

Cannabis Control Commission

Public Meeting Minutes

January 24, 2019

1:00 p.m.

Massachusetts Transportation Building
Boston, MA

Commission Members in Attendance:

Chairman Steven Hoffman
Commissioner Kay Doyle
Commissioner Jen Flanagan
Commissioner Britte McBride
Commissioner Shaleen Title

Commission Members Absent: None

List of Documents:

1. [Presentation from 01/24/19 Commission Meeting](#)
2. [Research Department Report on Operating Under the Influence of Cannabis](#)
3. [Meeting Minutes | 1/10/19 | Cannabis Control Commission](#)
4. [Final License-Executive Summary-Patriot Care Corp.-MC281265-MP281308](#)
5. [Final License-Executive Summary-Patriot Care Corp.-MR281282](#)
6. [Final License-Executive Summary-Patriot Care Corp.-MR281283](#)
7. [Final License-Executive Summary-Revolutionary Clinics II, Inc.-MC281507-MP281425](#)
8. [Final License-Executive Summary-Sanctuary Medicinals, LLC-MC281308-MP281405](#)
9. [Final License-Executive Summary-Sanctuary Medicinals, LLC-MR281650](#)
10. [Provisional License- Executive Summary – CommCan, Inc.,-MCN281642-MPN281508](#)
11. [Provisional License- Executive Summary – Garden Remedies – MRN281495](#)
12. [Provisional License-Executive Summary- Herbology Group – MRN281814](#)
13. [Provisional License-Executive Summary- Hothouse Holyoke – MBN281359](#)
14. [Provisional License- Executive Summary-LDE Holdings- MRN281689](#)
15. [Provisional License-Executive Summary-Solar Therapeutics, Inc.- MCN281592](#)
16. [Provisional License-Executive Summary- Urban Grown – MCN281413](#)



Chairman Hoffman called the Cannabis Control Commission to order at 1:05pm on January 24, 2019. Chairman Hoffman put the public on notice that the meeting is being recorded. Chairman Hoffman reviewed the meeting agenda.

Chairman Hoffman turned to the minutes from January 10, 2019. Commissioner Flanagan made the motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Doyle. The Commission unanimously approved the minutes.

Chairman Hoffman turned to the executive director's report. Executive Director Shawn Collins introduced Derek Chamberlin, Licensing Analyst and discussed his professional background. Mr. Collins discussed licensing applications (slide 5). Next, Mr. Collins discussed applications under review by license type (slide 6). Mr. Collins discussed the disadvantaged business enterprise statistics (slide 7). Mr. Collins discussed the licensing applications status (slide 8). Mr. Collins discussed the map of applications (slide 9). Mr. Collins discussed the map of retail applications (slide 10). Mr. Collins discussed agent applications (slide 11). Mr. Collins discussed demographics of agent applications (slide 12-13). Medical Marijuana program data slide (14). Mr. Collins discussed the Social Equity Program Applications (slide 15).

Mr. Collins discussed the applications of a. Patriot Care Corp (# MC281265), Patriot Care Corp (# MP281308), Product Manufacturer, Patriot Care Corp (# MR281282), Retail, Patriot Care Corp (# MR281283), Retail which staff has recommended for approval of final licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary. Commissioner McBride made a motion to enter executive session at the discretion of the chair for the purposes of discussing cash handling procedures of retail marijuana establishments. Chairman Hoffman recognized the motion and said he will ask for a second after review of all licenses.

[Vote taken after executive session:

Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to approve (# MC281265), seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve (# MP281308), seconded by Commissioner Flanagan.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve (# MR281282), seconded by Commissioner McBride.

The Commission approved the motion 4 in favor (Hoffman, Doyle, Flanagan, McBride) and 1 abstain (Title).



Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve (# MR281283), seconded by Commissioner McBride.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.]

Mr. Collins discussed the applications of Revolutionary Clinics II, Inc. (# MC281507), Cultivation/ Tier 8 – Indoor, Revolutionary Clinics II, Inc. (# MP281425), Product Manufacturer, which staff has recommended for approval of final licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary.

[Vote taken after executive session:

Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to approve (# MC281507), seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The Commission approved the motion 4 in favor (Hoffman, Doyle, Flanagan, McBride) and 1 abstain (Title).

Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to approve (# MP281425), seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The Commission approved the motion 4 in favor (Hoffman, Doyle, Flanagan, McBride) and 1 abstain (Title).]

Mr. Collins discussed the applications for Sanctuary Medicinals, LLC (# MC281308), Cultivation/ Tier 5 – Indoor, Sanctuary Medicinals, LLC (# MP281405), Product Manufacturer, Sanctuary Medicinals, LLC (# MR281650), Retail, which staff has recommended for approval of final licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary. Commissioner Title thanked Senator Cyr and Rep. Peake for introducing legislation on Host Community Agreements.

[Vote taken after executive session:

Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to approve (# MC281308), seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The Commission approved the motion 4 in favor (Hoffman, Doyle, Flanagan, McBride) and 1 abstain (Title).

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve (# MP281405), seconded by Commissioner Flanagan.

The Commission approved the motion 4 in favor (Hoffman, Doyle, Flanagan, McBride) and 1 abstain (Title).

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve (# MR281650), seconded by Commissioner McBride.



The Commission approved the motion 4 in favor (Hoffman, Doyle, Flanagan, McBride) and 1 abstain (Title).]

