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Question/Comment

To the Members of the City Council,

I am writing to share my perspective regarding the proposed Sutter Hill marijuana dispensary. Having listened to the public comments at the May 18th meeting, it is clear that a vocal, highly organized group is dominating the narrative. However, they do not speak for the entire community. Because many supporters are working residents under the age of 60, they simply lack the time to attend these evening meetings. To ensure truly representative local governance, we must find a better way to engage the broader community and gauge what the actual majority desires.

While some opponents' concerns may be valid, those same objections could easily be applied to the tasting rooms and wineries that continue to pop up throughout the county and on Main Street. Furthermore, many community members who support the dispensary for its financial benefits remain silent out of fear of public backlash from their neighbors.

The critical point being overlooked is that blocking this dispensary will not stop cannabis use in our community; rather, a regulated dispensary will ensure it is sold and consumed safely. While the economic boost to our city is a major priority, I also know many residents who genuinely rely on safe, local access for medical reasons. I urge the council to consider these silent voices in your final decision.

