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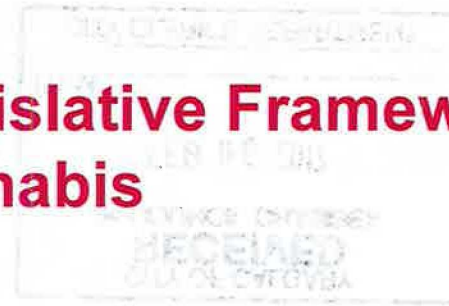


# Strategic Session of Council Legalization of Marijuana Education Session

2017 February 06



## Background – Current Legislative Framework Medical Cannabis



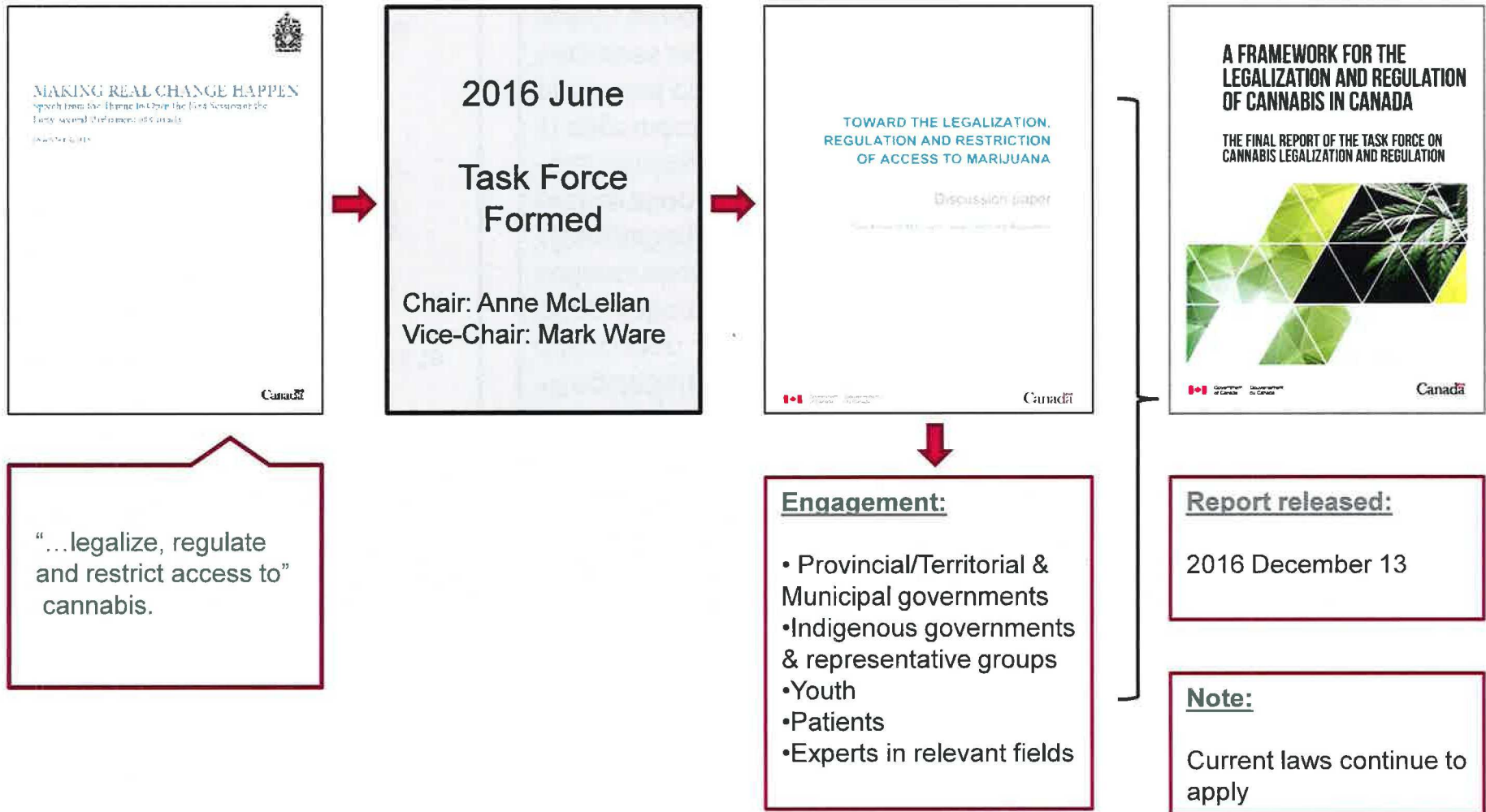
Calgary's experience with cannabis to date – Land Use Bylaw:

In 2014 – Medical Marihuana Production Facility use

In 2016 - Medical Marihuana Counselling use



## Background – Federal Government Policy Shift







## Background – Task Force Recommendations on Roles of Respective Governments

### FEDERAL

- Lead coordination of governments & stakeholders to successfully implement
- Licensing for commercial production
- National minimum age of purchase
- Advertising restrictions
- Labeling requirements
- Tax regime & revenue distribution (working with the provinces)
- Public education

### PROVINCIAL

- Regulation of wholesale distribution
- Regulation of retail sales (in collaboration with municipalities)
- Regulation to restrict proliferation of storefronts
- Set minimum age of purchase in alignment with other provincial consumption laws
- Address occupational health & safety issues related to impairment

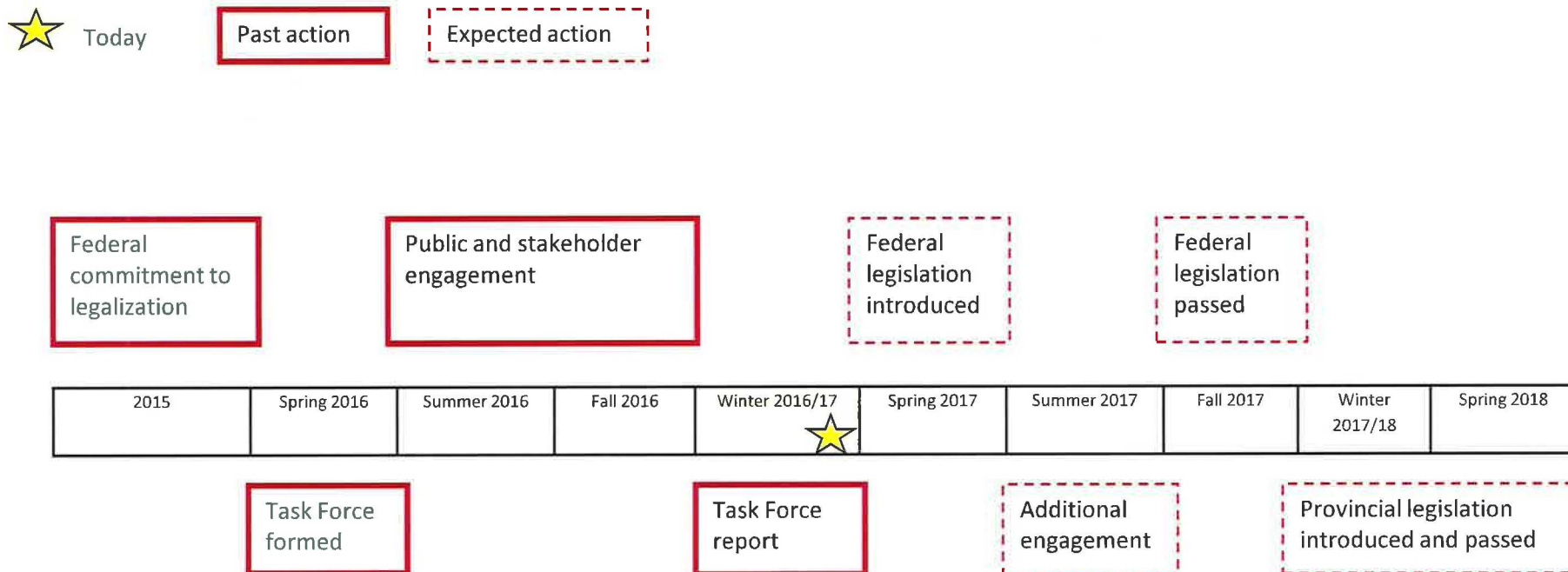
### MUNICIPAL

- Land use bylaws relating to retail location and place of use
- Oversight/approval over residential growing
- Licensing for distribution & retail
- Bylaws to regulate public and private nuisance matters

