



April Monthly Public Meeting

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April 12, 2023

In accordance with Sections 18-25 of Chapter 30A of the Massachusetts General Laws and Chapter 107 of the Acts of 2022, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Cannabis Control Commission. The meeting will take place as noted below.

CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

**April 14, 2023
10:00AM**

Remote Participation via Microsoft Teams Live*

PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Commissioners' Comments & Updates
- III. Executive Director's Report
 1. FY 2023 Quarterly Update
- IV. Staff Recommendations on Changes of Ownership
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 7. Lowkey 2, LLC d/b/a Lowkey Dispensary (#MRN284730), Retail
 8. Lowkey Cultivation, LLC d/b/a Lowkey Cultivation (#MCN283125), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor
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10. National Cannabis Research, Inc. (#REN281346), Marijuana Research Facility
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13. Theory Wellness, Inc. (#MRN284150), Retail
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- X. New Business Not Anticipated at the Time of Posting
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- XII. Adjournment

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CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

January 12, 2023
10:00 AM

Via Remote Participation via [Microsoft Teams Live*](#)

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

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 - Ganesh Wellness, Inc. (#MP281634), Product Manufacturer
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 - Holyoke Smokes Corp. (#MD1284), Marijuana Delivery Operator
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- Buudda Brothers 90 Sargeant Street LLC (#MCR140340)
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- Jane Allen Email re: Concerns about the AAA Shifting Gears curriculum

In Attendance:

- Chair Shannon O'Brien
- Commissioner Nurys Z. Camargo
- Commissioner Kimberly Roy
- Commissioner Bruce Stebbins

Minutes:

1) Call to Order

- The Chair recognized a quorum and called the meeting to order.
- The Chair gave notice that the meeting was being recorded.
- The Chair gave an overview of the agenda.

2) Commissioner's Comments and Updates – 00:01:21

- Commissioner Camargo noted her excitement to be back to work and that she is recharged from the break. She commented on the status of the industry after five years. She thanked the appointing authorities for their work in appointing the new members of the Cannabis Social Equity Trust Fund Advisory Board and congratulated the board members. She noted the difficulty and cost in the licensing process. She commended the licensees for their hustle navigating the licensing process. She thanked Commission Staff for their hard work. She noted the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday and his legacy in the civil rights movement. She invited the public to attend events by Embrace Boston in his memory.
- Commissioner Roy expressed her excitement to be back in person and wished her fellow Commissioners a Happy New Year. She gave an overview of the Commission's agenda for the year, including the new regulatory round, new social equity cohorts, community outreach and the implementation of the new social equity law and fund. She discussed learning about supply chain concerns. She noted her excitement about hearing testimony on the regulatory round and her excitement to hear from folks. She discussed the Cannabis Impaired Driving Program, her work with Commissioner Stebbins, and thanked the Baker-Polito Administration, the RMV, MassDOT, DPH, Triple A, Brown University, and staff for their partnership in the creating the program. She discussed her excitement to take up the vote and thanked Commissioner Camargo for her invitation to the MLK events.
- Commissioner Stebbins commented about his excitement to see his fellow Commissioners in person. He wished a Happy New Year to his fellow Commissioners and to Commissioner Concepcion who could not be in present. He noted his excitement to start writing the regulations and the significant work ahead. He discussed soliciting feedback from the public on the regulations and welcomed comments now about the regulations. He congratulated the new appointees to the Cannabis Social Equity Advisory Board. He thanked the new and incoming Governors and the Treasurer for their nominations. He reminded Commissioners that



- the Executive Director (ED) is filling out the self-assessment and performance review this month and will be submitted to HR. He also noted that the Commissioners will receive the self-assessment and will have to review and assess the ED's performance. He mentioned the deadline to submit those reviews would be January 30, 2023. He noted the importance of the MLK holiday and mentioned looking forward to viewing the sculpture on the Boston Common.
- The Chair thanked her colleagues, staff and stakeholders for assisting in her onboarding process. She especially thanked the ED and shared her excitement about the upcoming regulatory round. She echoed Commissioner Stebbin's sentiment that people should not wait until the official comment period begins to share their thoughts on the regulatory round. She commented about the Commission being established for over five-years and how she felt it was time for the Commission to make changes. She noted the balance that will be required to uphold public safety while also being responsive to stakeholders, businesses, and equity applicants. She noted the absence of Commissioner Concepcion. The Chair repeated a message from Commissioner Concepcion where she congratulated Commissioners Stebbins and Camargo for completing their first two years of service to the Commission and wished a Happy New Year to everyone.

3) Minutes for Approval – 00:12:15

- November 10, 2022
 - The Chair asked if the Commissioners had a chance to review the minutes and whether there were questions or edits.
 - Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the minutes for November 10, 2022, Commission public meeting.
 - Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the minutes for the November 10, 2022, Commission public meeting by a vote of four in favor and none opposed.
- December 5, 2022
 - The Chair asked if the Commissioners had a chance to review the minutes and whether there were questions or edits.
 - Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the minutes for December 5, 2022, Commission public meeting.
 - Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes



- Chair O'Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the minutes for the December 5, 2022, Commission public meeting by a vote of four in favor and none opposed.

4) Executive Director's Report – 00:13:50

- The Executive Director gave an overview of licensing data, which starts on page 176 of the [Meeting Packet](#).
 - Commissioner Roy noted the 28 Economic Empowerment applicants who have Commenced Operations and asked the ED how many businesses were designated that status.
 - The Executive Director said the number was 122 individuals or entities designated that status.
 - Commissioner Roy commented that much work was needed to close that gap.
 - The ED noted that 28 licenses referenced in the slide could also represent someone that has multiple licenses and noted that likely meant the disparity is worse than the numbers indicate.
 - The Chair noted that 63% of the licenses in cultivation are in Tiers 1-3. She asked the ED if he knew how much of the market those licenses produced.
 - The ED explained that he did not have that information presently available. The ED further explained the differences between different tiers and the fact that regulations require certain product movements.
 - Commissioner Roy raised the issue of reciprocity for medical patients and listed the states that accept Massachusetts Medical Patients. She suggested the Commission investigate the issue further and noted her support for the idea.
 - Commissioner Camargo asked for more information or a presentation on active caregivers.
 - Commissioner Roy asked the ED about the regulations around nurse practitioners that fall under a prescribing physician.
 - The Executive Director explained that nurse practitioners are able to certify patients for the program. He explained that nurse practitioners are able to participate in the program. He noted that the provision the Commissioner referenced was likely apart of the shift from DPH. He explained that state law does allow nurse practitioners to operate independently and that is a quirk in the Commission's regulations. He noted his limited authority to waive a class of people from being regulated a certain way like the regulation for nurse practitioners looking to practice independently. He noted the importance of the topic and that people have been advocating recently for its change in the regulations.
 - The Chair noted the Commission's authority over policy and her interest in tackling the subject matter during the next regulatory round.
 - Commissioner Roy noted Nurse Practitioners are allowed to prescribe narcotic drugs to patients but not cannabis and that change is required regarding this regulation.
 - The Chair noted this was a topic likely to be considered during the next round.



- The ED clarified that NPs can prescribe today just under a physician. He also explained that the medical program has the opportunity for evolution. He expressed the desire to better understand the adequate number of doctors required for the current patient population of the state.
- The Executive Director gave an update on the Pesticide Webinars hosted by the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources (MDAR) for cannabis industry participants and his discussions with the agency.
 - Commissioner Roy asked the if Commissioners or staff should watch the webinars.
 - The ED confirmed.
 - Commissioner Camargo asked if the Commission would send it out to licensees.
 - The ED noted most communications to all licensees are sent by Metrc Bulletins and explained the process.
 - Commissioner Roy asked the independent testing labs should watch this webinar. She also questioned how this changed their testing protocols.
 - The ED confirmed all licensees should watch this webinar. He noted most licensees did not use any pesticides. He explained some businesses are now looking which pesticides they can use and said experiences have varied. He noted that limits for detection might change and that the director of testing is eager to take on the issue.
 - Chair O'Brien thanked Commissioner Lebeaux and MDAR for their work on the issue of pesticide use and explained the complexity of that area of policy.
- Chief Financial Officer Adriana Leon (Chief Leon) presented on the FY23 Quarterly Budget Update.
 - Commissioner Roy asked whether Commissioners could get an update periodically on retirements or on people who leave to account for the number of openings.
 - Chief Leon responded that Finance backfills jobs automatically when a new hire leaves but said she would defer to HR on the question of data.
 - The ED responded that some hires are internal promotions which changes the number overall of new hires, but he noted that he would work with HR to determine what data can be generated.
 - Chair O'Brien asked how many vehicles the commission owned?
 - The ED noted that vehicles are assigned to investigators or staff who are performing field inspections. He explained that the agency uses short term rentals like enterprise. He noted the difficulty accessing the vehicles with the supply chain issues but could not cite a specific number of vehicles.
 - Chair O'Brien thanked the ED for his comment and noted her prior experience with vehicles at the lottery.
 - Chief Leon noted the Commission currently has 18 cars.
 - The ED expressed his desire to obtain more vehicles and his desire to disperse access to the vehicles across the agency. He noted the



- Commission would be able to use those vehicles and commented that they would not be left idling.
- Commissioner Roy asked about community outreach strategies and communications strategies around the medical program. She questioned where that money would come from in the budget?
 - The ED believed that with the combination of FY23 and FY24 funds, he could move forward with his goal of conducting that outreach. He expressed the flexibility in various accounts that would give the Commission the ability to use funds for the purpose stated.
 - Chair O'Brien commented about the cost of the plastic cards distributed by the Commission and the fact that the agency could cut down on spending by eliminating physical cards for people who do not want one.
 - Commissioner Roy noted that this process could be done through an app on a patient's phone.
 - The ED noted several jurisdictions have switched to digital IDs, but also noted that the Commission wanted to be sensitive to people without access to that technology. The ED discussed IDs and how some patients feel more protected with the ID on their person.
 - Chair O'Brien commented that it is also an equity issue.
 - The ED concurred.
 - Chief Communications Officer Cedric Sinclair (Chief Sinclair) noted the portion of the budget that includes outreach support, his plan for outreach, and the timeliness of the topic being raised. He also noted a new role of a Manager of Community Outreach that would have some responsibility in this area.
 - Commissioner Roy responded with a request for table cloths that display the Commission's name and cards that show how to become a medical patient or caregiver. She explained the reasoning was so that staff and Commissioners have resources to give at public events.
 - Chair O'Brien commented that the Commission should create a QRC code to connect to different stakeholders to provide different information to these groups. She noted the cost right now is on private industry to provide numbers on specific data on strains.
 - Commissioner Stebbins noted a conversation he had with Chief Sinclair on using QRC codes and hoped that when the new regulations are released that they specify what requirements the licensees are responsibilities for specifically.
 - Commissioner Camargo noted Commissioner Roy's outreach to seniors and others and expressed her gratitude to the commissioner for that work. She noted her desire to use her Spanish-speaking ability to do more outreach in those communities.
 - Chair O'Brien noted that the older constituents grew up in the 60s and 70s and that they are a group the Commission should target for outreach.



- Chief Sinclair noted that money is allocated to certain projects but there is plenty of material available for Commissioners to use if they go to an event. He also noted his desire to work closely with the Medical Marijuana program to do more outreach and, if appropriate, to incorporate recommendations into the regulations.
 - Chief Leon corrected her earlier statement and said the Commission has leased 15 cars.
- Commissioner Camargo discussed transparency in the Commission’s budget and thanked Chief Leon for her work. She also pointed out the opportunities for vendors to educate people about how to access contracts. She noted the new procurement manager hired by the Commission to educate the public and our licensees about contract.
- Chair O’Brien noted the new Procurement Director Dan Billings (Director Billings) and her excitement about his ideas with vendors.
- Commissioner Camargo thanked the team and staff. She noted that the Commission is busy and hopes that staff talk to each other about the budget. She also thanked Chief Leon for her work.
- Commissioner Stebbins congratulated newly appointed Director Billings and explained the difficulty of understanding the COMMBUYS procurement process.
- Commissioner Roy thanked the Treasurer and Chief Leon. She asked for an explanation of the blackout periods around procurements.
 - The ED explained that during the procurement process the Commission wants to ensure that the integrity of the competitive bidding process is preserved so that no bid has an advantage over any other. He explained once a procurement is issued that everyone in the Commission is given notice of a blackout to preserve that integrity and process.
 - Chief Leon added that the state’s Operational Services Division (OSD) offers training to vendors. She thanked the Commission for their comments about staff and Commissioner Camargo for her comments.
- Commissioner Roy asked a question on Positive Impact Plans and the number of licensees that seek to contract with the Supplier Diversity Office. She also asked if the link was accessible to the Commissioners.
- Commissioner Camargo noted that the link to their office is on the new Diversity Guidance.
 - The ED confirmed the link is on the guidance.
 - Chair O’Brien noted that in her conversation with Director Billings that one of his goals is to expand access to information on bidding and anticipatory work.
 - Commissioner Stebbins noted that when they updated the guidance that licensees were using those guidance documents when completing their applications.
 - Commissioner Roy thanked the Commissioners for their work on the guidance.



- The Executive Director gave an update related to hiring activity at the Commission.
 - Commissioner Roy asked if the ED could clarify if the Constituent Services Associates and what that entails.
 - The ED noted that at one point in time all Constituent Services in Massachusetts were dealing with the medical industry. He noted that has since changed but about 90% of the calls are patients. He expressed that his vision for that role would be to have the ability to triage in the Commission and get the right person to address the issue.
 - Commissioner Roy asked a clarifying question about whether the 50 thousand registered agents could call and get help with anything they need.
 - Chair O'Brien noted the pressure from stakeholders on the issue of worker's safety. She thanked the ED for his work addressing worker's safety and hoped that the ED would speak to this in his response.

- Commissioner Camargo moved to take a fifteen-minute recess.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved taking a fifteen-minute recess, by a vote of four in favor and none opposed, returning at 11:50 AM (01:35:09)

- The Executive Director continued his comments from before the break regarding constituent services and noted the importance of worker safety. He updated the Commissioners on ways people can contact the agency. He discussed the digital ways of communicating and the Commission's phone number. He talked about the courage around being a whistleblower and the ways that someone can contact the Commission to complain about a business. He also noted the general contact form and expressed a desire to make a specific contact form. He noted the Commission's work with OSHA and the importance of worker's safety given the recent tragedy. He commented that Commission licensees need to be properly trained experts to perform certain tasks in their facilities and that a violation of an OSHA law would be a violation of Commission regulations. He explained several risks to workers and how that proper safety measures need to be taken in these facilities. He explained that OSHA has oversight of all Federal and private employers and therefore the licensees, not Commission staff, are overseen by OSHA. He commented that he heard the feedback from Commissioners, stakeholders and the public about worker's safety and noted the seriousness in which he and Commission Staff take the issue.
 - Chair O'Brien reiterated that the Commission has resources for workers who do not believe their workplace is safe. She noted the federal oversight of worker safety and the added complications because of that regulation. She



noted the conversations taking place between the ED and Staff with OSHA but expressed her concerns about whether cannabis dust is a toxic substance. She noted the idea from staff about adding worker's safety to our responsible vendor training. She noted the vulnerability of the cannabis workforce and the lack of comfort in the idea of being a whistleblower.

- Commissioner Roy thanked both the ED and the Chair for their Comments. She asked about the Commission's Whistleblower SOPs and whether the information is displayed in the workplace. She asked whether the Commission could use employee data taken from a survey to share with OSHA on areas to improve safety for these workers. She also asked whether there was something that CANNRA can do to address these health and safety issues for workers?
 - The ED noted he would have to follow-up on the signage question. He commented that the survey was not a bad idea but noted the difficulty of accessing the agent's information because, in the Commission's system, they are tied to an employer's information. He noted the diverse conversations in CANNRA about safety and the value of having an organization that informs federal policy makers about experiences learned from leaders at the state level. He commented about the collaborative nature of the members of CANNRA and the helpfulness of speaking with individuals in a similar situation around the same issue. He also thanked the local OSHA office for their work.
- Commissioner Camargo thanked the ED for his response. She noted her desire to raise the question of worker's safety at a public meeting and that she was happy it was being discussed now because of its timeliness. She noted the conversation on the budget and expressed her happiness with the Commission having cars for investigators to get out to the industry to engage with licensees and perform investigations. She noted the anniversary of the death of Lorna McMurrey and the reminder of the work that still needs to be done for worker's safety in the industry.
- Chair O'Brien noted that the Commission is working on the issue of worker's safety and expressed hope that certain changes will lead to a safer industry.

5) Staff Recommendations on Previously Remanded License Applications – 02:16:47

1. Greenfield Greenery LLC (#0174-COO-01-0522), Change of Ownership

- Chair O'Brien recused herself from this license and the next licensing matter.
- Commissioner Stebbins acted as Chair. Chair Stebbins recalled the licensee's history before the Commission and described the October 13, 2022, Public Meeting where the Final License was remanded, subject to a review by Investigations and Enforcement staff of the licensee's Change of Ownership application. He explained the reasoning was so that both matters could be considered together. He noted the Commission staff on the call that were ready to assist the Commissioners with questions.
 - Commissioner Camargo asked about the format of the presentation.



