

CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

August 12, 2021
10:00AM

Remote Participation via [Microsoft Teams Live](#)*

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

Documents:

- Application materials associated with:
 - Staff Recommendations on Changes of Ownership
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- The Haven Center, Inc. (#MRR205782)
- The Hub Craft, LLC (#MCR140052)
- The Hub Craft, LLC (#MPR243656)



- Turning Leaf Centers Otis, LLC (#MCR140034)
- Turning Leaf Centers Otis, LLC (#MPR243641)
- Turning Leaf Centers Otis, LLC (#MRR205799)
- Union Twist, Inc. (#MRR205786)
- Union Twist, Inc. (#MRR205787)
- Witch City Gardens LLC (#MRR205821)
- Commonwealth Alternative Care (#RMD1126)
- Four Daughters Compassionate Care, Inc., Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center
- Good Chemistry of Massachusetts, Inc. (#RMD725)
- Heal, Inc., Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center
- Heka, Inc., Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center
- Ipswich Pharmaceutical Associates, Inc. (#RMD1306)
- Mayflower Medicinals, Inc., Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center
- Mayflower Medicinals, Inc. (#RMD425)
- Staff Recommendations on Final Licenses
 - Analytics Lab, LLC (#IL281280), Independent Testing Laboratory
 - Bracts & Pistils, LLC (#DO100103), Marijuana Courier
 - Eskar Northbridge, LLC (#MR283073), Retail
 - Frozen 4 Corporation (#DO100106), Marijuana Courier
 - Galil Greenery, LLC (#MR281978), Retail
 - Grow Rite, LLC (#MC282541), Cultivation, Tier 1 / Indoor
 - GTE Franklin, LLC (#MR282766), Retail
 - Lazy River Products (#MC282085), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor
 - Lazy River Products (#MP281644), Product Manufacturer
 - Mass Yield Cultivation, LLC (#MC281392), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor
 - MassMedicum Corp. (#MC281929), Cultivation, Tier 7 / Indoor
 - Treevit, LLC (#DO100105), Marijuana Courier
 - Commonwealth Alternative Care (#MTC1126), Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center
 - KRD Growers, LTD (#MTC3322), Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center
 - Pharmacannis Massachusetts, Inc. (#MTC3045), Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center
- Staff Recommendations on Provisional Licenses
 - BeachGrass Topicals, LLC (#MBN281797), Microbusiness
 - Commonwealth Alternative Care, Inc. (#MCN281917), Cultivation, Tier 11 / Indoor
 - Commonwealth Alternative Care, Inc. (#MPN281583), Product Manufacturer
 - Commonwealth Alternative Care, Inc. (#MRN282337), Retail
 - Commonwealth Alternative Care, Inc. (#MRN282339), Retail
 - Cypress Tree Management Natick, Inc. (#MRN283773), Retail
 - KG Collective, LLC (#MRN284224), Retail



- Massbiology Technology, LLC (#MCN283150), Cultivation, Tier 4 / Indoor
- Massbiology Technology, LLC (#MPN281972), Product Manufacturer
- Mayflower Medicinals, Inc. (#MRN282682), Retail
- Pleasantrees, Inc. (#MCN283506), Cultivation, Tier 9 / Indoor
- Pleasantrees, Inc. (#MPN282071), Product Manufacturer
- Releaf Cultivation, LLC (#MCN282674), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor
- Shine Delivery, LLC (#DOA100130), Marijuana Courier
- True Eastleaf, LLC (#MCN282313), Cultivation, Tier 1 / Indoor
- True Eastleaf, LLC (#MRN282909), Retail
- Middlesex Integrative Medicine, Inc., Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center
- [Meeting Packet](#)
- Diversity Plan Guidance
- Memorandum re: Executive Session Minutes and Review Process
- Memorandum re: Legislative and Executive Branch Outreach
- Memorandum re: Update on Commission Guidance Documents

In Attendance:

- Chairman Steven Hoffman
- Commissioner Ava Callender Concepcion
- Commissioner Nurys Z. Camargo
- Commissioner Kimberly Roy
- Commissioner Bruce Stebbins

Minutes:

- 1) Call to Order
 - The Chairman recognized a quorum and called the meeting to order.
 - The Chairman gave notice that the meeting is being recorded.

- 2) Chairman's Comments and Updates -
 - The Chairman thanked the Executive Director, the Director of Government Affairs and Policy Matt Giancola, and staff for the work that goes into coordinating and prepping for the monthly public meetings.
 - The Chairman welcomed and acknowledged Commissioner Roy and noted that although she participated in the July public meeting as an observer, the August public meeting marked the first meeting she is a full participant in a Commission public meeting.
 - Commissioner Roy thanked her fellow Commissioners and staff for their welcome to the Commission and diligent onboarding process.



- Commissioner Camargo dedicated her opening comments to her family in Miami and thanked Commission staff for the work that went into translating the Commission regulations into Spanish.
- Commissioner Concepcion thanked the Commission staff for coordinating and helping her prepare for the August public meeting.
- Commissioner Stebbins thanked staff for the work that goes into coordinating and prepping for the monthly public meetings and welcomed Commissioner Roy to her first public meeting.
- The Chairman gave an overview of the agenda.

