

BeWell Organic Medicine, Inc.

MCN281924

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

BeWell Organic Medicine, Inc. 92 Bolt Street, Lowell, MA 01852

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

Cultivation, Tier 2/Indoor (5,001 – 10,000 sq. ft.)

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):

| Type | Status | Location |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Product Manufacturing | Application Submitted | Lowell |
| MTC | Commence Operations | Lowell-Merrimac |

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

| Individual | Role |
|----------------|---------------------------------------|
| Anthony Banks | Person Having Direct/Indirect Control |
| Paul Hearn | Person Having Direct/Indirect Control |
| George Zalucki | Person Having Direct/Indirect Control |
| Lars Vaule | 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:

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General Applicant

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on February 26, 2019.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on January 14, 2019 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission sent a municipal notice with a copy of the application to the City/Town of Lowell on May 20, 2022. The Commission did not receive a response within 60 days pursuant to 935 CMR 500.102(1)(d).
- 10. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Plan to Positively Impact Disproportionately Harmed People:

| # | Goal |
|---|--|
| 1 | Give hiring preference to individuals who are past or present residents of the |
| | geographic "areas of disproportionate impact," including the following areas |
| | of the City of Lowell: 1) Downtown; 2) Lower Belvedere; 3) Back Central; 4) |
| | Lower Highlands and the designated areas of 5) Acre; and 6) Centralville |
| | which are representative of Census Tracts 3101, 3104, 3111, 3112, 3117, |
| | 3118, 3119, 3120, 3124; Commission-designated Economic Empowerment |
| | Priority applicants; Commission-designated Social Equity Program |
| | participants; Massachusetts residents who have past drug convictions; and |
| | Massachusetts residents with parents or spouses who have drug convictions |
| 2 | Contribute \$1,000 annually to the CultivatED Program. |

BACKGROUND CHECK REVIEW

- 11. There were no disclosures of any past civil or criminal actions, occupational license issues, or marijuana-related business interests in other jurisdictions.
- 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 two (2) months of receiving the provisional license(s).
- 14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

| Day(s) | Hours of Operation |
|--------|--------------------|
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| Monday-Sunday | 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. |
|---------------|------------------------|
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- 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.
- 16. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Diversity Plan:

| # | Goal |
|---|---|
| 1 | Recruit at least 50% women, 25% - 30% minorities, 10% veterans, 5% people |
| | with disabilities, and 15% individuals identifying as LGBTQ+ for its hiring |
| | initiatives. |
| 2 | Pursue partnerships with suppliers, contractors, and Marijuana Establishments |
| | that consist of 10% women, 5% minority, 5% veterans, 5% of individuals with |
| | disabilities, and 5% of individuals that identify as LGBTQ+. |

17. Summary of cultivation plan (if applicable):

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

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 ensuring that all remaining required individuals be fingerprinted pursuant to previous Commission notifications.
- 4. Final license is subject to the applicant notifying the Commission of its "Additional Operational Plans for Indoor Marijuana Cultivators" as it relates to Quality Control Samples. Licensees that opt to provide Quality Control Samples must include written policies and procedures in accordance with 935 CMR 500.120(12)(i), and as expressly enumerated in 935 CMR 500.120(14).
- 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.

