

Factors for Retail Facilities	Scoring Rubric	Tell Us More
<p>Saturation levels from total number of facilities in the county. Total number in the state. We don't need these at all. Heavy traffic from down state come in caravans to the adult use facilities in a neighboring county.</p>	<p>Location and proximity to kids, residential areas, schools- even though there is a 1000 ft limit now. Just not a good idea all the way around. Looking at how to get control of the drinking culture when at the same time introducing a drug culture. Listen to the police. It breeds crime.</p>	<p>Don't want any of them.</p>
<p>Any store granted a medical use license should be granted a recreational use license. Please stop spending tax dollars defending a very poorly planned methodology. This subarea methodology is overthought and cumbersome. Treat these as liquor licenses. It is legal in this state. Move on. The pedal and paddle guests who drink along the route and disobey all traffic signals are causing more of a disruption than customers of stores like this.</p>	<p>This rubric is unnecessary. Eliminate it</p>	<p>Please stop trying to over regulate this. Focus instead on fitting tax revenue from the airbnbs that are drastically changing the town. I live in Slab town. Every day there are so many people in the neighborhood who are renting an airbnb which I don't think is allowed but is happening. My company hired new people from downstate who couldn't find places to stay because of crazy rents because of people doing airbnb. Downtown is a mess on Monday mornings with airbnb residents dumping trash in city trashcan rather than looking for building trashcan. The airbnb owners need to help pay for the infrastructure their guests are utilizing. Work on this please rather than obsessing about a legal retail product. The city planner needs to worry about setbacks so we don't have another Starbucks nightmare on front street Orr indigo hotel where the sidewalk in front is unusable when snow is plowed</p>
<p>This legal in our state so stop dragging your feet and open it up to all retailers who want to be in business. Alcohol is much more problematic and in countries I have traveled to where it is legal they do not have a pot problem. Here we have the worst offenders (Pedal, Paddle and Brews) selling you on how to drink responsibly for their own gain! You dont see, nor ever have seen, pot smokers stumbling around wasted in town or anywhere. You cant compare the two as totally different.</p>	<p>Same as other states or countries were it is and has been legal for years. Stop delaying this and focus your energy on collecting tax revenues from the vacayion condos, airbnbs, and vrbos you seem to embrace!</p>	<p>Focus your time and energy on msking our city a place where all can live not just the wealthiest. Stop allowing building to sit right on the side walks. Tax vacation rentals. Expand city boundaries to capture a bigger tax base so everyone pays their fair share for services we residents foot the bill for. Get politics out of decision making! Do what is best for all. We are not Grand Rapids nor do we want to be.</p>
<p>There should be no limit. Demand for product will dictate how many facilities are successful.</p>	<p>There should not be a limited number of licenses.</p>	<p>An overwhelming majority of city voters approved the legalization of recreational marijuana almost three years ago. The city has failed to meet the expectations of its citizens in green-lighting recreational marijuana facilities in the city.</p>

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<p>Should not be within walking distance of the following area: venues attracting families; homeless shelters; substance abuse rehab facilities; halfway houses; with larger crime rates; residential areas; nature preserves and parks; heavy tourist attraction areas (such as front street and beach areas)</p>	<p>Criminal background and association with criminal enterprises; ties to the local community</p>	<p>When I look at these maps and realize what is close to these proposed sites it becomes a truly appalling reality. If we have to have this, needs to be located in places NOT easily accessible to underage populations and people already struggling with addiction; and residential areas.</p>
<p>oversaturation of the market.</p>	<p>use of locally based growing facilities product quality</p>	
<p>very much against</p>	<p>none</p>	<p>I am very much against this</p>
<p>I think they should have to have medical and AU. They should go to locations already open in the Traverse City region.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Financial Capabilities •If Already Medical: Their Financial Records •Criminal History 	<p>Traverse City needs at least one adult use facility!</p>
<p>Is there a limit on the number of liquor stores within the City Limits? If there is, I would use that number because the two substances seem similar in my opinion.</p>	<p>Location, infrastructure, history,</p>	<p>Good luck.</p>
<p>There should be no established limit specific to adult use marijuana facilities. They should be treated like any other business. If you want to follow a liquor license model do that. Otherwise just treat them like business. I don't trust the City to come up with a special policy for these facilities that would be reasonable, functional, or anything other than completely idiotic based on how the City has been operating lately.</p>	<p>If you implement a scoring rubric to allow marijuana businesses licenses you better have a scoring rubric to allow fast food, bars, bougie clothing stores, etc. Please don't try to build your corny utopian dreams on the backs of marijuana businesses.</p>	<p>You all are running a master class in pitiful mismanagement of public policy and local governments. Traverse City is becoming a joke. I never imagined I would say that Garfield Township is a better example of municipal governance but it is.</p>
<p>Do not limit</p>	<p>None</p>	<p>The voters spoke. Recreational marijuana should be just as available as all the bars, restaurants and stores selling alcohol is Traverse City. It's ridiculous you've waited this long to open it up and a complete waste of our taxpayer money in studies and the revenues which we could have been taxing all this lost</p>

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How badly the city will stink and how many children use the general area of the facilities.

Na

Number of existing medical facilities and whether they will become retail/medical or single use . East side is already saturated with medical facilities.

Security measures

Store policy not to sell to people under the influence

Cooperation with City initiatives example being no smoking/eating products in city parks

The same factors that are used to establish restaurants. If the restaurant serves good food, good service, accessible location, fair prices, and passes inspections for cleanliness, then it should be allowed. M stores lacking those qualities will 'weed' themselves out. Isn't that what capitalism is all about? Why is there so much fear involved? How many places are there where one can obtain alcohol? Don't we want to increase tax revenue? What rules have cities in CA or Washington established?

Employment

There should be no limit. The market should dictate the number of establishments as it does for other industries. The historical misinformation related to the war on drugs should once and for all be put to rest.

None

Our children are watching. Visit Denver and see the amount of homelessness that has exploded. The stench of the city and filth. Please don't take this gorgeous town and turn it into something else. We have a lot of people who come to this town with their children. They don't need to see that on their

Our leaders need to "update their picture" of M Recreational use. There appears to be an "old fogey" 1970s fear mentality projected onto this whole debate and planning. Let the market decide who stays in business and who doesn't. The city can hire additional competent inspectors from the increased tax revenue and then fine/shut down those that aren't pristine in adhering to rules (Like some alcohol serving restaurants/bars in TC should be, for example).

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The impact on our city, the citizens of our city and our tourist industry. I would like to see all these facilities outside the city limits. I especially would not like them to be downtown nor in the malls.

Amount of people and business in a given area.

Traffic and congestion in the key traffic chokepoints should be the top consideration in the location and number of retail facilities.

The city has already made too many errors. Whether we like it or not, the centers are here as a result of the cities mistakes. Let them sell recreational.

I personally don't think there needs to be a limit, per say. Let the stores "battle" it out and the best ones will stay in business.

The process to renew my medical license has been such a pain, so I gave up, and now drive to Honor or Kalkaska to purchase cannabis.

The current provisioning centers should be top of the list for any considerations. They have already been vetted. They are following rules in place and are ready to move on to the next step without starting at square 1.

Do not allow medical providers a license w/o being part of a fair competitive process.

The fewer the better. We do not need to be the only community open to Adult Use.

Integrity and commitment to our community

Community involvement

Rigor of product testing

(<https://fivethirtyeight.com/features/americas-pot-labs-have-a-thc-problem/>)

Local ownership

Sustainability

Low environmental impact

Community involvement

Experience

Credence to local providers should be given.

Experience, Land use

where shopping and families are not regularly visited. We need to preserve our downtown areas, especially by our water front for businesses where the majority of our population and tourists enjoy their free time.

There is a good deal of land available within 6 miles of the city limits where these facilities could be built and run.

The outskirts of our downtown area would not be a bad idea, but spread out the number and limit how many.

The city made terrible errors. They have let their constituents down in so many ways already. They need to fix this NOW.

Give the original provisioning centers automatic licenses. They have earned this.

This survey was VERY difficult to get to. The link "survey" takes you to information. You have to experiment to find where/what to click to get to the actual survey.

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In general I don't believe that Adult Use Marijuana Facilities should be treated any different than liquor stores in terms of where they are located.

If they currently run a medical facility they should be granted an immediate license. They have shown they can comply with existing laws and regulations.

As long as there is limited ability for vagrants to loiter and congregate around the shops, I will be happy. I recently moved back home to TC from Eugene, OR, and it is a complete mess out there. Many of the cannabis dispensaries have become areas for degenerates to hang out, scaring off the law abiding cannabis users. I support people's rights to do what they want, but I would never want to see this beautiful town turn into something like I have experienced in Oregon.

Criminal history, michigan residency status

Problems connected to marijuana use.

Land use

This city already has a drinking problem and does not need a marijuana problem as well.

Saturation. Currently there are 3 medical marijuana shops in 1 block on Garfield & Hannah. There is a 4th a mile away on Parsons. Not to mention the one on Munson near 8th st. They all seem to be too close together. Also the distance to schools needs to be considered. There is an elementary school less than a mile away.

Length of time in the industry.

I am not a city resident but my parents live on Hannah near the current medical centers and it created a lot of chaos and fear when the business opened. Especially the one with the armed security out front

As many as the market will support

Local ownership

Distance between retail facilities.

Compare a low number of marijuana store to the number of bars and liquor stores: 4-6 shops vs dozens of liquor outlets??? What's the big deal?

PARKING! Parking is terrible in TC and the shops open in other areas of the state always have many cars parked.

The same as liquor stores.

All

Let the market decide.

Community feedback

Community Feedback

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Obviously, the centers should not be permitted near schools and parks and areas where children congregate. Outside of that, they should be treated like other licensed retail business like liquor stores. Any limitation on numbers of centers should be derived from peer group communities who have successful centers - so those communities probably already know how much competition the industry can support.

Criminal record of applicants

Proximity to one another, proximity to family-use places. The more up-front and center locations are, the more they naturally get advertised, the more children will be likely to want to use marijuana at a young age.

High standards for products (organic suppliers, etc.)

Schools, recovery homes, family neighborhoods

Education

Businesses that have been operating in good faith for over a year now waiting on TC to catch up.

Experience

Local owners! Please don't let big corporate chains dominate the landscape. I'd also like to see non-white owners prioritized

Local applicants!
Historically disadvantaged populations (POC, women, etc)

In most areas the market should be left to determine the number of Adult Use Marijuana Facilities if is defined as a place to purchase Marijuana. If it means a place to use Marijuana it should be limited. My answers assumes this is about stores.

The experice portion would limit new entrants and should not be included.

Please work on limiting Airbnb through better zoning. Increase fees and taxes on Airbnb.

Do we want to be known as a pot/ and craft brew town? None - no more

I am angry- we had former resident come back for a visit and they had never seen such a slew of marijuana stores as TC does! This town is turning into party town- and not family Voters have spoken. I understand the logistics of implementation, but this extensive delay ultimately has come at a cost for the city, unfortunately. The time to move this

Should be handled in the same manner as alcohol licensing if anything.

None

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I am in favor of high or even unlimited licenses. Existing medical provisioning centers SHOULD NOT be given any sort of advantage when it comes to recreational licenses. They knew what the rules were when they signed up and invested and they should not be given any advantage. The fact that they have expectations that they will just automatically be conferred recreational status is ridiculous.

Minority/woman/disadvantaged business ownership

Community involvement

Employment benefits (living wage, insurance coverage for employees, etc)

Existing provisioning centers SHOULD NOT be granted automatic recreational licenses

No limit. Let the market determine who can operate and survive.

Employment

Land use, employment, communication and transparency with City Officials. New and existing Marijuana businesses should be good stewards in our community and work with City Officials at every turn to make the proposed amendments successful for both licensees and the City.

Frankly, subareas B and C are the best locations for a recreational retail space. If the City Imposed even a 1% Sales Tax on recreational products substantial revenues would result based solely on the volume of foot traffic in subareas B and C.

Proximity to schools, number of years company has been in business, compliance with state laws, concerns of the public

There should be no limit. It is a legal business. Demand will naturally limit supply

Tax revenue

Survey of comparably sized communities to determine a point where there is over saturation. There is no sense in flooding the market with options so that facilities can't stay in business from low sales. neighborhoods.....

Parking is a big factor. Must be enough not to infringe on adjoining residential or business properties.

Record of cooperation with inspectors and the police department during the initial set up and opening of the facility.

all of the above

Please take into consideration the lack of respect and cooperation that may be experienced by adjoining residents during construction and opening. The one on Hannah (closest to me) caused major traffic problems, blocking of mailboxes (our delivery person had to speak with them several times to no avail), rudeness, confrontational attitude and loud music during construction and grand opening. Their actions prompted the City to install new parking signage so we could get our mail. Detective Smith from our police department had to speak with them on a variety of problems. I personally felt

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There shouldn't be a limit. The existing provisioning centers should just be able to sell adult use and it should be up to them if they want to continue selling medical as well.

The fact that 12 medical dispensaries have been able to withstand their first year with medical licensing alone, while turning away most out of town visitors, who were recreational users.

The limit you put on stores that have a license to sell liquor, beer and wine or the limit you would put on health supplements stores? The open market will even things out. Every city and township around us has recreational now and even some of those stores are struggling. Avoid any further non sense or feeling like locals didn't get the chance to participate in this market and open it up to unlimited numbers.

Concentration of facilities.

Accessibility to the facility. If the facility is behind gates, with a security guard and ID check. Then the only limiting factor should be Housing/School zones. Any other retail zoned areas should be allowed to be considered. Forcing Adult USE in to segregated areas adds to the existing stigma as well as prevents perfectly good established real estate to be ignored. Example. The large Hollywood Video on 31/131 intersection in Grawn.

What the individual provisioning centers have done for the community. Some are up for the money and some are up because they actually care about cannabis and it's benefits.

Experience, Infrastructure, Communication, Employment

You need to leave it to the open market and let the rubric system go!

Security

Infrastructure, Employment

I think the existing provisioning centers should be allowed to sell recreational because they've already invested so much money into Traverse City they should be allowed to receive some of that back. They've been fighting so hard for recreational since the beginning and I think they all deserve it. Plus this is a tourist town, Traverse City can make so much more money than it is now. Therefore we can then help the

Forcing dispensaries in to manufacturing districts, or the "areas out of view" is doomed to fail. These back areas are driven by construction vehicles and the like. Increasing traffic on those streets asks for more accidents and slow downs. Keep the dispensary on the main through fare of an area increases use of other local businesses while accessing the dispensary. This also helps in preventing crime. Many companies offer delivery. Keeping them in main areas reduces operation costs and lowers fuel usage and carbon output.

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Like a class C liquor license cap or the number of retail operations selling Liquor so to should the cap on Recreational Marijuana dispensaries. Consumption is off premise and not in public. The same matrix used to determine what stores can sell alcohol should be used Don't let someone who doesn't live in the specific Traverse City neighborhood own and/or operate an Adult Use Marijuana Facility.

Don't let the Marijuana be taken out of the store at the time of the purchase.

Add more restrictions on when, where and how it's sold during May through end of August, traditional summer season.

Marijuana businesses can only be sold or ownership transferred to local residents.

Employees of such businesses must hire residents of Traverse City.

Not my job

You shouldn't establish a limit, it's called a free market they all make the building the inhabit nicer from ever one I've been in

Do you limit gas stations? Spirit of Halloween stores? Places that can sell alcohol? If they are licensed and following the law, it shouldn't matter. The market will stabilize on it's own

I think the city should known they wanted to be rec. It was a sad oversite

Infrastructure in TC is laughable at best and third world at worst. This needs consideration when considering when issuing permits; traffic flow.

Experience should be determined by Supply and Demand of the free market and the ability to offer competitive business models. After that the city needs to stay out of the process

Neighborhood or sub area residence required to be an owner of such a business.

Separate purchase and delivery of products.

Experience

Customer base

Curb appeal

Nothing

Employment

Make such businesses provide financial benefits to the neighborhood they are located in.

Legal it already this is crazy, I want the tax money if your gonna tax weed we might as well get that money from the tourists as well

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Facility size, location, newer nicer locations

Want and need of the constituents of traverse city

Employment, Experience

Are we a "party" town?

What are we saying to our children?

Marijuana is a gateway drug are we just ignoring that?

Experience, Land use

Available subareas; limit the number in an area (one problem now is the lack of an even distribution throughout the City) -- i.e., don't allow them close together.

Closeness to other non-medical marijuana facilities

limit the number of non-medical facilities. Traverse City has become a party town -- too many brew pubs, wine tours, bachelorette parties, kayaking with drinking, brew buses, etc. etc. It has ruined the character and culture of the City. Adding recreational marijuana to the mix only makes it worse. The more I think about it, I prefer no such facilities. If that cannot be done, then limit it to one on each side of town, or 3 at the

Location frequency, kinda of like liquor licensing is. Also area of location .

Who is in the pot. Fuck the big guys. Help the locals.

Eco friendly,
Quality,
Size of company again LOCALS FIRST

Please consider doing local applications 1st before large companys who already have their feet on the ground come in and take it. The applications cant be based on how much each application is but locally sourced.

There should be no limit let the money help the town and the schools and roads

Experience

please pass this and grandfather in the provision centers already here

They should pay at least \$16.00, and provide benefits to employees.

Providing employees with at least \$16.00 per hour, and benefits.

I'm not worried about the current size of the market if the current medical dispensaries become recreational. I would draw the line at adding too much more than we currently have. The bigger issue is to get this going forward, the residents of TC voted for recreational marijuana with 53.5% of the vote in 2018, and we're still without it in 2021. That's too long.

I don't favor automatic issuance for current dispensaries as the best idea, but I do think that those who have operated their businesses securely and without any criminal activity should be given a good score in applying for the recreational licenses.

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Why would Traverse City want to promote recreational marijuana? We are already considered a “drinking city” which is not conducive with a family vacation destination.

No recreational marijuana licenses.

Tired of the excuses and foot dragging. It's appalling the inaction after the retailers have invested so much money in their spaces/buildings in our city and the neglect on the officials parts to complete their task at hand. Millions spent and all I ever hear is about ad hoc committees and covid related excuses for not allowing these investors in our city conduct business. Not to mention the extreme potential for tax revenue

How many liquor stores, winerys and breweries have been allowed in the same areas. Why is the original plan of 13 adult use retailers outnumbered by alcohol 20 to 1?

The fact the voters of the city and county wanted this done THREE years ago. How 'bout that.

If provisioning ctrs get adult use license automatically, the additional licenses will bring the total number higher.

Local ownership
Outdoor growing (easy on power grid)

Experience

Experience

The number of medical dispensaries that are already open for medical purposes that are operating at a compliant level.

Experience, if a store has already been operating

I have had great experiences at current medical dispensaries in town that have created jobs for locals as well as creating relationships with us. It would be pretty sad if the current medical dispensaries do not automatically get recreational as they mostly have been operating for over a year. They are all

it's been two years since TC passed rec. people have put so much money in to their businesses with the promise of Rec and so far nothing. it's sad what the city is doing to these family owned businesses. med tax brings in no money for the city. rec tax brings in a lot of money for the city. it's a tourist town. make it legal for all. it's a no brainer.

if you already have the med business up and running then you should automatically be allowed to switch to rec when ever it's available. nobody wants to see any more businesses being shut down. nobody else should be able to open a dispo in the city but let's keep the ones that are already here.

Limit the number and size.

Criminal record.

Unsure

Land use and infrastructure

Established businesses in the medical cannabis industry should be given first preference for recreational licenses.

Experience, employment, communication, land use.

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There shouldn't be any more dispensary's added. The amount we have in town now works.

No Limits

Parking, educated staff

Compliance

Stop wasting time and give the licenses. I'm sick and tired of giving my money to county's that I do not live in. Our roads and public schools could absolutely use the extra tax money that we would make. We are losing hundreds of thousands of

None

I think it is important to remember that with today's economy, how many facilities will be able to survive if they have an unlimited amount of number competing with them. I think it is important that we do allow Adult Use Marijuana to be sold in traverse city. The sales tax alone will give our city many opportunities.

Sales with medical marijuana

There should not be a limit. As long as they are following all regulations and and located in an approved zone such as the current locations the medical retailers are currently at. There seems to be an unlimited amount of liquor stores and other places to purchase and consume alcohol, I don't have a problem with any number of shops doing retail cannabis.

Should be no limit. If there is a limit, other than what you mentioned above, the existing provisioning centers should be picked first

I believe traverse city has an opportunity to receive a lot of money from having these shops around. They also provide great paying jobs and benefits. The people in the city voted or it. Also you approved 13 places in a county with less than 3000 patients. Clearly all of the 13 we hoping to fo recreational with their approval. Also this town has such a drinking culture and I do not believe pot is the problem. If anything it helps with the drinking problem. I can attest that I used to be an alcoholic and now I don't drink at all because of marijuana. In any case we are talking about retail shops for pot, not consumption. People pick up their product and go home. I really hope you allow unlimited shops and let the market decide. At minimum, allow

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The consideration of a limit shouldn't be considered at all. The market will determine that on its own. If too many open up, the worst will go out of business. Just like in any other business category.

Experience
Reputation

The whole premise of limiting the number of businesses is a bad idea. Just like in any other industry, the correct number of businesses will thrive based on city population and demand. As of now, residents and tourists alike are simply driving to nearby town, spending their hard earned money and tax dollars there, and then driving right back here to smoke it in beautiful Traverse City. Do the city and all of its residents a favor by allowing recreational in the city. It starts with the businesses that are here, supporting this city in terms of employment, and treatment of current residents. Statistics across the quickly legalizing country are proving that it does not add danger or increased teenage drug usage in areas where full legalization occurs. In fact opioid overdoses have dropped nearly 20% on average in areas with a recreational dispensary. If the concern truly is the citizens like claimed, then it has become a

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	Stop w/ the scoring Rubric	
	You're going to drive everyone crazy with that thing	
	Dont put residential units in over a pot store!	
Give the established med outlets the ability to sell rec	Marijuana smell is not easy or even possible to contain	Modern pot smells.....a lot
This area needs @ least that many just to get the weed to the people that voted for it	The winner no doubt will have 5 extra points for a lighted walkway or something stupid	You cannot have it downtown or on front street
Its one of those "solved" problems		Just activate the stores for rec
Like how many beers in a six pack?	Lucky thing!	We voted for this shit
BTW this is supposed to be like regulated as alcohol not nit picked by aunt nellie	Its done..... there are pot stores!	And you have cost this city about million dollars dragging you're feet
And needs to on the first floor....	Open them to rec weed now!	Just F'n get it over with
For many folks this IS their medical marijuanaAnd needs to be accessed by everyone	Then apply scrutiny to the new 4 stores	Start using the money go after meth and pills and heroin
Just do it	Or put the 13 med shops back the bucket	I guess...If drugs seem like something you don't want you kids taking?
	Pick 4	
	And you're Done	They already smoke pot

- 1) Density
- 2) Proximity to parks, neighborhoods and one another
- 3) If not co-locating, proximity to medical marijuana facilities in order to avoid perception of Traverse City as a party town

None

Consider nothing more than what is required by the State and local regulations for package liquor sales.