- Chair Stebbins responded that Commissioners could first ask questions and then he would allow time for staff to respond.
- Commissioner Camargo thanked staff for their thorough review of the application. She noted the confusion and unanswered questions from the October meeting. She asked whether someone could explain the Ownership and Control process as it relates to adding or removing an owner or entity.
 - The ED noted the difference between how people and entities are considered for the purposes of Ownership and Control. He noted the different ways owners or entities could obtain control over a business and the process by which the Commission staff would respond.
 - The Director of Licensing Kyle Potvin (Director Potvin) supported the ED's response and commented about the policies regarding adding or removing owners of a business. He explained that companies must request permission to add an owner to their license and submit an application for approval by the Commission or through the ED if he has been delegated such authority. He explained that when a person with Control leaves employment that the regulations require that the Commission be notified of that removal but he explained that instance would not be subject to approval by the Commission.
- Commissioner Roy thanked staff for their work. She asked if Director Potvin could state on the record unequivocally that Shannon O'Brien holds no stake in Greenfield Greenery, LLC.
 - Director Potvin noted the finding in the report that Shannon O'Brien does not hold any ownership stake in the license any longer.
 - Commissioner Roy thanked Director Potvin for his response.
- Commissioner Camargo thanked Director Potvin for his thorough analysis and other staff for answering her questions prior to the meeting.
- Commissioner Roy noted that after having done the due-diligence that she was excited to have another out-door farmer as a licensee.
 - Commissioner Camargo concurred.
- Chair Stebbins asked whether Ms. Stainton had direct or indirect Ownership and Control over the license because he understands that her percentage of ownership was diminished.
 - Investigations Manager Katherine Binkoski (IM Binkoski) responded that the licensee was issued a Notice of Deficiency and, as a part of this application's corrective action, Ms. Stainton resigned her managerial role, and her Ownership percentage was reduced until the license is approved by the Commission.
- Chair Stebbins noted that he reviewed several Notice of Deficiencies issued when a person is stepping into a role as a licensee and that this instance is not unique to this license. He hoped that other licensees would learn from this example and notify the Commission appropriately. He thanked staff for their work.
 - Director Potvin thanked the Commissioners for their comments.



- The Executive Director responded that a Notice of Deficiency is a common occurrence in the Commission’s processes that gives notice to the licensee of those deficiencies. The ED noted that this process allows the licensee an opportunity to be heard and to cure within 10 days. He also noted that potential remedies must be accepted by the Commission, but they might be rejected. He clarified that the investigative report is assigned to the Change of Ownership not for the Final license and therefore the Final license is the same as the October application. He also explained that the application here is to allow the Change of Ownership on this license but this does not automatically make said change occur. He noted prior examples of Changes of Ownership that the Commission voted on but which fell through after the vote.
 - Chair Stebbins thanked the ED for his explanation and for raising the point. He discussed the Notice of Deficiency process in licensing and the process of licensee’s curing the deficiencies. He also thanked staff for their work on this report and noted that investigations take time and require patience.
 - Commissioner Roy highlighted the complexity of the Changes of Ownership because of the multiple entities at play in each application. She also thanked the team for their work.
 - Commissioner Camargo was thankful that the report was released for transparency and thanked staff for their work.
- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
 - Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
 - Chair Stebbins took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Recused
 - The Commission voted for Change of Ownership by a vote of three in favor and one recused.

2. Greenfield Greenery, LLC (#MC283117), Cultivation, Tier 11 / Outdoor

- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Final License.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- Chair Stebbins took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Recused
- The Commission voted for the Final License by a vote of three in favor and one recused.

6) Staff Recommendations on Changes of Ownership – 02:41:50



1. CDX Analytics, LLC

- Licensing Analyst Derek Chamberlin (Licensing Analyst Chamberlin) presented the Staff Recommendation for Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- Chair O'Brien took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the Change of Ownership by a vote of four in favor and none opposed.

2. HTC Trinity, LLC

- Licensing Analyst Chamberlin presented the Staff Recommendation for Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the Change of Ownership by a vote of four in favor and none opposed.

3. I.N.S.A., Inc.

- Licensing Analyst Chamberlin presented the Staff Recommendation for Change of Ownership.
- The Chair asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the Change of Ownership by a vote of four in favor and none opposed.

4. Northampton Labs, LLC



- Licensing Analyst Chamberlin presented the Staff Recommendation for Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the Change of Ownership by a vote of four in favor and none opposed.

7) Staff Recommendations on Provisional Licenses – 02:45:25

1. Apotho Therapeutics Dartmouth, Inc. d/b/a Apotho Therapeutics (#MCN283298), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor

- Licensing Analyst Chamberlin presented the Staff Recommendation for the Provisional License.
- Commissioner Roy requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to final licensure please inform the Commission of your “Additional Operational Plans for Indoor Marijuana Cultivators” as it relates to Quality Control Samples. Licensees that opt to provide Quality Control Samples must include written policies and procedures in accordance with 935 CMR 500.120 (12), and 935 CMR 500.120 (14).
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the Provisional License by a vote of four in favor and none opposed, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.

2. Apotho Therapeutics Dartmouth, Inc. d/b/a Apotho Therapeutics (#MRN283521), Retail

- Licensing Analyst Chamberlin presented the Staff Recommendation for the Provisional License.
- The Chair asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Roy requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to final licensure, in accordance with 935 CMR 500.140 (6)(g), please include information for substance use disorder



treatment programs and the phone number for the Massachusetts Substance Use Helpline on your consumer education.

- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Provisional License subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.
 - Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
 - The Commission approved the Provisional License by a vote of four in favor and none opposed, subject to the condition requested by commissioner Roy.
3. BeWell Organic Medicine, Inc. (#MRN284729), Retail
- Licensing Analyst Chamberlin presented the Staff Recommendation for the Provisional License.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Roy requested a Condition.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to final licensure, in accordance with 935 CMR 500.140 (6)(g), please include the phone number for the Massachusetts Substance Use Helpline on your consumer education.
 - Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the Provisional License subject to the condition requested by Commissioners Roy.
 - Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
 - The Commission approved the Provisional License by a vote of four in favor and none opposed, subject to the condition requested by Commissioners Roy.
4. CNA Stores, Inc. (#MRN283460), Retail
- Licensing Analyst Chamberlin presented the Staff Recommendation for the Provisional License.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Stebbins requested two conditions.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to Final Application for Licensure, review Positive Impact Plan and consider any strategy for designated Area of Disproportionate Impact and Host Community of Boston and provide any update in accordance with 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.101(1) (a) 11 to CCC Licensing Division.
 - Proposed Condition: Prior to Final Application for Licensure, review Diversity Plan and consider any strategy for designated Area of



Disproportionate Impact and Host Community of Boston and provide any update in accordance with 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.101(1)(c) 8k to the CCC Licensing Division.

- Commissioner Stebbins commented about his conditions. He explained that the licensee approached the Positive Impact Plan and Diversity Plan with seriousness. He questioned the licensee's plan regarding the absence of impacts in Boston. He asked why the provisions of the plans only included improvements in the city of Haverhill. He invited the licensees to consider inclusion of their other host community into their plans.
- Commissioner Camargo commended the licensee for their mentorship program established in their Positive Impact Plan.
- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Stebbins.
- Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the Provisional License by a vote of four in favor and none opposed, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Stebbins.

5. Enlite Cannabis Dispensary, LLC (#MRN284651), Retail

- Licensing Analyst Chamberlin presented the Staff Recommendation for the Provisional License.
- Commissioner Roy requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to final licensure, in accordance with 935 CMR 500.140 (6) (g), please include information for substance use disorder treatment programs and the phone number for the Massachusetts Substance Use Helpline on your consumer education.
- Commissioner Stebbins noted his familiarity with the owner of this business from his time in Springfield but felt that he could still perform his duties objectively.
- Commissioner Stebbins requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to Final Application for Licensure, contact CCC Licensing Division with an update to confirm your training and recruitment partners and eligibility to support your activities in accordance with 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.101(1)(c) 8k.
- Commissioner Stebbins commented on his condition. He explained the licensee's plan to work with MassHire is unlikely because they are federally funded and are not allowed to support cannabis licensees.
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Roy and Commissioner Stebbins.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.



- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
 - The Commission approved the Provisional License by a vote of four in favor and none opposed, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioners Roy and Stebbins.
6. Enroot Home Delivery LLC (#MDA1302), Marijuana Delivery Operator
- Licensing Analyst Chamberlin presented the Staff Recommendations for the Provisional License.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Roy explained her proposed condition. She noted that there are four delivery operators on the agenda and that the licensees are required under the regulations to provide consumer education. She commented that she did not see any of those provisions in any of the delivery operator’s applications. She hoped other licensees would take note of this condition.
 - Commissioner Roy requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: In accordance with 935CMR 500.146 (5), A Delivery Operator shall make available educational materials about Finished Marijuana Products to Consumers. A Delivery Operator shall have an adequate supply of current educational material available for distribution. Prior to final licensure please provide the commission with a copy of your consumer education.
 - Commissioner Camargo commended the licensee for their Positive Impact Plan and the provision that allows for profit sharing by their employees. She noted the home buying option and education associated with the plan.
 - Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.
 - Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
 - The Commission approved the Provisional License by a vote of four in favor and none opposed, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.
7. Gracious Greens, LLC (#MRN284257), Retail
- Licensing Analyst Chamberlin presented the Staff Recommendation for the Provisional License.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.



- Commissioner Camargo commented that their Positive Impact Plan was amazing and simple to read. She thought that the plan was creative and relevant to the cannabis culture.
- Chair O'Brien questioned what specifically about the plan that Commissioner Camargo thought should be replicated.
- Commissioner Roy commented the licensee's desire to promote mental health and build community through events and help make a positive impact for minority and veterans' communities.
- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Provisional License.
- Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the Provisional License by a vote of four in favor and none opposed.

8. House of Ermias, LLC (#MRN284346), Retail

- Licensing Analyst Chamberlin presented the Staff Recommendation for the Provisional License.
- Commissioner Roy requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to final licensure, in accordance with 935 CMR 500.140 (6)(g), please include information for substance use disorder treatment programs and the phone number for the Massachusetts Substance Use Helpline on your consumer education.
- Commissioner Camargo noted the relevant and practical courses offered in the licensee's Positive Impact Plan.
- Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the Provisional License by a vote of four in favor and none opposed, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.

9. In Good Health (#MRN284655), Retail

- Licensing Analyst Chamberlin presented the Staff Recommendation for the Provisional License.



- The Chair asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Roy requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Upon final licensure, please present to the Commission a copy of your consumer education in accordance with 935 CMR 500.140 (a-j) and your patient education in accordance with 935 CMR 501.140 (a-c).
- Commissioner Stebbins requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to Final Application for Licensure, contact CCC Licensing Division with an update to confirm your training and recruitment partners and eligibility to support your activities in accordance with 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.101 1(c) 8k.
- Commissioner Stebbins noted his condition is proposed for the same reason he mentioned before regarding MassHire Career Center.
- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioners Roy and Stebbins.
- Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the Provisional License by a vote of four in favor and none opposed, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioners Roy and Stebbins.

10. Kur Retailers, LLC (#MRN284652), Retail

- The ED explained that the Commission received new information and that this license required further consideration by staff before it could be considered by the Commissioners. The ED requested this license be withdrawn from consideration at this meeting.

11. Medicine Man Solutions (#MPN281839), Product Manufacturer

- Licensing Analyst Chamberlin presented the Staff Recommendation for both the Product Manufacturer and Marijuana Delivery Operator Licenses.
- The Chair asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Roy explained her condition regarding quality control samples. She noted that regulations require that licensees develop an SOP and that the Commission needs to be aware of their participation if they opt into providing these samples. She commented that she adds this condition when she does not see a plan when the businesses decide to participate.
- Commissioner Roy requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to final licensure please inform the Commission of your “Additional Operational Plans for Product Manufacturers” as it relates to



Quality Control Samples. Licensees that opt to provide Quality Control Samples must include written policies and procedures in accordance with 935 CMR 500.130(5)(k) and 935 CMR 500.130 (9).

- Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the Provisional License.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the Provisional License by a vote of four in favor and none opposed, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.

12. Medicine Man Solutions (#MDA1318), Marijuana Delivery Operator

- The Chair asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Roy requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: In accordance with 935CMR 500.146 (5), A Delivery Operator shall make available educational materials about Finished Marijuana Products to Consumers. A Delivery Operator shall have an adequate supply of current educational material available for distribution. Prior to final licensure please provide the commission with a copy of your consumer education.
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the Provisional License by a vote of four in favor and none opposed, subject to a condition requested by Commissioner Roy.

13. Pure Oasis, LLC (#DOA100170), Marijuana Courier

- Licensing Analyst Chamberlin presented the Staff Recommendation for the Provisional License.
- The Chair asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Roy commented about the licensee’s designation as an Economic Empowerment Priority Applicant. She noted her excitement that another business in this class can Commence Operations.
- Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the Provisional License.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes



- Commissioner Roy – Yes
- Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
- Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the Provisional License by a vote of four in favor and none opposed.

14. Speedy Cannabis, LLC (#MDA1295), Marijuana Delivery Operator

- Licensing Analyst Chamberlin presented the Staff Recommendation for the Provisional License.
- The Chair asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Roy requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: In accordance with 935 CMR 500.146 (5), A Delivery Operator shall make available educational materials about Finished Marijuana Products to Consumers. A Delivery Operator shall have an adequate supply of current educational material available for distribution. Prior to final licensure please provide the commission with a copy of your consumer education.
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioners Roy.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the Provisional License by a vote of four in favor and none opposed, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.

15. Tastebudz Delivery, LLC (#MDA1313), Marijuana Delivery Operator

- Licensing Analyst Chamberlin presented the Staff Recommendation for the Provisional License.
- The Chair asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the Provisional License.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the Provisional License by a vote of four in favor and none opposed.

16. Teddy’s Veggie Farm, LLC (#MPN282110), Product Manufacturer



- Licensing Analyst Chamberlin presented the Staff Recommendation for the Provisional License.
- The Chair asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Stebbins explained recently he attended an event where this applicant was participating in a pitch-contest. He described the event, and that Commission staff were also present. He noted that the event was free and open to all. He explained that he was able hear stories from licensees and applicants. He commented that neither he nor Commissioner Roy participated in the contest nor judged applicants at the contest. He noted that the pitches did not pertain to their suitability for licensure. He commented that he wanted to mention this prior to the vote.
 - Commissioner Camargo asked whether this applicant won at the event.
 - Commissioner Stebbins said he believed they did.
- Commissioner Stebbins requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to Final Application for Licensure, contact CCC Licensing Division with an update to clarify Diversity Plan Measurements #3 (Outreach to Diverse Suppliers) in accordance with 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.101 1(c) 8.k.
- Commissioner Stebbins asked a clarifying question to the licensee on their hiring goals and noted that their plan requires clarity to explain whether the goals pertain to their business or their supplier’s business.
- Commissioner Roy noted her presence at Elevate Northeast’s event on December 1, 2022, in Worcester, along with Commissioner Stebbins and Commission staff. She recalled being grateful that she attended the event and described it as being extraordinary. She commented that she observed the event, but did not have any active or participatory role. She also noted she felt that she could fairly and objectively consider this licensing matter.
 - Commissioner Stebbins noted that the applicant Rolling ReLeaf, LLC, on the agenda under Final License were also a participant at the event.
 - Commissioner Roy affirmed.
- Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Stebbins.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the Provisional License by a vote of four in favor and none opposed, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Stebbins.

17. The Green Resource, Inc. d/b/a NortheastCann Inc. (#MCN283754), Cultivation, Tier 4 / Indoor

- Licensing Analyst Chamberlin presented the next three Staff Recommendations for Provisional Licenses together because the licenses are collocated.



- The Chair asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Roy requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to final licensure please inform the Commission of your “Additional Operational Plans for Indoor Marijuana Cultivators” as it relates to Quality Control Samples. Licensees that opt to provide Quality Control Samples must include written policies and procedures in accordance with 935 CMR 500.120 (12), and 935 CMR 500.120 (14).
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the Provisional License by a vote of four in favor and none opposed, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.

18. The Green Resource, Inc. d/b/a NortheastCann Inc. (#MPN282213), Product Manufacturer

- The Chair asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Roy requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Prior to final licensure please inform the Commission of your “Additional Operational Plans for Product Manufacturers” as it relates to Quality Control Samples. Licensees that opt to provide Quality Control Samples must include written policies and procedures in accordance with 935 CMR 500.130(5)(k) and 935 CMR 500.130 (9).
- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.
- Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the Provisional License by a vote of four in favor and none opposed, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.

19. The Green Resource, Inc. d/b/a NortheastCann Inc. (#MRN284701), Retail

- The Chair asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Roy requested a condition.



- Proposed condition: Prior to final licensure, in accordance with 935 CMR 500.140 (6)(g), please include the phone number for the Massachusetts Substance Use Helpline on your consumer education.
- Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Provisional License, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the Provisional License by a vote of four in favor and none opposed, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Roy.