3) Minutes for Approval – 0:06:11

- The Chairman noted there were two sets of minutes to approve and that the Commissioners have reviewed these minutes and will vote based on their best knowledge that the minutes are an accurate representation of the meetings.
- The Chairman notes that after the votes on these sets of minutes the Commission will be caught up, he also acknowledged and thanked Commissioner Stebbins and staff for their work and leadership on the topic.
- The Chairman noted there were two sets of minutes to approve and that the Commissioners have reviewed these minutes and will vote based on their best knowledge that the minutes are an accurate representation of the meetings.
- June 17, 2021
 - The Chairman asked if the Commissioners had a chance to review the minutes and whether there were questions or edits.
 - Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the minutes for the June 17, 2021, Commission public meeting.
 - Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
 - The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
 - The Commission unanimously approved the minutes for the June 17, 2021, meeting.
- July 15, 2021
 - The Chairman asked if the Commissioners had a chance to review the minutes and whether there were questions or edits.
 - Commissioner Concepcion moved to approve the minutes for the July 15, 2021, Commission public meeting.
 - Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
 - The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes



- Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
- Commissioner Roy – Yes
- Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
- Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the minutes for the July 15, 2021, meeting.

4) Executive Director’s Report – 0:08:18

- The Executive Director gave an overview of licensing data, as laid out on [page 218 of the meeting packet](#).
- The Chairman asked a clarifying question with respect to the estimated applicants for the Marijuana Research Facility license type.
 - The Executive Director notes that several applications have previously applied under the old scheme, so those applications are still pending. He further noted that the Commission has notified these applicants during the transition that the Commission will be reviewing their applications in the new context and actively trying to get these applicants into the new environment.
- The Chairman asked a question regarding the number of certified active patients and whether these have plateaued.
 - The Executive Director noted that there has been a slowdown from last year’s high but confirmed that more patients are actively being added.
- Commissioner Camargo asked a clarification question regarding the four denials listed in the presentation and what happens after denial.
 - The Executive Director noted that this is a historical number and confirmed the reason why the applications were denied. The Executive Director further explained the reconsideration process and options for denied applicants.
 - The Chairman noted that the applications were denied around 2019 and that one applicant started the application anew.
- The Chairman asked a question regarding the Third-Party Transporter license type and the sufficiency of transportation supply as the industry continues to expand.
 - The Executive Director noted the difference between a Third-Party Transporter and a Marijuana Transporter with other existing ME license types and clarified that each license type allows the ability to move your inventory as a component of the license. Thus, he noted that licenses are currently able to efficiently move their inventory between and amongst themselves.
- Commissioner Roy asks a clarifying question on the supply chain on the islands off Cape Cod.
 - The Executive Director noted the unique situation, specific constraints, and special accommodations faced by licenses on Martha’s Vineyard and Nantucket. The Executive Director noted the work of the Commission’s licensing team and the fact that until federal law changes, licensees on the islands will have to continue to be vertically integrated and be subject to alternative testing requirements.



- Commissioner Roy asked a follow-up question regarding the goal of having an independent testing laboratory in the islands to conduct a full panel of testing.
 - The Executive Director noted the market-scale challenges that an independent testing lab may face on the Islands but noted that these challenges might be alleviated by potential federal legalization.

a) Regulation Implementation Process

- The Executive Director gave an update with respect to the regulation implementation process resulting from the 2020 regulatory amendments.
- The Chairman asked a clarifying question on the timeline of implementation of hardship cultivation.
 - The Executive Director noted the work that the staff has already done and holds off on providing a timeline to negate the need to have to modify it in the future.
- Commissioner Conception asked a clarifying question regarding hardship cultivation implementation and what it entails.
 - The Executive Director provided an overview of that hardship cultivation license type and specifically the special circumstances faced by this license type and what the Commission is working through to implement this in an accessible way that respects the dignity of caregivers and patients.

b) Social Equity Program

- The Executive Director gave an update with respect to the Social Equity Program.
- The Executive Director clarified that benefits associated with the program accrue immediately upon acceptance into the program.

c) Fiscal Year 2022 (FY22) Budget

- The Executive Director gave an overview of the FY22 budget.
- The Executive Director noted that the Legislature enacted the Commission's request for the FY22 budget, and the Governor approved the request.

d) Hiring

- The Executive Director described the onboarding of the Licensing Specialists, Executive Assistant, Receptionist/Office Manager, and Investigators.
- The Executive Director noted that this is the most staff that the Commission has ever onboarded at the same time.
- The Chairman asked what the total number of staff will be after the onboarding of new staff concludes.
 - The Executive Director confirmed that the total number of staff will be approximately 90 individuals.
- The Executive Director stated that the Associate Enforcement Counsel, Constituent Services Associate, Program Coordinator- Community Outreach, and Research Analyst positions are now closed and are in the screening and interviewing process. The



Executive Director thanked the Human Resources department for their great work managing the hiring and onboarding process.

e) Return to Office Planning

- The Executive Director gave an overview of the return to office planning that is currently ongoing.
- The Executive Director noted that he has conveyed to Commission staff that there will be at least a 90-day notice in advance of returning to the office.
- The Executive Director clarified that the offices remain closed to the public but noted that both offices are open to staff.
- The Chairman thanked the Executive Director for the detailed overview, and the diligence as the return to office planning continues.

f) Retired Guidance

- The Executive Director gave an overview of the process the Commission is going through to retire outdated guidance documents and listed the documents being retired.
- The Executive Director noted that the documents need to be retired to limit contradiction and confusion.
- The Chairman thanked the Executive Director for the detailed overview, and diligence as the staff continues to work to retire outdated guidance documents.

5) Staff Recommendations on Changes of Ownership – 0:49:48

a. 1Connection Corp.

- Director Potvin presented the Staff Recommendation for Change of Ownership.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.

b. ECOFARM Leicester, LLC

- Director Potvin presented the Staff Recommendation for Change of Ownership.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:



- Commissioner Camargo – Yes
- Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
- Commissioner Roy – Yes
- Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
- Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.

c. Frozen 4, LLC

- Director Potvin presented the Staff Recommendation for Change of Ownership.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.

d. Greencare Collective, Inc.