None

This process has been a debacle, an embarrassment for the Commission, and a huge loss in tax revenue (though a gift to Kalkaska and Manistee Counties.

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I would not like to see the recreational market take over the medical market. I think recreational is extremely important and there should be a few outlets in the city available to everyone. Absolutely infuriated with the big corporate recreational centers crushing our provisioning centers and putting them out of business with their garbage corporate products

Background

Downtown, school zones, and C-1 areas. The new marijuana retail facilities need to be spread out. The Munson Ave, 31 stretch appears to be "Pot Row".

Background of owners & investors

As I don't agree with the new law and allowing retail purchase of marijuana, I understand that it's here and cannot be ignored. I just feel we don't need pot places all over the city. I know a common response to my opinion is "how about all of the bars". All of us have heard many times, "two wrongs don't make a right". I'm hoping the city is smart on this and takes a good commonsense approach. Yes, allow the retail facilities but let's not have them on every corner. Let's keep them away

Number of bars and liquor licenses already in operation/ issued downtown should be considered. The downtown doesn't end with the 100 and 200 blocks.

Proximity to residential neighborhoods (they don't belong there or too nearby)

The Number of Adult use facilities should not exceed liquor licenses. Or consider adult use facilities are essentially off premise liquor retail stores to match those numbers.

Businesses should be allowed to thrive or fail based off of their creativity and business sense. Carrying out a scoring rubric to vet whether or not a business may succeed is an unnecessary burden on the city. The city would be better suited ensuring regulations are being met and the safety of patrons and employees are ensured.

Cannabis should be thought of as more of an off premise retail location and treated as such. On premise consumption should be considered and not treated any differently than bars or restaurants. In fact ground level consumption on front street should be considered. There is too much money that can be made for the city, businesses, and employees for the city to be so strict on prohibition limitations.

Current medical marijuana provisioning centers should also be allowed to serve as adult use marijuana facilities. Traverse City does not need more than a dozen medical and recreational facilities combined; we already have the facilities in place. Traverse City is doing a disservice to our existing facilities by not allowing them to also serve the adult recreational market.

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Land use

Quit putting obstacles in front of these "adult use marijuana providers." The people of MI have spoken and it's time for TC to stop harrasing these legal business owners. Let the market determine the number of establishments. Take advantage of the taxes that will flow into city coffers.

Those taxes can be invested in our local students. Not everyone needs to go to college, how about encouraging HS students to learn one of the trades? There's a huge demand for skilled labor jobs.

Whatever the market will bear..

Have a set distance away from schools and churches, similar to what is required for bars.

I read about drunk drivers in the news every day, but it is rare

Surrounding residential neighborhood.

Land use

Away from high population centers

Ability to obtain state licensure; just like alcohol.

Ability to obtain any license required by the state of Michigan. Just like alcohol.

The sane restrictions should apply to marijuana dispensaries as were applied to brewpubs and tasting rooms

There is no limit that we know of for alcohol we should look at marijuana the same way, someone under the influence of alcohol is much worse (causing fights, being aggressive and can be deadly) marijuana influences are normally real subdued individuals that get very hungry. The death toll due to marijuana by itself is 0 whereas alcohol poisoning are numerous.

Business acumen since each licensees must have a profitable business to ensure success whereas many will fail in unlimited situations due to lack of knowledge

No partaking on site by the operators who sell the product but knowledgeable experience with the dosage.

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Demand for product

All of the above

Not to many but now, not in a year or two. We're losing tax dollars.

That is a good list

We can drive a short distance or get delivery of all of these products. No ordinance will be perfect, so make it clear they can and will be adjusted, stop wringing our hands, and get the

Location based on population, need any tourist activity.

Sales, productions, positives it will bring to area

Factors for Retail Facilities

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The number of adult use retailers should equal the number of medical use retailers . The number of retailers the city can support will be determined by competition amongst the retailers which is best for the consumer.

Existing investment in medical use buildings and businesses.

Traverse city should be looking at the revenue that could be made from allowing provisioning centers.

Counties around you are receiving thousands of dollars for allowing the sale of the natural plant

Experience, employment opportunities, grow locally

Geographic distribution relative to existing medical provisioning centers -- prior policy resulted in 7 centers within easy walking distance from my home in the Indian Woods subdivision. Do NOT exempt Front Street blocks from consideration; seems like a perfect complement to the virtually unlimited liquor licenses granted there. Let's put a low cap on number of adult use outlets and share the risks/rewards equitably across the city.

Examine financials and prior business records to ensure stability, security, and ethical business practices.

Do not give selection preference to existing medical provisioning centers -- they took a foreseeable business risk if they over- invested for the size of the medical provisioning market. It would please me greatly if some of those centers clustered near my house were to close.

Unlimited

Employee pay

Same rules as stores that sell alcohol.

Infrastructure

Should not be in walking distance of schools

Location should not be in walking distance of schools. Also should not be in same block with any bar

Probably not close to schools

Safety, fair pricing, sustainable model, perhaps locals

How many bars and liquor stores are there in town? Then why the obsessive need to limit provisioning centers? Let's assume adults who are using can be responsible and make good choices, many shops mean competitive pricing and better

At least 3 miles from school (not including colleges or vocational schools)

Any Criminal Drug charges, EXCLUDING Marijuana. Obviously it makes no sense to include what they are getting licensed for

Location density, previous holding of license, quick expenditure to ensure no more tax money is lost to surrounding counties that could be utilized in Traverse City

Social equity and equality

Make it easily accessible

Communication

The market demand.

Infrastructure

Let the market control it.

Factors for Retail Facilities	Scoring Rubric	Tell Us More
The state law	Same as for liquor licenses	
Nothing	None	
Not all who use marijuana therapeutically have medical cards. Safe, convenient access is important.	None	
No limit. Don't limit licenses, competition will provide better prices.	Established licenses in other areas in Michigan.	
taxes of at least 70%	taxes	taxes of at least 70%
Not making a small concentration in one area. So it doesn't too like TC became a pot town...just businesses serving their medical community like other clinics.	Giving back to the community.	
The same considerations used when issuing beer and wine and liquor licenses	<p>You should use a lottery. That way no bias is shown</p> <p>Ultimately the businesses who in vested many thousands of dollars in medical dispensaries should get the first retail licenses.</p> <p>.</p>	
Na	Na	
The amount of people in traverse city, it could be a per capita situation.	Facilities, knowledge of industry.	
I think the medical facilities that opened with the intention of converting to Adult Use when marijuana was legalized in MI should be a factor.	Are they local?	
Stop treating it so differently from other businesses	First come first served	These businesses should be treated the same as beer/wine/liquor sellers
The market should decide	Experience	I own homes in Traverse City, work there but live in Eastbay
The same approach as liquor licenses for store fronts should be adopted. I don't want to see a liquor store on every block and I certainly don't want to see marijuana stores that frequently. The overall aesthetic of marijuana stores is worse than that of liquor stores in my opinion. The signage and advertising is far more undesirable and presents a more seedy vibe than any liquor store in town.	Residency of ownership	The city should be very cognizant of what the purpose of these facilities is. Are we catering to fulfill a local demand or are these being placed to draw on the tourist and out of area population?

Factors for Retail Facilities

Scoring Rubric

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We don't have a limit on bars/alcohol establishments, WHY is this any different

Community involvement

About the same considerations as how many completely unhealthy fast food restaurants there are in town.

Quit setting them apart. There are a ton of bars in town. Tons of liquor licenses. This is better than that. A tip.... stop being uptight assholes.

Nothing

No limit

The supportive Vote by Michigan residents for Recreational Marijuana use

the market should determine the number of licenses. let the public decide by participation in the business if it survives

The people voted for recreational marijuana, STOP trying to limit/change our Vote!

The people already get taxed so much we need places that make it more affordable for local who want to partake.

Price
Knowledge

We need knowledgeable people to inform buyers on usage and not Just one or two establishments that price gouge people.

There shouldn't be, unless there is a limit on how many liquor stores there are in the county. This drug has been proven time and time again to be far less dangerous than alcohol. I see no need to limit the amount of marijuana facilities in the city or county. If it's bringing in more money that we can use for schools, infrastructure, or simply look around the country at states and cities where legal recreational is happening. We know that it brings more money in, why try and hinder ourselves?

How are they giving back to the community?

This is a bit on the ridiculous side, Traverse city has more bars and liquor stores than most smaller cities I've seen. I haven't heard of any bars or liquor stores giving back to the community in a serious way, where as taxing a mainly harmless plant for human consumption can and will help our area, without the need to hope that cherry fest will bring enough money for our town. We should let them sell here, in our city, before they all pack up and move to cities that does allow it. We will lose money when we could very easily become a beacon in northern michigan to show the rest that this can work. It makes no sense to hold these companies back. This is on par with someone handing you a million dollars, to do with whatever

Open enough facilities for adult recreational so that there is true price competition, and proximity to stores so people can walk, bike, or take public transportation. Otherwise the black market will remain strong, and/or people will need to leave town to make purchases. Open as soon as possible! People voted yes in 2018 thinking TC would be progressive enough to get this going, and here we are last in the state.

Anyone willing to invest and make a go of it.

Existing Provisioning centers should be allowed to offer Adult Use Marijuana.

These work.

Factors for Retail Facilities

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This is a tourist city. Our roads are crumbling, our sidewalks too. We need more income in this city to make it actually worth visiting. Marijuana is very popular and would bring in a lot of revenue to the city. There is no reason at all why facilities shouldn't be allowed.

Downtown is filled with drunken idiots half the time, I'd rather have high people flooding the streets than drunks

Nothing

Ease of public access & use in popular areas to bring in most revenue

Nothing

Tax revenue, jobs, diverse locations, allowing medical provisioning facilities already in place to serve adult use school districts

There should be facilities located through out Traverse City that is convenient for adult users.

Combined medical and adult use sites communication

Women owned businesses

Ease of access for users & security. But, limits should not be in all areas. Only Downtown on East Front Street (from Boardman Ave to Union St) should have limits in order to keep the downtown shopping/dining area diverse. However State, Cass, Union, Park, Hall, Garland, and West Front streets should not have limits. A mix plan for unlimited licenses with minimal restrictions (E. Front) is a reasonable option.
location to schools

Give the provisioning centers a retail license. You have 10 permits out now. Give them their license. Revisit in two years.

Licenses SHOULD NOT be limited. But if limiting downtown, as mentioned above in comments, then security should also be considered.
don't issue the license

There should be no factors involved. I.e.. Experience? You have not allowed any licenses yet how can one have experience?

The City and GT County have been losing job opportunities & tax dollars by making these decisions that have held up adult use. It is embarrassing and the optics make our region look ridiculous.

There are also residents who could benefit from the opening of adult use. Instead of keeping dollars in their own communities, they're driving to Benzie, Kalkaska, and even further. Why would TC & GT Co commissioners make such terrible decisions, leading to lawsuits and other negative attention? The recreational/adult use is still coming into the city and the county, but other cities and counties are benefiting the dollars from it. This is just utter silliness.

Since the law was passed for adult use, it has been incredibly

This law was passed three years ago!!! Traverse City still does not allow recreational sales. The companies who are set up to sell recreational marijuana should file a lawsuit against you. The people of Traverse city should file a lawsuit against you.

Factors for Retail Facilities

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Should allow every medical provisioning center to have a chance to buy a recreational license. If they choose not to then that is up to them. Not allowing each one a chance is unjust and will result in others closing doors due to lack of customers.

Community involvement

The actual harmful effects that marijuana has on people, especially "recreational usage".

n/a

Marijuana is less harmful than alcohol on all levels, from the health of the individual to the repercussions on the community.

The number of liquor licenses in the same area. Traverse City is all about the alcohol. Its hypocritical to treat marijuana differently than they do alcohol.

Hiring local people. Most of the people working dispensaries moved here to do so. Our local people deserve to benefit from our community

Traverse City allows countless licenses for bars, tasting rooms, distilleries and such. Not giving the same treatment to a less harmful legal alternative is hypocritical.

Parking access

Infrastructure

As long as they are following the law, they should be fine to sell.

Local Vs national companies

These businesses are here, ready and willing to follow the law and make money. We absolutely should let them do that. Like it or not, the law has already passed. Now we have to allow it.

Nothing. It is legal and should be as easy to access as liquor..

Community involvement. Being from the area. I would like local people to have an opportunity/advantage.

We have innumerable bars, breweries, etc. These should be no different

N/A

I am so upset with the the city council ignoring the will of the people. The city encourages a drunk culture and acts against this issue. I don't get it

The will of the voters.

Local business

No tax or criminal records

I think it depends on what is being allowed county wise. We don't need 40 county shops and then another 20 city shops. And we also don't want every shop in the radius of downtown to suddenly be geared towards pot. I think more than 5 within city limits could be considered overkill.

Variety

Children/mentally disabled people in 20 mile radius. Is area secluded? Want it to extremely visible!! Are there any drug related ex-felons living in 30 mile radius? Any fire arms felons living in area?

Any kind of felony history. Schools/parks in area. Totally apposed!!!!!!!

Factors for Retail Facilities

Scoring Rubric

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Stores not too close together

None

The original facilities (currently medical only) should be given AU licensing first, or at least have the chance to get their AU license before any more facilities are built or established.

Length of time the current establishments have been operating and how well they're doing. Their experience and knowledge of all product.

Traverse City has an issue controlling alcohol consumption, it continues to get worse with each passing year.. The city does not need one more thing to police. Marijuana is still ILLEGAL at the Federal level. A weak government, and poor decision making will be the demise of Traverse City. The family environment will be lost, and will take years, if ever, to get back.

No recreational licenses...period!

Law enforcement should have a say.

It is time Traverse City stops allowing a small percentage of individuals, to make the rules!

Take a stand! Stop being so weak!

The amount of jobs/income that will be given to the citizens of TC if you allow recreational facilities. The amount of money earned by the city as well. Also TC has NUMEROUS bars/liquor stores and they are very accepted within the community. It is scientifically proven that alcohol is more dangerous to consume than marijuana, why not drop the number of bars and increase marijuana facilities?

All

Nothing other than free market forces.

There should be no limit on the amount of licenses issued by the city.

Factors for Retail Facilities	Scoring Rubric	Tell Us More
<p>Many people that don't have a med card use medicinally for the reason of cost and process they never get one. When deciding the number of stores for recreational consider the people who don't own cars and can't afford delivery services provided by most dispensaries. I think the number is not as important as where and how they are placed. I think they should be strategically placed where everyone would be able to have access with a bike ride, a short car ride, or via public transportation.</p>	<p>I think that Traverse City is opening a new door that will bring in money for not only the dispensary but also the city and the people that will be employed there, issuing licenses to smaller and local companies should be considered first. There is alot of people that are passionate marijuana helps medically and are trying to get into the industry. Those people care more about the product they are giving to customers. It would also keep the money in our community and support our local members.</p>	<p>Alcohol is available at almost every gas station, grocery store, and all the liquor stores. I am strongly against alcohol because I have seen many people harmed by it. Marijuana I have seen many people helped by it. When considering regulations and licenses please do not forget what Marijuana can do for people. Many tragedies have come from Alcohol yet it is everywhere, Marijuana use has been punished and criticized for many decades and now the door is open. Don't be afraid to open the door all the way but still walk thru it with caution. Marijuana has replaced Alcohol use for many people and pharmaceutical use for many others. It's a plant on this earth for a reason. I believe everything on this planet is here for a reason and we should treat everything with respect for what it is. Thank you for opening that door for many more people in</p>
<p>Location and types of businesses nearby</p>	<p>Land Use Employment</p>	
<p>All of them if they want to risk over populating an area it's there risk</p>	<p>No limit</p>	
<p>Proximity to other kinds of businesses. Distance between facilities — concentration of facilities in square mile radius.</p>	<p>Size of corporation. Local residency of owners.</p>	
<p>Divide locations around Grand Traverse County.</p>	<p>Experience, infrastructure and employment</p>	
<p>Nothing. Red tape should not be established to further bias agendas of the commission. Facilities that fallow original regulations should be opened. Fre market</p>	<p>None. Reward business that go above and beyond for the community</p>	
<p>Don't put them directly next to a school. Otherwise, i think they could go anywhere.</p>	<p>Give licenses to companies who strive to make a positive difference in our communities.</p>	<p>We voted on this year's ago. The people have spoken. Let the free market work out the kinks and give the people what we voted for. Enough of your holier than thou regulations.</p>
<p>You've already surpassed that by all the medical places in town. Maybe so many blocks apart?</p>	<p>Experience.</p>	<p>The fact that where I live currently, which is going to change in the next week there are at least 10 medical places in a square mile yet we are the only city that doesn't allow anyone to access them is insane. The taxes we could get could maybe pay</p>

Factors for Retail Facilities	Scoring Rubric	Tell Us More
<p>Colorado studies</p> <p>Use the same considerations one would use for any business that sells alcohol. It's that simple.</p>	<p>We should never have gotten to this point period</p> <p>Treat marijuana stores like party stores.</p>	<p>Colorado says it all, mental health, crimes, traffic incidents/fatalities all went up with legalized use of pot Should just be medical only for who need it. I think our town is becoming the scene from the movie it's a wonderful life, where George Baileys Angel takes him to the part where if he was never born and his town had become bars and tattoo parlors We need to get more creative on bringing new businesses here Like we need a nice event center, a place to hold weddings, we need a container store, we need a Trader Joe's We're over saturated with very expensive condos for people who only come here for one week out of the entire year, too many hotels, too many medical pot shops, beer, wine, cider shops all with in a few miles of each other That's just poor planning Too much condense type building, not healthy for our little town</p> <p>Treat them like any store that sells alcohol. Simple.</p>
<p>Number of resident/tourists population. Need enough supply for demand. Need to get this done in a timely manner. With other communities supplying our needs including delivery to our home, local tax dollars are leaving our local economy. Loyalties are being established elsewhere. TC can and needs to get this decided, resolved, formalized and put to rest!</p>	<p>MI grown products</p>	<p>Follow supply and demand needs.</p>
<p>Roadside testing for people suspected of driving under the influence of marijuana, you can smell it as you drive around town!</p>	<p>Look at the problems Colorado has.</p>	<p>It should not be considered until,law enforcement can monitor for driving under the influence like alcohol. We don't need people driving around (high and on their phones)</p>
<p>Number of facilities vs. number of residents of the area. Oversaturation</p>	<p>Past criminal record</p>	<p>Finding it hard to understand why we need more than 10 adult use facilities in a town this size.</p>
<p>The population size. demanded</p>	<p>Whether or not they already do medical. experience</p>	
<p>How many bars and breweries are in town?</p>	<p>None</p>	

Factors for Retail Facilities	Scoring Rubric	Tell Us More
Downtown should be considered top of the line for having tourist foot traffic.	Land use; experience; and communication.	I believe we spent too much time debating this and wasted the tourist season; lost out on all that tax money that could be going to our schools or roads.
Tax revenue for city, geographic proximity, study of similar communities experiences.	Reputation as existing medical use facility	I feel the frustration and lack of fairness for those initial lottery winners in the incredibly slow process this has been. Watching the Band reveal plans to seize the recreational use market will undoubtedly lead to a big loss of revenue for the city and quite a few newly built brick and mortar storefronts enter the for-sale real estate market soon. We are saturated with medical use buildings. I am uncertain if there is a strong enough market to sustain all these wanna-be recreational use provision
Who is already operating should be your main concern.	If they currently operate in the city Infrastructure	
Population size	Land use	
Only over saturation really.	Pricing	We've waited long enough for this. It's been three years
Experience and reputation	Availability	
Criminal record of applicant. Only one license and or facility per applicant Resident of State of Michigan Personal applicant as opposed to Corporate applicant Licenses can not be sold or transferred (must be returned to issuing body) Adult Use Retail should be held to same standards as Provisioning Centers	Criminal record of applicant. Only one license and or facility per applicant Resident of State of Michigan Personal applicant as opposed to Corporate applicant Licenses can not be sold or transferred (must be returned to issuing body) Adult Use Retail should be held to same standards as Provisioning Centers	Criminal record of applicant. Only one license and or facility per applicant Resident of State of Michigan Personal applicant as opposed to Corporate applicant Licenses can not be sold or transferred (must be returned to issuing body) Adult Use Retail should be held to same standards as Provisioning Centers
At minimum give the companies already in town with medical licensing a chance for rec sales, considering most companies set up shop with that intent, and hired employees who certainly deserve job security.	Established stores that are currently operating with a full set of employees should be considered first.	It seems like the city is just wasting time and resources. The cannabis industry is on the rise and Traverse City, being the "progressive" town it is, is still seemingly a perpetrator of the stigma of marijuana use and it's incredibly disappointing.
Compare to similar situations, if any, where city size and other factors may be similar to our area. What has worked and what has not?	Need all these factots defined in krder for me to kffer an opinion. How do they treat their employees? Pay? Benefits?	

