



City of Calexico

Development Services Department - Planning Division

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Re: Changes to the Calexico Municipal Code Regarding the City's Commercial Cannabis Ordinances

On December 20, 2019 Ordinances 1205 and 1206 became effective.

Ordinance 1205. An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Calexico, California, Amending Sections 5.96.020 and 17.11.1020 of the Calexico Municipal Code to Remove Industrial Hemp from the Definition of Cannabis. Beginning today, Industrial Hemp will be treated as any other commodity for purposes of cultivation, manufacturing and all retail activities.

- (1) The previously associated cannabis taxes no longer apply to Industrial Hemp.
- (2) A conditional use permit is no longer required in order to cultivate, manufacture, distribute or to engage in retail activities related to Industrial Hemp.
- (3) Please note that approval is required from the County of Imperial, Agricultural Commissioner's office in order to cultivate Industrial Hemp within the City of Calexico; contact their office at (443) 265-1500 for more information.

Ordinance No. 1206. An Ordinance of the City Council of the City Of Calexico, California, Amending Section 17.11.1040 of the Calexico Municipal Code Increasing the Number of Potential Cannabis Retailer, Non-Storefront Retailer, And Microbusiness Permits from Seven (7) to Twelve (12).

- (1) An existing waitlist for the newly available licenses exists and their applications are in the process of being entitled. The City Clerk maintains this list, please contact this office at (760) 768-2102 for more information.
- (2) In the event that one of those entities fails to secure both a Conditional Use Permit and Commercial Cannabis Activity Regulatory Permit, that license will become available from a new waitlist.
- (3) In order to be considered for the new waitlist please submit an application via email only and pay the \$1800 application review fee. Once applications are deemed complete and fees are paid the applicant will be placed on a waitlist.
- (4) Applications are placed on the waitlist if the entirety of the Commercial Cannabis Regulatory Permit Application is deemed complete under the following conditions:
 - A. Completed properly with all the required information, signatures and is notarized.
 - B. The application review fee is paid to the Finance Department.
 - C. Please see the Cannabis Regulations tab on the City's website for more information on the application process and related standards or request the materials from the Planning Division in writing at Development Services Department, 608 Heber Avenue, Calexico CA 9223.

Please note that this fee is non-refundable and the payment of fees does not guarantee that the application and proposed retail facility will be entitled.

There are currently other Commercial Cannabis Activity Regulatory Permits available Cultivation, Manufacturing and Distribution.