- Commissioner Camargo moved to take a thirty-five-minute recess.
- Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved taking a thirty-five-minute recess, by a vote of four in favor and none oppose, returning at 1:59 PM (03:24:28)

8) Staff Recommendations on Final Licenses

- The Chair noted that Final Licenses would be considered as one roster, including all Adult-Use and all Medical-Use Licenses.
- Licensing Analyst Chamberlin presented the Staff Recommendations for Final Licenses.

- Adult-Use and Medical-Use Rosters
 - The Chair noted that the Final License roster will consist of items numbered 1 through 11, as identified on the agenda.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the roster of Final Licenses.
 - Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
 - The Commission approved the roster of Final Licenses by a vote of four in favor and none opposed.



1. Beacon Compassion, Inc. (#MR284694), Retail
2. Cannabro, LLC (#MR283743), Retail
3. Discern'd Cannabis Purveyors, Inc. (#MR283997), Retail
4. East Boston Local Roots, LLC d/b/a East Boston Cannabis Co. (#MR284117), Retail
5. Ganesh Wellness, Inc. (#MP281634), Product Manufacturer
6. Grass Appeal, LLC d/b/a Blackstone Valley Cannabis (#MP281406), Product Manufacturer
7. Holyoke Smokes Corp. (#MD1284), Marijuana Delivery Operator
8. Neamat, LLC (#MP282004), Product Manufacturer
9. New England Craft Cultivators, LLC d/b/a Tree House Craft Cannabis (#MR283367), Retail
10. Rolling ReLeaf, LLC (#MD1265), Marijuana Delivery Operator
11. I.N.S.A., Inc. (#RMD3362), Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center

9) Staff Recommendations on Renewals – 04:00:16

- Licensing Analyst Chamberlin presented the Staff Recommendations for Renewal Licenses.
- Adult-Use
 - The Chair noted that the first Adult-Use Renewal roster will consist of items numbered 1 through 24, as identified on the agenda.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Roy moved to approve the roster of Adult-Use Renewals.
 - Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
 - The Commission approved the Adult-Use Renewals by a vote of four in favor and none opposed.
- Caregiver-Patient Connection LLC
 - The Chair noted that the next Adult-Use Renewal will be item number 25 on the agenda.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Stebbins commented about the renewal licenses and requested that when licensees renew their license that they give an adequate amount of time for host communities to respond to the community impact fee inquiry. He commended that the licensees on the agenda today mostly gave adequate time for their host community to respond and he hoped other licensees would in the future. He also noted that roughly half of the 44 Renewals that have Commenced Operations were unsuccessful at recruiting veterans and have expressed their frustration with not reaching that goal. He hoped to take up the



issue and discussed ways to help licensees reach their goals. He indicated that he wanted to study ways to improve Positive Impact Plans.

- Chair O'Brien asked how many Massachusetts residents qualified as Veterans.
 - Commissioner Stebbins said he believed the state-wide number of veterans was about 3% of Massachusetts' population. He noted that some licensee's goals are much higher than this percentage and he hoped that their goals were achievable.
 - Chair O'Brien noted that much of that population could be people in their 70s and 80s who may not be looking for employment.
 - Commissioner Roy thanked Commissioner Stebbins for raising the issue. She applauded licensees who have goals around veterans included in their diversity plans. She asked whether the Commissioners could reach-out to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to investigate the issue further. She commented about the federal prohibition and its negative impact on the veteran population. She noted that these issues create a risk for veterans that want to come into the industry.
 - Chair O'Brien commented that there might be ways to help the veteran population outside of just the goal of hiring veterans.
 - Commissioner Roy noted that the Commission approved a veteran-owned business at the public meeting and noted that the Commission was working on creating a positive environment for veteran-owned businesses.
 - Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the Adult-Use Renewal, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Stebbins.
 - Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
 - The Commission approved the Adult-Use Renewal by a vote of four in favor and none opposed, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Stebbins.
- Adult-Use
 - The Chair noted that the Adult-Use Renewal roster will consist of items numbered 26-39, as identified on the agenda.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Roy moved to approve the roster of Adult-Use Renewals.
 - Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes



- The Commission approved the roster of Adult-Use Renewals, by a vote of four in favor and none opposed.
- Adult-Use
 - The Chair noted that the Adult-Use Renewal roster will consist of items numbered 40-44, as identified on the agenda.
 - Commissioner Roy recused herself from the vote.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the Adult-Use Renewals.
 - Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Recused
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
 - The Commission approved the roster of Adult-Use Renewals, by a vote of three in favor and one recused.
- Adult-Use
 - The Chair noted that the next Adult-Use Renewal roster will consist of items numbered 45-71, as identified on the agenda.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Adult-Use Renewals.
 - Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
 - The Commission approved the roster of Adult-Use Renewals, by a vote of four in favor and none opposed.
- Patriot Care Corp
 - The Chair noted that the Adult-Use Renewal will be item number 72, as identified on the agenda.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Stebbins commented about his condition and clarified that he applauded the licensee for agreeing to work with returning citizens in Boston but wanted to track the changes in the Positive Impact Plan.
 - Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Adult-Use Renewal, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Stebbins.
 - Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes



- Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
 - The Commission approved the Adult-Use Renewal, by a vote of four in favor and none opposed, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Stebbins.
- Adult-Use
 - The Chair noted that the next Adult-Use Renewal roster will consist of items numbered 73-90, as identified on the agenda.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the Adult-Use Renewals.
 - Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
 - The Commission approved the roster of Adult-Use Renewals, by a vote of four in favor and none opposed.
- Adult-Use
 - The Chair noted that the Adult-Use Renewal roster will consist of items numbered 91-92, as identified on the agenda.
 - Commissioner Roy recused herself from the vote.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Camargo moved to approve the Adult-Use Renewals.
 - Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Recused
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
 - The Commission approved the roster of Adult-Use Renewals, by a vote of three in favor and one recused.
- Adult-Use
 - The Chair noted that the next Adult-Use Renewal roster will consist of items numbered 93-95, as identified on the agenda.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Adult-Use Renewals.
 - Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes



- Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
 - The Commission approved the roster of Adult-Use Renewals, by a vote of four in favor and none opposed.
- Western Front, LLC
 - The Chair noted that the next Adult-Use Renewal will be item number 96, as identified on the agenda.
 - Commissioner Camargo recused herself from the vote.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Adult-Use Renewal.
 - Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Recused
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
 - The Commission approved the Adult-Use Renewal, by a vote of three in favor and one recused.
- Medical-Use
 - The Chair noted that the Medical-Use Renewal roster will consist of items numbered 97 through 101 as identified on the agenda.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the roster of Medical-Use Renewals.
 - Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
 - The Commission unanimously approved the roster of Medical-Use Renewals by a vote of four in favor and none opposed.

1. 15 Arch, LLC (#MCR140378)
2. Agricultural Healing, Inc. (#MRR206334)
3. Agricultural Healing, Inc. (#MPR243926)
4. AmeriCann Brands, Inc. (#MPR243903)
5. Apical, Inc. (#MPR243924)
6. Apical, Inc. (#MCR140410)
7. Apical, Inc. dba Fyre Ants (#MRR206312)
8. Apothca, Inc. (#MRR206340)



9. Aspen Blue Cultures Inc. (#MRR206324)
10. Assured Testing Laboratories LLC (#ILR267915)
11. Atlantic Medicinal Partners, Inc. (#MCR140397)
12. Atlantic Medicinal Partners, Inc. (#MPR243906)
13. Atlantic Medicinal Partners, Inc. (#MRR206318)
14. Bada Bloom!, Inc. (#MPR243899)
15. Bask, Inc. (#MRR206280)
16. Bask, Inc. (#MRR206279)
17. Berkshire Roots, Inc. (#MRR206252)
18. Berkshire Welco, LLC (#MRR206287)
19. Berkshire Welco, LLC (#MPR243900)
20. Berkshire Welco, LLC (#MCR140388)
21. Bracts & Pistils, LLC (#DOR5182952)
22. Bud Bus, Inc. (#MDR272539)
23. Buudda Brothers 90 Sargeant Street LLC (#MPR243877)
24. Buudda Brothers 90 Sargeant Street LLC (#MCR140340)
25. Deerfield Naturals, Inc. (#MRR206212)
26. Caregiver-Patient Connection LLC (#MCR140390)
 - Commissioner Stebbins requested a condition.
 - Proposed Condition: Within thirty business days of approval of Application for Renewal, contact CCC Licensing Division for an update to identify any goals for hiring people of color, veterans, residents with disabilities, and LGBTQ+ people under licensee's Diversity Plan in accordance with 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.101(1)(c) 8k.
27. Community Gardens, LLC (#MPR243694)
28. Community Gardens, LLC (#MCR140075)
29. Community Growth Partners Delivery, Inc. (#MDR272542)
30. Cultivation Experts LLC (#MCR140426)
31. D2N2, LLC (#MRR206285)
32. Debilitating Medical Condition Treatment Centers (#MPR243907)
33. DMA Holdings (MA), LLC (#MRR206320)
34. DMA Holdings (MA), LLC (#MPR243911)
35. DMA HOLDINGS (MA), LLC (#MCR140401)
36. East Boston Local Roots LLC (#MRR206323)
37. Elevated Gardens LLC (#MCR140392)
38. FFD Enterprises MA (#MCR140416)
39. Four Daughters Compassionate Care, Inc. (#MRR206307)
40. Frozen 4, LLC (#MCR140385)
41. Garden Remedies Inc (#MCR140359)
42. Garden Remedies, Inc. (#MPR243890)
43. Garden Remedies, Inc. (#MRR206269)
44. Garden Remedies, Inc. (#MRR206276)
45. Garden Remedies, Inc. (#MRR206277)
46. Good Feels Inc (#MPR243898)



47. Health Circle, Inc. (#MRR206290)
48. Holyoke Smokes Corp (#MDR272545)
49. HVV Massachusetts, Inc (#MPR243901)
50. HVV Massachusetts, Inc. (#MCR140384)
51. HVV Massachusetts, Inc. (#MRR206291)
52. In Good Health, Inc. (#MCR140408)
53. In Good Health, Inc. (#MPR243920)
54. Innovative Flower LLC (#MRR206330)
55. J&L Enterprises, Inc. (#MCR140402)
56. J&L Enterprises, Inc. (#MCR140404)
57. Jolly Green Inc (#MCR140405)
58. JOLO CAN LLC (#MRR206299)
59. JOLO CAN LLC (#MPR243904)
60. JOLO CAN LLC (#MCR140371)
61. Kaycha MA, LLC (#ILR267913)
62. M3 Ventures, Inc. (#MRR206289)
63. Mainely Productions LLC (#MPR243918)
64. Mass Alternative Care, Inc. (#MRR206283)
65. Mass Alternative Care, Inc. (#MRR206284)
66. Mass Alternative Care, Inc. (#MPR243910)
67. Mass Alternative Care, Inc. (#MCR140383)
68. MJ's Market (#MRR206314)
69. New Dia, LLC (#MRR206275)
70. Northeast Alternatives, Inc. (#MCR140391)
71. Northeast Select Harvest Corp. (#MRR206310)
72. Paper City Industries LLC (#MPR243916)
73. Patriot Care Corp (#MRR206305)
 - Commissioner Stebbins requested a condition.
 - Proposed Condition: Within thirty business days of approval of Application for Renewal, contact CCC Licensing Division for an update to Positive Impact Plan in assistance to returning citizens in accordance with 935 Code Mass. Regs. § 500.101 (1) (a) (11).
74. PharmaCannis Massachusetts, Inc. (#MRR206274)
75. Pharmacannis Massachusetts, Inc. (#MCR140382)
76. Pioneer Valley Extracts, LLC (#MPR243905)
77. Pleasantrees, Inc. (#MRR206270)
78. Regenerative LLC (#MCR140392)
79. RISE Holdings, Inc. (#MPR243893)
80. RISE Holdings, Inc. (#MCR140367)
81. RiverRun Gardens, LLC (#MBR169301)
82. Sanctuary Medicinals, Inc. (#MRR206282)
83. Sanctuary Medicinals, Inc. (#MPR243876)
84. Silver Therapeutics, Inc. (#MRR206268)
85. Slang, Inc. (#MRR206321)



86. T. Bear Inc. (#MPR243913)
87. Temescal Wellness of Massachusetts, LLC (#MRR206300)
88. The Heirloom Collective, Inc. (#MRR206302)
89. The Verb is Herb, LLC. (#MRR206311)
90. Treevit LLC (#DOR5182949)
91. Uma Flowers LLC (#MRR206316)
92. VanGarden Cannabis, LLC (#MPR243895)
93. VanGarden Cannabis, LLC (#MCR140372)
94. Vedi Naturals LLC (#MRR206329)
95. Wellness Connection of MA, Inc (#MRR206308)
96. West County Collective (#MCR140413)
97. Western Front, LLC (#MRR206306)
98. PharmaCannis Massachusetts, Inc. d/b/a Verilife (#RMD1688)
99. Revolutionary Clinics II (#RMD405)
100. Alternative Compassion Services (#RMD3320)
101. Beacon Compassion Center, Inc. (#RMD1729)
102. Garden Remedies, Inc. (#RMD1265)

10) Staff Recommendations on Responsible Vendor Training Renewals – 04:17:07

1. ACTA LLC (#RVR453130)
 - Licensing Analyst Chamberlin presented the Staff Recommendation for the Responsible Vendor Training Renewal.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Roy moved to approve the Renewal License.
 - Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
 - The Commission approved the Renewal License by a vote of four in favor and none opposed.

11) Commission Discussion and Votes – 04:18:17

1. Topics for Legislative and Executive Branch Outreach – Drivers Education.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Roy discussed and gave an overview of the memo on Drivers' Education found on page 159 and presented the corresponding slides on page 208 of the [Meeting Packet](#).
 - Commissioner Stebbins thanked Commissioner Roy for bringing him into the project and for her work on the issue. He complimented her hard work on the project. He thanked MassDOT, AAA and the RMV for their partnership. He



thanked the group of students that helped with the project and their perspective especially regarding social media. He noted the teen's experience where they have received messages that driving while intoxicated by cannabis was fine. He hoped this curriculum would combat those messages. He noted the required vote before the Commission was on the question of whether to use the Commission's logo on the curriculum's material. He advocated for the Commission to use the logo. He explained that he felt it would demonstrate a partnership with the other agencies and would show that the Commission cares about public safety.

- Commissioner Camargo thanked Commissioners Roy and Stebbins for their work and determination. She noted the difficulty of creating partnerships with other agencies and her support for public awareness and prevention. She commented that the group missed an opportunity to prevent operating under the influence of cannabis and that this project may have been counter productive. She commented that there is an underlying tone of disregard for legalization. She expressed her belief that young audiences respond better with the truth than with being scared into compliance. She noted the importance of Massachusetts being first with this education but asked at what cost. She asked who had reviewed the project at the Commission besides the two Commissioners?
 - Commissioner Roy responded that the ED, the Research staff and the Communications staff had a chance to review the material.
- Commissioner Camargo asked if the Research staff were able to review the data and educational materials used for this video and whether it was fact-based. Commissioner Camargo further explained that the ED had responded to her that Research staff had an opportunity to review the final version, and offer feedback, but that he would not have considered that feedback to be substantive. Commissioner Camargo noted that the ED felt he could not answer whether the video was evidence-based.
 - Commissioner Roy responded that the Research staff were at the table and that a research staff member was the project manager but had to be reassigned because of bandwidth issues.
- Commissioner Camargo asked what “at the table” meant.
 - Commissioner Roy responded that the Research staff was apart of the working group.
 - The ED responded that staff were not assigned to this project and the only Commission resources on the project were the two Commissioners. He explained that staff were engaged early in the process for the working group but had to be reassigned to fulfill the Commission's research obligations. He noted the Commissioners decided to continue the project using their own time and resources.
- Commissioner Camargo asked Commissioner Roy whether the ED's representation of the term “at the table” was accurate.
 - Commissioner Roy repeated that Doctor Johnson and staff were participating for roughly one-quarter of the way through this project but were reassigned.



She noted that Shifting Gears is an evidence-based curriculum and was spearheaded by AAA Northeast, AAA Foundation, The Foundation for Traffic Safety, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and was reviewed for accuracy by researchers from Brown University's School of Public Health.

- Commissioner Camargo asked if the Communications staff reviewed the material for tone, style and use, and whether the Communications staff provided any feedback for the curriculum. She noted the ED's prior response where he mentioned the Communications staff had a similar opportunity to review the material.
 - The ED confirmed that statement.
 - Commissioner Camargo responded that the review did not seem to occur at length.
 - The ED clarified that his, the Research staff's, and Communications staff's review occurred at the request of the two Commissioners when the project was nearly completed.
- Chair O'Brien asked the ED if he made substantive changes to the script.
 - The ED confirmed and explained that he changed more than any of the individual departments.
- Commissioner Camargo explained the reason for her asking certain questions was because of the Open Meeting Law. She explained that because of this law she was not aware of this project until a few months ago despite the Commissioners working on this project for over a year. She explained that this project launched without any of the Commissioners seeing the video and with the logo incorporated into the video. She explained the impression to the public is that the Commission voted to endorse the curriculum. She asked whether this meant that the logo did not need to be brought before the Commission before being used with outside groups. She asked what it meant to use the logo. She questioned whether that meant an endorsement from the Commission. She read the ED's response to her question where he said Commissioners or staff should seek Commission approval prior to the Commission's logo being utilized and recommended drafting a policy on the subject if the Commissioners felt it necessary.
- Chair O'Brien noted the lack of clarity on the issue and expressed her desire to reconsider the policy.
- Commissioner Camargo noted that this issue raised more than just questions about the logo but that this discussion represented a question on the process of the Commission as well. She reiterated the ED's prior comment that staff could use the logo without prior approval by the Commission and asked who authorized the use of the logo for the curriculum in December.
- The Chair asked if Commissioner Roy could explain the use of the logo.
 - Commissioner Roy clarified that she and Commissioner Stebbins intended to bring the curriculum to the Commission at the December meeting, but she explained the announcement of the program was held on December 16, 2022. She noted that the two Commissioners put out a qualifying statement that this program was supported by members of the Commission and not the body.