Factors for Retail Facilities	Scoring Rubric	Tell Us More
Should be treated the same as liquor licenses.	Communication and employment.	It's ridiculous the delay on this subject. It is legal in the state of michigan.
About 1 per 1000 adult residents	Criminal records	
The shouldn't be located close to schools and should be somewhat spread out geographically.	None	I think the city should allow adult use marijuana retailers with reasonable restrictions, and it sounds like those restrictions are or will be in place.
Let the best man win! Capitalism will take care of everything.	Let the free market rule!	
	Experience, infrastructure, land use for sure. Use buildings that already leave a footprint vs building new.	
County population, not just city.	How well are they treating local employees, are they actively participating in the community, future plans.	
Which medical facilities are already well off, doing enough medical business.	Just the above	
Everyone who applies should get a license	None	
There shouldn't be a limit. The free market will decide the limit.	Do they meet the states requirements and city zoning, period! This doesn't need to be that complicated. Then let the market decide.	Voters overwhelming approved this and I have been appalled at what I have heard from city commissioners on the reasoning for limiting these businesses to only medical sales. If people didn't want it they wouldn't have voted. The state already provides thorough evaluations of the businesses and ongoing monitoring. We have laws in place to address criminal activity.
Do they meet the stars criteria for a legal cannabis facility? If they do and they fit into the already defined zoning for retail facilities then they should allowed. I have heard there are 180 places to purchase alcohol which is much more destructive. Seems like capping cannabis facilities at a similar level as alcohol would be fair.	Number of employees and wages	
None	Location of headquarters (locally owned should be scored higher.	I really don't want marijuana dispensaries in the city. The city should apply the Healthier Drinking Culture advice to marijuana dispensaries also.
The fewer the better	No criminal record	
The people have spoken. Stop holding their right to use and buy cannabis hostage. This has become ridiculous.	Honesty integrity no psst violations	I believe the locations should be treated like a liquor store. This is a similar scenario as alcohol sales after prohibition.
Same as liquor stores.		

Factors for Retail Facilities	Scoring Rubric	Tell Us More
How much money there is to be made, how much to reinvest back into the community	Community involvement and care	Lots of money flowing into kalkaska that could otherwise be made here, just open it all up! Understanding that regulation can be important, I feel you guys have dug yourselves into a deep hole as far as who can and cant be allowed to move on for which license. Too many people inputting their desires into a system leads to one that wont work for anybody!
nothing, marijuana is as mainstream as grocery stores now a days.	NONE give the dispensaries their right to sell recreational.	All previous standing dispensaries should be eligible to sell recreationally in traverse city as was intended. i'm not sure why this is a discussion or why i have to take this shitty survey. Do whats right and save our local dispensaries from closing and losing their means. It's disturbing to see the amount of leaders begging our city to shop local and help our mom and pop shops while no one is helping our dispensaries. they're local too!
Location most importantly The number of liquor stores in the area. Should be maybe half or similar.	Experience Quantity of "green" materials used to help environment	
They should be equivalent to liquor licenses. There are too many places that sell pot here already. We don't need more.	All the above you can't be really great in one thing and horrible in another. Criminal record	The people have voted give them what they want. You are messing with people's lively hood on something that was voted
Ease of access per subsection of grand traverse county, and all included "towns", example interlochen Mayfield ect. Enough local competition to keep prices reasonable but not so many theres one on every corner.	Added employment, ease of access and availability to consumers, people who are out to help the public rather than make a lot of money. Dedication and or involvement within the community. If a store plans to give back to the community or support sustainable living	
Amount of locations per capita. I don't think they're should be more than one store per 10,000 residents, within city limits. 100,000 residents would be 10 stores. Spreading them out is a good idea. I think the current guidelines a d set backs are adequate.	downtown, their application should receive preference points Let the little guy have a chance	
Spacing between stores.	Non-commercial owners first. Keep the money local.	

Factors for Retail Facilities	Scoring Rubric	Tell Us More
<p>They should be discreet. Keep them away from residential areas as much as possible.</p>	<p>Land use Experience Communication Infrastructure Employment</p>	
<p>How many Adult Use Liquor\Beer\Wine Retail Facilities are currently allowed and whatever measures are in place to control their numbers should be applied the same.</p>	<p>The same rubric used on alcohol establishments should be used</p>	<p>Could you deny the voters their rights any longer? How many millions of tax dollars have been missed out on ?</p>
<p>Growth of condos/apartments etc as city is concerned with drinking culture they created by adding density and restaurants liquor licenses. Similar issue coming with pot.</p>	<p>Density</p>	<p>Garfield township resident that owns commercial property in city</p>
<p>No more than any other business. Let the free market decide the success of the business. It is unfair to regulate who can and cannot hold a license.</p>	<p>Criminal background</p>	
<p>Demand.</p>	<p>Willingness to invest back into the community, Local residents should get first priority in the licensing process.</p>	
<p>TC does not need to incorporate this infrastructure into our area.</p>	<p>Insurance and bonding.</p>	
<p>You should grant listeners to the establishments that already paid to be allowed to sell. The City has already string this out, decided which shops can run. Grant the existing ones their rights.</p>	<p>Experience</p>	<p>The way these subsections are divided makes it clear the City has their own intentions in mind. The divisions are ridiculous, inconsistent.</p>
<p>Nothing</p>	<p>Experience, Communication, Employment</p>	<p>Residents already voted for recreational marijuana and the fact that it's taken this long to get done is absurd.</p>
<p>Limit should be zero.</p>	<p>None. Disagree</p>	
<p>The biggest thing to consider is the amount of adult use residents we have in Grand Traverse County who drive to Kalkaska Honor Benzie and Manistee for products when we could easily go close to home and not worry about traveling with it.</p>	<p>The amount of money that the city could get from the taxes.</p>	

Factors for Retail Facilities

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I think that these facilities should not have any special limitation restrictions. If cannabis is to be normalized, it should be considered just like any other retail.

Activism towards expungement of records of cannabis violation.

Why has this process taken so long in TC?

Several studies have linked marijuana use to increased risk for psychiatric disorders, including psychosis (schizophrenia), depression, anxiety, and substance use disorders. Recent research suggests that smoking high-potency marijuana every day could increase the chances of developing psychosis by nearly five times compared to people who have never used marijuana. We do not want this around our children.

Responsibility to supporting the mental health field where marijuana abusers will end up.

Give the medical businesses a break and let the sell rec. We have a million liquor stores.....wtf.

Female/Minority ownership

Quit fucking around. This is embarrassing. Kaskaska can do it. I vote and will be voting.

How long businesses have been open. How successful they have been since opening. How they contribute to the city and their community. The location the business will operate

Community outreach

We voted to have it legal. Why do I have to give benzie my tax dollars?

We voted and passed to have legalized marijuana. Why are we not taking advantage of the tax dollars

Do you question any other business on these same things?

Quality facility that follows all local, state, and national regulations.

Experience

Baseline automatic to this already in business

None

No

Nothing

All of the above

Viability of the businesses year round. Population-driven calculation of supply needs, and licensing enough facilities to take care of the demand by residents for cannabis.

I think the five factors listed above are great items to focus on. Communication is of the utmost importance, and it needs to travel both ways. The provisioning centers need to have clear communication with the city, and the city needs to be direct and clear with their expectations for the provisioning centers.

It is time to begin allowing these businesses to provide. We have waited years. We will not know exactly what things look like in practice until we allow ourselves to practice.

Factors for Retail Facilities

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Children

Policing

Loss of revenue to adjacent businesses

Long term effects to Traverse City and its reputation

Over saturation

Education and effects of short and long term use

Security

Don't want it in town limits. Looks like trash.

Consider recreational marijuana use the same as alcohol. How many liquor licenses are allowed in the area? Base marijuana facilities the same way. Allow them to generate tax revenue and to conduct business the same as breweries, bars, and liquor stores!

All of the above.

What should be considered is the message all these pot stores are sending to the youth in the area: that smoking pot is perfectly acceptable. It is not good for kids to see these places all around. Keep all the marijuana retail facilities outside of the city just like the sex shops. People will go to wherever the product is sold.

None. Keep them out of town.

Size and area that it is hosting

All above

Let's just be fair to All that's involved

No limits. Free market

No other factors

The accessibility and availability to everyone.

Anyone should be able to open one.

Hours of operation

Infrastructure

The same consideration as when you grant alcohol licenses, ie none.

Grant the licenses like the voters told you to years ago.

Public interest/input

Communication

Employment

Experience

Land Use

Infrastructure

Why is it OK for T.C. to have many, many wineries and bars and breweries, but only a bare handful of recreational dispensaries? The rules for marijuana use are much stricter than alcohol--people are going to buy it anyway, why not bring the money here?

Enough to make it competitive. There are some big companies that will push hard but small businesses should be afforded a chance. Remember too that TC is way more than downtown.

Financial resources, existing presence in nearby areas, local ownership

Factors for Retail Facilities	Scoring Rubric	Tell Us More
There should not be a limit No limit	Proper security None	
The percentage of shops to residents in more metro areas. It should also be considered what other cities have done to grant adult use facilities.	Ability to pay rent downtown or own the proposed facility.	
The same guidelines that apply for liquor merchants should apply to marijuana merchants.	Again, whatever criteria used to determine liquor sale locations should determine marijuana sale locations.	The fact that this has dragged on so long is ridiculous. Issue licenses and move on. What do you possibly gain by dragging this out?
Cheap prices. Accessibility to medicine for people who need it.	Time is now.	Please stop dragging your feet.
The fact it's a competitive market so if you allow unlimited licenses then you may start out with a few but. Only the one or two will survive most likely and it will be the best chance of long term steady business (i.e stable consistent city revenue) most people don't want to pay tax on it anyway and will continue to go through "their person" but still the amount of money your losing in so many ways plus the danger that would also be prevented people can't find it and go get booze I have more	None do it	
If a business owner decides to invest in a marijuana business, let them decide the appropriate location based on current zoning laws and apply for a license.	No scoring rubric or limited licensing should occur. If a business owner has the passion and money to attempt to run a successful business, they should be given the same opportunity as the most experienced and tenured business person. The city nor voters should get to decide who gets to have that chance.	The only concern I have is less about the sale of marijuana and marijuana products, and more about allowed use in stores or facilities. I have no issues with an unlimited number of licenses for retail stores to provide a product for consumers to use at their own private residence. Restrictions should only be placed on a business that may allow use of marijuana products on their premises, should that ever be allowed.
The same standards as any other business. Liquor stores are on every corner; Marijuana is also recreationally legal for adult use in the state of Michigan.	Anyone able and willing to pay for the licenses just like any other industry.	
How many the market can support?	I can't think of anything valid	The way the city has dragged its feet about this is ridiculous. We need to get this moving for the area and business owners. The micromanaging of this all is absurd.
Existing provisioning centers should be allowed to also be adult use	Location	

Factors for Retail Facilities

Scoring Rubric

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I don't know.

I don't know.

A number that reflects adult cannabis demand; not an artificial cap based on failed "war on marijuana" assumptions.

The adult cannabis market is stronger than the medical market, which supports 12 provisioning centers.

Don't quite get the subareas breakdown, so undecided on these.

free markets

No limit Supply and demand

The same factors that determine the number of liquor/party stores.

Should only be in areas where there are no minors present. Also, the smell from smoking marijuana should be far enough away as to not impact a minor in any way.

Market demand

I'm just hoping for equitable dispersion. Keep a couple out Front for the tourists, make sure locals have access from each major route into town so they have less reason to cross the city, but keep them away from residential and school zones. You can keep it all to a minimum by just allowing the current establishments to sell rec.

I don't want to see marijuana sold in the city, and their everywhere

As with any license, a well developed business plan that meets requirements, should rate higher than sketchy proposals.

none

Customer relations

Experience, employment, responsibility, locally owned.

I agree that there should be unlimited license. Keep the city's economy moving forward as much as possible.

Locally owned and operated. We don't need Canadian or Californian companies opening up shop here.

Local owned. No more out of towners moving in with a chain link. Give LOCALS priority.

A limit, 5 licenses per-county including the city and issued only county residents

Go forward with a partnership approach, as with any legal business.

Recreational in TC Get it done

Front Street has bars and t shirt stores, why should cannabis be prohibited? It's prime real estate, I doubt buyers will pay a premium to buy cannabis downtown. So for the same reason there isn't a liquor store in this area, the market will self select that this is not the appropriate place for a cannabis store.

Traverse City is missing out currently on the massive tax benefits nearby communities are enjoying.

Don't see the need of more drug use in the city. There must be 7 or 8 pot shop's with-in walking distance of my house on the east side,, this is just crazy . If you wonder why there's help wanted signs everywhere ,,its because so many people

Factors for Retail Facilities	Scoring Rubric	Tell Us More
<p>Recognize the fluctuation in the population during the summer months of June July and August. Demand will increase as our population more than doubles.</p>	<p>Employer offers health benefits to all employees both full and part-time. Employers have Workman’s Compensation. Employers provide an educational fund for employee’s from shared funds collected from all growers.</p>	<p>Relax pot laws. Treat pot same as liquor.</p>
<p>Variety of licenses.</p>	<p>No scoring rubric.</p>	
<p>None</p>	<p>Their complete business plan. What is the best looking, who is going to be a well running business?</p>	
<p>Nothing from you. Let the market decide.</p>	<p>Nothing. Not even those.</p>	
<p>There should not be a limit.</p>	<p>Experience</p>	
<p>Customer availability to establishments</p>	<p>There should be no scoring rubric</p>	
<p>no retail sales</p>	<p>i oppose any, but if they are to exist, they need to give back to the community on an ongoing basis i.e. highly taxed, ongoing special tax, support of parks/etc.</p>	<p>please no recreational marijuana sales in Traverse City. already too much alcohol and substances</p>
<p>Traverse City is a rapidly growing town, and in this age we need to be ahead of the game. Bringing in adult use facilities will attract all sorts of people that will be wonderful for tourist season.</p>	<p>Local first</p>	
<p>The ability to serve everyone who wants to purchase these products without having to wait in long lines.</p>		<p>Traverse City should be way ahead of other cities in selling retail pot, but it isn't. We are the laughing stock of the state. We don't have leaders who understand the issues involved. If we did, pot would be widely available. Lesser cities with few resources are raking in tax dollars, like Honor, for example.</p>
<p>Allow delivery as well. Make sure the number is not too high or too low.</p>	<p>Clean criminal record. Ability to post a substantial bond.</p>	
<p>Treat it like alcohol.</p>	<p>None.</p>	
<p>The impact on businesses and residences that are near retail facilities. The reputation of Traverse City and whether families want to visit a place that smells like marijuana and where people are using in areas where families (especially children) are spending their time. It's ironic that the City is concerned about the drinking (alcohol) culture of Traverse City but at the same time you want to add drugs to our downtown culture.</p>	<p>Criminal history</p>	<p>Careful study of the Colorado study should be made by each member of the committee that is making these decisions. There is a lot of data available, please don't ignore it. https://dcj.colorado.gov/news-article/colorado-division-of-criminal-justice-publishes-report-on-impacts-of-marijuana-licenses-for-recreational-use-if-marijuana-should-be-sparingly-issued (i would prefer none be issued). Any licensing in the downtown commercial area will likely have serious negative impact on the merchants and restaurant owners in that area.</p>

Factors for Retail Facilities	Scoring Rubric	Tell Us More
That provisioning centers arent going raise prices and gauge medical use customers when they get adult use licenses.	Commitment to customers not profits.	Who owns these stores. Who are their investors. What are they going to do for our community.i know of a gentleman that is part of Cloud cannabis, Green Parm and Puff. They seem more concerned about market share than actually helping provide
Supply and demand should dictate numbers, not limits imposed by government.	Techniques used to minimize waste (ie recyclable materials)	The public has voted,get out of the way and allow businesses to open. Tax revenue is being lost to surrounding communities
Locations primarily outside of the downtown area.	Ability to provide a secure facility	
I don't necessarily think there should be a limit. The market will weed (no pun intended) out poorly run businesses, leaving only those that are strongest just like any other retail business. The only reason I might like some limit is to prevent a "marijuana district," simply because it might lead to edging out other business in now diverse neighborhoods.	None.	
Over saturation. Age enforcement.	Unknown	
This is such a Traverse City move. Another survey. Another broken promise. Traverse City government is an embarrassment.	X	X
I believe that we have enough facilities already in place. The consideration should be for those facilities to be able to operate as recreational centers. Alcohol is a far more dangerous drug, and there are brewpubs and distilleries on every corner in TC and no one seems to bat an eye at that. Let these businesses operate as was initially intended. If TC wants to be so cutting edge and city like, as it appears it does in every other way, let us be that by allowing adult use.	Experience	I believe that not allowing recreational marijuana for adult use in the Traverse City area is silly. Every day these businesses have to turn customers away, they are losing money. I believe they were falsely led to believe that they would have the recreational licenses by now. As stated above, alcohol causes far more damage and accidents, and TC has become an alcohol soaked city. So if the concern is for drug use, it makes no sense, and TC should in turn start regulating its breweries, wineries, and distilleries as well.
Free the weed	Let the people decide. You've been you I hurting our markets years after it's been legal	Free the weed

Factors for Retail Facilities	Scoring Rubric	Tell Us More
<p>It is a shame that the city council is standing by their own opinions versus the voters who approved recreational marijuana.</p>	<p>How many liquor licenses are on front street? What a scam. The only recourse is a total recall of the city council. If not we will vote you out.</p>	<p>You have had the opportunity for over two years now. You approve of alcohol which kills innocent bystanders by drunk drivers which puts blood on your hands. How many liquor licenses are issued on front street? I will take my business elsewhere. Even when the people overrule your ancient attitudes and bias, people will not forget who you are and what you stand for. You do not resent me and I will do everything I can to remove you from Cory council.</p>
<p>This tactic is just another sham to slow the process despite the ramped alcohol use down town.</p>	<p>Shame on you for not representing the people of traverse city.</p>	<p>Resign now or be voted out. You are not representing The people of Traverse City you are presenting your own personal opinions. Go drink your wine and pretend that you are important.</p>
<p>I will take my business elsewhere.</p>		<p>This survey is just another tactic to slow the process.</p>
<p>Compare how many are in other cities of similar size and deduct a few because you already have too many medical marijuana stores in the area.</p>	<p>This is fine</p>	<p>Just add adult use to the medical use facilities and call it a day. It feels like every corner you turn down there is a marijuana facility. It's kind of excessive as it is.</p>
<p>The free market should decide</p>	<p>Reinvestment of profits into bicycle paths, parks, and community projects.</p>	<p>It is unseemly how the board has hampered business and has created an appearance of picking winners. It is also poor judgment to continue to allow developers who seek forgiveness rather than ask permission to get away with cheating. Most obvious solutions could have already been</p>
<p>First, we have a federal law stating Marijuana is illegal - This issue shouldn't have been placed on a state vote, in my opinion. That being said, my suggestion would be to make it as extremely difficult as you can. How our law professionals are going to be able to police & enforce this will be a nightmare - they put the cart before the horse...</p>	<p>Are they a resident of Traverse City / Grand Traverse County?</p>	
<p>The disadvantage of minority That they are legitimate run businesses. No different than businesses selling liquor.</p>	<p>Race Same as a liquor license.</p>	<p>Allow people of color an advantage to open up This was voted on a couple years ago. This needs to move forward.</p>
<p>Logo/signage.</p>	<p>Is ownership local or from out of the area? Locals should always get preference over out-of-area applicants.</p>	<p>It's time to make this happen. As a voter I will be taking notice of how commissioners vote. I want to see the same level of reluctance the commission has applied to Adult Use applied to</p>

Factors for Retail Facilities

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Tell Us More

Population density, area being serviced, etc. You are trying to establish provisions based on non-existent data. When in reality there should be a cutoff threshold for everyone in town who has applied thus far to receive a license and start operations so more information can be gathered. To limit the supply to the city is really going to be contingent on what the city buys and doesn't buy. The system can be tailored AFTER rec sales are allowed.

The market should be left to decide the number of facilities rather than artificially limiting it or creating scenarios where there are questions about cronyism dictating who gets the licenses.

#1 - Ability for current medical license holders to add adult-use license

Community involvement. Use of old buildings. I feel at least the same amount of adult use licenses should be awarded the medical. It seems unfair that there would be less.

Why limit let the market set the number

I personally believe that Adult use licenses should be at least equal to the amount of liquor licenses in the area. let market determine

Are you genuinely worried that you're going to collect too much tax from these companies? If you're going to use sub-districts they should be divided by population density within a 5 mile radius (a reasonable service area) or they should all be divided equally by sq mileage. I don't believe there is any value in sheltering specific areas of the city from this industry. Not to mention many different parts of the city might adopt a different culture for their business.

Criminal history. Those with violent felonies on their record should not be eligible. Past marijuana charges should not be a deciding factor.

Social equity

All should be given. Community involvement

Community involvement

Hours of operation

Big one is employment

All of the above plus pay and benefits

Ties to the area

experience, communication

The population voted on this in 2018. This thinly veiled bureaucratic stalemate is clearly an effort to keep cannabis out of the city. This is what your constituents want, it's time to make a decision. This plant has a tremendous amount of value to a lot of people. Clearly all of these answers do not matter one way or the other and I believe this survey was intentionally made to be vague, confusing, and return inconclusive results so you could drag this out for another 3-4 years. The answer is obvious. Each vendor should have an equal and fair opportunity to bring their product to the market that is not dependent on property values (which exactly what these sub districts are). Oh no, the tourists walked next to a cannabis store on front street and they're never coming back and all of their sweet tourist money is gone... Wrong. More likely,

Traverse City is long overdue for AU dispensaries. The tax revenue alone will help with road repair, advances in infrastructure, general city repairs and making sure that we as a community will always have the funding to do these things. In addition. I think that alcohol induced crime will go down. As a city that thrives on it's drinking community I believe stepping back and letting cannabis in for all will help deter people away

This needs to be settled soon the city is missing out on funds going to other cities and counties.

Factors for Retail Facilities

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Supply and demand should be considered. Location of proposed spaces...not too close together, but also not close to any schools.

Security
Signage / marketing

It appears the current provisioning centers are clustered in an area on Munson close to Tom's East Bay. I'm unaware of any on the west side of town. Why is this?

Rresidential areas

NO I THINK TRAVERSE CITY BREACKING THE LAW THIS WAS PASSED INTO LAW 2018, THE ACTION OF TC IN SAYING WE DONT HAVE TO FILLLOW THE LAWS OF THE PEOPLE THERE SHOULD BE VERY SERIOUS consequences they're not above the law

U think traverse is show it snobby ways that they're better than the world will listen Traverse City we voted it in you better implicate it

I I believe the Traverse City Community wants marijuana dispensaries whether the committee likes it or not it doesn't matter their input doesn't matter it was voted into law in 2018 and I believe the whole committee needs to be in front of a judge and they should all be on probation and they should all

The same rules that apply to liquor & pharmaceutical sales or whatever other jurisdictions like kalkaska or Ann Arbor or Honor to allow for sales

None

Why has this become so difficult? Other areas of the state have provided for recreation sales for years! Let the market decide how many recreation sales sites are viable. Use the same rules and regulations that you use for drug stores and/or liquor

It should be just like other city's that have Adult use. Like Cadillac and the other surrounding areas that allow adult use.

All that apply to the surrounding areas that have adult use.

