

CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

June 8, 2023

10:00 AM

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

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

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- Garden Remedies, Inc. (#RMD1005)
- Healthy Pharms, Inc. (#RMD285)
- INSA, Inc. (#RMD365)
- Native Sun Braintree LLC (#RMD3672)
- New England Treatment Access, LLC (#RMD125)
- New England Treatment Access, LLC (#RMD185)
- Temescal Wellness of Massachusetts, LLC (#RMD705)
- Temescal Wellness of Massachusetts, LLC (#RMD965)
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- Staff Recommendations on Responsible Vendor Training
 - Dispensary Teams (#RVN454027)
- [Meeting Packet](#)
- Memorandum re: June 2023 Government Affairs Update
- Presentation re: Veteran's Access to Medical Marijuana
- Letter re: Stephen Mandile on Veterans' Access to Medical Marijuana

In Attendance:

- Chair Shannon O'Brien
- Commissioner Nurys Z. Camargo
- Commissioner Ava Callender Concepcion
- Commissioner Kimberly Roy
- Commissioner Bruce Stebbins

Minutes:

1) Call to Order

- The Chair recognized a quorum and called the meeting to order.
- The Chair gave notice that the meeting is being recorded.
- The Chair gave an overview of the agenda.

2) Commissioners' Comments and Updates – 00:02:05

- The Chair noted that this month was Pride month.
- Commissioner Camargo also acknowledged Pride month and hoped that people enjoyed and celebrated the month. She further noted that she and Commissioner Concepcion convened with delivery operators and couriers earlier in the month regarding concerns about the two-driver rule and other matters.
- Commissioner Concepcion echoed previous sentiments about Pride month and congratulated the Executive Director (ED) on the birth of his child. She outlined her priorities in cannabis policy and reflected on her time at the Commission. She commented that once her term ends, her mission is to leave the Commission in a better place than when she first joined the agency by amending counterproductive regulations to better the industry. She mentioned the State of Cannabis event at the statehouse and discussed the success of the event. She commented about the importance of representing the Commission to the people at the statehouse and maintaining a strong line of communication. She thanked her fellow Commissioners and staff for the event's success. She extended a special word of gratitude to the Director of Government Affairs for his efforts in facilitating the event. She discussed her background and how that has shaped her policies at the Commission, including creating better policies around suitability standards. She discussed the impact of the two-driver rule on the industry and how this issue was centered around public safety and public health. She mentioned having discussions with other industry professionals to help her understand the topic better. She thanked Commissioner Camargo for also helping her understand the issue.



- Commissioner Roy thanked Commissioner Concepcion for her work on suitability. She noted the holidays this month, including Pride, Alzheimer's Awareness, Juneteenth, D-Day, and Father's Day. She discussed an event in Western Massachusetts regarding the prevention of accidental child consumption and conversations she has led alongside Commissioner Stebbins on the topic. She discussed the driver's education course regarding cannabis impairment and other public health concerns such as regulations around the child-proof packaging of cannabis products and veteran's access.
- Commissioner Stebbins commented about Pride month, D-Day, and others. He discussed the statehouse event and thanked staff, in particular, individuals from the lab testing team for their navigating of recent procedural challenges. He discussed the conversations he had at the statehouse with staff and elected officials regarding consumer awareness and protection matters. He gave an update on the Social Consumption Working Group and discussed a survey sent out to stakeholders.
- The Chair asked who received the survey.
- Commissioner Stebbins discussed the stakeholders and reminded everyone that public comments are ongoing if people want to send them to Commissioners. He discussed the opportunity for potential employees in the industry and congratulated the ED on the birth of his child.
- The Chair acknowledged the contributions of Commissioner Stebbins' daughter to the assessment of social media messaging around cannabis and impaired driving.

3) Staff Recommendations on Changes of Ownership – 00:17:07

1. BKPN, LLC

- Licensing Manager Anne DiMare (Licensing Manager DiMare) presented the Staff Recommendation for Change of Ownership.
- The Chair asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.

2. Cannatech Medicinals, Inc.

- Licensing Manager DiMare presented the Staff Recommendation for Change of Ownership.
- The Chair asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Concepcion moved to approve the Change of Ownership.



- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
 - The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.
3. Liberty Compassion, Inc. d/b/a Affinity
- Licensing Manager DiMare presented the Staff Recommendation for Change of Ownership.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
 - Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
 - The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.
4. Toroverde (Massachusetts), Inc.
- Licensing Manager DiMare presented the Staff Recommendation for Change of Ownership.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
 - Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
 - The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.
5. Toroverde (Massachusetts) II, Inc.
- Licensing Manager DiMare presented the Staff Recommendation for Change of Ownership.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
 - Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.



- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.

6. Toroverde (Massachusetts) III, Inc.

- Licensing Manager DiMare presented the Staff Recommendation for Change of Ownership.
- The Chair asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Concepcion moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.

7. TYCA Green, Inc.

- Licensing Manager DiMare presented the Staff Recommendation for Change of Ownership.
- The Chair asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.

4) Staff Recommendations on Provisional Licenses – 00:23:22

1. Bred Genetics, Inc. d/b/a Flower Xpress (#MCN283581), Cultivation, Tier 5 / Outdoor

- Licensing Manager DiMare presented the Staff Recommendation for Provisional License.
- The Chair asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Roy requested a condition.



- Proposed Condition: Prior to final licensure please inform the Commission of your “Additional Operational Plans for Outdoor Marijuana Cultivators” as it relates to Quality Control Samples in accordance with 935 CMR 500.120(12), and 935 CMR 500.120(14).
 - Commissioner Concepcion moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.
 - Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
 - The Commission unanimously approved the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.
2. Elevated, Inc. (#MCN283819), Cultivation, Tier 11 / Indoor
- Licensing Manager DiMare presented the Staff Recommendation for Provisional License.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Roy requested a condition.
 - Proposed Condition: Prior to final licensure please inform the Commission of your “Additional Operational Plans for Indoor Marijuana Cultivators” as it relates to Quality Control Samples in accordance with 935 CMR 500.120(12), and 935 CMR 500.120(14).
 - Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.
 - Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
 - The Commission unanimously approved the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.
3. Elevated, Inc. (#MPN282036), Product Manufacturing
- The Chair noted that she would take the votes separately for this license.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Roy requested a condition.
 - Proposed Condition: Prior to final licensure please inform the Commission of your “Additional Operational Plans for Product Manufacturers” as it relates to



Quality Control Samples in accordance with 935 CMR 500.130(5)(k) and 935 CMR 500.130(9).

- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.
- Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.

4. GreenSoul Organics, Inc. (#MRN284855), Retail

- Licensing Manager DiMare presented the Staff Recommendation for Provisional License.
- The Chair asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Roy requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to final licensure, in accordance with 935 CMR 500.140(6), please include the phone number for the Massachusetts Substance Use Helpline on your consumer education.
- Commissioner Stebbins requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to Final Application for Licensure, review Positive Impact Plan (PIP) and consider any strategy for outreach to nearby Area of Disproportionate Impact designated communities of Chelsea and Revere and provide any update in accordance with 935 CMR 500.101(1)(a)(11) to CCC Licensing Division.
- Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Roy and Commissioner Stebbins.
- Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Roy and Commissioner Stebbins.

5. M2B Home Delivery, Inc. (#MDA1326), Marijuana Delivery Operator

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



- The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Roy congratulated this applicant and noted that they were a Social Equity business.
 - Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Provisional License.
 - Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
 - The Commission unanimously approved the Provisional License.
6. NashMac, LLC d/b/a CannaBarn (#MRN281304), Retail
- Licensing Manager DiMare presented the Staff Recommendation for Provisional License.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Roy congratulated this applicant who she noted is an Economic Empowerment Priority (EEP) Applicant.
 - Commissioner Roy requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to final licensure, in accordance with 935 CMR 500.140(6)(g) please include information for substance use disorder treatment programs and the phone number for the Massachusetts Substance Use Helpline on your consumer education.
 - Commissioner Stebbins requested two conditions.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to Final Application for Licensure, review and update diversity hiring goals in Diversity Plan based on statistics of host community and region and not only based on overall state statistics in accordance with 935 CMR 500.101(1)(c)(8)(k) and provide any update to CCC Licensing Division.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to Final Application for Licensure, review Diversity Plan and clarify and align intended goals in (a)(3) and (b)(3)(4) in accordance with 935 CMR 500.101(1)(c)(8)(k) and provide any update to CCC Licensing Division.
 - Commissioner Stebbins further elaborated on his condition and cited a discrepancy in the diversity plan.
 - Commissioner Camargo commented about the PIP and noted examples of partnerships between cannabis businesses and non-profits. She remarked that not all licensees have upheld commitments to their chosen causes. She emphasized the importance of doing so, particularly, at the provisional and renewal stages and cited equity mandates.
 - The Chair agreed with Commissioner Camargo.



- Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Roy and Commissioner Stebbins.
 - Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
 - The Commission unanimously approved the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Roy and Commissioner Stebbins.
7. Earth Well Farms, LLC d/b/a Earth Well Farms (#RMDA3874), Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center
- Licensing Manager DiMare presented the Staff Recommendation for Provisional License.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Roy discussed the applicant's diversity plan and goal number 2 in that plan.
 - Commissioner Roy requested a condition.
 - Prior to performing job functions at a Medical Treatment Center, all mentor program participants as stated in Goal number two of your Diversity Plan must become Registered Agents in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and provide Agent Registration Card to the Commission upon request. Pursuant to 935 CMR 501.030, a MTC shall apply for registration for all its employees, owners, executives, and volunteers who are associated with that Medical Treatment Center.
 - The Chair asked her to discuss the intent of the condition.
 - Commissioner Roy discussed the need for all employees to be registered agents in their proposed internship program.
 - Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.
 - Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
 - The Commission unanimously approved the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.



5) Staff Recommendations on Denials of Provisional Licenses – 00:42:07

1. Evoke, Inc. d/b/a Injaga (#MR284322), Retail

- Commissioner Concepcion proposed that the matter be tabled until a future meeting when the ED could be in attendance, as the Commissioners would have questions about the Suitability Review Committee's process and determination.
- The Chair asked for any further questions or comments.
- Commissioner Roy underscored the seriousness of the matter and the importance of having the ED present for the deliberation.
- Commissioner Concepcion moved to table the Denial of the Provisional License.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved to table the Denial of the Provisional License.

6) Staff Recommendations on Final Licenses – 00:44:34

- The Chair noted that Final Licenses would be considered in one Adult-Use roster.
- Adult-Use Roster
 - The Chair noted that the roster will consist of items numbered 1 through 12, as identified on the agenda.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Concepcion moved to approve the roster of Adult-Use Final Licenses.
 - Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
 - The Commission unanimously approved the Adult-Use roster of Final Licenses.

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11. Milkmen Cultivation, LLC d/b/a Milkmen Cannabis (#MC283474), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor
12. Northeast Alternatives Retail, LLC d/b/a Northeast Alternatives (#MR282743), Retail

7) Staff Recommendations on Renewal Licenses – 0:45:51

- The Chair explained that Renewals would be considered as one or more rosters; There are 3 rosters: (1) Items numbered 1 through 48, (2) Item 49, Salty Farmers, LLC, and (3) Items numbered 50 through 75, as identified on the agenda.
- Adult-Use
 - The Chair noted that the Adult-Use Renewal roster will consist of items numbered 1-48, as identified in the agenda.
 - Commissioner Stebbins thanked the licensing team for their efforts in processing renewals. He underscored Commissioner Camargo's earlier sentiments around licensees honoring their diversity and non-profit commitments.
 - Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the roster of Adult-Use Renewals.
 - Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
 - The Commission unanimously approved the roster of Adult-Use Renewals.
- Salty Farmers, LLC (#MRR206475)
 - The Chair noted that the Adult-Use Renewal roster will consist of item numbered 49, as identified in the agenda.
 - Commissioner Stebbins requested a condition and discussed the intent of the condition.
 - Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the roster of Adult-Use Renewal, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Stebbins.
 - Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes



- Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the roster of Adult-Use Renewal, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Stebbins.
- Adult-Use and Medical-Use
 - The Chair noted that the Adult-Use and Medical-Use Renewal roster will consist of items numbered 50-75 as identified in the agenda.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Roy moved to approve the roster of Adult-Use and Medical-Use Renewals.
 - Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
 - The Commission unanimously approved the roster of Adult-Use and Medical-Use Renewals.

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2. Ascend Mass, LLC (#MRR206419)
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47. Royal Sun Farm LLC (#MCR140518)
48. Salty Farmers II, Inc. (#MCR140514)
49. Salty Farmers, LLC (#MRR206475)
 - Commissioner Stebbins requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Within thirty business days of approval of Application for Renewal, contact CCC Licensing Division for an update to identify any goals for residents with disabilities under the licensee's Diversity Plan in accordance with 935 CMR 500.103(4)(b).
50. Sama Productions, LLC (#MPR243992)
51. Solurge Inc. (#MCR140440)
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67. Garden Remedies, Inc. (#RMD1005)
68. Healthy Pharms, Inc. (#RMD285)
69. INSA, Inc. (#RMD365)
70. Native Sun Braintree LLC (#RMD3672)
71. New England Treatment Access, LLC (#RMD125)
72. New England Treatment Access, LLC (#RMD185)
73. Temescal Wellness of Massachusetts, LLC (#RMD705)
74. Temescal Wellness of Massachusetts, LLC (#RMD965)
75. Temescal Wellness of Massachusetts, LLC (#RMD985)