Capacity, Coordinate, Collaborate & Communicate on Implementation

Task Force Recommendations Non-Binding

## Background - Anticipated Future State

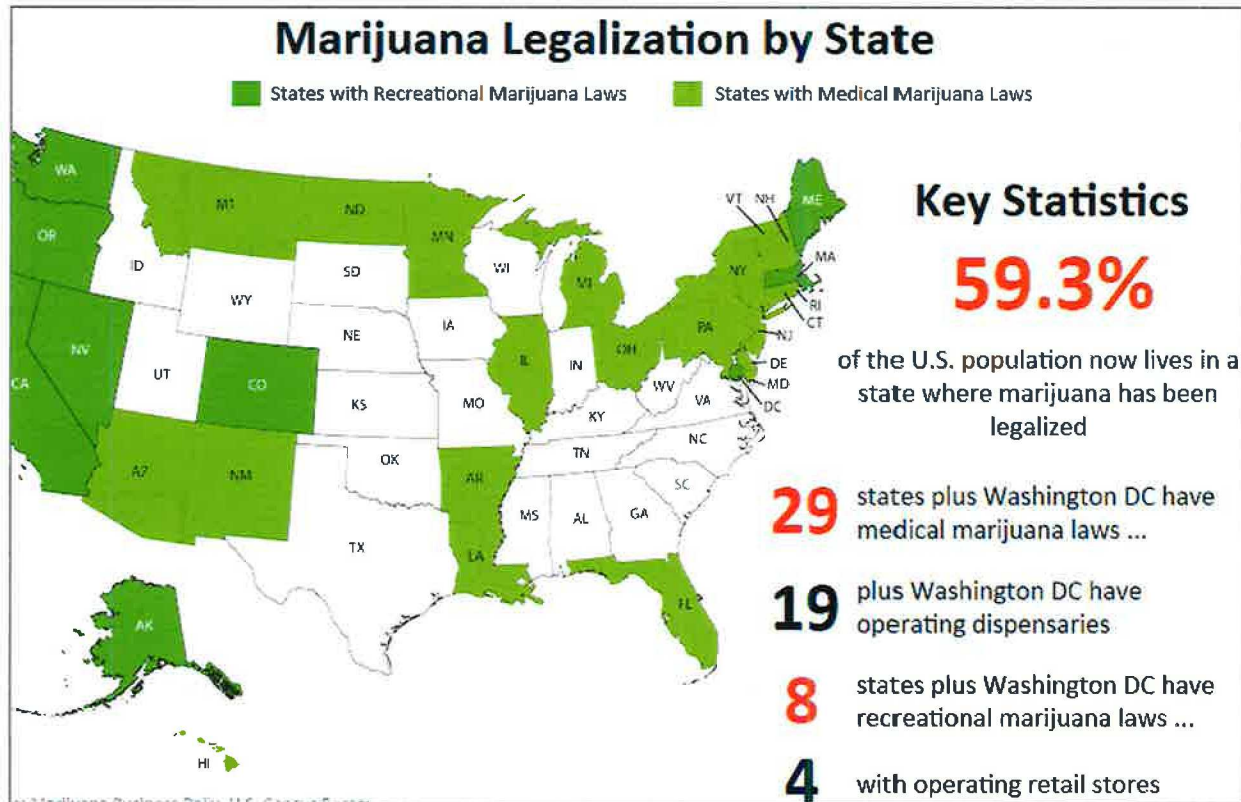




## Background - Global Context

Uruguay became the first *country* to enact the legalization and regulation of non-medical cannabis in 2013.

As of November 2016, the U.S. experience by state with legalization and regulation of cannabis:



Source: Marijuana Business Daily (November 14, 2016 )



## Administration Working Group

### Cross-Corporate Collaborative Working Team:

- Calgary Community Standards (Corporate Lead)
- Intergovernmental and Corporate Strategy
- Calgary Building Services
- Calgary Growth Strategies
- Calgary Fire Department
- Customer Service and Communications
- Calgary Police Service
- Law Department
- Calgary Transit
- Calgary Neighbourhoods

## Municipal Concerns and Considerations

Consideration	Primary Business Units
Land Use and Business Licensing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Calgary Growth Strategies</li> <li>Calgary Community Standards</li> </ul>
Building and Fire Code Compliance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Calgary Building Services</li> <li>Calgary Fire Department</li> </ul>
Community Standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Calgary Community Standards</li> </ul>
Enforcement and Community Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Calgary Police Service</li> <li>Calgary Community Standards</li> </ul>
Information Sharing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All Business Units</li> </ul>
Social Supports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Calgary Neighbourhoods</li> <li>Calgary Community Standards</li> </ul>
Federal Standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All Business Units</li> </ul>





## Administration's Work to Date

...State of Unknown...

