

Los Angeles County Advisory Working Group on Cannabis Regulation



Meeting One: KICKOFF AND ORIENTATION

June 29, 2017

WELCOME



Why We're Here

To develop recommendations for County policymakers as a framework for creating and implementing regulations for commercial and personal-use cannabis in unincorporated areas of the County

Today's Agenda

General Overview – Why We're Here

Work Group Introductions

Ground Rules for Participation

Objectives

Break

About Future Meetings & Topics

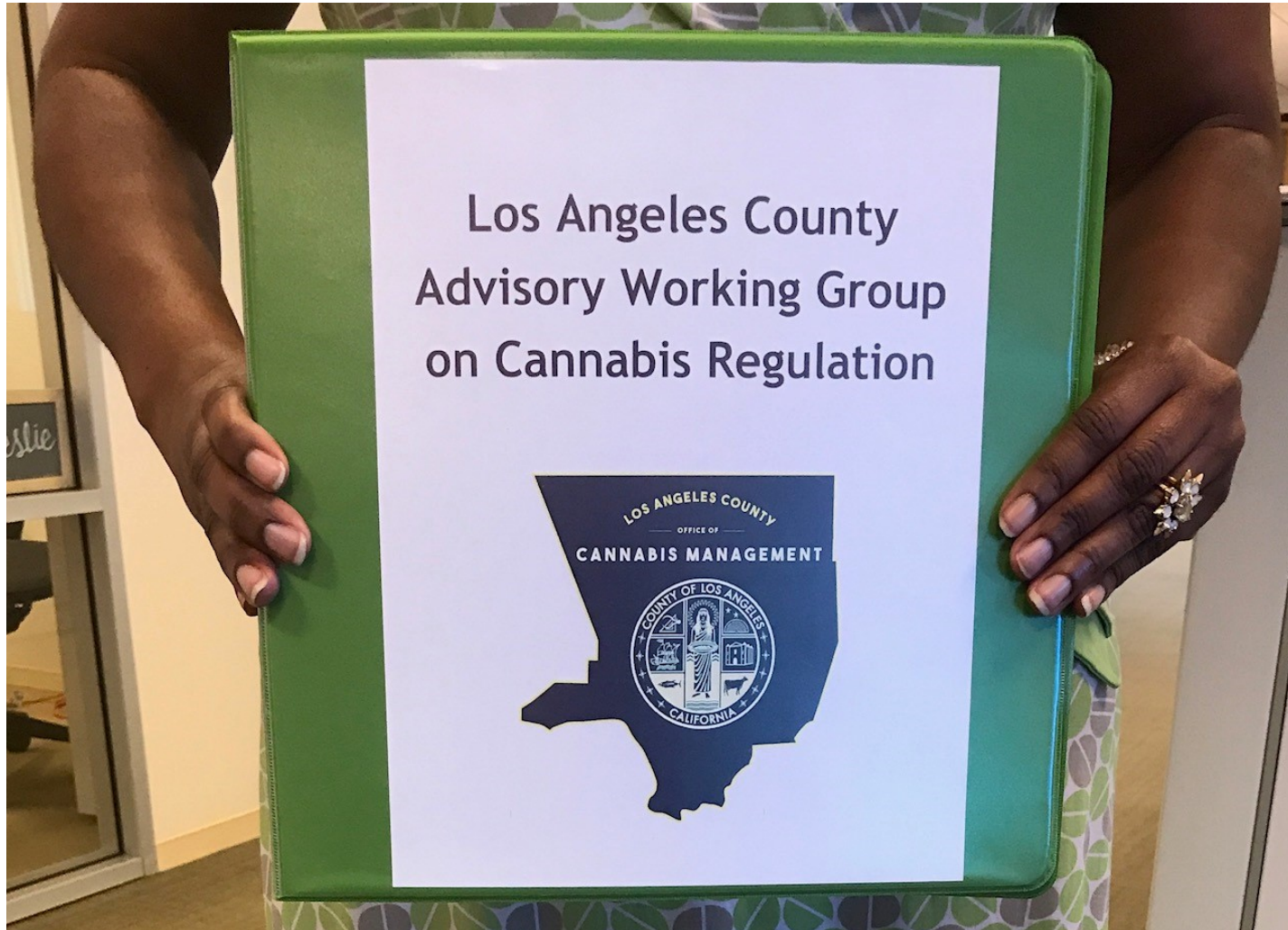
Community Listening Sessions

Your Role in the Larger Process

Public Comments & Questions

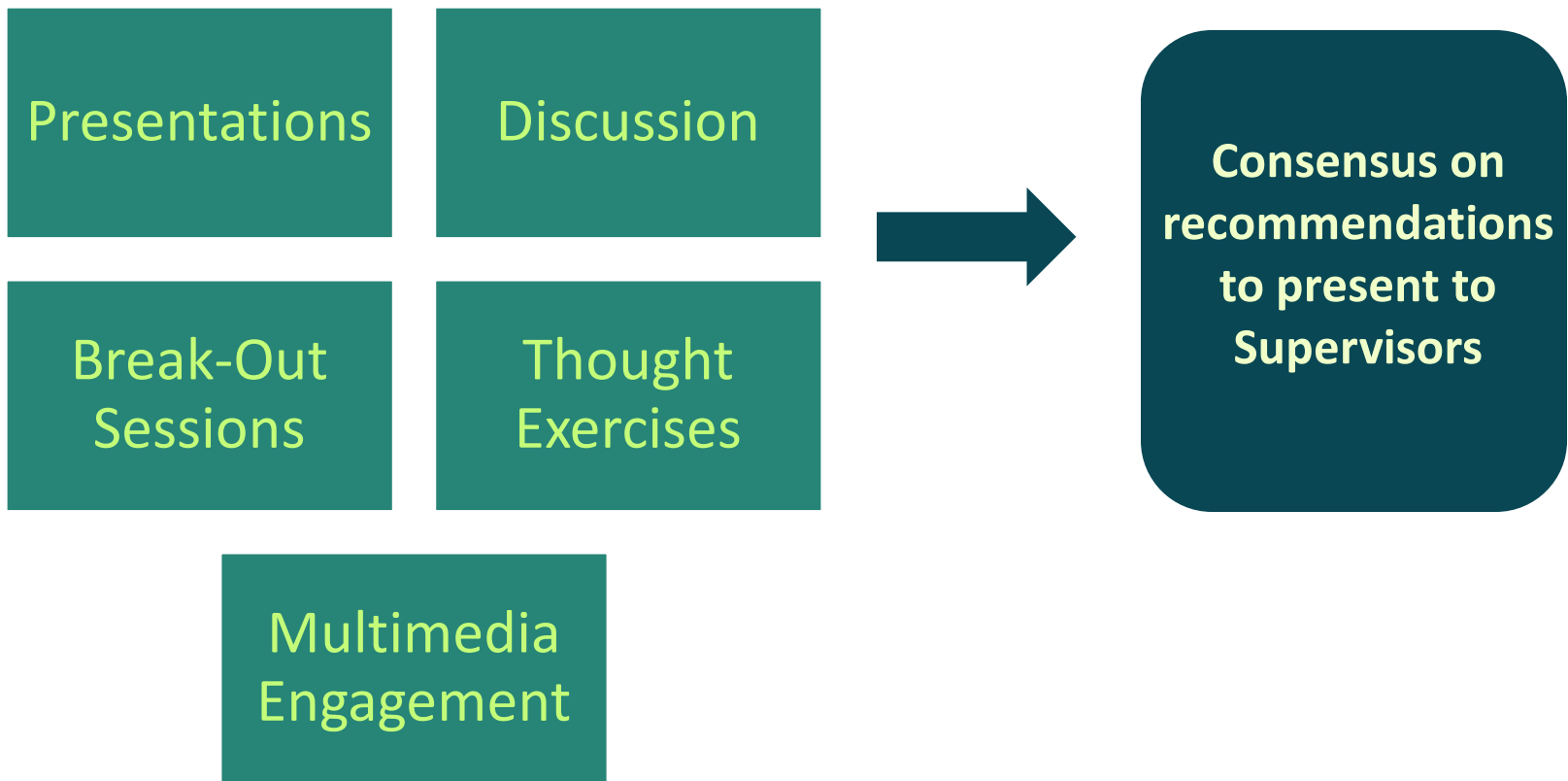


Resource Notebooks



Working Together: Our Process

A **dynamic**, **responsive**, and **fluid** approach. May include:



About Consensus



- Inclusive
- Participatory
- Collaborative
- Agreement Seeking
- Cooperative

Who's Who

Name

Affiliation

Interested in Working Group

What You'll Contribute

What You Hope to Learn

Something NOT From Your Bio

Ground Rules for Participation

Meetings will begin and end **on time**

All actions are considered **public record**

Members will:

- Come **prepared**
- Work **efficiently**
- Be **respectful**
- Work to reach **consensus**
- Act in the interest of the County and its constituents and **not for personal gain**
- Attend **at least one** community listening session

