

**CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE
MEMORANDUM 17-29**

DATE: June 26, 2017
 TO: Honorable Mayor Joyce Downing and City Council Members
 FROM: James A. Hayes, AICP, City Manager **JH**
 SUBJECT: Discussion Item: Marijuana Business Hours of Operation

PURPOSE

The purpose of the discussion item is for the City Manager, City Attorney, and City Clerk to receive direction regarding marijuana business hours of operation. Specifically, does the City Council want to revise/extend the hours of operation as allowed under Colorado state law?

BACKGROUND

At a recent regular City Council meeting, two individuals provided information about extending the hours of operation for marijuana businesses in the City. One individual represented a local business and recommended the City Council consider extending the hours. Another individual represented a different business and recommended keeping the hours the same. Following the meeting, the advocate for extending hours contacted the City Council and City Manager restating their position. The City Manager raised the issue with the City Council and was directed to schedule a study session on the topic.

In Northglenn, the current allowable hours of operation are 9:00am to 8:00pm, seven (7) days per week. In April, 2017, the City and County of Denver voted to extend hours to 10:00pm, largely in response to the adjacent communities' closing hours. The State of Colorado Medical and Retail Marijuana Rules establish hours of operation for marijuana businesses between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 a.m. Therefore, it's possible the City may extend the current hours to allow businesses to begin operating an hour earlier as well as extend the hours to operate later than 8:00 p.m.

Municipality	Operating Hours	Business Type
Aurora	8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.	Retail
Boulder	8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.	Medical & Retail
Commerce City	8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.	Medical Retail
Denver	8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.	Medical & Retail
Edgewater	8:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m.	Medical & Retail
Englewood	8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Medical & Retail
Federal Heights	8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.	Medical & Retail
Glendale	8:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m.	Medical & Retail
Lafayette	8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.	Medical & Retail
Louisville	8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.	Medical & Retail

Mountain View	8:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m.	Medical & Retail
Northglenn	9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Medical & Retail
Thornton	8:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.	Medical & Retail
Wheat Ridge	8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Medical & Retail

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

No budget implications have been identified.

SCHEDULE/TIME IMPLICATIONS

If City Council determines a revision to the hours of operation is appropriate, amendments to the ordinances related to marijuana businesses will be required.

NEXT STEPS / CITY COUNCIL OPTIONS

- 1) City Council may reach consensus to instruct the staff to prepare the aforementioned ordinances for consideration/adoption; or
- 2) City Council may reach consensus to keep marijuana business hours of operation the same.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

None

STAFF REFERENCE

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