

## RAIN CITY FARMING, LLC

MCN281316 MPN281748

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

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Rain City Farming, LLC 35-45 Limestone Road, Lee, MA 01238

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.) Product Manufacturing

The application was reopened three (3) 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 business roles in the Marijuana Establishment:

| Individual            | Role            |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Preston Maki          | Owner / Partner |
| Paul Davis            | Owner / Partner |
| Joseph Dell'Arciprete | Owner / Partner |
| Brandon Brown         | 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:

Provisional License Executive Summary 1



General Applicant

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on April 2, 2019.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on February 25, 2019 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on November 23, 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 | Recruit 50% of staff who are Massachusetts residents with past drug     |
|   | convictions.  |
| 2 | Offer monthly workshops aimed at mentoring individuals and businesses   |
|   | facing systemic barriers to entrepreneurship.                           |
| 3 | Provide business assets (time, skills, finances) towards endeavors in a |
|   | geographical location designated as a disproportionately impacted area, |
|   | specifically Pittsfield.  |

#### **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 eight (8) months of receiving the provisional license(s).
- 14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Monday – Sunday: Open 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:

| # | Goal   |
|---|--|
| 1 | Recruit women (25%); minorities (25%); veterans (10%); people with             |
|   | disabilities (5%); and individuals who identify as LBGTQ+ (5%) for its hiring  |
|   | initiatives.   |
| 2 | Increase the number of individuals in management and executive positions who   |
|   | are women; minorities; veterans; people with disabilities; and individuals who |
|   | identify as LBGTQ+.  |

### 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):

| #  | Product  |
|----|--|
| 1  | Kief   |
| 2  | Hash   |
| 3  | Rosin  |
| 4  | Tablets  |
| 5  | Capsules   |
| 6  | Tinctures  |
| 7  | Waxes  |
| 8  | Oils (Vegetable, Canola, Olive, Liquid Distillate)                           |
| 9  | Butter   |
| 10 | Crackers (Graham and Honey Graham)   |
| 11 | Chips (Natural Cut, Butter Flavored, and Unflavored)                         |
| 12 | Cereal (Cinnamon Spheres Cup, Honey Spheres Cup, Chocolate Spheres Cup,      |
|    | Corn Spheres Cup, Peanut Butter Spheres Cup, and Raisin Bran Cup)            |
| 13 | Brownies (Chocolate, Peanut Butter, Chocolate Swirl, and White Chocolate     |
|    | Chip)  |
| 14 | Cookies (Chocolate Chip, Double Chocolate Chip, Oatmeal, Oatmeal Raisin,     |
|    | Peanut Butter, Peanut Butter Chocolate Chip, Chocolate Mint, and Shortbread) |
| 15 | Confections (Egg Tart, Cherry Danish, Strawberry Danish, Raspberry Danish,   |
|    | Blueberry Danish, Pound Cake, Chocolate Cake and Vanilla Cake)               |
| 16 | Ice Cream (Vanilla Cup, Chocolate Cup, Mint Chocolate Cup, Strawberry Cup,   |
|    | Cookie Dough Cup, Brownie Chunk Cup, and Peanut Butter Cup Cup)              |
| 17 | Hard mints (Spearmint)   |
| 18 | Gum (Spearmint and Bubblegum)  |
| 19 | Hard Candies (Strawberry, Lemon, Lime, Cherry, Raspberry, Blue Raspberry,    |
|    | Black Cherry, Watermelon, Pineapple, and Grape)                              |

| 20 | Soft Candies (Strawberry, Lemon, Lime, Cherry, Raspberry, Blue Raspberry,    |
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|    | Black Cherry, Watermelon, Pineapple, and Grape)                              |
| 21 | Chocolates (Bar, Truffle, Peanut Truffle, Peanut Butter Truffle, Hazelnut    |
|    | Truffle, Almond Truffle, Cherry Truffle)                                     |
| 22 | Water (Strawberry, Blueberry, Cherry, Lemon, Lime, Raspberry, Grape,         |
|    | Unflavored)  |
| 23 | Tea (Jasmine, Green, Oolong, Black, Grey, Milk, Spiced, Chrysanthemum,       |
|    | Thai, Chai, Iced, and Unsweetened)   |
| 24 | Fruit Drinks (Fruit Punch, Lemonade, Limeade, Apple Juice, Orange Juice, and |
|    | Grape Juice)   |
| 25 | Sodas (Cola, Diet Cola, Lemon-Lime Soda, Orange Soda, Grape Soda, Ginger     |
|    | Ale, Root Beer, Sarsaparilla, Cream Soda, Sparkling Water, and Sparkling     |
|    | Cider)   |

#### 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, with an updated Positive Impact Plan that identifies an Equity Program Partner and includes updates;
- 4. Final licensure is subject to the applicant providing Commission staff, upon inspection, with an updated Diversity Plan that includes measurements and outcomes and specifies how these will be tracked and implemented to be achievable;
- 5. Final licensure is subject to the applicant providing Commission staff, upon inspection, with a detailed list of all proposed products to be produced with specific information as to types, forms, shapes, colors, and flavors;
- 6. Final licensure is subject to the applicant ensuring that all remaining required individuals be fingerprinted pursuant to previous Commission notifications;
- 7. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff; and
- 8. 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.

