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INFORMATION NOTICE TO DELANCO RESIDENTS RE: LEGAL CANNABIS IN DELANCO

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE IS SEEKING PUBLIC INPUT ON
WHETHER TO PERMIT LEGAL CANNABIS USES IN DELANCO

At the beginning of their Monday, April 19 at 7:00 pm regular meeting, via Zoom, the Township Committee will hold an open public input session asking residents to give their views on the question before the Committee on Cannabis permitted uses. Recently legislation approved by the State gives municipalities throughout the State a deadline of August 21, 2021 to finally adopt an Ordinance if the municipality wishes to prohibit, in their Zoning regulations, businesses that cultivate, manufacture, wholesale, distribute and/or sell via retail, a now legal cannabis product within their borders. Any location not prohibited must remain permitted for the next five years. However, a municipality may reverse such prohibition at any time in the future, to allow such a business use. Further, the legislation provides that where such businesses are permitted to operate, the local municipality may levy a tax of up to 2% on the dollar value of operations, which amount is paid directly to that municipality as a general revenue.

Therefore, if there is a desire to prohibit any of the businesses permitted by State law, Delanco must make a decision soon to meet the deadline. Before the formal decision process starts, the Township Committee is looking to provide public education on the issue and solicit public input early on. This will not be the only time that such public input can be received as anyone can write to the Township on this subject at any time, and/or speak at any public meeting on the subject. Further, if the Committee introduces an ordinance on the subject, it must be referred to the Delanco Joint Land Use Board for their input at their public meeting. Then the Committee must hold a formal public hearing on the proposed Ordinance before any final vote.

A number of documents have been posted on the Delanco municipal website (use this link – www.delancotownship.com or contact the municipal offices to request a copy if you don't have internet access) explaining the issues concerning this new topic. Everyone is strongly encouraged to read this information before the meeting to educate themselves on this topic in order to provide an informed and reasoned opinion. If anyone has further questions on the process or on the subject, do not hesitate to contact the Township staff at 856-461-0561 (info@delancotownship.com) or any member of the Township Committee.

If you are not able to attend the Zoom remote meeting on April 19, 2021, you may submit your comments or questions in advance of the meeting to the attention of the Municipal Clerk email at jlohr@delancotownship.com, or via postal service mailed to the Municipal Building at 770 Coopertown Road, Delanco, NJ 08075 or dropped off in person to the municipal building administrative office or exterior drop box.

Below is the information needed to access the Zoom meeting on April 19, 2021 via the internet or via telephone:

Join Zoom Meeting (<https://zoom.us>)

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