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Dear Mayor and Council,

In 2017, the City filed injunctions against 53 operators, the majority of which agreed to a test case, which commenced in September 2018 in BC Supreme Court. Many of the 53 locations that participated in the test case have closed. Only nine remain open.

In December of 2018 the BC Supreme Court sided with the City and ordered the illegal marijuana dispensaries participating in the suit to shut down. The dispensaries subsequently filed an appeal of that decision with the BC Court of Appeal.

Today, the BC Court of Appeal denied a stay of Mr. Justice Hinkson's order that all illegal marijuana dispensaries named in the suit to shut down.

This application by the dispensaries was to allow them to stay open until the appeal is heard by the BC Court of Appeal later this year. The court has denied that application and they must now close until the appeal and would have to remain closed if they lose the appeal.

The nine stores are:

1.	Canna Clinic	2347 E Hastings St
2.	Green Cross Society Of BC	2145 Kingsway
3.	Karuna Health Foundation & Metta Lounge	3636 W 4th Ave
4.	Lotusland Cannabis Club	3474 W Broadway
5.	The Medicinal Cannabis Dispensary	880 E Hastings St
6.	WEEDS	1808 Burrard St
7.	WEEDS	2580 Kingsway
8.	WEEDS	6657 Main St
9.	WEEDS	1108 Richards St

The City expects that these nine stores will obey the Court order and close immediately. If they do not comply with the order the City will seek to have them found in contempt of court.

We will be sending out an information bulletin to the media later today.

Best, Sadhu

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Pronouns: he, him, his



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