- Director Potvin presented the Staff Recommendation for Change of Ownership.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.

e. Greenstar Herbals, Inc.

- Director Potvin presented the Staff Recommendation for Change of Ownership.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes



- Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.

f. Harmony of MA, Inc.

- Director Potvin presented the Staff Recommendation for Change of Ownership.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.

g. Nature’s Remedy of Massachusetts, Inc.

- Director Potvin presented the Staff Recommendation for Change of Ownership.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Stebbins noted the news coverage for this change of ownership and commends local official for their work to ensure that new owners maintain strong local relationships when change of ownerships are requested.
- Commissioner Concepcion moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.

h. Mayflower Botanicals, Inc.

- Director Potvin presented the Staff Recommendation for Change of Ownership.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- The Chairman noted that the licensee’s change ownership request was first brought to the Commission for a vote in 2019, but the transition of the medical program from the Department of Public Health to the Commission elongated the process of approval.
 - Director Potvin confirms the Chairman’s description of the review process and provided additional context.
- The Chairman asked a clarifying question regarding the licensee’s compliance with the Commission’s regulations specifically with regards to change of ownership.



- Director Potvin confirmed that the licensee is currently in full compliance with the Commission’s regulations and all previous issues were reviewed by the investigations team prior to issuing a staff recommendation for change of ownership.
- Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.

6) Staff Recommendations on Renewals – 1:05:00

- The Chairman recognized Commissioner Camargo for her work taking a deep dive into Renewals, working with licensing staff.
- Commissioner Roy thanked Commissioner Camargo for her work and taking a deep dive into Renewals.

a. The Chairman noted that Renewals will be considered as one or more rosters, subject to a Commissioner’s request for individual treatment. The Commission will consider each for which a Commissioner requested individual treatment and then will consider the remaining applications in two rosters: (1) all other Adult-use applications; (2) the other medical-use renewals.

- Commissioner Roy noted that as the Public Health appointee she is particularly focused on CMR 500.140(6) and the importance of consumer education and dispensing procedures as it relates to Adult Use regulations. She also noted that she will be closely monitoring, reviewing, and inspecting applicants seeking provisional, final, and renewal licenses to determine full compliance with the established consumer education requirements, and reminded all licensees that full compliance is only reached through fulfilling all requirements laid out in subsection (a) through (j) of CMR 500.140(6) is required.

• Remaining Adult-Use Roster

- The Chairman gave an overview of the roster.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the remaining roster of adult-use Renewals.
- Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes



- Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the roster of Renewals.

- **Remaining Medical-Use Roster**

- The Chairman gave an overview of the roster.
 - The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Camargo commends
 - Commissioner Roy moved to approve the remaining roster of medical-use Renewals.
 - Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
 - The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
 - The Commission unanimously approved the remaining roster of medical-use Renewals.
- Commissioner Camargo commented that there were several Renewal applicants that she wanted to commend for their work.
 - Berkshire Kind Inc. included in its renewal that it is working with women-owned and veteran-owned businesses, which Commissioner Camargo recognized as an innovative way to fulfill the equity mission of the industry.
 - Local Roots Inc. was very clear and effective in communicating what its goals were and how it accomplished them, which made reading and assessing the Renewal application easier. Commissioner Camargo also commended Local Roots working with the community to display local artists in its facility.

a. 6 Bricks, LLC. (#MRR205829)

b. Alternative Therapies Group II, Inc. (#MRR205823)

c. Alternative Therapies Group II, Inc. (#MR205789)

d. Apotho Therapeutics Plainville, LLC (#MRR205798)

- Commissioner Camargo requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Applicant to submit separate Positive Impact Plan and Diversity Plan for next renewal.
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Renewal, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Camargo.
- Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes



- Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
- Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Renewal, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Camargo.

e. Berkshire Kind Inc. (#MCR140026)

f. Bud's Goods & Provisions Corp. (#MRR205837)

g. Calyx & Pistils Inc. (#MCR140005)

h. Calyx Peak of MA, Inc. (#MCR140027)

i. Calyx Peak of MA, Inc. (#MPR243644)

j. Caroline's Cannabis, LLC (#MRR205806)

k. Cultivauna, LLC (#MPR243646)

l. Curaleaf Massachusetts Inc (#MRR205808)

m. Curaleaf Massachusetts Inc (#MRR205807)

- Commissioner Camargo requested a condition to apply to both Curaleaf Massachusetts Inc applications.
 - Proposed condition: Within 90 days applicant should submit update on how they plan to remedy the initial partnership with C3RN as it relates to the 12,000 in scholarships. Applicant to clarify if scholarship will still be available through another partner agency.
- Commissioner Roy moved to approve both Renewals, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Camargo.
- Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved both Renewals, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Camargo.

n. FFD Enterprises MA (#MRR205805)

o. Ganesh Wellness, Inc. (#MRR205819)

- Commissioner Camargo requested a condition and commented that she appreciated the work and the information provided in the renewal application for the licensee's other location but requested the actual data from this specific license.
 - Proposed condition: Applicant to submit data from actual license entity once operational at next renewal.
- Commissioner Concepcion moved to approve the Renewal, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Camargo.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.



- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Renewal, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Camargo.

p. Good Chemistry Nurseries of Massachusetts, LLC (#MCR140029)

q. Good Chemistry Nurseries of Massachusetts, LLC (#MPR243652)

r. Green Thumb Growers, LLC (#MBR169275)

s. GTE Franklin LLC (#MRR205792)

t. Heal Sturbridge, Inc. (#MRR205818)

u. Holistic Health Group Inc (#MCR140003)

v. Holistic Health Group Inc (#MCR140030)

w. Insa, Inc. (#MRR205777)

x. JustinCredible Cultivation, LLC (#MCR140043)

- Commissioner Camargo requested a condition and commented that JustinCredible Cultivation, LLC is one of the only minority-owned cultivation sites in Massachusetts and commended the work that they are doing.
 - Proposed condition: Resubmit Positive Impact Plan’s supporting documents to clarify the objective as it relates to the goal.
- Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the Renewal, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Camargo.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Renewal, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Camargo.

y. Local Roots NE, Inc. (#MRR205804)

z. Mass Yield Cultivation LLC (#MCR140051)

aa. MassMedicum Corp. (#MCR140038)

bb. MassMedicum Corp. (#MPR243649)

cc. MassMedicum Corp. (#MRR205812)

dd. MassMedicum Corp. (#MRR205813)

ee. Mission MA, Inc. (#MPR243640)

ff. Natural Agricultural Products, LLC (#MCR140037)



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oo. Peak Limited LLC (#MCR140035)
pp. Peak Limited LLC (#MCR140036)
qq. Peak Limited LLC (#MPR243637)
rr. Peak Limited LLC (#MPR243638)
ss. Potency LLC (#MRR205834)

tt. Pure Industries, Inc. (#MPR243648)

- Commissioner Camargo commended the licensee's Positive Impact Plan, specifically the initiative to provide training for home growers on how to properly cultivate.
- Commissioner Concepcion moved to approve the Renewal.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Renewal.

uu. Pure Lowell, Inc. (#MRR205815)

- Commissioner Camargo requested a condition and commented that licensees should be mindful to indicate whether donations are associated with all licenses held, or only the license that is up for renewal. Commissioner Camargo also commended the work that the licensee has been doing in the city of Lowell.
 - Proposed condition: Within 90 days applicant to submit and clarify if the \$5,000 donation to Old Colony in Lowell is on behalf of both licenses they own (MPR243648 and MRR205815) or from one.
- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Renewal, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Camargo.
- Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes



- The Commission unanimously approved the Renewal, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Camargo.

vv. QPS Massachusetts Holdings LLC (#MCR140019)

ww. QPS Massachusetts Holdings LLC (#MPR243655)

xx. Root 2 Naturals, LLC (#MBR169276)

yy. Salisbury Cultivation and Product Manufacturing, LLC (#MCR140048)

zz. Salisbury Cultivation and Product Manufacturing, LLC (#MPR243650)

aaa. Solar Therapeutics, Inc. (#MRR205785)

bbb. Solar Therapeutics, Inc. (#MPR243636)

- Commissioner Camargo requested a condition to apply to both license and commented to commend the work that the licensee is doing in the communities they are a part of and noted that licensees should be mindful and intentional when donating to organizations to make sure they are upholding the Commission’s equity mandate when it comes to donations, as these are supposed to make an impact on communities that were disproportionately impacted by the War on Drugs.
 - Proposed condition: Clarify how a donation to a dog shelter will positively impact communities and or people that have been disproportionately impacted by the War on Drugs.
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Renewal, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Camargo.
- Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Renewal, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Camargo.

ccc. Sparkboro Wellness NAMA Corp. (#MRR205793)

ddd. Temescal Wellness of Massachusetts, LLC (#MRR205816)

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lll. Turning Leaf Centers Otis, LLC (#MCR140034)

mmm. Turning Leaf Centers Otis, LLC (#MPR243641)

nnn. Turning Leaf Centers Otis, LLC (#MRR205799)



ooo. Union Twist, Inc. (#MRR205786)

ppp. Union Twist, Inc. (#MRR205787)

qqq. Witch City Gardens LLC (#MRR205821)

rrr. Commonwealth Alternative Care (#RMD1126)

- The Chairman noted that Commissioner Camargo is recusing herself from this vote.
- Commissioner Concepcion moved to approve the Renewal, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Camargo.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Recused
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission approved the Renewal, by a vote of four in favor and one recusal.

sss. Four Daughters Compassionate Care, Inc., Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center

ttt. Good Chemistry of Massachusetts, Inc. (#RMD725)

uuu. Heal, Inc., Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center

vvv. Heka, Inc., Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center

www. Ipswich Pharmaceutical Associates, Inc. (#RMD1306)

xxx. Mayflower Medicinals, Inc., Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center

yyy. Mayflower Medicinals, Inc. (#RMD425)

The Commission took a brief recess, returning at 11:46 AM (1:46:17).

7) Staff Recommendations on Final Licenses

- The Chairman noted that the Commission considers Final Licenses as a roster unless a Commissioner requests otherwise. There are three rosters; (1) all adult-use Licenses; (2) Commonwealth Alternative Care (#MTC1126), from which Commissioner Camargo is recusing herself; and (3) the remainder of medical-use licenses.
- Director Potvin noted that one Independent Testing Laboratory and Three Marijuana Courier licensees are included in the roster and up for Commission consideration and vote.
- Adult-Use Roster
 - The Chairman gave an overview of the roster.
 - The Chairman asked for questions or comments.



- Commissioner Stebbins noted that Analytics Lab, LLC is the first women and minority owned Independent Testing Laboratory up for Commission consideration.
- Commissioner Concepcion moved to approve the roster of adult-use Final Licenses.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the roster of adult-use Final Licenses.

● Remaining Medical-Use Roster

- The Chairman gave an overview of the roster.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the remaining roster of medical-use Final Licenses.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the remaining roster of medical-use Final Licenses.