8) Staff Recommendations on Responsible Vendor Training – 00:51:46

1. Dispensary Teams (#RVN454027)

- Licensing Manager DiMare presented the Staff Recommendation for the Responsible Vendor Training (RVT).
- The Chair asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Roy discussed the publication of advanced curricula related to the Social Equity Program and the importance of the RVT program's evolution in conjunction with the industry.
- Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the Responsible Vendor Training.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the Responsible Vendor Training.

Commissioner Roy moved to take a seven-minute recess.

- Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes



- The Commission unanimously approved taking a seven-minute recess, returning at 11:10 AM. (01:06:12).

9) Commission Discussion and Votes

1. Topics for Legislative and Executive Branch Outreach – Veterans’ Access to Medical Marijuana

- Commissioner Concepcion reviewed the Commission’s policy around the Legislative and Executive Branch outreach.
- Commissioner Stebbins gave an overview of the issues surrounding Veterans’ access to cannabis.
- Commissioner Roy further outlined veteran’s healthcare challenges pertaining to mental health and substance abuse in the context of expanding access to medical cannabis care.
- Commissioner Stebbins commented about current definitions and discussed potential amendments to these statutory definitions.
- The Chair mentioned that the development of the Blue Button was led by WPI professor, Dr. Peter Levin.
- Commissioner Roy discussed the background of the Blue Button.
- The Chair asked a clarifying question regarding the maintenance of private healthcare data.
- Commissioner Roy read a letter from a disabled veteran, Stephen Mandile, highlighting the distinct mental health and substance abuse challenges that are endemic among the disabled veteran population.
- The Chair and Commissioners thanked Mr. Mandile for sharing his story.
- Commissioner Roy mentioned that she and Commissioner Stebbins plan to attend Advocacy Day at the statehouse on June 22.
- Commissioner Stebbins acknowledged that federal prohibition of cannabis has affected veterans’ ability to seek treatment and employment. He discussed challenges faced by licensees in hiring veterans for their cannabis businesses and noted a lack of research on veterans’ cannabis use. He proposed directing legislative outreach to express support for expanding access to medical treatment for veterans, but not necessarily for a specific bill. He suggested connecting with the new leadership at the Massachusetts Department of Veterans Services and the federal delegation to collect information that could support ongoing legislative efforts. He requested support for the Commission to speak with one voice on expanding the definition of qualifying patient and debilitating medical condition.
- Commissioner Camargo thanked Mr. Mandile for his advocacy on behalf of medical cannabis. She acknowledged the collaboration between Mr. Mandile and the Commission to shape policy and eliminate fees.
- Commissioner Roy recognized Dr. Marion McNabb for her work in championing for veterans and for conducting a study on medical cannabis use as an alternative to prescription among U.S. military veterans.



- The Chair mentioned the importance of ensuring full medical history transparency between patients and their doctors. She noted that there needs to be greater collaboration between the medical community and organizations to ensure that everyone is aware of changes at the federal level.
- Commissioner Concepcion asked a question relative to a bill.
 - Commissioner Roy indicated that there is one bill that it is being assigned to a committee for study.
 - Commissioner Camargo asked Commissioner Roy who is the sponsoring legislator for the bill.
 - Commissioner Roy responded that there are several co-sponsors who have signed on for the bill.
 - Commissioner Concepcion clarified that the Commission is not supporting the bill, but that there may be other initiatives that will be supported in the future.
 - Commissioner Stebbins suggested that it may take multiple sessions to establish a clear position on the issue at hand, and that taking a stance now may influence future bills.
 - Commissioner Camargo mentioned how the legislative process allows for advocacy, but emphasized the importance of being clear that they are not advocating for one specific bill.
- Commissioner Concepcion asked if there is any planned outreach and about next steps.
- Commissioner Roy noted that the next step is attending Advocacy Day at the statehouse on June 22.
- Commissioner Concepcion mentioned that while there is a lot of focus on the Cannabis Committee at the statehouse, the issue is not limited to cannabis and there is broader interest in it.
- Commissioner Stebbins moved that the Commission approve the following Statement of Commission Policy: The Cannabis Control Commission supports expanding the definition of “Qualifying patient” to include a veteran receiving their health care at a federal Veterans Administration facility who provides documentation that the Veterans Administration has diagnosed the veteran with an existing debilitating medical condition to the Commission. In addition, the Commission also supports the definition of “Debilitating medical condition” to be modified to include post-traumatic stress disorder and opioid use disorder.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the endorsement of the Statement of Commission Policy.



