

#### Agenda Item 6c:

Receive Update Regarding Regional and
Statewide Trends on Adult-Use Cannabis and
Provide Direction on Revisions to the Existing
Commercial Cannabis Program to Permit Retail
Sale of Adult-Use Cannabis Products





- Background
- Description of the Code
- Data Trends on Adult-Use
- Recommendation

# Background How did we get here?

- Our Cannabis Operators have petitioned the City
- City Council gave direction during recent budget discussions
- Aligns with Goal
   A/Strategy 7 of the
   Strategic Plan





## City Council Actions

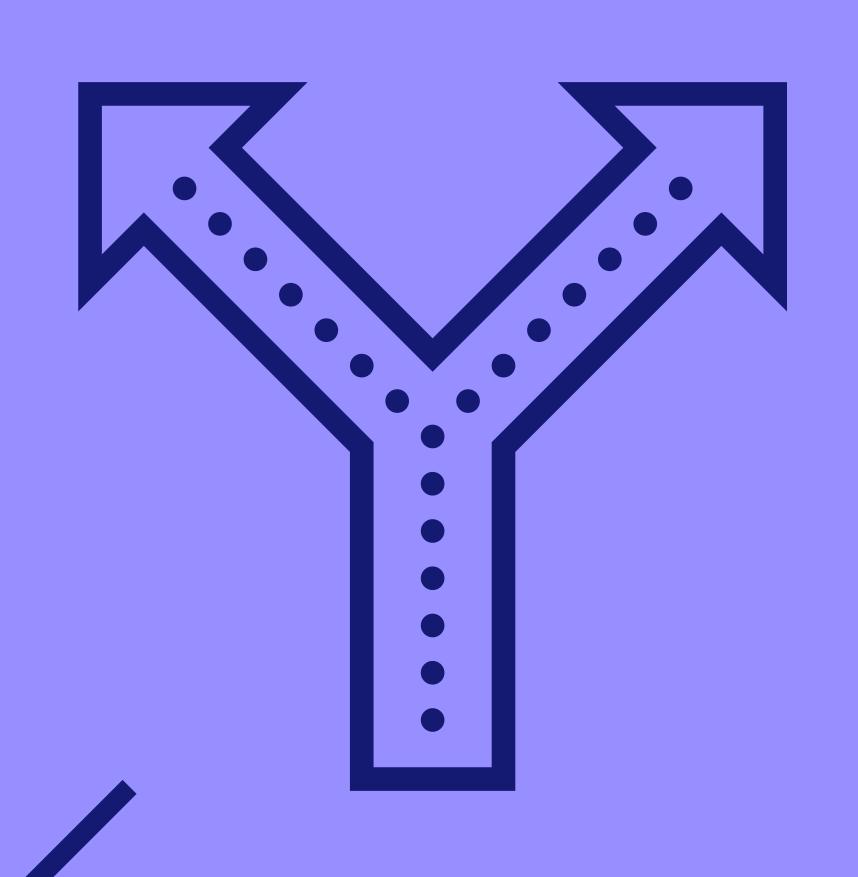
- October/November 2017:
   UCMC 5.44 & Resolutions Approved
- November 2018:
   Permits Issued to Garden of Eden & Jiva Life
- May 2019:
   Intent to Award Redwood Medical
   Supply
- July 2019:
   Resolution adopted to change locations & expand uses



#### A High Standards Program

- Strong Regulatory & Enforcement Program
- Quality versus Quantity
- High Entry Process Yielded High Quality Businesses
- Community Benefits of nearly \$10,000





- Statewide Medical Market is Shrinking
- Consumer Trends Show More People using Adult-use
   Cannabis for Medical Needs
- Existing Competitive
   Disadvantage with Delivery of
   Adult-use Cannabis & Sale of
   Adult-use in Neighboring areas

