv. Exp. Med. Biol. 952:31-34.

Joshi and Barter (2014) Marijuana and lung diseases. Curr. Opin. Pulm. Med. 20:173-179.

Lee and Hancox (2011) Effects of smoking cannabis on lung function. Expert Rev. Respir. Med. 5:537-546.

Canistro, Vivarelli, Cirillo (2017) E-cigarettes induce toxicological effects that can increase cancer risk. Scientific Reports. 17:2018 (this article attached here).

(3) The City of Alameda has the choice of opposing and preventing businesses relating to marijuana and vaping. From my own personal experience, I have determined that crime and immoral behavior is fostered and encouraged in some cities. I lived in Honolulu for three years, where my job was teaching biochemistry at Univ. of Hawaii. In the downtown area of Honolulu known as "Waikiki" it is the case that prostitution has been and continues to be rampant. Also, prostitution and stripper clubs are rampant on Keeaumoku Street near the University of Hawaii campus.

But it does not have to be this way in the City of Alameda.

Also, in Charleston, South Carolina, practices that prevent African Americans from entering restaurants, nightclubs, and taverns, are traditional and rampant. I lived in Charleston, SC for three years and I witnessed this first hand (my daytime job was to devise and perform experiments in immunology, at the medical school in Charleston, SC). The way it is done, is that to enter a restaurant, nightclub, or tavern you need first to fill out a membership form. If the clerk sees that you are the wrong type of person, then your form is denied.

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I have also lived in Berkeley, CA for about ten years. During that time, I saw naked people romping in People's Park (I have photographs of this). During that time, I have seen countless hobos, riff-raff, vagrants, and human scum, infesting Telegraph Avenue.

But it does not have to be this way in the City of Alameda.

My point, is that the City of Alameda has freedom to take the initiative in maintaining Alameda Island as a nice place to live. We do not have any unsafe neighborhoods. We have a long beach that is safe and free of litter, trash, and garbage. We have a patriotic museum taking the form of U.S.S. Hornet. We have charming gift shops on Park Street, Webster Street, and one charming gift shop on Lincoln (Whales and Friends). We have musical events with huge communal picnics at Crown Memorial Beach. We have picturesque marinas, where a father can take his daughter to spend an hour with sketch pads and pencils for drawing the boats and their graceful cables and sails (I have done this on four occasions).

To summarize, I respectfully contend that marijuana sales and vaping sales are not compatible with the Alameda's cherished traditions, qualities, and characteristics of wholesomeness, safety for children, and so on.

Best regards, Tom Brody, PhD (homeowner on Lincoln Avenue for 15 years)

NANCY McPeak

From: David Sablan
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2019 7:56 AM
To: NANCY McPeak
Subject: FW: Opposition to Cannabis Dispensary WRONG LOCATION

Nancy,

I received this email for tonight's Planning Board meeting.

David Sablan, AICP

Planner II
City of Alameda, Permit Center
(510) 747-6873
dsablan@alamedaca.gov

From: Paul and Rosalinda Corvi [mailto:corvifortuna@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, March 10, 2019 1:03 PM
To: David Sablan <DSablan@alamedaca.gov>
Subject: Opposition to Cannabis Dispensary WRONG LOCATION

Dear Planning Board Members,

I am a long-time resident of 55 years and West end business owner of 30+ years, and strongly oppose the granting of a use permit to the recreational marijuana retail store proposing to locate at 1528 Webster.

It is located next door to a martial arts school which provides after-school, evening, and weekend classes for children and youth. I see many children there after school and waiting outside for parents to pick them up. State law prohibits the use of cannabis within 1,000 feet of a school, day care center, or youth center while children are present and for dispensaries to not be located within a 600-foot radius of sensitive uses like schools and youth centers. I understand that the city council changed their definition of youth centers to explicitly exclude martial arts schools just to increase the number of locations where dispensaries may be located. This feels discriminatory and puts the protections for children and youth in state law secondary to business interests.

Moreover, on Haight Avenue, adjacent use is a Muslim mosque which adults and young children frequent daily and a Christian church across the street. This is the wrong location for a cannabis dispensary close to a church, Islamic center, and dense residential area. The dispensary does not have sufficient parking which will affect the other businesses in the area. I do not agree with the assumption that the dispensary's parking needs will be similar to

that of the credit union. As a longtime business owner, I have rarely seen anyone even enter the credit union. But I have seen the long lines around Oakland's cannabis dispensaries.