2. Regulatory Review Discussion on Next Round of Topics

- The Chair discussed the regulatory round and the timeline for submitting the draft regulations.
- Commissioner Stebbins discussed the Social Consumption Working Group.
- The Chair discussed prioritizing pressing, non-controversial regulatory matters that could be resolved efficiently, including the two-driver rule.
- Commissioner Roy discussed a recent conversation she had regarding Microbusinesses.
- Commissioner Stebbins thanked the Chair for allowing the conversation to occur. He noted the conversation he believed that was required for the Delivery-Courier Licenses and the need to wholistically revisit the license. He raised the issue of Microbusinesses and the challenges that they face when looking to expand their business. He mentioned the More about Marijuana campaign and the need to have a greater conversation about what dispensaries are offering for guidance to consumers. He discussed language that would need to be required on billboards.
- Commissioner Roy discussed the possibility of a “listening session” during which the Commission might reassess their regulatory procedures and how they could be streamlined.
- The Chair noted this topic would probably require a full working group.
- Commissioner Roy agreed.
- The Chair noted the importance of the topic. The Chair asked Commissioner Camargo if she would discuss her priority list.
 - Commissioner Camargo discussed revisiting the Commission’s PIP, the need for clarity around what is expected from licensees, and consulting with the legal department about suitability and the implementation of forthcoming regulations for delivery drivers.
- Commissioner Stebbins echoed earlier sentiments concerning the importance of revisiting the framework of the delivery courier license model as well as prohibitive regulations for microbusinesses. He likewise expressed the desire for expanded consumer education, stricter compliance regulations around billboard advertisements, and regular input from the investigations department.
- Commissioner Roy expressed her desire for labs data transparency and the inclusion of terpene profiles to labeling or QR codes. She opined the need for the standardization of labs reporting, establishing a clearer definition of product potency, and enforcing discounts.
- Commissioner Camargo proposed a restructuring of how regulatory matters are prioritized. She expressed support of amending the delivery model to better accommodate delivery couriers, residents of “no-towns”, and tourists. She explored variations on the two-driver rule, the renewal process, suitability, hardship program, outdoor testing, third-party transporting, licensing caps on cultivation, and the long-term objectives of the Economic Empowerment Plan.
- Commissioner Concepcion expressed the need to revisit the exclusivity period for delivery licensing and proposed that it be added to the agenda for the next meeting.



- Commissioner Camargo offered her assistance to the Chair in establishing an operational priority structure for procedures and regulations.
- The Chair raised the issue of making the plastic medical patient card optional as a cost-saving measure.
 - Commissioner Roy noted the development of hemp-derived cards as another possible cost-saving measure.
- The Chair remarked that she would like to explore the possibility of nurse practitioners being authorized to prescribe medical cannabis, reconsidering structural change fees, and multiple badges for licensees.
 - Commissioner Concepcion echoed the need to be more tactical in the issuance of identification cards.
- The Chair proposed that each Commissioner compile a list of their top few priorities for review, as well as potential working groups.
- Commissioner Stebbins noted the importance of consulting other departments on the priority lists and expresses a desire to expand the Host Community Agreement (HCA) for licensees and reposition the Agreement step further along the application process as an equitability measure.
 - The Chair agreed with the need to revisit the HCA.
 - Commissioner Concepcion noted that they may be restricted in this capacity and invited Director of Licensing Kyle Potvin (DOL Potvin) to elaborate.
 - DOL Potvin explained that, per Chapter 180, HCAs must be submitted as part of the original licensing application.
- Commissioner Camargo noted that, regarding her earlier statements on suitability, she does not seek to establish a working group around this pursuit and will consult with the legal department to advance the effort.
- Commissioner Roy suggested revisiting the 72-hour rule for commencing retail operations.
- The Chair further clarified the next steps.

10) New Business Not Anticipate at the Time of Posting – 02:33:51

- No new items were identified.

11) Next Meeting Date – 02:33:56

- The Chair noted that the next meeting would be on June 26, 2023.
- The Chair gave a tentative schedule for the remainder of the calendar year.

12) Adjournment – 02:34:52

- Commissioner Stebbins moved to adjourn.
- Commissioner Concepcion seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes



- Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission unanimously approved the motion to adjourn.

