

# MEMORANDUM

**Date:** August 21, 2008

**To:** The Hon. John Hickenlooper, Mayor, City of Denver  
The Hon. Jeanne Robb, President, Denver City Council  
Gerald Whitman, Chief of Police, Denver Police Dept.

**From:** Brian Vicente, Esq., Chairman, Denver Marijuana Policy Review Panel

**Subject:** Marijuana enforcement during 2008 Democratic National Convention

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On August 20, 2008, the Denver Marijuana Policy Review Panel established under Denver Municipal Code Art. 5, Div 3, Sec. 38-176 Enforcement Priority – Marijuana, officially adopted the following Resolution:

**The Marijuana Policy Review Panel recommends that the Denver Police Department should refrain from arresting, detaining, or issuing a citation to any adult 21 years of age or older for the private possession of up to one ounce of marijuana during the 2008 Democratic National Convention.**

The Denver Marijuana Policy Review Panel, which was appointed by the Hon. Mayor John Hickenlooper on December 21, 2007, to implement Denver Municipal Code Art. 5, Div 3, Sec. 38-176 to the greatest extent possible, consists of the following members:

Chairman Brian Vicente, Esq., Executive Director, Sensible Colorado  
Vice Chairman Lt. Ernie Martinez, Denver Police Dept.  
The Hon. Doug Linkhart, Denver City Councilmember at Large  
Vince DiCroce, Director of Prosecution and Code Enforcement, Denver City Attorney's Office  
Frank Moya, Esq., Denver defense attorney and public defender  
Sandy Mullins, Esq., Executive Director, Colorado Criminal Defense Bar  
Phil Cherner, Esq., Denver defense attorney  
Dora Lee Larson, Denver Domestic Violence Coordinating Council and Denver Metro Domestic Violence Fatality Review Committee  
Crystal Noel, CACIII, Substance abuse counselor, The Empowerment Program  
Mason Tvert, Executive Director, Safer Alternative For Enjoyable Recreation (SAFER)