Chairman Hoffman asked for Commissioner McBride to restate her motion. Commissioner McBride made a motion to enter executive session to discuss cash handling procedures, seconded by Commissioner Flanagan. The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

The Commission entered into executive session at 1:42pm

Chairman Hoffman called the public meeting to order at 2:28pm.

Commissioner McBride made a motion that a condition shall be added to all final licenses that licensure is subject to notification of the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 105(1) prior to the issuance of a commencement of operations and that Commission staff be given adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business, seconded by Commissioner Flanagan.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Director of Licensing Kyle Potvin discussed the applications of CommCan, Inc. (#MCN281642), Cultivation /Tier 5 – Indoor, CommCan, Inc. (# MPN281508), Product Manufacturer, which staff has recommended for approval of provisional licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary. Commissioner McBride placed a condition for licensure for additional information for the types of baked goods and candies they are producing. Commissioner Doyle placed a condition for further information on moonrocks. Commissioner Flanagan placed a condition for more information on the plan for positive impact. Commissioner Title placed a condition for further information on the plan of positive impact.

Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to approve (#MCN281642), seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve (# MPN281508), seconded by Commissioner Flanagan.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Commissioner Title recused herself at 2:45pm and left the room. Mr. Potvin discussed the application of Garden Remedies, Inc. (# MRN281495), Retail which staff has recommended for approval of provisional licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary. Commissioner Flanagan placed a condition for further information on how frequent the educational workshops occur.

Commissioner McBride made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Doyle.



The Commission approved the motion 4 in favor (Hoffman, Doyle, McBride, Flanagan) and 1 recusal (Title).

Commissioner Title returned. Mr. Potvin discussed the application of Herbology Group, Inc. (# MRN281814), Retail which staff has recommended for approval of provisional licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary. Commissioner Title added a condition to revise the positive impact plan. Commissioner Flanagan placed a condition for further information on the education seminars.

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Title.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Mr. Potvin discussed the application of Hothouse Holyoke, Inc. (# MBN281359), Microbusiness, Retail which staff has recommended for approval of provisional licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary. Commissioner Flanagan placed a condition for further information on the timeline of the positive impact plan. Commissioner Title placed a condition for more information on the diversity plan and resubmit the positive impact plan.

Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Mr. Potvin discussed the application of LDE Holdings, LLC (# MRN281689), Retail, Retail which staff has recommended for approval of provisional licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary. Commissioner Flanagan placed a condition for additional information for how often they will perform community service.

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Title.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Mr. Potvin discussed the application of Solar Therapeutics, Inc. (# MCN281592), Cultivation /Tier 5 – Indoor which staff has recommended for approval of provisional licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary. Commissioner McBride asked about information from the RMD side.

Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.



Mr. Potvin discussed the application of Urban Grown, Inc. (# MCN281413), Cultivation /Tier 2 – Outdoor which staff has recommended for approval of provisional licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary. Commissioner Flanagan placed a condition that the positive impact plan needed more detail. Commissioner Title placed a condition for further clarification on what neighborhoods in Springfield they were referring to. Commissioner McBride asked about the individuals listed in the application.

Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Chairman Hoffman adjourned the meeting at 3:17pm. Chairman Hoffman called the meeting to order at 3:27pm.

Chairman Hoffman turned to the Research Department Report on Operating Under the Influence of Cannabis. Dr. Julie Johnson and Samantha Doonan presented their research agenda. Commissioner McBride thanked the research department for their work. Commissioner Flanagan noted the partnership we have with other agencies. Commissioner Doyle thanked the research department for their work. Commissioner Title thanked the research department for their report.

Chairman Hoffman turned to the discussion of delegation of Authority to the Executive Director. Mr. Collins sought to streamline processes from the medical program to be more in line with the adult use program and sought delegation from the Commission. Mr. Collins proposed before the Commission for its approval is a delegation of its authority to the Executive Director and as determined by him, to the appropriate Commission staff, to interpret and apply 935 CMR 501.000: Medical Use of Marijuana, as it applies to:

- The specific areas identified [in the chart] warranting delegation;
- The following general areas implicated by the program implementation:
 - o application and registration processes for Registered Marijuana Dispensaries (RMDs), Independent Testing Laboratories, and agents; Patients, Personal Caregivers, Caregiving Institutions and Certifying Healthcare Providers, and Hardship Cultivation,
 - o requests for change;
 - o other licensing and enforcement processes, including operational issues relating to RMDs and labs,
 - o enforcement actions;
 - o confidentiality; and
 - o requests for information, inventory transfer, and waiver.



And as these areas relate to parallel provisions in the adult-use, 935 CMR 500.000, and colocated-operations regulations, 935 CMR 502.000. Commissioner McBride said if we identify products that are concerning, would like to think about an administrative procedure to address those concerns. Commissioner Doyle suggested adding relocation caps for cooperatives, and developing a process to inform the Commission on these matters. Commissioner Title would like to see expanding the enforcement powers and would be open to additional proposals. Commissioner McBride noted that the action on final licensees will still go before the Commission.

Chairman Hoffman asked for a motion to approve the delegation to the executive director and for the executive director to report back to the Commission. Commissioner Title made the motion, seconded by Commission Doyle.

The motion is unanimously approved by the Commission.

With no unknown business before the Commission, Chairman Hoffman noted the next public meeting is February 7, 2019. Commissioner Doyle noted the energy and environmental working group will be meeting January 25, 2019. Chairman Hoffman asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Flanagan made the motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The motion is unanimously approved by the Commission. The Commission is adjourned as of 4:18pm.

