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Subject: Re: Serene Wellness V, LLC

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To all whom it concerns,

As property owners and frequent part-time residents, please let us offer an opinion on the matter of potentially granting a license for a retail marijuana store within the Town limits of Winter Park.

It is an undisputed fact that many tourists who visit Winter Park, are from out-of-state. And many are young, impressionable visitors - and most all out-of-state visitors come from states where marijuana possession and use remain illegal. Although Colorado has passed the legality of marijuana use in limited fashion, those laws and limits of use are not understood by so many out-of-state visitors and tourists. Easy access to marijuana products in Winter Park would undoubtedly have a large potential adverse effect not only on those visitors, but pose a risk and danger to those who already travel the many dangerous roads of Grand County (especially in winter). And impact those who participate in the often dangerous outdoor activities of skiing, mountain biking, and other strenuous physical outdoor and public activities. To pose the threat of sharing those activities with others who are fully or even partially impaired, is a scary, dangerous, and even legally-threatening affair. We urge the Commissioners and Winter Park Town Council to vigorously oppose any retail marijuana establishment within the Town limits.

Many of the states from which Grand County visitors originate, are very conservative and opposed to marijuana legalization. While Colorado voters may think the recent legalization of marijuana will cause no harm and do wonders for state tourism, I would argue it is a typical crowd of young drifters and riff-raff who regularly use marijuana, and who actually don't bring discretionary money to spend in most of the typical area businesses. It would also drag down the quality of lower-income and seasonal job applicants, those more prone to drug and substance abuse and subsequent unreliability in holding entry-level jobs. If you want to send the right message to Winter Park visitors, the message should be one of the safest potential environment and experiences for out-of-state visitors, full and part-time residents, and one of continued family-friendly values (that already permeates throughout Grand County).

Thank you for the opportunity to express our opinion in this matter.

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