



Special Issues: Amendment 64 Committee Action Summary

Monday, July 29, 2013 **3:00 PM** **City & County Building, Room 391**

Committee Members: Brown, Chair; Susman, Vice-Chair; Brooks; Faatz; Herndon;
Kniech; Lehmann; López; Montero; Nevitt; Ortega; Robb;
Shepherd

Committee Staff: Gretchen Williams

Council Members Present: Brown, Faatz, Kniech, Robb, Montero, Lehmann, Lopez, Nevitt,
Susman, Shepherd, Brooks, Herndon, Ortega

Members Absent: None

Presentations

Public Comment on Sales Tax Issues
2 minutes per speaker; total 15 minutes

Black Market: Illegal Sale of Marijuana in Denver
Mitch Morrissey, Denver District Attorney

TABOR Language: "Floating" and Initial Tax Rates
David Broadwell, Assistant City Attorney; Committee Members

A motion, offered by Councilman Brown and duly seconded by Councilwoman Robb, to propose a "floating" retail marijuana sales tax rate range of between 3.5% and a maximum of 15% that Council may adjust without further voter approval passed with the following vote:

AYES: Brown, Robb, Lehmann, Lopez, Susman, Shepherd, Brooks(7)
NAYS: Faatz, Montero, Herndon, Ortega(4)
ABSENT: (None)
ABSTAIN: Kniech, Nevitt(2)

A motion, offered by Councilman Herndon and duly seconded by Councilwoman Ortega, to propose an initial retail marijuana sales tax rate of 5% passed by the following vote:

AYES: Brown, Faatz, Robb, Montero, Lehmann, Herndon, Ortega(7)
NAYS: Lopez, Nevitt, Susman, Shepherd, Brooks(5)
ABSENT: (None)
ABSTAIN: Kniech(1)

Medical Marijuana Sales Tax
Councilwoman Debbie Ortega

Councilwoman Ortega did not propose a sales tax on medical marijuana.

Committee Action on Proposed Sales Tax Rate
To be Referred to the Voters in November

Votes were taken above.