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### **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING SCHEDULED TO PROVIDE INFORMATION AND ALLOW FOR PUBLIC INPUT REGARDING MARIJUANA FACILITIES**

**April 30, 2019 SAGINAW, MI** –The City of Saginaw is seeking input from residents regarding the potential of allowing marijuana facilities within the city limits.

The Saginaw City Council will conduct a Committee of the Whole Meeting on Friday, May 3 beginning at 10:00 am at the Saginaw Community Action Center at 2824 Perkins Street. This meeting is for informational purposes only and no action will be taken.

Saginaw Mayor Floyd Kloc hopes the meeting will provide council members with a better understanding of where city residents stand regarding marijuana facilities in Saginaw. “While the law permits the possession and recreational use of small amounts of marijuana by adults, the city can opt-in or opt-out of allowing marijuana retailers and

other marijuana facilities to operate within the city limits. We need to hear from residents on this issue.”

The meeting will also provide information on the impact of allowing marijuana facilities in the City of Saginaw. The meeting will begin with presentations from various outside organizations to educate residents on the environmental, health and legal considerations if these marijuana facilities are allowed.

City Manager Tim Morales commented, “City Council must make a decision within the next few months whether to allow these facilities within the city. We really want to engage our residents in this process so that all available information is considered before making this important decision. We want to make sure the decision we make is in the best interest of our city.”

Citizens who would like to sign up to speak at the May 3 Committee of the Whole meeting must contact the City Clerk’s Office at (989) 759-1480 by **12:00 pm (noon) on Thursday, May 2, 2019**. Those citizens who sign up prior to the deadline will have 3 minutes to address council.

For more information on the Committee of the Whole Meeting, please contact Vicki Davis in the City Manager’s Office at (989) 759-1403.

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