

MASSBIOTICS, INC.
MCN283288

BACKGROUND & APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Massbiotics, Inc.
35 Armory Street, Worcester, MA 01603

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 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):

Type	Status	Location
Product Manufacturing	Application Submitted	Worcester

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

Individual	Role
Nora Brown	Owner / Partner
George Aboody	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:

General Applicant



7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on August 5, 2020.
8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on November 20, 2020 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission sent the municipal notice to the City/Town of Worcester on February 26, 2021. To date, the Commission has not received a response.
10. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Positive Impact Plan:

#	Goal
1	Offer legal expungement services to a minimum of 12 individuals per year who have prior possession charges.
2	Give hiring consideration to at least 50% of individuals or their spouses or direct descendants who have obtained expungement services through Goal 1 of this program

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

Monday – Sunday: 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
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:

#	Goal
1	Hire a staff of 10% minorities, 10% women, 10% veterans.



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 and local codes, ordinances, and bylaws.
3. Final licensure is subject to the applicant providing Commission staff, upon inspection, an amended Diversity Plan to include more than hiring and that promotes and encourages full participation in the regulated cannabis industry by individuals from communities disproportionately harmed by cannabis prohibition and enforcement and to positively impact those communities under M.G.L. c. 94G, § 4 in Massachusetts.
4. Final licensure is subject to the applicant providing Commission staff, upon inspection, an amended Diversity Plan that identifies any hiring goals for individuals with disabilities and LGBTQ residents.
5. Final licensure is subject to the applicant ensuring that all remaining required individuals be fingerprinted pursuant to previous Commission notifications.
6. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
7. 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.

