

# Aunty Budz, LLC

MBN282396

#### **APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW**

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Aunty Budz, LLC d/b/a High Flyers 34 North Maple Street, Florence, MA 01062

2. Type of license sought (if cultivation, its tier level and outside/inside operation) and information regarding the application submission:

Microbusiness (Cultivation and Product Manufacturing Operations)

The application was reopened three (3) times for additional information.

3. The applicant is a licensee or applicant for other Marijuana Establishment and/or Medical Marijuana Treatment Center license(s):

The applicant is not an applicant or licensee for any other license type.

4. List of all required individuals and their roles in the Marijuana Establishment:

Individual	Role
Samantha Britt	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control

5. List of all required entities and their roles in the Marijuana Establishment:

No other entity appears to have ownership or control over this proposed Marijuana Establishment.

6. Applicant's priority status:

Expedited Applicant (License Type/Social Equity Program Participant) (Samantha Britt / 100% majority ownership / SE304852)

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- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on August 12, 2022.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on March 30, 2022 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the City/Town of Northampton on August 22, 2022 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances or bylaws.
- 10. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Plan to Positively Impact Disproportionately Harmed People:

#	Goal
1	Provide two (2) annual scholarships in the amount of \$2,500 towards tuition
	at Greenfield Community College for individuals who are past or present
	residents of the geographic "areas of disproportionate impact," specifically
	the communities of Greenfield, Amherst, Holyoke, North Adams and West
	Springfield; Massachusetts residents who have past drug convictions;
	Massachusetts residents with parents or spouses who have past drug
	convictions.

# BACKGROUND CHECK REVIEW

- 11. There were disclosures of any past civil or criminal actions, occupational license issues, or marijuana-related business interests in other jurisdictions. None of the disclosures raised suitability issues.
- 12. There were no concerns arising from background checks on the individuals or entities associated with the application.

## MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS PROFILE REVIEW

- 13. The applicant states that it can be operational within seven (7) months of receiving the provisional license(s).
- 14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Sunday	7:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m.

15. The applicant submitted all required summaries of plans, policies, and procedures for the operation of the proposed establishment. The summaries were determined to be substantially compliant with the Commission's regulations.

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16. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Diversity Plan:

#	Goal
1	Recruit Minorities (30%), Women (30%), Veterans (20%), People with
	disabilities (10%), and People who identify as LGBTQ+ (10%) in associate and
	management positions.
2	Provide annual sensitivity training for all employees that will include specific
	training for those in management roles.

17. Summary of cultivation plan (if applicable):

The applicant submitted a cultivation plan that demonstrates the ability to comply with the Commission's regulations.

18. Summary of products to be produced and/or sold (if applicable):

#	Product
1	Pre-Rolls

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Commission staff recommend provisional licensure with the following conditions:

- 1. Final license is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
- 2. Final license is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with applicable state laws, local codes, ordinances or bylaws, and local licensing requirements.
- 3. Final licensure is subject to the applicant providing Commission staff, upon inspection, with a detailed list of all proposed products to be produced with specific information as to types, forms, shapes, colors, and flavors.
- 4. Final licensure is subject to the applicant reviewing its Positive Impact Plan and consider any strategy for outreach to nearby Area of Disproportionate Impact designated community of Springfield and provide any update in accordance with 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.101(1)(a)11 and provide any updates to CCC Licensing Division.
- 5. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
- 6. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee.

The applicant has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the applicant is recommended for provisional licensure.