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**Subject:** City Council - Question/Comment

Hello all,

I am emailing you about my concerns of having pot shops in Hermosa Beach. I am concerned about having these shops in our community for several reasons.

We have two big high schools near Hermosa and middle schools with kids everywhere. I am afraid of more impaired drivers with kids walking and riding bikes in the area. I am concerned that having these pot shops will make it easier for pot to get into the hands of older kids that want it and they can sell it to other kids. The incidence of kids who never may have tried pot will increase. Not only that, they will be trying pot that is a lot higher in THC than was in pot years ago!

We already have, unfortunately, many mentally ill homeless people around Hermosa. This will easily increase their use of an addictive substance.

There is no doubt, that this will increase crime in our area. In addition, if there is any legal issue with these pot shops. We the tax payers will have to pay for the legal fees.

Please take into consideration some of my points against having pot shops in Hermosa Beach. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Dianne Staso

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