

Whately Cultivation Partners, LLC

MCN282087

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Whately Cultivation Partners, LLC 62 Christian Lane, Whately, MA 01373

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

Cultivation, Tier 11/Indoor (90,001 – 100,000 sq. ft.)

The application was reopened four (4) 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 roles in the Marijuana Establishment:

| Individual | Role |
|---------------|---------------------------------------|
| Rebecca Dewey | Person Having Direct/Indirect Control |

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

| Entity | Role |
|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Rebecca Dean Dewey Trust | Capital Contributor |

6. Applicant's priority status:

General Applicant

7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on December 20, 2021.

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- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on December 8, 2021 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the Town of Whatley on December 7, 2022 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances or bylaws.
- 10. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Plan to Positively Impact Disproportionately Harmed People:

| # | Goal |
|---|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | Commit to hiring at least two (2) individuals from Amherst, West Springfield, |
| | Springfield, and Holyoke. |
| 2 | Provide two (2) internships or apprenticeships to young adults (over 21 years |
| | of age) from Amherst, West Springfield, Springfield, and Holyoke. |
| 3 | Fund expungements for at least 10 individuals a year from Amherst, West |
| | Springfield, Springfield, and Holyoke who have cannabis-related felonies. |
| 4 | Participate in one (1) community "clean-up" initiative each year |
| | in either Amherst, West Springfield, Springfield, or Holyoke |

BACKGROUND CHECK 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 PROFILE 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:

| Day(s) | Hours of Operation |
|---------------|-------------------------|
| Monday-Friday | 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. |
| Saturday | 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. |
| Sunday | Closed |

- 15. The applicant submitted all 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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| # | Goal |
|---|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | Hire individuals who are 60% people of color (particularly Black, African |
| | American, Hispanic, Latinx and Indigenous people), 20% women, 8% veterans, |
| | 8% persons with disabilities, and 4% LGBTQ+ individuals. |
| 2 | Hire vendors who are 60% people of color (particularly Black, African |
| | American, Hispanic, Latinx and Indigenous people), 20% women, 8% veterans, |
| | 8% persons with disabilities, and 4% LGBTQ+ individuals. |
| 3 | Conduct on-site annual diversity training once every quarter. |

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, local codes, ordinances or bylaws, and local licensing requirements.
- 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. Prior to performing job functions at marijuana establishment, all internship program participants as stated in Goal number two of your Positive Impact Plan must become Registered Agents in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and provide Agent Registration Card to the Commission upon request. Pursuant to 935 CMR 500.030, a Marijuana Establishment shall apply for registration for all its employees, owners, executives, and volunteers who are associated with that Marijuana Establishment.
- 6. Final licensure is subject to the applicant reviewing its Positive Impact Plan and consider any strategy for outreach to nearby Area of Disproportionate Impact designated community of Greenfield and provide any update in accordance with 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.101(1)(a)11 to CCC Licensing Division.

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.

