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AS PART OF ONGOING VILLAGE REVIEW OF POSSIBLE CANNABIS REGULATIONS, ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDS POTENTIAL ZONING CODE AMENDMENTS

RECOMMENDATIONS NOW RETURN TO VILLAGE BOARD FOR FURTHER PUBLIC REVIEW

(Glencoe, Illinois)—At their October 7 meeting, the Zoning Commission held a public hearing on potential amendments to the Zoning Code related to recreational cannabis businesses, should they ultimately be allowed to operate in Glencoe. This meeting took place following a referral from the Village Board to the Zoning Commission to review and discuss possible amendments to the Village’s Zoning Code including what zoning and land use regulations should be implemented, if recreational cannabis businesses are ultimately permitted. This review by the Zoning Commission is one step in a series of public meetings hosted by the Village of Glencoe that began earlier this year and will continue into late 2019 as the Village Board considers whether to allow or prohibit the operation of recreational cannabis businesses.

Following staff presentations, public comment and deliberation of Commissioners, the Zoning Commission voted in favor of recommending that if the Village Board allows the operation of recreational cannabis businesses, then those businesses should be classified as special uses in the HF Highway Frontage district (adjacent to the Edens Expressway). The Zoning Commission also considered whether to recommend allowing cannabis businesses as special uses in the B1 and B2 districts (downtown and Hubbard Woods Plaza), subject to separation/distance requirements from certain sensitive land uses (parks and schools). Motions to allow cannabis businesses as special uses in both the B1 and B2 districts failed; therefore, no recommendation from the Zoning Commission will be forwarded to the Village Board regarding the B1 or B2 districts.

Following the Zoning Commission meeting, the Village Board will discuss their recommendations as the Board considers whether to allow recreational cannabis businesses in the Village. The Village Board will discuss this subject at their regularly scheduled meeting on November 21. The public is encouraged to share concerns and comments with the Board at that meeting, or in advance.

Residents interested in sharing feedback with the Village on the matter should contact the Village Manager's Office by e-mailing info@villageofglencoe.org. More information on the topic, including background information, a summary of the consideration process and links to past meeting materials, can be viewed online at www.villageofglencoe.org/cannabis.

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