

UMA FLOWERS, LLC MRN283143

BACKGROUND & APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Uma Flowers, LLC 2 Tarbell Street, Pepperell, MA 01463

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):

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
Priyanka Patel	Owner / Partner
Tejal Patel	Owner / Partner
Yash Patel	Close Associate
Davis Patel	Close Associate

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 (Minority-Owned Business) (Woman-Owned Business)

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- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on February 10, 2020.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on January 6, 2020 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on May 25, 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 10% of individuals from Lowell & Fitchburg.
2	Provide internship opportunities to individuals 21+ and give selection
	preference to individuals from Lowell at least three times a year.

SUITABILITY REVIEW

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Goal

- 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 nine (9) months of receiving the provisional license(s).
- 14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Monday – Thursday: 10:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. Friday – Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. Sunday: 10:00 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:

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1	Recruit a staff comprised of 50% women and 20% minorities, veterans, people
	with disabilities, and/or individuals who are LGBTQ for its hiring initiatives.
2	Host four (4) business seminars per year to provide industry related training and
	leadership to diverse population entrepreneurs which include minorities, women,
	veterans, and people with disabilities.

17. Summary of cultivation plan (if applicable):

Not applicable

18. Summary of products to be produced and/or sold (if applicable):

Not applicable

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

Uma Flowers, LLC plans to obtain marijuana from its affiliated licenses. If the need arises, Uma Flowers, LLC 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 and local codes, ordinances, and bylaws;
- 3. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff; and
- 4. 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.

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