- Commissioner Roy explained the vote before the Commission was to support the curriculum by allowing the use of the Commission's logo.
- Commissioner Camargo explained that this issue has been a learning process. She asked whether the legal department reviewed this material and whether other agency's legal departments were able to review the curriculum. She noted the positive and negative press on the issue and questioned the curriculum. She asked what the process was to get this material developed for the youth of Massachusetts and the country.
 - Commissioner Roy responded that the RMV and MassDOT had jurisdiction over the curriculum and not the Commission. She noted the other agencies provided the accreditation for the state's driving schools and the curriculum. She explained that she helped convene a working group to study the issue, but she was not the decision-maker as to the content. She commented about researchers from Brown University's School of Public Health and how she valued their partnership in researching the issue.
 - Commissioner Stebbins commented about the lack of a policy regarding the use of the logo and that part of this process is to discuss it. He hoped to think through the policy together. He commented that a benefit of partnering with the program is that the Commission has greater ability to intervene if an issue is discovered in the material. He noted that people at UMass are interested in studying the data and the efficacy of the program. He explained the issues around driver's ed. cannabis policy and that the Commission ought to be a partner and contribute to those conversations.
 - Commissioner Camargo noted the issue of operating a motor-vehicles while intoxicated by cannabis. She read portions of an email from public health professional Jane Allen that questioned the programs efficacy. She expressed her desire to study the logo process and noted the ED's prior comments that he did not officially approve this working group's charter. She explained that she felt like the material should have been reviewed by staff more and that the project was rushed to do the announcement with the out-going Governor and Lieutenant-Governor. She commented her belief that this process put politics over our youth because she felt the curriculum was released too quickly and did not allow for adequate review.
 - Commissioner Roy made a motion to move the question.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – No
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
 - The Commission approved the motion to move the question, by a vote of three in favor and one opposed.



- Commissioner Roy made a motion to authorize the use of the Cannabis Control Commission’s logo on the Massachusetts Drivers Education Cannabis-Impairment Curriculum, *Shifting Gears: The blunt truth about marijuana and driving*.
- Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – No
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the motion to authorize the use of the logo, by a vote of three in favor and one opposed.
- The Chair made a closing remark and thanked Commissioner Camargo and Jane Allen for their input. She thanked the staff that worked on this program. She commented that this curriculum is recognized nationally and will be studied by smart public health and public safety professionals. She noted this program helps uphold the Commission’s requirement to prevent youth access. She commented that she also appreciated the low-cost expended to create the program.
- Commissioner Stebbins thanked Commissioner Camargo for her questions and for the discussion. He explained the difficulties of not being able to have important conversations without being at a public meeting due to the Open Meeting Law.
- Commissioner Roy thanked her fellow Commissioners for their support in the vote and expressed her excitement for the program as a national model. She commented that this issue was not about politics, but it was about public safety, prevention, education and protecting youth.
- Commissioner Camargo thanked the sponsoring Commissioners for their work. She expressed doubt about the curriculum and her desire that the state spend more money to produce the material. She explained that she wished that the Commissioner’s brought the debate sooner so that all the Commissioners could comment and collaborate on it. She wished for the success of the program and noted her excitement to be updated on the program.
- Commissioner Roy explained that staff did review the material and that a project charter was created for the working group.
- Commissioner Camargo clarified that she said the Commissioners did not bring this project forward to the Commission. She said this is a lesson for Commissioners to bring the conversation sooner so that other Commissioners can collaborate on difficult issues. She noted the difficulty raising an idea in the public but emphasized the importance of having the difficult conversations.
- Commissioner Roy reflected on a vote taken up by the Commission recently regarding Areas of Disproportionate Impact and that she also felt unprepared for the discussion.

2. Election of Commission Secretary and Treasurer



- The Chair noted the one candidate running for Treasurer was Commissioner Camargo.
- Commissioner Camargo thanked her fellow Commissioners for working with her on Governance and the defining the roles involved. She commented about her work with the staff and her desire to promote transparency in the budget.
- Commissioner Roy moved to nominate Commissioner Camargo as the Commission's Treasurer.
- Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved Commissioner Camargo as Treasurer, by a vote of four in favor and none opposed.
- The Chair noted that Commissioner Stebbins would be stepping down as the Commission's Secretary and asked if he had any departing comments.
- Commissioner Stebbins thanked the Legal staff who work closely with the Secretary to prepare meeting minutes for presentation. He noted the conversations taking place in the Governance meetings about the proper role of each position. He wished his colleague luck in taking over the position.
- Commissioner Roy noted that she would need Commissioner Stebbins' help.
- Commissioner Stebbins moved to nominate Commissioner Roy as the Commission's Secretary.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved Commissioner Roy as Secretary, by a vote of four in favor and none opposed.

3. 2023 Executive Director Goals

- The Executive Director presented on his Draft CY 2023 Goals, starting on page 213 of the [meeting packet](#).
- The Chair noted a typo in the presentation.
- The ED apologized and thanked the staff who fixed the error. The Chair requested a timeline for the second goal to be implemented. She commented about the Commission's timeliness for responding to constituents and asked that this be reflected in this goal.
 - The ED noted the contract that will allow for data on the Commission's responsiveness to constituents. He noted that his goals will be reflected in



each department's goals. He discussed Commissioner Stebbins' idea that the ED present a mid-year update to the Commission on progress. He noted the tension in this goal of a safe workspace in that the agency is a public body and the public is entitled to access to the agency. He noted the balance and collaboration that is required for this goal to be successful.

- Commissioner Stebbins noted the tension between the first and the second provision in goal number two and his desire to be more physically in person.
 - The ED commented that staff are excited to collaborate on the regulations.
 - The Chair commented that much of the equity impact has been privatized in the industry. She commented about the importance of defining what equity means in the upcoming regulatory round.
- Commissioner Roy commented about licensees who have not met their goals in their Positive Impact and Diversity Plans. She asked for an audit of these plans to determine the disparity of unmet goals.
- The Chair requested that the term impact be redefined and proposed having a separate meeting to discuss issues.
- Commissioner Roy commented about Chapter 180 and the requirement that licensees may satisfy their Positive Impact Plan in part by donating to the new Cannabis Social Equity Trust Fund. She asked whether the Commission should put parameters around that process.
 - The Chair commented that she believed the trust fund was a step forward but would not solve all the industry's problems. She noted the collaboration required between the fund and the Commission's regulations to move the industry forward.
- Commissioner Roy recalled the report on Disproportionately Impacted Areas (DIAs) and the fact that it has not been approved by the Commission. She hoped the conversation would be revisited soon. She noted that the change would open the door for businesses to meet their licensing requirements.
- Commissioner Stebbins commended the ED for the goal that the Commission track equity participants success and their satisfaction. He commented about the evolution of the Commission providing the services for equity participants. He noted that this goal is commendable and unusual for a state agency.
 - The ED responded that their satisfaction is contemplated partially to improve Commission programming and partially due to requirements that need to be met by our vendors.
- The Chair commented that the Commission should be surveying the equity participants.
 - The ED confirmed the Commission has surveyed its program participants.
- Commissioner Camargo referenced the report on the DIAs and explained the report's status.
 - The ED noted the history of cannabis and the awkwardness of requiring a licensing agency to fix communities that were harmed from the war on drugs. He noted the work still required to make the industry more equitable. He commented his excitement to partner with other agencies that can help restore



justice and equity. He commented about the Commission's mandate and that he felt the Commission could do more to help promote equity than just through its role as a licensing agency.

- Commissioner Camargo asked if the Commissioners had a draft of these goals on paper.
 - The ED noted that he did. He noted discussion was part of his process to engage Commissioners for recommendations on his goals. The ED thanked the Commissioners for their time and comments. He explained that the Commission could vote to approve the goals or require him to revise and comeback at a later vote.
- Commissioner Stebbins commented that the ED's goals have changed to being less task oriented over time because of the evolution of the agency. He explained this had allowed for him to set broader goals.
- Commissioner Camargo thanked the ED for his work and goal to improve himself and the Commission.
- The Chair said she was currently satisfied but looked forward to the later conversation regarding specific tasks.
- Commissioner Stebbins discussed the goals and their measurements. He commented that his perspective was the ED would have the burden to prove that success.
- Commissioner Camargo raised the issue of doing a 360 review of the ED as a leader.
 - Commissioner Stebbins noted that issue was raised during the ED's assessment.
- Commissioner Roy thanked the ED for his leadership. She asked if he could explain how these goals were reflected through each department of the Commission. She felt this analysis would be helpful for the Commissioners who were looking for specific tasks to assess the ED.
- The ED hoped that the goals reflected conversations that Commissioners had with him. He also welcomed the review process and presenting at the mid-year review.
- Commissioner Stebbins moved to accept the Executive Director's Draft CY 2023 Goals.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the Executive Director's Draft CY 2023 Goals, by a vote of four in favor and none opposed.

4. Periodic Review of Executive Session Minutes

- Paralegal Sabiel Rodriguez (Paralegal Rodriguez) presented the Legal Department's recommendation on the Commission's Periodic Review of Executive Session Minutes.



- The ED explained the Commission reviewed Executive Session Minutes on a triannual basis.
- Commissioner Stebbins moved to withhold the Executive Session Minutes as presented by Paralegal Rodriguez.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the motion to withhold the Executive Session Minutes as presented by Paralegal Rodriguez, by a vote of four in favor and none opposed.

5. Job Description: Deputy Executive Director

- The ED presented the Commission’s job description.
- Commissioner Roy noted her support for the role and her belief that the position was needed. She asked when the job would be posted and what role the Commissioner’s would play in the process.
 - The ED expected the position to be posted online quickly. He noted the past Commissioner involvement in selecting leadership positions and intended to keep the Commissioners involved.
- Commissioner Stebbins asked what the ED was looking to delegate to this position.
 - The ED has not been limited or isolated to this position. He noted the positions that directly report to him who make decisions and noted that he hoped to delegate more in the next year.
- Commissioner Stebbins asked how this position would act as a spokesperson for the ED.
 - The ED commented that the individual could step in to speak for the ED and that this person would provide feedback for the ED on communication requests.
- Commissioner Stebbins asked how this role would fit in with Communications regarding outreach.
 - The ED commented about the importance of collaboration. He noted the need to coordinate within the departments and the importance of obtaining opinions from diverse backgrounds.
- Commissioner Stebbins noted the absence of the Chief of Staff and inquired whether this role was similar.
 - The ED concurred and explained the similarities and differences between the roles.
- Commissioner Stebbins expressed his concern that the position lists a requirement of the job is regulatory experience.
 - The Chair concurred and recommended changing that language to preferring regulatory experience.



- Commissioner Roy asked when the ED expected this position to be filled.
 - The ED noted that the timeline and interview process is dependent on when the Commission finds the right candidate. He commented that he is unsure when the person would be entering into the regulatory process. He commented that the change offered by the Chair was a welcomed improvement to the job description.
- Commissioner Stebbins asked if this position aligns with the Governance Charter.
 - The ED affirmed.
- Commissioner Stebbins asked whether the ED’s Direct Reports offered feedback for the job description.
 - The ED noted his conversations with the Direct Reports but noted that they have not reviewed the language.
- Commissioner Camargo noted the importance of the role and discussed the difficulty in dividing and delegating. She noted the learning curve that will come with the implementation but her excitement to see the position filled. She also noted that succession planning is required for organizational growth.
- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the position of Deputy Executive Director.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- Commissioner Stebbins offered an amendment to the job description.
- Commissioner Stebbins moved to approve the position of Deputy Executive Director, subject to the amendments made to the job description.
- Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the position of Deputy Executive Director by a vote of four in favor and none opposed, subject to the amendments made to the job description.

6. Job Description: Microsoft Dynamics Administrator Developer

- The ED explained the Commission’s job description and the software the Commission uses for recordkeeping.
- Commissioner Roy thanked staff for their support for technical issues.
- The Chair asked for questions and comments.
- Commissioner Roy moved to approve the job description of the Microsoft Dynamics Administrator Developer.
- Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes



- Chair O'Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the job description of the Microsoft Dynamics Administrator Developer by a vote of four in favor and none opposed.

11) New Business the Chair Did Not Anticipate at the Time of Posting – 06:12:15

- No new items were identified.

12) Next Meeting Date – 06:12:21

- The Chair noted that the next meeting would be on February 9th, 2023.
- The Chair gave a tentative schedule for the remainder of the calendar year.

13) Adjournment – 06:13:12

- Commissioner Camargo moved to adjourn.
- Commissioner Roy seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes
 - Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O'Brien – Yes
- The Commission approved the motion four in favor and none opposed.



From: [Nurys Z Camargo](#)
To: [Sabiell Rodriguez](#)
Cc: [Shannon OBrien](#); [Ava Concepcion](#); [Kimberly Roy](#); [Bruce Stebbins](#); [Shawn Collins](#); [Christine Baily](#); [Julie Johnson](#); [Paul Clark \(CNB\)](#); [Yaw Gyebi](#); [Adriana Leon](#); [Cedric Sinclair](#); [Alisa Stack](#)
Subject: To be added to the /12/22 Minutes: RE: Concerns about the AAA Shifting Gears curriculum
Date: Thursday, January 12, 2023 3:12:21 PM
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Hello Sabiell,

Please add the following email to our minutes and public records for the AAA curriculum conversation.

Thank you,

Nurys



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To: Shannon OBrien <Shannon.OBrien@cccmass.com>; Nurys Z Camargo <Nurys.Camargo@cccmass.com>; Ava Concepcion <Ava.Concepcion@cccmass.com>; Kimberly Roy <Kimberly.Roy@cccmass.com>; Bruce Stebbins <Bruce.Stebbins@cccmass.com>; Shawn Collins <Shawn.Collins@cccmass.com>; Christine Baily <Christine.Baily@cccmass.com>; Julie Johnson <Julie.Johnson@cccmass.com>; Paul Clark (CNB) <Paul.Clark@cccmass.com>; Yaw Gyebi <Yaw.Gyebi@cccmass.com>; Adriana Leon <Adriana.Leon@cccmass.com>; Cedric Sinclair <Cedric.Sinclair@cccmass.com>; Alisa Stack <Alisa.Stack@cccmass.com>
Subject: Concerns about the AAA Shifting Gears curriculum

Dear Commissioners and Leadership Team of the Massachusetts Cannabis Control Commission,

I am a Senior Manager of Public Health in the Center for Communication and Media Impact at RTI International. I have more than 20 years of experience evaluating and conducting formative research for public health education programs on behalf of the Federal government and state governments.

I am writing to share my concerns about the AAA *Shifting Gears* curriculum. I have reviewed the teacher guide and video (links below) and have three overarching concerns:

- The content, imagery, and tone of the curriculum could produce the unintended effect of increasing risk for driving under the influence.
- The curriculum misses an opportunity to effectively prevent driving under the influence of cannabis.
- The curriculum is not evidence-based.

Creators of public health education programs avoid depicting behaviors we don't want the audience to adopt. This is to avoid priming, which is when imagery reinforces existing beliefs, perceptions, and norms instead of inviting people to develop new associations. In the *Shifting Gears* curriculum, we see a video clip of young people at a party. People are dancing, smiling, and connecting with others. They are also drinking heavily, based on the solo cups and bottles pictured, and they are rolling joints and smoking... before getting in the car to drive home (image 1, below). This imagery—which evidence suggests may be the most memorable part of the curriculum for the sensation seeking youth who are most likely to drive under the influence—could well produce unintended consequences. Given that the video depicts both alcohol and cannabis use, it may produce negative effects related to driving under the influence of both substances.

In addition to perhaps promoting driving under the influence, this curriculum misses an opportunity to effectively persuade young people to seek safe alternatives. The curriculum does mention several times that youth should find safe alternatives including ride shares, and this is one of the strongest and most important parts of the curriculum in my opinion. However, this could have been emphasized more, and the guidance provided for prompting youth to seek a safe alternative will likely be ineffective. Research my colleagues and I conducted in Colorado and Washington shows that people who are under the influence of cannabis are more likely than those who are not to believe it is safe to drive under the influence of cannabis, to believe it is safe to drive under the influence of alcohol, and to believe that if they drove under the influence of cannabis they probably would not get caught. This research underscores that by the time a person who is under the influence gets in the car, it is too late. The decision to seek a safe alternative needs to happen before the individual is under the influence, and certainly before they are in the car. The gear stick concept (image 2, below) will not prevent driving under the influence of cannabis.