More marijuana shops will equal more people polluting air from smoking in public. Most people don't need to smell marijuana as it is held in air for a long time and distances

N/a

Centers that have been doing business as medical Facilities away from schools
Why do you need to limit anyway
We need the income in T.C.

Experience land use employment
Crime rate on all levels

That we have marijuana shops practically every other ship around front street. In this area we have 2 elementary schools one high school and one college. Marijuana use is bit a benefit to any child or family in the area

Schools in the area
Medical facilities in the area
Family homes in the area
Homeless living or migrating in the area
Police protection in the area

Marijuana has bit been scientifically proven effective for many illnesses. Many of the results have been used in qualitative testing/ personal use but not for the masses in a quantitative testing yet to have it available so readily and often and near children is a risk

Healthy, diverse retail mix including but not dominated by dispensaries

Experience, Communication

Factors for Retail Facilities	Scoring Rubric	Tell Us More
Keeping the town family friendly and touristy, so none should be allowed.	Experience, land use	
The overall effect to the community with the proliferation of these facilities.	Experience	
No answer	Experience, communication, and employment.	
Population size.	Environmental sustainability, locally owned and operated	Just get it done already.
There should be no limit to the number of Adult Use Marijuana retail facilities. Let the marketplace decide who makes it and how many the community will support. Thank you.	# Employees w benefits	Adult use is legal and should be available in Traverse City. Why are you allowing loss revenues to occur? Let the marketplace decide.
Now go finish your NICE bottle of wine.....	Do they Drink wine and JUDGE People??	
Limit the number of facilities selling marijuana to around 10.	Make sure they are legit, insured and employ local people.	
I do not believe there should be a limit. If a limit should be imposed then no more than 50. They should have the same rules as liquor stores	Wanting to be a part of traverse city community No failed cannabis ventures An eye for quality	I would like to see cannabis regulated no different than alcohol. We all know cannabis is safer than alcohol but in Traverse City we only provide alcohol to the residents and visitors. That's a shame. In 2021 we need to wake up.
Health risks and abuse. Product is extremely strong and addictive.	Work background, education and police records.	You are looking at opening adult use marijuana stores in town but are worried about drinking establishments and the town's drinking culture. It will then be a drug culture. Must be more money to the city with a drug culture.
Expected use relative to population, including temporary tourist population. Should be similar to the manner liquor/beer licenses are distributed.	Priority for local owners, then state headquartered owners.	The city is losing tax revenue, economic activity, and employment opportunities the longer it drags its feet.
The fewer the better	The health need for this product	The fewer sites the better
It should be limited just like alcohol regulation. Hand out the licenses to those who go through the proper paperwork.	Nothing else, those are good enough.	Quit trying to stop this. Marijuana is not going to bring the look of this city down. It will only help improve upon this drunken tourist town.
How much tax money the city can get/use for improving schools and other infrastructure	Experience	

Factors for Retail Facilities	Scoring Rubric	Tell Us More
<p>Supply for the local businesses, jobs available for local residents, taxable income for the city, long-term growth for businesses in a newer industry</p> <p>proximity to other facilities (density), signage and facade of buildings</p>	<p>Prefer local or true mom and pop to any that are chains with multiple locations around the state, long term plans for relationship w city/community, programs for employees (like health ins or community involvement</p> <p>business plan</p>	<p>As a medical patient, I see how the current businesses are suffering and worry about their viability long term. These are businesses that invested in renovating buildings that are only used at (my estimation) 1/3 capacity due to the license restrictions. Look at other areas, medical only will remain an option but having adult use available will be a boost to the city, help tourists stay in the city instead of driving to Honor or Kalkaska, and increase business income (and therefore city revenue from taxes) along with having another draw for tourism, more jobs for our residents, and keeping us moving</p>
<p>Population, compare similar municipalities that have recreational sales to see if all the stores were viable or if they needed less or more</p> <p>I believe 2 or 3 rec facilities would help users get their cannabis and dont have to drive to Cadillac or further to get marijuana related products.</p>	<p>Quality and price value of the cannabis products</p> <p>Someone who is applying for these licenses should knowledgeable on both laws and products. I have walked into a few different facilitites and they have younger generation running these establishments who dont know the first thing about the laws or about the products. When walking into an establishment the budtender should know more marijuana than it getting you high. I went into a facility recently and i had a huge migraine asked the budtender what donyou recommend? They say i dont know.</p>	<p>I visit family on the leelanau peninsula 2 to 3 times per year. It is quite ridiculous that I have to drive to Honor or Kalkaska to get products that are legal in Traverse City. Before every trip I check to see if TC government has allowed businesses to open only to be disappointed. A lot of small business owners have lost money and time because of TC government inefficiencies. I can't even imagine the money wasted on these studies(that money could have been used for so many better things such as</p> <p>And im very inquisitive when i go to these establishments. I dont want someone to tell me i dont know. I dont want someone to just read something off weedmaps that i just read 2 mins prior to coming in. I want someone teach me and actually know what theyre talking about. Places like Gage PuFF lake and leaf not very good experiances. Lighthouse in Traverse is my go to. They deserve their licensure. Best staff best knowledge best products in traverse city! I always feel like thats how a facility is supposed to be ran. If i dont know something they are always quick to give me the answer or steer me in the right direction.</p>
<p>All the money traverse city is missing because people like me drive to kalkaska or honor twice a week to purchase it.</p>	<p>The public wants it- we will drive to get it- make it more accessible and tc will have more money to fix multiple issues</p>	

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the current number of Medical marijuana retail stores should match the proposed number of Adult Use

Marijuana Facilities

none of the above

no need to limit

contributing to community

We need a fair process that doesn't promote urban sprawl. We also should allow businesses to obtain licenses without jumping through too many hoops that others (restaurants/ and liquor stores) do not. That being said, we DO NOT need dispensaries downtown, nor do we need dispensaries across the street or kitty corner from one another a la CVS building right next to a Rite Aid. We've taken long enough. Be fair and plan ahead, because like it or not, this is becoming part of our community.

I would like to consider a few items. Chiefly, overall density. We should consider treating recreational licenses like we do liquor licenses. Consider proximity to schools, an increase in traffic through residential neighborhoods. Perhaps we should cap the number of active licenses granted per neighborhood. Areas with children in transit or at play should be treated with special consideration, just the same as you don't put a bar on the corner next to a school.

Supply chain sustainability.

Accessibility and pricing. Buying marijuana legally should not be a perk solely for wealthy people. Dispensaries should take card AND cash, just like any other store.

Lastly, I live in Subarea E, and have a potential dispensary located 2 lots over from my house, along Munson Ave and Hamilton. Additional retail car traffic is a concern through this alley. If this business does go through, please pave this portion of the alley between Beadle and Munson, behind Hamilton and set a speed limit. We don't need or want this traffic from a retail business cutting through our neighborhood, and I don't I reside in Garfield Township.

Equal to the number of liquor licenses issued.

None whatsoever.

You already have many medical marijuana sites within the city so I believe you do not need any more recreational sites in the city. They could be put into the surrounding townships.

Have they run a business before.

I'm not fond of having a lot of medical or recreational marijuana in our community.

No restrictions are necessary.

Preference given to Michigan based businesses.

Cannabis should be treated the same as alcohol in sales and consumption within the city to avoid any confusion in policy/ordinance compliance.

Experience

Experience

These operations are needed and wanted.

Factors for Retail Facilities

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Can we use the same logic as we use with package liquor stores? But I wonder if this may not work as most of the PL stores carry much more inventory types than spirits, so can monetize their retail locations across multiple products. Can cannabis operators sell additional products?

We want to make sure we've got competitiveness from multiple retail outlets but we need to make sure the operators can get large enough sales volume.

My SWAG would be around 10 operators.

No limit. There is no limit to amount of bars, wineries, breweries, etc places that sell alcohol.

Location, accessibility for folks without cars

Don't really have an opinion on the number of retail facilities, but rather the proximity to schools and daycare facilities.

The effect of marijuana use on driving is not as well understood as alcohol nor is there a good way to determine impaired driving due to marijuana. Hence, I believe the number of outlets should be limited much more than alcohol establishments.

Public opinion of city residents, proximity to neighborhoods, over-saturation of the market

I don't think there should be a limit to how many Adult Use Marijuana Retail Facilities there are. There is no limit to the amount of places sell alcohol so why should there be for marijuana?

NW lower MI residency

Infrastructure should exist

land use, employment, communication, infrastructure, experience

Land Use

Most importantly keep it out of the downtown area where it could turn a thriving tourist trade into a family unfriendly area.

I don't know

All those seem like enough.

we've taken too long and tried to micro engineer this which has caused confusion, created unnecessary legal expense, forced people to drive to Kalkaska or Honor for something that should be readily available in TC.

Traverse City isn't that big. I understand the effort to distribute facilities throughout the city, but I think if we must have recreational facilities they should all be located away from neighborhoods in one or two locations. I don't want my kids driving past them on their bus route. I don't want them highly visible when tourists drive downtown and along the bay. I don't

Approving unlimited amount or licensing will increase tourism for Traverse City.

Factors for Retail Facilities

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Treat it the same as alcohol, there's a bar on every corner of Travers City and only 12 dispensaries. Marijuana has been the safer of the two, you can drink yourself to death but is physically impossible to overdose on marijuana or is Traverse just against it cause it's just an alcoholic town?

There's a peninsula full of wineries, a downtown full of bars. It's time for the Board of Traverse to grow up. We've been adults' about it now so can you

Treat it the same as alcohol

Enough that the people who live here have access to them, but not so many that it adds to the party town narrative (i.e. something along the lines of the Healthier Drinking Culture boundaries and guidelines).
you have kicked this can to the point of embarrassment

Demographics—residential population density

I would like the dispensaries to be here for the people that live here—marijuana is much healthier than alcohol and hard drugs that people use to self-medicate. I'd like for people in our community to choose this over other options as needed. I want the rules to serve our existing residents, not vacationers.

Approximately 10-20 spread evenly across the city for ready access to any resident, rather than clumping them all together

jobs created

Sustainability / Environmental Impact, Experience, Number and Diversity of Employees

My intention with answers is to indicate 10-20 spread evenly through however many subzones you create rather than clumping all in one area

1. Keep them out of the city and away from all residential areas period!

I am totally against adult recreational shops in TC. I ride my bike and walk and also drive a car. I know that if someone hits me and is high on marijuana, I will get the best attorney I can find and personally come after the City of Traverse City for all that I can. In cities where this has been allowed, there are a lot more issues with people getting hurt because of people using recreational marijuana. I am totally disgusted with our City Commissioners even considering

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The wide variety of cannabis consumers that span across many ages and ethnicities and how they come from all walks of life. That kind of variety needs to be met with a variety of storefronts that can offer different things to meet the needs of everyone.

Those who have experienced negative consequences that resulted from the War on Drugs

I don't understand the extensive regulations that are placed on cannabis when alcohol is completely running rampant in this city. The City Council should be ashamed of themselves and how they've handled this situation.

The number of medical provisioning stores who want to go recreational. (Max cap 12).

Infrastructure, employment(how many staff, city residents?), community outreach, location(school zones, bar areas, shopping zones, distance between nearest cannabis dispensary, police communication, city council ad hoc engagement,

I have been living in Traverse City most of my entire life.. I have also been buying illegal black market cannabis for most of my entire life as well. Only until recently(this year 2021) did I get my medical cannabis card.. These medical dispensary employees know their profession very well and better than any city official. These medical dispensaries that have built new infrastructure and spent time and resources to continue to help our residents should get automatic issuance on recreational license sales if they desire so. It would be a very sad loss to see the wonderful medical stores that have already opened and have perfect state controlled operations be closed due to

how will this impact the impression of the city to visitors? I have already had visiting family make negative comments regarding the large number of medical cannabis shops along front street up through to Acme. It is an overwhelming message that we are encouraging marijuana use. We don't have this level of alcohol advertisement / big signs in the same area. I would like to see the visibility reduced.

past criminal or civil issues
local ownership / accountability in the community
environmental record
community involvement

what do we want to be known for. The city has already acknowledged we have too much of a drinking culture. Seems the rec marijuana will have a similar issue in our town. I suggest we start slow and see how it goes. Once the horses are out of the barn, it is difficult or impossible to reel it back in.

If all medical facilities want to attempt AU sales, I would put a cap at 10-12 retail store fronts. Everyone should be given a fair shot.

All of the above

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There should be no limit to the number of recreational facilities, except what is allowed at a medical facility. Especially for those already operating on a medical licence.

Businesses already operating in town should be allowed to opt in, before you consider other businesses.

None within 1 mile of homes where children live or where there is a K-12 school building!

Nothing. Allow the free market to decide.

location - not near school and neighborhoods where there are children under the age of 18

Those seem adequate.

I don't think giving a recreational licence to a medical facility is giving them an advantage. NOT giving them the recreational license to is hampering their potential business. If you're looking to keep down the amount of facilities in town, at you seem to be, you could at least do that much. They're already open anyway. You also take away potential business for other businesses operating in the area, to not issue these recreational licenses, as folks currently have to travel to Kaskaska or Honor to purchase recreational marijuana. They're taking their money outside the city.

Of course there would be some limits, but look at how many liquor licenses we have in town. You all need to reframe how you look at, and consider marijuana. I'd rather have 10 until there are places right in downtown do not allow any more and no adult use. it is completely unfair to walk out my door and go a few blocks and have provisioning places, and not just one or two. i can go anywhere within a mile radius and hit up one of 12 places, and there can't be any downtown? that is a bunch of crap.

should i ever be injured by someone high you can bet it is going to cost the city a lot of money. why wasn't there a vote as to where these places can be located. i certainly would have said downtown, but no, in your complete lack of common sense, you put a boatload of them at the edge of residential neighborhoods. not only will i campaign against anyone running for re-election, i will campaign to have the ddd person removed from her position. don't know what you people were thinking when you opened this can of worms, oh wait, you Enough already. Allow the market to do its thing.

Factors for Retail Facilities

Scoring Rubric

Tell Us More

Let the market determine the number of adult use marijuana facilities just like with garden stores or shoe stores.

Your question implies there should be a limited number of licenses based in part on the above factors. I feel you should not limit the number of licenses. We already have a plethora of craft beer and wine establishments, not to mention the bars and restaurants. The area will only support a limited number of facilities, and the market will determine the number. The voters of the state have spoken. Quit wasting time and issue recreational licenses now. You are losing tax dollars every day!

I think you've considered the zoning concerns by eliminating certain parcels and creating the 10 sun areas. Zoning is my main concern.

Existing tie to local community

Please plan to retract 25% of the alcohol establishments in the town and then limit the Adult Use MJ retail Facilities to the same number.

Experience

Land Use

Infrastructure

Communication

Employment

No one wants TC to turn into Key West with tacky bong shops. I would like to see the down town shops be limited to only a few and to be understated in their appearance/look or infrastructure.

There should be a 5-10 limit. Different locations will provide different products at different price ranges to fit anyone's needs.

If a limit was permitted, I believe provisioning centers that have already been established for over a year deserve first permits.

Pre-existing establishment

The original medical dispensaries.

Nothing else

The number of medical facilities. Any medical dispensary should be able to sell recreational

None

Factors for Retail Facilities

Scoring Rubric

Tell Us More

Does the city set a limit on the number of liquor stores or liquor licenses available to businesses? Like any small business, if the market is oversaturated it fails. The concern shouldn't be the number of facilities allowed, the concern should be how much money the city chooses to lose out on by regulating adult use marijuana retail facilities like they're run by freakin El Chapo when liquor and beer can be found by just closing your eyes, spinning around, and randomly pointing at something.

I don't fully understand what the city's goals are when imposing limits on the number of facilities, so I'm (at this point) unconvinced that they need to be limited more than they already are by existing zoning regulations.

there should be limitations. let free enterprise decide.

The variety of products and prices all places can provide That u will be putting some out of business not allowing unlimited

There should not be any limits. Let market control based on demand from customers

Keep them in a safe part of town that people will easily have access to parking and transportation

Same as alcohol

The area on where they are putting the licenses. Traverse City is a very large area and has a lot of residents, so spacing out where the placements are it will make it more convenient for people that live in all the different areas of the city

Unlimited for locals, capped for corporate cannabis and out of town investors.

Is the talent show portion of applying for a adult use license the same for liquor stores? I'd love to know how Geyer's is contributing to the infrastructure and employment of Traverse City.

See my answer to the first question

none

Experience

Experience and communication

Land use

X

Transportation and parking availability

Experience

Price

Preference should be given to LOCALS! The city already messed up on the medical end... don't do it again.

This whole survey screams over complication and feet dragging, head-in-the-sand commissioners who don't want to see the devil's lettuce in pristine TC . November 2018 is when this was voted on. 3 years. COME THE F*** ON MAN!! I don't understand why other communities have been able to accomplish this and Traverse City has been twiddling their thumbs. Among many other things, it makes our city elected politicians look like an ignorant good ol' boys club who sit around and circle jerk every time they've pissed someone off. There is quite literally millions of tax dollars not being scooped up by the city because of this overcomplicated, bass-akwards, logic. Regardless of the adult use debacle, Republican or

let free enterprise competition determine

Thanks

X

Preference to local operators. The cannabis industry in TC is dominated by corporate cannabis and big city investors. That is not in line with our local culture.

Factors for Retail Facilities

Scoring Rubric

Tell Us More

If tc can have all those bars and microbreweries all over tc they should be able to have how ever many rec use facilities people want to have

Paintball wars or one giant game of freeze tag

I'm not sure

Unknown

Match the liquor license available

Match the liquor license available

Over saturation of the market will lead to very inexpensive prices

Quality standard

History

Familiarity

space, location, and market

all of the above

the community would benefit from allowing adult use dispensaries. more people more money. also communities benefit from the tax dollars generated

It is still TC and does not need 10 locations in such a small tourist spot. 2/3 that fit TC and its customer base would seem ideal for me. I visit 3 times a year while on vacation in the northern Michigan area

Plan for store, should fit with tourist tc vibe and slightly upscale culture

Tc needs at least 2 stores. Huge market for the city

Hours of operation

Hours of operation

Nothing

Nothing

Why put a limit? Take all the tax dollars you can get TC. Does the city not have a budget issue? This could help the entire community. How many liquor licenses are in Traverse City?

All of it.

Size of city

None

Price competition to get the use tax back into the city

Nothing

No

Current records

This has taken far to long.

Schools in the area and homes. I think businesses should be in business areas so theyre not causing problems for the community. Traffic is just one example. Also i think the demand is good espically when people travel here.

N/a

I think its very small minded of this town to drag this out so long. The people want the rec shops in town and I think its time. I get the concern but every town around us is already in the process. With the amount of tourists and adults in town that will visit the shops I think there will be lots of revenue for

There shouldn't be a limit

None

Factors for Retail Facilities

Scoring Rubric

Tell Us More

The number should be relative to the number of bars, liquor stores, breweries, wineries, meaderies, cideries, and distilleries in the area: if we are over-loaded with all of these venues for alcohol, how can we limit the sale of adult use marijuana, to which the people of Michigan want safe and legal access.

quality of product

I'm very surprised and disappointed that Traverse City hasn't figured this out yet. I understand that the lawsuit by medical provisioners has slowed down the process. On other hand, I suppose that it is better to sort out the details now rather than 5-10 years down the road. I also don't understand the need for the overlay districts.

Demographics

Land use

B

I do not believe there should be a limit. If there needs to be a limit then children and schools need to be considered.

Nothing else to add

Let's get this moving! Tired of spending money in other communities.

Market demand

ISO 14001, 18001 certified

Population

Infrastructure

Regulations followed, maybe certain individuals be scanned if to frequent trips.

Employment, Experience, land use, communication

Supply and demand will determine how many storefronts will be needed.

Nothing

Nothing

None within the city limits.

None within the city limits

The number of schools in the area

All of the above

lets look at the bars and go from there

It's time, they have paid and paid.....where's the question on bars....lets get with the times we live in

Let the market organically space these businesses, they are no different than a party store, pharmacy or other specialty retailer. I believe that any decision made to overly control these business outside of zoning regulations will have ongoing legal challenge. Just give the medical facilities their license and get our tax dollars out of that lawsuit, please.

Land use should follow zoning rules for any commercial operation.

I really think the commission is overstepping the role. Recreational Marijuana is legal in Michigan, the buildings that exist already are some of the nicest looking store fronts we have. Add this to the tax benefit for the area, the force towards centralizing our stained political reputation and supporting our local economy are all fantastic arguments for releasing your vice grip on this issue.

I BELIEVE THAT NOT ALL OF THE MEDICAL DISPOS SHOULD BE GRANTED IN TO GET RECREATIONAL LICENCES. I ALSO BELIEVE THAT THEY SHOULD BE PROPERLY SPACES APART AND KEEPING SOME FACILITIES MEDICAL FOR THE SAKE OF THE PATIENTS.

MAYBE SMALLER BUSINESS? NOT BIG NAME COMPANIES. LET THE SMALL GUYS GET A FAIR SHOT. LIMITING HOW MANY BIG NAME COMPANIES ARE ALLOWED REC??

Factors for Retail Facilities

Scoring Rubric

Tell Us More

I'm not sure why there needs to be such strict focus on limited licenses. From what I have experienced in other towns/cities in Michigan that do have limited licenses that it's taking away all opportunities from start up companies when the larger businesses that already have a solid footing and multiple Michigan locations to take up any available licenses. Let small businesses willing to work and pay for a license a chance to survive in this competitive new market.

I believe that it would help the economy and help get Americans out of debt.

These businesses all came here under the promise of being able to sell to recreational users shortly after opening. Instead, city officials have proposed a new lottery to only 3 of the 13 dispensaries currently serving our area. Some of whom are losing out on 10-15 thousand dollars in sales PER DAY turning away recreational users. Implement a tax of at least 20-25% on any Rec Sales in the city and allow the city residents to decide where those tax dollars are spent

Not saturating the market with retail establishments.
Unsure

The fact the tax payers have already voted to do this two years ago.

Existing locations.

I guess infrastructure, communication, employment could be the best way to go for a scoring rubric. I would rather see a loose scoring system that allows small startup businesses an opportunity to obtain a license if they have a structured plan on establishing themselves in the community. If they have an approved establishment and can afford a license then why keep them from being approved?

