

# City of Nelson Development Services

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Recreational Cannabis

**PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT RESULTS**



# Agenda

Overview of Results

Council direction re regulations:

1. Separation Distance/# of Stores
2. Public Consumption
3. Operating Hours
4. Growing on Private Property



# OVERVIEW of Public Engagement

Feedback Forms

Open Houses

Stakeholder Group Meetings

Information Booths

Webpages

Information Sessions – Council, Media

Nelson Star ads



## KEY MESSAGES    What did we hear from Stakeholders ?

Limit # of stores & no public consumption in the downtown & 300m separation distance

Nelson Police Department

Limit # of stores & no public consumption in the downtown

Nelson & District Chamber of Commerce

Limit # of stores & no public consumption in the downtown

Nelson Community Services

Limit # of stores and the location

Kootenay Lake Medical Staff

No public consumption

Hume PAC

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## KEY MESSAGES What are other governments doing?

300m between stores; 300m from  
sensitive facilities

Denver, Colorado

300m between stores; 300m from  
sensitive facilities

Vancouver, British Columbia

300m between stores; 150m from  
sensitive facilities; no public  
consumption (proposed)

Calgary, Alberta

200m between locations; 100-  
200m from sensitive facilities; no  
public consumption (under  
consideration)

Edmonton, Alberta

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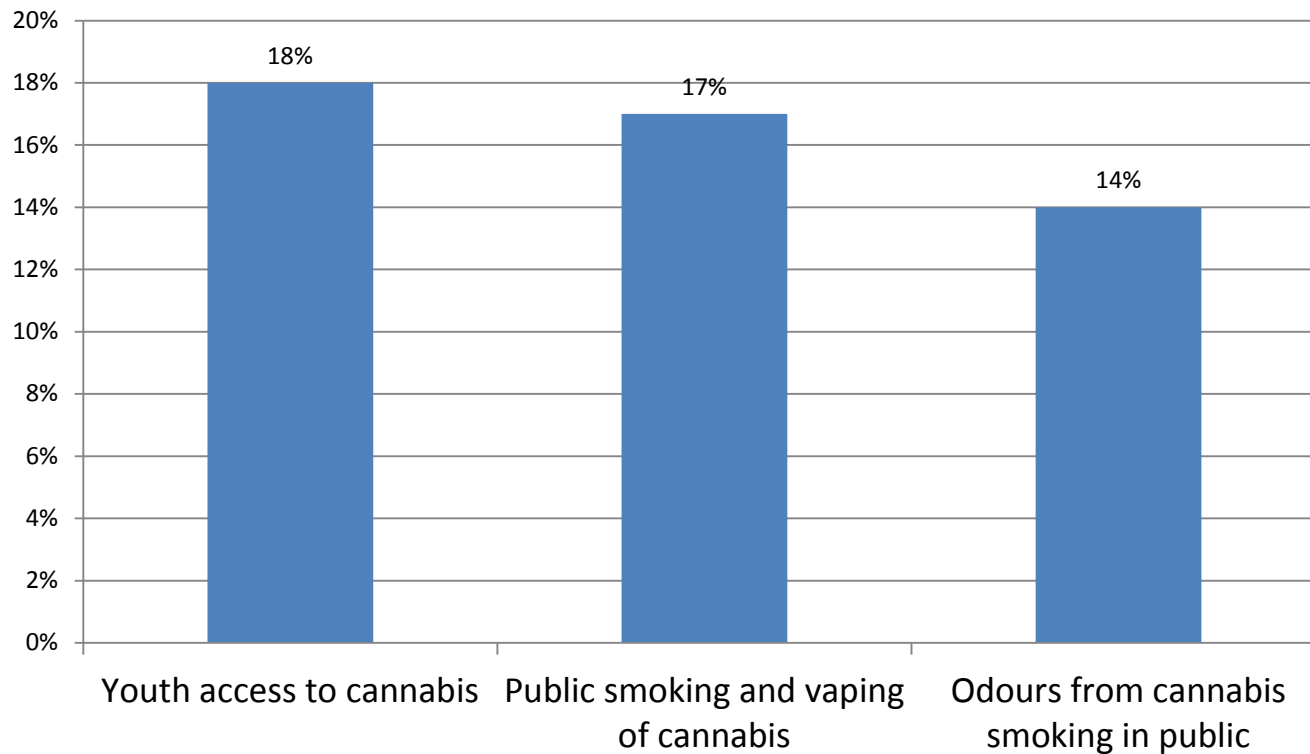
no public consumption

Province of Ontario



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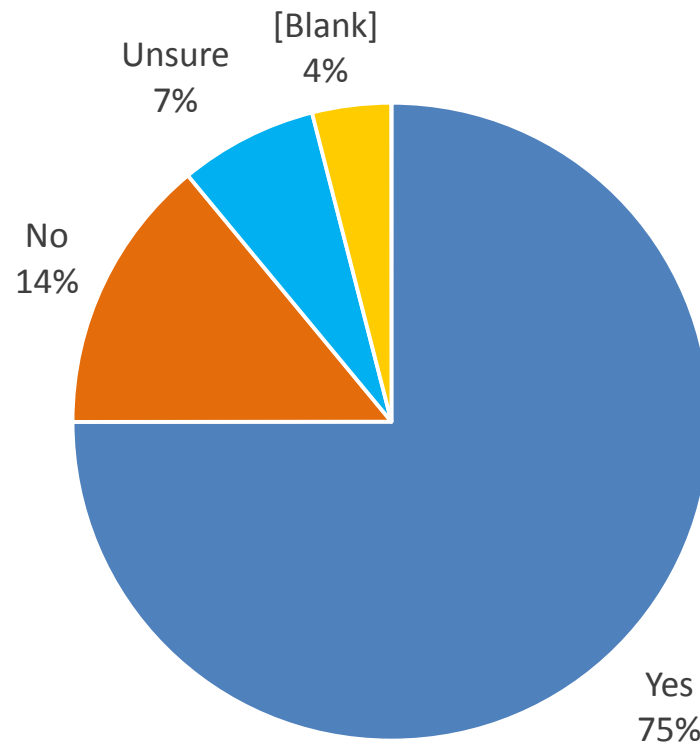
## Top Three Areas of Concern





