Q12 Please share any other comments you have -- about restriction ideas, concerns, or other issues -- related to the new medical marihuana licenses.

Answered: 259 Skipped: 448

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Comment #8: don't have at all	11/9/2017 1:06 PM
2	It alters the brain no one should have to breathe it! Birth to age 28 adverse effects - brains. Early childhood and children's are damaged. It is a dreadful idea to permit medical marihuana. Those of us who choose to keep our brain well and thinking clearly should not have to breathe the chemicals all around us! The marihuana destroys and alters the brain developing babies, children, young people and young adults and all individuals. God forgive those who are, have been or will be in favor of having licensesand any part of it. Our world will have a decline in intelligence, rational thinking, and lost of following the law which keeps us safe! It is a gateway to more dangerous addictive drugs. I have seen the destructive consequences of drugs on babies, children, young people, young adults.	11/9/2017 7:55 AM
3	do not do this just to chase the money, it will result in costs higher than the return	11/8/2017 6:05 AM
4	Comment #10: yes, limit the number to 0 General Comment: Don't Allow!	11/7/2017 1:51 PM
5	Comment #8: Same as alcohol Comment #11: Same as alcohol General Comment: Same as liquor	11/7/2017 1:49 PM
6	Comment #8: except from churches	11/7/2017 1:48 PM
7	Prohibit this business!	11/7/2017 1:46 PM
8	Should not be allowed period!	11/7/2017 1:45 PM
9	Comment #9: 'yes' as in 0.	11/7/2017 1:45 PM
10	Comment #2: We happy	11/7/2017 1:44 PM
11	I do not support any sale of it at all!	11/7/2017 1:42 PM
12	Comment #8: N/A Shouldn't have at all! Comment #9: N/A Don't have at all!! Comment #10: N/A Don't have at all Comment #11: N/A Don't have at all!! General Comment: Are you serious!!! Don't need/ want all of this!!!	11/7/2017 1:37 PM
13	Comment # 8: Prohibit Period Comment # 9: Keep it in California Comment # 10: Limit to none Comment # 11: Regulate so they are not allowed	11/7/2017 1:31 PM
14	Comment #8: Except Churches and Residential areas. Patients get amount free to allow them to grow and sell the remainder amounts.	11/7/2017 1:23 PM
15	It's dope, stupid. Self medication is unsafe for people and the victims of their drug-related activities.	11/7/2017 1:19 PM
16	Comment #9: I don't want legalization. Comment #11: No legalization. I agree with checked items only if ordinance passes. Someone I know that uses marijuana for medical reasons cannot function properly because of its effect on their memory. Their memory is severely affected by medical marijuana. It also affects their ability to drive; to remember to take their other medication; and to remember to eat. Please consider the consequence before allowing this action of legalization. Our city has enough to worry about, let's not add to it.	11/7/2017 1:18 PM
17	There are way to many people now that do drugs-we need control on that also. If passed hope that there is better control than there is on welfare scams!	11/7/2017 8:30 AM
18	We must take advantage of this financial opportunity. Not only will the tax dollars increase, but the city spending to police, prosecute, oversee and jail current offenders must stop. Let's be leaders in this area because it will come sooner or later.	11/6/2017 10:07 AM
19	They always grow more than they should. Next, our kids will be getting the marihuana from their parents growing businesses, and sharing with their friends.	11/5/2017 5:39 PM

20	I pray the City of Battle Creek; would not make restrictions so regulated that it makes it nearly impossible for one to attain a license and conduct business. If all goes well in this business, it would create many new job's and help to restore the quality of many lives.	11/5/2017 3:26 PM
21	I personally hate marijuana, but it is somewhat legal now, and I don't think it should be the focus of law enforcement or what fills our prisons. And they should not be limited any more than a business such as Kellogg's is.	11/5/2017 11:27 AM
22	I have heard the comparison made to alcohol. There are some distinct differences. One is that people can come to work under the influence of marijuana and while not overtly seen, their performance with anything from large machinery in a factory to the welfare of children in a daycare is compromised. Continuing with this line of reasoning in decision making in this community leads people to believe that anything that a group of people find acceptable can be made into a law regardless of the affectsdirect or indirectif the government can be found to have a benefit (however contrived).	11/4/2017 5:50 PM
23	Comment # 8: N/A I said No Comment #10: NONE Comment #11: By not allowing General Comment: We have enough societal problems w/o my gov't getting in the weed business by being involved.	11/3/2017 6:46 AM
24	Comment #8: "1,000ft from provisioning centers. 500ft from all others." Comment #10: "Zoning reg & setbacks will do this naturally."	11/3/2017 6:37 AM
25	No survey submitted but comment received: We don't need drugs. Marijuana can be smelled down my street. Last year, a person died in my driveway from an overdose.	11/3/2017 6:33 AM
26	No survey submitted but general comment received: "Happy medicinal will be available when needed. (FDA not happy with) Has back surg. & arthritis cannot get drugs that you need. MMA helps."	11/3/2017 6:30 AM
27	No survey submitted but general comment received: "In favor of it local in Battle Creek. Has PTSD suffer with metal in her leg. It eliminates pain/ use as need. Currently, goes to Kalamazoo etc. to get marihuana as she has no caregiver."	11/3/2017 6:28 AM
28	Written response to #9: No Locations Written response to #11: Do not allow in the city General comment: We already have too many problems in our city.	11/3/2017 6:23 AM
29	Create at least 75 jobs @ 15.00 hr - no tax breaks! Employees & owners no felony convic in last 10 yrs.	11/3/2017 6:20 AM
30	Just don't get involved at all.	11/3/2017 6:19 AM
31	I will move out of B.C. if there is a business near me growing marihuana.	11/2/2017 2:54 PM
32	Don't pass this. Our city has enough problems. Get into drug industry. Concentrate on our youth and moral well being.	11/2/2017 2:52 PM
33	This can be used for chronic back pain, instead of opioids.	11/2/2017 2:45 PM
34	No marihuana at all in city	11/2/2017 2:35 PM
35	It will get rid of man made drugs	11/2/2017 2:33 PM
36	Do not allow the use of marihuana in B.C.! Medical Marihuana is a farce!	11/2/2017 2:28 PM
37	Keep them away of Battle Creek	11/2/2017 2:23 PM
38	#9 surveyor chose both 'Yes-prohibit either 500 or 1,000 feet' and 'No-do not prohibit from the listed locations'	11/2/2017 9:56 AM
39	Let the people of BC spend their money in BC.	11/2/2017 9:43 AM
40	#8 Don't allow at all! #9 Don't allow period! #10 to "0" Totally against medical marijuana in B.C.	11/2/2017 9:39 AM
41	This survey dues not provide total objection to the introduction of marihuana enterprises in BC and relates only to location restrictions, operation hours etc. We don't need any more drugs in BC PERIOD!!	11/2/2017 8:38 AM
42	please spell it correctly in your survey. Totally not what I expected when voting for medical marijuana as I've heard other people say too.	11/2/2017 8:34 AM
43	City Commissioner should be ashamed to spending time on this kind of thingmore important things to "fix" in the Citydisgusting just trying to be "politically correct" Please do the "right" thing and deny all of this!!!!!! David I. Oursler 269.969.0324	11/2/2017 8:03 AM

