



## MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE RIDGECREST CITY COUNCIL

City Council Chambers  
100 West California Avenue  
Ridgecrest, California 93555

August 18, 2006  
5:00 p.m.

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Tape 06-18

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**CALL TO ORDER – 5:01 p.m.**

### ROLL CALL

**PRESENT:** Mayor Pro Tem Richard Martin, Vice Mayor Daniel Clark, Council Members Steven Morgan and Ronald Carter

**ABSENT:** Mayor Marshall Holloway

**STAFF:** Harvey Rose, City Manager; Rita Gable, City Clerk; Jim Winegardner, Deputy City Manager Administrative Services/City Treasurer; Michael Avery, Chief of Police; and other personnel

**REGULAR SESSION – 5:00 p.m.**

### ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

1. **Ordinance No. 10, An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Ridgecrest Prohibiting The Issuance Of Business Licenses For The Operation Of Medical Marijuana Facilities** **Rose**

Following discussion with the City Council and consultation with the City Attorney, the attached urgency ordinance is presented in order to impose a 45-day, extendable moratorium on the issuance of any further business licenses for medical marijuana facilities. During the moratorium, the City Council will be presented with a regulatory ordinance controlling the location and operation of existing and future such dispensaries.

Moved by Council Member Morgan, second Council Member Clark  
TO WAIVE READING IN FULL AND TO APPROVE, BY TITLE  
ONLY, ORDINANCE NO. 06-10, AN INTERIM ORDINANCE OF THE

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**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIDGECREST PROHIBITING  
THE ISSUANCE OF BUSINESS LICENSES FOR THE OPERATION  
OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA FACILITIES**

Public Comment

Dorothy Brown, 221 N. Gold Canyon Drive

- Understands the haste wanting to limit number of Medical Marijuana facilities
- Please don't be so hasty in final decision
- You may possibly eliminate competition in this matter
- Her opinion that the U.S. Government has created worst kind of monopoly by making marijuana possession illegal
- It has enabled the underground factions to get rich on the backs of many
- The voters in this state have by ballot permitted this activity
- Prohibiting competition could be opening fo less than scrupulous venders
- She vacationed in Oregon and learned about medical marijuana is handled there
- Would to talk to each of them individually before final legislation is passed

No other comment

It was moved and seconded to ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 06-10, AN INTERIM ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIDGECREST PROHIBITING THE ISSUANCE OF BUSINESS LICENSES FOR THE OPERATION OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA FACILITIES. Public comment heard. Motion carried with a voice vote of 4 ayes, 1 absent. Mayor Holloway absent.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Pro Tem Martin adjourned the meeting at 5:20 p.m.

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Rita Gable, City Clerk