Finally, the curriculum is not evidence-based. I agree with the gist of the information presented, which is that driving under the influence of cannabis is dangerous for drivers, passengers, and the community. However, to scratch the surface of the specific evidence presented here is to find flawed reports passed off as peer-reviewed science, misstatements of science, use of outdated science, and

instances in which we have no way to assess the quality of the science because links to citations are broken or missing. The Cannabis Control Commission's reputation for excellence in science may be undermined through an association with this curriculum.

I would be happy to provide more detail about these and other concerns I have about the *Shifting Gears* curriculum if you would like. I would be glad to work with the creators of the curriculum to identify and eliminate the parts of the curriculum that have the potential to do harm, and to better align the curriculum with science. As a public health professional, a Massachusetts citizen, and mom to a new teen driver and another about to begin drivers ed, I would like to see an effective, evidence-based curriculum to prevent driving under the influence of cannabis. I am afraid this curriculum is not that.

Sincerely,

Jane Allen

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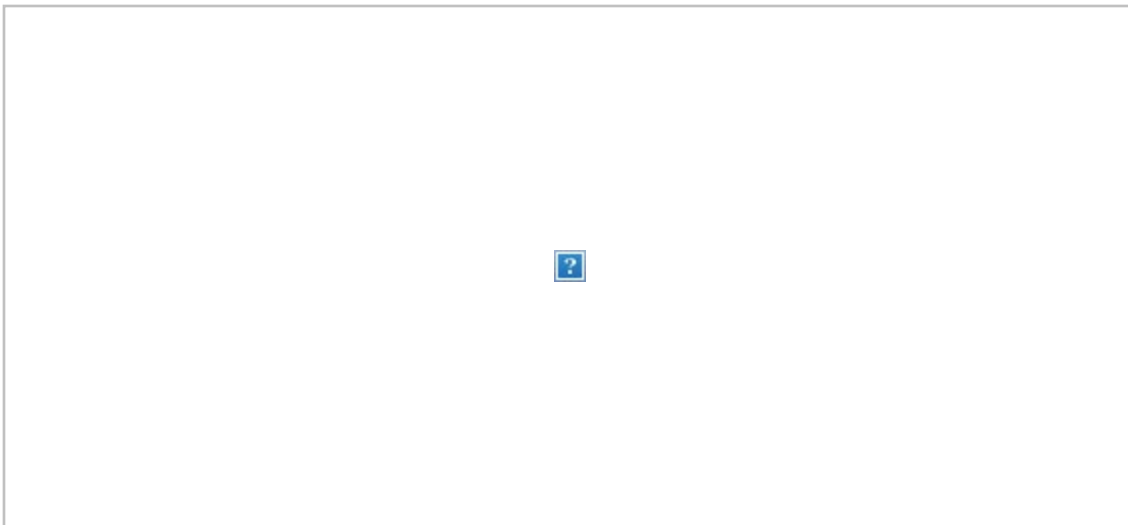
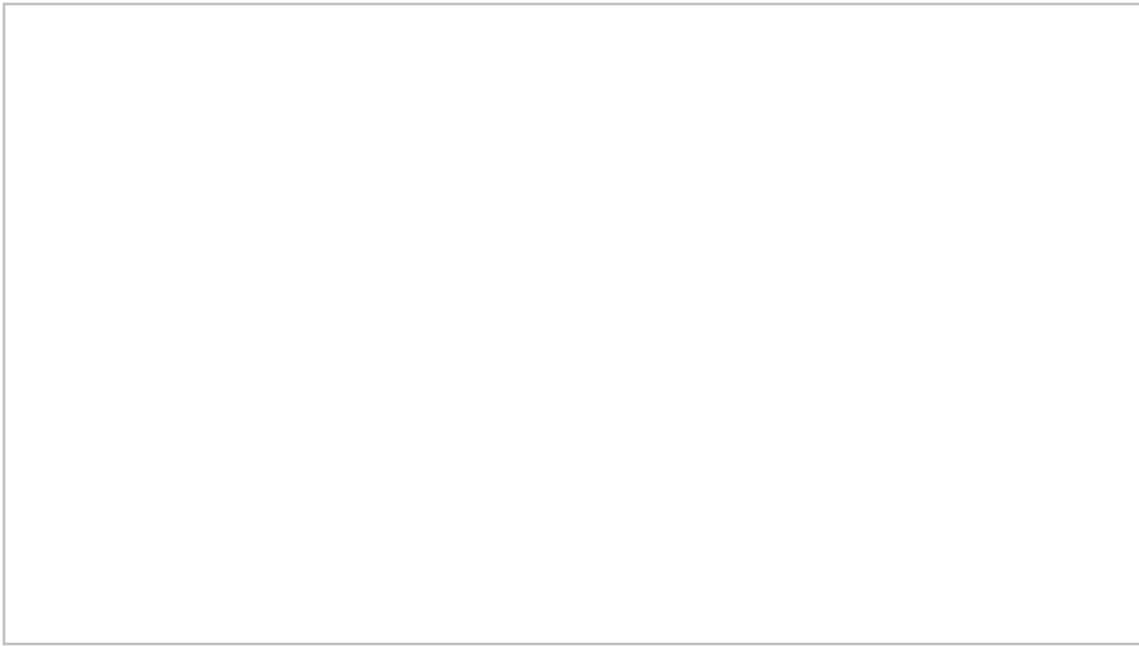


Image 2.



Link to teacher guide:

<https://northeast.aaa.com/content/dam/aaa-network/pdf/community/DISTANCE%20LEARNING%20TEACHER%20GUIDE.%20SHIFING%20GEARS.pdf>

Link to video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KHj6ODMbgLM>

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CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

February 15, 2023
10:00 AM

Via Remote Participation via [Microsoft Teams Live*](#)

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

Documents:

- N/A

In Attendance:

- Chair Shannon O'Brien
- Commissioner Nurys Z. Camargo
- Commissioner Ava Callender Concepcion
- Commissioner Kimberly Roy
- Commissioner Bruce Stebbins

Minutes:

- 1) Call to Order
 - The Chair recognized a quorum and called the meeting to order.
 - The Chair gave notice that the meeting is being recorded.
- 2) Executive Session – Mediation Regarding Commission Governance - 00:00:38
 - The Chair noted that the Commission would not return to Open Session after its Executive Session Deliberations.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Concepcion moved to enter into Executive Session pursuant to the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(9.), to confer with a mediator, as defined in G.L. c. 233, § 23C, to participate in mediation between the Commissioners and staff leadership, for purpose of finding common ground and obtaining buy-in from all parties, in its efforts to establish a durable and effective governance structure.
 - Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes



- Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien– Yes
- The Commission unanimously voted to enter Executive Session.

The Commission entered the Executive Session (00:03:02).



CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

February 23, 2023
10:00 AM

Via Remote Participation via [Microsoft Teams Live*](#)

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

Documents:

- N/A

In Attendance:

- Chair Shannon O'Brien
- Commissioner Nurys Z. Camargo
- Commissioner Ava Callender Concepcion
- Commissioner Kimberly Roy
- Commissioner Bruce Stebbins

Minutes:

- 1) Call to Order
 - The Chair recognized a quorum and called the meeting to order.
 - The Chair gave notice that the meeting is being recorded.
- 2) Executive Session – Mediation Regarding Commission Governance - 00:00:31
 - The Chair noted that the Commission would not return to Open Session after its Executive Session Deliberations.
 - The Chair asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Camargo moved to enter into Executive Session pursuant to the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(9.), to confer with a mediator, as defined in G.L. c. 233, § 23C, to participate in mediation between the Commissioners and staff leadership, for purpose of finding common ground and obtaining buy-in from all parties, in its efforts to establish a durable and effective governance structure.
 - Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes
 - Commissioner Roy – Yes



- Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
 - Chair O’Brien– Yes
- The Commission unanimously voted to enter Executive Session.

The Commission entered the Executive Session (00:03:28).



CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

March 1, 2023

10:00 AM

Via Remote Participation via [Microsoft Teams Live*](#)

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

Documents:

- N/A

In Attendance:

- Chair Shannon O'Brien
- Commissioner Nurys Z. Camargo
 - Absent
- Commissioner Ava Callender Concepcion
- Commissioner Kimberly Roy
- Commissioner Bruce Stebbins

Minutes:

1) Call to Order

- The Chair recognized a quorum and called the meeting to order.
- The Chair gave notice that the meeting is being recorded.

2) Executive Session – Mediation Regarding Commission Governance - 00:00:32

- The Chair noted that the Commission would not return to Open Session after its Executive Session Deliberations.
- The Chair asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Roy moved to enter into Executive Session pursuant to the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(9.), to confer with a mediator, as defined in G.L. c. 233, § 23C, to participate in mediation between the Commissioners and staff leadership, for purpose of finding common ground and obtaining buy-in from all parties, in its efforts to establish a durable and effective governance structure.
- Commissioner Stebbins seconded the motion.
- The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Absent
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Yes



- Commissioner Roy – Yes
- Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
- Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission voted to enter Executive Session by four in favor to one abstention.

The Commission entered the Executive Session (00:02:37).



CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

March 15, 2023
10:00 AM

Via Remote Participation via [Microsoft Teams Live*](#)

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

Documents:

- N/A

In Attendance:

- Chair Shannon O'Brien
- Commissioner Nurys Z. Camargo
- Commissioner Ava Callender Concepcion
 - Absent
- Commissioner Kimberly Roy
- Commissioner Bruce Stebbins

Minutes:

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 - Commissioner Camargo seconded the motion.
 - The Chair took a roll call vote:
 - Commissioner Camargo – Yes
 - Commissioner Concepcion – Absent



- Commissioner Roy – Yes
- Commissioner Stebbins – Yes
- Chair O’Brien – Yes
- The Commission voted to enter Executive Session by four in favor to one abstention.

The Commission entered the Executive Session (00:02:21).



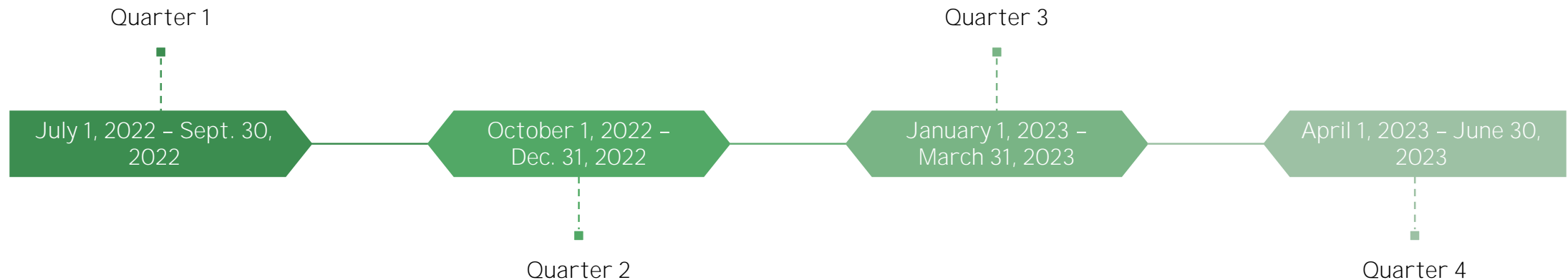
FY23 Quarterly Budget Update

April 14, 2023



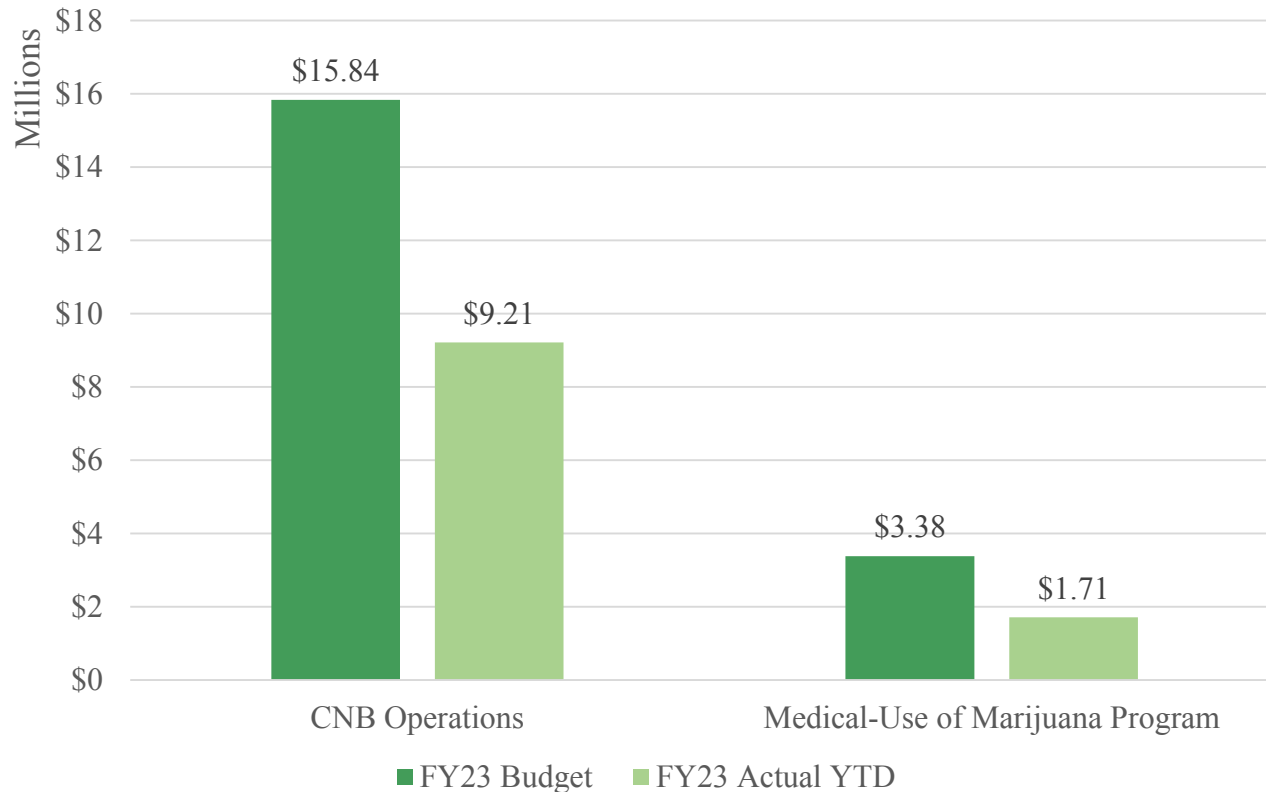
FY23 Update: Budget Execution through Quarter 3

- This is the second update this fiscal year on our budget performance.
- Our aim is to provide the Commission with insight on budget execution performance through each quarter.
- This update covers spending from July 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023.
- The next update will occur in July 2023.
- The final FY23 update will occur in September 2023, as we finalize closing the books on FY23.