Guiding Principles for Decision-Making

Working group members must maintain these principles when considering recommendations:

- Recommendations must be **consistent with the policies** of the Board of Supervisors, as identified in its cannabis motions dated February 7, 2017.
- Recommendations must be **consistent with state law and regulations**.
- Compliance with regulations must be **achievable, repeatable, and defensible**.
- The County must be able to **enforce compliance with regulations**.
- Monitoring for compliance with regulations must be **achievable, repeatable, and not overly burdensome** or intrusive.

Objectives

Working group members will be asked to demonstrate how each recommendation achieves one or more of the stated objectives

- Prevent underage use
- Prevent adult use & abuse disorders
- Beneficial and equitable health outcomes
- Prevent unlawful production, distribution, and sale of cannabis
- Protect the peace and safety of neighborhoods
- Compatibility with existing neighborhoods

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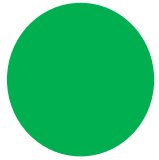
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- Prevent undue burdens on any single community
- Promote positive benefits for communities, especially those disproportionately impacted by historical drug enforcement policies.
- Equity in licensing and cannabis business ownership
- Protect the environment
- Transition to a licensed and compliant cannabis marketplace
- Allow reasonable economic growth for the cannabis industry

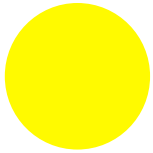
Is anything missing?

- Are there objectives you wish to discuss that have not been specifically identified?

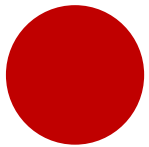
Objectives: What Matters Most?



Most concerned



Neutral



Least concerned

Future Meetings & Topics

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| July 20 | Youth access and exposure |
| July 27 | Public health and safety, and personal cultivation |
| Aug. 3 | Retailers |
| Aug. 10 | Cultivators, manufacturers, and other businesses |
| Aug. 17 | Compliance and taxation |
| Aug. 24 | Licensing, equity, and economic development |

Listening Sessions

Listening sessions are designed to obtain and document **the concerns and desires of community members** regarding cannabis legalization and regulation in their communities

- **18 sessions will be held** throughout the County from July - August
- Six tables or stations will be set up at each meeting that correspond with the following topics:
 - ✓ Rules for retailers, cultivators, manufacturers, and other businesses
 - ✓ Equity in licensing and placement of retail locations
 - ✓ Public health and safety
 - ✓ Youth access and exposure
 - ✓ Personal cultivation
 - ✓ Taxation and revenue use