That's up to the community's to decide, at least that is what I believe

-Businesses with a single storefront in the state should be at the front of the line. Chain businesses have other rec locations in Michigan to make their money
-Businesses bringing the most to the community in terms of jobs and community involvement
-Land use does not fall on the existing businesses. They were provided a short list of locations to open their business during the initial lottery, and given Land/Building use advantages after the fact. This was unfair and wrong of the city

Unknown
Do not know

The whole rubric should be thrown out stop wasting tax dollars and give the people what they want.

unsure

Zones and subarea limitations are a waste of money and resources for our local economy. People are still going to buy recreational even if they have to travel around to the closest available location or zone, so why limit them? How many stores/businesses sell alcohol in the TC city limits and that have a liquor license that aren't subject to specific zones? If they have a location and can afford it then why not give them a chance, just like with recreational marijuana businesses. Michigan in 2020 hauled in 200 million in recreational sales, so why limit a massive flow of revenue opportunities from our great town? Restrictions are only going to hinder this industry in our community, these current lawsuits are a prime example that strict limitations in a widely competitive market are only going to continue to harm our economy. The world is changing,

Whatever you decide to do, our city voted for these businesses to be opened here, and they were lied to regarding the timeline or even the possibility of recreational sales. This lie as cost people jobs. This lie has cost small business owners millions of dollars. This lie has robbed the city of hundreds of thousands in tax revenue that could go towards our schools, our roads, our waterways, our parks, even our emergency services. Our city officials have done a disservice to our community for the past 3 years by dragging their feet on this issue. Do the right thing and allow these businesses to operate in our city as they were promised they would be able to 30

The people you work for voted this in. You drag your feet daily in the offices provided by the tax dollars. Do the right thing and just make it happen already. The data doesn't lie when you look at how the voting went and in what areas.

n/a

Factors for Retail Facilities	Scoring Rubric	Tell Us More
<p>The same limits as other regulated substance retailers. Don't limit it. No limit</p>	<p>The same criteria as mandating for bars , winery's, distillery's and related tasting rooms . Employment No limit</p>	
<p>You should consider how many people you should hire to inspect however many facilities are approved. The number of facilities is really not the issue. It is How the government will make sure the facilities are following the rules and making a safe and consistent product.</p>	<p>Applicants should be judged on how controlled their manufacturing process is and on them producing a safe and consistently measured product.</p>	<p>The people voted to have recreational marijuana. The government should listen to the people who created the government. People should be able to create businesses without government interference. If there were 40 marijuana stores open, eventually most of them would close. The best businesses will survive. Let capitalism run its course. Quit micromanaging this one industry. I am sure there is a better use of your time. I know when I go to the polls, I will be looking</p>
<p>Should not have "recreation" dope houses in city limits. Equal to the number of liquor/beer or wine licenses provided.</p>	<p>Back ground check. Financial backing</p>	<p>Our fair city is already a shell of its self. Why encourage more blight on our city? Thank you</p>
<p>None, we go to different dispensaries often There should be no more than 8 let the market decide which survives</p>	<p>Employment Local management and 50% local % investment ie No Large hedge fund investors , or conglomerate stores.</p>	<p>/</p>
<p>There should be no limit</p>	<p>None</p>	<p>The plant helps everyone</p>
<p>The only factors to consider would be the same factors that are used to issue liquor licenses. The commission has over thought this whole situation and put too many complicated rules into place. Free market competition will limit the number of adult use retail businesses. To try and come up with special rules to limit cannabis distribution and use is over stepping authority and like a lot of government rules, you are trying to fix something that isn't broken.</p>	<p>There should NOT be a limited amount of licenses unless there is a limited amount of liquor licenses.</p>	<p>The city commission is thinking in an old school manner and missing out on a huge source of income. Everyone still has the mind set that marijuana is EVIL. It is now legal and shouldn't have a whole bunch of special rules in place to try and limit it's use behind the scenes. Kalkaska has embraced cannabis and the related businesses. It's economy will be booming soon.</p>

Factors for Retail Facilities	Scoring Rubric	Tell Us More
<p>I believe the existing provisioning centers should be allowed to obtain an adult use license. While it wasn't promised to them, clearly all of the businesses believed they would obtain one.</p> <p>The people of Michigan passed the law making marijuana legal so many years ago. That TC has dragged their feet this long is ridiculous. The city keeps approving more and more alcohol permits, so any conversation on holding back the marijuana licensing is crap.</p>	<p>none</p>	<p>The commission needs to get their priorities straight. Drunken behavior in our downtown shopping district needs to be addressed. We don't go down there after 8pm; we also avoid the smoke hole along Union St, north of the post office - so restaurants along that stretch are ones that we would only go to very early before Union Street and the doublewide open for business. Once they are open, the area is just a pit of vipers. If the commission really cared about the negative connotation of that block of drunks, they'd have closed those places long ago. There are plenty of reasons to - all the kids know it's where you can get served underage. All the alcoholics know it's where you won't get cut off. And don't get me started on how they've paid their employees cash for decades, avoiding payroll taxes. What's worse is that the commissioners who get it, the ones who vote no on the new license requests are the ones who</p>
<p>Investment in the community and current medical licensees.</p>	<p>Community involvement</p>	
<p>There should not be a limit, move past the old way of thinking and be happy for the additional tax revenue.</p>	<p>Allowing already established dispensaries to be allowed to open first would be the best, they will have product available much faster than waiting for a new store to open.</p>	
<p>I think the fairest option is to issue as many recreational licenses as you have medical licenses, meaning that each of the medical retailers already established in Traverse City could acquire a recreational license. Otherwise, the city is essentially spelling death for any business that isn't able to get a recreational license, but likely relied upon the fact that they would be grandfathered in to recreational after getting a medical license. Overall, TC has failed miserably so far.</p>	<p>TC needs to just issue recreational licenses to all those centers that already have medical licenses. Otherwise, you're asking for more lawsuits. Plus, the longer you delay TC residents access to recreational marijuana, the more disgruntled they will become and the more money surrounding counties such as Benzie and Kalkaska will continue to collect.</p>	<p>Overall, I'm in total shock that Traverse City hasn't figured this out yet. It's embarrassing and frustrating. The city is missing out on a huge chunk of profits. Until then, I'll continue to give my money to Lume in Benzie County.</p>
<p>Why a limit?</p>	<p>None</p>	
<p>No limit, or same limits as s alcohol</p>	<p>Not interested in a scoring rubric</p>	

Factors for Retail Facilities

Scoring Rubric

Tell Us More

The number of current facilities we already have. They opened businesses here under the impression that they would be able to sell medical AND recreational marijuana.

Number already in the city...no more than 15

Responsibility and professionalism

Experience and employment

Do the right thing

Population and demand, Determine which companies want to provide a quality product at a reasonable price (like Dunegrass) and which ones are just in it for the money and will have extremely high prices (like Lume).

Experience and employment.

Past history of operating within the city as medical marijuana dispensaries. It is better to have dispensaries serving both the medical and recreational markets and would translate into fewer dispensaries overall. Existing dispensaries should have an advantage earned by past service to the community.

Population size and level of support in voting for recreational marijuana

Why have five medical dispensaries and five recreational when we can have five total which do it all?

Proximity to residential neighborhoods. Distance between each facility.

Proximity to existing residential neighborhoods.

Like any commercial use a buffer zone adjacent to existing residential neighborhoods is of utmost importance.

How many, how far apart are they, is this a benefit for are city,

Experience.

This is a good the for the city, it will bring in much need tax revenue for the city

Can a per permanent resident #; not counting tourist. What is the recreational use statistics per 10,000 adults. Example, if use is 10% per 10,000 adult and there are 70,000 adult permanent residents, then we'd allow 7 resale locations.

Tax paying history, property, employment taxes, all obligations. Accounts payable history for all supplies. Security plan, including how to mitigate underage access. Ownership of location or prepaid lease to make sure a landlord isn't left unpaid if business closes could add points to

Factors for Retail Facilities

Scoring Rubric

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Proximity to existing / other centers - avoid clustering them all in one part of the city. There is already considerable clustering.

Don't license so many centers that they are competing in a race to the bottom.

Traffic patterns, parking available at location, proximity to other Adult use establishments

Ensuring that under represented retailers and alignment to existing regulation for alcohol retailers (like distances from schools etc).

Distance from current locations of provisioning centers and liquor/party stores. Distance from other distributors in the area. Currently there is a heavier concentration of provisioning centers on the east side of town - around the routes to the college, Central High School and Eastern Elementary. Places on Munson will make traffic only worse.

In retail areas, not neighborhoods.

No one under the age of 21. Same rules all around that regulate bars.

traffic impact(s), compatibility with neighborhood

Experience, communication, Building and parking quality, aesthetics, professional appearance and mode of operation, ability to provide lab tested quality product and sense of community.

Employment of and ownership by communities most impacted by cannabis regulation in the past.

Current location- Distance from other distributors in the area. Currently there is a heavier concentration of distributors on the east side of town - around the routes to the college, Central High School and Eastern Elementary. Places on Munson will make traffic only worse

None

Appropriate capitalization.
Proven security plan.

There are many existing centers. The above questions and maps are completely devoid of the existing centers' locations and thus THERE IS NO CONTEXT FOR ANSWERING QUESTIONS ABOUT POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL CENTERS!

AS IS BUSINESS AS USUAL IN TC, WHERE THE GOVERNMENT IS OWNED AND RUN BY THE DDA, THE DDA HAS AN OUTSIZE VOICE THAT DROWNS OUT THE VOICES OF CITIZENS. WE ALL KNOW THAT NO MATTER THE RESULTS OF THE SURVEY, THE DDA WILL ALWAYS MANIPULATE THE OUTCOME AND CITY

Locations should definitely be spread throughout the city. Medical dispensaries should be given some advantage where well established,

Please ensure that we refer to cannabis vs any other names for this substance. Using other language refers to it incorrectly and impacts communities negatively for instance by calling it marijuana, it has a negative connotation impacting Hispanic

The number of recreational distributors needs to be reduced. Not all 12 current distributors need to have a recreational license. A community the size of Traverse City needs only 2 to 3 locations. I'm concerned that so many rec distributors sends a terrible message of who we are as a community.

Negatives: Additional neighborhood traffic, in some cases, too close to schools, homes, Thirby Field.

It seems like the existing medical dispensaries should be Like all business enterprises the market will regulate the number of facilities that the city/surrounding region can

Factors for Retail Facilities

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Areas where there are frequent calls for police, Fire, Dept, EMS. should not be considered.
Areas where there are frequent arrests for alcohol related incidents should not be considered.

Number of other outlets in the state of Michigan.
Would prefer smaller operations, rather than outlets of a larger chain.
Amount of product that is locally sourced, preferring product grown and processed here in Michigan. Preferably the majority of product being from Michigan.

Personally I don't see a need to limit these facilities.

Current licensing already in place
Look opening up this who receives a license based on experience, land use, infrastructure, communications or employment opens Traverse City to law suits. The law as it is written allows Traverse City to opt out of RECREATIONAL completely, therefore not opening the door to any lawsuits. Use the law as it was intended to be used and these bullies have no legal leg to stand on. Opt out of RECREATIONAL completely.

Everyone of these establishments knew when they put money forth for the lottery in traverse city MI that it was medical ONLY! But they all assumed they would just BULLY their was into RECREATIONAL sales. The state law gives Traverse City the right to opt out of recreational completely. Let Kalkaska have them! They have plenty. Enough is enough! I'm tired of the bullying. They all knew this was medical ONLY 100%.

I seriously believe it was wrong for these facilities to come here pay to be entered into a medical lottery knowing full and well it was medical only. Then threaten to sue based on the fact that they choose to build facilities know in advance it was medical only. It was their choice to continue when they entered the lottery.

Marijuana use for recreational purposes has dramatically different consequences than alcohol use for recreational purposes - the number of disorderly complaints are fewer, traffic violations are fewer, and assault and battery is much less. It is hypocritical to continue issuing alcohol use permits while severely limiting legitimate marijuana businesses that have already established professional operations in the City.

Already being an established business with real, living wage employment being offered.

Perception and attraction of Traverse City as a "drinking and smoking" destination. Main traffic corridors (Front Street/Munson Ave/ 31 North and South) with multiple dispensary/provisioning centers makes Traverse City seem like a "party capital." Consideration of inability to police legal usage. Air pollution related to smoking and secondhand smoke.

Land Use

Factors for Retail Facilities

Scoring Rubric

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There should not be a limit. Just as the city doesn't limit the number of liquor stores or places that sell both regular and e-cigarettes adult use marijuana stores should be allowed the same benefits that other controlled substance stores have.

Infrastructure and land use

Establishing a healthy competition, and accessibility throughout the city

Aesthetics of brand for downtown areas.

Communities health

Proximity to homes, children, parks schools

Proximity to schools, parks, homes..

Criminal history

Desire of community not to have them

This is not the desire of the majority in this area.

We have them on ever block. Just overdone already.

These do not lift up our community to strive to be better and our kids and communities are suffering.

See below

Dispensaries should be at least 1000 ft apart, at least 500 ft from churches and schools. Should not be open past 7pm or before 9 am.

Emphasize industrial areas over commercial.

Adequate parking and lighting important.

Get to it! This has gone on far too long.

The City should honor the original stores that were awarded medical licenses and not change the rules in mid stream for them. If rules are changed it should be looking forward to new applicant considerations.

All of the above

I offer input as a co-author of the MRTMA- Jamie Lowell.

The consideration for how many adult use cannabis retail stores ought to commensurate with the amount of economic development, revenue sharing, social equity programs, community outreach and improvements to the city that is desired.

Experience- primarily within the Michigan Medical Marihuana Program. Otherwise possessing space with proper certifications.

Cannabis retail stores help to improve property values, and creates well paying jobs. Each one represents a unit in tax revenue sharing. Each has an obligation to create a social equity plan and to engage in activity helpful to the city and residents. Allowing for as many as there is space and willing participants is the most efficient and most fruitful approach for effecting positive change.

The area market and ability of the operators will ultimately determine how many succeed or fail. A failed retail store will

Factors for Retail Facilities

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Fulfilling recreational licenses for current medical dispensaries which have all invested in the community. After those licenses have been issued, impose a waiting period before any other Adult Use facilities may apply for licenses. This would allow the city to see how many Provisioning Centers were able to successfully switch or include Adult Use in their model, and determine if and how much additional demand exists for Adult Use facilities.

No scoring rubric should be used.

Please stop wasting time. Voters decided.

This seems like a waste of tax payers dollars to spend so much time on regulation. I don't care how many businesses are where, more than they are owned by local people who are members of our community (I feel this way about most businesses in TC including restaurants, wineries, etc). Thus, the city should not make the process favor those with more money, i.e. those who can afford to purchase multiple properties and have more entities into a lottery, or, with high fees to discriminate against those with less capital. Favoring

It doesn't matter to me personally how many are where

Give preference to locally owners businesses

I do not particularly support limiting the number, based on the number alone, since the market competition can eliminate those facilities that either underperform or excessive. At the same time, support limiting or not allowing retail facilities in downtown tourist areas, making it too easy to obtain and potentially overconsume. Downtown traffic with one-way street can already be confusing for some non-locals, so I would refrain adding any potential distractions to that.

In addition to experience would be great to see those with education in the subject area (cannabis industry coupled with business education)

Amount of customers who visit the stores

Security, Insurance,

Spacing them (out)...thereby avoiding a concentration of them.

Can't think of another...

Nothing that I am aware of

Let the free market decide

Limit downtown locations to three or four. But aside from that let the market dictate the rest.

Economic viability/resources

Factors for Retail Facilities

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I think we need to have seasonal marijuana shops. We have fewer people here in the winter - more in summer - nothing frustrates locals more than waiting for the tourists.

Honesty, openness and empathy.

Just pick a number and go with it. Not 1 but less than 15. current medical license

X

X

They should be allowed as many license to sell recreationally as there are liquor license in the area. Or shops allowed to sell nicotine/tobacco products.

1 Education services to inform the user and community about different strains and uses. 2 Public display of efforts to reduce carbon footprint and recycle opportunities for users (example: one times use cartridges). 3 Those that sell CBD products to be used with THC.

Recreational use provides medical/mental health benefits for those unable to obtain a medical card due to employment. There are far too many places to consume alcohol and drive a far distance in our area. Less liquor license and more recreational use would decrease OWI and accidents at 2am, this has been researched in other areas.

If they are medical or not - current med facilities should be allowed to co locate

Current Medical Licenses

n/a

Let the market determine the need

no prior convictions

I believe that the market should determine how many stores should be available.

We should be getting these extra tax dollars.

All the above.

Maybe don't consider a limit... or limit it like you do the amount of bars/breweries allowed downtown.

Marijuana is not a problem, people who go to pot shops are happy. Our city should welcome them with open arms!

Experience

As many as the market will bear. Market forces will ultimately dictate how many retail centers will be viable.

none

Neighborhoods; liquor licenses- should not be near or adjacent to them or anyplace selling liquor/beer/wine

Tax income to city

Factors for Retail Facilities

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Equal representation. As every other facility in Michigan- they should have the opportunity to provide both medical and recreational. The state already increases the taxes on recreational. The people of Traverse City voted AND approved recreational sales in our town. Give the people what they voted for. We are the ones paying!

Community support. Who gives back to the people that live here.

I strongly believe that the person applying for a license to sell marijuana should be a FULL TIME resident of the area (county). What I don't want to see is companies for larger metropolitan areas coming to TC and getting licenses to sell, then all of the profits going back to their home municipality. I don't want big Detroit money, or Chicago money, or New Jersey money taking up our licenses to sell and then all the money that local folks & tourists are spending is NOT fueling our own economy.

Live in the area

This business has the potential to be very lucrative. I would like our local entrepreneurs to be able the ones who are keeping this money in our community.

Our city doesn't NEED marijuana sales. What we need is affordable housing for the many, many service workers who are & will continue to be needed to support our economy. It would be great if there was some sort of link to providing or investing in affordable housing. It just makes me sick that the apartments on Garfield are becoming MORE OVERPRICED CONDOS. Crappy little condos that will not support our service economy.

I don't want traverse city overflowing with marijuana facilities. I fell like 5 business in the city limits would be plenty. I don't like how many bars and breweries TC has I don't want to add 20 marijuana shops to our city.

Community service actions, marijuana use in youth reduction plans

I have no problem with recreational marijuana in TC, I have an issue with 20+ shops popping up in the next 2 years. I don't see a need for a lot of marijuana shops crowding in to TC. Let 5 business sell in TC that seems like enough to me.

It should be unrestricted. The market will take care of this, as it does in all other establishments.

Diversity (women, men, young, old, diverse race/ethnicity, etc.).

Thank you for requesting input from the public and for including those of us living outside the TC city limits.

I would think it could be comparable to considerations for limits on liquor licenses.

Experience and infrastructure

The majority of the city seems to want recreational cannabis. I don't see why there is so much hesitations

Use the same considerations used when cinsuderung which businesses are allowed kuquir licences. If selling recreational marijauba is desired and feasible for a business it should be allowed to sell. Making marijuana licences as transferable as liquor licences shuld be a huge consideration as well.

Anyone with a personal affiliation with the DDA, the County Vimmisiin ir is a "cousin from Colorado" should be immediately disqualified. No ine that has retired or resigned from any regulatory board affiliated with the city ir county should be allowed a license.

Regulate marijuana in the same way alcohol is regulated in the city. There should be a pot shop g or wvry bar and there should ve lounges to consume.

that while we have a larger population and many visitors. the city limits are SMALL. I think have one two is plenty.

locally owned and operated

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Consider community stewardship. What companies have a track record of doing more for their community rather than just selling recreational marijuana? How could the people of the community benefit besides ease of recreational use? Would companies be willing to make other obligations like partnerships with housing, or champion outreach programs to benefit people in need?

Wage standards
Experience

No limit
there should be no limit

Employment
experience

I think as long as the stores can limit minors being in there, has appropriate security, etc there should not be a limit to the number of recreational facilities. Let the free market decide which ones would stay open and which won't.

Those cover the factors I would want to see, I think.

Stop delaying this. I'm tired of driving to Honor to get something that should be legally available in town.

Location to downtown. Downtown doesn't need more traffic. Give the businesses outside downtown areas a chance to compete for consumers.

Experience

Just get it done.

Just get it done.

we dont need one on every corner but have enough spread out for people to get to them from other areas of the county

experience,

when i come to the shops i dont want to see people hanging out lighting up smoking. that attracts trouble down the road.

A market analysis should be conducted to see what the market can bear.

Letters of recommendation

Population size, the purchasing area outside of city/county limits.

Mission/vision, historical community involvement

I believe it should be based on distance. Spread evenly throughout the city and not near schools.

Experience. Employment

It seems all the areas considered are downtown. There's more city than just downtown. Spread them out.

I ask you to consider your existing zoning regarding alcohol sales and consumption. The constituents of Michigan and further more this municipality voted in favor of regulating cannabis like alcohol. "proposal 1 to regulate marihuana like alcohol"

local participation, Social Equity, Inclusivity, Community Engagement

as a state sanctioned social equity applicant and legacy market operator sense 1992, I beg this board to draft an inclusive ordinance that will reflect the diversity of its constituents.

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Community Members, Locals 1st, Social Equity Eligibility, Previous Industry involvement, community involvement, Those already open. Spreading them out across the city.

The income the state can make off the businesses the more the better

Even distribution within sub areas so they aren't concentrated in single areas. East Bay may be more appropriate for >1 facility as it houses more tourists.

The fact that we are already paying for a healthy drinking culture survey and spending a ton of money on the fact that there are so many liquor opportunities that we are overwhelmed. I think not allowing it on front Street when you put it on the other Corridors is hypocritical. We get the undesirable visual of services such as addiction treatment and emergency shelters. If we don't want it on front Street we don't want it in the other districts. They just have the loudest representatives

Please cut the red tape and do as the voters decided nearly three years ago. Whether given to current medical marijuana retailers or new shops, please distribute at least some of the licenses for adult recreational use.

Our Drinking/Party Culture that has give us a reputation that is not favorable. We do not need another vice that promotes this culture in our 8 sq. mile city.

SOCIAL EQUITY ELIGIBILITY
LOCALS
INCLUSIVITY
DIVERSITY
MOM & POP NOT ALL CRPORATIONS THAT DO NOT CARE ABOUT THE CONSUMER

Employment
Communication

Even distribution. Areas housing more tourists, such as East Bay, may be appropriate for a higher number of facilities.
Provisioners currently in business should be given priority.

I don't need more pot buildings. We already have a ton with the medical. If you let those medical buildings have them then the infrastructure is in place

Cut the red tape

geographic location within the city.

