

# Vela's Upcoming Events for the Cannabis Community

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[Vela](#), a cannabis retail shop, and an educational and community-building hub is hosting [a series of free events](#) in September and October that include speakers **David Mendoza**, Senior Policy Advisor for the City of Seattle Office of the Mayor, **Pete Holmes**, Seattle City Attorney, and **Rick Garza**, Director of the Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board to discuss legislative solutions to support the legal market, and the current status and challenges of the marketplace. Come join fellow patrons and partners to learn, discuss and share tips.

## **September, 29, 2016, Thursday | 7 p.m (tomorrow)**

David Mendoza, Senior Policy Advisor for the City of Seattle Office of the Mayor will examine how the Mayor and the City of Seattle have tried to find new legislative solutions to support the legal market, approach enforcement against illicit dealers without resorting to a police-led or criminal law enforcement approach, and develop new legislative tools to expand and improve the legal system.

## **October 5, 2016, Wednesday | 7 p.m.**

Pete Holmes, Seattle City Attorney. Join the discussion about Marijuana Regulation under Washington and Seattle Law and the City's asks for the next legislative session: lounges, delivery, and defelonization.

## **November 2, 2016, Wednesday | 7 p.m.**

Rick Garza, Director of the Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board. Rick will highlight the challenges of pioneering the world's first system of producing, processing and retailing legal cannabis as well as share the current status of the marketplace as well as potential challenges on the horizon.

The shop is located in Seattle's SoDo neighborhood, [1944 1st Ave S, Seattle, WA 98134](#).

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