

JTJD, LLC
MDA1328

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

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

License Applicant Business Name:	JTJD, LLC
License Applicant d/b/a Name:	Ember Gardens
Proposed Location:	610 Chelsea St., Boston, MA 02128

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

License Type(s) Sought:
Marijuana Delivery Operator

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

The license applicant is not associated with any other license applications or licenses.

3. The license applicant was pre-certified by the Commission on July 23, 2021. Pursuant to 935 CMR 500.101(2)(b)(2), the applicant demonstrated a propensity to successfully operate a license.

4. List of all required individuals and their roles:

Individual	Role
Joseph Hoffman	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Joseph Lavoie	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Thiago DeSouza	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Shane Hyde	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control

5. List of all required entities and their roles:

Entity	Role
JLTD Investments, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor



Ember Gardens Holdings, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control
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6. License Applicant’s Status:

Expedited Applicant (Social Equity Program Participant)
Joseph Hoffman / 51% / SE305345)

- 7. The license applicant and host community executed a Host Community Agreement (“HCA”) on July 2, 2024. The license applicant submitted or resubmitted their application on or after March 1, 2024 and provided a compliant HCA that was certified by Commission staff pursuant to 935 CMR 500.180(3) and/or comparable medical regulations.
- 8. The Commission received a municipal response from the host community on October 7, 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
1	The license applicant proposes to provide scholarship funds and internship/training opportunities for one student who is a Massachusetts resident who has past drug convictions or with a parent or spouse with a drug conviction.
2	The license applicant proposed to donate \$4,000 to CCOE annually.

BACKGROUND CHECK REVIEW

- 10. 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.
- 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
1	The license applicant proposes to hire the following: 25% Women, 25% People of color, particularly Black, African American, Hispanic, Latinx, and Indigenous peoples, 5% Veterans, 5% Persons with Disabilities, and 5% LGBTQ+ People.



2	The license applicant proposes to promote in managerial roles the following: 25% Women, 25% People of color, particularly Black, African American, Hispanic, Latinx, and Indigenous peoples, 5% Veterans, 5% Persons with Disabilities, and 5% LGBTQ+ People.
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RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend provisional licensure with the following conditions:

1. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee within 90 days of an affirmative vote of the Commission pursuant to 935 CMR 500.103(1)(e) and 935 CMR 501.103(1)(d)
2. Provisional licensure does not allow the license holder to cultivate, manufacture, or possess marijuana and/or marijuana infused products (MIPs) prior to being approved for a final license.
3. In accordance with 935CMR 500.146 (5) (a-j), A Delivery Operator shall make available educational materials about Finished Marijuana Products to Consumers. A Delivery Operator shall have an adequate supply of current educational material available for distribution. Prior to final licensure please provide the commission with a copy of your consumer education.

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.