- a. Analytics Lab, LLC (#IL281280), Independent Testing Laboratory
- b. Bracts & Pistils, LLC (#DO100103), Marijuana Courier
- c. Eskar Northbridge, LLC (#MR283073), Retail
- d. Frozen 4 Corporation (#DO100106), Marijuana Courier
- e. Galil Greenery, LLC (#MR281978), Retail
- f. Grow Rite, LLC (#MC282541), Cultivation, Tier 1 / Indoor
- g. GTE Franklin, LLC (#MR282766), Retail
- h. Lazy River Products (#MC282085), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor
- i. Lazy River Products (#MP281644), Product Manufacturer
- j. Mass Yield Cultivation, LLC (#MC281392), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor
- k. MassMedicum Corp. (#MC281929), Cultivation, Tier 7 / Indoor
- l. Treevit, LLC (#DO100105), Marijuana Courier (End of adult-use)



- m. Commonwealth Alternative Care (#MTC1126), Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center
- The Chairman noted that Commissioner Camargo is recusing herself from this vote.
 - The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Final License.
 - Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
 - The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Camargo – Recused
 - Concepcion – Yes
 - Roy – Yes
 - Stebbins – Yes
 - Hoffman – Yes
 - The Commission approved the Final License by a vote of four in favor and one recusal.

n. KRD Growers, LTD (#MTC3322), Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center

o. Pharmacannis Massachusetts, Inc. (#MTC3045), Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center

8) Staff Recommendations on Provisional Licenses – 1:53:50

- The Chairman noted that the Commission will consider each Provisional License application individually and will work to reconcile any duplicative conditions requested by the Commissioners.
 - Commissioner Roy applauded and celebrated the mission of the Commission as well as the applicants and licensees for their continued commitment and extraordinary efforts towards promoting increased diversity and inclusion in the industry, and further noted that any conditions she provides are intending to make their diversity plans more robust.
 - Commissioner Stebbins noted that the Massachusetts statute offers a specific focus on social equity to assist communities that were disproportionately impacted by the War on Drugs. He further noted that a few applicants that are located within a current Commission identified Disproportionately Impacted Area chose not to focus on hiring in their Positive Impact Plans, and in some cases chose to focus on a completely different impacted community. He further noted that some of the conditions he proposes, seek clarification in this regard.
- a. BeachGrass Topicals, LLC (#MBN281797), Microbusiness
- Licensing Manager Defoe presented the Staff Recommendation for Provisional License.
 - The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Roy commended BeachGrass Topicals, LLC’s Positive Impact Plan with metrics and deliverables.
 - Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Provisional License.
 - Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.



- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
 - The Commission unanimously approved the Provisional License.
- b. Commonwealth Alternative Care, Inc. (#MCN281917), Cultivation, Tier 11 / Indoor
- Licensing Manager Defoe presented the Staff Recommendation for all three colocated Commonwealth Alternative Care, Inc. Provisional License, subject to separate votes.
 - The Chairman noted that Commissioner Camargo is recusing herself the four Commonwealth Alternative Care, Inc.
 - The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Stebbins requested a condition to apply to all three colocated licenses.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to Final Application for Licensure, clarify and report back to the Commission whether hiring Taunton residents was considered within your Positive Impact Plan considering the proposed operation is in a Commission-recognized Disproportionately Impacted community.
 - Commissioner Roy requested a condition to apply to all three colocated licenses, commenting that she has noticed identical language being used on numerous applications and encouraged licensees to use unique and original language.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to Final Application for Licensure, Commonwealth Alternative Care, Inc will provide original and unique language as to their employee retention, training and development goals.
 - Commissioner Concepcion moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Stebbins and Commissioner Roy.
 - Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
 - The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Recused
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins– Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
 - The Commission approved the Provisional License, by a vote of four in favor and one recusal, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Stebbins and Commissioner Roy.
- c. Commonwealth Alternative Care, Inc. (#MPN281583), Product Manufacturer
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Stebbins and Commissioner Roy.



- Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Recused
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission approved the Provisional License, by a vote of four in favor and one recusal, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Stebbins and Commissioner Roy.

d. Commonwealth Alternative Care, Inc. (#MRN282337), Retail

- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Stebbins and Commissioner Roy.
- Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Recused
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission approved the Provisional License, by a vote of four in favor and one recusal, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Stebbins and Commissioner Roy.

e. Commonwealth Alternative Care, Inc. (#MRN282339), Retail

- Licensing Manager Defoe presented the Staff Recommendation Commonwealth Alternative Care, Inc. (#MRN282337), Retail’s Provisional License.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Stebbins requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to Final Application for Licensure, clarify and report back to the Commission whether hiring Taunton residents was considered within your Positive Impact Plan considering the proposed operation is in a Commission-recognized Disproportionately Impacted community.
- Commissioner Roy requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to Final Application to Licensure, Commonwealth Alternative Care, Inc will provide original and unique language as to their employee retention, training and development goals.
- Commissioner Concepcion moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Stebbins and Commissioner Roy.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:



- Commissioner Camargo – Recused
- Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
- Commissioner Roy – Yes
- Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
- Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission approved the Provisional License, by a vote of four in favor and one recusal, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Stebbins and Commissioner Roy.

f. Cypress Tree Management Natick, Inc. (#MRN283773), Retail

- Licensing Manager Defoe presented the Staff Recommendation for Provisional License.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- The Chairman noted Commissioner Concepcion is recusing herself the four Cypress Tree Management Natick, Inc. licenses. He asks Commissioner Concepcion turn off both her Camara and microphone until directed otherwise.
- Commissioner Stebbins commented that language used in the applicant’s Diversity Plan is very similar to other applicants and encourages applicants to make these plans uniquely their own.
- Commissioner Stebbins requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to Final Application for Licensure, contact CCC Licensing Division with an update to confirm your training and recruitment partners and eligibility to support your activities.
- Commissioner Roy requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to final application will provide original and unique language as to their employee retention, training and development goals.
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Stebbins and Commissioner Roy.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Recusal
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission approved the Provisional License by a vote of four in favor and one recusal, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Stebbins and Commissioner Roy.

g. KG Collective, LLC (#MRN284224), Retail

- Licensing Manager Defoe presented the Staff Recommendation for Provisional License.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Concepcion requested a condition.