CoBC Medical Marihuana Survey

44	It would be an excellent way to increase badly needed revenue in our city.	11/1/2017 3:45 PM
45	I think this is long over due. Not only will it increase tax revenue it will reduce the amount of people unnecessarily jailed in calhoun county.	11/1/2017 2:09 PM
46	I think this could be a great opportunity for those in our community in regards to employment/business ownership.	11/1/2017 12:06 PM
47	This while concept is as dangerous for our youth, crime, and against federal law.	11/1/2017 9:21 AM
48	None Allowed!!!	11/1/2017 9:14 AM
49	I know that marihuana, legal or illegal, is a gateway drug to harder drugs from my own experience. So I am opposed to letting more of it in Battle Creek.	10/31/2017 10:10 PM
50	Just don't allow at all	10/31/2017 2:36 PM
51	I have been a long time resident of Battle Creek and would like to see the industry embraced, with that being said I think there should be some regulations on locations. One of my concerns as a hopeful grower is that limiting grow facilities to industrial zoning will leave very few properties available for use as much of the industrial falls in Springfield. My proposed fix would be to look into the use of agricultural land as well with regulations on waste water disposal.	10/31/2017 10:24 AM
52	I have a medical marihuana card. I use it occasionally, vaporizing the product so I won't face the dangers of smoking tobacco cigarettes. It helps my migraine headache pain. I do not get any psychotropic benefit; it's for pain relief. I have advanced degrees and a high-level job. Please don't stigmatize me for needing medicine.	10/31/2017 3:21 AM
53	i think this is a huge opportunity for the community and this is something we've needed for a long time.	10/30/2017 2:23 PM
54	I would like to see the restrictions even be 1500 ft from schools, daycares, etc.	10/30/2017 12:16 PM
55	I am against this all the way. We don't need this in our community	10/30/2017 9:01 AM
56	High taxes on product. Decrease property taxes	10/30/2017 7:39 AM
57	Get over it there are so many good uses for this stop the crap Even tho I don't use. It helps people & this takes it out of the black market!!!	10/30/2017 7:38 AM
58	NO MARIHUANA PERIOD	10/30/2017 7:34 AM
59	More problems for Michigan!	10/30/2017 7:33 AM
60	Keep out of B.C. Completely!	10/30/2017 7:32 AM
61	We do NOT need medical marihuana Business in Battle Creek!	10/30/2017 7:31 AM
62	This is the last thing we need in this city	10/30/2017 7:15 AM
63	All taxes from such business should be used to fund substance abuse treatment facilities.	10/30/2017 7:11 AM
64	It's use (marihuana) is corrupting the 'thinking' and outlook of my 18 yr. old son. Please-DO NOT PERMIT. A very concerned parent 10/20/6	10/30/2017 7:05 AM
65	Comment on 9: Too Many	10/30/2017 7:03 AM
66	Do not approve of it.	10/30/2017 7:02 AM
67	Comment #8: "or further or simple don't allow." Comment #9: "or simply don't allow." Comment #10: "or don't allow" Comment #11: "or don't allow" General comment: "Bad idea, now more people won't work. Business do not want liability!!"	10/30/2017 7:00 AM
68	This would be a wonderful opportunity to bring revenue to our city, and hopefully revitalize it.	10/29/2017 7:39 AM
69	I wouldn't see as much of a problem with selling through another business, such as a larger market, or pharmacy.	10/28/2017 11:45 AM
70	I think it's a great idea for Battle Creek to have these types of businesses! Our community will definitely benefit from medical marihuana.	10/27/2017 12:33 PM
71	I personally know someone who is using marijuana for medical purposes, but she is abusing it and using it when she doesn't need it. I just don't see how medical marijuana can be a good idea.	10/26/2017 5:41 PM

