

POLICE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM



TO: Elke Doom; Valdez City Council

FROM: Bart Hinkle, Chief of Police

RE: Alaskan Greenery Inspection [VPD 17-0896]

DATE: March 1, 2017

At approximately 1800 hours on March 1, 2017, Lieutenant Mott, Officer Shumate, Officer Beck, and I visited Alaskan Greenery so that I could conduct an inspection of their commercial marijuana cultivation facility. The last inspection had been conducted on October 21, 2016 – at which time Alaska Greenery was operating as a viable cultivation facility, growing multiple strains of marijuana, but had yet to yield any product or supply any retail store(s).

As I have become accustomed to, the owner/operator of Alaskan Greenery [Michael Liljedahl] was highly cooperative, forthcoming with details surrounding his business, and operating in a manner that meets or exceeds industry regulations.

Mr. Liljedahl informed us that he had recently received approval from the State of Alaska to expand his cultivation operations (not in the footprint of the cultivation facility, but in the amount of space dedicated within the facility for marijuana cultivation). Instead of one grow room, Alaska Greenery will expand to 3 grow rooms – for a total of about 1000 square feet.

While the necessary construction for the expansion was not complete during the time of the inspection, Mr. Liljedahl was able to clearly articulate his plans to accommodate an increase in cultivation, his enhanced security measures, upcoming interior renovations, and an expected timeline of completion as well as the next harvest.

I was able to observe the additional security cameras in operation. I also noted that the air filtration system appears to be doing its job- as I was unable to detect any odor of marijuana outside of the cultivation facility. Also, to date, we have not received any complaints from nearby residents regarding an odor of marijuana emanating from Alaskan Greenery.

During the duration of the inspection (approximately 45 minutes), I did not observe any noticeable violations or any business practice that would indicate Alaskan Greenery is operating out of compliance with State of Alaska or City of Valdez regulations.