WHY IS SOCIAL EQUITY ELIGIBILITY NOT EVEN BEING DISCUSSED? WE ARE FOCUSING ON ONLY SELLING THESE LICENSES TO BIG CORPORATIONS THAT DO NOT CARE ABOUT THE PEOPLE USING THEIR PRODUCT AS MEDICINE? THAT ONLY CARE ABOUT THEIR INVESTORS AND PORTFOLIO? THAT IS NOT THE WAY OF TRAVERSE CITY! WE SUPPORT LOCALS AND LOOK FOR INCLUSIVITY. DO NOT LOSE THAT IN THIS PROCESS

Should be fare to all facilities trying to open. And employment for locals should be important

Please move this process along. The lawsuits may have delayed the committee's progress but two years to develop rules is unacceptable.

Please do not put this by the Goodwill Inn or emergency shelter! The clustering of high risk services is inappropriate And creates greater policing issues.

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There should be no limit. The free market will decide based on the demand.

Infrastructure

Recreational Cannabis sales should be allowed at all Cannabis stores. (The term "marijuana" is not used anymore and immediately shows the built-in bias of your survey). The voters of Michigan decided to allow sales of Cannabis and the fact that the City of Traverse City chose to try to alter that decision by the voters is also revealing. Stop the "nanny state" and "over-regulation" that this city council seems to be so comfortable with. If Honor and Kalkaska can do it, so can T.C.

No comment.

I don't think there should be a limit on the number of retail facilities.

Local Ownership

Make it accessible. It's so much healthier than alcohol but look at all the bars in this city.

Education about CBD and THC
Recycling and a reduced carbon footprint.
- Recycle used cartridges in any way possible

Allowing recreational marijuana sales in Traverse City would bring a large amount of revenue to the City. The City could have a chance to see income from something other than the astronomical amount of DUIs that get handed out.

Allow the market/demand determine how many facilities the area can support.

None. I don't agree with scoring rubric concept.

This is a huge growth opportunity for the area. Get out of the way.

Existing provisioning centers, reason able coverage for each sub-area.

Financial health
Transparency of operation
Meets or exceeds industry standards for products being sold (such as lab testing).
Supply chain and inventory control.

Although it is disappointing that there has been such an unacceptably long delay in establishing guidelines and approval processes, for the sake of residents and local businesses most impacted by this delay, I am hoping the result will be a reasonable, fair and equitable approval process.

The question below is poorly designed. It forces anyone voting who is ok with 21 facilities to choose "unlimited". Unlimited presents an emotionally loaded, frightening option.

Allow the market to sort this out.

Potential tax revenue

Overall, the city has taken a modest issue and conflated it into a complicated, arbitrary maze. Overlay districts? Nine sub areas? Seriously? Please stop wasting precious resources and time developing a bureaucratic jungle.

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<p>tax revenue, creation of jobs, limiting the number too small will cause problems but giving more licenses will create competition between them and give the customer base better service as well.</p>	<p>criminal background, only certain felonies would exclude them... and only for recreational licenses. i say this carefully. i am a felon and it hangs over my head to the point where i cant live anywhere because places are nuts about felons and dont give ppl a chance after they have been rehabilitated. so plz do not use that as a way to not give anyone a chance after they have turned their lives around. examine each case</p>	<p>i think as a city we need this. the tax money alone would be a huge benefit to this city.</p>
<p>any facility open already should be grandfathered in</p>	<p>n/a</p>	
<p>Everything or less in relation to liquor licenses. 200% better than alcohol</p>	<p>That it's not as bad as alcohol in anyway. Sure people may think it is but truly haven't used it enough to even know. They smoke or use once (or a couple times) or never and think it just messes you up. But once tolerance is built no matter how much you use it's no more than drinking two alcoholic beverages.</p>	<p>It shouldn't even be looked at as anything worse than alcohol and never should have been illegal in the first place.</p>
<p>Density, location related to public parks and schools</p>	<p>Undecided</p>	
<p>Similar numbers allowed to liquor licenses</p>	<p>Local</p>	
<p>Too many and too close together</p>	<p>Quality</p>	<p>Na</p>
<p>Any and all. The Michigan Voters decided, not the City Council. It is not the people. "Marijuana" is a made up name to make it sound scary and "Mexican". This was done by J Edgar Hoover after Prohibition was abolished. At any rate Cannabis is the correct term.</p>	<p>undecided</p>	<p>This has got to be the most convoluted survey I have taken! Did you do this on purpose? Or did someone with too much time on his or her hands write this? Has anyone an idea how much revenue is going outside Traverse City because the City Council is being reactionary? Imagine this city making enough revenue that parking meters could be abolished!</p>

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<p>Nothing. Let the market determine the number of outlets just like it does with any other type of business. The city has no business setting limits of any kind.</p>	<p>Applicants should not have a felony criminal record. With the exception of Experience in the marijuana business none of the above bullet points are appropriate for consideration with the possible exception of Land Use. Marijuana stores should only be located on land zoned for commercial use. Since the minimum age for purchase of recreational marijuana is 21 there is no legitimate concern about having a store near a school.</p>	<p>I am incensed and infuriated at the miserable process the city of Traverse City has followed since the voters made recreational marijuana legal in November of 2018. Other communities have gotten their act together and have been reaping the benefits of much needed tax revenue for over two years. Given the very serious need for infrastructure improvement in the city it is appalling and irresponsible that the city commission has squandered multiple opportunities to begin collecting the very significant taxes on marijuana sales. This is nothing short of dereliction of duty.</p>
<p>Potential revenue and spread out across city/county so not consolidated.</p>	<p>Experience, compliance with medical laws, infrastructure, community education and involvement.</p>	<p>Get it done! We need the revenue and are allowing smaller communities our piece of the pie. Tired of conservative strangulation of progress and in asion of our lives</p>
<p>Will new businesses impede on current medical provisioning centers trying to become adult use.</p>	<p>Research into the company from out of the area trying to open.</p>	
<p>Should be no different than any other establishment, let the free market prevail Trying to limit will only allow for price gouging and not be good for the consumer</p>	<p>No need should be unlimited</p>	
<p>Milage between venues and city limits 15</p>	<p>All things listed above. Experience</p>	
<p>I still feel med patients should have priority over recreational.</p>	<p>The above list is sufficient for starters</p>	
<p>Honestly, the fewer the better. Do we want liquor stores everywhere? No. Do we want marijuana stores everywhere? No.</p>	<p>Didn't just move to the community to set up a marijuana shop. Cares about TC</p>	<p>Please make sure to gain input from local health care providers who may see the impact of increased marijuana use in their patients. Please communicate with police departments about how they can determine if someone is high while driving. (And</p>
<p>Traffic obstruction/backup possibilities Number of employees currently employed by the facility (causing the least amount of job loss faced by the dispensary employees of non recreational dispensaries that close)</p>	<p>Those factors seem like enough</p>	

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See comments below

Stores per capita. Stores within a given area, not too many crowded into one neighborhood.

These should be treated like bars: as a business which brings tax revenue to the city, as a business which must be a part of a balanced diversification of goods and services in the geographic area, and as one which complies with local regulations. The number of licenses should only be limited by demand for the product/service being offered, and consumers will ultimately dictate which of the competitors will survive or not.

Existing relationship in the community; established business with employees already hired and working in traverse city

Experience, spacing (land use), business plan
Demonstrated knowledge of regulatory requirements and a written plan to meet them.
There is generally a wide range of compliance with entrepreneurs in the cannabis field who are willing to cut corners and hide noncompliance with everything from growing operations to labeling at the risk of the health of their patrons.
The ability to run a safe and clean operation with clean criminal history should be considered.

Unfortunately I have very little confidence that the input of the people is being heard.

I'm not supportive unlimited licenses although I do understand the argument for letting the market decide.

If I could propose a limit it would be 25, although that was not an option in the multiple-choice question. My reasoning for that is to double the current number of businesses/provisioning centers. That would allow our existing businesses to remain and also let the market dictate what else the community can support. 25 licenses does not automatically mean 25 businesses will succeed or exist.

Finally I believe (and also worry) that approval of anything less than 12 licenses will almost certainly lead to further litigation against the city. I am not a business owner or even a user, just for the record. I just wish to see this issue resolved and feel the

A city our size doesn't need more than five of these places. The mistake was made by handing out so many medical licenses in the first place. If those had been limited, there wouldn't have been so much pointless investment in medical facilities that won't be able to convert to recreational. Some will fail because of the false hope created by 13 medical licenses.

The stigma around cannabis needs to change so that we can better understand the plant, it's properties, and how it impacts individuals on a clinical versus subjective basis. Just as with alcohol, it effects everyone differently, and proper labeling helps adults make informed decisions and consume responsibly.

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Recreational stores are just like any other store. People go in, make their choices, and leave. They aren't asking to create smoking cafes where people imbibe on site. Limiting drinking establishments is different in that people are consuming an intoxicating agent ON SITE within the city, and let's be honest, even that isn't exactly strictly enforced in TC. The 100-200 of Front street should be regulated to keep it from becoming the prevalent presence, but why limit anything other than that?

School zones, city population, square miles of the city. I would not allow more than 2 facilities within a 0.5 mile radius.

Must meet high standards

Capping at carry capacity, and limiting exposure to non-retail "tourist" areas.

I would let the free market decide.

Crime, divorce, fatherless homes, homeless, depression, suicide

Land use and traffic flow are most important.

Community involvement and the company's mission statement should also be considered.

I don't see any additional factors as being needed. willing to take a chance on a storefront, it isn't your place to

State residency, we want to uplift Michiganders with this process and not just out of state companies.

Experience.....

Env impact, recycling projects,

Environmental sustainability and community involvement.

Land use, infrastructure

No more licenses need to be given out.

Land use and traffic flow are most important.

Community involvement and the company's mission statement should also be considered.

The fact Traverse City allows a PERVASIVE drinking culture/element to be downtown makes the resistance to adult use Cannabis shops laughable at best. The customers enter, get their products and leave. They aren't hanging out on the sidewalks using the products they purchased, disrupting the entire atmosphere of the city. This is what the drinking culture brings. A popular business venture in town takes tourists to breweries to drink and then BIKE and KAYAK through the busy city streets is allowed, yet a Cannabis STORE is getting hammered by ridiculous levels of regulation. The voters of Michigan have decided it is a legal product, yet for some reason the city is acting like it is a taboo product that should be treated as such. That isn't your job. If there is an investor

willing to take a chance on a storefront, it isn't your place to

I would be more concerned about obnoxious and overly bright signage and music blaring outside the door than the number of businesses. Please don't give out anymore licenses for these types of businesses.

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The number of stores, schools and the people who live in these neighborhoods

All of the above

The number of adult use licenses within a specific neighborhood or area within the city

Experience, land use

There should be enough to discourage tourists from leaving town

Local vs larger corporations

Experience

Experience

Similar to liquor licenses in food establishments

Non political

These businesses do not need to be clumped all in one area of town. In fact so many are in and around Garfield Ave and Munson Ave that it is very very imbalanced compared to the rest of the city. They are close to several schools including 2 high schools, one which is a school for our more troubled high schoolers. This shows that the decisions are just made based on money and not how it affects our community and the

Please do not concentrate these businesses in predominantly residential areas or in a specific area.

As a med card holder, I have seen the current centers have to turn away an absurd number of customers over the summer. Benzie and Kalkaska are getting the AU money, and probably more when the tourists have to leave town to get what they

The fact that it is a completely legal enterprise, that's it.

Marijuana is legal, period. Would you give this much nonsense to ice cream shops? Open up the floodgates so the money to be made off of this, again in case you weren't listening, legal business can be used in Traverse and not our surrounding towns.

Think about the bottom line, where do you want the taxes from these businesses to go, do you want them to go to our neighboring communities or to our coffers?

To be fair, allow those in the city already given a license for medical marijuana be allowed to sell recreational marijuana with no new stores within city limits

Have good standing in the community by participating & donations to charities.

I understand the need for planning, but it's taken too long & has been unfair to existing provisions stores while the city tries to figure it out. Couldn't you have researched, asked & followed successful zoning in other cities? Also why is there a Subarea J on map & map legend, but not an option for me to Just let people do it, if it becomes a problem deal with it then. Rather have this than all the drunks maybe if there's a lot of them we can be the high town instead of the drunk town. How

Let the market determine the number for now. Supply and demand

I don't think it matters.
All the above

NA

NA

Limit the number of new shops, not existing.

I think all apply but for existing shops, they should be granted a license. They have already invested into the community and should not be forced to shut down due to a "scorning rubric"

If a shop is established now, why not grandfather them in? They have the infrastructure in place, don't force people to close a locally owned shop because of zoning issues or what territory they are in.

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Boulder went through a similar process when Colorado passed recreational marijuana in 2006. There was much concern over where the shops should be located in relationship to schools and other shopping etc. What ended up happening is that as the boutique dispensaries struggled to compete with larger growers and retailers, they slowly closed. The larger dispensaries needed more space so they started setting up locations outside of the city center in strip malls etc, which necessitated car travel.

Same things as you would consider for any other commercial business. Do you limit liquor stores? Use that criteria. If you don't have a criteria for limiting liquor stores then you shouldn't have a criteria for a limiting marijuana facilities.

The same standards would apply for recreational as applied to medical would they not?

The size of the zoned area is small and is where the bulk of the community is located. I drive from home to work (approx 3 miles) on main roads through TC. I pass 4 dispensaries on the way. There are another 1-2 within a mile of work in the other direction. The community is saturated.

Growing weed indoors takes tons of electricity. Environmentalists who grow outdoors or take steps to offset their electric use should be prioritized.

Do you have scoring rubrics for doctors offices or gas stations?

It seems like you should already have this determined. You are the professionals representing TC.

Community support/philanthropy

Marijuana use is extremely common amongst adults in my age group, however the volume of dispensaries for a city the size of TC doesn't really need to be that big. You don't go through weed very fast when you have kids and a career. It's a small amount here or there. I personally think TC needs maybe 4-5 total for recreational, but that is purely a guess.

Another thing that absolutely needs to happen: make it possible for dispensaries to utilize credit/debit card transactions. Denver did not do this early on and it forced these businesses to operate on cash, which is inherently risky for two main reasons: they had to hire armed guards to transport loads of cash and thefts did occur, and since they were not FDIC insured the businesses started buying up real estate all over

Be consistent.

I have lived most of my life in Leelanau County, but have worked in Grand Traverse County for a majority of my adult life and also lived in TC from 2009-2017, only leaving to find affordable housing south of TC and now commuting. Recreational is not an issue for me but I do not understand what has taken so long to get this going. Drove through Petoskey last weekend and they out the door at the

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Right now, I believe the City is obligated to honor the 13 (or currently 12) licensed Provisioning Centers' request to become adult use retail stores. Those businesses have invested heavily in the belief that they would receive adult use licenses. While I think 12 or 13 may be more than the Traverse City market can support and that the cap should be at about 10 licenses (for now), I think that the City should let the market sort out which ones actually survive.

No preference. I will let the experts determine this.

The limit should be set at 10, but automatic issuance should be granted to the existing licensees. The current licenses should not be allowed to be transferred or sold as the businesses cease operation, until 10 retail stores remain. The number of allowed licenses can be increased in the future is market demand and population demographics allow.

Consider the 1000 ft setback from a school and one facility per block. A block is considered face to face not back to back.

Experience employment communication

I guess I believe the Provisioning Centers should also be issued an Adult Use permit. How many places sell alcohol? I don't think they will all stay in business - let the market decide. Add 4 more for Adult Use only dispensaries in the subareas.

All of the above

No more than the already established medical marijuana businesses.

I think non-medical licenses should be given to the already established medical marijuana

I really think that the commission/committee have been dragging their feet on this issue!

That it's more than just the city residents that this impacts. Consider the county residents as well. As many liquor licenses are allowed per area the rec-marijuana should be the same.

experience, infrastructure, employment opportunities

Liquor and Marijuana are both legal - no reason that the marijuana places can't have as many licenses as liquor. They are one in the same and both bring income to the city.

Over saturation, such as our over saturation of liquor licenses. Do not let this same thing happen with marijuana licenses. Avoid residential neighborhoods. Signage regulations should be in place.

Distance from residential neighborhood.

Keep advertising such as signage low key.

You should consider the consequences of marijuana has on our society. Learn what long term use does to the brain.

Experience

I work for a limo service here in Traverse City. I recently picked up some people that flew in from New York to enroll their kids in a local school. One of the first comments was geez you have a lot of marijuana stores. My son struggles with addiction and marijuana is a gateway drug for him. Before embracing so many locations to access marijuana you should dig deep into

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Recommend setting a cap similar in number to current number of medical stores, with the opportunity to reevaluate cap after year and determine if increase is reasonable.

Community impact

We should not allow any in the city unless they put a very high city tax on products and use it to fix city side streets like east 11th st.

I don't the city should allow any stores in the city.

Any thing considered for a alcohol retail Facility.

Any factors considered for a Alcohol retail license

Security cameras and alarms

Experience

whether you like the smell of marijuana in the air and enjoy loaded people walking around or driving. obviously michigan residents do and have voted it legal. this will be fine for the majority but will be another nail in the coffin for the 3-5% who can't handle it. Just like gambling and alcohol. Since it is legal let free enterprise control supply and demand. Any attempt at limiting location is only discriminating for one group/area and against another.

don't limit , let competition and free enterprise set limits

you are wasting time and money on this and should focus on infrastructure like sewer system and flooding. officials seem to be manipulated by business groups and developers

Income for community

None

Population of the area

Experience, employment

Let it be open to anyone who wants to invest in the business and then let the consumer and competition decide. After all, its just a business selling a consumer product!!

Please don't over complicate what normal market conditions will naturally decide!

None

no limit. Businesses will conduct the limit by Competition. This has always worked in our free society. if socialist , please disregard and go your own way. you can be removed anytime . this is how our government and our republic is run.

Not Applicable. Remove this and be all an even playing feild if you will. you shall not dictate by race either ? so ... do not judge by these listed terms.

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Same as alcohol retailers.

the number of facilities already present. Give them all licenses

how much of our time and resources have been wasted by our councils unwillingness to simply copy the rules Ann Arbor laid out and open up businesses. Thank you for wasting time and resources, how much did this survey cost? Do you agree with not issuing licenses for the ground floor on the 100 and 200 block of East Front Street? I'm sorry can i not have 6 martinis on the ground floor of the 100 and 200 blocks . . .

Spread them out. Keep them away from schools, libraries, parks, and preschool/daycares. Put them next to the police station.

Same as alcohol retailers. I don't know what that is, but I assume it is very lax, like no unresolved legal or regulatory issues.

existing medical facility

Survival of the fittest!

Background checks, place of residence.

I am an Antrim County resident who works in works in Subarea D.

I believe cannabis should be regulated like alcohol. I support there being additional taxes on cannabis, but it should be available at every supermarket and convenience store. Let market forces determine supply what the number of retailers should be. (I realize this is not allowed by state law.)

I am concerned for the business people who made substantial investments in medical stores in TC having their investment rendered near worthless due to irrational city regulation. I see no reason not to let all of the medical establishments become recreational.

The social costs for alcohol use are much greater than cannabis use. I see the prohibition of cannabis is irrational and primarily motivated out of racist fears.

Given the numerous highly visible dispos in the city and that

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Do not allow any near vulnerable populations. This would include shelters, schools, daycares, nursing homes and any other facility that provides for the medically needy.	Their location near v "vulnerable" populations.	I have traveled to Traverse City for 30+ years for vacations because of it DOESN'T have. Recreational marijuana cities can be found anywhere-think Detroit and Flint. You will ruin a whole sector of the region's economy(tourism) by allowing this. Start a "Pure Traverse City" campaign much like the state's
I think it should follow the same general outlines as those used for establishments serving alcohol.	I believe it should follow the same guidelines as those used for liquor licenses	
Not in favor of any retail facilities for Adult Use Marijuana sales in Grand Traverse County.	N/A	Not in favor of any recreational sales in Grand Traverse County.
Marijuana stores and clubs should have the same limits as the number of allowed liquor establishments. Marijuana has a significantly lower negative social impact as compared to alcohol.	Should be the same criteria used to issue liquor licenses. Liquor has a significantly higher negative social impact as compared to marijuana use.	I would prefer that there be an equal number of liquor and marijuana licenses and that the number of liquor licenses be significantly reduced in the city.
The ability to open a facility and run it in a free market.	None	Let them compete with no restrictions as to who gets a license.
the population of the "city". If we only have 17,000 +- why would we need more than 3 locations at most. Downtown - east side - west side. Let the townships deal with their own residents.	criminal records	There shouldn't be more than 3 locations allowed in this small town. Let the townships deal with any overflow if needed.
Free enterprise (i.e. survival of the best run business) is my preferred criteria.	The licensing should be handled exactly the same as liquor licensing. I said unlimited licenses but will tolerate the liquor licensing model though I feel it is subject to corruption as liquor has	
All established retail facilities should automatically receive recreational licenses.	All provision centers already established in brick and mortar.	
The limit should be what was originally agreed upon, no less, for sure.	Already established medical facilities should get first considerations	
How many places currently operating for medical will have to close if they don't get adult use? Do we want empty buildings?	Security measures	Just make a decision already! Honor & Cadillac have been enjoying increased traffic to their areas for well over a year now.

