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Non-Medical Cannabis Sales Business

The Government of Canada legalized Non-Medical Cannabis on October 17, 2018

A retail cannabis store business displays, sells or offers for sale dried cannabis, cannabis oil, cannabis seeds and cannabis accessories for non-medical purposes in a private retail store for patrons to purchase and consume offsite.

- A cannabis retail store must be a standalone business; home-based are prohibited.
- A cannabis retail store will be permitted to sell cannabis products and accessories that promote responsible use.
- Cannabis consumption in the store is not permitted.
- A cannabis retail store must have a provincial retail cannabis licence, a City of Parksville Retail Cannabis Sales business licence and follow the terms and conditions at all times.



Helpful Resources

Liquor & Cannabis Regulation Branch Head Office 1 866 209-2111 Email: <u>lclb.lclb@gov.bc.ca</u>

Cannabis Legalization and Regulation Branch 1 866 337-7705 Email: <u>cannabis@canada.ca</u>



Non-medical cannabis businesses shall be located at least 200 metres from properties containing the following uses:

- Registered commercial daycare centre for minors;
- Registered drug treatment or rehabilitation centres;
- Seniors' care facility;
- Schools providing educational services to minors 19 years or less; excludes post-secondary education.

Non-Medical Cannabis Retail Licence

The province issues non-medical cannabis retail licences for non-medical cannabis retail stores through the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch (LCRB). In addition to meeting the provincial and federal requirements, provincial Cannabis Retail Licence applications must comply with City regulations. The LCRB will not determine whether to issue a licence until the City gives the LCRB a positive recommendation.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applicants should begin by reviewing the City's applicable bylaws (e.g. business licensing, zoning, sign, building, etc.) related to cannabis trade before submitting a business licence application to the LCRB and the City.

- Submit Non-Medical Cannabis Retail Licence Application to the LCRB
 When an application is received, the LCRB will send a referral to the City to obtain a Council resolution.
- Submit Retail Cannabis Sales Business Licence Application to the City
 The form must be completed in full with all required documents. If any of the required submissions are
 not included, the application will not be accepted.
- Review, Public Notification and Council Consideration Prior to a staff report being presented to Council, a complete Cannabis Retail Business Licence Application must be approved in principle by the Licence Inspector.

Public comments will be gathered prior to Council consideration as set out in Policy No. 3.41. Following the notification period, a report will be prepared to Council outlining relevant land use and bylaw information with a summary of public comments received prior to the agenda deadline. Business licence applications may include the following:

- •Application and Council Resolution Fees
- •Title Search
- •Charges on Title
- Company Search
- •Site Plan
- Criminal Records Check
- Odour Control Plan
- •Good Neighbour Agreement
- •Light Pollution Plan

Resolution Forwarded to the LCRB Staff will provide a copy of written comments received and the staff report to the province with Council's resolution.

Information is for convenience only. Contact staff to discuss current and applicable bylaws.

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