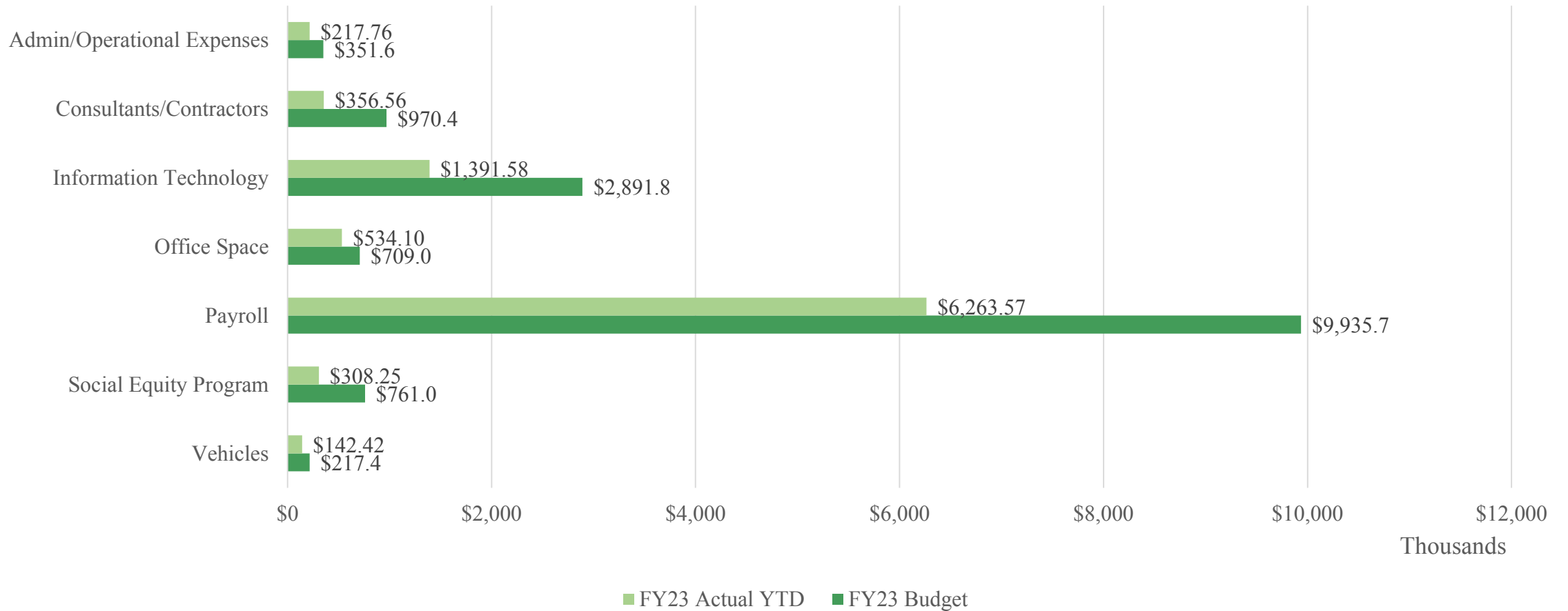
FY23 Year-to-date Spending

FY23 Budget vs. FY23 Actual Spending YTD
(July 1, 2022 - March 31, 2023)

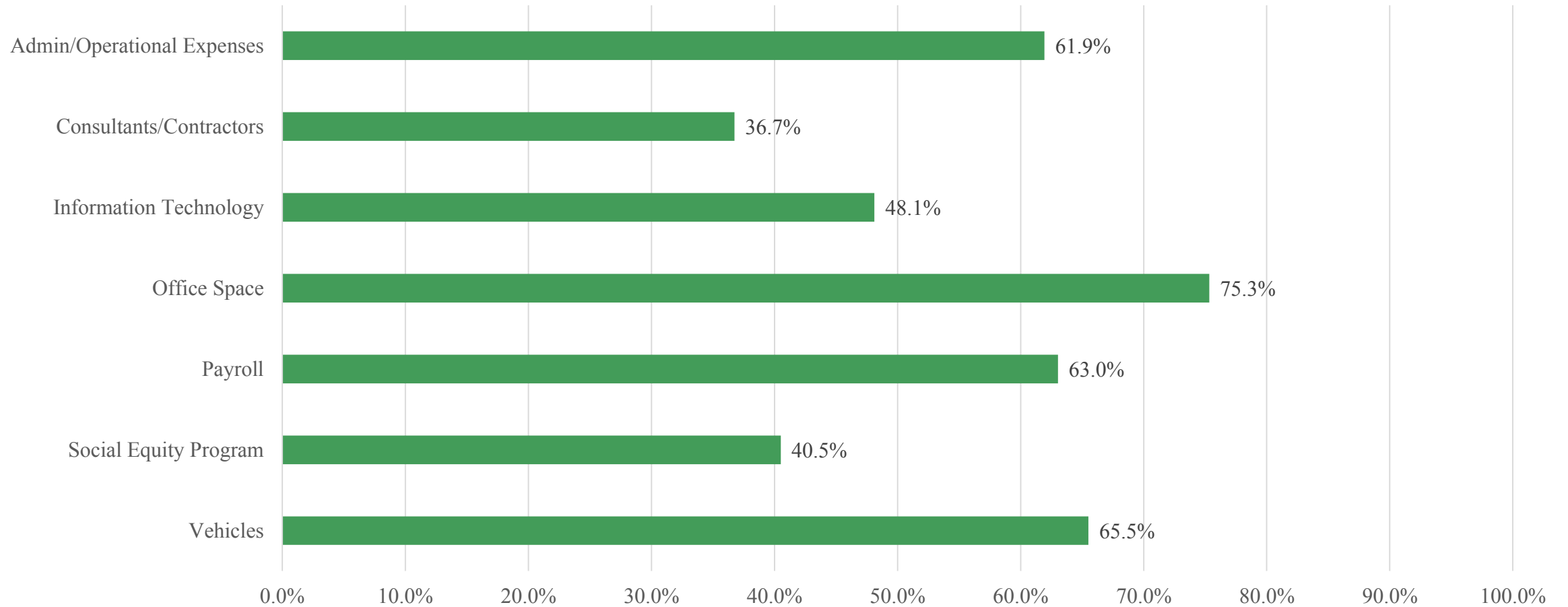


- The Commission’s total budget for FY23 is **\$19.22 million**.
- Through March 31, 2023, the Commission has spent **\$10.9 million** of this budget.
- This equates to **56.8%** of the total budget approved by the Governor and Legislature.
- These figures reflect both payroll and non-payroll spending through March 31, 2023.

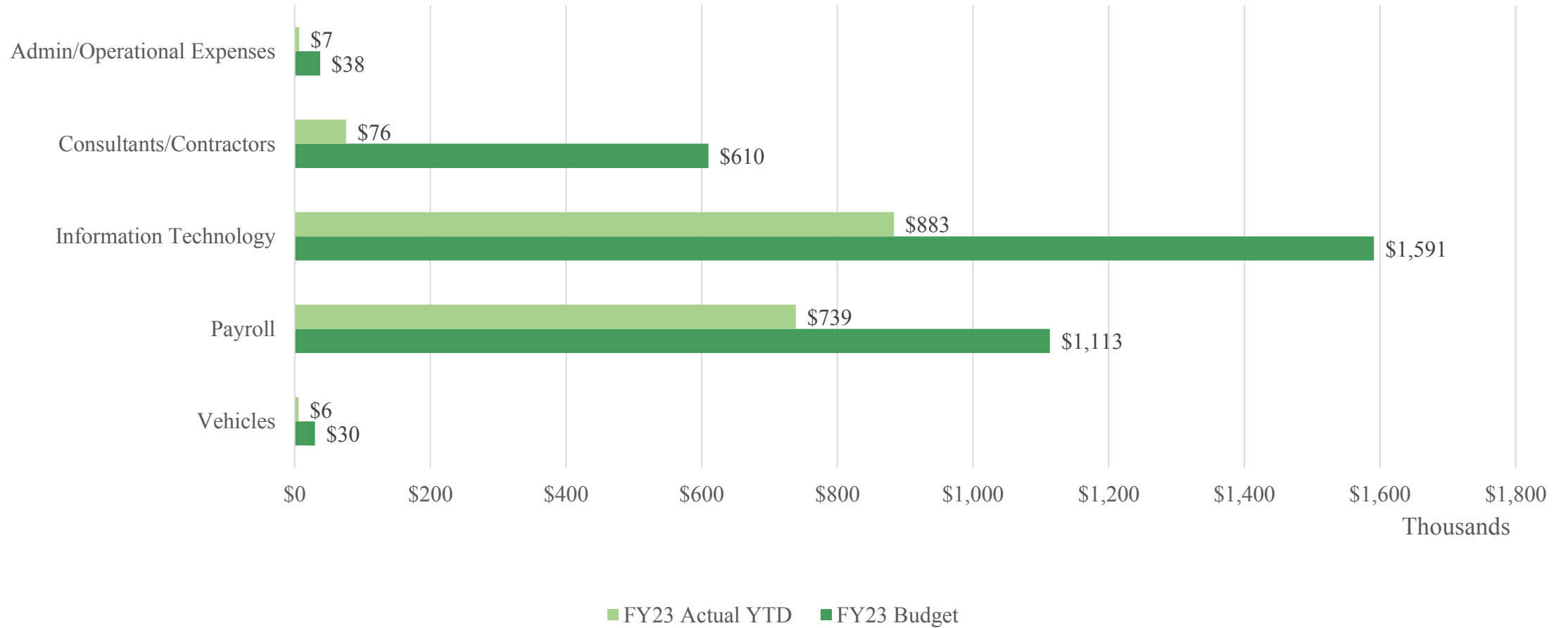
CNB Operations, FY23 Budget vs. FY23 Actual Spending YTD



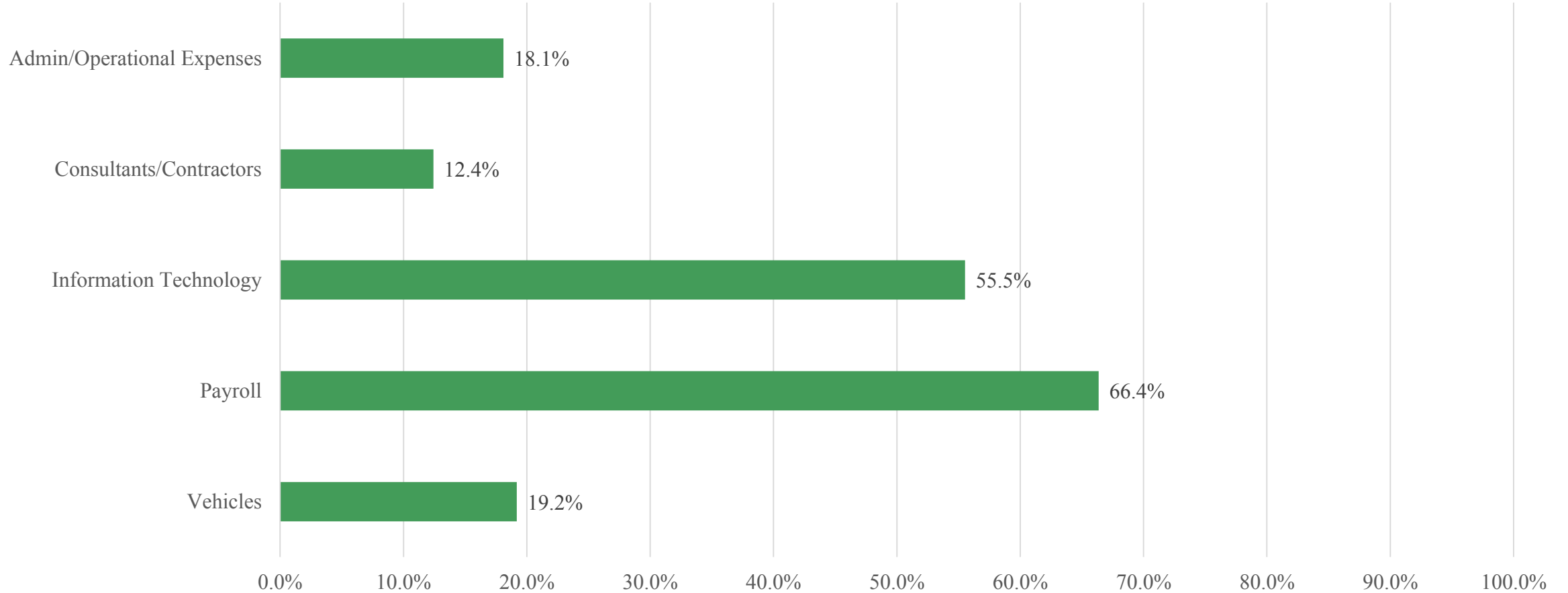
CNB Operations, Percentage of Budget Spent YTD by Category



Medical-Use of Marijuana Program, FY23 Budget vs. FY23 Actual Spending YTD



Medical-Use of Marijuana Program, Percentage of Budget Spent YTD by Category



Artis, LLC d/b/a Little Dog Delivery 0215-COO-03-0123

CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OVERVIEW

1. Licensee Information:

Artis, LLC d/b/a Little Dog Delivery

License Number	License Type
DO100113	Delivery Courier

2. The licensee has paid the applicable fees for this change request.

3. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Persons Having Direct or Indirect Control:

Individual	Role
Jonathan Levine	Person with Direct or Indirect Control
Romel Velasco	Person with Direct or Indirect Control
David Allen	Person with Direct or Indirect Control
Eva Selhub	Person with Direct or Indirect Control
Edward Gildea	Person with Direct or Indirect Control

4. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Entities Having Direct or Indirect Control:

Entity	Role
ARL Healthcare Inc.	Entity with Direct or Indirect Control
MariMed Inc.	Entity with Direct or Indirect Control

5. Background checks were conducted on all proposed parties and no suitability issues were discovered.

6. The proposed parties do not appear to have exceeded any ownership or control limits over any license type.

7. Commission staff conducted an organizational and financial inspection into the parties associated with this request and found no issues or inconsistencies with the information provided to the Commission.

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RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend review and decision on the request for change of ownership and control, and if approved, request that the approval be subject to the following conditions:

1. The licensee and proposed parties may now effectuate the approved change.
2. The licensee shall notify the Commission when the change has occurred.
3. The licensee shall submit a change of name request following this approval if any business or doing-business-as names associated with the license(s) will require modification.
4. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
5. The licensee shall remain suitable for licensure.
6. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
7. The licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) and/or 935 CMR 501.105(1) after effectuating the change, if applicable, and shall give Commission staff adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.



Havn Extracts, LLC 0213-COO-02-1222

CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OVERVIEW

1. Licensee Information:

Havn Extracts, LLC

License Number	License Type
MP281627	Product Manufacturer

2. The licensee has paid the applicable fees for this change request.

3. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Persons Having Direct or Indirect Control:

Individual	Role
Karen Desmond	Person with Direct or Indirect Control

4. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Entities Having Direct or Indirect Control:

Entity	Role
Paper City Industries LLC	Entity with Direct or Indirect Control

5. Background checks were conducted on all proposed parties and no suitability issues were discovered.

6. The proposed parties do not appear to have exceeded any ownership or control limits over any license type.

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KG Collective, LLC 0210-COO-02-1222

CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OVERVIEW

1. Licensee Information:

KG Collective, LLC

License Number	License Type
MR284181	Retail

2. The licensee has paid the applicable fees for this change request.

3. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Entities Having Direct or Indirect Control:

Entity	Role
KG Collective Cambridge, LLC	Entity with Direct or Indirect Control

4. Background checks were conducted on all proposed parties and no suitability issues were discovered.

5. The proposed parties do not appear to have exceeded any ownership or control limits over any license type.

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Commission staff recommend review and decision on the request for change of ownership and control, and if approved, request that the approval be subject to the following conditions:

1. The licensee and proposed parties may now effectuate the approved change.
2. The licensee shall notify the Commission when the change has occurred.
3. The licensee shall submit a change of name request following this approval if any business or doing-business-as names associated with the license(s) will require modification.



4. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
5. The licensee shall remain suitable for licensure.
6. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
7. The licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) and/or 935 CMR 501.105(1) after effectuating the change, if applicable, and shall give Commission staff adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.



**Local Roots NE Inc.
0210-COO-02-1222**

CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OVERVIEW

1. Licensee Information:

Local Roots NE Inc.

License Number	License Type
MR283723	Retail

2. The licensee has paid the applicable fees for this change request.

3. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Persons Having Direct or Indirect Control:

Individual	Role
Rafael Aronov	Person with Direct or Indirect Control
Jacob Aronov	Person with Direct or Indirect Control
Zhana Aronov	Person with Direct or Indirect Control

4. The licensee is proposing to add the following as Entities Having Direct or Indirect Control:

Entity	Role
Green Gold Group, Inc.	Entity with Direct or Indirect Control

5. Background checks were conducted on all proposed parties and no suitability issues were discovered.

6. The proposed parties do not appear to have exceeded any ownership or control limits over any license type.

7. Commission staff conducted an organizational and financial inspection into the parties associated with this request and found no issues or inconsistencies with the information provided to the Commission.

RECOMMENDATION



Commission staff recommend review and decision on the request for change of ownership and control, and if approved, request that the approval be subject to the following conditions:

1. The licensee and proposed parties may now effectuate the approved change.
2. The licensee shall notify the Commission when the change has occurred.
3. The licensee shall submit a change of name request following this approval if any business or doing-business-as names associated with the license(s) will require modification.
4. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
5. The licensee shall remain suitable for licensure.
6. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
7. The licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) and/or 935 CMR 501.105(1) after effectuating the change, if applicable, and shall give Commission staff adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.



684 Center St. JP, LLC
MRN284764

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

684 Center St. JP, LLC
d/b/a Prolific Cannabis
684 Centre Street, Boston, MA 02130

2. Type of license sought and information regarding the application submission:

Retail

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.

Please note that individuals and/or entities associated with the proposed license are also associated with other retail licenses and marijuana delivery applications under the names of Mass Greenwoods, LLC, Stone's Throw Cannabis, LLC and Budega, Inc.

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

Individual	Role
Igorgary Krimershmoys	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Eric Lawrence	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Sohail Halani	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control

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

Entity	Role
Allston JP Holding Company, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor



Halani, Inc.	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor
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6. Applicant’s priority status:

Economic Empowerment Priority Applicant
(Eric Lawrence / 55.88% ownership / EE202118)

7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on December 1, 2022.
8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on January 9, 2023, and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the City of Boston on February 22, 2023, 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	Recruit at least 75% of its staff who reside in an ADI, specifically census tracts of Boston, 30% of staff who have past marijuana-related drug convictions, 10% of individuals who are SEP’s and 10% of individuals who are EE participants.
2	Donate \$15,000, annually, to the CultiatED program and the Big Hope Project to support restorative justice efforts through record sealing and expungement programs for cannabis-related offenses.

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 three (3) 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	10:00 a.m. to 9:00 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.
16. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Diversity Plan:

#	Goal
1	Recruit minorities (40%), women (20%), veterans (20%), people with disabilities (10%), and LGBTQ+ (10%) for its hiring initiatives.
2	Support CCC-identified diverse populations with the continued development of their existing brands by providing marketing and communications support, retail space, product and manufacturing services, and other technical support needed to help successfully launch these brands into the legal recreational market.
3	Host two (2) annual educational workshops and/or trainings with a focus on RE sourcing and acquisition, Town and State permitting process, construction management and bidding process, hiring and training, managing overall retail cannabis dispensary operations and maintaining compliance with 935 CMR 500.

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

The applicant 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, 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.