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<p>The presence or absence of any reliable data demonstrating a causal link between the presence of a marijuana retail facility, and quantifiable adverse effects such as crime, declination in property values, or police calls.</p>	<p>Local ownership; Sources of capital (to encourage diversity of ownership and reduce entry barriers so that licenses are not awarded disproportionately to those with the most investment, particularly from institutions with little to no connection to the region); Transparency of ownership and organization</p>	<p>Loosen licensing restrictions and start moving forward on this issue already - the degree of regulation is disproportionate to the potential adverse impacts. Unlike liquor licenses, on-site consumption is presumably not an option, and mere retail sale should be permitted more liberally. The community and market can and will play a substantial role in de facto regulation.</p>
<p>Out of public view, privacy, walkable to downtown Traverse City</p>	<p>Employment and infrastructure</p>	
<p>The fact that many of the existing medical retail stores were established with recreational in mind, and only giving 2-3 licenses will most likley mean businesses closing. I'm not sure why you're all so afraid of cannabis shops when I can go into 20+ places in the downtown strip alone and buy and consume alcohol. This whole thing is dumb. Adults who use cannabis are doing it regardless, you're just losing money and annoying people making them shop black market. All this does is halt progress.</p>	<p>Working towards ending unfair and continued imprisonment of non-violent cannabis arrests. Do they donate, or use their platform to inform and educate people about the system that is now making billions and enriching the already wealthy, while largley ignoring those who have suffered under the same system due to the racist, and lazy stigma around cannabis?</p>	<p>This is nonsense. Let the cannabis companies operate as any other business would. It's a medicinal plant, not the devil.</p>
<p>Nothing</p>	<p>None</p>	<p>You already have marijuana in Traverse City so there's no difference to allow adult use over medical because either way I'm still driving to honor or Kalkaska where I can get it as adult use and then I drive back home to Traverse City so either way it's still in city limits whether you have adult use or med</p>
<p>UNLIMITED!</p>	<p>UNLIMITED!</p>	<p>IT'S BEEN ALMOST THREE YEARS SINCE APPROVED. TC IS TRYING SO HARD TO GET IT PERFECTLY RIGHT, RESULTING IN THE CURRENT EMBARRASSMENT. KALKASKA AND HONOR</p>
<p>N/a Established Marijuana business owners investment</p>	<p>All of the above. Communication</p>	<p>With the whole lottery process, money invested, hoops they have had to jump, and regulations...it makes complete sense to give all 12 of the established medical retail facilities permits. Beyond those 12, whatever is decided for additional permits ... I am not a user of marijuanan products</p>

Factors for Retail Facilities	Scoring Rubric	Tell Us More
<p>City population year-round, number of schools and parks</p>	<p>Investment in the company, intended impact on the community, how they intend to improve the neighborhood,</p>	
<p>The same standards that determine the limit of liquor licenses allowed.</p>	<p>Whoever won the initial lottery draw for licenses should get to go rec. That is all.</p>	<p>The people voted and those results should be honored.</p>
<p>They should award all the medical stores open now an opportunity to apply for adult use. They have poured a lot of time and invested in the city with the understanding that adult use was going to be allowed. They have brought jobs and updates and community outreach to the city.</p>	<p>Experience. & Infrastructure</p>	
<p>How many are viable for that area (we don't want empty buildings after a year or less because there are more than are sustainable).</p>	<p>Local ownership</p>	<p>I believe that too many medical licenses were issued and now there are a bunch of businesses that never seem like they have many customers. It feels like, for recreational licenses, you should start small and then add additional later if it seems like they are necessary.</p> <p>It seems like the Medical providers should receive preferred consideration for recreational licenses. Because too many medical licenses were issued, if recreational licenses are issued to new providers it will be too much density for the size of our city. You will find yourself in the same situation as you are in with liquor licenses right now with there being too many and the culture becoming way too based on alcohol.</p>
		<p>I am in favor of legal marijuana and I love our wineries, breweries and distilleries, but I believe that there is such a</p>

Factors for Retail Facilities

Scoring Rubric

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There should be no limit.

Strength of business plan
Living Wage for Employees
Employee Benefits including Health Care, PTO,
Sick Pay
Competitive prices, i.e. no price gouging

If they are currently operating a marijuana provisioning center in the the state and in Traverse City. Also, If they are already employing Traverse City residents.

I think it should at least be equal to the number of medical marijuana stores. I don't see a difference. If anything, the adult use stores seem to be higher-end establishments that are motivated to have better aesthetic appearances and better customer service due to attract customers.

Experience and Employment
History as a medical dispensary
Resident of Grand Traverse County (or neighboring county)
donates to substance abuse education or prevention
diverse ownership (women / minority ownership)

This survey is problematic. The locations provided by the maps aren't clear (street names are blurry). A bigger map of the area at the top of the page with each section highlighted would be good. And no one knows what a "Provisioning Center" or how that relates to a "competitive selection process." Obscuring that portion with unfamiliar language creates a barrier in communication.

The delay in getting rec marijuana in TC has cost the city perhaps millions of dollars in tax revenue and, honestly, there's no significant excuse and I personally find it embarrassing for the TC. City leaders have no real vision for this town and what they want to see in the future. The affordable housing crisis here is another example of that ineptitude.

Let the current provisioning centers have a license and additionally license 1-5 new stores so that everyone is happy. Collect the tax revenue from the City and from the State. Residents voted for this and there is no reason to keep holding it up nor to put existing medical stores out of business. I can understand "they were not guaranteed" a recreational license. But I don't understand why it seems to be held against them? Just let them sell and let some new people have an opportunity. If it's too much, the market will dictate it and they

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The only limitations to recreational stores is that all of the already established medical marijuana stores should be allowed to have recreational adult use. Why would Traverse City allow millions of dollars to be spent already by the 13 medical use facilities and not give them the option to opt in for recreational adult use? Are you saying to all those facilities tough luck and we're not issuing adult use to your stores? They're going to fail and close their facilities, period!!!

Distance in between adult use marijuana retail facilities, type of products that would be offered at that provisioning center (if there is something unique one offers that another may not). If they will be banking their funds instead of them being housed on site. Will that facility offer delivery services or not. We don't need multiple centers that are exactly alike. I think if we have a variety of ones that have differences that would be sufficient.

I'm honestly not sure why there needs to be a limit. I'm originally from Marquette and still visit there frequently. Their recreational marijuana ordinance has no limits as they decided it was best to let the free market decide. The city hasn't been overrun with dispensaries and the "character" of the town hasn't changed much because of this ordinance in my opinion. Setting arbitrary limits just seems like a waste of time/too much micromanagement, and I'm not even a libertarian.

There shouldn't be ANY other factors considered. There are already 13 medical licenses issued; these stores should immediately be allowed to have recreational adult use. Otherwise, what is the purpose of all of this??? These stores WILL fail eventually. There are way more people who purchase adult use marijuana than medical, especially in a small town like TC.

community involvement, having a local banking relationship

If limited licenses are issued, these factors seem adequate already.

There is no reason that I've read about or learned about on TV that would prohibit the current provisioning centers to have adult use. What could possibly be the rationale behind all of this with 13 stores already in operation? Part of the rubric is how much each applicant can improve the city by having applicants (even the already established centers) spend lots and lots of money and that is one of the deciding factors in issuing licenses? Has anyone on the commission and/or the subcommittee even thought about how unfair this is to the current stores???? Apparently not!

I just really hope an adult use ordinance passes soon. The city (and surrounding townships for that matter) are losing so much tax revenue to outlying areas with adult use dispensaries (delivering directly to TC addresses) that could be used for sorely needed infrastructure projects in the area. Marquette's roads and public services have benefited greatly from their ordinance and it still feels like the city I know and love, I really don't see what we have to lose here.

I've already stated why I don't think a cap on the number of licenses is necessary, but I'd rather compromise with a more reasonable number like 20 and automatically assign licenses to medical dispensaries, as they've already proven that they know how to run these businesses. It seems really silly to exclude

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The concern about facilities on the ground floor on Front Street seems unnecessary. Maybe limit the number of ground floor establishments to one on the north side of the street and one on the south side. The market will only tolerate a certain number of shops in any given area. This makes the limiting of shops unnecessary in most cases and offering a limited number of licenses invites corruption.

Licenses should not be limited. Maybe residence. If you want to be preferential, how about if they are pretty (or handsome) and have a good body.
By the way, I'm over 65 years old and don't use pot.

Limiting the number of licenses only invites corruption. We are a capitalistic country. Let the market decide. I understand trying to uphold the "family" character of Front Street, but outside of those two blocks, let the market decide.

Adult use marijuana retail facilities should be established using each situation as its own entity with its own circumstances that need considering.

Responsible and trustworthiness. Willingness to obey the law and adhere to its rules and regulations.

Traverse City needs to implement the recreational marijuana with a positive responsible attitude that includes follow through and finish projects in a timely manner while adhering 2 and implementing the laws rules and regulations.

Capitalism.

All

There are plenty of places to get the Jazz Cabbage outside of TC.

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Nothing

Employment

1. Talk to the City of Colorado Springs.....City Hall and PD...understand pros and cons of retail sales
2. Accountability requires staffing/undercover purchasing to ensure all rules are being adhered
3. Work with State Police/DEA/Sheriff and Traverse PD
4. Set the standard expectations for sellers and users.....DUI/Behavior/Accountability

Intensive Background Search
Sign documents that clearly communicate rules
Regular Monitoring by Law Enforcement

I witnessed the entire picture of these shops when I lived in Colorado. So many unintended consequences.....when summer rolls around and folks are drinking/smoking and worst of all taking edibles the city will endure the unintended consequences.....between PD/Fire and Rescue city costs will soar and take them away from routine patrol that protects all citizens. The police have been under so much pressure and dealing with drinking and mixing edibles will cause trouble that will make it a harder job

although TC ruling bodies..ie DDA and commissioners have fully embraced a boundless drinking culture...ie the "vision" that whatever makes a few people big \$\$ promotes our "collective" good.. I believe turning TC into a total "party til you drop town" is a huge mistake...Please be conservative with promoting us as a MJ party town! We need families not tourists...Families don't want bars and MJ on every corner

whatever number you choose as the total... eg my answer..."up to 5"
should be as far from residential neighborhoods as possible...
I'd propose 3 on opposite sides of town...
the bottom line to me is medical mj and "adult use" is not the same "culture"

my family/friend visitors to TC think it's hilarious to see the MJ East Bay corridor...I didn't want to show them Garfield and Parsons/Hannah...I think it would be best to have the adult use shops combined with the medical shops...But that's already a mess you've allowed ...so I'd suggest we start with a bare minimum of adult use and see how it goes.. my primary concern with MJ and alcohol is the children growing up in TC ...our community values are what we allow and what we support...currently very skewed

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Existing provisioning centers should all get an adult use license as well. The tax dollars we've missed by not allowing them to do so already is alarming. Let economics sort out who makes it. When people drive through town and see the 12 provisioning centers many assume they're adult use like they are in most of the rest of the state anyway. Give all 12 an adult use and then add the additional 4 wherever you want them. Charge another \$5000 per application and end the lawsuits so taxes start.

Come up with something the judge will agree with.

Thirteen current stores that were allowed should not have been allowed. The city should have allowed one on the north, south, east and west side of town. Let them become successful and then add as needed. The current number will not sustain. Allow 4 licenses for recreation as listed above, depending on location -lottery draw for each.

My original comments in section one would apply here. Permits need to go to the already established businesses, one for each side (n,s, e,w) and then a lottery draw for the businesses in those areas.

The fact that any limitation would go against the idea of free enterprise, and the fact that there are pharmacies and liquor stores on every block, but somehow cannabis is different? Is this town allergic to money?

Small, brick and mortar businesses should get priority. I don't want to see this turn into a corporate giveaway. I, and many of the people I know would not shop at the Walmart of weed.

Prohibition or other limitations effect poor people disproportionately and it's time to let people have a chance at being successful and happy. Uptight people have had their way forever.

Schools near by

Ability to grow product within the state of Michigan.

Allow farmers to grow and distribute more fluidly within the state of Michigan or Grand Traverse County.

School

Land use

Schools

Experience

Amount of people residing in each area. So will have more and more traffic so have more in areas of higher population makes since.

Traffics and parking

It has been an embarrassing time for Traverse City these past three years. We have missed out on hundreds of thousands of dollars in adult use taxes. We create committees that finally after three years and multiple lawsuits decide to ask public opinion because they're clueless as to how to go about this.

We are becoming a town that is becoming more known for the party town on a long weekend and less of a community. We are losing our sense of high quality atmosphere and community. We have lost our direction with planning and direction in many areas. We want to appeal to the masses not thinking of what that draws might mean. The more you open our town up to without clear direction, the harder it will be to reel it back once it starts losing control. I was sad to hear over the summer, many visitors share how our town is falling apart.

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I would like them to be easily available for any one who wants to access them but I don't want them on every corner like a gas-station. They need to be considerate of the neighbors in which they reside they should not be aloud neon/back lit signs.

Communication, employment and experience are all important.

Limit to 2 locations in 100-200 block of Front. Increase number of locations allowed outside those two blocks, it would also help drive more tourist traffic to other establishments. I also think business owners who have already made significant investments and have establishments sitting ready to go, should be given priority.

Consideration should be given to how much the applicant has already invested in opening their establishment, and for how long.

Based on 2019 data the City contains roughly 16 % of the total county population. Taking a regional approach and assuming other townships will have stores, TC should look solely at the needs of residents. Based on a 2019 GTHD report, over 20 percent of high school students reported using marijuana, 20% of 18 to 25 year olds, and 6.5 percent of those over 25. It appears the need for stores for most of the adult population can be met with a small number of stores plus medical dispensaries.

Mitigation of odors plan.

There are already a row of medical marijuana stores almost in a row on East of Front Street by the college. Because of close proximity to the high school, I would not add more in that area. Also, we do not want to present Traverse City as a row of marijuana shops, We don't have rows of liquor stores just bars. Great job trying to solicit public input and coming up with ideas to implement the law. There is alot of money in marijuana,

I think safety is a factor in achieving a practical number of retail facilities. A low limit is desirable. I have smelled strong marijuana odor on many people in stores, and even while driving. Marijuana use will increase in proportion to the ease of purchase. The limit should be low.

Experience is a given, but responsible and safe business practice also is paramount.

Using existing buildings is important. New construction should be avoided.

Supply and demand.

I believe adding any of these factors should have anything to do with obtaining a license.

Please just let all the meical dispensaries sell adult use. It is so unfair not to and eventually this will all be normal and no bigger of a deal than liquor licenses.

Factors for Retail Facilities

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Tell Us More

The businesses that are licensed should be run by individuals who are knowledgeable in the field, have a clean, attractive building that fits in with the surrounding area, has met all the requirements of the city and state, and is not located near schools nor child centered activities.

All of the above should be considered.

Limiting the number possible too much will stifle competition and prevent smaller businesses from getting a chance at starting. There is a finite number of stores that can be supported in the area, and larger companies aren't necessarily bad, but if only a few stores are allowed, they will inevitably be filled with the larger companies in the industry.

A preference towards local owners, not to the exclusion of others, but to ensure that local owners aren't crowded out by larger companies.

Treat them like other businesses. Party stores are all over.

Employment and infrastructure

Distance from other such facilities (ideally, they should be spread around the city and not clustered), security of the facility, adequate parking and traffic control measures, track record of the provider (both legal record and reputation in other cities if they have other locations), and distance from schools and parks.

Community involvement
Legal record (no convictions, no tax evasion)
Location (safety, traffic, etc)
BIPoC ownership
LGBTQI ownership

The city is being too restrictive. Take the tax money already!

Negative impact marijuana has on addiction, impaired driving, public safety.

Negative impact marijuana establishments have on City property values.

Traverse City reputation change from beautiful family vacation spot to drug purchase and drug use city.

Infrastructure - how to best hid it from children and young adults.

As area farmers change from growing Cherries to instead growing and processing marijuana, how soon will we change our name from "Cherry Capital" to "Marijuana Capital" ??

Factors for Retail Facilities	Scoring Rubric	Tell Us More
1. Dispersed enough to service the city (and surrounding townships) conveniently placed on the West, East, Central and South.	None I can think of.	Thank you for asking for this input.
None. Traverse City does not need to attract these types of businesses.	Nothing. These businesses will cause more community harm than good.	
Proximity to other facilities, the space to be able to handle the foot and vehicle traffic the facility will produce	None that I can think of	
Proximity to schools. population	Land Use parking	
The number of licenses allowed should be unlimited as long as each licensee complies with plan to hire a majority of local residents, support a local community non-profit. Let market forces determine how many adult retail facilities will survive and thrive.	License preference for applicants who demonstrate a history (or plan) for giving back to the community and/or supporting a local non-profit, and most importantly, hiring local residents as the majority of their employees.	Allow market forces to determine the viability of an adult retail facility by granting an unlimited number of licenses. The ones who survive and thrive in an open, competitive market will most likely offer the highest quality product for the best price,
Could be located in regular tobacco shops.	Lume should definitely be one of the licensees. I have been purchasing from them since 4/20/20 and have to pay for delivery from Honor, MI.	Where will tax revenue go? Not to Downtown Development Authority!!!!
Impact or potential impact on neighboring homes or businesses. ei. Don't put a provisioning center next to or near a drug treatment facility. Odor can kill a restaurant. And stores are better out of sight, out of mind. Not in visually prominent locations as they are with current provisioning centers.	Compatibility with surrounding land uses. Keep this away from homes, foot traffic, tourist venues, etc. Client should have to know where to look to find a facility.	Learn from your mistakes. Don't let these line up end to end on Munson like the provisioning centers have. This should NOT be what we are known for. Your survey is missing subarea J. Out of area should not be a option, as the criteria is "closest to". By the way, I'm near J.
Exclude the downtown area.	Criminal record Security Limit operation timing	I heavily oppose any facilities within the downtown area.
Quality (over quantity) of service, product, and education offered.		
Ease of access		
Location/distribution	Looks good	

Factors for Retail Facilities

Scoring Rubric

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The small area of Traverse City proper, the large number of businesses licensed to sell alcohol, the exploding tourist population in the summer, TC's reputation of being a Party Town already because of all the pubs. Residents and visitors should feel TC is a viable place to shop and do business.

Reputation, commitment to community, safety

Location outside of doentown

Location

Just that they are kept away from school areas

Experience

Employment

Can one police it? Can enforcement be monitored and controlled? How many retailers will survive?

Are the businesses around the Facilities being affected because of their clientele? Have we done our homework so we have no hazards we cannot take fix and change quickly if the public's quality of life is jeopardy? Did we buildout too quickly?

Have we examined the problems already on the table?

Are they really who they say are?

Who what when how why and has this been completely investigated?

Let capitalism decide how many facilities are in town.

None. Unlimited licenses. Let capitalism decide.

Distance from schools. Distance from bars

Think local, actual Traverse City residents, should become considered first

Supply and demand study

Business model

Prohibit subareas located in proximity to schools, public library, parks, neighborhoods and locations deemed family oriented

N/A

N/A

N/a

Experience / infrastructure

N/A

Bringing more of the funds back into the city...not out to Honor.

ethos

Factors for Retail Facilities	Scoring Rubric	Tell Us More
<p>I think it's fair to have just as many Marijuana facilities as we do brewery or pubs! If alcohol can be sold,so can Marijuana</p>	<p>: should live in county we're applied 6mths or more : Should provide testing locally : must employ local bud tenders that also have a card,training and knowledge of products</p>	
<p>Design and security</p>	<p>Land use and property design</p>	
<p>Broadly speaking I think that the number of Adult Use facilities should be determined by demand/market forces. That said, I am comfortable with limits set by zoning or other requirements (e.g.distance from schools or day care facilities). So while I don't think the city should sent a hard limit on the number of licenses I understand and support a de facto limit from reasonable expectations. If that ends up simply being all the medical facilities with dual licenses that's fine.</p>	<p>Michigan/Traverse City based company; living wage for staff; housing provided/available to staff; use of clean energy in production or on site; community participation via volunteer opportunities for staff or donations; product standards/testing; accessibility and encouragement via public transportation, walking, biking, etc.; Landscaping or "fit" within area; ability to handle crowds/lines; promotion/access to smart drug use or rehabilitation programs</p>	<p>I look forward to seeing the tax revenue from these businesses staying in Traverse City instead of going to the surrounding communities. I am not worried about becoming a town known for recreational marijuana as I think long term marijuana will be normalized/legal nationally. As that happens the novelty (and likely number) of facilities will decline. With that long term view I think one of the most important aspects of these facilities is that they provide actual careers and good pay to people. One thing we absolutely do not need is a host of minimum wage jobs without housing or opportunity for advancement.</p>
<p>The ability to guarantee a safe and professional operation as well as to assure the community that they have the financial resources to maintain ownership of their operation. They should also clearly state their commitment to the safety of their product (a seed to store control of what they sell). They should also should also clearly state a commitment to the safety of the community and to the goals/values of the city's master plan.</p>	<p>Financial Solvency Adherence to Regulations (have they been cited in the past) The scoring rubric should NOT been scored on a pass/fail basis and should be scored publicly for explanation of the scores.</p>	<p>I appreciate the complexity of what you are tackling. The end result should be to award license to the best and most responsible operator. We cannot allow license awards to entities who have no intention of actually operating their facility long term and doing so as a responsible community partner. For many of these entities this is not an investment in Traverse City but instead a pop up retail outlet with no long term commitment to the goals and objectives of our residents.</p>
<p>Is there a limit on liquor stores or breweries and distilleries? If there is why wouldn't you try to keep it the same as them?</p>	<p>Local or not Adherence to regulations</p>	
<p>The number of full time adult residents, proximity to schools, as well as the concentration of tourist lodging.</p>	<p>Aesthetics Uniqueness</p>	
<p>The amount of income the city can make from taxes</p>	<p>Experience, employment</p>	

Factors for Retail Facilities

Scoring Rubric

Tell Us More

If the owners were selected via the original lottery system, i.e. the "bucket draw", that business should have the right to have a recreational license. If not, those businesses will likely sue the city based on the amount of cash they have already invested into their businesses. Legally, allowing the "bucket draw" winners to have an unrestricted chance to "go legal" is the best route and limits liability for the City.

If the application was selected during the original "bucket draw" they should be allowed to have a recreational license if they meet the requirements of City and are in good standing with City.

No limit

Employment

Surrounding area of a location. Away from schools being the primary.

That's plenty of criteria, nothing additional needed

We the people voted for this, it needs to be moved along ASAP

Don't need one on every street corner.

N/A

N/A

Marijuana dispensaries would bring more jobs, as well as tourists dollars. As it stands now; residents have to go to other areas to purchase these items when the money can be kept

There shouldn't be a limit.

All of the above.

The demand for the product and the number of willing retailers.

Nothing. These businesses, like all others, will succeed or fail based upon capital investment, efficiency and their ability to recognize and meet the needs of potential customers. Because the state granted local communities the ability to micro-manage these businesses doesn't mean we should. The retail businesses I have seen around the state seem to have no more impact on the community than any other.

Let the market determine the number.

All Above

Fact.. pot is the first step to drug addiction. Kills people on Michigan Hwy's. The cartels' are funding the majority of you drug's. No longer do they drop it out of plane's in FL. they grow it in Grand Traverse County. Your killing our children and grand children

Drugs kill our children and you want to profit, what the hell's wrong with you?