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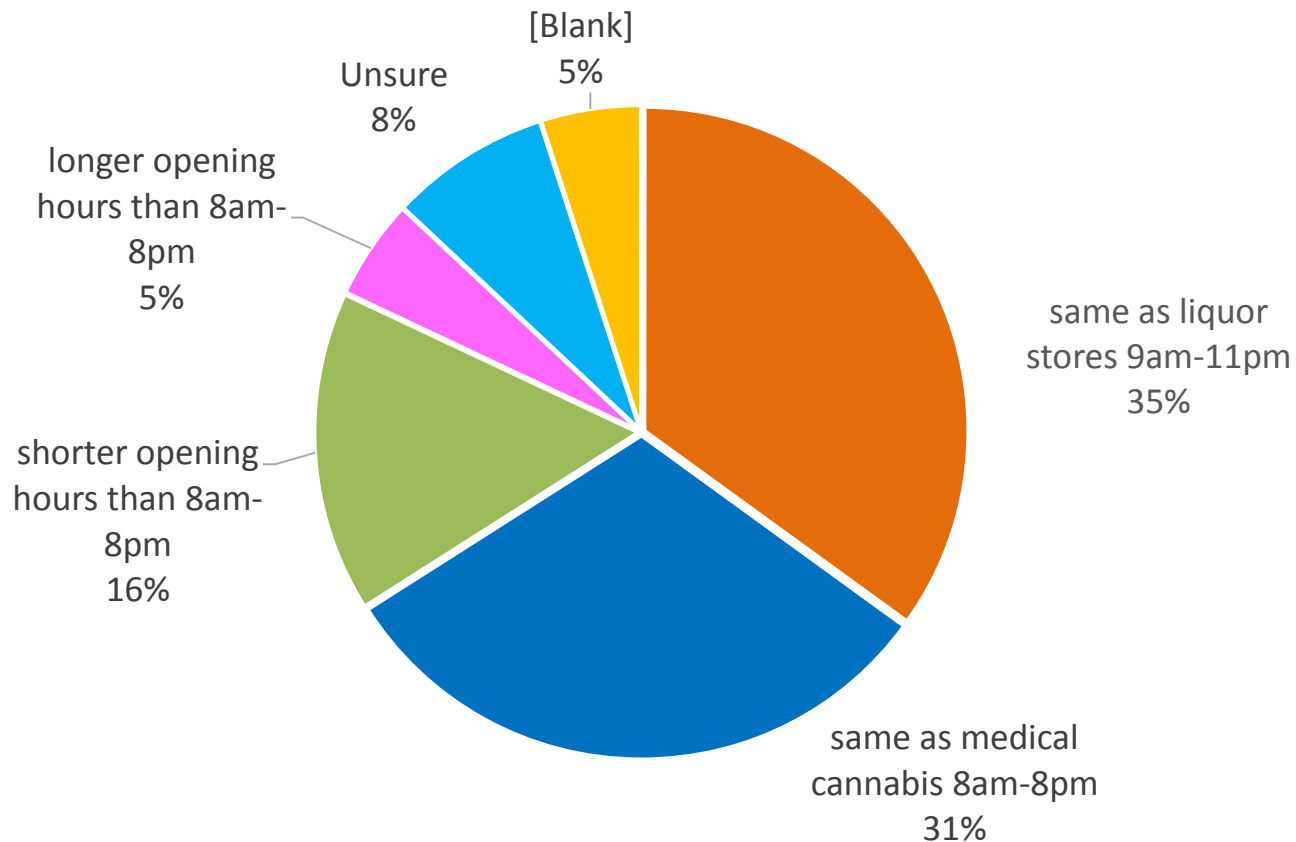
## Should There be a Maximum # of Cannabis Retailers?





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## Operating Hours for Cannabis Retailers



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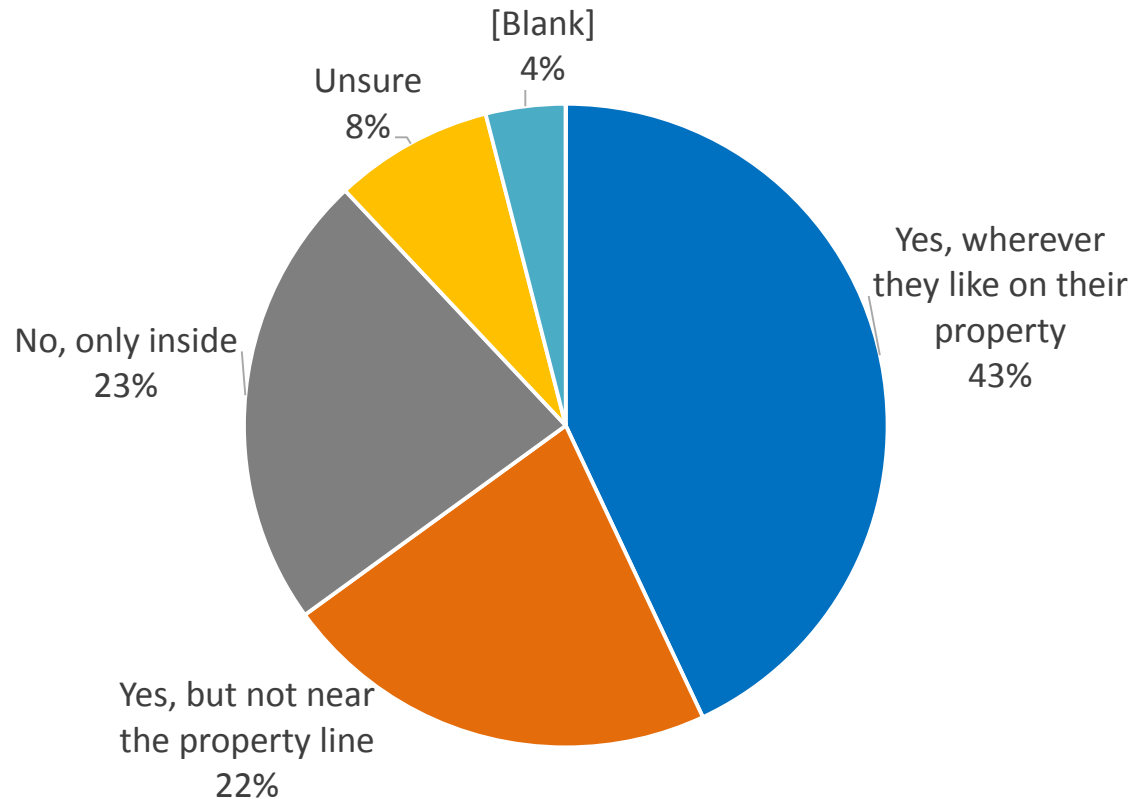


# KEY MESSAGES What did we hear from the community?

## Should People be Allowed to Grow Cannabis Plants Outdoors?

*The province has stated that plants must not be visible from public spaces off the property*

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## KEY MESSAGES What did we hear from the community?

