AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE
ON MARIJUANA
Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order. Councilmember Phan called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

II. Flag Salute. Councilmember Nuñez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Approval of Agenda. Councilmember Nuñez motioned, and seconded by Councilmember Phan approval of agenda.

IV. Approval of Minutes. Councilmember Nuñez motioned, and seconded by Councilmember Phan approval of February 9, 2017 minutes.

V. Public Forum. Mr. Marini and Ms Brown spoke.

VI. Items of Discussion
   a) Public Safety Overview. Councilmember Nuñez asked Police Chief if the Santa Clara County Police Chiefs Association and District Attorneys have any position regarding this proposition. Police Chief responded that DA Rosen took position and the Police Chiefs Association of Santa Clara County is against it because of anticipated impact and regulations. Councilmember Phan said that there are still regulations people need to abide by per District Attorney Rosen’s position. Police Chief was asked if we have learned anything from legalizing marijuana and impact on public safety. Police Chief responded referring to Colorado, they have had increases in DUI offenses related to marijuana and have challenges trying to figure out DUI offenses associated with marijuana related arrests. Police Chief also mentioned that testing of how THC level can impair one’s senses; cause of impairment is the same as prescription medication versus driving.

   b) City Attorney Diaz gave a presentation comparing positions by different individuals in federal government. After his presentation, questions and answers ensued. Councilmember Phan invited the members of the public to ask their questions as well. Health and Safety regulation was discussed. City Attorney suggested that at the 4th meeting of the Subcommittee, he have a flow chart showing what would happen if we allow and if we don’t allow regulation of marijuana.

   Councilmember Nuñez recommended a site visit at the next subcommittee meeting on April 3, 2017.

VII. Other Business. None.

VIII. Adjournment. Councilmember Phan motioned, and seconded by Councilmember Nuñez to adjourn the meeting at 6:12pm.