

# Recreational Marijuana

Permanent Regulations

City of Tacoma

Planning & Development Services Department

## PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

Comments due by Friday, Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m.

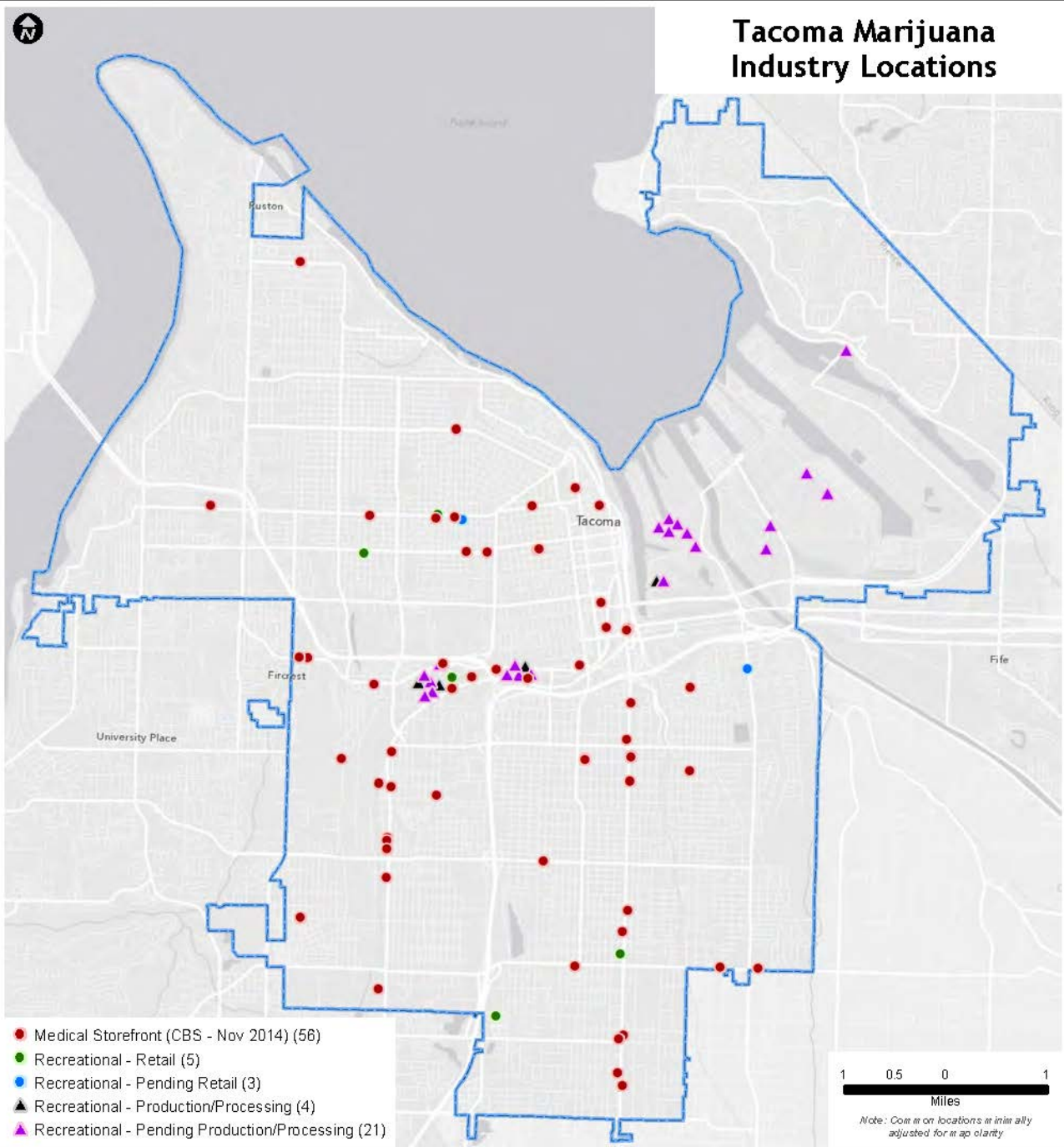
# Initiative 502 (November 2012)

- **Decriminalized possession**
- **Recreational Marijuana:**
  - Production
  - Processing
  - Retail Sales
- **WSLCB Rules:**
  - Licensing Program
  - Protection of Sensitive Uses
  - Security/Tracking, Advertising, Quality Control, State Taxation

# MARIJUANA FACILITIES

Facility	Collectives	State Licensed	Other/Dispensary
Definition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ 3-10 qualifying patients</li> <li>✓ 15 plants/patient, or 45 plants total</li> <li>✓ 24 oz. useable cannabis per patient, or 72 oz. total</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Recreational producers, processors and retailers per RCW 69.50</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Growing and/or selling amounts greater than permitted for collectives</li> <li>✓ No state license</li> <li>✓ Not compliant with collective garden restrictions</li> </ul>
Regulations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Illegal</li> <li>✓ May have affirmative defense under RCW 69.51A</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Per RCW 69.50 and WAC 314-55</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Illegal</li> <li>✓ No regulations</li> </ul>

# Tacoma Marijuana Industry Locations



# Council Direction On Marijuana Enforcement

## ❖ Shut down all unlicensed marijuana operations

- Send letter to all unlicensed marijuana operations that they have 90 days to shut down
- If not closed, use summary suspension process through Tax and License
- Hearing to be held within three business days
- Cannot operate while any appeal pending

# RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA Interim Regulations

- ❖ Adopts state standards and definitions
- ❖ Establishes locations for marijuana businesses:
  - Producers/processors – intensive industrial zones;
  - Retailers – most commercial, mixed-use, industrial, downtown;
  - Prohibited within 1,000 feet of public parks, playgrounds, community centers, libraries, child care centers, schools, game arcades, public transit centers;
  - Retail prohibited within 1,000 feet of correctional facilities, court houses, drug rehab, substance abuse and detox facilities;
- ❖ Standards on odor controls, size, hours of operation, display, signage and advertisement.

