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Cc: FGG, Public Comment
Subject: [External] RATES FOR THE VOTER APPROVED CANNABIS BUSINESS TAX (Please include in agenda item 10)

Hi Supervisors,

On the Cannabis Cultivation table, There are 4 rates for lighting. I think that all lighting should be taxed at the same rate - \$1.00 per sq. foot. Lighting is lighting. No lighting should not be taxed.

The fiscal summary at the first reading showed costs of \$323,000 offset by annual revenue next year of \$375,000 estimated. A paltry \$52,000 gain. And the County is still working on setting up a Socially Equitable Cannabis Program, probably erasing the gain. It doesn't seem to factor in lost revenue due to businesses that will have to close due to inflation, utilities, salaries, goods & services - so they won't be paying cannabis taxes? And how much more will it cost for a lighting inspection?

Regards,

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