

Indy council considers revisions

Public comments condemn marijuana grow facilities in city limits

By Emily Mentzer
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INDEPENDENCE — The Independence City Council will consider changes to city codes when it comes to marijuana growing and processing centers inside city limits.

"There were a number of areas that they wanted to see heightened regulation," City Manager David Clyne said. "They're definitely interested in seeing more buffers than the minimums required by state law."

The decision to further limit marijuana operations came after hearing public comment at the Aug. 13 council meeting from half a dozen residents with con-

cerns about Blue Collar Farms starting a marijuana growing and processing business on Stryker Road.

Although the city's attorney cautioned both the public and the council against specifically addressing the Stryker Road business application, the majority of complaints were about that business location. Public comments were from people who live near the Independence State Airport in the airport.

Residents expressed concerns over federal marijuana regulations vs. state laws; odor from the marijuana grown; effects on property values; noise regulations; and safety and security.

An attorney representing

Blue Collar Farms said that if the city changes its codes, the council should still allow her client to proceed with his business plan.

The city attorney said a ban or moratorium on marijuana businesses is not possible in Independence because a majority of citizens voted yes on Measure 91 in November 2013.

Councilor Nancy Lodge said she would like to see more buffers around marijuana businesses.

"I would like to see a buffer around just about everything, including residential (areas), schools, preschools, licensed child care facilities — especially residential," Lodge said. "I think we need to have some kind of restriction on as many things as possible. This may not be the time to mention that, but I would

like to see some fundamental changes as quickly as we can."

Councilor Marilyn Morton agreed.

"Even if it's a blanket ordinance that leaves language to be defined more later," she said.

Councilors suggested looking at a buffer of 400 feet. Mayor John McArdle said the council needs to know what that really means in Independence — would it eliminate areas that marijuana businesses could operate in city limits?

City staff will research the councilors' concerns, Clyne said, and bring back the information as soon as possible.

"We will be attempting to get them information in the relatively near future, dependent on the type of change being proposed," he said.

Dallas council tables biz registration

By Jolene Guzman
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DALLAS — A vote implementing a business registration program in Dallas has been postponed one month so the city can get the word out to more businesses.

On Monday, the council was scheduled to vote on an ordinance and resolution setting up the program and associated fees.

Three councilors said after recent feedback and questions about the program — including from two business owners who spoke before the council Monday — that the city needed to do a better job informing the public.

The vote on the program

was postponed until Oct. 17. Before that meeting a work session inviting business owners will be scheduled.

City officials said the purpose of the program is for the city to have basic information about businesses operating in the city, including ownership, location, management, and the storage of hazardous material.

The latter is included to help police and fire services if they have to respond to an emergency.

Councilor Bill Hahn, the city's former fire chief, said access to that information is valuable.

"I've been a proponent of some type of method of keeping track of our businesses," he said.

Donald LeRoy Holbrook

Aug. 4, 1932 - Sept. 14, 2016



Don Holbrook finally got his wish! He went home to be with his heavenly Father and family on September 14, 2016. He would get excited just mentioning the questions he would like answered and the things he would like to see when he was free to leave this earth. He often said that if the Bible only contained the words "In the beginning God..." and "for God so

loved" it would be enough.

Donald LeRoy Holbrook was born August 4, 1932 to Vernon and Mettie Holbrook in Crow Wing County, Minnesota, the first of twelve children in his family, and thus became the big brother. He was married to Corrine Christensen on Sept 5, 1954 in a little Methodist Church in Two Harbors, Minnesota. They had just celebrated their 63rd anniversary.

Don was a master craftsman and a cabinetmaker, and had businesses in Dallas, California, and Colorado. In later years he enjoyed putting in his workshop and creating things from wood, and setting up complete cabinet shops to fit within garages. He was an avid reader and scholar, and could quote many books chapters at a time.

His special pride and joy and shop helper has been his grandson, Thomas. For fun they often worked together on math problems and probability and chance, and in one case, working each step by hand and using 12 pages of paper, they determined how many navy beans fit in a 10 ton truck, and how many truck loads of navy beans it would take to go to the moon and back!

