

CITY OF PALM DESERT STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: August 22, 2024

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SUBJECT: ORDINANCE NO. 1416 TO AMEND MULTIPLE SECTIONS OF TITLE 25 OF THE PALM DESERT MUNICIPAL CODE AND FINDING THE ACTION EXEMPT PER THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt Ordinance No. 1416 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM DESERT, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT FOR SECTIONS 25.16.030, 25.18.040, 25.28.070, 25.34.120, 25.68.020, AND 25.99.020 OF PALM DESERT MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 25 AND MAKING A FINDING THAT THE ACTION IS EXEMPT FROM FURTHER ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA)."

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:

On June 27, 2024, the City Council voted unanimously to introduce Ordinance No. 1416 for the first reading. The City Council passed the ordinance to second reading with modifications to the Planning Commission's recommendation, which removed all allowances for "Cannabis Microbusinesses."

Per California Government Code Section 65857, the modified ordinance required the Planning Commission to consider the modifications for recommendation. On July 16, 2024, the Planning Commission adopted Planning Commission Resolution No. 2876, recommending approval of the modification in accordance with state law.

This report provides for the City Council to waive further reading and adopt the Ordinance. The ordinance shall be effective 30 days from adoption.

Legal Review:

This report has been reviewed by the City Attorney's office.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no direct financial impact with this action.

ATTACHMENT:

1. Ordinance No. 1416