Apple Guy Flowers, LLC
MCN283790

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Apple Guy Flowers, LLC
400R West Street, Uxbridge, MA 01569

2. Type of license sought and information regarding the application submission:

Cultivation, Tier 2 / Outdoor (5,001 – 10,000 sq. ft.)

The application was reopened two (2) times for additional information.

3. 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
Lucas Thayer	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control

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 - Social Equity Program Participant
(Lucas Thayer / 100% ownership / SE304982)

7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on August 29, 2022.

8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on August 23, 2022, and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.

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9. The Commission received a municipal response from the City/Town of Uxbridge on February 21, 2023, 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	Provide monetary support in the amount of \$2,500 per year to Big Hope Project, Inc. to support individuals who have past drug convictions, their spouses and families, or individuals from a geographic ADI to obtain access to record sealing services.

BACKGROUND CHECK REVIEW

11. There were 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 three (3) 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	Open 24 hours

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:

#	Goal
1	Recruit 15 % veterans, 15% people with disabilities, 15% LGBTQ+, 15% women, 15 % people of color for its hiring initiatives.
2	Contract with diverse contractors, subcontractors, and suppliers, specifically MBE (5%), WBE (5%), VBE (5%), LGBTQ Business Enterprise (5%), and Disability-Owned Business Enterprise (5%).



17. Summary of cultivation plan:

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. Final licensure is subject to the applicant ensuring that all remaining required individuals be fingerprinted pursuant to previous Commission notifications.
4. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
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.



Blossom Flower, LLC
MXN281418

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Blossom Flower, LLC
1 Cabot St., Holyoke, MA 01040

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

Transporter with Other ME License

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):

Type	Status	Location
Product Manufacturing	Application Submitted	Holyoke
Marijuana Delivery Operator	Provisional License	Holyoke

Please note, the individual associated with the proposed license is also associated with another adult-use cultivation license, Riverside Cannabis, LLC.

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

Individual	Role
Damaris Aponte	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control

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 - Social Equity Program Participant
 (Damaris Aponte / 100% ownership / SE304773)
7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on February 3, 2023.
8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on January 27, 2023 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the City of Holyoke on March 6, 2023, 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	Recruit 50% Latino and Latina residents from the City of Holyoke for its hiring initiatives.
2	Provide monthly educational tours of the facility to local residents from underserved neighborhoods in Holyoke.
3	Provide community outreach and engagement within the neighborhoods of Holyoke to educate residents about our Latina woman, minority, and Social Equity-owned business.
4	Fill a container with 50 lbs. of clothing or food for donation to Holyoke residents, quarterly.

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

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

#	Goal
1	Recruit women (60%), minorities (50%), veterans (10%), LGBTQ+ (10%), and persons with disabilities (10%) for its hiring initiatives.
2	Implement a career advancement program that allows employees to shadow supervisors one day a week.

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.



Dris Corporation
MDA1321

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Dris Corporation
16 Tech Circle, Suite 202, Natick, MA 01760

2. Type of license sought and information regarding the application submission:

Marijuana Delivery Operator

The application was reopened two (2) times for additional information.

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

Type	Status	Location
Product Manufacturing	Provisional License	Leicester
Marijuana Courier	Commence Operations	Bellingham
Transporter with Other ME	Commence Operations	Bellingham

Please note that individuals and/or entities associated with the proposed license application are also associated with another marijuana delivery application under the business name of Faded, LLC.

4. The applicant was pre-certified by the Commission for Marijuana Delivery Operator on July 26, 2021. Pursuant to 935 CMR 500.101(2)(b), the applicant demonstrated a propensity to successfully operate a Marijuana Establishment.
5. List of all required individuals and their roles in the Marijuana Establishment:

Individual	Role
Christopher Fevry	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor
Lourdharry Pauyo	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor



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

Not applicable

7. Applicant's priority status:

Expedited Review - Social Equity Participant
(Lourdharry Pauyo / 51% ownership / SE304880)

8. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on November 9, 2022.

9. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on November 29, 2022, and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.

10. The Commission received a municipal response from the Town of Natick on March 14, 2023, stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances or bylaws.

11. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Plan to Positively Impact Disproportionately Harmed People:

#	Goal
1	Host a financial literacy course within the city of Brockton with a goal of demonstrating a 30% increase in comfortability and knowledge of financial topics among participants.
2	Hire 20% of the workforce from Boston (within those specific census tracts identified by the Commission) and Brockton.

BACKGROUND CHECK REVIEW

12. There were no disclosures of any past civil or criminal actions, occupational license issues, or marijuana-related business interests in other jurisdictions.

13. There were no concerns arising from background checks on the individuals or entities associated with the application.

MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS PROFILE REVIEW

14. The applicant states that it can be operational within one (1) year of receiving the provisional license(s).

15. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

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Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Friday	8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Saturday-Sunday	8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

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

#	Goal
1	80% of Dris’ Executive Leadership and Board will be made up of either women, minorities, veterans, people with disabilities, or people who identify as LGBTQ+.
2	Dris corporation will hire 50% minorities, 25% women, 10% LGBTQ+, 10% people with disabilities, and 15% veterans.

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

The applicant 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, 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.



Kali Cannabis, LLC
MRN284841

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Kali Cannabis, LLC
405 Shearer St., Palmer, MA 01069

2. Type of license sought and information regarding the application submission:

Retail

The application was reopened more than 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
Suzanne Melanson	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor
Evans Klimavich	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-Owned Business)

7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on December 20, 2022.



8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on December 6, 2022, and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the Town of Palmer on February 21, 2023, 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	Hire at least 10% percent of staff from areas of disproportionate impact including the geographic area of Monson.
2	Develop an educational and training program to residents of areas of disproportionate impact, including Springfield and Pittsfield. The cannabis workshops will be conducted biannually and host up to 40 participants.

BACKGROUND CHECK 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 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-Friday	10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
Saturday-Sunday	10:00 a.m. to 10:00 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.
16. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Diversity Plan:



#	Goal
1	Hire at least 10 % Veterans, 10% People with Disabilities, 5% LGBTQ+ individuals, 60% Women, and 50% People of color, particularly Black, African American, Hispanic, Latinx, and Indigenous people.
2	Contract with diverse suppliers including, 5% Minority Business Enterprises, 5% Women Business Enterprises, 5% Veteran Business Enterprises, 5% LGBTQ+ Business Enterprises, and 5% Disability-Owned Business Enterprises.

17. Plan for obtaining marijuana or marijuana products:

The applicant 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, 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.



Lifted Genetics, Inc.
MCN283745

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Lifted Genetics, Inc.
5 Condon Way, Hopedale, MA 01747

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.)

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):

Type	Status	Location
Cultivation, Tier 2/Indoor (5,001 – 10,000 sq. ft.)	Provisional License	Hopedale

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

Individual	Role
Grant Pickering	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
David Griffiths	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Michael Griffiths	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control

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:



General Applicant

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on October 24, 2022.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on September 19, 2022 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the Town of Hopedale on March 1, 2023, 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	Recruit 20% of its workforce who are residents of ADIs, specifically Mansfield.
2	Coordinate mentoring, professional, and technical services as well as provide business assets (organization and financial skills) for residents of the Town of Mansfield, Economic Empowerment Priority recipients and/or Social Equity Program participants facing systemic barriers.

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	7:00 a.m. to 5:00 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.



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

#	Goal
1	Recruit women (30%), veterans (10%), persons with disabilities (10%), minorities (50%) for its hiring initiatives.
2	Offer promotions, career counseling, and biannual training to provide employees with opportunity for growth and to decrease turnover.

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. Final licensure is subject to the applicant ensuring that all remaining required individuals be fingerprinted pursuant to previous Commission notifications.
4. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
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.



Lowkey 2, LLC
MRN284730

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Lowkey 2, LLC
d/b/a Lowkey Dispensary
5252-5270 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02132

2. Type of license sought and information regarding the application submission:

Retail

The application was reopened three (3) times for additional information.

3. The applicant is not an applicant or licensee for any other license type.

Please note that individuals associated with the proposed license are also associated with other adult-use cultivation and retail licenses under the names of Lowkey, LLC and Lowkey Cultivation, LLC.

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

Individual	Role
Jeff Similien	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control

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:

Economic Empowerment Priority Applicant
(Jeff Similien / 100% ownership / EE202286)



7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on July 14, 2022.
8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on April 25, 2022, and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the City of Boston on March 6, 2023, 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	Recruit 51% of staff who are Boston residents and/or Massachusetts residents who have, or have parents or spouses who have, past drug convictions
2	Provide education of drug abuse prevention and entrepreneurial education through quarterly workshops.

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	10:00 a.m. to 9:00 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.
16. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Diversity Plan:

#	Goal
1	Recruit minorities (60%), women (50%), veterans (20%), people with disabilities (10%), individuals who are LBGTQ+ (10%) for its hiring initiatives.



2	Encourage participation among employees in activities geared towards encouraging and supporting diversity with a goal of employees participating in at least two (2) activities annually.
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17. Plan for obtaining marijuana or marijuana products:

The applicant 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, 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.



Lowkey Cultivation, LLC
MCN283125

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Lowkey Cultivation, LLC
d/b/a Lowkey Cultivation
54 Walter St., Boston, MA 02136

2. Type of license sought and information regarding the application submission:

Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor (5,001 – 10,000 sq. ft.)

The application was reopened more than four (4) times for additional information.

3. The applicant is not an applicant or licensee for any other license type.

Please note that individuals associated with the proposed license are also associated with other adult-use cultivation, product manufacturing, retail licenses and marijuana delivery applications or licenses under the names of Low Key, LLC and Lowkey 2, LLC.

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

Individual	Role
Jeff Similien	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:

Economic Empowerment Priority Applicant
(Jeff Similien / 100% ownership / EE202286)



7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on September 29, 2020.
8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on April 19, 2022, and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the City of Boston on February 9, 2023, 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	Recruit at least 51% of its workforce from Boston. Within that percentage of Boston employees, the goal is to hire at least 80% from the town of Hyde Park. (Census Tracts: 1304.06; 1401.02; 1401.05; 1401.06; 1401.07; 1402.01; 1402.02; 1404.4; 1404.5; 1401.07; 9807).
2	Create an annual home buyer course for selected employees who will complete a mandatory home buyer/real estate education course. At the end of the program \$4,000 will be provided to be used toward home purchase closing costs.

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 9:00 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.

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

#	Goal
1	Recruit 60% minorities, 50% women, 20% veterans, 10% people with disabilities, and 10% LGBTQ+ for its hiring initiatives.
2	Encourage participation among employees in activities geared towards supporting diversity by providing supplemental course offered regularly on implicit bias and cross-cultural communications.

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.



Many Rivers, LLC
MDA1299

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Many Rivers, LLC
299 Hartford Turnpike, Shrewsbury, MA 01545

2. Type of license sought and information regarding the application submission:

Marijuana Delivery Operator

The application was reopened two (2) times for additional information.

3. The applicant is not an applicant or licensee for any other license type.
4. The applicant was pre-certified by the Commission for Marijuana Delivery Operator on September 21, 2021. Pursuant to 935 CMR 500.101(2)(b), the applicant demonstrated a propensity to successfully operate a Marijuana Establishment.
5. List of all required individuals and their roles in the Marijuana Establishment:

Individual	Role
Robert Perlman	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control

6. 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.

7. Applicant's priority status:

Expedited Applicant (Social Equity Program Participant)
(Robert Perlman / 100% ownership / SE305131)



8. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on September 14, 2021.
9. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on December 1, 2022 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
10. The Commission received a municipal response from the town of Shrewsbury on March 1, 2023, stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances or bylaws.
11. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Plan to Positively Impact Disproportionately Harmed People:

#	Goal
1	Recruit 10% of employees who are past and present Worcester residents for its hiring initiatives.
2	Develop a supply chain of cannabis products with at least two (2) Economic Empowerment Priority and Social Equity owned businesses.

BACKGROUND CHECK REVIEW

12. 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.
13. There were no concerns arising from background checks on the individuals or entities associated with the application.

MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS PROFILE REVIEW

14. The applicant states that it can be operational within six (6) months of receiving the provisional license(s).
15. The applicant’s proposed hours of operation are the following:

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Sunday	8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

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

#	Goal
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1	Recruit women (20%), minorities (20%), veterans (20%), persons with disabilities (20%), and people who identify as LGBTQ+ (20%).
2	Create a safe, accepting and respectful work environment.
3	Partner with at least 25% of businesses who identify as women, minority, veteran, persons with disabilities, and/or LGBTQ+ owned businesses.

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.



National Cannabis Research, Inc.

REN281346

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

National Cannabis Research, Inc.
174 Mashapuag Rd., Holland, MA 01521

2. Type of license sought and information regarding the application submission:

Marijuana Research Facility

The application was reopened two (2) times for additional information.

3. The applicant is not an applicant or licensee for any other license type.

Please note that individuals and/or entities associated with the proposed application(s) are also associated with other adult-use cultivation, product manufacturing, and retail licenses and medical marijuana treatment centers including Greenwayv, Inc., and Cannabis Center of Excellence, Inc.

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

Individual	Role
Christopher Allison	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Jacob LaMountain	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Carolyn Reardon	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Michael Skowron	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Marion McNabb	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control

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:

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General Applicant

7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on October 22, 2021.
8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on May 23, 2022, and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission sent a municipal notice with a copy of the application to the municipality on January 6, 2023. The Commission did not receive a response within 60 days pursuant to 935 CMR 500.102(1)(d).
10. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Plan to Positively Impact Disproportionately Harmed People:

#	Goal
1	Donate an amount equal to one and half percent (1.5%) of its annual net profit to the Ohketeau Cultral Center to benefit Massachusetts residents disproportionately impacted by the war on drugs.
2	Assist at least one (1) disproportionately harmed applicant per year in founding their company and seeking licensure through financial investment and mentorship.

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

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Saturday	9:00 a.m. to 5:00 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:

#	Goal
1	Recruit Women (30%), People of Color, particularly Black, African American, Latinx and Indigenous People (30%), Veterans (20%), persons who identify as LGBTQ+ (10%), and Persons with Disabilities (10%).
2	Contract with service providers and wholesale partners who are owned by Women (30%), People of Color, particularly Black, African American, Latinx and Indigenous People (30%), Veterans (20%), persons who identify as LGBTQ+ (10%), and Persons with Disabilities (10%).

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. Final licensure is subject to the applicant ensuring that all remaining required individuals be fingerprinted pursuant to previous Commission notifications.
4. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
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.



Neamat, LLC
MCN283685

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Neamat, LLC
290 Millville Rd, Uxbridge, MA 01569

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

Cultivation, Tier 2/Indoor (5,001 – 10,000 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):

Type	Status	Location
Cultivation, Tier 3/Outdoor (10,001 – 20,000 sq. ft.)	Commence Operations	Uxbridge
Product Manufacturing	Final License	Uxbridge

Please note that individuals and/or entities associated with the proposed license are also associated with other adult-use cultivation and product manufacturing licenses under the name of Bare Naked Greens, LLC.

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

Individual	Role
Grace Sahagian	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
John Sahagian	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-Owned Business)

7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on January 16, 2020.

8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on January 4, 2023 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.

9. The Commission received a municipal response from the City/Town of Uxbridge on February 21, 2023 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	Provide physical goods and financial support to Friendly House in Worcester, who provides social services, feeding programs, housing services and youth programs to individuals and families affected by living in a disproportionality disadvantage community and/or past and current drug convictions.
2	Recruit 5% of its staff who are Massachusetts residents who have/had prior drug convictions.

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 eight (8) months of receiving the provisional license(s).

14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
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Monday-Sunday	7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
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- 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:

#	Goal
1	Recruit women (40%), people of color, particularly black, African American, Hispanic, Latinx, and Indigenous people (20%), veterans (10%), persons with disabilities (5%) and LGBTQ+ (5%) for its hiring initiatives.
2	Partner with vendors who are woman-owned (5%), people of color-owned (5%), veteran-owned (5%), persons with disabilities-owned (5%), and LGBTQ+-owned (5%) when purchasing goods and services.

- 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.



Sugarloaf Maynard, LLC

MRN284213

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Sugarloaf Maynard, LLC
25 Nason Street, Maynard, MA 01754

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 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.

Please note that individuals and/or entities associated with the proposed application(s) are also associated with other adult-use cultivation, product manufacturing, retail, and marijuana licenses under the names of LMCC, LLC and Sugarloaf Cambridge Cannabis, LLC.

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

Individual	Role
James Crawford	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Flavia Hungaro	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Irene Hicks	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Armine Hicks	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Joi Mendes	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control

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



Entity	Role
Crawford Legacy, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor

6. Applicant’s priority status:

Expedited Applicant (Social Equity Program Participant)
(Flavia Hungaro / 9.9% ownership / SE304245)
(Armine Hicks / 9.9% ownership / SE306418)

7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on January 26, 2021.
8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on April 9, 2021 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the Town of Maynard on February 22, 2023, 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	Provide low interest loans, which is defined as a rate below the national interest rate, to Social Equity applicants.
2	Recruit at least 25% of its staff that are Massachusetts residents who have past drug convictions that would not prohibit them from working in the cannabis industry.
3	Promote sustainable, socially and economically reparative practices in the cannabis industry in Massachusetts by offering a minimum of two (2) industry-specific training sessions, annually.

