

Kali Cannabis, LLC
MRN284841

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Kali Cannabis, LLC
405 Shearer St., Palmer, MA 01069

2. Type of license sought and information regarding the application submission:

Retail

The application was reopened more than four (4) 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
Suzanne Melanson	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor
Evans Klimavich	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor

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:

Expedited Applicant (Woman-Owned Business)

7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on December 20, 2022.

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8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on December 6, 2022, and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the Town of Palmer of on February 21, 2023, 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	Hire at least 10% percent of staff from areas of disproportionate impact including the geographic area of Monson.
2	Develop an educational and training program to residents of areas of disproportionate impact, including Springfield and Pittsfield. The cannabis workshops will be conducted biannually and host up to 40 participants.

BACKGROUND CHECK REVIEW

11. 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.
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 six (6) months of receiving the provisional license(s).
14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Friday	10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Saturday-Sunday	10:00 a.m. to 10:00 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	Hire at least 10 % Veterans, 10% People with Disabilities, 5% LGBTQ+ individuals, 60% Women, and 50% People of color, particularly Black, African American, Hispanic, Latinx, and Indigenous people.
2	Contract with diverse suppliers including, 5% Minority Business Enterprises, 5% Women Business Enterprises, 5% Veteran Business Enterprises, 5% LGBTQ+ Business Enterprises, and 5% Disability-Owned Business Enterprises.

17. Plan for obtaining marijuana or marijuana products:

The applicant will obtain marijuana or marijuana products by contracting with other licensed establishments.

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. Prior to Final Licensure, review Positive Impact Plan and consider strategies for programming in nearby Areas of Disproportionate Impact designated communities of Monson, Amherst and Holyoke and provide any update in accordance with 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.101(1)(a)11.
6. Prior to final licensure, in accordance with 935 CMR 500.140 (6) please include the phone number for the Massachusetts Substance Use Helpline on your consumer education.

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.