72	I am heavily concerned about any restrictions due to proximity of Churches. Our United States Constitution holds the view and practice of separating Church and State. Any restrictions based on "Moral" constrictions is in violation of this value and law. Restrictions of such goes beyond the value of Individual rights; in fact, it bleeds into the Economic sector, which has can have unforeseen consequences of opportunity evaporate. When an overwhelming majority had approved this law, The Will of the People had spoken on this issue. Elections have consequences. If one willing chooses to sell-out to limited lobbyist, then the electorate will take notice and take action.	10/26/2017 1:39 PM
73	Do not make business prohibitive for an industry that would provide services and goods that citzens want. Plus the extra revenue for the city would be beneficial (the city does get an extra cut for the operations right?????? I sure hope so)	10/25/2017 7:13 PM
74	The truly sad part about medical marijuana is the non-protection of the individual who needs it. In other words, if someone really needs it for their health, their place of employment should not be allowed to fire an individual for it UNLESS it is proven that they are too high to perform.	10/25/2017 7:47 AM
75	The crime in this city is a GREAT concern. Introducing something that is known to be addictive is just plain silly. We can't handle our problems now and it will just increase.	10/24/2017 2:17 PM
76	Just legalize it and skip this foolishness	10/24/2017 12:47 PM
77	This drug dulls the senses like alcohol. How much does drunk driving cost us each year in lives and property?	10/24/2017 10:21 AM
78	It's just time to embrace the many health benefits and difuse the stigma.	10/23/2017 8:33 PM
79	Terrible idea! Need to take sufficient time for community awareness and input. Do not proceed without major support from community. Most are unaware. Don't do this. Dumb idea. Many more negatives than positives.	10/23/2017 5:47 PM
80	This city's Archaic stance on marijuana laws is ridiculous. Loss of tax revenues from dispensaries and related facility's by now in millions of dollars.	10/23/2017 7:25 AM
81	as with any business, regulations(not over regulated) should be in place please use common sense and give licences	10/22/2017 8:17 PM
82	I do not want this in my community!	10/22/2017 3:58 PM
83	Please make sure the licences awarded (for any stage of the process) reflect the demographics of the community. I would like to see equitable access to licences. If BC decides to allow marijuana facilities, commissioners who vote against allowing them should recuse themselves from decisions involving awarding of licences.	10/21/2017 1:17 PM
84	I am not opposed to medical or even recreational use of marihuana not that I personally use it. I feel it should be regulated similar to alcohol. I would prefer to see the hours of operation restricted to 8am to midnight. I would also prefer any processing facilities be restricted to industrial zoned areas and limit the number of storefront permits and locations to commercial zoned areas. I would be strongly opposed to having any of these operations in residentially zoned areas.	10/21/2017 7:38 AM
85	I am happy to see this idea come up for discussion and feel it's a valid one with possible revenue generated to support our City community. I'd like to see if any of the commisoners have explored how other cities/states regulate marijuana with successful revenue for both business and city. I feel like this has possibility of being a positive endeavor for our city if we as a city look into it as a business endeavor and not a criminal one instead.	10/20/2017 2:16 PM
86	I think the only restriction should be around schoolsbut I also think that should apply to alcohol and tobacco.	10/20/2017 7:20 AM
87	We should not allow it at all, and this questionnaire seems to be promoting it in a positive "it will happen" format. your questions about distances to schools and businesses it the perfect example, there isn't a choice for don't allow at all! and that is my true answer to all of those question above. A facility 1001 feet from a school or business would still be allowed to operate, that extra foot will make no difference to someone who wants to obtain it illegally. I am totally opposed to this proposal and urge the city to reject it completely!	10/20/2017 5:10 AM
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88	It will drive alot of local business and should be aloud.	10/19/2017 2:30 PM

90	Short of building security and hours of operation, I think the city should allow the medical marihuana industry to grow before heavily regulating it. Regulations can be enforced whenever, but if you limit the abilities of an industry before it has a chance to take off, you are limiting its potential. That is to say, you will never know a person potential if you chain them down before they can walk. Give em a chance; if something doesn't work for the best, then regulate it.	10/19/2017 11:30 AM
91	Medicine should be readily available to those who need it.	10/19/2017 7:34 AM
92	I hope this could be a business community for BC that's accepting and economy generating. If we think creatively beyond the "production/selling" side - we can open up all kinds of opportunities like pain clinics, or recreational shops it would bring people in from all over the state. I hope we get out of the mindset of strict regulations on everything and let businesses and innovation grow if anyone needs it, this town is it.	10/19/2017 7:14 AM
93	Please but the focus to generating more revenue for the City that will benefit the citizens. What is the status of the Areospace options? Ask the Military to return to our community. Bring IT companies to our City. NO TO MARIHUANA!!!!!!	10/18/2017 2:41 PM
94	instead of worrying about the abuse of opioids, allowing medical marijuana to treat medical conditions could alleviate that use/abuse.	10/18/2017 2:02 PM
95	There is enough evidence to show that even if marijuana can have some positive effects for pain control, there is also evidence of detriments to health of future generations. It is hard to see kids suffer maladies because their parent(s) smoked marijuana. This is so sad.	10/17/2017 9:12 AM
96	There will be lots of interest in Battle Creek for this industry. To be fair and to eliminate any perception of misconduct, I strongly suggest a lottery system be enacted to order the applicants	10/16/2017 4:52 PM
97	I really don't think that patients should have to have license it's alot of money but I totally think it should be legal every where I live in Augusta Michigan	10/15/2017 6:49 PM
98	The only reason this is happening is to capitalize on the money that can be made. Just legalize it and everyone wins.	10/15/2017 5:53 PM
99	Let the people decide the restrictions.	10/15/2017 4:03 PM
100	I believe this would be a start to helping the economy here in Battle Creek. I also believe marijuana would actually benefit the crime rate as well here. Having these sorts of plants be used for what they are intended for is good for the consumers and would create more job opportunities for people seeking employment or another source of income.	10/15/2017 3:13 PM
101	This city has enough internal and budgetary problems w/o adding more that it can't control and that will be a negative to decent people who might consider living in this community! We have blight and drug dealers to handle as it islet's get realistic about this and stop catering to a few to the detriment of the most!	10/15/2017 2:35 PM
102	Bars can operate anywhere	10/15/2017 1:58 PM
103	Better economy	10/15/2017 12:15 PM
104	The largest problem facing the medical marihuana issue is government over regulating, interfering, and red tape. Areas where marijuana/marihuana are allowed have seen a decrease in the opiode epidemic up to 25% decreases in lost lives! Prohibition has never worked. We don't want to go back to the days of "bath tub gin", "coat hanger abortions" and "parking lot drug deals" to get our medication! Lake Effect in Portage has a monopoly in southwest Michigan and has been gouging patients just like Big Pharma did with tripling the price of meds. Bring marihuana businesses to Battle Creek and help patients have a better quality of life! I was a college educator for 30 years. I am now disabled after fighting breast cancer. Medical marihuana helped me survive breast cancer and keeps me from having to take over 1,000 Norco per year!!!! (3 pain pills per day x 365 days)	10/15/2017 12:10 PM
105	Battle Creek police department need to focus on things other than always closing down dispensaries. All they are doing is making medical marijuana card holders have to travel outside of the city of Battle Creek to get their medication	10/15/2017 12:00 PM
106	This Is A Safe Medicine For All. Benefits For Everyone & All Ages. Even Saving Life's Of Kids With CBD. Allow Children Access To Marijuana With Adult Consent.	10/15/2017 11:19 AM
107	We need to embrace this change. Battle Creek has always been known for the medical advancement at the turn of the century. Which brought us the cereal industry a industry that has slowly been leaving us since before the turn of the new century. So it's time for our great city to make great changes for the century	10/15/2017 11:02 AM

