From: karen mccrary Sent: Tuesday, July 21, 2020 5:23 AM To: Public Comment <<u>publiccomment@cityoftracy.org</u>> Subject: Graffiti

Dear City council,

I am very concerned about the littering and graffiti that seems to be heightening around the city. Please do something about the graffiti and please do something about the trash and littering. There is a lot of garbage around Grant Line rd aw well as many areas around Tracy. Graffiti is under the overpass by that area as well as downtown. Please take care of it as this brings our town's value down as a whole, and allows residents and alike, to believe graffiti, vandalism and littering is tolerated. Thank you for your time.

Concerned resident.

June 17, 2020

Tracy City Clerk Mayor and City Council Members 333 Civic Center Plaza Tracy CA 95376

Re: Detention Basin 3A Project Site Address: 12501 W. Valpico Road APN: 240-090-02

Mayor and City Council Members,

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Members of the O'Connor family will be in attendance at your July 21, 2020  $\Leftrightarrow$  council meeting to be heard on the above item and your consideration of adopting a Resolution of Necessity regarding said property.

The O'Connors met twice with city staff in 2019 and expressed our objection to selling our property to the city for this detention basin. It is also our opinion, and that of our attorneys, that the City of Tracy does not have the legal authority to use an eminent domain action to acquire this property, which is both outside the city limits and outside the city's sphere of influence.

In October 2019, the O'Connors requested that the city provide the legal authority upon which an eminent domain action would be based; the city responded to that request by citing Cal. Code of Civ. Pro. 1240.125. This section allows the city to acquire property by eminent domain that is outside it jurisdiction <u>only if</u> the city is authorized to acquire the property by eminent domain; the city did not demonstrate that the taking of the O'Connor property would be the <u>"most compatible with the greatest public good and the least private injury"</u>, as required by Cal. Code of Civ. Pro. 1240.030.

To be clear, the need for a detention basin in this area is driven by the housing development occurring in and around this section of the city, including the property directly across the street; the city certainly can accommodate this detention basin within its city limits, which could include locating it across W. Valpico Road where the development is occurring. The development of the property on the south side of W. Valpico Road is private; the use of eminent domain to accommodate private development, to the detriment of the O'Connors, is not necessary or compatible with the greatest public good and the least private injury. Instead, the proposed project favors private land developers over another private land owner.

The injurious decision to take private land, for the development and benefit of other private landowners, is not supported by the eminent domain laws.

Regards,

The O'Connor Family

From: Matthew Nathaniel <<u>matthew@shrynegroup.com</u>>
Sent: Monday, July 20, 2020 1:18 PM
To: Public Comment <<u>publiccomment@cityoftracy.org</u>>
Subject: Item 3.F (Cannabis Ordinance)

Good afternoon.

As an experienced operator in the cannabis industry, I wanted to touch base with you regarding some of the revisions being considered to the ordinance being reviewed for approval on the 21st of July.

It would be helpful if there were some clarity on expectations of the community benefit. While I believe that there should be no specific requirements, as this will give companies more flexibility and will reveal how dedicated they truly are to the community, it would be helpful to have this clarified. I have personally spoken with Assistant Development Services Director Dean to discuss a potential collaboration with the city to implement a community benefit program, where the Shryne Group would contribute to a monetary fund for community initiatives to be implemented by working with the city. This could be used to address homelessness, provide educational supplies, start a youth prevention campaign, kick off a healthy lifestyle campaign, or whatever the city deems needing addressed. However, there didn't seem to be enough clarity on this for the discussion to go anywhere. I would like to continue this conversation, but need to ensure the city is able to do so.

While having a local preference is understandable, giving a waiver on real estate opens the possibility of groups without the resources to open in in timely fashion being awarded licenses. If this is allowed, I would highly encourage a thorough review and verification of capital resources to ensure operations are open within a reasonable amount of time.

Regarding the Social Equity Plan, it would also be good to have some additional clarity on what the city desires on this component. This was also an area that ADSD Dean didn't feel had enough direction from council to have a meaningful conversation on program structure. It would be helpful for the council to explain what it's looking for regarding social equity so this conversation can be continued with staff.

I also think that the city should consider an emphasis on experience in the scoring process. This is an industry that requires a significant amount of knowledge and business acuity to be successful, and thus have a positive impact on the surrounding community. It's vital that the businesses chosen know how to integrate with the community, while operating a successful operation. Experience has shown that selecting inexperienced operators causes delays, and brings significant scrutiny to the city. This can be avoided by structuring the scoring to highlight these capabilities, while not adding a barrier to entry for completely new operations.