I am also opposed to on-site smoking. Per our city of Alameda Smoke Free Zone ordinance, Municipal Code 24-11, we should be protecting Alamedans and their children from second hand smoke. In 2017, to align with new state regulations, Alameda added the smoking and vaping (the use of electronic smoking devices) of either tobacco or cannabis to the secondhand smoke law adopted in 2011. Under state law, the smoking and vaping of cannabis is prohibited in all public places and wherever smoking tobacco is not allowed.

A more appropriate location for a cannabis dispensary should be located in an industrial area. Please keep our community safe for its citizens and children. Please disapprove the use permit application for a cannabis dispensary at 1528 Webster Street.

Thank you,

Rosalinda Fortuna

NANCY McPeak

From: Michelle Wong <mwchang@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, March 09, 2019 7:47 PM
To: David Sablan; NANCY McPeak
Subject: No Marijuana store on 1528 Webster St

Dear Sir:

I have been living in Alameda since 1996. I love this city. I have a thirteen years old son and eleven years old daughter attend the International Chi Institute to learn Kung Fu since they were seven and six years old. They loved the place. I was shock when I learned that there might be a marijuana store open next door. I do not believe that there should be a store selling marijuana right next door to the Institute. Many children attend Kung Fu and after school there. The International Chi Institute is a good place for kids to go to. So kids won't just stay home watch TV and play games. They can strength their body and social with other kids. Please don't let any marijuana store ruins the kids dream place. Also, there is a farmer's market right next to 1528 Webster St. Paden Elementary School takes student for field trip to visit the farmer's market. It is not a good location to open a marijuana store on 1528 Webster St because there are so many young kids are around the area. Please don't approve marijuana store on 1528 Webster St.

Thank you!

Michelle Wong

NANCY McPeak

From: mary ng <saneco8@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2019 10:38 AM
To: NANCY McPeak
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Mary Ng

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Serena Chen <serenatchen@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2019 12:32 PM
To: NANCY McPeak
Subject: On-site consumption of marijuana

Dear Members of the Planning Board,

As you consider issuing a use permit to a proposed cannabis dispensary, please be aware that the information being provided in the staff report is from the perspective of a commercial profit-making business. Many members of the public health and substance abuse prevention communities have concerns about the consequences of not taking into account the known health, social, and public safety issues that are likely to emerge if the businesses are not tightly regulated.

Please take a moment to consider the section *Public Use and Social On-Site Consumption* which begins on page 32 of this paper, *Public Health Language for Recreational Cannabis Laws* <https://cloudfront.escholarship.org/dist/prd/content/qt05d5g5db/qt05d5g5db.pdf?t=p8ixq3> from the UCSF School of Medicine which employs some of the foremost public health policy researchers in the US.

Here is an excerpt:

Public Use and Social/On-Site Consumption

Pressing concerns surrounding public use and social/on-site consumption of cannabis include normalization of cannabis consumption, re-normalization of smoking behavior, and the effect of secondhand and third-hand cannabis smoke or vapor exposure.¹¹² The cannabis health research base is currently limited, though it will undoubtedly expand over the next several years. Nevertheless, existing evidence is sufficient to support a restrictive approach to cannabis consumption consistent with best practices creating environments free of tobacco smoke. Cannabis use in public places (e.g., parks, sidewalks) remains illegal in all states that have legalized recreational cannabis to date.

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Serena Chen, MSW
Alameda resident and public health advocate
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NANCY McPeak

From: Robert Cassard <rjwcassard@gmail.com> on behalf of Robert Cassard <rcassard@voodoooviral.com>
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2019 2:57 PM
To: NANCY McPeak
Subject: Tonight's hearing regarding the proposed marijuana dispensary on Webster Street
Attachments: PastedGraphic-5.tiff

Hi Ms. McPeak,

I can't make it to tonight's planning commission meeting, and even if I could, I expect I would be scorned or verbally abused by parents who seem deathly afraid of anything to do with commercially available marijuana.

But I am willing to go on record with the following written statement:

Dear Planning Board members,

As a parent of two children who recently graduated from Alameda schools, I believe the fear of a dispensary on Webster Street is unfounded. I live just one block from the proposed dispensary and I am in favor of it.

I'm not a "pot person," but I believe dispensaries are unfairly demonized based largely on misinformation and ignorance. They are proving to be an almost entirely positive addition to other communities in California and states where pot is legal.