108	I think it's a great idea. It will bring in more tourism and help the city grow.	10/15/2017 10:58 AM
109	Regardless if what the City, County or State decide about growing/selling/using marijuana, it is still ILLEGAL at the Federal levelmore effort should be used to change that - including research, testing and even the FDA regulated manufacture of CBDs to ensure appropriate and consistent dosing and safety	10/15/2017 10:11 AM
110	A lot of people can benefit from this. I know people that have terminal cancer that have severe nausea so much that they are in physical pain. Marihuanna has been proven to be effective at treating nausea with fewer side effects than most perscription anti-nausea drugs. Not only does it help them with nausea/vomiting, but it also gets them to eat which is a good thing, because that's another symptom of chemotherapy. Overall though, I don't see despenseries as anymore harmful than your local liquor store. It should be regulated though to an extent.	10/15/2017 9:53 AM
111	I think it is a great idea and a good way for the city to make money	10/15/2017 9:46 AM
112	This state has had medicinal marijuana laws in the books for several years now and it is beyond time that our city commission begins to work in favor of the rights of the citizens of this community to give them safe access marijuana. These decisions should be made based on facts and scientific research and not on misguided personal opinion. In states that have regulated marijuana and have taken steps to make it widely available to adults teenage use has dropped, crime rates have dropped, and the products have become cleaner and safer for use. This is also a great opportunity for the city to receive income from business taxes, however I strongly oppose stronger or additional taxes on marijuana related businesses simply due to the type of business they operate, they should be taxed fairly and equally just the same as other unrelated businesses. It is time our city moves in line with state laws that permit marijuana businesses and provide a safe and reliable means to access it, there are several cities in this state that have successfully allowed the operation of marijuana businesses for several years, Ann Arbor being a fine example of how these businesses can successfully be a part of our community.	10/15/2017 8:36 AM
113	This needs to be done, it cant be done fast enough.	10/15/2017 8:31 AM
114	We need available dispensaries. The people shouldnt have to struggle to get their medication.	10/15/2017 8:29 AM
115	No extra comments	10/15/2017 7:31 AM
116	Marijuana is safer than man made medications, alcohol, and cigs.	10/15/2017 6:55 AM
117	Only concern I have is that people will not see the overall health benefits and increase in money flow for our city! With schools steadly closing there doors I think this would be a very good way to help fund the things we as battle creek residents are losing and going without because of budget issues!!! Plus easier access for medical marihuana card holders to obtain their medicine! THANKS!	10/15/2017 6:48 AM
118	Full legalization is coming in 2018. The laws regarding medical cannabis won't matter soon.	10/15/2017 5:43 AM
119	This will bring much needed money to the area	10/15/2017 5:10 AM
120	I know that it already gets in the wrong hands from people who are able to buy it medically. I worry that with it being sold here, that would increase. With that more crime, accidents, theft, etc. More over people using it who do not have a medical marihuana license.	10/15/2017 4:27 AM
121	I would like to see a very limited number of provisioning centers and limited licensing of these facilities. I also would like to see provisioning centers in underdeveloped areas instead of downtown or in main shopping districts. A provisioning center in the main downtown sends the wrong message about the use of drugs in general to the community.	10/15/2017 4:19 AM
122	We could benefit from the taxes, but crime is another issue	10/15/2017 1:01 AM
123	Marihuana should not be permitted into Michigan!	10/14/2017 2:01 PM
124	I believe medical marijuana has numerous health benefits as well as benefits towards the city of Battle Creek.	10/14/2017 9:04 AM
125	people driving under the influence. crimes committed at the facilities; for money or the product.	10/13/2017 8:51 AM
126	Seems like it might be something that would bring more business opportunities to Battle Creek. With so many business closing/moving out, it seems like an ideal tome to try something new to	10/12/2017 9:15 PM
	boost the economy and attract young adults to Eric around.	