Please let me know if you have any questions, or would like to discuss on a brief call. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



#### Matthew Nathaniel

Director of Retail Expansion Matthew@shrynegroup.com 407.910.8902 ShryneGroup.com



### **SHRYNE GROUP PROPERTIES**

### **CULTIVATION**

- Humboldt County Ű
- e Los Angeles One
- e Oakland
- Los Angeles Two  $\Diamond$

### DISTRIBUTION

- Humboldt County
- Los Angeles
- Oakland
- Santa Ana

### MANUFACTURING

- Humboldt County
- Los Angeles
- Oakland
- Lompoc  $\Diamond$

### RETAIL

- Alameda
- Davis
- Jurupa Valley
- Los Angeles
- Modesto
- Morena Valley
- Palm Desert
- San Bernardino
- San Francisco (2)
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Shryne Group operates a fully integrated cannabis company with a footprint that covers the entire breadth of the state of California; the world's largest legal cannabis market. We control our supply chain from cultivation to retail, which enables us to deliver clean and tested cannabis products at unmatched prices.



# **JOBS & TAX REVENUE**

Shryne Group creates local jobs and drives tax revenues.



### Jobs

- More than 650 Employees in California
- Unionized with the United Food and Commercial Workers (UFCW)
- Living Wages, Employer Funded Pension Plan & Best in Industry Benefits
- Local Job Fairs to Hire Local Residents

### **Tax Revenue**

- \$208M in Total 2020 Revenue
- \$1.4M in Average City Sales Taxes in 2020 Fiscal Year
- \$9.2M in State Sales Taxes in 2020 Fiscal Year



**Distribution** Network Covering the Entire State

### TOTAL VERTICAL INTEGRATION

Shryne Group's vertical infrastructure ensures seed to sale safety, quality and competitive pricing.



**Manufacturing** Facilities in Humboldt County, Los Angeles, Oakland and Soon in Lompoc



**Cultivation** With Indoor and Outdoor Canopies

**Retail** Offers House Made Brands at Prices 27% Less Than our Competitors

# **QUALITY & SAFETY**

Shryne Group employs the most rigorous product testing standards to ensure we provide our customers with the highest quality products. Our products are tested by third-party, state licensed labs and we do not use fillers such as vitamin E acetates or any other cutting agents.

# How our products move through our cultivation and manufacturing facilities to our retail stores



Cannabis flower from our cultivation facilities is initially tested by a third party testing lab for pesticides, cannabinoid content and more.



Flower is processed into oil at our manufacturing facilities and tested a second time for heavy metals, residual solvents, pesticides, foreign material and cannabinoid content.



The final product is tested a third and final time by a third party testing lab and issued a Certificate of Analysis.

# **SECURE ENVIRONMENT**

The safety of our employees, customers and communities is of paramount importance.



24 Hour Security Team

Monitored by Surveillance

Two Step ID Check - Upon Entrance and Again At Checkout



Exterior Lighting Is Installed To Enhance Safety Around the Area



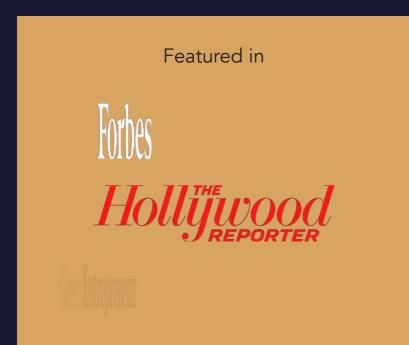
No One Under 21 Admitted, Except 18 and Over Medical Marijuana Patients



Zero Tolerance of Nuisance Activities Such as Loitering, Smoking or Cannabis Consumption on our Premises and in the Surrounding Area



California Cannabis Awards 2019 Brand of the Year







### United Food and Commercial Workers (UFCW)

Our employees are unionized with the UFCW and receive competitive wages and benefits.

#### **Hire & Grow Locally**

Our job fairs attract local residents and members of the community. Approximately 90% of our team members live within a five-mile radius from the location in which they work.

#### **Career Development Program**

Shryne Group provides scholarships at colleges for disadvantaged locals. Scholarship recipients are also provided with part time positions at our local facilities.

#### **Workforce Development**

Shryne Group partners with community colleges such as LA Trade Tech College to provide workforce development classes at each of our retail locations.

# COMMUNITY

Partnering with local organizations though monetary contributions, volunteering and workforce development are at the core of our corporate social responsibility.



By following our core values of safety, inclusion and giving back, we are helping to build stronger communities across California.



