

RC RETAIL WESTFIELD, LLC
MRN283816

BACKGROUND & APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

RC Retail Westfield, LLC
d/b/a Red Cardinal
265 Union Street, Westfield, MA 01085

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 one (1) time for additional information.

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

Individuals and entities associated with this application are also associated with a retail application under the name “RC Retail Amherst, LLC” and “RC Retail Princeton, LLC”.

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

| Individual | Role |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| Salvatore Carabetta | Capital Contributor |

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

| Entity | Role |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Red Cardinal MA, LLC | Parent Company |

6. Applicant’s priority status:

General Applicant



7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on November 9, 2020.
8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on October 20, 2020 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on January 7, 2021 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 |
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| 1 | Contribute \$5,000 annually to Samaritan Inn. |
| 2 | Conduct two (2) annual CORI sealing seminars for individuals with past drug convictions. |

SUITABILITY 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 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:

Monday – Sunday: 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 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 | Recruit minorities (10%), women (40%), veterans (6%), individuals with disabilities (6%), individuals who identify as LGBTQ+ (6%) |



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

RC Retail Westfield, LLC plans to obtain marijuana from its affiliated licenses. If the need arises, RC Retail Westfield, LLC will obtain marijuana or marijuana products by contracting with other licensed establishment.

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, a confirmation letter from Samaritan Inn on official letterhead with contact information;
4. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff; and
5. 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.

