

Vote NO on WA 7

The Select Board wants to add TWO new retail licenses so that they can deliver social equity.

- ➔ We failed the first time because we went too fast.
- ➔ Is it different this time? "We are building the plane while we're flying it" according to the current Select Board Chair.

The Select Board's new policy has fatal flaws.

- ➔ Relies on the CCC criteria for equity applicant which is very loose
 - ➔ No requirement for the business to actually be owned by the equity applicant
 - ➔ Does not address other barriers to entry, for example, access to working capital
 - ➔ No framework for a host community agreement
 - ➔ The Select Board can modify the policy at will
- It's not clear that tax revenue will increase.
 - There are better ways to deliver social equity starting with enforcing the current HCAs.

WHAT IS THE RUSH?

LET'S FIRST LEARN HOW TO MANAGE WHAT WE HAVE AND CRAFT THE RIGHT POLICY