128	In a city plagued with mentally ill veterans, we have much to gain by utilizing the tested method of marijuana on PTSD. The propaganda war of the past on marihauna has been time and time again debunked. As long as there are careful license checks, there is no more risk to children than alcohol sales. I believe we have little to lose and everything to gain by introducing medical marihuana licenses.	10/12/2017 7:20 PM
129	No matter what your personal beliefs are regarding marijuana, be sure to keep in mind this is a medicine for very sick people. Its already bad enough that at current pharmacies sick people have to walk to the back of the store to get their legally, doctor prescribed medication, while perfectly healthy people can get their unhealthy vices (cigarettes,beer, lotto, liquor) at the front of the store. Meanwhile legal, State Licensed Medicial Maijuana patents haven't been able to legally obtain their medication anywhere in this city for the past 10 years. Sensible,reasonable regulation and enforcement without infringing or violating the rights of the patients or the business owners. Its 2017, the voters spoke loud and clear on the ballot when passing this. Its more than time for the city commission to get their act together and start supporting the will of the voters and the medical marijuana patients whom are having to incur an additional undue burdon, by having to travel out of the community to get their medicine. The moratorium has been extended once already and since the expiration of the moratorium there's been no change or effort by the commission to do anything to start bringing Battle Creek in to the 21st century and start allowing Medical Marijuana facilities in the city.	10/12/2017 5:20 PM
130	The easier it is to buy legally the fewer drug cases will be filling up court rooms and jails at tax payer expense	10/12/2017 12:35 PM
131	I feel it's a slippery slopedo not want to go the way of Colorado.	10/12/2017 12:16 PM
132	We are talking about MEDICAL Marihuana! Stress to all concerned, we are working off of new discoveries about the positive effects this has for patients! By stressing this, you diminish the temptation to experiment with marihuana. We've tried to combat marihuana for more then 80 years by criminalizing it. How about a more enlightened, (and cheaper), approach to dealing with it.	10/12/2017 12:15 PM
133	Focus on viewing this as any other business.	10/12/2017 10:26 AM
134	It will be a big asset to Battle Creek and the economy.	10/11/2017 10:21 PM
135	I look forward to the day when this business is welcomed into our city. I do not consume or smoke this drug but strongly feel it is a valuable medicinal product that is far safer than countless pHARMa drugs prescribed. This can and will generate a great deal of revenue for the city and should be allowed and welcomed.	10/11/2017 8:46 PM
136	none	10/11/2017 5:26 PM
137	let free enterprise loose. no restrictions for all citizens 21 years of age or older.	10/11/2017 4:14 PM
138	It's Marijuana not marihuana. Glad whoever made this servey can spell.	10/11/2017 3:55 PM
139	It seems that due to the lack of severe health problems with marijuana that many people decide to use it, and with it becoming more available, more people will misuse it. Chances are that stressed out students will use it to try and calm themselves, but it would also likely result in a lowering of test scores. There would have to be new laws implemented to factor in the new business, not to mention the increase of drivers who use the drug while/before driving. This could also lead into other more dangerous drugs becoming legal and/or more available for the sake of its medical attributes, such as cocaine, Adrenalin, morphine, etc.	10/11/2017 3:51 PM
140	We need recreational	10/11/2017 3:03 PM
141	Legalize all cannabis for recreational or medicinal use. Prohibition doesn't work and is detrimental to the people in the community	10/11/2017 2:39 PM
142	decriminalize it completly	10/11/2017 2:33 PM
	I believe that those who have followed the guidelines for the current MMMA should have the first	10/11/2017 2:22 PM
143	opportunity to get a license over those that opened up shop knowing the guidelines of the MMMA act but still did so!	

145	It needs to start out small and carefully regulated and monitored, to assess what the actual demand is locally. Small can more easily be made larger than large can be reduced. It needs to be looked at much like a pharmacy: regulated, safe, secure and aesthetically pleasing to its neighborhood.	10/11/2017 1:02 PM
146	I have no issues. As long as these business owners comply with the laws in place, these businesses will help our local economy and most importantly, give those that are suffering in our community, close access to their medical marijuana. No different than a Walgreens, in my opinion. The stigma needs to stop and the healing needs to begin. Quality of life and the health and wellness of those in our community, is what is important. Just like any other business owner, safety precautions must be taken. Whether a new restaurant, liquor store(which we have far too many) or clothing store. Those risks and liabilities are everywhere. The only difference here, again my opinion, is legality.	10/11/2017 12:24 PM
147	Legalize it, tax it, use the revenue to fix infrastructure and look into whether it could replace the city income tax that is helping drive people to live outside of town.	10/11/2017 12:23 PM
148	I feel that restrictions on marihuana businesses should be no different than restrictions on pharmacies.	10/11/2017 11:28 AM
149	Marijuana helps so many people with depression, anxiety, eating disabilities, and is much safer and more natural than putting pills made by man to help these symptoms. Marijuana has never caused a person to die, while other legal substances kill thousands. This "drug" being illegal makes no sense.	10/11/2017 10:42 AM
150	Medical Marijuana should be a Personal Medical Choice. Based on the evidence, side effects with responsible use are nil. Thank you for the opportunity to submit feedback.	10/11/2017 10:33 AM
151	I have read/seen studies that marijuana has helped people with certain medical issues. I believe it is to easy for people to get "marijuana cards" Even though I don't believe it should be legal, I also know that times have changed and why not make money for the local people/cities.	10/11/2017 10:18 AM
152	This is not a dangerous drug. Those of us with chronic pain use marijuana instead of narcotics. This keeps us from becoming addicted.	10/11/2017 9:39 AM
153	No concerns.	10/11/2017 9:33 AM
154	People are going to smoke anyway. If anything the government will benefit from taxes and not jailing people for things like having a few grams in their possession. The energy spent going after people for marijuana could be spent on larger problems.	10/11/2017 9:28 AM
155	My concerns are that if you take away the process which has been in place it will go back to being a black market and will just have random drug dealers selling and pushing to anybody that will buy it. Which in turn will raise costs on it and make it harder for someone who needs it medically to obtain because a lot of older people that are benefiting from it don't or won't want to deal with someone that isn't in a shop or registered care giver.	10/11/2017 9:08 AM
156	Weed should of never left Battle Creek that's probably why the city as a whole is dying this could bring it back to life	10/11/2017 8:37 AM
157	I see why people would be apprehensive but I beileve once it happen people will be much less weary	10/11/2017 6:23 AM
158	None it's safer than alcohol	10/10/2017 11:56 PM
159	how can we consider legitimizing marijuana while strengthening our war on tobacco? .who will own the responsibility for drivers under influence of marijuana?	10/10/2017 11:25 PM
160	See comments on #1	10/10/2017 9:46 PM
161	Battle Creek is becoming a sinkhole for entrepreneurship and small business. Speaking on behalf of many Medicinal Marihuana Cardholders, we are tired of driving to other cities to spend our money on medicine that could easily, and safely be dispensed to patients here in Battle Creek. Battle Creek patients would greatly appreciate the kind gesture of allowing these businesses to open, not to mention the citizens of battle creek could use the tax revenue boost. Our city is slowly crumbling away, but that could be remedied by a few efforts, even as small as this one.	10/10/2017 9:42 PM