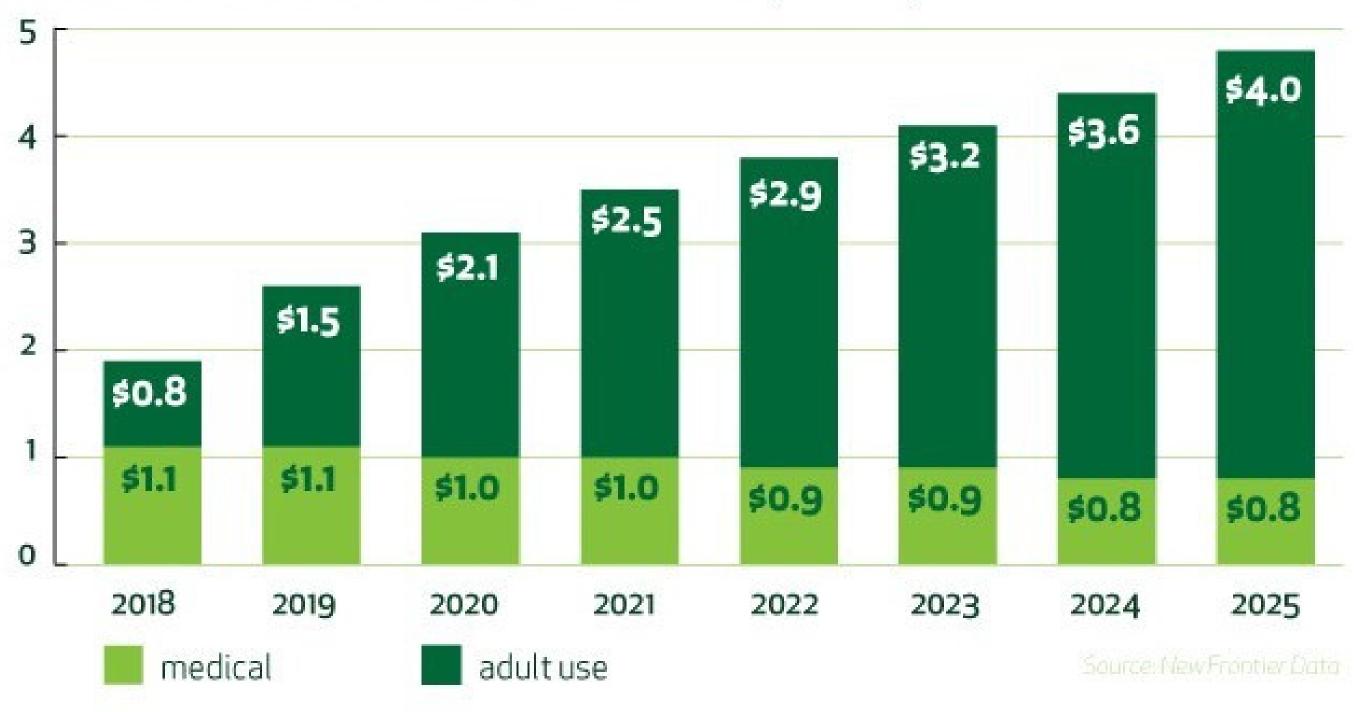
#### Projection in the next five years

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OF STATE'S CANANBIS MARKET WILL BE ADULT-USE



#### CALIFORNIA LEGAL CANNABIS PROJECTIONS (IN BILLIONS)





- Infused Edibles, such as food and drink
- Millennials are using it for sleep aids and stress
- Baby boomers are using it for joint pain

