

Finest Trees, LLC

DOA100163

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Finest Trees, LLC
34-36 Harrington Avenue, Shrewsbury, MA 01545

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

Marijuana Courier

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):

| Type | Status | Location |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|----------|
| Marijuana Delivery Operator | Pre-Certification | N/A |

4. The applicant was pre-certified by the Commission for Marijuana Courier on January 3, 2022. Pursuant to 935 CMR 500.101(2)(b), the applicant demonstrated a propensity to successfully operate a Marijuana Establishment.

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

| Individual | Role |
|----------------|---------------------------------------|
| Daniel Yarnie | Person Having Direct/Indirect Control |
| Rebecca Yarnie | Person Having Direct/Indirect Control |

6. 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.



7. Applicant's priority status:

Expedited Applicant (Social Equity Program Participant)
(Daniel Yarnie / 51% ownership / SE305165)

8. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on December 20, 2022.
9. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on December 8, 2022 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
10. The Commission received a municipal response from the City/Town of Shrewsbury on October 23, 2023 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances or bylaws.
11. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Plan to Positively Impact Disproportionately Harmed People:

| # | Goal |
|---|--|
| 1 | Hold and/or participate no less than bi-annually (two times a year) in clothing, food, or supplies drives geared towards populations and communities within the above-referenced census tracts in the City of Worcester. |
| 2 | Make annual monetary donations to Genesis Club, which is an organization based in Worcester that provides its members with access to meaningful employment, healthy lifestyles, safe housing, and education and helps them find genuine belonging, friendships, and purpose. |

BACKGROUND CHECK REVIEW

12. 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.
13. There were no concerns arising from background checks on the individuals or entities associated with the application.

MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS PROFILE REVIEW

14. The applicant states that it can be operational within five (5) months of receiving the provisional license(s).
15. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:



| Day(s) | Hours of Operation |
|---------------|-------------------------|
| Monday-Sunday | 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. |

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

| # | Goal |
|---|---|
| 1 | Recruit and retain and diverse and inclusive group of employees which includes, but is not limited to, women (40%), minorities (20%), veterans (5%), persons with disabilities (5%); and LGBTQ+ people (5%) for its hiring initiatives. |
| 2 | Contract with women-owned (10%), minority-owned (10%), veteran-owned (5%), persons with disabilities-owned (5%), LGBTQ+-owned (5%) business enterprises for the purchase of marijuana product for delivery. |

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.

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.

