

Eddie's Flowers, Inc.

MRN284579

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Eddie's Flowers, Inc.
23 Rindge State Rd., Ashburnham, MA 01430

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

Retail

The application was reopened four (4) 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 |
|---|-----------------------|------------|
| Cultivation, Tier 11/Indoor (90,001 – 100,000 sq. ft.) | Application Submitted | Ashburnham |
| Product Manufacturing | Application Submitted | Ashburnham |

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

| Individual | Role |
|------------|--|
| Lyad Jamal | Person Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor |
| David Mech | 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:

Provisional License Executive Summary 1



General Applicant

7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on June 7, 2021.
8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on January 25, 2022 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the City/Town of Ashburnham on September 21, 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 | Recruit 50% of its workforce from Worcester, Fitchburg and Spencer and individuals who have been convicted of marijuana related offenses. |
| 2 | Offer industry-specific seminars, quarterly, in Fitchburg. |
| 3 | Provide expungement services for employees and other members of the Worcester, Fitchburg and Spencer. |

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-Wednesday | 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. |
| Thursday-Saturday | 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. |
| Sunday | 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.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.
16. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Diversity Plan:

| # | Goal |
|---|---|
| 1 | Recruit 50% Women, 50% Minorities (Blacks, African Americans, Latinos, and Indigenous People), 30% Veterans, 10% LGBTQ and 10% People with Disabilities. |
| 2 | Partner with First Aid in a program designed to achieve the goal of enabling minorities (Blacks, African Americans, Latinos, and Indigenous People), Women, Veterans, LGBTQ+ and People with Disabilities to start their own Cannabis related business. |

17. Plan for obtaining marijuana or marijuana products (if applicable):

The applicant will obtain marijuana or marijuana products by contracting with other licensed establishments.

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. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
4. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee.
5. Prior to final licensure, in accordance with 935 CMR 500.140(6)(g) please include facts regarding substance use disorder signs and symptoms, as well as referral information for substance use disorder treatment programs, and the telephone number for the Massachusetts Substance Use Helpline in your consumer education.

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.

