



California City

INVITATION TO APPLY FOR CANNABIS DISPENSARY PERMITS

The City of California City will be accepting applications for Cannabis Dispensary Permits beginning January 8, 2019 and ending March 8, 2019. Interested applicants may pick up application packets at the Building Department at the City Hall, 21000 Hacienda Boulevard, California City, by calling Tiffany Carter at 760-373-7152, cbldg-code@californiacity-ca.gov or on the City's web site: www.californiacity-ca.gov.

The City Council will issue no more than two (2) storefront dispensaries and ten (2) delivery only dispensary permits. All dispensaries may sell Medical Cannabis and/or Adult Only Cannabis products depending upon the State of California license they operate under and in compliance with all State and City regulations. All dispensaries must follow current land use and zoning regulation in addition to element specific to Cannabis businesses.

The fee for applying for either permit will be \$9,000.00. For applicants who have previously completed the City's vetting process for any other Cannabis Permits, and whose principals have not changed, the fee will be \$4,000.00 which is non-refundable. Applicants who must pay the \$9,000.00 fee and fail the vetting process will be refunded \$3,000.00. The annual permit fee for successful applicants will be \$9,445.00. Dispensaries will pay a 6% tax on all retail transactions as required by the Municipal Code.

Applications will be reviewed and ranked by City Staff based upon the applicant's submittals, and the City Manager will refer all applicants meeting the minimum criteria to the City Council for final action at a public hearing. Applicants referred to the City Council will be required to be present at the scheduled public hearing and make a brief presentation on the merits of their application. The City Council may ask questions of the applicants and the Council will select the applicants they deem most qualified based upon their application packet, presentation, and responses to Council questions. Following ranking by the City Council, the City Manager shall, after the successful applicants have met all the criteria for completion of the zoning and land use regulations, qualification for any necessary building permits, and payment of the Permit Fees, issue a final Dispensary Permits to the successful applicants.

There will be an optional information meeting to answer questions about the process and current city cannabis regulations on at 10:00 AM Friday, February 8, 2019 in the City Council Chambers, 21000 Hacienda Blvd. California City.

Please direct all questions to either Tiffany Carter at 760-373-7152 or cbldg-code@californiacity-ca.gov or Denise Hilliker, City Clerk at 760-373-7140 or cityclerk@californiacity-ca.gov.