MARIJUANA TEXT AMENDMENTS

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BACKGROUND

- Medical Marijuana Dispensaries were first regulated citywide in 2011
 - Maximum size: 2,500 square feet
 - No more than 500 square feet for storage
 - _o Minimum 25% of floor area set aside for customer waiting areas
 - Direct/home delivery prohibited
- Recreational + medical retail ("dual license facility") was introduced in 2020
 - No change to the maximum size/floor allocation requirements
 - Allowed direct/home delivery to qualifying patients (Medical Marijuana Dispensary only)
- Nov. 1, 2024 rules for the delivery of recreational marijuana became effective statewide

BACKGROUND

- 2011 Medical marijuana first regulated in the City
 - Development and operational standards added to the zoning ordinance (MZO)
- 2020 Sale of recreational marijuana became lawful with passing of Prop 207
 - Chapter 25 (Marijuana Prohibition) added to Title 6 (Police Regulations)
 - Prohibited certain actions included an exception for delivery of medical marijuana
 - MZO amended to allow for dual license facility (medical & recreational)
 - Allowed delivery of medical marijuana only
 - No change made to the maximum size/floor allocation requirement
 - Request from stakeholders to increase size in line with other jurisdictions
- 2024 rules for the delivery of recreational marijuana became effective statewide
 - Prop 207 requires medical marijuana and recreational marijuana to be regulated the same



MUNICIPAL COMPARISON

Municipality	Max. Size Allowed for Medical/Dual License Facilities
Phoenix	5,000 sf
Tempe	5,000/10,000 sf
Chandler	5,000 sf
Gilbert	5,000 sf
Scottsdale	No size limits
Queen Creek	2,500 sf

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

- Increase the maximum size of Medical Marijuana Dispensaries and Dual Licensee Facilitates to 5,000 square feet
- Remove size requirements for storage and customer waiting areas
- Remove provision that limits delivery exclusively to Medical Marijuana
 Dispensaries serving qualifying patients



