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Jenny Wu 4955 West Lane Stockton, CA 95210

Date: 08/12/2025

To: [Planning Commission / City Council of City of Stockton] 345 N. El Dorado St Stockton, CA 95202

RE: Formal Objection to Proposed Cannabis Retail Business at [5066 West Lane APN 096-140-74

Dear [Commission Members / Council Members / Board Members],

I am writing as a concerned resident and business owner of [Stockton, CA] to formally oppose the proposed cannabis retail business at submitted by a potential cannabis retail storefront business.

While I understand that cannabis is legal under state law and regulated accordingly, I believe this specific proposal is not in the best interest of our community for the following reasons:

1. Zoning and Location Concerns

The proposed site is located within 0.8 miles of an elementary school (closer if having a shortcut through the fields). Retail cannabis establishments should not be located in or near areas frequented by children and families.

2. Public Safety and Community Impact

Numerous studies and real-world examples have shown that cannabis retail stores can lead to increased loitering, petty crime, and impaired driving incidents. As a resident, I am concerned about the potential impact on public safety and neighborhood quality of life. Currently, there is a huge loitering issue and increased trash and driving incidents around this area.

3. Traffic and Parking Issues

This location already experiences significant congestion, particularly during school hours and weekends. A cannabis retail store is likely to increase vehicle and foot traffic, creating additional parking problems and potential safety risks for pedestrians and schoolchildren.

4. Negative Effect on Property Values

The establishment of a cannabis retail business may have a negative impact on surrounding property values and the desirability of the neighborhood for prospective buyers, particularly families with children.

5. Community Opposition

I am not alone in my concern. Many neighbors have expressed similar objections, and we are actively organizing to ensure that our community's voice is heard.

Request for Action

I respectfully urge the [Planning Commission / City Council / Zoning Board] to reject the application for this proposed cannabis retail business at [5066 West Lane- Village at Weber Ranch] on the grounds outlined above.

If the city does choose to move forward with approval, I request that strict conditions be imposed regarding hours of operation, security measures, signage, loitering enforcement, and limits on proximity to sensitive land uses.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and for considering the concerns of the residents and business owners you serve.

If you have any further inquiries, concerns, or questions for me, please feel free to call/text 209-470-6873 or email jwudym@gmail.com

Sincerely,

Jenny Wu

Arturo Carrasco

PUBLIC COMMENT #2

From: Scott Speer

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2025 3:35 PM

To: Arturo Carrasco

Subject: FW: Public Comment for August 14th Planning Commission

FYI



Scott Speer

Planning Manager - Current Planning

City of Stockton Community Development Department

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Direct: 209-937-8195

From: Adriana Guerrero < Adriana. Guerrero @stocktonca.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2025 10:21 AM

To: Adriana Guerrero < Adriana. Guerrero@stocktonca.gov>

Subject: FW: Public Comment for August 14th Planning Commission

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Please see correspondence below.

Thank you,



Adriana Guerrero

Executive Assistant

Community Development Department 345 N El Dorado St, Stockton, CA 95202

Phone: 209.937.8484

From: CC - Public Comment <publiccomment@stocktonca.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2025 8:02 AM

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Good Morning,

FYI

From: Kenneth Huntley < kenneth.b.huntley@gmail.com >

Sent: Wednesday, August 13, 2025 12:11:47 AM

To: CC - Public Comment < <u>publiccomment@stocktonca.gov</u>> **Subject:** Public Comment for August 14th Planning Commission

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To whom it may concern,

In regards to item 5.1, which is the proposal to allow a cannabis dispensary to open up at 5066 West Lane. I am asking the commission to deny this entry. Across the street from this shopping center is a The Joan Richards Learning Village, a Family Resource Center preschool. Allowing a cannabis dispensary to open so close to a preschool puts these childrens' lives at risk. Dispensaries and smoke shops have increased foot traffic & crime.

Please have the applicant reconsider another location that is further away from schools, nurseries, parks and churches.

Kenneth Huntley