They should not be pushed into the "dark corners" of a community because they enhance foot traffic and sales of other businesses in commercial districts, they contribute a higher percentage of their sales as tax revenue, they provide recreational and medical benefits, and they provide an important alternative to alcohol (widely accepted to be a more dangerous and destructive "drug" than marijuana, even among law enforcement).

Marijuana purchased from a dispensary is a premium-priced product. It doesn't become a magnet for indigent "undesirables," like some people claim. The fear of a potential line outside a dispensary should be no greater than the fear of the lines that regularly gather outside high quality restaurants like Cafe Jolie or East Ocean.

Dispensaries have to comply with a VERY HIGH level of security. A patron of a dispensary must show ID and prove they're 21 just to enter. Compare that to the open access kids have to grocery stores, convenience stores and liquor stores selling alcohol. Ask any high-schooler where they secure intoxicants for clandestine parties and I guarantee they will NOT have purchased them from a dispensary. (Most

were tucked under jackets and stolen from grocery stores, or came from directly from mom and dad's liquor cabinet.)

In summary, children are unlikely to be affected by the presence of a highly professional and secure dispensary. It's absolutely appropriate to allow a dispensary on a well-lit commercial corner in the location of a former bank.

Sincerely,

Robert Cassard
Central Alameda

Please tell me if there's anything else you need for my statement to be heard by and filed with the Planning Board.

Thank you!

—>Robert

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From: Lannhi Pham <lannhip@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 11, 2019 6:10 PM
To: NANCY McPeak

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To: planning board

nmcpeak@alamedaca.gov
(510) 747-6854

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Sent: Monday, March 11, 2019 7:14 PM
To: NANCY McPeak
Subject: Fwd: Opposition to Recreational Use Marijuana Dispensary on Webster St, Alameda

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From: **marlene mujicafill** <mmujicafill@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Mar 11, 2019 at 7:12 PM
Subject: Re: Opposition to Recreational Use Marijuana Dispensary on Webster St, Alameda
To: John Knox White <JknoxWhite@alamedaca.gov>
Cc: Simon Fill <simonfill@aol.com>

Thank you for your prompt response to my letter opposing a marijuana dispensary on the corner of Webster & Haight Streets on Alameda.

First off, I'd like to make clear that I do not oppose marijuana dispensaries or the legalization of recreational marijuana. What I do oppose is the swiftness with which, at the end of 2018, the outgoing Alameda City Mayor and some members of the City Council pushed through a revised definition of "youth centers" to specifically exclude martial arts centers that serve mostly youth.

I believe not enough time was given to gather Alameda City residents' input regarding this re-definition of "youth centers." Therefore, I would like this question to go before the residents of Alameda once more, but this time with enough outreach to all members of our community, including those whose first language is not English.

Again, I appreciate your service on the Alameda City Council and your effort to listen to the varied voices of our wonderfully diverse community.

Sincerely,
Marlene Mujica-Fill

On Mon, Mar 11, 2019 at 7:42 AM John Knox White <JknoxWhite@alamedaca.gov> wrote:

Thank you for copying me on your email to the Planning Board.

While I don't have a role in guiding their decision, I would be interested in hearing more about your specific safety concerns as they relate to dispensaries. As we continue to have discussions about dispensary rules and potential changes to any of our current law, I'm looking to hear from as many people as possible.

Best,

John Knox White

Vice Mayor, Alameda

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Sent: Sunday, March 10, 2019 5:11 PM

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Subject: Opposition to Recreational Use Marijuana Dispensary on Webster St, Alameda

Dear Members of the Alameda Planning Board,

I am reaching out to you in order to voice our family's strong opposition to allow a recreational use marijuana dispensary and on-site consumption store at 1528 Webster Street in Alameda.

For the last three years, our 11-year-old son has been attending martial arts lessons several times a week at the International Chi Institute, at 1532 Webster St in Alameda. During the summer, our son attends camp there Mon-Fri, 9AM-5:30PM. It would be absolutely unethical to treat the International Chi Institute as anything other than what it is: a safe place of learning and growth for the children of Alameda. The City of Alameda should not put monetary profit above the invaluable quality of life enhancements that safe spaces such as the Chi Institute offer Alamedans, a place where our children and families can congregate.

Please consider our concerns seriously.

Respectfully,

Marlene Mujica-Fill & Simon Fill

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