Participated  
in Task Force  
Engagement  
Opportunities

Participated in  
Administration Task  
Force - August 2016

Developed  
Advocacy  
Positions

Developed and  
presented  
ICA approved  
advocacy positions  
November 2016

Developed  
interim Risk  
Register in  
anticipation  
of Federal bill

Administration  
Working Group  
December 2016

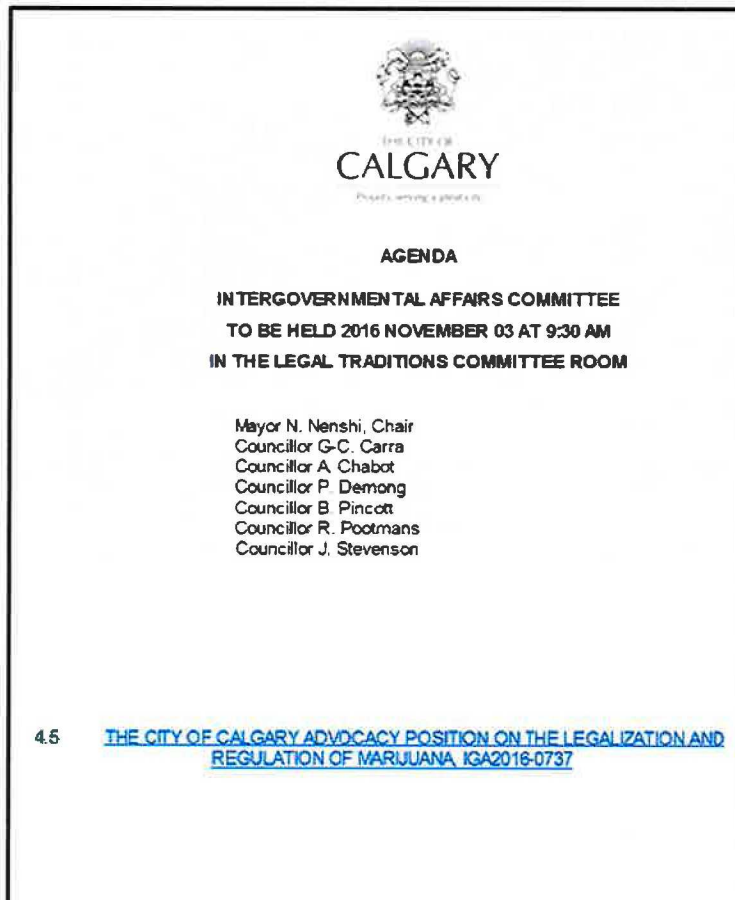
Developed  
Potential  
Scenarios &  
anticipated  
municipal  
response to  
scenarios

Administration  
Working Group  
January 2017

Continue  
advancing  
approved  
advocacy  
positions with  
provincial &  
federal  
governments

Working with  
provincial &  
federal  
governments

## City of Calgary Advocacy Positions



- Continue to engage municipalities throughout the legalization process
- Advocate for a national or province-wide licensing system
- Give municipalities the authority over planning policy for the growing and sale of medical and recreational marijuana.
- Municipalities should have authority to regulate public and private nuisance factors related to marijuana use
- Restrict residential growing
- Discuss sharing federal tax revenues created by the legalization and regulation of marijuana across all three orders of government
- Give The City of Calgary and other municipalities time to develop and implement necessary local regulations

## Next Steps

- Continue to refine the City's potential response plans to federal and provincial legislation
- Seek out opportunities to provide further input to the federal and provincial orders of government, based on the approved advocacy positions
- Prepare internally for engagement with Calgarians once the municipal role in the legalization of cannabis is understood
- Continue to coordinate with other orders of government
- Develop a communications plan





## **The City of Denver's Experience in Managing Marijuana**



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Excise and Licenses  
The City of Denver