Employee Volunteerism

Customer And Employee Safety Is Our Number 1 Priority



# The **TEAM.**

Synergy is at the core of Shryne Group. We are a team of doers and innovators with proven track records in cannabis and other industries.



**Brian Mitchell** Co-Founder & Chief Executive Officer

Brian is an accomplished entrepreneur with a successful track record in the construction and cannabis industries. His businesses currently employ hundreds of people in communities across California. Most recently, Brian led the vertical integration of the Shryne Group, a cannabis holding company with roots in the Golden State, and licenses and operations that cover the full span of the largest legal cannabis market in the world. Today, the Shryne Group is a profitable enterprise with unlimited upside.



**James Kim** Co-Founder & Managing Officer

James is the co-creator of STIIIZY, one of the most popular and fastest growing vaporizer brands in cannabis today. James is a known innovator in the space, credited with advancements in electronic cannabis oil delivery systems that has put the award winning STIIIZY brand ahead of its competitors. Previously, James helped launch Kilo, an independent vaporizer brand known for its popular flavoring formulas. James is an army veteran and served a 13-month combat tour in Iraq.



**Tak Sato** Chief Development Officer

Tak has extensive experience in acquisitions and licensing in the cannabis industry. Prior to joining Shryne Group, he led retail expansion for one of the leading brands in the industry, acquiring over 40 retail licenses through M&A transactions and competitive processes. Tak has structured and closed over \$700 million in cannabis related transactions. He is a licensed attorney in California and represented numerous Fortune 100 companies at Latham & Watkins in Los Angeles and Morrison & Foerster in Tokyo.



**Charmaine Chua** Senior Vice President

of Sales

Charmaine brings 15 years of sales experience in a highly regulated consumer packaged goods industry. Charmaine held multiple leadership positions at Altria Group, and most recently was senior district manager covering 3,000 retail stores and generating \$450 million in annual sales. She also led Altria's partnership with retail giant Walgreens, driving sales in over 6,000 stores. Charmaine oversees Shryne Group's wholesale and distribution programs for its leading cannabis brands in California and emerging markets.



**Jennifer Arteaga** Northern California District Manager

Jennifer Arteaga started her career at Shryne Group as an entry-level sales associate in 2018. Today, she is the Head of Retail for Northern California, which currently consists of San Francisco, Alameda, Davis and Modesto. Jennifer manages a team of General Store Managers and supervises every aspect of retail operations from human resources, compliance, product offerings, union relationships, community benefits and more.



John Malone General Counsel

John brings extensive experience in corporate governance and cannabis law. He has counseled both businesses and government agencies on cannabis regulations, and is considered one of the foremost experts in this field. As the lead outside cannabis and corporate counsel at Arent Fox, LLP, John advised several pioneering cannabis startups, helping them with strategic planning in the context of complex regulatory frameworks. John also brings experience from other operationally intensive industries, including hospitality, healthcare and technology.