# RECREATIONAL MARIJUANA

## Potential Modifications Considered

### ❖ Clarify Applicability

- Newly-licensed businesses must comply with all standards

### ❖ Further Limit Hours of Operation

- Sun-Thurs: 10 am to 9 pm; Fri-Sat: 10 am to 10 pm

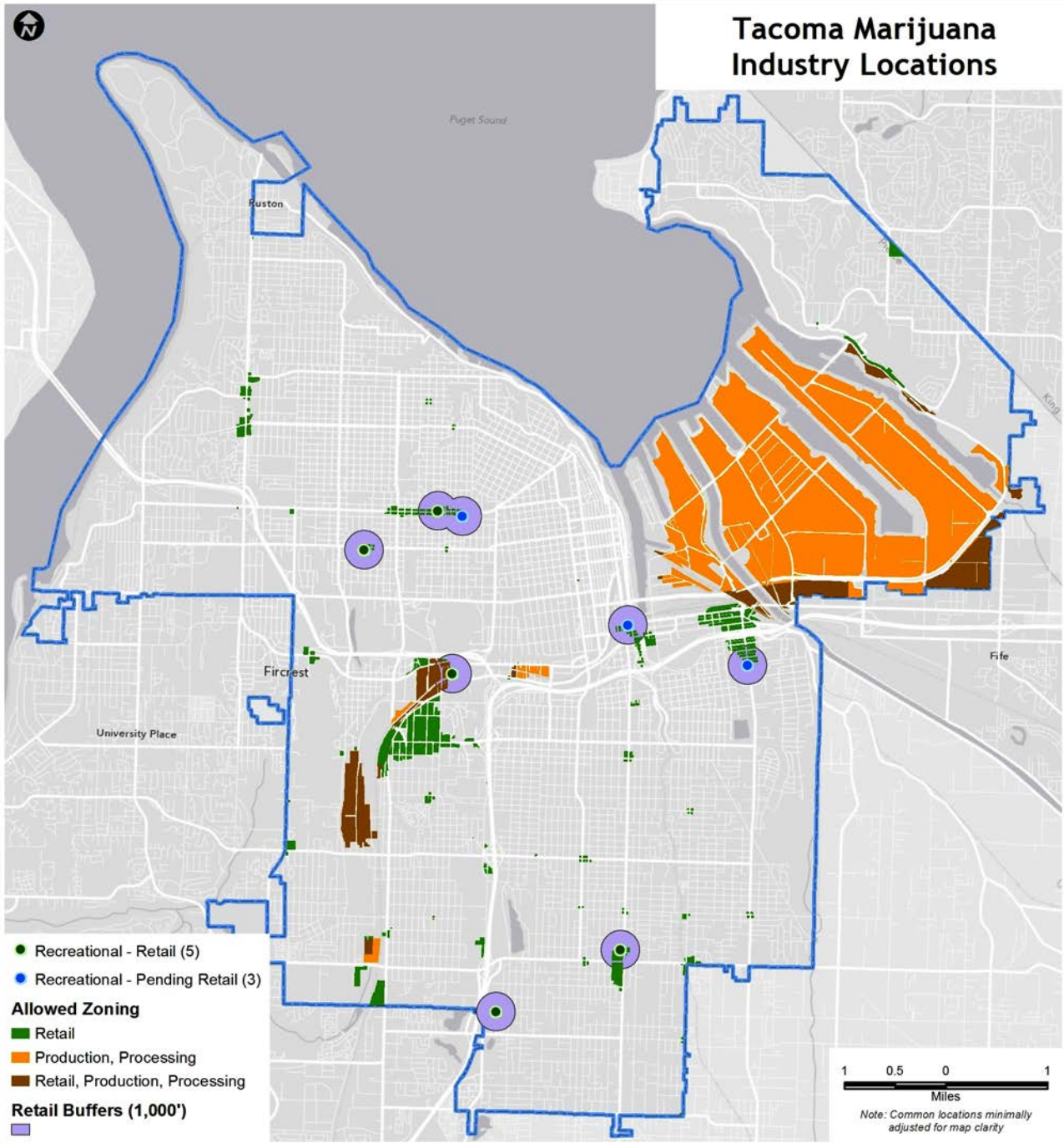
### ❖ Address Concentration

- New retail uses prohibited within 1,000 feet of existing one

### ❖ Establish New Local Review Process

- Confirmation of conformance with local standards
- Coordinate City review and enforcement
- Provide public notification of proposed retail uses
- Authority to deny based on noncompliance with City Code

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# Public Input Summary

- Key issues:
  - Medical marijuana storefronts (number, concentration, not only serving medical needs, affect on recreational marijuana businesses)
  - Concerns about limiting access to medical
  - For/against 1000 foot retail distribution requirement
  - Apply 1000 foot distribution to existing 8 retailers
  - For/against limiting retail hours
  - City review process (internal discussions)
  - Opposed to legalized marijuana
  - Allow production/processing in light industrial zones
  - Apply buffers religious uses

# Next steps

Ongoing – stakeholder outreach

Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> – Council COW on medical enforcement strategy

Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> – Public Hearing

Dec 5<sup>th</sup> – Public Comments due

Dec 17<sup>th</sup> – Planning Commission Recommendation to Council