- Proposed condition: Prior to final licensure the applicant shall amend its security plan to state that the appropriate Law Enforcement Authorities and the Commission shall be notified of any breach of security or other reportable incident defined in 500.110(9) immediately and, in no instance, more than 24 hours following discovery of the breach or incident.
- Commissioner Roy requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to Final Application to Licensure, identify hiring goals for veterans, individuals with disabilities and LGBTQ residents.
- Commissioner Concepcion moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Concepcion and Commissioner Roy.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Concepcion and Commissioner Roy.

h. Massbiology Technology, LLC (#MCN283150), Cultivation, Tier 4 / Indoor

- Licensing Manager Defoe presented the Staff Recommendation for both Massbiology Technology, LLC Provisional Licenses, subject to separate votes.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Stebbins requested two conditions to apply to both Massbiology Technology, LLC Provisional Licenses.
 - Proposed conditions:
 - Prior to Final Application for Licensure, clarify and report back to the Commission relative to focus of Positive Impact Plan on Springfield considering the proposed operation is located in Commission-designated Disproportionately Impacted community of Holyoke.
 - Prior to Final Application for Licensure, identify any spending goals with LGBTQ and Disabled Citizen-owned certified businesses.
- Commissioner Roy requested a condition to apply to both Massbiology Technology, LLC Provisional Licenses.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to Final application for Licensure, please update Diversity and Inclusion plan for job postings to also include veterans publications/ job sites and other veteran outreach strategies when advertising employment opportunities.
- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Stebbins and Commissioner Roy.
- Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:



- Commissioner Camargo – Yes
- Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
- Commissioner Roy – Yes
- Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
- Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Stebbins and Commissioner Roy.

i. Massbiology Technology, LLC (#MPN281972), Product Manufacturer

- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Stebbins and Commissioner Roy.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Stebbins and Commissioner Roy.

j. Mayflower Medicinals, Inc. (#MRN282682), Retail

- Licensing Manager Defoe presented the Staff Recommendation for Provisional License.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Roy requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to Final application for Licensure, please update Diversity and Inclusion plan job postings to also include veterans publications/ job sites and other veteran outreach strategies when advertising employment opportunities.
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.
- Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Roy.

k. Pleasantrees, Inc. (#MCN283506), Cultivation, Tier 9 / Indoor



- Licensing Manager Defoe presented the Staff Recommendation for both Pleasantrees, Inc. Provisional License, subject to separate votes.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Stebbins requested a condition to apply to both Pleasantrees, Inc. Provisional License.
 - Proposed Condition: Prior to Final Application for Licensure, clarify and report back to the Commission relative to focus of Positive Impact Plan on Amherst considering the proposed operations are located in Commission-designated Disproportionately Impacted community of Holyoke.
- Commissioner Roy requested a condition to apply to both Pleasantrees, Inc. Provisional License.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to Final Application to Licensure, Pleasantrees, Inc. will provide original and unique language as to their employee retention, training and development goals.
- Commissioner Concepcion moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Stebbins and Commissioner Roy.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Stebbins and Commissioner Roy.

l. Pleasantrees, Inc. (#MPN282071), Product Manufacturer

- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Stebbins and Commissioner Roy.
- Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins– Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Stebbins and Commissioner Roy.

m. Releaf Cultivation, LLC (#MCN282674), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor

- Licensing Manager Defoe presented the Staff Recommendation for the Provisional License.



- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Concepcion requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to final licensure, the applicant must provide a standard operating procedure to Commission staff that correctly reflects the regulations promulgated in January 2021.
- Commissioner Roy Requested two conditions.
 - Proposed conditions:
 - Prior to Final Application to Licensure, Releaf Cultivation, LLC, will provide original and unique language as to their proposed initiatives which had the identical language as Cypress Tree Management Natick, inc.
 - Prior to Final application for Licensure, please update Diversity and Inclusion plan for job postings to also include veterans publications/ job sites and other veteran outreach strategies when advertising employment opportunities.
- Commissioner Stebbins Requested a Condition.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to Final Application for Licensure, contact CCC Licensing Division with an update to confirm your training and recruitment partners and eligibility to support your activities.
- Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Concepcion, Commissioner Roy, and Commissioner Stebbins.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Concepcion, Commissioner Stebbins, and Commissioner Roy.

n. Shine Delivery, LLC (#DOA100130), Marijuana Courier

- Licensing Manager Defoe presented the Staff Recommendation for Provisional License.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Camargo requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Resubmit Diversity Plan, to include more than hiring and that it “promotes and encourages full participation in the regulated cannabis industry by individuals from communities disproportionately harmed by cannabis prohibition and enforcement and to positively impact those communities under M.G.L. c. 94G, § 4 in Massachusetts.”
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Camargo.



- Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Camargo.

o. True Eastleaf, LLC (#MCN282313), Cultivation, Tier 1 / Indoor

- Licensing Manager Defoe presented the Staff Recommendation for both True Eastleaf, LLC Provisional Licenses, subject to separate votes.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Camargo requested a condition to apply to both True Eastleaf, LLC Provisional Licenses.
 - Proposed condition: Resubmit Diversity Plan, to include more than hiring and that it “promotes and encourages full participation in the regulated cannabis industry by individuals from communities disproportionately harmed by cannabis prohibition and enforcement and to positively impact those communities under M.G.L. c. 94G, § 4 in Massachusetts.
- Commissioner Concepcion moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Camargo.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Camargo.

p. True Eastleaf, LLC (#MRN282909), Retail

- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Camargo.
- Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes



- Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Camargo.

q. Middlesex Integrative Medicine, Inc., Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center

- Licensing Manager Defoe presented the Staff Recommendation for Provisional License.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the Provisional License.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Provisional License.

