

# Wicked Cultivation LLC

MCN283688

#### **APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW**

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Wicked Cultivation LLC 15 Charlotte Court, Middleboro, MA 02346

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

Cultivation, Tier 3/Indoor (10,001 – 20,000 sq. ft.)

The application was reopened more than four 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
Jhanna Ortiz	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control /
	Capital Contributor
Yovanna Espinosa	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control /
	Capital Contributor

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 (Woman- and Minority-Owned Business)

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- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on September 27, 2021.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on August 3, 2021 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the town of Middleborough on November 17, 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	Have at least 50% of its employee applicants be residents of Haverhill,
	Taunton, Mansfield, Fall River, New Bedford, Brockton, Quincy, Abington,
	Randolph, and Walpole.
2	Soliciting at least 30% of its vendor needs from Haverhill, Taunton,
	Mansfield, Fall River, New Bedford, Brockton, Quincy, Abington, Randolph,
	and Walpole.
3	Donate \$2,500 for Veterans Northeast Reach located in Haverhill, a
	disproportionately impacted area.

#### 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 six (6) months of receiving the provisional license(s).
- 14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Sunday	8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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.

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16. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Diversity Plan:

#	Goal
1	Recruit at least 50% women, 50% minorities, 20% LGBTQ, 20% veterans, and
	20% disabled for its hiring initiatives.
2	Offer an annual seminar, lasting 4-5 hours across 1-2 days, covering topics such
	as devising a business plan, funding a cannabis operation, and creating
	employment opportunities for people of color, women, LGBTQ+, veterans, and
	individuals with disabilities. Company employees that fall within these diverse
	populations will be encouraged to present and discuss their individual
	backgrounds and path to success in the cannabis industry.

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.

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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