Denver Colorado's sheriff said this was the worst think ever done to the children and now the overdose death's will begin. Its on you

Let the market set the limits

Land use

None

Factors for Retail Facilities	Scoring Rubric	Tell Us More
Drug free zones near schools	Distance from existing schools. Existing license holders in good standing should be given bonus points. Let market decide number of additional licenses for recreational shops.	
Keep it classy.	Local ownership; women and minority owned	Just get it done - the people of Michigan spoke loud and clear.
Spread out within the city. Don't overburden any 1 area.		
There are already areas that appear to have a marijuana business on every corner.	Connection to the city. Limit the number of "outsiders" setting up shop.	
Not overwhelming but fair market	Expierence, longevity	
Unlimited enjoy and allow the date to make \$		Stop cool grilling let this grow and let people enjoy. Alcohol is worse.
You are making this way to complex. Let it happen.	All above	
Population of the city, ratio to non marijuana businesses	County of residence	Too many on our "Main Street". Visiting friends and relatives are now calling TC "THC". If we want to keep discouraging our teens from using the stores should not be on every corner
The look/advertising of the building, the perception of our location from visitors, and the quantity of licenses.	Design of building/sign	
Population density	Experience, employment, communication	
Proximity to schools and homes.	Land use and infrastructure	

Factors for Retail Facilities

Scoring Rubric

Tell Us More

The existing medical retailers should be awarded recreational licenses. These establishments have proven their ability to function within the regulatory framework.

Not allowing recreational marijuana downtown appears to be ignorant prejudice rather than any actual policy concern.

As for how many licenses per area, the market will work that out. We don't limit the number of coffee shops, bookstores or shoe shops downtown, why are we limiting these?

Experience.

We are far less concerned about alcohol licenses which cause considerable more problems downtown than marijuana ever could.

Recreational Marijuana is now legal. Let's treat it as such and remove the stigma and prejudices, This process becomes far simpler when we do.

Only limited by market, government should not limit business in any way.

None, should be unlimited

Unfortunately your delay has already lost the city 1 thousands of dollars in revenue, any further delay will only cost more while our neighbors take in the revenue. Get this done already!!

Similar criteria for package liquor licenses.

Parking, Safe Vehicular Access

I live on OMP and work in TC.

I think that we should limit the number of retailers, but be cognoscenti on the locations and parking:

Company reputation, sourcing

Those all look good but also community involvement

Location, availability of products

How about a local owner/operator? Why were all 13 medical licenses awarded to downstate businesses? 13 licenses means that most will fail. 4-6 would provide a vibrant cannabis culture and all licensees would have a successful business justifying the enormous costs to enter this industry.

Local ownership. Why should all profit from this industry end up downstate?

Whoever decided on 13 med licenses was wrong. EWay too many for a town the size of TC.

Supply and demand

Diversity and equity

Should not be regulated like most retail shops.

The same why you would limit restaurants or retail store. Let competition work it out.

There should be at least the same amount of recreational marijuana shops as there are places to buy alcohol.

Factors for Retail Facilities

Scoring Rubric

Tell Us More

Parking. Proximity to current provisioning centers. Please do not allow this market to become oversaturated the way provisioning centers have in this town.

Parking and traffic flow. Lume in Honor draws major traffic and crowds - TC is already gaining a reputation for poor traffic patterns, adding dispensaries in heavily congested (in regards to rush hour traffic, etc, not foot traffic or general traffic) isn't going to help in that regard.

I don't care how recreational marijuana permits are dispensed, I just care how many are dispensed and I hope it is done differently than provisioning centers in this town. The oversaturation is obnoxious. As an adult marijuana user, I appreciate that this is moving forward in TC and I'm looking forward to when recreational dispensaries open. I just hope that there isn't one on every corner the way there are now, or

Fair competition but not over saturated

Business background
Knowledge of business product
Financial background and support
There should be no restrictions on the number of licenses.

There shouldn't be a limit.

None. Let the free market figure out what ones survive and which do not.

Experience and employment.

I chose unlimited for most answers. Let the businesses figure it out. I'm not worried about over abundance because I believe only a certain number will eventually survive.

proximity to each other and distance from schools

infrastructure, communication

Our youth and the example we are setting.

Impact on addiction within our community.
Impact on our youth and the behaviors are being modeled.

Proximity of the zoning districts

Density of population and proximity to other townships where sales may be allowed or are allowed

Density of bars and restaurants serving alcohol in those districts

Proximity to bars and liquor stores.

All existing Medical Provisioning Centers in Traverse City should be allowed to operate as Adult Use Facilities. They have operated in an overly competitive Med market for a long time, providing jobs and invested a lot of money and energy into these businesses. All deserve the opportunity to succeed in the much larger 21+ Adult Use market. If anyone was in their shoes that person would understand that being able to sell products to the 21+ market is the only chance they have to stay in business.

All currently operating med facilities should be allowed the opportunity for an Adult Use license.

Factors for Retail Facilities

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None that aren't Currently applied to alcohol sales.

Only those that apply to alcohol sales currently.

The only restriction on sales of cannabis should mirror those places on alcohol sales currently.

Provide some but not saturate the area with facilities - I suppose, at a minimum, that the number of medical facilities should have the ability to convert or add to their license to offer recreational.

Organic
Sustainable
Local

No limit, it would limit competition and up prices.

Exprence

That real adults don't smoke pot for recreational puposes

Morality

The only reason for multiplesources is for you to generate income. If you have to do this one place only and not in

Allowing the medical patients to still be the focus, while still giving money to the city but letting recruiters users support the down at a distance.

Keep the recreational stores more in the tourist locations such as down town. And allow for local medical patients to avoid the recreational users.

All current operating medical stores should be included in the amount of Adult use stores. So at a minimum- 13

Grow and processing affiliation

Marijuana is much safer than alcohol and should be treated as such.

Locally owned

I'm happy to see forward motion on this issue finally, this has taken way too long!

If marijuana dispensaries opened with medical sales, they should be able to add recreational sales.

Infrastructure, not creating more stress on high traffic areas.

Thank you for opening this up for public comment. I order from Lume in Honor, I mostly get it delivered. I am not a medicinal user, and I have no plans on getting a medical license. I am sure I could based on a few conditions, but I rather pay the higher taxes to go toward the community. I would love to be able to Is there a cap and location restrictions on bars, breweries and liquor stores? There's a business on front street that sells sex toys as well as drugs that are barely legal. Let's give the weed a

There shouldn't be a limit.

I don't think there should be a limit.

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<p>Residents want a local option. Grown local, processed local, sold to the consumer local, and for the owners to reside in our area so their dollars are then continued to be spent locally. If this cannot be accomplished via the rubric, then we must allow for unlimited licenses in the city. Yes, the large retail chains (which are already here) will be in town, but that at least gives the locals the opportunity to open their shop. Residents will choose boutique, local owned shops every time.</p>	<p>If there is to be a cap, bonus points should be given to owners who live within GT County. Unfortunately, none of the med licenses went to a Traverse City based company. Residents of our area are afraid the same will happen with Rec. The limited number of licenses will be granted to large chains with owners that live down state or out of state. We want unlimited licenses so that local residents have a fair chance to operate. The residents will patron the local shops to be sure</p>	
<p>No limit needed market decides, knowledgeable person needed to explain doses and results but no one can partake of or be under influence while working in a dispensing facility</p>	<p>Let market decide how many stores can open</p>	<p>Please give local small business owners a chance. Prioritize county residents in the rubric, or else have unlimited licenses. Alcohol is allowed everywhere and yet it is known to be deadly in large amounts but marijuana has not caused death in any amount. Alcohol use causes disturbances at times with drunks fighting or being belligerent, marijuana tends to quiet a person and does cause hunger (munchies) I don't understand why marijuana has been illegal while the one drug (alcohol) causes</p>
<p>Population and ability to regulate within current law enforcement capacity</p>	<p>Employment and experience</p>	
<p>The same factors that are considered for any legal business. I wouldn't impose anything additional just because of the type of business they are.</p>	<p>Whether or not they are a locally owned business.</p>	<p>I marked undecided for all of the numbers because I am not as well educated on the subject as I would like to be as far as industry standards, what other communities are doing, how this compares to liquor licenses, etc. While I don't necessarily think it should be unlimited, I don't think it should be zero either. I think there's a thoughtful middle ground and I appreciate the opportunity to give public comment. Thank you.</p>
<p>Realistically a limit of 20 shops in Grand Traverse County</p>	<p>Infrastructure Employment Communication Experience</p>	
<p>Like breweries, let the local market decide who stays open</p>	<p>As long as they have no criminal record there should be no barriers. If they are eligible, let them operate like any new, small business.</p>	<p>This will bring lots of tax revenue to our area</p>

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The store signage needs to be discreet. Store hours - open no later than 9:00pm	Past environmental reputation Criminal violations Respect for the community (responsiveness to any issues)	
No opinion	Donating to support community needs	I strongly support limiting the number per district to 1 and the reducing the number in the city to 5 total. That is plenty of opportunity to access recreational pot and too much prime real estate is going to these spaces instead of other uses.
I think the ones that are already here should be automatically granted recreational licenses in addition to their medical licenses. For new rec establishments, they should have to show how they will operate within the MI law & if they have locations in other towns, use those as models/examples.	I don't think they should be limited in the first place.	I think it's pretty crazy that Traverse City has drug its feet so long on this. People are already legally and responsibly using recreational marijuana. In the city. But they've purchased it elsewhere. Why force TC residents to go to Benzie, Kalkaska, and beyond? Don't you want to keep that revenue here?? TC is treating marijuana like its still a criminal activity. It's all very strange and out of touch.
This should be treated the same way as liquor licenses. Marijuana is much safer for our community than alcohol.	Who is local to the area. Our local economy is hurting and locals need a leg up to remain in the area.	Traverse Citys treatment of marijuana as if it's a stain on our society has hindered development of a growing industry that will provide jobs and added tourism to our area. We own Blue in the Face and the amount of tourists we have to refer out of our town to find recreational marijuana is astronomical. Traverse City really lost out on a major opportunity and limiting
The amount of party/liquor stores Demand, interest, wishes of the general public. No limit	Economic Integrity, honesty, & trust. Experience	
Ten, with preference given to the medical marijuana retailers already open in Traverse City. No new retailers should be allowed to open unless none of the existing retailers wants to do business in any zone.	Existing medical marijuana retailers should be the pool from which licensees should be chosen before additional applicants are allowed to compete for a license.	
That keeping the shops in our community keeps the revenue in in our community. If we have more choices in our area, the shops will be competitive and will drive profit.	More points given to an existing medical facility in the specific subarea (to avoid overcrowding the area with multiple adult use shops). Previous fines/infractions would result in points taken away.	

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Not having multiple facilities in the same area. Past application for licensing should be given special consideration due to extended period that have had to wait for this process to evolve.	Community commitment	None
That people may use pot near the stores. Some may congregate. Keep the stores rural and spread out or all in downtown. Not near residences.	Willingness to self regulate those milling outside.	
It should not be allowed. It should be kept away from schools, family areas (like little fleet), and all of downtown because it smells awful. It should not be allowed in parks or on public trails.	Close to schools/childcare facilities. Smell of the area.	I'm totally against Marijuana use in our community but if it must happen, please put funding into testing drivers. Also, will employers have employees going on smoke breaks...where will this happen-outside at each business?
Neighborhood type	Background check	
		TC is already well known for it's drinking culture. Do you really want to add another unsavory title to our town? If so, Please keep all of these in the west side of town. There are already enough of these businesses on the east side. Maybe you need to consider adding some to downtown on Front Street. Union
How many drugged up people do you want in this town along with all the drunks.	Background check	
Not too many but completion for each are	Experience	None
Crime	Comm	No licenses on ground floor or upper floors on front st.
Covid protection, otherwise none	Employment	
	Communication should be #1.	
Reasonable distance between but also enough of them to create options, diversification, and business competition.	Community based/local owners if possible Philanthropy or charitable activities	Just please hurry it up already. Nov 6 2018 was a lifetime ago.
		You are wasting too much time thinking you can come up with the best plan. Look at the states that have had recreational the longest. You are missing out on millions in revenue already.
Enough supply to meet future demand. Let them sell pot.	Local northern MI people with a real plan, Let them sell pot.	
8 square miles = 1 or 2 establishments in my mind	Business experience	Your approach is a bit confusing. It might be good to make it difficult to discourage the growth of this industry.
Follow your zoning laws and let them all in. The more shops the less congregating in one place. Then let the best ones rise to the top and the others will just go away as with any other business	I think these should be treated just like any other business. Good business people will rise up and the rest will eventually just go away. I mean it doesn't appear as if you have capped liquor licenses in the city why cap this?	

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It should be no greater than the number of off premise liquor licenses in the city	Past legal/ criminal problems associated with the business; parking and business access	
Monopoly's, how many places serve alcohol within the city and what limits their sales.	Experience	
Adult use of marijuana is not entirely widespread. Retail facilities should be commensurate with the demographic of our community. A small number of facilities could easily satisfy the demand of our local population.		
Retail facilities numbering a dozen or more could give the impression to visitors that Traverse City is the place to go for recreational marijuana use.		
Considering the long-standing debate over alcohol consumption in Traverse City, another reason to party may not be necessary.	Community involvement, local background	
Will there be people smoking outside or around this shop? Will the smoke permeate the area of the shop if so?	Proven business record	
Population density and location	Business practices	
Free enterprise is the only criteria. Grant licenses to all, similar to how you handle liquor licenses. That way the market will separate the wheat from the chaff.	Nothing. Use the same criteria used for booze.	
The size of the subareas should determine how many shops are allowed.	the list looks complete.	
One license per sub area.	Experience.	
Population to store ratio	Regional sourcing of product.	
The negative effect the products will have on the non consuming public	The negative effect on surrounding property prices	
Allow retail in the city!	NA	Let the market decide.
Location, so it does not appear to have a facility on every other block.	Thanks	Would love to see the age raised to 21 to be able to purchase recreational marijuana.

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Percent of county that voted yes on original vote in 2018, a high percentage of the county should equate to a higher number of facilities, and vice versa	N/a	
As I drive by many of the stores that are open for medical use, I see clean, not in your face storefronts. I'd say the building would need to follow the building codes of the area and have a secure system in place for retail shopping.	Infrastructure Land Use	I feel as if the marijuana shops should be given the same opportunities as other businesses. Are there limits for convenience stores? Other types of retail? The good ones will survive and the bad ones won't. And like a liquor license-if a business closes, it's license to sell marijuana could pass to
What's the consideration when applying for alcohol permits?!? There is more risk in someone getting drunk at a bar/restaurant/Brewery/winery and then going out and causing legal issues. Than there is of someone going purchasing a legal product and going home.	Experience, it's not about who can afford extras. It's about who know what they are doing.	
Should not be close together - maybe 1/2 mile	I don't know	
Spacing, competitive advantage, and how many customers can be served by each location. Ideally within walking distance of 1 mile, or easy public transport access. Also to give consumers choices within their immediate area and allow for a competitive market.	Supply Chains: where they receive their product from. Should be predominantly Michigan Based products.	
Number of licenses per area	Experience	
Supply and demand. If they can stay open, they should be allowed. Tax revenue that could be funding vital infrastructure and services in TC are currently being diverted to other communities.	Viability. If they can stay profitable, they should be allowed.	Green tourism is growing. Recreational marijuana brings tax revenue and tourists spend money in other areas of the community. Let the market decide how many marijuana businesses open/survive in each zone. The zones seem gerrymandered anyway.
Should not have any. Addiction is a problem	They use in public. Real safety issue	
Noting. Don't allow it in the city.	Don't allow it in the coty	Na
The number of local vs corporate companies. Fair chance for each.	Is the company local?	Our cutizens who want to use marijuana are already using marijuana-by not having licensed stores within city limits we are giving the money earned through taxes to other cities. Let's keep this money here and help our infrastructure and schools!

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The same consideration you give all the alcohol establishments. We keep adding places that serve alcohol but we are turning away the revenue from marijuana sales.

Experience

I believe I said it all in question #1. City officials talk out of both sides of their mouths. On one hand they extol the importance of a strong, caring family oriented community, on the other hand, they hand out liquor licenses as if they were Halloween candy, and now are willing to approve multiple nonmedical marijuana licenses. If you think that young adults won't have excess to this product, you have your heads in the sand. If you haven't addressed, and I believe you have, the possibility of a huge financial windfall for the city, check out Denver, Seattle and San Francisco. As your eyes glisten with tears of joy at the amount of money these businesses will generate for Traverse City, just remember that the use of marijuana can lead to the

Young adults + nonmedical marijuana = \$\$\$\$ = Traverse City's GREED

Non medical marijuana businesses should NOT be permitted in Traverse City.

Only one allowed per county, and when any retail facility is busted for MIP three times, yank the license. And check those damn Dominion voting machines in 2018. (something smells FUNNY)

Non felon.
No drug / alcohol convictions.
100 million umbrella to cover mental and physical lawsuits, as well as auto accidents

Lottery

Location

Need

Finances

We have enough empty buildings

What's your 3-5 year plan

There Long term plan to maintain the buildings/property.

Clean building that fit the area. No rift raft

How things are in forced and regulated. Will this be like young kids with alcohol wanting to get a fake ID?

Insurance, security, safety

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The distance to residential homes and neighborhoods.
The distance to child care homes and centers
The distance to any area where children and families might gather. For example public libraries, parks and recreation trails.

no more

I dont think we need any more than the current 12 medical provisioning locations, but also don't think it's fair to exclude any of them from selling for recreational use, nor is it fair to not allow any new non- medical retailers an opportunity. So the situation yall got us to at this point is between rock and hard

Distance from schools, distance between retail facilities. N/a

Are they based in Traverse City? Are they independent or a chain? Are they offering wages above and beyond minimum wage and offering benefits to employees. Are they engaging in responsible education, including supporting programs preventing child use? Truly local and responsible companies should take precedence.

It's time for TC to get on board with recreational marijuana use. Start with something an then tweak later if necessary. Capitalize off of the opportunity to make extra tax revenue. Tag on a small fee per order and use it to support nonprofits like the tribe's 2% fund. But, at the end of the day, Honor and Kalkaska are taking away revenues and tax dollars from TC.

Take the rules for alcohol and apply them to marijuana.

The population of the city. With some sort of boundary round schools and parks. Take into consideration treatment programs and homeless shelters. There shouldn't be anything allowed in those areas. Also downtown. We have enough problems there.

Also take into consideration Not everyone smokes.

Keep things under control and if all goes well you can always add more facilities. Better to be safe then sorry later.

Keep the number of recreational retail facilities similar to independent liquor stores. Not counting the larger stores such as Meijer & Walmart.

Don't let one company into monopolizing the program. That's not healthy or fair. It's part of matriculation into a good business sense. Not one person owns all the restaurants. Everyone has a different take on how a business should look. Keep it that way. Then if a business fails then another can take its place.

Not really sure any of the above factors should determine a recreational license.

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<p>It should not be limited.</p> <p>Use the same standard you use when you determine if an alcohol license is issued. Both are legal why create a different standard.</p>	<p>Community Involvement Local Roots and Connection</p> <p>Again, do you use this standard to issue a license to serve or sell alcohol. If so then use that to determine who gets a license.</p>	
<p>Don't have them.</p>	<p>Issue no license. Don't want to hire people that use pot.</p>	<p>Plants stink, smoke stinks, slower response, don't want workers that smoke, children will get into parents supply, reaction time slow, breaks up families, habit, move onto other drugs when it doesn't give the desired effect, think about people instead of interested in locating downtown. Will they be prohibited from locating within 1,000 feet of a pot shop? They should be, since the law prohibits the opposite (a pot shop within 1,000 feet of a school).</p>
<p>Number of adults in the City (not surrounding area). Surrounding areas can issue their own licenses; TC does not need to be the supplier for northwest Michigan or all of GT County. Spread the location of shops around town (west side, east side, southeast, southwest).</p>	<p>Business plan</p>	
<p>Only how many can be sustained by the demand in the city.</p>	<p>Distribution- distance to other locations History of success</p>	<p>I do not understand how you have put this off for so long. Stop docking around and issue the licenses.</p>
<p>Nothing. People should be able to open up what ever business they want. This is America. What next? Telling residents what they can do with their own property?</p>	<p>As long as the the building is safe they should be able to open any business they want. With out have government trying to control everything.</p>	
<p>Doesn't make sense to institute a limit of any kind. The people of Michigan decided on this issue years ago, this shouldn't be dragged out any longer.</p>	<p>There should be no limited number of licenses, anybody who wishes should be able to have the capability of selling recreational.</p>	<p>We voted on this in 2018, the longer we wait to let business set up shop the more money that we are missing out in being put into our local economy. Because people are just driving to the next closest town and buying there. It's inconvenient for them</p>
<p>Free enterprise</p>	<p>Nothing. Free enterprise</p>	<p>How many years ago did we vote for recreational adult use of marijuana? Quit dragging your feet city commissioners. Yet You continue to approve development with massive tax breaks to the developers and also issue liquor licenses to no end.</p>
<p>summer population numbers in TC and surrounding area There should be no limit</p>	<p>Community engagement / giving back Land Use and employment</p>	

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I think the Adult Use Marijuana Facilities will bring much needed revenue to funding the improvements and projects that are important to Traverse City residents. There are a large number of businesses in the city that sell alcohol. I do not see recreational use of marijuana any more problematic than a bar within the area that serves alcohol until 2 AM.

School zones, race, and socioeconomic status.

Don't need unlimited facilities

Proximity to schools. Aesthetic impacts of security requirements to business corridors (not just downtown). Ability to monitor and enforce whatever regulations are put in place.

How many elementary schools in area

Ensuring a balance of a variety of businesses throughout the city.

Considerations:

- foot traffic in the area highlighted
- proximity to other marijuana locations
- ability to park/curbside pick up
- one for one marijuana store per bar/drink establishment (they are the same in my opinion)

Those with an interest in community involvement and evidence of volunteer work, charitable donations, or participation in community festivals and events that are all common ways to support the community.

Privilege.

Communication

Environmental sustainability

Crime in that area

This list seems sufficient.

- Infrastructure to support curbside/ drive thru pickup
- black/minority owned to be prioritized
- safe, well-lit location so all feel safe going to/from your vehicle with marijuana/cash

Recreational use of marijuana is legal. Limiting retail sales to Traverse city residents simply forces residents to spend their money in neighboring cities. Those cities then benefit from money that should have stayed in Traverse City.

Don't need

Subarea J is on overview map below but not represented anywhere else in the survey.

Why no subarea along commercial area of w front st?

Please make recreational marijuana legal in TC as soon as possible! The market will decide which businesses stay and go depending on their business model and marketing successes, which is why I don't feel it necessary to put a limit on the number of licenses given. It would be wonderful to have the tax income from these businesses go toward the improvement