**Imagine there are no existing cannabis stores in Nelson. What areas would be the best fit for cannabis stores and how many should be permitted in each area of the city?**

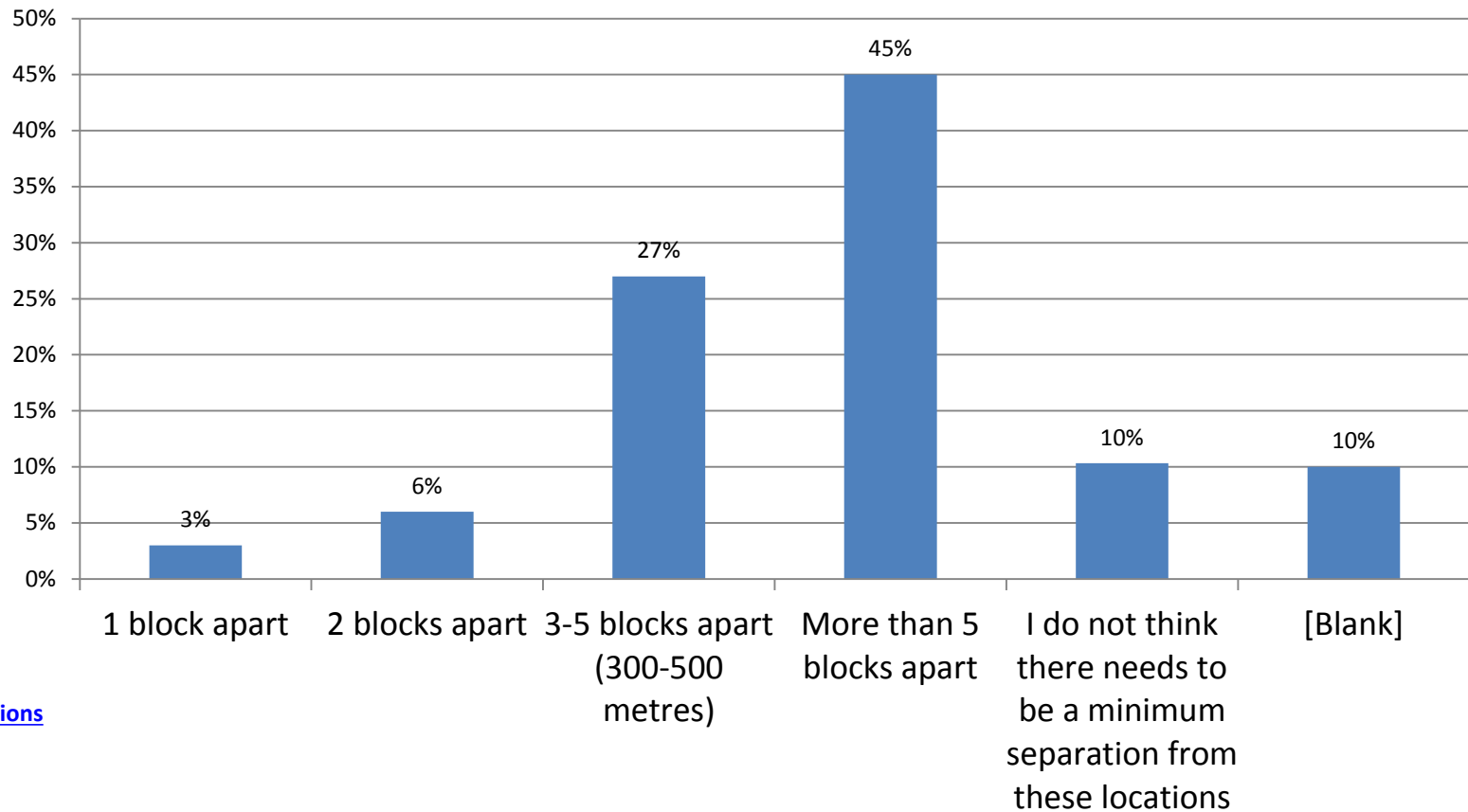
	Majority Opinion	Highest # of responses
Downtown	0-3 stores 67%	2 stores
Nelson Av/Hwy 3A	0-2 stores 72%	1 store
Industrial/Lakeside	0-2 stores 69%	0 stores
Railtown	0-2 stores 72%	1 store
Chahko-Mika Mall	0-1 store 74%	0 stores
Total Stores		4 stores

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## How Far Should Cannabis Stores be from Schools, Youth Facilities, Parks, and Playgrounds?

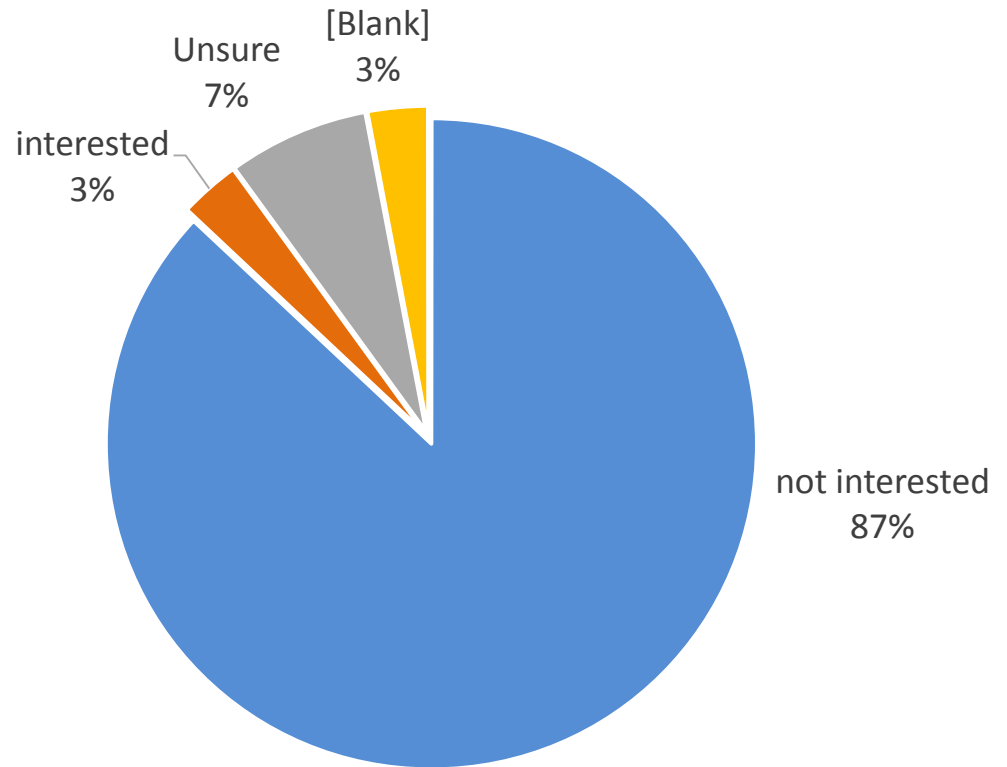




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## Are You Interested in Starting a Cannabis-related Business?