162	IF officials think the City of Battle Creek is so bad off they have to seek revenue off the backs of marijuana businesses then you should just pack it in and shut the City down completely. Not only that, you continually spell marijuana wrong in this survey. Shaking my head. Revitalization should not be done on the back of such as industry that will bring criminals and more gangs into this area to do this business. THAT IS WHAT WILL HAPPEN. I know citizens in Oregon that have shared what happened there. Take heed and learn from their mistakes.	10/10/2017 8:07 PM
163	Battle Creek City Commission: please do not restrict growing, testing, processing, or the selling of medical marihuana beyond what's already required under Michigan State Law. It would be antibusiness and anti-patient to restrict these activities. Please make Battle Creek a sanctuary community where sick patients can access medical marihuana freely. Thank you for your representation.	10/10/2017 7:40 PM
164	Having it available legally should cut down on the amount of crime related to drug dealers. We recently had a murder related to marijuana dealing. It may be the lesser of evils but I don't like it.	10/10/2017 7:40 PM
165	Battle Creek should have no part in new medical marihuana licenses.	10/10/2017 7:10 PM
166	This can be very good for the city with proper rules and regulations. Don't be like Marshall and allow all but Dispensary that sort of makes it pointless, you can do everything but Dispence so now that will flow over to the street or to other cities that allow dispensaries and that city gets the revenue from it not Marshall.	10/10/2017 7:04 PM
167	Make it legal and tax and regulate it fairly and watch the economy grow and crime drop	10/10/2017 7:03 PM
168	This whole issue will change again next year if recreational marijuana should be approved. How this affects things should be discussed more, it seems to be ignored by government overwhelmed with the current changes. Much effort is being put into regulations that may change with new laws, something to consider. I have been working with this issue since 1990, and helped organize the first 2 medical marijuana petitions, so I am glad to see government taking this issue seriously, and I am available for help or advice if it helps.	10/10/2017 6:59 PM
169	As a business owner in this community I feel that the city of Battle Creek needs to encourage any type of growth for our economic development. Please consider this as we need all new business, with the state regulating this and the cities guidance I believe this could be a good partnership for the city of Battle Creek	10/10/2017 6:01 PM
170	No issues or concerns whatsoever.	10/10/2017 5:52 PM
171	FIND OTHER REVENUE STREAMS FOR THE CITY AND THE FAMILIES THST LIVE HERE.	10/10/2017 5:01 PM
172	I really believe that this industry could help change our city for the best.	10/10/2017 5:01 PM
173	This is long over due.	10/10/2017 4:41 PM
174	Legalize it. Alcohol kills people daily. Many people. What does weed do? Help people. The only reason i am not dead, is because I smoke. I've tried perscription depression and anxiety pills. Nothing works but WEED. Think of how many resources could be saved if we just switched to weed . Just random stoner thoughts.b	10/10/2017 3:44 PM
175	Safety is a major concern	10/10/2017 2:46 PM
176	I think if you limit the number of licenses you limit competition and increase costs to consumers. If you don't there could be "corner cutting" by businesses with limited pricing flexibility.	10/10/2017 2:37 PM
177	No concerns. It's a good idea and it will be good for our city.	10/10/2017 2:34 PM
178	Current patient/caregivers should be grandfathered into the growing license, that's very important, you need people who care about the product personally to ensure optimal quality. The distance from a church or residential area should not be restricted, but schools and daycares may be acceptable, depending on signage, etc.	10/10/2017 2:04 PM
179	This could be fantastic for our community. Like it or not, this town is dying. We need to attract new businesses that can bring money into the area. I don't use, but I'd even support total legalization if it were taxed appropriately and could save our town.	10/10/2017 2:00 PM
180	The city of Battle Creek should embrace MMJ and revitalize not only downtown but the area which is losing population. Liberalization is just a matter of time, why not embrace this stance and be a leader in the industry in Michigan? Taxpayer savings from law enforcement, court costs and other associated ills of prohibition could be eliminated, thus, assuring not only a regulated market but cost reduction to the city.	10/10/2017 1:53 PM

