



## **MANAGER RECOMMENDATIONS RE ANNUAL REVIEW OF ADULT USE ORDINANCE PERMITS:**

The City of Buchanan's marihuana adult use ordinance is available on the City website at the following link: <https://bit.ly/3qUAzUy> .

Section 3. A. of the Ordinance sets forth the number of marihuana adult use establishments currently allowed to be issued permit within the City limits, and it is these figures, which are set forth in the chart below, that are up for review and discussion at this time. As City Manager, I recognize the great economic development opportunities that the marihuana industry has brought to the City of Buchanan. I also believe that Buchanan is fortunate to have some of the most respected and professional marihuana businesses in the industry located in our town. All that being said though, everything has its pros and its cons, and there are undoubtedly negative aspects that would arise if too many adult use permits were issued in the City. Consequently, I believe in a slow, measured approach to any consideration of increasing the number of permits allowed under our ordinance. I also agree with the recommendation of our Community Development Director Rich Murphy that the type of permits where I would recommend an increase would be in the grow and processing arena, as opposed to retail. I also agree with Director Murphy's recommendation that the number of permits be increased as follows: increase the number of available Adult Use and Medical Class C Grow permits and Processing permits by 5 each, and designate the second meeting in November as the time each year that the City Commission will conduct an annual review of the number of permits authorized under its adult use ordinance (as is required in Section 3. D. of the ordinance).

**Recommended Motion-** *"I move to increase the number of available Adult Use and Medical Class C Grow permits and Processing permits by 5 each, and also designate the second meeting in November as the time each year that the City Commission will conduct a once annual review of the number of permits authorized under its adult use ordinance."*