CITY OF MONTCLAIR GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 8, 2022

## **BALLOT MEASURES**



On the November 8, 2022, General Municipal Election ballot, Montclair residents will vote on two cannabis-related measures:

**Measure R:** Montclair Cannabis Business License Tax Measure

**Measure II:** Montclair Cannabis Legalization Advisory Measure

## **MEASURE ®** QUICK FACT

If approved by voters, Measure R would only apply to individuals or businesses engaging in cannabis businesses and does not increase other taxes on Montclair residents or businesses.

## **MEASURE 1** QUICK FACT

Measure II is for advisory purposes only and will not in any manner amend current City laws or permit cannabis businesses to operate within the City.

### WHAT DOES MEASURE (R) MEAN FOR MONTCLAIR?

**Measure R** seeks to generate locally-controlled funds through a gross receipts tax of up to 7% on a variety of commercial cannabis businesses including, retail stores, delivery, testing, manufacturing, and cultivation.

If approved by a majority of Montclair voters, the estimated \$3.5 million per year in local revenue will generate additional funds for public safety and 911 emergency response, infrastructure and street maintenance, parks and recreation, and youth and senior programs. All revenue generated by **Measure R** would fund general City services that are utilized by residents and businesses.

#### FUNDING FROM MEASURE (R) COULD HELP SUPPORT



PUBLIC SAFETY
Police, Fire, & 911
Emergency Response



INFRASTRUCTURE Street & Sidewalk Maintenance



PARKS
Playgrounds, Recreation
Facilities, & Open Spaces



**SENIORS** 

Senior Center Programs & Services Including Meals, Transportation, & Wellness



YOUTH

After-School & Summer Programs that Serve Children in the Community



**HEALTHCARE** 

Low-Cost Healthcare & Education Services



# MEASURE THE MONTCLAIR CANNABIS LEGALIZATION ADVISORY MEASURE

The Montclair City Council voted to place **Measure II** on the ballot to ask Montclair voters if they would support the legalization of commercial cannabis businesses in the City. **The outcome of this measure will not result in a change in the legal status of commercial cannabis businesses in Montclair** but serves to advise the City Council on the preference of Montclair residents.

In connection with the passage of **Measure R** and the potential legalization of commercial cannabis businesses, the City would be able to develop rules for cannabis storefront dispensaries and non-storefront delivery services that best serve the residents of Montclair, as well as develop further rules and regulations for other types of commercial cannabis businesses such as cultivation, manufacturing, and testing.

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Cannabis-related businesses are currently not allowed to operate within the City.

However, the City is considering lifting the current ban and allowing for cannabis retail stores, as well as the delivery, testing, manufacturing, and cultivation of cannabis within the City Montclair.

If legalized in the future, any commercial cannabis businesses in Montclair would be required to follow strict rules and regulations enacted by the City, including requirements from the State's Bureau of Cannabis Control.

This includes prohibiting cannabis businesses within 600 feet of any K-12 school, daycare, youth center, public parks, libraries, and drug abuse recovery or treatment facilities.



#### **ACCOUNTABILITY & LOCAL CONTROL**

The potential revenue raised by **Measure R** would be subject to strict accountability requirements providing that the funds are placed in the City's General Fund and that all spending will be disclosed to the public and available online.

#### WHAT'S NEXT

The City of Montclair is continuing to engage and educate community members about **Measures R and II** as the City seeks to obtain additional funding for the services and programs that Montclair provides. Please visit **cityofmontclair.org/cannabis-measures** for more information about these measures and the November 8, 2022, General Municipal Election.