After leaving the air force, and working as a logger in the area where Detroit Dam is now located, he logged in Minnesota and Oregon before going into custom cabinetry. He enjoyed flying his plane with his friends, George Young and Jerry James.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and two brothers, Melvyn and LeRoy.

He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Corrine, and by a son, Steven (Linda) of Dallas, a daughter Tiffany (Jen) of Colorado Springs, his grandson Thomas, brothers James Holbrook of Louisiana, Larry Holbrook; and Chuck (Lori) Holbrook of Dallas. He is also survived by six sisters including Alice (Frank) Pender, Marian (David) Christian, Ruth (Carl) Wright, Joy (Chuck) Sullenger, Fawn (Larry) Merryman, and Kathy Giesbrecht, and numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, October 15, at 2pm, at the Grace Baptist Church, 1855 E Ellendale Ave, Dallas. Farnstrom Mortuary of Independence is providing services to the family.

OBITUARIES

Tina Marie Cedejas

June 12, 1960 – Aug. 24, 2016

Tina Marie Cedejas, 56, of Salem, formerly of Dallas, died Aug. 24, in Portland.

She was born in Torrance, Calif., to John and Rose Marie Rivera Cedejas.



She grew up in San Pedro, Calif. She attended Long Beach City College, where she took

culinary classes.

For many years, Tina worked at an oil refinery as a firewatcher. She also worked at See's Candy and Target and various other companies.

She enjoyed baking, playing games with her family, arts, crafts, music and going to the casino.

She is survived by daughter, Dolores "Lola" Sandoval; sons, Rudy Sandoval, Louie Zuniga and Ramon Aguilar; 11 grandchildren; mother, Rose Padilla; sisters Rosemarie Cedejas and Elaine Cedejas; and brothers, Vince Cedejas, Daniel Milotich and David Milotich.

She was preceded in death by sisters, Carrie Cedejas and Shirley Cedejas; and brother, John "Porky" Cedejas.

Services were held. To leave an online tribute: www.dallastrIBUTE.com.

Daniel 'Danny' Lowe Jr.

Dec. 23, 1967 – Sept. 11, 2016

Daniel "Danny" Lowe Jr., of Monmouth, died unexpectedly on Sept. 11 at Providence Hospital in Everett, Wash., while on a fishing trip.

He was born in Salem.

Celebration of life will be at 2 p.m. on Oct. 23 at the Independence Elks Lodge.

Bollman Funeral Home handled arrangements.

A full obituary will be in

next week's edition of the *Itemizer-Observer*.

Betty Collins

March 23, 1938 – Sept. 15, 2016

Betty Collins, 78, of Dallas, died Sept. 15 in Salem.

She was born in Printer, W.Va., to Flem and Delphia (Haynes) Stepp.

She married James Collins. They were married for 57 years; he died in



2012.

Betty came to the Dallas area in 1978 from California. She enjoyed volunteering for Partnerships in Community Living and attending First Baptist Church.

Betty also liked gardening, doing crossword puzzles and baking her awesome chocolate chip cookies that she was glad to disperse around town.

Survived by sons, Bob, Tom and John; daughter, Mary; 12 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren. Son James Jr.; husband, James; and sister, Zelma all died before she did.

Funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 26, at Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center.

To leave an online tribute: www.dallastrIBUTE.com.

Irene Frances Rose-King

March 17, 1945 – Aug. 30, 2016

Irene Frances Rose-King, 71, died on Aug. 30 in Vancouver, Wash., after a courageous battle with cancer. Irene was born in Dallas to Theodore and Evelyn Gruver.



She spent most of her first 45 years in Dallas where she raised two children, Kevin and

Lisa. Irene worked at several businesses in Dallas and enjoyed many years at the Ben Franklin store where she made dozens of close friends.

Irene married Jerry King in 1990, and moved to Vancouver to be with him. There she was a long-time employee of the Orchards Bird-Boys/High School Pharmacy.

