

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers
Gary Halbert, Interim City Manager
Shawn Hagerty, City Attorney

FROM: James Jeffries, City Clerk

DATE: July 8, 2025

SUBJ: Updated Meeting Materials – July 8, 10, and 11, 2025, Special Meeting

PUBLIC HEARING:

- (1) Public Hearing for the Selection of Up to Four Retail Commercial Cannabis Businesses (CCBs) with Up to Four Alternate CCBs and Finding the Action Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15303. (Planning and Building – Sawa)**

The attached correspondence for the above-mentioned Item was received by 7:00 a.m. on July 8, 2025, and is provided for your consideration.

From: [Daniel Bickford](#)
To: [CityClerk](#)
Subject: Cannabis Permitting Letter
Date: Sunday, July 6, 2025 5:13:42 PM
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Letter in support of Culture Cannabis Club attached.

Thank you,

Daniel M. Bickford



July 4th, 2025

Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of Santee
10601 Magnolia Avenue
Santee, California 92071

RE: Cannabis Permitting

I have been active in the Santee community for quite a while. I am proud of the numerous local issues I've been involved with. I've held many positions with community service nonprofits within our city, including my current position on a City committee. I feel I have the pulse of the Santee community and the business community.

The city of Santee is in the process of permitting companies for retail cannabis. I support this process. I specifically urge to council to grant at least one permit to Culture Cannabis Club.

Culture Cannabis Club has been involved with the Santee Community for approximately two years. And I especially like the fact that the main contact person has Santee roots, grew up here and went to school here. There is no doubt in my mind that if they are granted a permit, they will always do what is best for Santee.

I strongly urge the council to grant a permit to Culture Cannabis Club.

Sincerely,



Daniel Bickford
Involved Santee Citizen

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From: [Ben Goodall](#)
To: [CityClerk](#)
Subject: Culture Cannabis Club support letter
Date: Monday, July 7, 2025 7:12:59 AM
Attachments: [BRW8CC84B71234B_000433.pdf](#)

Hello,

Please find a copy of my letter of support for Culture Cannabis Club attached.

Thank you,
Ben

July 7, 2025

Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of Santee
10601 Magnolia Avenue
Santee, California 92071

RE: Cannabis Permitting

Dear Mayor and Councilmembers,

I am a proud resident of the City of Santee. Over the years, I have lived in several parts of the city, including Halberns Boulevard and now in the Weston development. When deciding where to raise my family, I gave the decision careful thought, and I am confident that choosing Santee was the right choice.

As the City moves forward with permitting businesses for retail cannabis, I want to express my support for this process. In particular, I encourage the Council to grant at least one permit to Culture Cannabis Club.

I have had the opportunity to meet and speak with the main representative of Culture Cannabis Club on numerous occasions. They have been a consistent and positive presence at community events — from Chamber of Commerce gatherings to fire station open houses and more. I was especially pleased to see their support for the recent ballot initiative related to our fire services.

I strongly urge the Council to grant a permit to Culture Cannabis Club.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ben Goodall', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ben Goodall

[Redacted]
Santee, CA 92071