

## OLD PLANTERS OF CAPE ANN, INC. MRN282588

#### **BACKGROUND & APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW**

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Old Planters of Cape Ann, Inc. 300 Newburyport Turnpike Unit 1, Rowley, MA 01969

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

Retail

The application was reopened twice for additional information.

3. The applicant is a licensee or applicant for other Marijuana Establishment and/or Medical Marijuana Treatment Center license(s):

Туре	Status	Location
Medical Marijuana Treatment Center	Provisional License	Ipswich

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

Individual	Role
Spencer Kalker	Executive
James Sisolak	Director
Daniel Heiter	Director
Brian Shuman	Director
Warren Pratt	Executive
Gregory Stiden	Advisory Board

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

Entity	Role
GGH, INC.	Capital Holding Company

6. Applicant's priority status:

Provisional License Executive Summary 1

MTC Priority Applicant.

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on April 22, 2019.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on December 12, 2019 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on September 16, 2019 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances and bylaws.
- 10. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Positive Impact Plan:

#	Goal
1	25% of workforce will fall into areas of disproportionate impact.
2	20% of contractors, vendors, and suppliers will fall into areas of disproportionate impact.
3	Donate \$10,000 to the Commission's Social Equity Training and Technical Assistance Fund.

### SUITABILITY REVIEW

- 11. There were no concerns arising from background checks on the individuals or entities associated with the application.
- 12. There were disclosures of any past civil or criminal actions, occupational license issues, or marijuana-related business interests in other jurisdictions. None of these disclosures raised suitability issues.

### MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS REVIEW

- 13. The applicant states that it can be operational within three (3) months of receiving its provisional license.
- 14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Monday – Thursday: 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Friday – Saturday: 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. Sunday: 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 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	50% of workforce will be comprised of women.
2	30% or workforce will be minorities, veterans, people with disabilities, and people of
	all gender identities and sexual orientations.
3	35% of supplier/contractor will be women, minorities, veterans, people with
	disabilities, and people of all gender identities and sexual orientations.

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

Old Planters of Cape Ann, Inc. will obtain marijuana from other licensed adult-use cultivators and product manufacturers.

# **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. 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 providing a revised Diversity Plan that provides more specific information regarding the group of "people of all gender identities and sexual orientations"; and
- 6. Final license is subject to the applicant providing an updated timeline for its MTC licenses to become operational.

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.