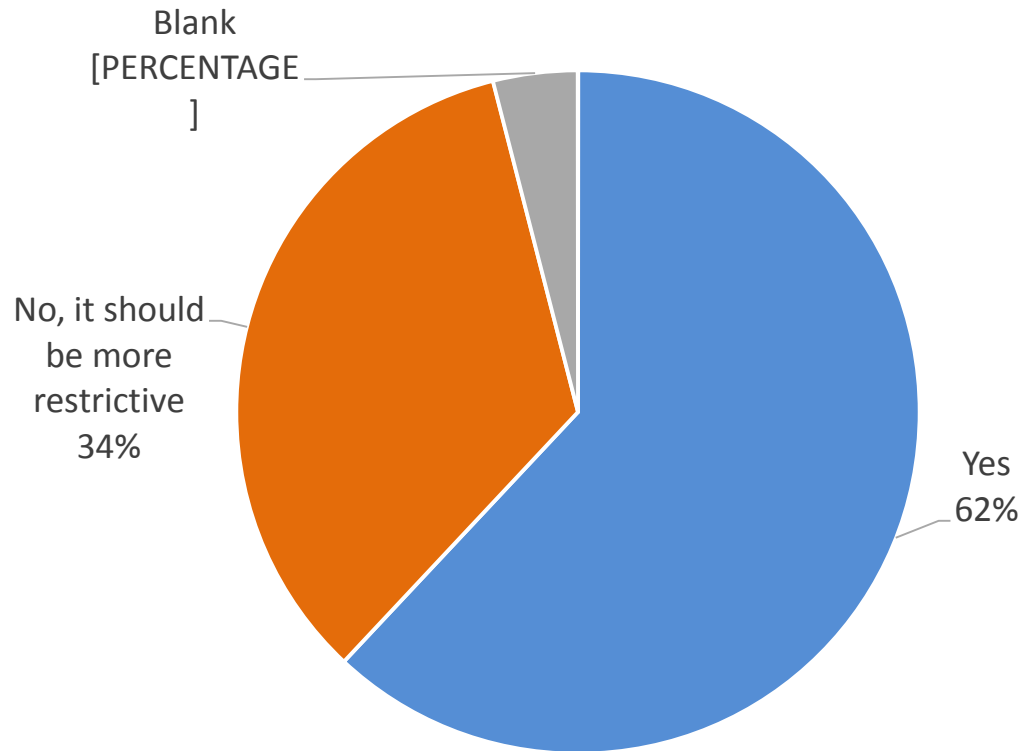
*56 respondents said they were interested in starting a cannabis business, and another 133 respondents said they were unsure*





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## Should Public Consumption of Cannabis Follow the Clean Air Bylaw?

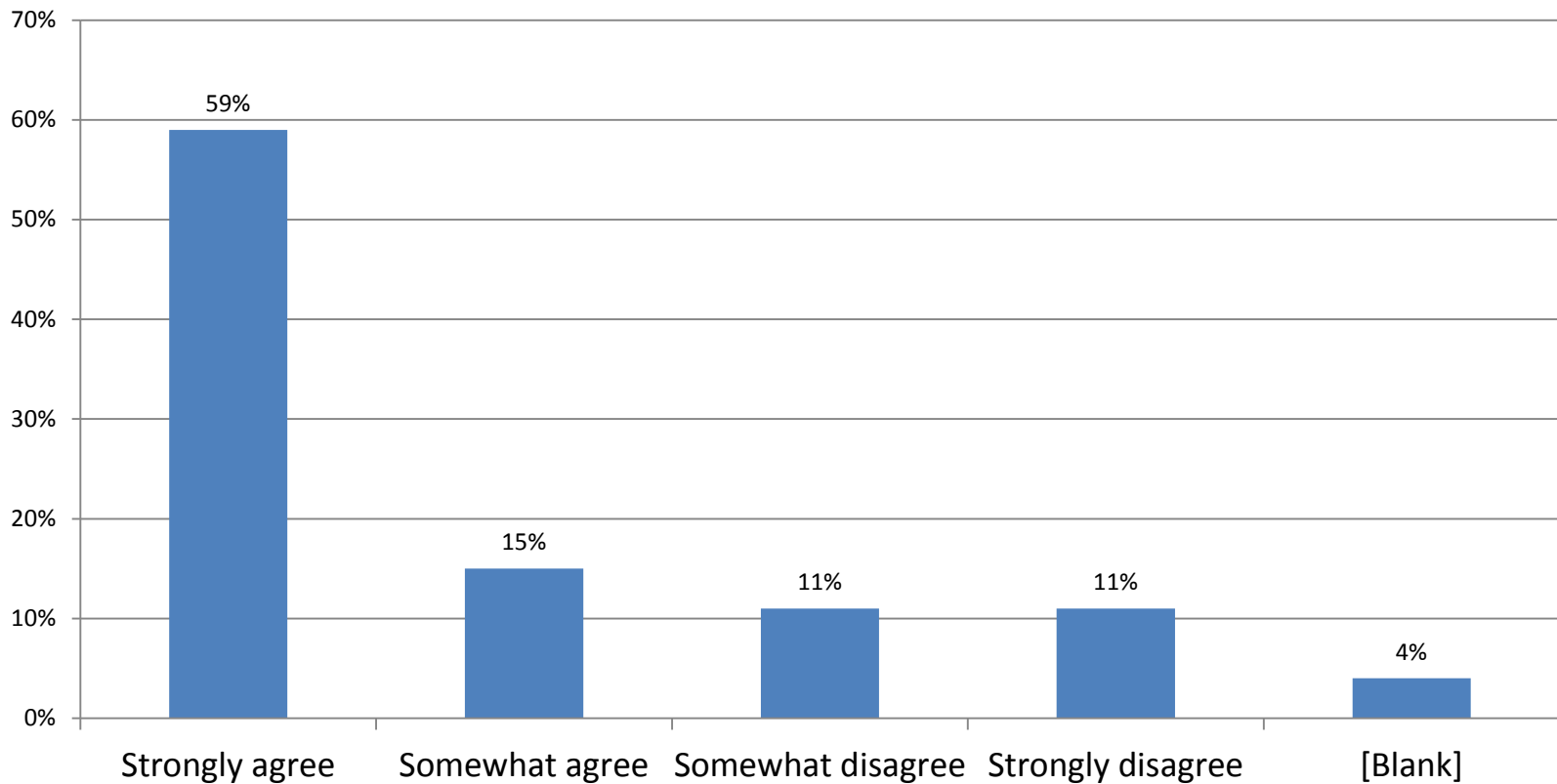


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## Smoking and Vaping Should be Banned in All Public Places