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181	It would bring revenue into the community, they will be taxed but make sure the tax is going to something constructive. Books for schools playgrounds updated public parks etc. our community need support and honestly I don't think the city is doing enough to help out with that at all! There isn't one place you can go without spending money to have a good time or even play basketball or get active these kids have nothing!	10/10/2017 1:53 PM
182	No concerns, alcohol induced crashes, pain medications and harsh drugs are far more concerning that a natural substance that helps so many people.	10/10/2017 1:25 PM
183	Please do not sell out to big businesses. There are a lot of little guys here in Battle Creek that need something like this. Look for local help and applications before taking on outrageous bids.	10/10/2017 1:15 PM
184	Keep our residents safe, provide them with the means to get safe and effective medication, keep drug dealers from gaining anything.	10/10/2017 12:41 PM
85	I strongly object to allowing anything to do with medical marihuana in the city of Battle Creek.	10/10/2017 12:28 PM
86	While regulated, I think this industry should be aloud to grow and expand. The income it will generate will greatly help our city!	10/10/2017 11:47 AM
87	As a patient I struggle to find safe medication for my MS.	10/10/2017 11:33 AM
188	Safer than alcohol. Less domestic violence. Huge financial growth for the Battle Creek area. The trend is moving towards state legalization. I believe it would be smart for our area to start this regulation process and be ready for change. Legislature and Execuative branches of government need to draft and implement laws and train their staffs on how to properly proceed. Also communicate to the community in a positive way how this will be ruled out. Much work needs to be done, and west Michigan is behind the I ball.	10/10/2017 11:28 AM
89	While it is still new, I'd like to see certain aspects of this industry stay small by limiting, or excluding big Pharmaceutical companies from taking the potential opportunities this offers to small business & entrepreneurs.	10/10/2017 11:22 AM
90	not sure why we would need a 500-1000 ft. set back on processors transport or testing facility's? grow facility I can see heavy restrictions! provisionary centers should be treated as a business and be zoned as such	10/10/2017 11:20 AM
91	Just make sure the items listed above have checks and balances like the Jackson County Compassion Club has. Anyone abusing the law should be banned from any facilities and should not be able to buy anymore.	10/10/2017 10:49 AM
92	Again, this is the best way to regulate and take it away from the underground. I am a registered Medical Marijuana user for HIV, it has been very expensive to go to the dispensary in Kalamazoo. As more businesses appear the prices will go down.	10/10/2017 10:01 AM
93	I just hope all of this is passed through	10/10/2017 9:36 AM
94	Although we can not be a country without alcoholwhich results in many deaths per year through traffic accidents and suicides, we can be careful about marihuana	10/10/2017 9:14 AM
95	I feel at this point it should be legalized. There are far worse drugs that our city struggles with, we shouldn't be worried about this.	10/10/2017 9:06 AM
96	This is great business for Battle Creek. Make it happen. Lansing is leading this effort without regulations and our people are traveling to get their medication.	10/10/2017 7:37 AM
97	Do not allow it at all.	10/10/2017 6:25 AM
98	Applicants should have 1,000,000 in escrow. This could come from investors or owner.	10/10/2017 6:03 AM
99	Marijuana is safer than tylenol! We all need to folow colorados example, its pathetic and just plain ignorant that marijuana is not fully legal!	10/10/2017 5:51 AM
200	I think battle creek can benifit from thismaybe people wont be hooked on so many drug like pills herion and meththey will have a legal natural way to ease the pain they try to coverand i also sufer from severe headaches and back problems im a server on my feet all day i have to make trips to lansing at least once a week to get my medication or i could be put on pills and develop and opiod addictioni think medical marihuana is a wonderful idea .something that will help this hell hole they call battle creek	10/10/2017 5:30 AM
201	They should be in a safe part of town. We have to remember some of these patients are elderly or women and current locations may make people not feel safe. Also people may need to access it by public transportation and we need to consider that as well!!	10/10/2017 5:04 AM

202	None	10/10/2017 4:55 AM
203	is it possible to beat kazoo to the puck on anything ? REVENUE REVIVES BATTLE CREEK	10/10/2017 4:42 AM
204	Ann Arbor has been very successful with Meidical Marihuana Distripution Favilities. Getting the license to use Medical Marihuana is the easy part. Finding a good Distripution Facility is the hard part. Knowing the products are tested and produced at that facility by well trained people offers a peace of mind to their buyers. Security and controlling how many customers are in the store at once is also very important. Location away from residential areas, schools is churches should be a top priority. Dowtown Battle Creek would be a good location and possibly help to grow business back into the downtown area. Studying the operations in other successful areas such as Ann Arbor should be done in great detail. I think it is time for Battle Creek to accept the changes in the types of business people are spending their money at and getting those in Battle Creek. I spend a lot of money in other places because I can't get what I want in my community.	10/10/2017 3:23 AM
205	I believe that if Battle Creek embraces the medical marijuana industry, as well as the possible recreational industry in the future, the city will be able to create an environment were entrepreneurs are drawn to the area, as opposed to our more restrictive neighbors in the county and beyond.	10/10/2017 3:15 AM
206	Please help people like me who just want to have quality medicine where I know it came from a professional. We both win	10/10/2017 2:25 AM
207	I don't want to live a community where I have to worry about my kids being around pot smoke. I make good money and didn't choose to live in filth and squaller. If this passes, I'll shut my doors and move.	10/10/2017 12:38 AM
208	I think battle creek has become a a failing City and that the money made off these businesses could help renovate some of the rundown areas of Battle Creek.	10/10/2017 12:11 AM
209	none	10/9/2017 11:14 PM
210	I think this is a positive step forward for Battle Creek.	10/9/2017 10:38 PM
211	None. Cannabis is safer the Ketsup.	10/9/2017 10:24 PM
212	My neighbor is growing with multiple greenhouses and isn't following the regulations and his backyard isn't fenced in and kids can walk from the street into his backyard grow. Very unsafe. He lives on Quail Street.	10/9/2017 10:19 PM
213	Don't overregulate or tax this. If any limits are enacted it should be required that all businesses are fully owned by residents of Battle Creek	10/9/2017 10:04 PM
214	It seems to be working in other states. Legalize it and tax it. Everyone wins, just like we do with alcohol and tobacco. Can legalized prostitution be next? Oh wait, it's legal in Nevada, just outside Las Vegas.	10/9/2017 10:01 PM
215	if already there should be left there	10/9/2017 9:54 PM
216	Legalize it. Market it. Make some money and make some people happy. One only needs to look to Colorado to see what the potential could be.	10/9/2017 9:43 PM
217	NA	10/9/2017 9:37 PM
218	I am not in favor of marijuana growing establishments. I think Battle Creek has enough issues with drug use and perceptions of drug use in our community. There is no point in fueling those issues any further. I am only in favor of medical marijuana being sold out of an actual pharmacy like all other prescription drugs.	10/9/2017 9:20 PM
219	Definitely put more strict laws on what and whom qualifies for a license. Doctors hand these out like candy. It's ridiculous, the same people that has been smoking or selling pot since high school is now licensed to sell or use. Smdh It's pathetic. What happened to the Dare program? Sad world we live in today!!!	10/9/2017 9:12 PM
220	Please do not let big corporations take over operations in this new and exploding market. I believe marijuana is going to the instrumental at creating employment, small businesses growth, and new opportunities for cities, states, and the country as a whole.	10/9/2017 9:04 PM
221	Should be good for the economy. Needs to be taken seriously.	10/9/2017 8:39 PM
222	I think think this could be great for our community.	10/9/2017 8:38 PM

