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## **City Council Declares Intent to Award Commercial Cannabis Use Permits to Redwood Medical Supply and Harvest of Union City**

The City Council declared intent to award four commercial cannabis use permits to Redwood Medical Supply (RMS) who has a proposed business location at 2801 – 2809 Faber Street. The location is a 55,623 square foot modern building with cold storage that can easily be converted for RMS's planned uses of cultivation, manufacturing, distribution and medical dispensary. The City Council also declared intent to award two commercial cannabis use permits to Harvest of Union City who has a proposed business location at the corner of Atlantic Ave. and Central Ave. Harvest of Union City is planning to construct a single-story building on the site to house its manufacturing and distribution operations. Both actions were taken after two separate Public Hearings were held, in which there was no public opposition.

The City Council passed amendments and additions to the zoning and municipal code in November 2017 to allow for commercial cannabis businesses to operate in Union City. The City Council also approved a regulatory process, an application process and a resolution that allows for the issuance of three permits each in the use categories of cultivation, manufacturing, distribution, testing and medical dispensary.

Since that time, the City has initiated two separate application processes. The first application process resulted in the City Council approving five commercial cannabis use permits in November 2018. Eden Campus Holdings, LLC was issued four commercial cannabis use permits for cultivation, manufacturing, distribution and medical dispensary at a business location on Union City Boulevard. Jiva Life, LLC was issued one commercial cannabis use permit for medical dispensary at a business location on Kohoutek Way. The second application process resulted in last night's public hearings for RMS and Harvest of Union City.

The resolution declaring intent to award the commercial cannabis permits allows the City to work with the businesses on project and site plans and to develop permit conditions. The businesses will need to seek final City Council approval on being awarded commercial cannabis use permits in the future.

All four commercial cannabis businesses will be required to pay the recently approved Cannabis Business Tax and will contribute funds and resources toward social service and community benefit needs in the community.

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