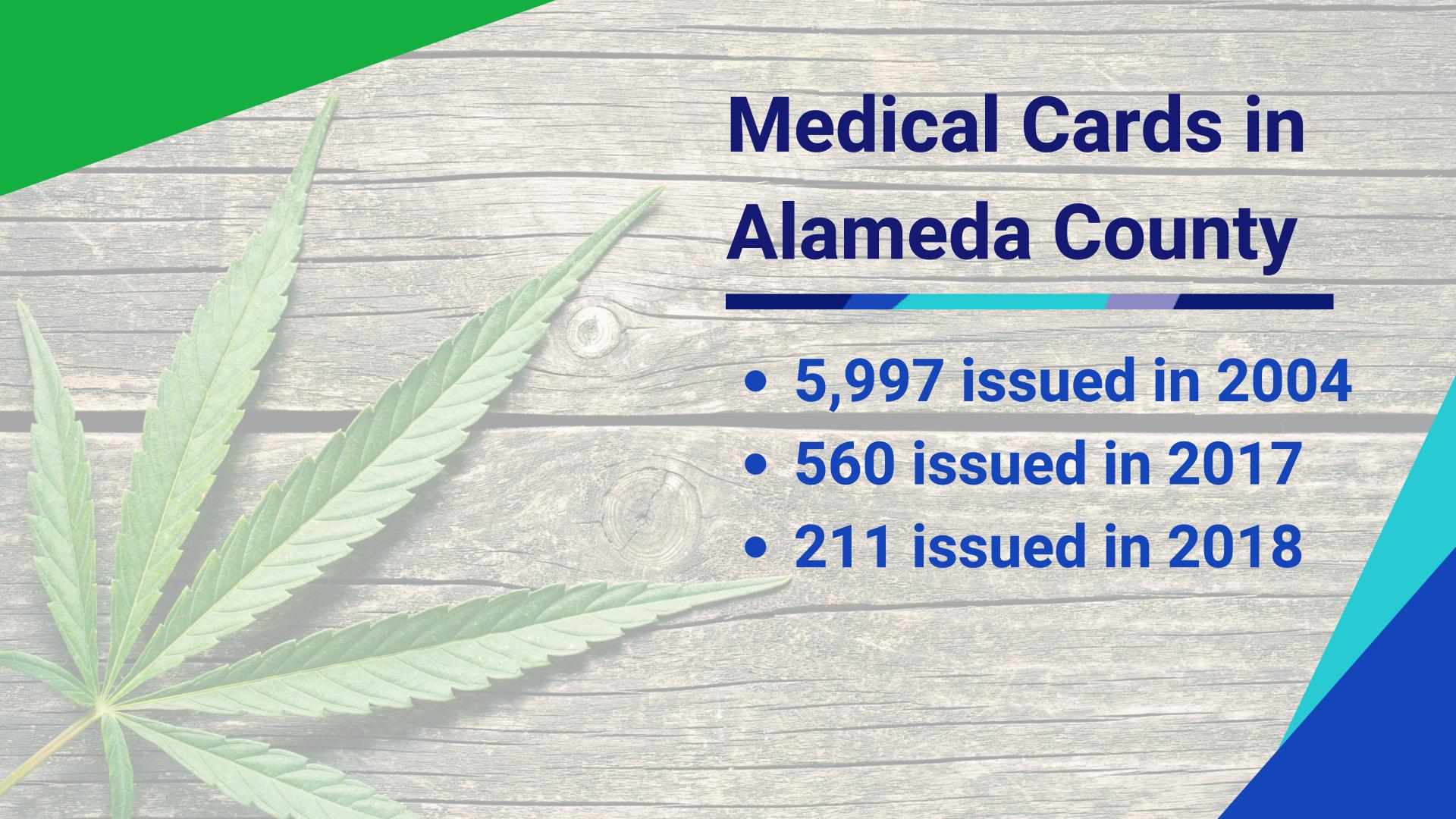
Consumers Replaced OTC Drugs with CBD

## Steps to Getting a Medical Card

- Doctor's recommendation \$30 \$80
- Obtain a medical card from the County Health Department - \$100
- Only exempt from sales & use tax
- Purchase \$1,000 worth of cannabis to see a cost savings