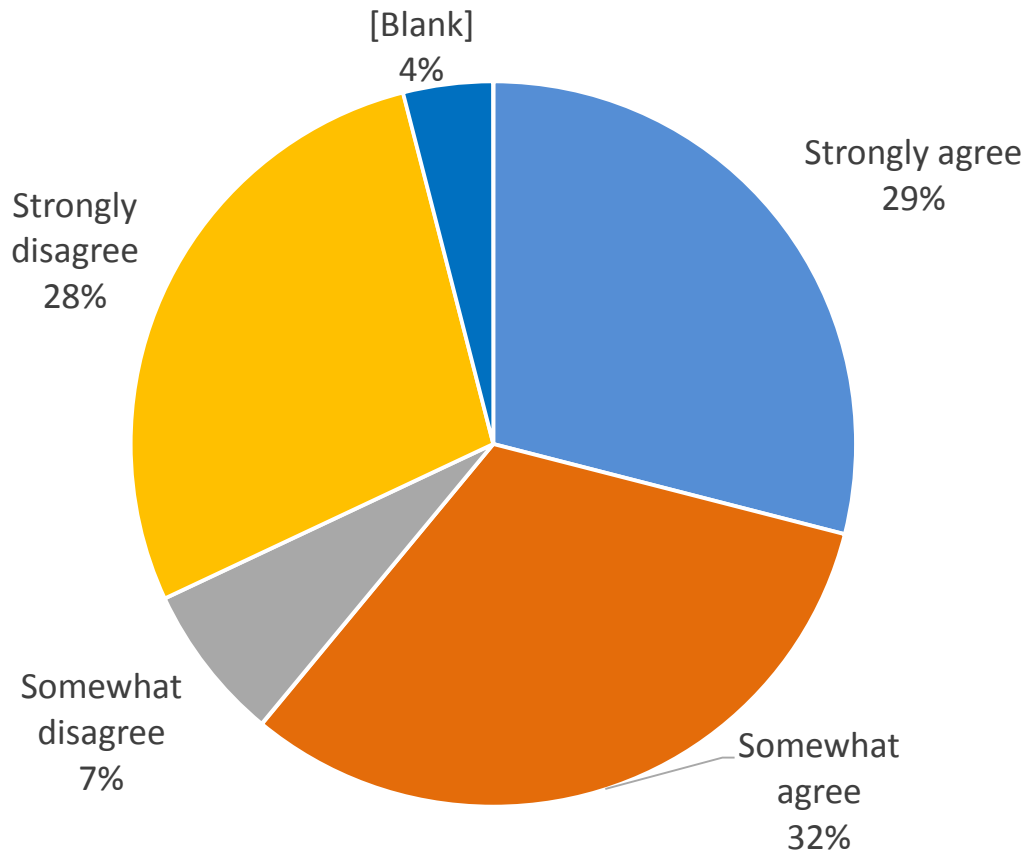




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## There Should be Lounges or Cafes where Smoking or Vaping Cannabis is Allowed

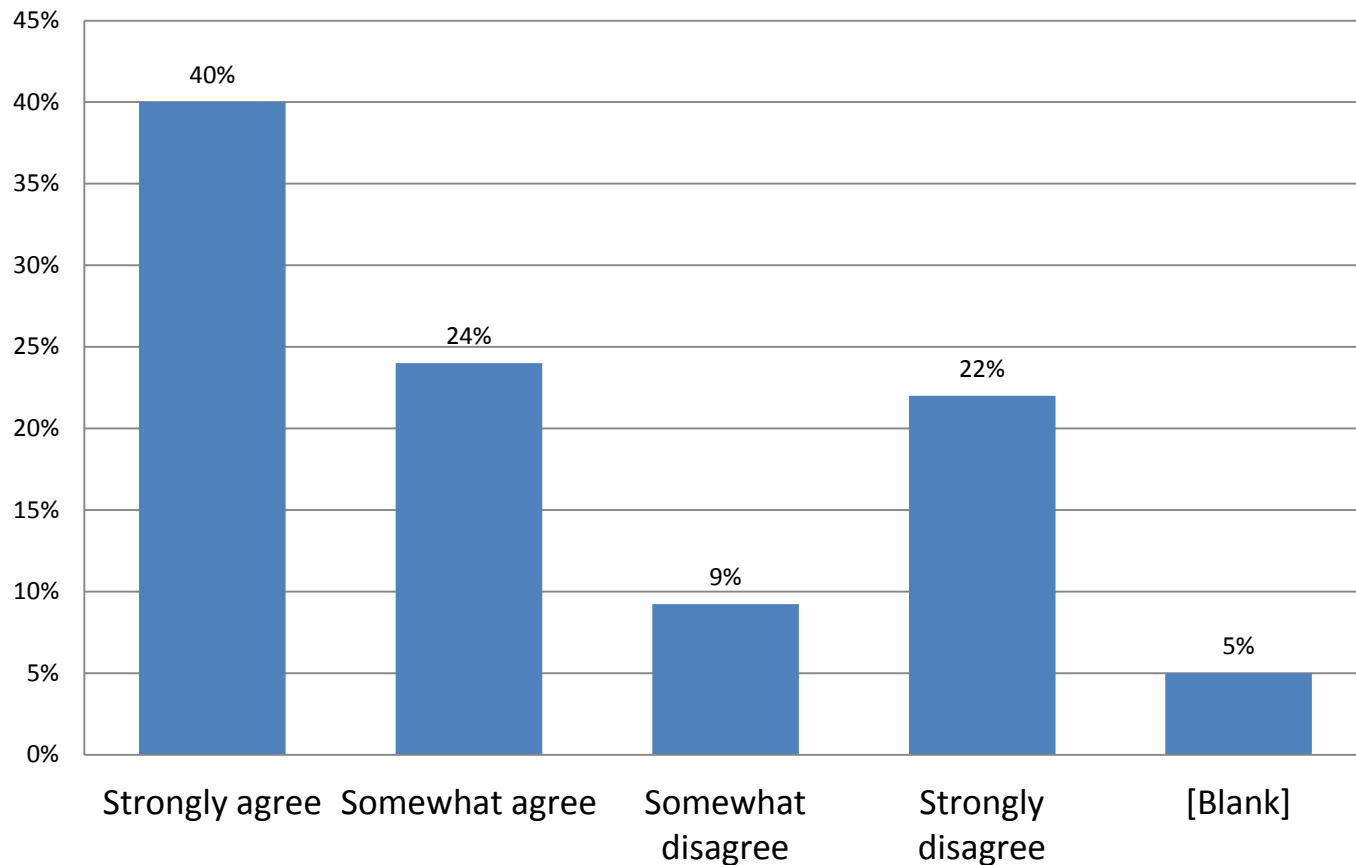
*The province has said that they will be considering lounges and cafes in the near future*





