

STAFF REPORT ON PROPOSED LEGISLATION

To: Mayor Gavin Buckley

From: Michael D. Mallinoff, Interim, Director of Planning and Zoning

Date: January 5, 2022

Subject: O-6-22. Medical Cannabis Dispensary

This ordinance is, "[f]or the purpose of allowing medical cannabis dispensaries in certain zoning districts within the City of Annapolis; adding a use subject to standards; adding certain definitions; and generally relating to medical cannabis dispensaries." As proposed, "[t]his use may not be located within a two mile radius of any other licensed premises of a licensed dispensary of medical cannabis." Additionally, [t]his use is not permitted within 1,000 feet of the lot line of a public or private elementary, middle, or high school." This new use would be permitted, subject to standards, in all commercial, industrial, and mixed use districts, except for C2P.

A medical cannabis dispensary is defined as "an entity licensed under the Maryland Code, Health-General Article, Title 13, Subtitle 33 that acquires, possesses, processes, transfers, transports, sells, distributes, dispenses, or administers cannabis, products containing cannabis, related supplies, related products containing cannabis including food, tinctures, aerosols, oils, or ointments, or educational materials for use by a qualifying patient or caregiver."