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## Castle Rock Town Council Meeting Comments - Submission #153234

**Date Submitted: 1/3/2025**

January 7, 2025, Castle Rock Town Council Meeting Comments

Thank you for your interest in Town Council's upcoming discussions. Please use the form below to submit your comments no later than 1 p.m. Tuesday, January 7, 2025. Comments received by that time will be forwarded to Council and included as part of the public record for the meeting, just as if you had come to comment in person. All listed fields are required.

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**Agenda item on which to comment\***

16. Ordinance Amending Title 17 of the Castle Rock Municipal Code Regarding Local Regulation of Natural 

Please pick one. To comment on more than one item, please submit an additional form.

**Comment\***

I would like to give you my perspective on the "Natural Medicine Business Ordinance" discussion at the December 17th meeting and the second reading of this at the January 7th meeting. On the surface, it seems like a compassionate response to provide a place for people to experience relief from PTSD or other stressors. I have several concerns about this proposal. I know a person who was addicted to many drugs until stepping away from all of them about 25 years ago. This person still suffers from LSD and mushroom flashbacks from time to time. Through involvement in Narcotics Anonymous this person is aware of many users of hallucinogens who have had debilitating flashbacks well after taking the drug. This indicates that keeping a person at a facility until they have finished their trip is no guarantee that they will not have a flashback when they leave the facility, perhaps even when they are driving. Regarding the possible benefits of taking psilocybin, this should be viewed from a cost-benefit and risk analysis. To maximize the possible benefit and minimize the risk, psilocybin should be taken under the medical care of a licensed physician who is well informed of the peer reviewed research on this topic. To not insist on that level of supervision is irresponsible, both for the person who is suffering and for the Castle Rock community. I believe the resolution being voted on at the January 7th meeting is a compromise I can live with. However, allowing the reconsideration from the December 17th proposal of grandfathering in two proposed businesses to add this service to their existing businesses is NOT an acceptable compromise. We need to keep such traffic as far away as possible from children and city life. Further, I have the following concerns about the proposed measure up for vote at the next town council meeting. 1) What are the limits on the size of a micro-dose? Is this truly below the threshold for a patient experiencing flashbacks after they leave the licensed facility? 2) What are the requirements for the type of "physician care" provided? It should be under the supervision of a licensed medical doctor who is informed on peer reviewed research regarding the risks and benefits of psilocybin. 3) How would the licensed business be audited to assure that they are conforming to the standards prescribed by the proposed measure? 4) What are the penalties for a licensed business that does not abide by the limits prescribed by the proposed measure?

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**Do you wish to address Council on this item?\***

Yes: In-Person

No

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**What is your affiliation?\***

Resident

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**Castle Rock Town Council Meeting Comments - Submission #152861**

**Date Submitted: 12/17/2024**

**December 17, 2024, Castle Rock Town Council Meeting Comments**

Thank you for your interest in Town Council's upcoming discussions. Please use the form below to submit your comments no later than 1 p.m. Tuesday, December 17, 2024. Comments received by that time will be forwarded to Council and included as part of the public record for the meeting, just as if you had come to comment in person. All listed fields are required.

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**Comment\***

Please enact restrictions and controls around odor emitted from these businesses. 1000 feet will not prevent this from affecting residences.

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## Castle Rock Town Council Meeting Comments - Submission #147770

Date Submitted: 7/16/2024

July 16, 2024, Castle Rock Town Council Meeting Comments

Thank you for your interest in Town Council's upcoming discussions. Please use the form below to submit your comments no later than 1 p.m. Tuesday, July 16, 2024. Comments received by that time will be forwarded to Council and included as part of the public record for the meeting, just as if you had come to comment in person. All listed fields are required.

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Agenda item on which to comment\*

18. Ordinance Amending Title 17 of the Castle Rock Municipal Code Regarding Local Regulation of Natural

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Comment\*

Dear Council Members, I deeply respect and value the critical role City Council members play in ensuring the safety and well-being of our community. Your dedication and oversight are essential to maintaining the trust and confidence of the people of Castle Rock. I am writing to address the proposed map and ordinances regarding the location of natural medicine businesses that administer psilocybin. Based on my personal experience with Primalized Health Consultants (PHC), I can attest to their adherence to Colorado law and their provision of safe, professional, and effective therapeutic services. I ask that you reconsider these proposed boundaries, as PHC's current location falls outside the suggested zones. As a patient of PHC, I encourage you to visit them to see firsthand how they operate before making a blanket decision. Unlike dispensaries, they do not simply sell mushrooms. The proposed map boundaries seem to perpetuate outdated views on and fears of psilocybin, overlooking the scientific evidence supporting its therapeutic benefits. The mental health crisis in our community, state, and country is well-documented. Institutions like Johns Hopkins are conducting extensive research on the positive effects of psilocybin for mental health treatment. My own experience with PHC has been transformative; after years of not breaking through in traditional therapy, my guided therapeutic journey with PHC has brought me profound relief and healing. PHC is an asset to Castle Rock and offers a structured, clinical setting with trained professionals dedicated to facilitating mental and physical healing as well as personal growth. I ask that we make room for such incredible natural medicine businesses in our community. Thank you for your time and consideration. Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions. Sincerely, Rita Klement

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## Castle Rock Town Council Meeting Comments - Submission #147771

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To address concerns of the Healing Center "selling" natural medicine in a similar format as dispensaries, I'd like to share the protocol for psilocybin journeys used by my business, Primalized Health Consultants. First, Participants are screened based on all factors established by the Colorado Natural Medicine Act. Next, Participants attend one or more prep session(s) to evaluate readiness, based on the Colorado Natural Medicine Act. Participants are then scheduled for the Journey session, at which time they have the option of sharing the medicine. If Participants do share the medicine, they are prohibited from driving and must have a predetermined ride home. After the journey session, Participants will have a minimum of 3 integration sessions which can be done via Telehealth. The first integration session is held within 3 days of the Journey. The second is within 2 weeks from the Journey. And the third is 1 month after the journey session. Medicine is not stored or cultivated at the clinic, nor is it sold during any of the services. While the legalization has outlined some changes, which we are in compliance of, our protocol will not change. There will be no outright sale of medicine and no storage of medicine with our facility. We are already compliant with protocol for distance from any school or child care facility and our landlord is aware and in support of our business model. We are in network with the VA and proudly serve our veterans through natural medicine and our additional services of Acupuncture, Massage Therapy, Function Training, and Nutrition Counseling. We serve the Town of Castle Rock and surrounding areas by offer free Community Acupuncture twice a week and free Functional Training once a week. By further restricting the practice location and the hours of operation you would be prevented our ability to serve this community effectively and preventing access to the medicine for certain groups of people.

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