



January 9, 2018

Ethan Meltzer  
City of Sacramento  
300 Richards Blvd.  
Sacramento, CA

**Re: Z17-120 Cannabis CUP Application**

Dear Mr. Meltzer:

The South Land Park Neighborhood Association (SLPNA) is a nonprofit organization representing the area bounded by Freeport Blvd, Sutterville Road, Interstate 5, and Florin Road, home to over 14,000 residents. The SLPNA Board of Directors met on January 3, 2018, to discuss the cannabis cultivation application for 6382/6388 Freeport Blvd. Several Board members also met in December 2017 with the landlord and applicants. After these discussions and a thorough review of the application, the SLPNA Board voted to not take a position on this application.

However, SLPNA would like to go on record (again) that we have grave concerns over the undue concentration of cannabis businesses in the commercial area bounded by Freeport Blvd, Blair Avenue, and Belleau Wood Lane. We are concerned that existing businesses are being pushed out of the neighborhood as landlords shift to doing business with high-rent paying cannabis entrepreneurs.

The approval of this CUP will signify the third and fourth marijuana entities in our small business corridor. Our neighborhood fears that the City of Sacramento is giving unfettered access to marijuana operations in our area, without a thorough investigation into the economic, social, and vital impacts to businesses in our neighborhood. Furthermore, absolute clarity should be provided by the City on the efforts to mitigate negative impacts of these ventures. The Neighborhood Impact Fee, which is a mechanism to offset negative externalities such as those mentioned here, has only been highlighted in ambiguous terms and is awaiting completion of a nexus study. The nexus study should be completed prior to engaging in approval of future applications.

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This growing threat to the economic diversity and viability of our neighborhood business corridor will rob our neighborhood of a variety of jobs and services. When our neighborhood businesses are pushed out in favor of one industry, it threatens the livability and economic vitality of our neighborhood. We ask that, for all future cannabis CUP applications in the Freeport/Blair corridor, the Zoning Administrator and city staff carefully consider our neighborhood association's record of growing concerns about undue concentration.

Respectfully,

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
South Land Park Neighborhood Association