## Competition from Neighboring Jurisdictions

**Alameda County City of Oakland City of San Leandro City of Alameda City of Hayward City of San Jose** 

**4 Adult-Use Retail Permits** 

**8 Adult-Use Retail Permits** 

**3 Adult-Use Retail Permits** 

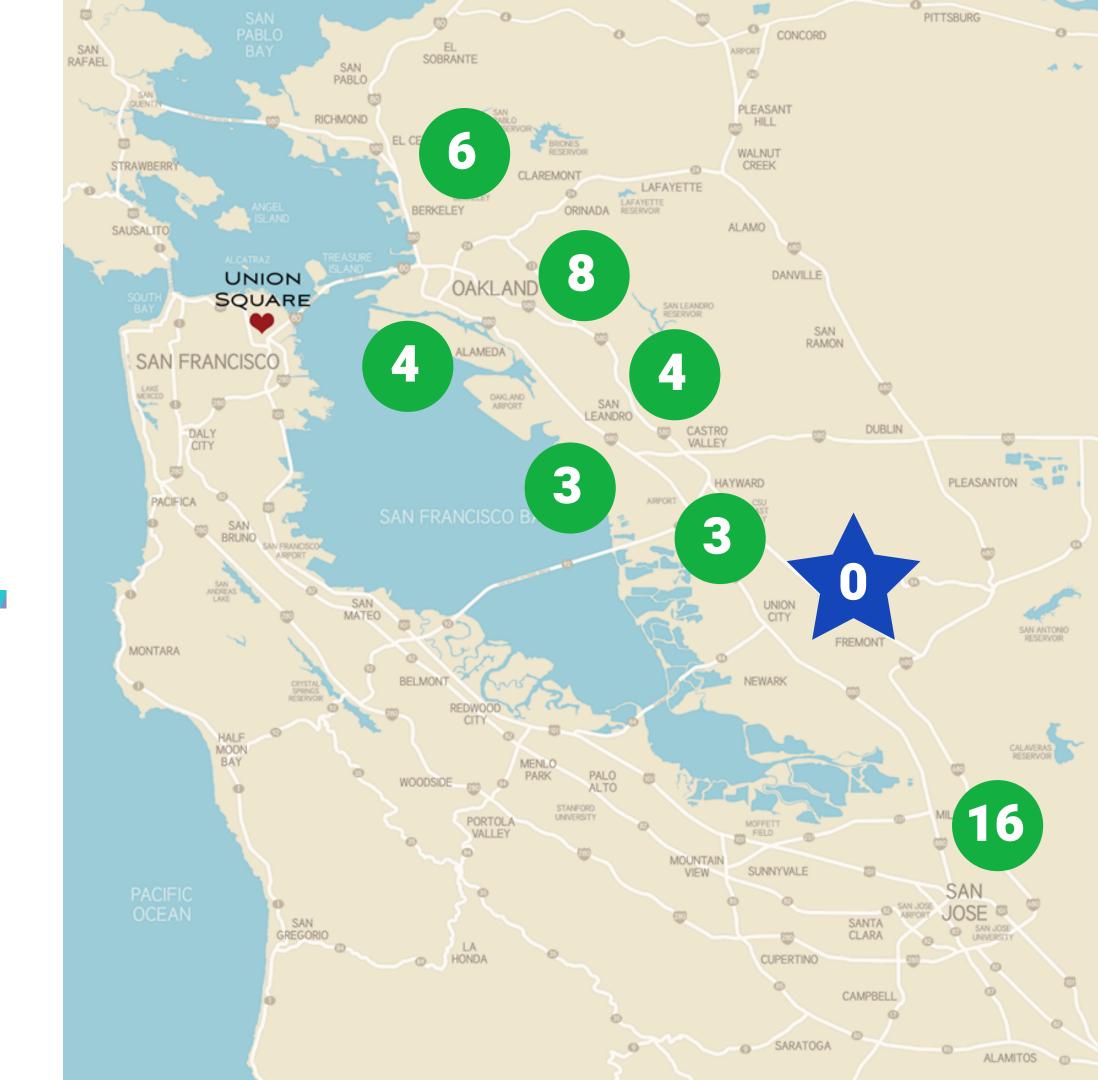
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16 Adult-Use Retail Permits



# Competition from Neighboring Jurisdictions





### Competition from Adult-Use Deliveries

- Legal everywhere in CA, including cities with bans
- 39 companies delivering adult-use cannabis to Tri-City area today
- Limits to quantity; vehicles cannot be marked

### Impacts of Medical-Only Sales

- Businesses are not expected to be viable with the decline of medical cards & competition from delivery and nearby markets
- \$1.4 million in tax revenue may not be realized





### **Public Safety Standards**

- Strong onsite security standards, including cameras, alarms and security guards.
- Employee background checks by UCPD
- Routine monitoring of businesses by UCPD

#### Recommendation

Direct staff to make the necessary revisions to the existing commercial cannabis program to permit the retail sale of adultuse cannabis products.