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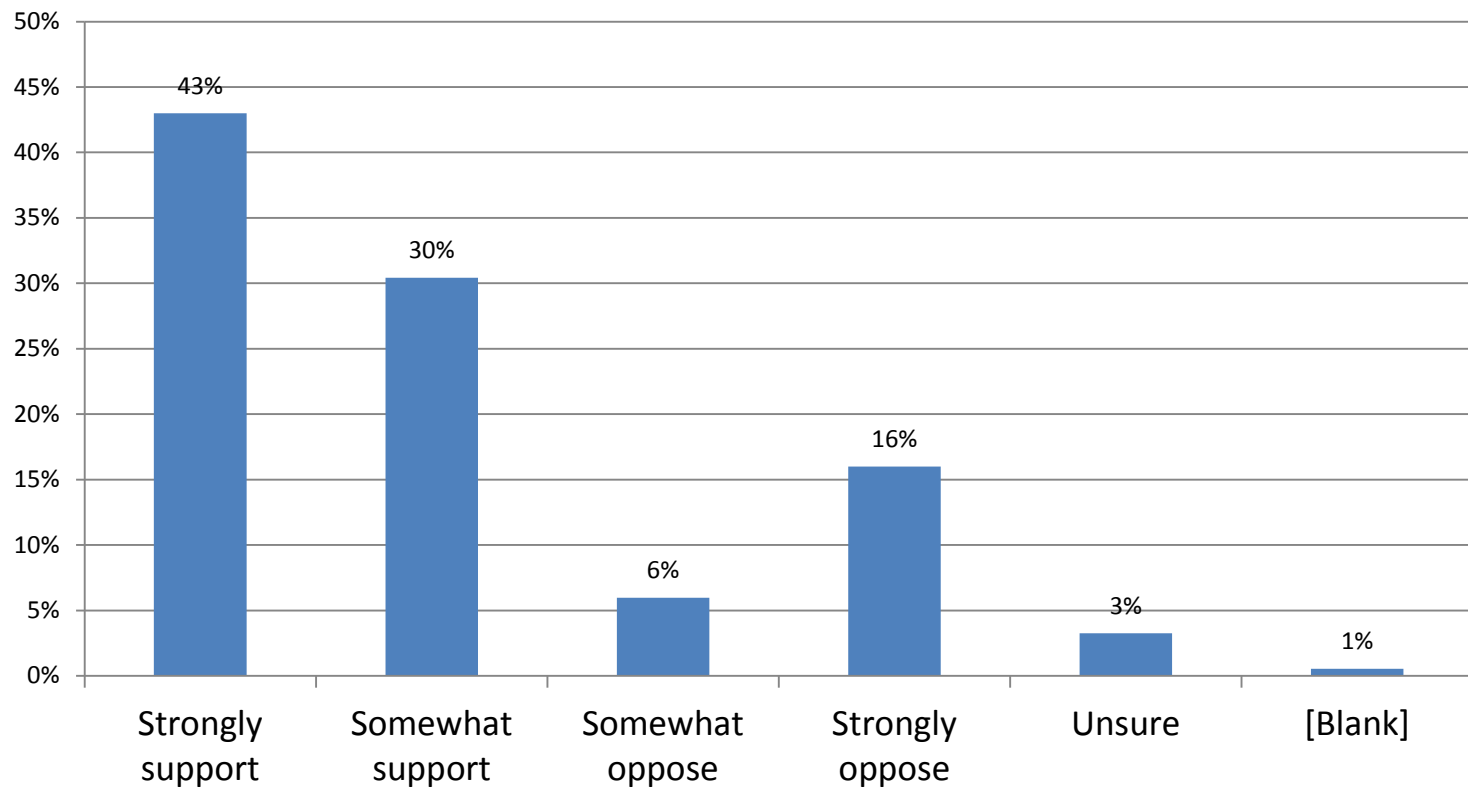
## The City Should Have the Resources to Enforce Smoking Cannabis in Public





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## Do You Support or Oppose the Legalization of Cannabis for Recreational Use in Canada?





# Regulations



# Regulation OPTIONS

## 1. Separation Distance and/or # of Stores

Option 1: - 5 blocks or 500m from schools, community centres, and parks  
- 300m between cannabis stores

Option 2: - 3 blocks or 300m from schools, community centres, and parks  
- 300m between cannabis stores

Option 3: - 1.5 blocks or 150m from schools, community centres, and parks  
- 300m between cannabis stores, (9+ stores)

Option 4: - 1.5 blocks or 150m from schools, community centres, and parks  
- 300m between cannabis stores  
- Overall cap of 4 stores

Option 5: - 1.5 blocks or 150m from schools, community centres, and parks  
- 300m between cannabis stores  
- Overall cap of 4 stores, by area:  
    (2) Downtown  
    (1) Railtown  
    (1) Nelson Ave/Hwy 3A



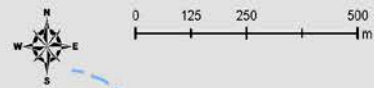
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-  Parks
-  Schools and Sensitive Areas
-  Commercial (C1, C2, C4, MU2, MU3, MU4)
-  Separation Distance - 500 m
-  Nelson Boundary

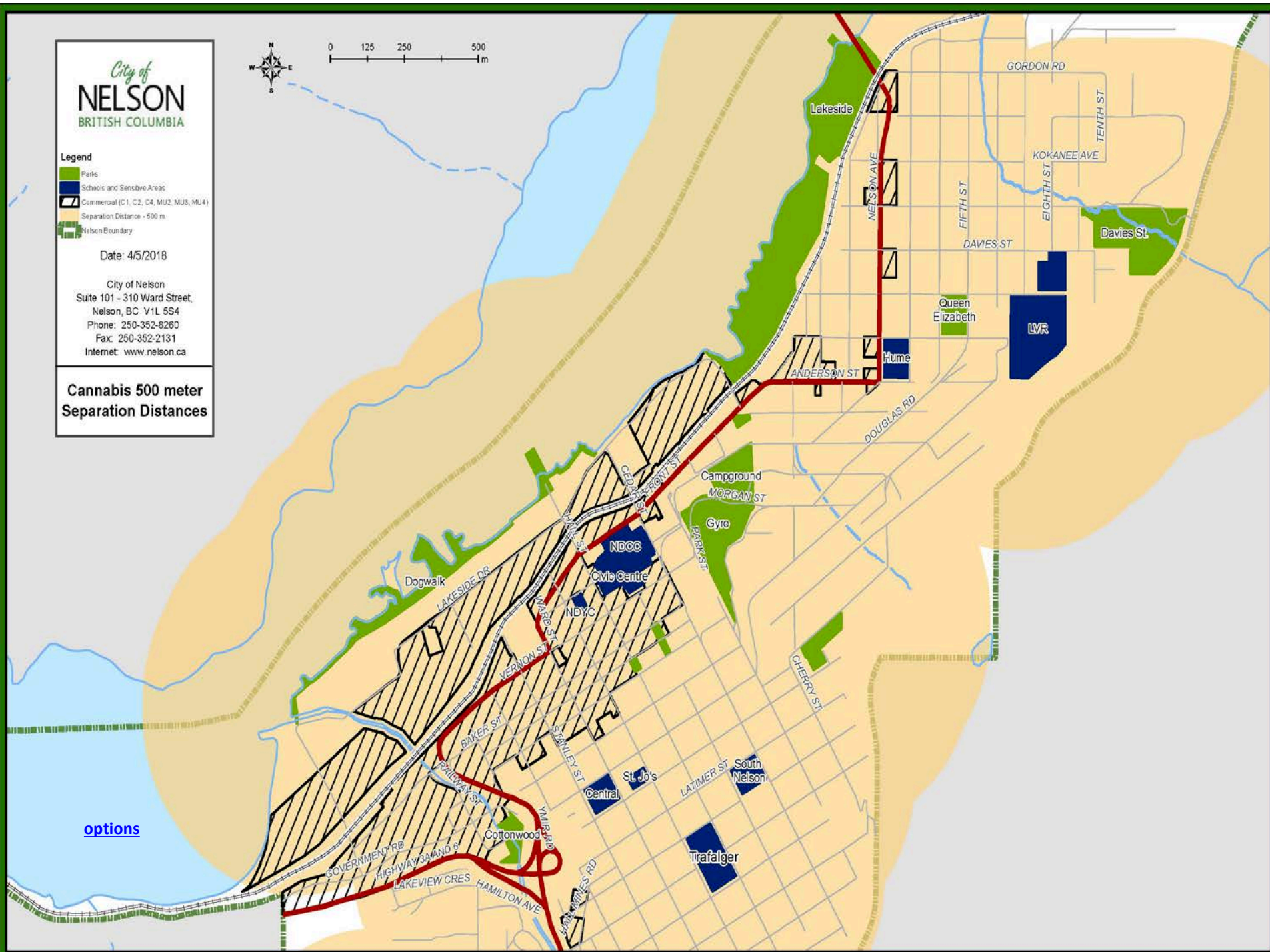
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**Cannabis 500 meter  
Separation Distances**



