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To: \*CI-StPaul Contact-Council

**Subject:** Adult-Use Cannabis Zoning Ordinance Amendment **Date:** Wednesday, August 28, 2024 3:40:47 PM

I lived in Seattle, WA when they legalized adult use cannabis stores. I actually lived in one of the neighborhoods where a store was established.

The presence of the store started a downward trend in the quality of life in that neighborhood that continues today. There are lines of people waiting (loitering) around the stores and constant panhandling in the area. Its presence seems to have made the area a drug zone, both for sales and use. Not quite as bad as downtown, but obvious.

Please keep cannabis stores out of residential areas and especially away from schools.

Regards, Doug Taylor