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*June 30, 2022 , 2:00 p.m.*

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# Roll Call



# General Public Comment & Single / Multiple Agenda Item Comment



# Agenda Item #1: Commission Business



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# Agenda Item #2:

Findings to Continue Teleconference  
Meetings Pursuant to AB 361 and Possible  
Commission Action



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# Agenda Item #3: Report From the Los Angeles Police Department



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# LAPD Report: Unauthorized Commercial Cannabis Activity

## Enforcement Tools:

- Cease and Desist Letters
- Search Warrants
- Utility Disconnections (LAMC 104.15 (e))
- Padlock Ordinance (LAMC 104.15.1)





# LAPD Report: Unauthorized Commercial Cannabis Activity

## 2022 Year to Date Enforcement Stats

- Currency Seized: \$2,485,143.75
- Cannabis Seized: 40,579.23 pounds
- Search Warrants Served: 127
- Investigations Conducted: 20
- Cannabis Related Arrests: 255
  - 125 Felony
  - 130 Misdemeanor
- Utility Disconnects: 89
- Padlock and Board Up locations: 9
- Cease and Desist Letters Issued: 103
- Unlicensed Cannabis Locations: 107
- Firearms Recovered:
  - 34 Handguns
  - 5 Rifles
  - 1 Shotgun

# Agenda Item #4: Report From DCR Regarding the Compliance and Enforcement Program



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# Compliance and Enforcement Program

## DCR Compliance and Enforcement Division (CED)

Mission: Achieve compliance through education, outreach and a progressive enforcement strategy.

- Workflows and Operational Procedures Underway
- Compliance coordination efforts with City, County and State agencies
  - Agencies: LAFD, LAPD, DWP, OoF, County DPH, LASan, DBS, CDTFA, DCC
- Complaint Portal enhancements
- Development of Accela Enforcement Module





# Compliance and Enforcement

## Emblem Program

- On June 29, 2022 the City Council adopted two ordinances ([CF 22-0516](#)) to:
  - Amend LAMC Section 104.23 which will establish the City's Storefront Retailer Emblem Program; and
  - Amend LAMC Section 31.00, to incorporate the relevant portions of Los Angeles County Code concerning the Storefront Retailer Emblem Program and inspections for commercial cannabis businesses.
    - Included and urgency clause; will become effective upon Mayor's signature and posting.
- The Program will be administered by the County of Los Angeles in partnership with DCR.
- The program will require retail cannabis businesses that have received all appropriate licenses, permits, or authorizations from the State and local governments to display a unique emblem on the Business Premises so that it is highly visible to the public from the exterior of the store.



# Compliance and Enforcement

## Organizational Structure & Staffing



**New  
Compliance  
Sr. Mgmt Analyst I  
9171-1 000  
Resolution 0501  
C.F. 21-1083**

**New  
Enforcement  
Sr. Mgmt Analyst I  
9171-1 000  
Resolution 0501  
C.F. 21-1083**

**New  
Enforcement  
Management Analyst  
9184-0 000  
Resolution 0501  
C.F. 21-1083**

**New  
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**Special Investigator  
Personnel Department**

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Agenda Item #4:  
END.



# Agenda Item #5: Report From DCR Regarding Recent Licensing Activities



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# Administration - Vacancy Rate is 48.3%

- 30 of 58 authorized positions are filled:
  - Six employees have left in 2022
- DCR has interviewed for multiple vacancies over the past two months and made several job offers:
  - Eight job offers have been declined
  - Five job offers have been accepted
    - Two Office Trainees (Administrative Clerk + Accounting Clerk), Senior Administrative Clerk, and two Management Analysts
  - Six job offers are pending
    - Six Management Assistants
- The hiring activity may reduce the vacancy rate to between 29% - 40%.



# Licensing Program Updates

- Current licensing projects and system enhancements;
  - Legal Entity Record, Modification Request Record, Temporary Approval Applications, and Annual Applications.
  - E-payment processing.
  - Geographic Information System (GIS) Interface
- Abandonment of applications and the new refiling system and requirements;
- On-going Social Equity Individual Applicant (SEIA) eligibility verification request filing window.
  - Approximately, 350 SEIA eligibility verification requests have been submitted. Fee waivers are still available.
  - The deadline to submit SEIA eligibility verification requests is Monday, July 25, 2022 at 4:00 P.M. Pacific Time. Late requests will not be accepted.





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Agenda Item #5:  
END.

Thank You



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