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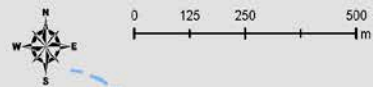
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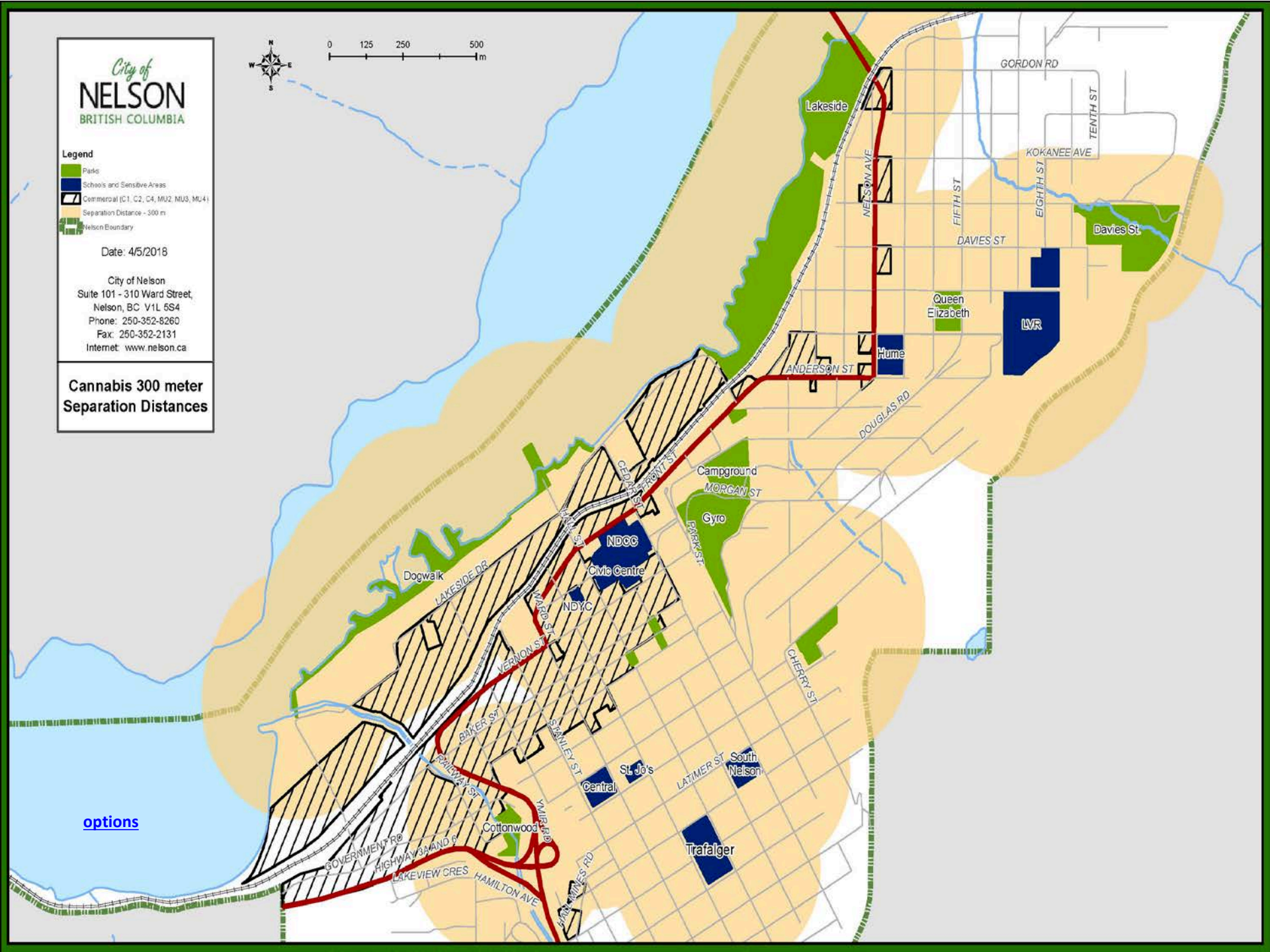
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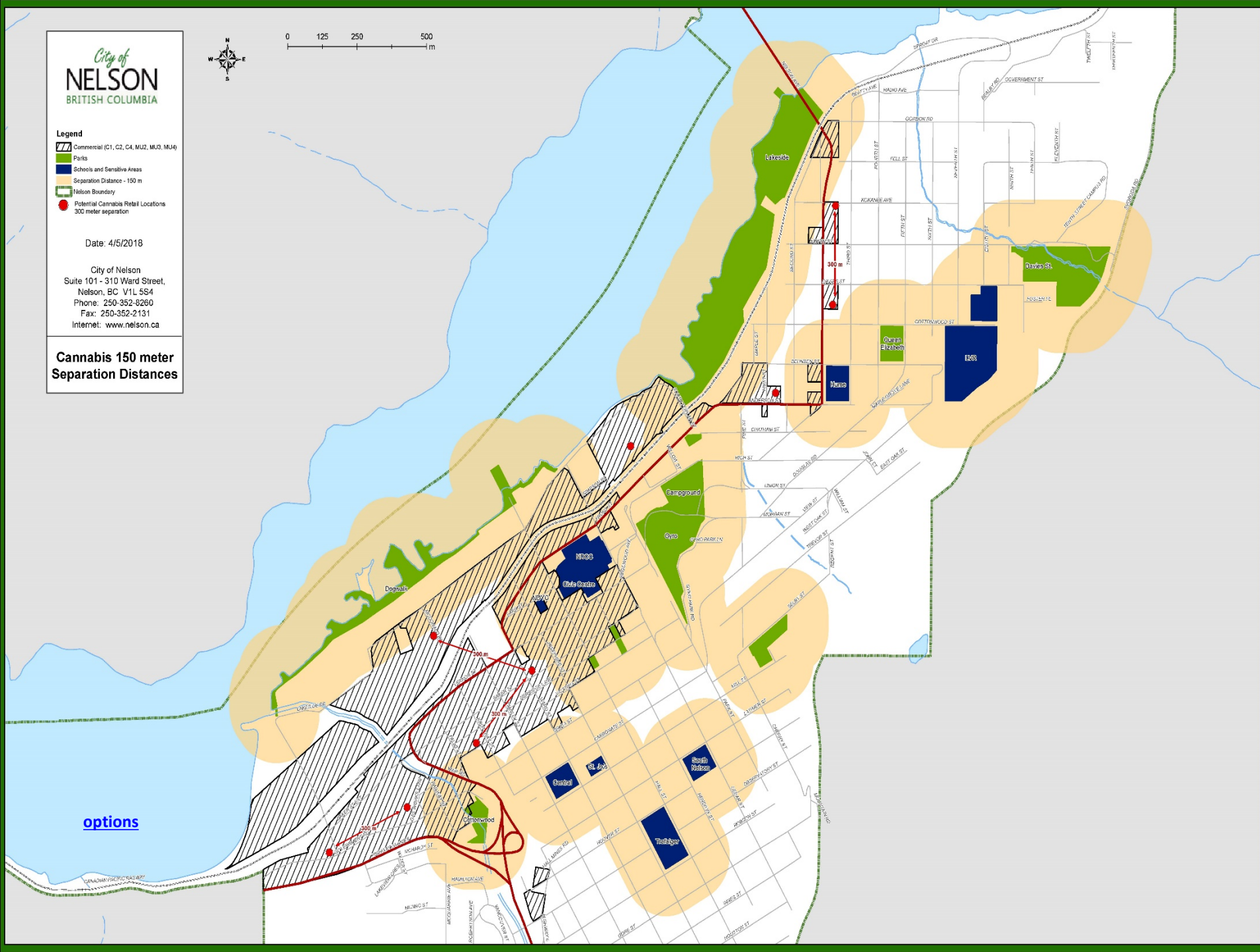
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 Potential Cannabis Retail Locations  
300 meter separation

