



**City of Fort Lupton
Marijuana Licensing Authority
Agenda
Tuesday, June 7, 2022
6:00 PM
130 South McKinley Avenue**

**Zo Stieber-Hubbard,
Mayor**
Valerie Blackston, Ward 1
Chris Ceretto, Ward 2
Carlos Barron, Ward 3
David Crespín, Ward 1
Claud Hanes, Ward 2
Bruce Fitzgerald, Ward 3

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Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Consent Agenda - Consent Agenda items are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion and vote. There will be no separate discussion of Consent Agenda items unless a Councilmember so requests, in which case the item may be removed/moved from the Consent Agenda.

a. May 3, 2022, Marijuana Licensing Authority Meeting Minutes

Public Hearings - Public Hearings allow members of the audience to present comments and questions to the City Council on the item being presented. Comments and questions may be limited to three (3) minutes- Mayor Stieber

- a. AM 2022-009 Findings of Fact by the Fort Lupton City Council Acting as the Marijuana Local Licensing Authority ("Authority") on an Application Submitted by Centaurus Farms, LLC, for a Retail Marijuana Business to be Located at 13400 County Road 10, Fort Lupton**
- b. Findings of Fact by the Fort Lupton City Council Acting as the Marijuana Local Licensing Authority ("Authority") on an Application Submitted by Centaurus Farms, LLC, for a Medical Marijuana Business to be Located at 13400 County Road 10, Fort Lupton**

Adjourn

**RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
MARIJUANA LICENSING AUTHORITY
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The Marijuana Licensing Authority of the City of Fort Lupton met at the City Complex, 130 South McKinley Avenue, on Tuesday, June 7, 2022. Mayor Zo Stieber-Hubbard called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and invited everyone to join her in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Mari Peña, City Clerk, called the roll. Those present were Mayor Stieber-Hubbard, Councilmembers Chris Ceretto, Bruce Fitzgerald, David Crespín, Valerie Blackston and Claud Hanes.

Also present were City Administrator, Chris Cross, City Clerk, Mari Peña, City Attorney, Andy Ausmus, and Planning Director, Todd Hodges.

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Bruce Fitzgerald and seconded by Claud Hanes to approve the Consent Agenda as presented with the following item: May 3, 2022, Marijuana Licensing Authority Meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously on voice vote.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

AM 2022-009 Findings of Fact by the Fort Lupton City Council Acting as the Marijuana Local Licensing Authority ("Authority") on an Application Submitted by Centaurus Farms, LLC, for a Retail Marijuana Business to be Located at 13400 County Road 10, Fort Lupton

Mayor Stieber opened the public hearing at 6:03 p.m. On May 3, 2022, the Fort Lupton City Council acting as the Marijuana Licensing Authority, ("Authority") held a public hearing to consider the application submitted by Centaurus Farms, LLC. During the public hearing, the Authority was provided with the marijuana business license application electronically on a USB. The Authority also heard testimony from the public. The hearing was adjourned to June 7, 2022, to allow the Council sufficient time to review the materials.

Mayor Stieber-Hubbard confirmed with the Council that they had sufficient time to review the materials for this hearing.

Mayor Stieber-Hubbard expressed concerns over children being exposed to this business and asked the applicant if he would like to address this concern. The other applicants were asked to fence the property.

John Paoletta stated that the best thing to do was to shade the property and he is willing to entertain any concerns and happy to screen the property.

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The Planning Director, Todd Hodges, stated that this property, along with surrounding properties were zoned industrial and at some point would transition. The applicant will also be going through the land use process.

Mayor Stieber-Hubbard asked if anyone from the public, who had not yet spoken, would like to do so, and if anyone from the public had any additional comments.

Bobby Adams, a neighbor to the property, indicated he would like to see privacy fencing. Mr. Adams stated that he has a problem with the drive through and he doesn't want it because it's in his neighborhood.

Dawn Massey, asked if this operation included growing.

Mayor Stieber-Hubbard, indicated that the City currently doesn't have a grow ordinance. This license doesn't include grow.

There being no further comments, Mayor Stieber-Hubbard closed the public hearing at 6:08 p.m.

The Planning Director, Todd Hodges, stated that this type of business is a use by right in the commercial and industrial zone districts.

The Authority, after final review of the information, delivered the findings of fact as follows: the applicant is in legal possession of the premises, in compliance with zoning and is of good moral character.

It was moved by David Crespín and seconded by Bruce Fitzgerald to approve the retail marijuana license for Centaurus Farms, LLC, based upon the facts and evidence presented, with the following conditions: applicable issuance of building permits and land use approvals as applicable, approved site inspections, approved security inspections, any additional background information (if necessary) on any parties providing financing, and maintaining compliance with all state and local laws, codes and ordinances. Motion passed unanimously on roll call vote.

AM 2022-010 Findings of Fact by the Fort Lupton City Council Acting as the Marijuana Local Licensing Authority ("Authority") on an Application Submitted by Centaurus Farms, LLC, for a Medical Marijuana Business to be Located at 13400 County Road 10, Fort Lupton

Mayor Stieber-Hubbard opened the public hearing at 6:12 p.m. The City Clerk, Mari Peña, stated that the medical marijuana license is being co-located with retail marijuana license.

Mayor Stieber-Hubbard asked if anyone from the public wished to speak for or against this proposal.

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The City Attorney, Andy Ausmus, asked the applicant, John Paoella, for confirmation that the presentation provided at the last hearing, would be the same as if presented at this hearing.

Mr. Paoella confirmed that he would stand on the presentation that was provided.

There being no public comment, Mayor Stieber-Hubbard closed the public hearing at 6:13 p.m.

It was moved by Chris Ceretto and seconded by Bruce Fitzgerald to approve the medical marijuana license for Centaurus Farms, LLC, based upon the facts and evidence presented, with the following conditions: applicable issuance of building permits and land use approvals as applicable, approved site inspections, approved security inspections, any additional background information (if necessary) on any parties providing financing, and maintaining compliance with all state and local laws, codes and ordinances. Motion passed unanimously on roll call vote.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m.

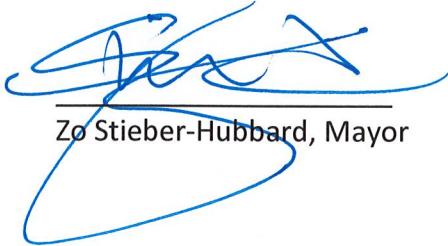
Submitted by,



Maricela Peña, City Clerk



Approved by City Council



Zo Stieber-Hubbard, Mayor