



**TOWN OF FAIRFAX**  
**STAFF REPORT**  
**February 5, 2014**

**TO:** Mayor and Town Council

**FROM:** Michele Gardner, Town Clerk *MG*

**SUBJECT:** Discussion and Consideration of the Status of a Medical Marijuana Dispensary in the Town of Fairfax

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**RECOMMENDATION**

Discuss the issue and provide direction to staff, as appropriate.

**DISCUSSION**

Vice Mayor Bragman requested this item be added to the agenda for discussion, and provided the attached memo.

**ATTACHMENT**

Memo from Vice Mayor Bragman

Discussion and consideration of the Status of a  
Medical Marijuana Dispensary in the Town of Fairfax

In spite of increasing evidence of its medical benefits for a variety of serious illnesses, at present there are no legal medical marijuana dispensaries in the County of Marin.

The Marin Alliance for Medical Marijuana was a pioneer in establishing the first regulated dispensary in the State of California. The Marin Alliance worked with the Town of Fairfax and developed an excellent health and safety record. Until it was closed by the enforcement efforts of the United States Attorney, It also was a sales tax generating business that contributed to the local economy.

Given the Obama Administration's recent pivot in regard to its drug enforcement priorities, it might be fruitful for the Town to resume discussions with the Justice Department about whether it would consider modifying its former strict enforcement policy which resulted in the closure of our local dispensary.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Bragman