### Cannabis 150 meter Separation Distances





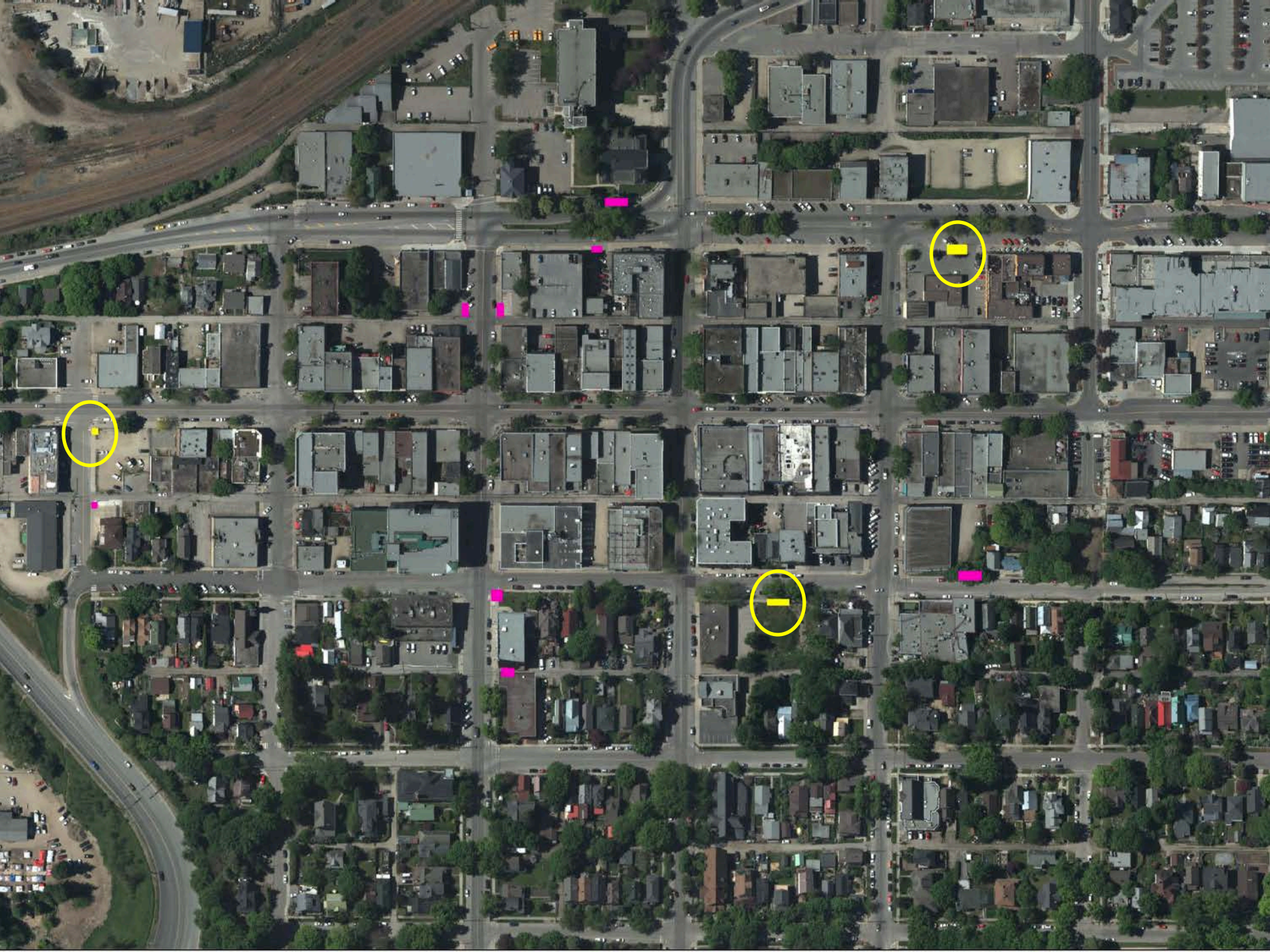
# Regulation OPTIONS

## 2. Public Consumption

Option 1: Clean Air Bylaw (3 locations in the downtown)

Option 2: More restrictive i.e. no public consumption anywhere







# Regulation OPTIONS

## 3. Hours of Operation

Option 1: Liquor store hours 9am-11pm

Option 2: Medical cannabis dispensary hours 8am – 8pm

Option 3: More restrictive?



# Regulation OPTIONS

## 4. Growing on Private Property

Option 1: Provincial regulations i.e. plants not visible from public spaces

Option 2: More restrictive?



## Next Steps

May 1

Open House

May

APC

June

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

July

Public Hearing/3<sup>rd</sup> & Final