Listening Sessions: Questions

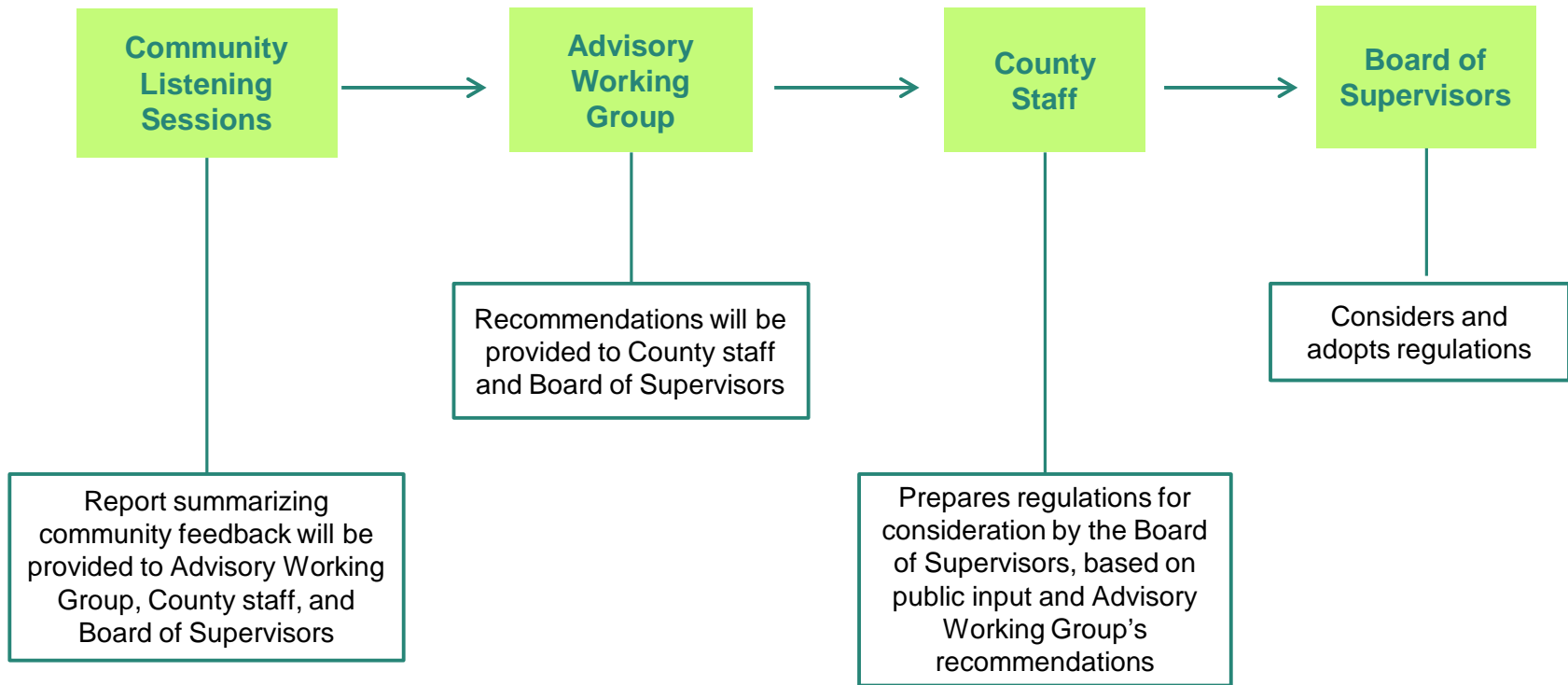
- If you were designing regulations for cannabis, what type of feedback would you want to hear from community members?
- What is the most important thing that you would want community members to take away from listening sessions? How would you ensure that happens?

Perspective

10 percent of the County's population, or approximately one million residents, live in unincorporated areas

If the unincorporated County were a city, it would be the fourth largest city in California by population

Process for Community Engagement & Preparation Of Regulations



What Comes Next



Your feedback (via email)



Meeting summary



Materials for Session 2 - July 20th
[Youth Access and Exposure](#)



Listening Sessions

QUESTIONS & COMMENTS



**THANK YOU
FOR
COMING!**