



# SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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## Interim Controls Summary: CU Requirement for MCDs in the Four Sunset NCDs

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### The Way It Was:

As a result of the Article 2 Reorganization Ordinance (BF 141253), Medical Cannabis Dispensaries (MCDs) went from requiring a Conditional Use (CU) authorization in all four Sunset Neighborhood Commercial Districts (Irving, Judah, Noriega and Taraval Street) to requiring a Mandatory Discretionary Review (DR).

### The Way It Is Now:

For the next 18 months, CU authorization is required for all new MCDs in the four Sunset Neighborhood Commercial Districts. In addition to the standard criteria in Planning Code Section 303, Planning Commission must find that the facts presented establish that the proposed MCD satisfies the following criteria:

1. The MCD will bring measurable community benefits and enhancements to the Neighborhood Commercial District;
2. The MCD has prepared a parking and transportation management plan sufficient to address the anticipated impact of patients visiting the MCD; and
3. The MCD has demonstrated a commitment to maintaining public safety by actively engaging with the community prior to applying for the conditional use, including adequate security measures in its operation of the business, and designating a community liaison to deal effectively with current and future neighborhood concerns;

Link to signed legislation:

<https://sfgov.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=2267548&GUID=5ECB1D07-50D9-42AE-BEEF-C47E8C878F30&Options=ID|Text|&Search=150412>