



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **SOMERS POINT CANNABIS BUSINESS SURVEY/QUESTIONNAIRE**

**SOMERS POINT, NJ** – In November 2020 voters in New Jersey approved a constitutional question that, along with related provisions, will potentially facilitate the commercial cultivation, processing, testing, distribution and retail sale of recreational cannabis and cannabis-related products throughout the State to adults over the age of 21.

In an effort to determine resident attitudes on this issue, City Council has endorsed a survey and is requesting the input of Somers Point residents. Recently Council readopted an ordinance (# 8 of 2021) prohibiting completely any type of cannabis-related business activities in order to retain local control of any future cannabis business activities within the city, however, this approach can be modified in the future to allow one or more types of cannabis-related businesses. As a densely developed community, realistic opportunities for the cultivation of cannabis on a commercial scale do not appear to exist within the City of Somers Point. Manufacturing, Wholesaling and Distribution Services would normally be permitted within a community's zoned industrial and/or business park districts, which is also limited within Somers Point, however, smaller scale operations could potentially locate within the city, if conditionally permitted. Delivery services will be permitted throughout the State. Retail Sales of cannabis and cannabis-related products have the highest potential for locating within the city. These facilities could take several forms from a small "boutique" shop to a larger commercial facility depending on the zoning and land development requirements put in place by the city to control such uses, including where they could be located, size, hours of operation, etc. The survey can be found at [www.somerspointgov.org](http://www.somerspointgov.org). ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE EMAIL [EDAC@visitsomerspoint.com](mailto:EDAC@visitsomerspoint.com)

