

Citizen Mail Request to the Mayor

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My Area Of Concern: Comments and Questions

Dear Mayor,

We have never met, but I hold your position in high regard as a spokesperson for myself and other residents of our district. On Dec 13, you will meet with the council and discuss the medical marijuana collective issue again. You must be tired of it, no? Sir, I implore you to consider the needs of residents like myself when you debate. I am a 52 year old disabled female. I collect Social Security as my only income. Medical marijuana collectives provide a safe, regulated place for me to obtain my cannabis. I use it for an anxiety-related illness, as well as for fibromyalgia and COPD. Yes, COPD. Conversely enough, the strain of marijuana called "sativa" is an excellent way for me to battle that without additional prescribed medications, which I already take plenty of. I cannot tell you how I, personally, would suffer if my access was denied to a routinely used medication. The fear of trying to find an illegal "dope dealer" type at my age and stage in my life is BIG. not to mention the prices I would probably have to pay. I have never been in trouble with the law, and I am not about to start now. Please. Mr. O'Donnell, I am only one of many. Please help our message get through.

Respectfully,

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