Survivors include her beloved husband, Jerry King; son, Kevin Rose, of Snohomish, Wash.; daughter, Lisa Casavant, of Redmond; stepdaughter, Tyla Wood, of Estacada, and Michele Roberts, of Sheridan; sisters, Doris Stefani and Vivian Gruver, of Dallas, and Shirley Moore, of Crabtree; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and many close and beloved friends.

Interment is pending at Dallas Cemetery.

There will be a special remembrance in early spring at the Dallas City Park.

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Trudy Ione Knutson Dick

Oct. 31, 1956 - Sept. 13, 2016



Trudy Knutson Dick passed away peacefully and quite unexpectedly in her McMinnville home, seated in her

favorite chair. Despite the limitations of cerebral palsy, she led a rich and active life until quite recently. Growing up in Sheridan, she graduated from Sheridan High School and Texas Lutheran College, and pursued graduate studies at Wartburg Seminary in Denver, Colorado, defying all expectations except those of her proud family. She had been employed by the Dallas School District, Goodwill Industries, and Salem Downtown Association. Trudy's former marriage to Tom Dick produced two beautiful daughters, Elizabeth (Ryan) Kackley and son Elias of Jefferson, and Katherine (Josh) Clark of Poulsbo, Washington. She is also survived by brothers Kenneth Knutson, Jr. (Suzanne) of Baltimore, Md.; Bob Lawrence (Tammy) of Albuquerque, N.M.; Brandt (Kathy) Knutson of Vancouver, WA; and sisters Solveig (Jon) Holmquist of Salem and Emilie (Jim) Molloy of Sheridan, along with numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins. Her parents, Ken and Barbara Knutson, and niece Amy Lawrence preceded her in death. A memorial service will be held at 2:00 on Sunday, Sept. 25 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Dallas. Trudy's indomitable spirit and quick wit will be deeply missed. To leave condolences, visit www.macyandson.com.

Ardene Jeanette Barnhart

Nov. 21, 1926 - Sept. 16, 2016



Ardene Jeanette Barnhart, 89, passed away in her home September 16, 2016. She was born November 21, 1926 in Argyle, Minnesota to Thorval and Clara Knutson. In 1932 the family moved to Corvallis where Ardene, who spoke only Norwegian, started school at Mt. Union School. She graduated from Corvallis High School in 1944. While attending college at OCE, she met her husband-to-be, Robert, on a blind date. Ardene taught briefly in McMinnville before they were married on July 31, 1948. They were together for 62 years. Those years took them to ranches in Burns, Oregon and later Hoskins where Ardene cooked for ranch crews, helped with the livestock and raised eight children. It was in her nature to enjoy growing things and her love of family and gardening were ways she expressed it. Ardene and Robert were strong in their Christian faith and were long-time members of Trinity Lutheran Church in Dallas, Oregon. During their retirement years, they served as Gideons. In her final years, Ardene enjoyed fellowshiping at Pedee Church. She loved participating in Bible studies. She was a natural in the kitchen, collected cookbooks, and whenever she was asked about a recipe, she would advise just adding an ingredient until your elbow itched.

Ardene was preceded in death by husband Robert, sister Lorene, and brothers Floyd and Raymond. Those left to celebrate her life are her children, Keith (Patty) Barnhart, Richard (Charlotte) Barnhart, Carol (Ivan) Vierra, Barbara (Gordon) Byers, Daniel (Erin) Barnhart, Clifford (Andrea) Barnhart, Marilyn (Cory) Snively, Timothy (Diana) Barnhart; sisters Norma Olson and Florence Tyler; 20 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

In her final months, Ardene said that in September she thought she would just fly away home. Right on schedule, surrounded by her loving family, she did just that.

Services to be held at 11 am Thursday, Sept. 22, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Dallas, Oregon. Contributions in lieu of flowers can be made to either the Pedee Church or Trinity Lutheran Church youth programs. Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center is caring for the family. www.dallastrIBUTE.com

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