

## Haze of Grafton, LLC

MPN282215

### APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name, address, and license type(s) sought of the proposed License Applicant:

<b>License Applicant Business Name:</b>	Haze of Grafton, LLC
<b>License Applicant d/b/a Name:</b>	Simplicity Dispensary
<b>Proposed Location:</b>	135 Westboro Rd., Grafton, MA 01536

2. Type of final license sought (if cultivation, its tier level and outside/inside operation):

<b>License Type(s) Sought:</b>
Marijuana Product Manufacturer

3. The license applicant is associated with the following license type(s):

Type	Status	Location
Marijuana Retail	Provisional License	Grafton

4. List of all required individuals and their roles:

Individual	Role
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5. List of all required entities and their roles:

No other entity appears to have ownership or control over this license applicant business.

6. License Applicant's Status:

General Applicant

7. The license applicant and host community executed a Host Community Agreement ("HCA") on February 2, 2020. The license applicant submitted their application prior to March 1, 2024 and provided the required certification form.



8. The Commission received a municipal response from the host community on March 28, 2024 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances or by-laws.
9. The license applicant proposed the following goals for its Positive Impact Plan:

Goal
The license applicant proposes to create a brand incubator program name “Social Empowerment Collective” to foster entrepreneurship and economic empowerment from the following Commission identified Areas of Disproportionate Impact: Certified Economic Empowerment Priority Applicants and Social Equity Program Participants.

### **BACKGROUND CHECK REVIEW**

10. There were no disclosures of any past civil or criminal actions, occupational license issues, or marijuana-related business interests in other jurisdictions.
11. There were no concerns arising from background checks on the individuals or entities associated with the application.

### **MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS PROFILE REVIEW**

12. The license 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.
13. The license applicant proposed the following goals for its Diversity Plan:

Goal
The license applicant proposes to hire the following: 50% Women, 25% People of color, particularly Black, African American, Hispanic, Latinx, and Indigenous peoples.
The license applicant proposes to create gender-neutral job descriptions, hold career fairs at least once annually in the City of Worcester.
The license applicant proposes to host cultural sensitivity training for all employees once annually.

### **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 license 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 Application for Licensure, contact CCC Licensing Division and provide an update to identify strategy for including Veterans, residents with disabilities, LGBTQ+ residents under licensee's Diversity Plan Goal in accordance with 935 CMR § 500.101(1)(c)8k.
6. Prior to final licensure please inform the Commission of your "Additional Operational Plans for Product Manufacturers" as it relates to Quality Control Samples in accordance with 935 CMR 500.130(5)(k) and 935 CMR 500.130 (9).

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

