Cannabis FAQ

1) Who is a Cannabis stakeholder?
   a. City Council, Residents, Businesses, City Staff, Church’s, School’s, Cannabis Industry, Cannabis Patients and Community Organizations.

2) Is the state tax of 25% going to drop?
   a. There was a bill to reduce the state tax rate, however, it has not been successful.

3) Would there be a local (City) tax in addition to a state tax?
   a. Yes; the local tax would be proposed by the City Council and a ballot measure presented to the residents for approval.

4) What are the types of cannabis taxes?
   a. State sales tax, state excise tax, county tax, local sales tax, local excise tax.

5) There are two (2) existing cannabis businesses permitted within Novato City limits, under the current moratorium.
   a. Testing Lab (1) b. Manufacturer (1)

6) Did the regulation change on January 1st regarding delivery of medical cannabis within the City of Novato?
   a. The state regulations of California that requires all Cities to permit the delivery of medicinal cannabis regardless of any moratorium they may have currently.
      i. This does not mean that businesses will deliver within the City of Novato, but if they so choose to they would be permitted to under the law.
   b. Any cannabis delivery business is required to obtain a license by the State and local governments prior to delivering within the City.

7) Are On-site consumption permits at cannabis establishments and events up to local controls and ordinances.
   a. Yes, the city would need to specifically allow those activities; because they are not inherently permitted under the new laws.

8) Is it true that BHO’s (Butane Hash Oil) are not legal in California?
   a. No; Butane Hash Oil is simply a description that is commonly referred to when discussing the illegal open loop systems of extracting oils using gas. There are legal closed loop systems that can extract the Oils.

9) How am I as a purchaser able to determine that a product has been properly tested?
   a. Customers/Patients will be able to see the breakdown of the test results on the packaging, and the manufacturers posted information. The retailer should have a report on site that shows the testing results of the products it sells.

10) Will the levels of THC and/or CBD’s be required on the labels?
    a. Yes, state regulations require the listing of the THC level in cannabis products

11) What are the requirement for a personal grow of cannabis plants in Novato?
    a. Six (6) plants per residence (not resident) only permitted under the law

12) If a cannabis is being grown in a greenhouse is that still considered “indoors” under the law?
    a. The city has not made that determination as of yet; however, that authority is under the jurisdiction of the City.