The Commission took a 30 minute recess, returning at 1:00 PM (3:00:00).

9) Commission Discussion and Votes

a. Diversity Guidance

- The Chairman commended both Commissioner Stebbins and Commissioner Camargo for their leadership on the topic. He also thanked former Commissioner Title and Commissioner Flannigan, for their previous contributions regarding the topic.
- Commissioner Camargo, Licensing Specialist Tiixa Chukwuezi, Project Coordinator Rebecca Kwakye, and Commissioner Stebbins presented the Diversity Guidance.
- Commissioner Camargo thanked and acknowledged the Cannabis Advisory Board and business owners for reviewing the Diversity Guidance prior to it coming up for a vote.
- Commissioner Concepcion thanked Commissioner Camargo, Commissioner Stebbins, and the team and asked if they are any new requirements for Diversity plans beyond the new requirements that every Diversity Plan contains at least two goals.
 - Commissioner Stebbins reaffirmed that beyond requiring that every applicant submit at least two goals as a part of their Diversity Plan the guidance also provides examples of what the goals might be and urges applicants to think about diversity as applicants are building out their facility, and also submit a plan that is unique to their facilities.
 - Commissioner Camargo noted that this new guidance clarifies language that is vague in the Commission’s regulations and now asks for a minimum of two goals for Diversity Plans.



- Commissioner Roy thanked Commissioner Camargo, Commissioner Stebbins, and the team for their leadership and hard work on the Diversity Guidance.
- The Chairman noted the necessity of this guidance and hopes that this new guidance will limit the need to add additional conditions on both provisional and renewals. The Chairman also commended the working group for seeking input from both internal and external stakeholders in the process of drafting this guidance.
- Commissioner Roy noted that the new metrics and measurables in the guidance will make a difference when holding various stakeholders accountable as the Commission approximates the legislative mandates to uphold diversity and equity in the industry.
- Commissioner Camargo recommended that licensees reach out with any questions or comments they may have and asked that licensees use the graph provided in the guidance to help them display their hiring process.
- Commissioner Concepcion noted that she will also use the guidance when reviewing applications and recommends that other stakeholders also review and use this guidance to guide their work.
- The Chairman suggested a motion that approves the guidance up until the reference page to limit the need for the reference page to come up for Commission vote and consideration when it is subsequently updated by staff.
- Commissioner Camargo clarified that the Diversity Guidance is separate and distinct from the reference and resources page and clarified that they will each be published on different pages of the Commission’s website after approval.
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Diversity Guidance.
- Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Diversity Guidance.

b. Executive Session Minutes and Review Process

- Chairman Hoffman thanked Commissioner Stebbins, and General Counsel Baily, for their work and leadership on the topic.
- Commissioner Stebbins presented the executive session minutes and review process.
- The Chairman noted that the motion up for commission vote is whether to approve the General Counsel’s recommendation on which of the seven executive session minutes should be realized, and which should continue to be withheld. He further clarified that if the motion passes the minutes recommended for release by the General Counsel will come up for Commission vote and consideration at the next public meeting.
- General Counsel Christine Baily provided further clarification on the implication of approving the motion and the proposed process.



- The Chairman provided further clarification on the process and implications of the motion.
- The Chairman asked a question regarding the number of executive sessions that have occurred in the history of the Commission.
 - General Counsel Baily noted that there have been previous executive session minutes that have been released, but for the purposes of the discussion and vote, the Commission is only looking at seven sets of executive session minutes, which have been withheld to date. General Counsel Baily clarified that the recommendation, if approved, would only result in the withholding of executive session minutes that relate to pending, or ongoing matters.
- Commissioner Stebbins moves to accept the General Counsel’s recommendation regarding the release and withholding of prior executive session minutes.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the recommendation.

c. Timeline for Regulatory Review

- The Chairman gave an overview of the topic and thanked the Legal team for their leadership on the topic.
- The Executive Director gave a high-level overview of a proposed timeline.
- Commissioner Concepcion asked a clarifying question regarding the end goal stated in the timeline.
 - The Chairman noted that the timeline as of yet is arbitrary and notes that this term is anticipated to end on August 31st, 2022, and thus, has a desire to have the process done by August. The Chairman suggested thinking about things in terms of certain number of months than being tied to exact dates.
- Commissioner Concepcion clarified that in order to meet the proposed timeline, the work of a regulatory review would have to start in September 2021.
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 - The Chairman provided further clarification on the timeline and noted that the timeline is arbitrary, and what is currently marked as “September 2021” should be thought of as “month one” instead.
- The Chairman requested that the current conversation be limited to the process and not whether the Commission should move to embark on a regulatory review process.
- Commissioner Stebbins asked a question regarding the need to schedule additional public meetings while conducting regulatory review and promulgation.



- The Executive Director noted that historically the Commission has scheduled special meetings to discuss regulatory review but has also folded these types of discussions and votes into the regularly scheduled monthly public meetings.
- Commissioner Concepcion asked about the impact a regulatory review process would have on staff's workload.
 - The Executive Director provided an overview of staff's workload but noted that it is a sample meant to encompass staff's complete workload.
 - The Chairman noted that the scope of the proposed regulatory review process, which would inform the impact on staff, still needs to be clarified, whether it will be all-encompassing or more surgical in nature. He further clarified that he would prefer that the proposed regulatory review process be more surgical in nature. The Chairman also noted that, from his perspective, there is no distinction between "day jobs" and drafting regulations, as working on regulations is ordinary business of the agency. Therefore, all work of the agency should be managed and planned in the aggregate, rather than treating regulations as an add on.
- Commissioner Concepcion asked a clarifying question regarding the scope of the last round of regulatory review.
 - The Chairman noted that the last round of regulatory review and promulgation had a broader scope, noting that delivery was certainly one of the more difficult issues to work through. The Chairman said that he believed this round could be narrowed to fewer topics and noted some topics that he might suggest when that discussion arises.
 - The Executive Director described how a more surgical regulatory review would impact the process, in particular with respect to engaging external stakeholders.

