MEMO

To: Medical Cannabis Commission
From: LDP Project Members – Rama Murty, Joy Brown, Rolando Villareal, Savith Iyengar, Lisa Sterner
Date: March 24, 2017
Re: Regulating Recreational Marijuana in the City of Berkeley

This Leadership Development Team (LDP team) is in the process of drafting the regulations (Berkeley Municipal Code) necessary to regulate recreational marijuana in the City of Berkeley. We are utilizing lessons learned from other jurisdictions where recreational marijuana is already legalized.

As we get closer to completing our project we have some questions for the Commission:

- What are their primary concerns for Recreational Marijuana in Berkeley?
- Would they want to allow conversions from medicinal dispensaries to recreational retailers?
- How many recreational retailers do you envision for the City, and do you anticipate any major changes to the process of selecting the location that the existing dispensaries went through?
- Do you anticipate a modification to the existing cultivation ordinance to include recreational marijuana or would you prefer a new ordinance written specifically for recreational marijuana?
- “Medical Cannabis Cultivation Facility” or “Facility” means a building or other location where Medical Cannabis is cultivated. Does this definition mean that all cultivation except that which for grown for personal use must be indoors?

We anticipate having a draft of our proposed Recreational Marijuana Ordinance for your next meeting on May 4th.