223	People who have the license should not be barred from owning a firearm. I would like to see that changed.	10/9/2017 8:29 PM
224	I think increased public education on the multiple benefits should be made available somehow. We all know the criminal size that's been all over the tv and news. I feel that what the industry can offer the community in terms of financial growth as well as treatment without hard prescription drugs, should be the focus.	10/9/2017 8:20 PM
225	It will bring in tax revenue and jobs to the city	10/9/2017 8:18 PM
226	A a small tax to operators within the city to be used for community education and health services.	10/9/2017 8:18 PM
227	I do not support street drugs. However I do feel very strong about medical marijuana. Or the various ways to use THC for medical reasons. I also feel it is better for you than prescription pills.	10/9/2017 8:11 PM
228	Start getting revenue from what's currently going on. This would create jobs and tax revenue within the city. Considering this city is terrible with job opportunities, get as much going as you can.	10/9/2017 8:09 PM
229	There should be more than 5 licenses given out for businesses allowed to sell medical marijuana. There should be less control of the government. Free market promotes free trade, money coming in from taxes.	10/9/2017 7:58 PM
230	Tax it, keep it honest and open. The market will take care of the rest.	10/9/2017 7:50 PM
231	You don't limit restaurants, you don't limit banks, you don't limit grocery stores. Treat it with maturity and the public will reflect that.	10/9/2017 7:49 PM
232	I find this survey to be misleading and poorly assembled. You should hire professional survey creators or statisticians if you really want to survey your citizens. You are ill equipped at delivering appropriate surveys.	10/9/2017 7:35 PM
233	Do not allow marijuana facilities closer than one mile from any city limit due to potential negative impact on surrounding communities not supporting Battle Creek's licenses policy.	10/9/2017 7:29 PM
234	I have no concerns	10/9/2017 7:25 PM
235	Even though I voted for regulation of hours they are open I don't necessarily think they should be forced to close as early as some places but not open till 2am either	10/9/2017 7:23 PM
236	IF Battle Creek and The State of Michigan are to ok this industry in total The MAJORITY of profits from these 5 licenses/business' SHOULD go towards TAXES. If this were to be as profitable as in Other States/Cities then you should be able to Totally Eliminate Property Taxes.	10/9/2017 7:13 PM
237	the dispensary(selling facility) should be ran similar to a pharmacy or doctors office setting, not a retail vape type shop. I think zoning from residential is difficult for most of the growing areas of Battle Creek for growing, processing and selling.	10/9/2017 4:48 PM
238	DO NOT ALLOW	10/9/2017 2:54 PM
239	It is legal in other states with few problems. Treat business like bars or the tobacco shops in town.	10/9/2017 2:12 PM
240	I am glad that Battle Creek is taking this seriously. Thank you.	10/9/2017 1:39 PM
241	Generally, I think we should tend to be less restrictive initially and add restrictions later if problems arise.	10/9/2017 1:23 PM
242	I really would like to see Battle Creek embrace this business. If Battle Creek does move forward I hope they look to work with as many local businesses as they can. For Business owners who have stuck through some hard time with Battle Creek, should be reward with the first right to try to expand their business. I also hope we get some qualified honest businesses involved.	10/9/2017 1:15 PM
243	Again how can a state make legal a drug still banned federally and this is a factory state. Glad I'm not working in one around someone who is high	10/9/2017 1:15 PM
244	Medical marijuana should be welcomed and accepted everywhere.	10/9/2017 1:02 PM
245	No concerns, this is a valuable plant to treat pain.	10/9/2017 12:59 PM
246	If our city does not allow these businesses to open, MMA patients will continue to spend their money outside of city like Ann Arbor, Lansing, and Detroit. Let's keep our money here!	10/9/2017 12:56 PM
247	I can understand why some residents may feel hesitant or fearful of a marihuana market in Battle Creek, but I believe those fears are unfounded. Allowing the legal sale of marihuana in Battle Creek would be good for the community.	10/9/2017 12:41 PM

248	This is a plant that should NEVER have been regulated in the first place. I am for legalization and MINIMAL regulation. Battle Creek already has too many regulations and ordinances for a town its size.	10/9/2017 12:27 PM
249	Do this so the average blue collar worker can compete, don't make it so the already millionaires just get more rich because they have big \$\$ to play with.	10/9/2017 12:20 PM
250	Medical is good. Def need regs to bring money I. To city with product. Could be helpful for budget.	10/9/2017 12:13 PM
251	I just think that a few entities are going to profit financially from this business and I don't see how marihuana can help pain any more than the prescribed pain relievers do. I have never smoked so how would this benefit me? It wouldn't.	10/9/2017 11:37 AM
252	This is way overdue. People understand now that the propaganda of the last 80 years was false. Marih/juana is much less problematic than alcohol with the exception of black market issues like violence. Once it is decriminalized, many of those problems subside. It's a beneficial PLANT!! Regulate it like any other business. There is enough evidence from Colorado, Washington, Oregon etc that shows we are already behind the curve. Enough with the feet dragging!	10/9/2017 11:30 AM
253	I think this is an opportunity for our city to grow. This city has struggled economically for years. We need new industry to revitalize our economy. While we are talking about medical marijuana at the moment, there will most likely be a ballot initiative for legalizing recreational use. Having guidelines established for the owning and operation of a marijuana facility would help if that initiative were to pass. This is an opportunity for tourism! Battle Creek used to be known for the sanitarium. People from all over the world traveled here for health reasons. This is a new way to bring back that economic boom. And the fact of the matter is you already have these facilities operating, unlicensed, in private homes!! It's time for the city to benefit from what's already happening.	10/9/2017 11:26 AM
254	Tax should be the only limiting factor.	10/9/2017 11:24 AM
255	This is a slippery slope, do not let our community go down this path.	10/9/2017 11:13 AM
256	I believe anything that can help our community is something that should be supported. If we are truly going to support this as Medical related, than we should support the same restrictions that we place on medical facilities. Whether it is treatment, distribution, and or creation of the product.	10/9/2017 10:56 AM
257	Some of your questions are poorly worded. I do not support any of the facilities within the city, as noted in questions 3-7. In order to proceed, answer choices for questions 8-11 imply consent.	10/9/2017 10:37 AM
258	clearly define what commercial entity is clearly define what violation penalties are	10/9/2017 10:12 AM