

Highmark Provisions, LLC

MCN283492

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Highmark Provisions, LLC
201 Summer Street, Holliston, MA 01746

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):

The applicant is not an applicant or licensee for any other license type.

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

Individual	Role
Mark Guanya	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control/Capital Contributor
Grayson Guanya	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control/Capital Contributor
Mark Vlachos	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control

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

Entity	Role
Farmhaus, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor



6. Applicant's priority status:

General Applicant

7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on April 3, 2021.
8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on April 27, 2021 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on September 5, 2021 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	Host an annual workshop centered around professional development and networking for current or potential cannabis entrepreneurs from the geographical areas of Worcester, Mansfield, and Spencer; State-designated Economic Empowerment Priority Applicants, State-designated Social Equity Program Participants; Massachusetts residents who have past drug convictions; and Massachusetts residents with parents or spouses who have drug convictions.
2	Select and onboard 1-2 individuals into the HMP Management Mentorship Program on an annual basis.

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 three (3) months of receiving the provisional license(s).
14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Sunday	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 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, 10% minorities, 10% veterans, 3% people with disabilities, and 10% people who are LGBTQ+.
2	Will prioritize engaging vendors, ancillary services providers, and other supply chain participants that are owned and/or managed by Target Populations.

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. 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. Final license is subject to the applicant updating its Diversity Plan, namely Goal 1: Hiring and Diversity, paragraph two (2) under bullet five (5), to also include veterans publications/job sites and other veteran outreach strategies when advertising employment opportunities.

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.