The Commission took a two-minute break at the request of Commissioner Camargo, returning at 4:06:40.

- Commissioner Camargo asked the Chairman for clarification with respect to the process for deciding to do a regulatory review.
 - The Chairman clarified that his preference would be to discuss the process to ensure that Commissioners understand what goes into a regulatory review process. , The Chairman said that at a subsequent meeting, the Commission would vote on if and when the Commission should start another round of regulatory review process and, if so, what should be included in that. The Chairman said his aim of this initial conversation was to ensure that each Commissioner has enough information and context to have a subsequent informed discussion and requested that his fellow Commissioners let him know when they are ready to discuss further.
- Commissioner Roy stated that from her perspective, starting a regulatory review process next month would be ambitious, especially given that she is new to the Commission and requested that the Executive Director and staff provide a guidance document outlining Commissioner rolls, timelines, and deadlines for regulatory work before moving forward.



- Commissioner Stebbins thanked the staff and noted that from previous experience there comes a point when regulations mature, that feedback from different stakeholders help effectuate the efficiency of the Commission’s work. He also requested that Commissioners think about separating the regulatory changes that would be “nice to do” from what is imperative as the Commission moves forward on the topic.
- The Chairman provided further clarification on next steps.

d. Legislative and Executive Branch Outreach

- The Chairman gave an overview of the topic and thanked Commissioner Concepcion and Director of Government Affairs Matt Giancola for their leadership on the topic.
- Commissioner Concepcion and Director of Government Affairs Giancola and Policy provided a high-level overview of the proposed process for how the Commission engages with the legislative and executive branches.
- Commissioner Stebbins thanked Director of Government Affairs Giancola and Commissioner Concepcion for their leadership on the topic. He further noted that he appreciated the uniformity that this process would bring. Commissioner Stebbins added that it would be his preference, if an issue is discussed and voted on with respect to legislative outreach, it should be understood that all Commissioners would be required to stand behind that final position.
- Commissioner Camargo thanked Commissioner Concepcion and Director of Government Affairs Giancola for their leadership on the topic and echoed Commissioner Stebbins sentiment that this process brings much-needed uniformity and give the Commission one voice on legislative affairs, but also noted that this process also allows Commissioners to agree to disagree on certain topics.
- Commissioner Roy thanked Commissioner Concepcion and Director of Government Affairs Giancola for their leadership on the topic and agrees with Commissioner Camargo sentiment that there might be times where Commissioners may disagree on a topic, but this approach provides the Commission with the ability to speak with one voice when addressing the Legislature and other parts of Commonwealth government.
- The Chairman noted that a vote is not needed at this point and asked that General Counsel or the Executive Director provide further insight.
 - The Executive Director confirmed that a vote is not needed at this time.
- The Chairman also noted that although this process would give the Commission the ability to speak with one voice, it does not limit an individual’s Commissioners ability, or prerogative to speak individually, but request that when this occurs, Commissioners make it clear that they are not speaking on behalf of the Commission and make Director of Government Affairs Giancola aware of such instances as to allow him the ability be the clearinghouse on these matters.
- Commissioner Camargo asked a clarifying question regarding how the Commission plans to notify the Legislature of the new process.
 - The Executive Director clarified that the Director of Government Affairs Giancola will notify both the Legislative and Executive branches.
 - Director of Government Affairs Giancola confirmed that he will be communicating the new process.



- Commissioner Roy asked a clarifying question regarding keeping Commissioners informed on the Legislative affairs.
 - The Chairman noted that he has access to State House news.
 - The Executive Director clarified that she will be updated on State House news access.
- Commissioner Roy asked specifically keeping up with when hearings are occurring on particular legislative matters and when Commissioners are providing testimony or attending hearings, especially in light of the open meeting law.
 - Director of Government Affairs Giancola confirmed that this will be provided to Commissioner Roy going forward.
 - Commissioner Concepcion noted that Director of Government Affairs Giancola currently provides Commissioners with regular updates when it comes to legislative matters and affairs.

e. Outdated Guidance Document Recission

- The Executive Director presented on the retirement of the Guidance for Registered Marijuana Dispensaries Regarding Transportation of Marijuana Guidance.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Chairman moved to rescind the Guidance for Registered Marijuana Dispensary Regarding Transportation of Marijuana effective February 11th, 2022. Furthermore, the Commission moves to allow Commission staff to update the current version of this guidance document on its website to include the following disclaimer: “The Commission has approved the rescission of this guidance document effective February 11th, 2022. All MTCs shall take the necessary steps to account for this rescission and ensure full compliance with Commission regulations 935 CMR 501.00 Medical – Use Marijuana by that date.”
- Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins– Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

10) New Business the Chairman Did Not Anticipate at the Time of Posting- There were no last-minute items.

11) Next Meeting Date – 4:39:37

- The next meeting will be held September 16th, at 10 AM.
- The Chairman also gave an overview of the tentative meeting schedule for the remainder of the calendar year.



12) Adjournment – 4:40:06

- Commissioner Stebbins moved to adjourn the meeting.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Chairman took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chairman Hoffman – Yes
- The Commission unanimously voted to adjourn.

