

# **HUDSON GROWERS ALLIANCE, LLC**

MCN282581

## BACKGROUND & APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Hudson Growers Alliance, LLC 9 Kane Industrial Dr., Unit 2, Hudson, MA, 01749

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

Cultivation - Tier 1/Indoor (up to 5,000 sq. ft.)

The application was reopened once (1) 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. However, the individual associated with this application is also associated with a product manufacturing license under "Hudson Botanical Processing, LLC".

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

Individual	Role
Kathleen Adams	Owner / Partner

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:

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Expedited Applicant (Disadvantaged Business Enterprise)

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on December 11, 2019.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on January 2, 2020 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on March 12, 2020 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	Participate in two (2) volunteer opportunities with The Boys & Girls Club of
	Worcester.
2	Provide educational sessions and record sealing/expungement services for
	people affected by the war on drugs twice a year.
3	Pledge to give 1% of our net profit to social equity and economic
	empowerment applicants in the form of low-interest loans.

#### **SUITABILITY 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 REVIEW**

- 13. The applicant states that it can be operational within 10 months of receiving the provisional license(s).
- 14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Monday – Sunday: 24 hours per day

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



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#	Goal
1	Hire and retain at least 10% of the company's employees that represent
	minorities, women, veterans, people with disabilities, and people of the
	LGBTQ+ community.

17. Summary of cultivation plan (if applicable):

The applicant submitted a cultivation plan that demonstrates the ability to comply with the Commission's regulations.

18. Summary of products to be produced and/or sold (if applicable):

Not applicable

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

Not applicable

# **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 submitting to Commission staff, upon inspection, an updated Diversity Plan that modifies the goal relating to the percentage of people from diverse backgrounds to be objectively reasonable;
- 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.

