

# CHARLEMONT FARMWORKS, LLC MCN283116

#### **BACKGROUND & APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW**

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Charlemont Farmworks, LLC 1947 Route 2, Charlemont, MA 01339

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

Cultivation, Tier 11/ Outdoor (90,001 – 100,000 sq. ft.)

The application was reopened two (2) 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 business roles in the Marijuana Establishment:

Individual	Role
Jonathan Healy	Owner

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)

7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on October 14, 2020.

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- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on November 18, 2020 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on January 28, 2021 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances or bylaws.
- 10. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Positive Impact Plan:

#	Goal
1	Recruit 20% of employees that are from disproportionately harmed by
	cannabis prohibition, specifically Amherst, Greenfield, and North Adams.
2	Provide educational sessions on the types of jobs available in the cannabis
	industry, business planning, finance, operations, and farming and licensing
	two (2) times a year for a minimum of 4 hours per session.
3	Provide one on one mentoring sessions a minimum of four (4) times per year
	to benefit two (2) people from disproportionately impacted areas, specifically
	Amherst, Greenfield, and North Adams.
4	Encourage a minimum of 30% of its employees to volunteer at the Food Bank
	of Western Massachusetts for 16 hours per year.
5	Contribute an annual donation to the Food Bank of Western Massachusetts.

#### SUITABILITY 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 REVIEW

- 13. The applicant states that it can be operational within one (1) year of receiving the provisional license(s).
- 14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Monday - Sunday: 4:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.

15. The applicant submitted all applicable and 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 30% of minorities, women, veterans, people with disabilities, and
	LGBTQ+ for its hiring initiatives.
2	Host two (2), four (4) hour industry-specific educational sessions annually.
3	Obtain quotes and bids from four (4) businesses or service providers per year
	that are owned or have a large percentage of employees that are minorities,
	women, veterans, people with disabilities, and LGBTQ+ when looking to hire
	outside contracting work and service providers.

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 and local codes, ordinances, and bylaws;
- 3. Final licensure is subject to the applicant providing to CCC Licensing Division, upon inspection, confirmation of the applicant's training and recruitment partners of their eligibility to support its activities;
- 4. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff; and
- 5. 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.

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