#### Rachel Apodaca Production Manager

**Cindy Arteaga** Southern California District Manager

**Emma Barnard** Director of Product Marketing

**Mei-Ling Campbell** 

Vice President of Merchandising

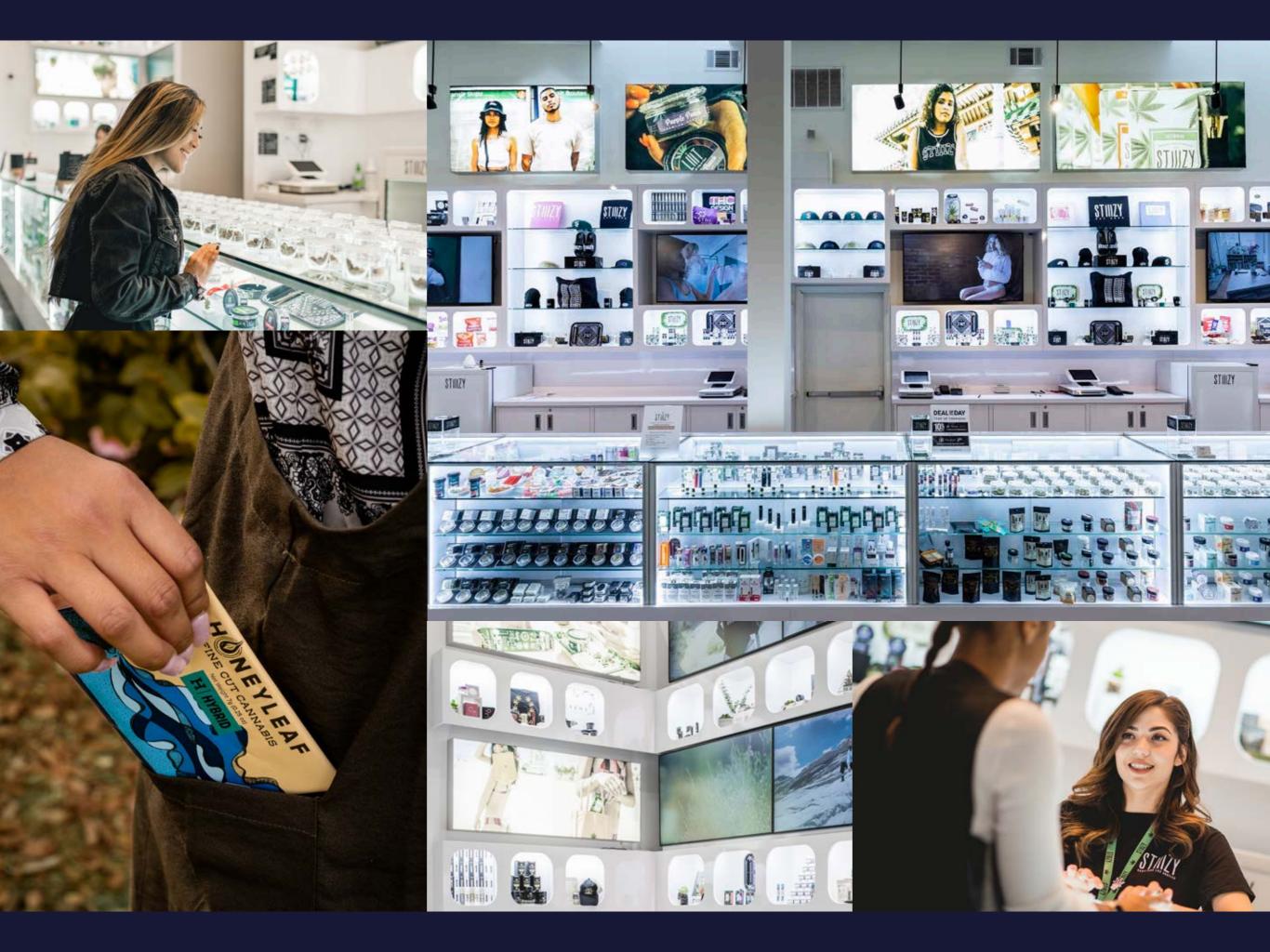
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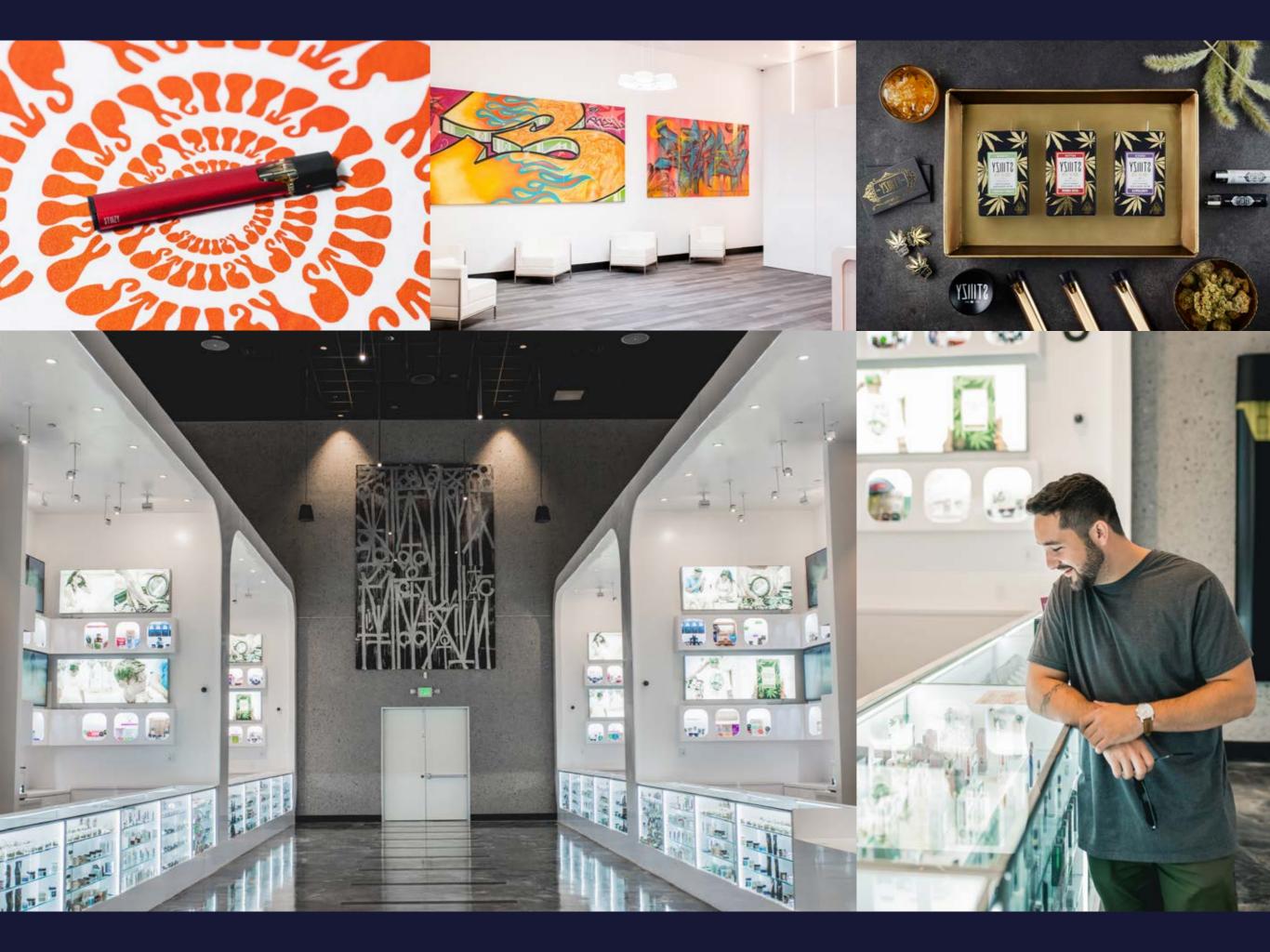
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Jackie Kim Brand Manager

