



# CITY OF BALDWIN PARK STATEMENT

## **Update to the City of Baldwin Park's Cannabis Licensing and Operating Program: The City will expand cannabis distribution licenses to operators**

**BALDWIN PARK, California (March 1, 2021)** – The City of Baldwin Park will initiate the licensing process for cannabis distributors to operate starting February. This critical step to opening the distribution market comes after a significant settlement with Rukli Inc., the City's sole cannabis distributor since 2018. As part of the agreement's terms approved at the City Council Meeting on February 3, Rukli Inc. will release its right to be the exclusive distributor of cannabis in the City and pay administrative fees.

The settlement with Rukli Inc. is a significant win for the City and its residents. It will provide additional revenue from cannabis distribution activities in the future. The revenue from additional licenses increases the City's ability to continue to offer quality services to the community.

"The settlement allows the City to attract high-quality distributors that share our commitment to social responsibility and public safety," said Mayor Emmanuel J. Estrada. "We can now expand the cannabis industry in a transparent way that earns the trust of the community. This effort will bring high-quality jobs for our residents and revenue for our City. "

The application and requirements to apply for a Baldwin Park distribution license can be found <http://www.baldwinpark.com>.