Non-Medical Cannabis Retail Regulation
District of North Vancouver
March 11, 2019
Agenda

• Overview of the District’s draft approach
• Feedback received
• Recommended approach
• Next Steps
Current Regulations

- Non-medical cannabis production and distribution are prohibited in all zones in the District – (Zoning Bylaw, Part 403A)

- October 17, 2018 non-medical cannabis became legal in Canada
Timeline and Process

1. Online Survey (Open from July 20 – September 7, 2018)
2. Retail sector working session (August 28, 2018)
3. Stakeholder meeting (September 7, 2018)
Draft Zoning Bylaw Amendments

Land Use Regulations

Option A:

• Retail Use
  – Allows non-medical cannabis retail stores in zones that allow liquor stores with a 200 or 300 metre buffer around elementary and high schools
Proposed 200 Metre Buffer

Approximately 56 parcels meet proposed 200 metre buffer criteria
Proposed 300 Metre Buffer

Approximately 41 parcels meet proposed 300 metre buffer criteria
Draft Zoning Bylaw Amendments

Option B:

• Case by case rezoning applications for cannabis retail stores
  – Allows Council to control specific locations of each store
Draft Zoning Bylaw Amendments

• Warehouse Use
  – Allows government “cannabis warehouses” to distribute cannabis in all zones that permit warehousing and warehouse uses
Proposed Locations
Draft Bylaw Amendments

- Business Licence Bylaw
  - Include retail cannabis stores as a new business class

  Must Not:
  - Hold more than 1 cannabis retail store licence
  - Operate any other business from the premises
  - Sell or offer to sell edible cannabis products or concentrates
  - Operate the business at any other time than between the hours of (9am to 9pm or 9am to 10pm)

Comparison
- Provincial hours of operation (9am to 11pm)
Draft Bylaw Amendments

• Fees and Charges Bylaw
  – Include “non-medical cannabis retail store” in the list of permitted business types
  – Proposed fee of $5,000

*Intent*

– Business licence fee based on the estimated cost to administer this type of business
Draft Bylaw Amendments

Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw adds penalty amounts for any contravention regarding cannabis:

- Failure to comply with regulations
- Terms and conditions
- Operating other business
- Selling edible cannabis or concentrates
- Remaining open outside of permitted hours
- Operating within 200 or 300 (to be determined) metres of school
Feedback Received

• 200 metre buffer from elementary and high schools
• 9 am - 9 pm as the preferred hours of operation
• Restrict the number of stores permitted in the municipality
• Locate in Town and Village Centres
Recommended Approach for Regulating Cannabis

• Consider the dispensing or sale of cannabis (marihuana) in the District of North Vancouver on a case-by-case basis;

• Limit to Town and Village Centres

• Develop policy to include:
  – Locational and evaluation criteria
  – Application process
  – Public consultation process
Next Steps

• Return to Regular Meeting of Council policy for consideration

• Bylaw amendments for:
  • warehouse use
  • Business licence
  • Fees and Charges
  • Bylaw Notice Enforcement
THANK YOU

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Smoking Regulation Bylaw Amendments

**Previous**
Prohibits smoking in public places in or within 6 metres of a:

- building
- transit stop or transit shelter, vehicle for hire
- outdoor customer service area, air intake of a building,
- park, children’s playground, swimming beach, food concession, picnic area, playing field, skateboard park
- Lynn Valley Village or Maplewood Farm

**Current (Amended)**
Prohibits smoking in public places in or within 6 metres of a:

- building
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- outdoor customer service area, air intake of a building,
- park, children’s playground, swimming beach, food concession, picnic area, playing field, skateboard park
- Lynn Valley Village or Maplewood Farm
- Cannabis Retail Store

*Also updates definitions to include ‘vaping’ and ‘cannabis’*