Jose Pecho

Director of Community Relation





If you have any questions or feedback please reach out to **community@shrynegroup.com** or leave us a message on our toll-free line **888-4-SHRYNE** (888-474-7963).





From: Tracy Wellness Sent: Monday, July 20, 2020 10:35 AM To: Public Comment <<u>publiccomment@cityoftracy.org</u>> Subject: Agenda item 1F and or 3F

Good evening Council and Mayor:

Last council meeting we had a 2 part question regarding the use of the word 'Cannabis' AND graphics for a logo. According to the last meeting, we are allowed to use the word "cannabis". Thank you for that clarification.

According to zoning ordinance 1277 Sec 6.36.320 Miscellaneous Operating Requirements: "No cannabis, cannabis products, graphics depicting cannabis or cannabis products shall be visible from the exterior of any property issued a cannabis business permit..."

Does this include a company logo? So no cannabis graphics in a logo, on a sign, marketing or merchandise? Could you please clarify?

Thank you for all of your time and consideration on this momentous project.

Sincerely, Michelle Trew A Therapeutic Alternative From: Steve Nicolaou Date: July 16, 2020 at 5:40:22 PM PDT To: Jenny Haruyama <<u>Jenny.Haruyama@cityoftracy.org</u>> Subject: Agenda Item 3(K) - City Council PR

Hi Jenny.

The purpose of this e-mail is to express my opposition to the proposal to be considered at next week's City Council meeting to allow the City Council to be involved in City public relations. The Council's job is to set policy through the exercise of its legislative functions, with Staff, led by the City Manager, then tasked to implement those policy directions. That is all. The Council has no need to be in engaging in public relations. The City Manager, as our City's CEO, has staff to assist in its public relations to insure that the message being conveyed on a particular matter is being done so clearly in a non-acrimonious and professional manner to the our City in the best light.

If the City Council were to jump into the PR game, I can only see it as an attempt to advance each Council member's own individual political agenda and a form of campaigning, whether for the purpose of being re-elected to keep his or her seat on the Council or moving up the political food chain to higher office. If any of our Council members want to get into the PR game, let him or her do so through mailers he or she can send out paid for by his or her campaign committee on his or her committee's dime, not the taxpayers.

Finally, given the dysfunction that has plagued the last several City Councils, I would think the vast majority of rational adults in this City would want to keep Council members out of the PR arena. The only PR that the last several Councils have engaged in on their own has been of the kind to highlight pettiness, ineptitude and factionalism culminating in the issuance of damning reports by the San Joaquin County Grand Jury the past few years. Gee, this is the kind of PR we really need, don't we huh?

In closing, I ask that these comments be read into the record during the public comment period for Agenda Item 3(K).

Sincerely,

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