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 eight (8) 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	9:00 a.m. to 10:00 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.
- 16. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Diversity Plan:

#	Goal
1	Recruit Women (60%); People of Color (40%); Veterans (30%); Persons with Disabilities (10%); and LGBTQ+ individuals (10%) for its hiring initiatives.
2	Recruit Women (60%); People of Color (40%); Veterans (30%); Persons with Disabilities (10%); and LGBTQ+ individuals (10%) in management and executive positions and provide essential tools and training to ensure their success in these positions.
3	Obtain at least 25% of its supplies and services from suppliers and/or vendors that are Woman (60%); People of Color (40%); Veterans (30%); Persons with Disabilities (10%); and LGBTQ+ individuals (10%)-owned businesses.

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

The applicant 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, local codes, ordinances or bylaws, and local licensing requirements.
- 3. Final licensure is subject to the applicant ensuring that all remaining required individuals be fingerprinted pursuant to previous Commission notifications.
- 4. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
- 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.



Theory Wellness, Inc.
MRN284150

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Theory Wellness, Inc.
162 Mystic Avenue, Medford, MA 02155

2. Type of license sought and information regarding the application submission:

Retail

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):

Type	Status	Location
Retail	Commence Operations	Chicopee
Cultivation, Tier 10/Outdoor (80,000 – 90,000 sq. ft.)	Commence Operations	Sheffield
Cultivation, Tier 2/Indoor (5,001 – 10,000 sq. ft.)	Commence Operations	Bridgewater
Product Manufacturing	Commence Operations	Bridgewater
Retail	Commence Operations	Great Barrington
MTC	Commence Operations	Bridgewater-Bridgewater
MTC	Commence Operations	Bridgewater-Great Barrington
MTC	Commence Operations	Bridgewater-Chicopee

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

Individual	Role
Nicholas Friedman	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Brandon Pollock	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Andrew Linegar	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control



Steven Derrey	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Asher Woodworth	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Hunter Pollock	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Benjamin Friedman	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Jon Shore	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Scot Lee	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control

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:

General Review

7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on March 1, 2022.
8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on October 3, 2022 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the City of Medford on April 15, 2023, 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	Provide at least \$100,000 in capital to a Social Equity or Economic Empowerment Applicant.
2	Recruit at least 40% of its employees that are (1) Past or present residents of the geographic “areas of disproportionate impact,” which have been defined by the Commission, including those in close geographic proximity to Medford such as Boston, Chelsea and Lynn; (2) Commission-designated Certified Economic Empowerment Priority recipients; (3) Commission-designated Social Equity Program participants; (4) Massachusetts residents who have past drug convictions; and (5) Massachusetts residents with parents or spouses who have drug convictions.

BACKGROUND CHECK 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.



- There were no concerns arising from background checks on the individuals or entities associated with the application.

MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS PROFILE REVIEW

- The applicant states that it can be operational within six (6) months of receiving the provisional license(s).
- The applicant’s proposed hours of operation are the following:

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Sunday	8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

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

#	Goal
1	Recruit 5% women, 25% minorities, 5% veterans, 5% LGBTQ+, and 5% persons with disabilities (5%) for its hiring initiatives.
2	Provide annual diversity and inclusion training with a goal of having at least 85% participation in this training.

- Plan for obtaining marijuana or marijuana products:

The applicant plans to obtain marijuana from its affiliated licenses. If the need arises, the applicant will obtain marijuana or marijuana products by contracting with other licensed establishments.

RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend provisional licensure with the following conditions:

- Final license is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
- Final license is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with applicable state laws, local codes, ordinances or bylaws, and local licensing requirements.
- Final licensure is subject to the applicant ensuring that all remaining required individuals be fingerprinted pursuant to previous Commission notifications.
- The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
- 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.



Berkshire Roots, Inc.

RMDA3480

BACKGROUND & APPLICATION REVIEW

1. Name and location of the proposed Medical Marijuana Treatment Center:

Cultivation: 501 Dalton Avenue, Pittsfield, MA 01201

Product Manufacturing: 501 Dalton Avenue, Pittsfield, MA 01201

Dispensary: 253 Meridian Street, Boston, MA 02128

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

Type	Status	Location
Cultivation, Tier 5/Indoor (30,001 to 40,000 sq. ft.)	Commence Operations	Pittsfield
Product Manufacturing	Commence Operations	Pittsfield
Retail	Commence Operations	Pittsfield
Retail	Commence Operations	Boston
Transporter with Other ME License	Commence Operations	Pittsfield
MTC	Commence Operations	Pittsfield

3. List of all required individuals and their business roles in the Medical Marijuana Treatment Center:

Individual	Role
Albert Wojtkowski	Person with Direct or Indirect Control
Andrea Nuciforo	Person with Direct or Indirect Control
Kurt Hospot	Person with Direct or Indirect Control
James Winokur	Person with Direct or Indirect Control
Tamera Carter	Person with Direct or Indirect Control

4. List of all required entities and their roles in the Medical Marijuana Treatment Center:

Entity	Role
KO Resources, LLC	Entity with Direct or Indirect Control/Capital Resources



5. The applicant executed a Host Community Agreement with Pittsfield on May 24, 2018. Additionally, the applicant executed a Host Community Agreement with Boston on March 17, 2022.
6. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on September 30, 2021 in Boston and July 8, 2022 in Pittsfield and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
7. The Commission received a municipal response from City of Boston on March 6, 2023, stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances and bylaws. Additionally, the Commission received a municipal response from City of Pittsfield on February 13, 2023, stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances and bylaws.
8. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Positive Impact Plan:

#	Goal
1	Recruit at least 10% of its staff that have past drug convictions and at least 50% of its employees from geographic ADI's, specifically East Boston and Chelsea.
2	Conduct bi-annual industry-specific job training programs in East Boston for individuals expressing interest in the commercial cannabis industry. The programs will feature managers and staff with operational expertise, financial and technological expertise, and accounting expertise within the cannabis industry.
3	Offer bi-annual seminars to individuals and start-up companies within DPI communities designed to promote financial literacy in the cannabis sector.
4	Provide financial assistance to non-profit and community-based organizations within East Boston.

SUITABILITY REVIEW

9. There were no disclosures of any past civil or criminal actions, occupational license issues, or marijuana-related business interests in other jurisdictions.
10. There were no concerns arising from background checks on the individuals or entities associated with the application.

MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS REVIEW

11. The applicant states that it can be operational within one (1) month of receiving the provisional license(s).
12. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:



Cultivation and Product Manufacturing

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Sunday	24 hours

Retail

Day(s)	Hours of Operation
Monday-Saturday	9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Sunday	10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

13. The applicant submitted all applicable and required summaries of procedures for the operation of the proposed Medical Marijuana Treatment Center. The summaries were determined to be substantially compliant with the Commission’s regulations.
14. The applicant disclosed that it plans to perform home deliveries to registered patients. The summary of the applicant’s plan is consistent with the Commission regulations and guidance documents.
15. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Diversity Plan:

#	Goal
1	Recruit women (60%), minorities (50%), veterans (25%), LGBTQ+ (15%), persons with disabilities (10%) for its hiring initiatives.
2	Provide job training daily during the first week of employment and mentorship programs quarterly.
3	Offer business-relevant seminars to introduce diverse sectors of the workforce to technical skills and analytical skills, bi-annually.
4	Partner with contractors and vendor suppliers who are woman-owned (50%), minority-owned (50%), veteran-owned (25%), LGBTQ+-owned (15%), and persons with disabilities-owned (10%).

16. Summary of cultivation plan:

The applicant submitted a summary of a cultivation plan that demonstrated the ability to comply with the regulations of the Commission.

17. Summary of products to be produced and/or sold:

#	Product
1	Chocolate Chip Cookies
2	Chews (strawberry lemonade, tangerine, key lime, lemon ginger, berries & cream)
3	Capsules



4	Chocolate Bar (milk chocolate, dark chocolate, stroopwafel, cranberry macadamia nut, mint, cold brew, and peanut butter)
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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 a detailed list of all proposed products to be produced with specific information as to types, forms, shapes, colors, and flavors.
4. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
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.



BeWell Organic Medicine, Inc.

MR284729

ESTABLISHMENT OVERVIEW

1. Name and address of the Marijuana Establishment:

BeWell Organic Medicine, Inc.
17 Broad Street, Merrimac, MA 01860

2. Type of final license sought:

Retail

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

Type	Status	Location
Cultivation Tier 2 / Indoor (5,001 to 10,000 sq. ft.)	Provisionally Approved	Lowell
Product Manufacturing	Application Submitted	Lowell
MTC	Commence Operations	Lowell-Merrimac

LICENSING OVERVIEW

4. The licensee was approved for provisional licensure for the above-mentioned license(s) on January 12, 2023.
5. The licensee has paid all applicable license fees.
6. No new information has been reported to Commission staff regarding the organizational structure of the entity since the issuance of the provisional license(s).
7. No new information has been discovered by Commission staff regarding the suitability of the licensees previously disclosed since the issuance of the provisional license(s).

INSPECTION OVERVIEW

8. Commission staff inspected the licensee's facility on the following date(s): March 15, 2023
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9. The licensee's facility was inspected by Commission staff and found to be in full compliance with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable.
10. No evidence was discovered during the inspection(s) that indicated the Marijuana Establishment was not in compliance with all applicable state laws and local bylaws or ordinances.
11. Specific information from Commission staff's inspection is highlighted below:

- a. Security

Enforcement staff verified that all security-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. The security of all entrances and exits;
- ii. Visitor procedures;
- iii. Limited access areas;
- iv. Verification of a primary and back-up security company;
- v. Presence of perimeter and duress alarms; and
- vi. All cameras complied with Commission requirements.

- b. Inventory and Storage

Enforcement staff verified that all inventory-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Secure storage of marijuana and marijuana products;
- ii. Sanitation and pest control measures; and
- iii. Inventory controls and procedures.

- c. Retail Operation

Enforcement staff verified that all retail-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Verification of identifications for access;
- ii. Layout of the sales floor; and
- iii. Availability and contents of adult-use consumer education materials.

- d. Transportation

The licensee will not be performing transportation activities at this time.



RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend final licensure with the following conditions:

1. The licensee may possess and otherwise acquire marijuana, but shall not dispense, sell, or otherwise transport marijuana to other Marijuana Establishments, or to consumers, until upon inspection, receiving permission from the Commission to commence full operations.
2. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
3. The licensee remains suitable for licensure.
4. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
5. Licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) prior to the issuance of a commencement of operations and that Commission staff be given adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.

The licensee has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the licensee is recommended for final licensure.

As part of the approval of final licensure, the Commission authorizes staff to take all necessary actions to review compliance with the above-referenced conditions and to approve the commencement of operations.





Calverde Naturals, LLC

MR283258

ESTABLISHMENT OVERVIEW

1. Name and address of the Marijuana Establishment:

Calverde Naturals, LLC
1010 Pleasant Street, Belmont, MA 02478

2. Type of final license sought:

Retail

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

Type	Status	Location
Retail	Provisional License	Marlborough

LICENSING OVERVIEW

4. The licensee was approved for provisional licensure for the above-mentioned license(s) on February 11, 2021.
5. The licensee has paid all applicable license fees.
6. No new information has been reported to Commission staff regarding the organizational structure of the entity since the issuance of the provisional license(s).
7. No new information has been discovered by Commission staff regarding the suitability of the licensees previously disclosed since the issuance of the provisional license(s).

INSPECTION OVERVIEW

8. Commission staff inspected the licensee's facility on the following date(s): March 15, 2023
9. The licensee's facility was inspected by Commission staff and found to be in full compliance with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable.

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10. No evidence was discovered during the inspection(s) that indicated the Marijuana Establishment was not in compliance with all applicable state laws and local bylaws or ordinances.

11. Specific information from Commission staff's inspection is highlighted below:

a. Security

Enforcement staff verified that all security-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. The security of all entrances and exits;
- ii. Visitor procedures;
- iii. Limited access areas;
- iv. Verification of a primary and back-up security company;
- v. Presence of perimeter and duress alarms; and
- vi. All cameras complied with Commission requirements.

b. Inventory and Storage

Enforcement staff verified that all inventory-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Secure storage of marijuana and marijuana products;
- ii. Sanitation and pest control measures; and
- iii. Inventory controls and procedures.

c. Retail Operation

Enforcement staff verified that all retail-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Verification of identifications for access;
- ii. Layout of the sales floor; and
- iii. Availability and contents of adult-use consumer education materials.

d. Transportation

The licensee will not be performing transportation activities at this time.

RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend final licensure with the following conditions:



1. The licensee may possess and otherwise acquire marijuana, but shall not dispense, sell, or otherwise transport marijuana to other Marijuana Establishments, or to consumers, until upon inspection, receiving permission from the Commission to commence full operations.
2. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
3. The licensee remains suitable for licensure.
4. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
5. Licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) prior to the issuance of a commencement of operations and that Commission staff be given adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.

The licensee has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the licensee is recommended for final licensure.

As part of the approval of final licensure, the Commission authorizes staff to take all necessary actions to review compliance with the above-referenced conditions and to approve the commencement of operations.



East Boston Bloom, LLC

MR283011

ESTABLISHMENT OVERVIEW

1. Name and address of the Marijuana Establishment:

East Boston Bloom, LLC
dba Boutiq
71 Maverick Sq., Boston, MA 02128

2. Type of final license sought:

Retail

3. The licensee 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.

Please note that individuals and/or entities associated with the proposed application(s) are also associated with other adult-use cultivation, product manufacturing, and retail licenses under the names of Massachusetts Green Retail, Inc., and 140 Industrial Road, LLC.

LICENSING OVERVIEW

4. The licensee was approved for provisional licensure for the above-mentioned license(s) on April 16, 2021.
5. The licensee has paid all applicable license fees.
6. No new information has been reported to Commission staff regarding the organizational structure of the entity since the issuance of the provisional license(s).
7. No new information has been discovered by Commission staff regarding the suitability of the licensees previously disclosed since the issuance of the provisional license(s).

INSPECTION OVERVIEW



8. Commission staff inspected the licensee's facility on the following date(s): February 22, 2023
9. The licensee's facility was inspected by Commission staff and found to be in full compliance with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable.
10. No evidence was discovered during the inspection(s) that indicated the Marijuana Establishment was not in compliance with all applicable state laws and local bylaws or ordinances.
11. Specific information from Commission staff's inspection is highlighted below:

- a. Security

Enforcement staff verified that all security-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. The security of all entrances and exits;
- ii. Visitor procedures;
- iii. Limited access areas;
- iv. Verification of a primary and back-up security company;
- v. Presence of perimeter and duress alarms; and
- vi. All cameras complied with Commission requirements.

- b. Inventory and Storage

Enforcement staff verified that all inventory-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Secure storage of marijuana and marijuana products;
- ii. Sanitation and pest control measures; and
- iii. Inventory controls and procedures.

- c. Retail Operation

Enforcement staff verified that all retail-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Verification of identifications for access;
- ii. Layout of the sales floor; and
- iii. Availability and contents of adult-use consumer education materials.

- d. Transportation

The licensee will not be performing transportation activities at this time.



RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend final licensure with the following conditions:

1. The licensee may possess and otherwise acquire marijuana, but shall not dispense, sell, or otherwise transport marijuana to other Marijuana Establishments, or to consumers, until upon inspection, receiving permission from the Commission to commence full operations.
2. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
3. The licensee remains suitable for licensure.
4. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
5. Licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) prior to the issuance of a commencement of operations and that Commission staff be given adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.

The licensee has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the licensee is recommended for final licensure.

As part of the approval of final licensure, the Commission authorizes staff to take all necessary actions to review compliance with the above-referenced conditions and to approve the commencement of operations.



GreenCare Collective, LLC

MR284476

ESTABLISHMENT OVERVIEW

1. Name and address of the Marijuana Establishment:

GreenCare Collective, LLC
d/b/a Plant
12 Latti Farm Road, Millbury, MA 01527

2. Type of final license sought:

Retail

3. The licensee 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.

Please note that individuals and/or entities associated with the proposed application(s) are also associated with other adult-use cultivation, product manufacturing, and retail licenses including Ashli's, Inc., Ashli's Extracts, Inc., and Ashli's Farm, Inc.

LICENSING OVERVIEW

4. The licensee was approved for provisional licensure for the above-mentioned license(s) on December 8, 2022.
5. The licensee has paid all applicable license fees.
6. No new information has been reported to Commission staff regarding the organizational structure of the entity since the issuance of the provisional license(s).
7. No new information has been discovered by Commission staff regarding the suitability of the licensees previously disclosed since the issuance of the provisional license(s).

INSPECTION OVERVIEW



8. Commission staff inspected the licensee's facility on the following date(s): January 31, 2023, and March 3, 2023
9. The licensee's facility was inspected by Commission staff and found to be in full compliance with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable.
10. No evidence was discovered during the inspection(s) that indicated the Marijuana Establishment was not in compliance with all applicable state laws and local bylaws or ordinances.
11. Specific information from Commission staff's inspection is highlighted below:

- a. Security

Enforcement staff verified that all security-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. The security of all entrances and exits;
- ii. Visitor procedures;
- iii. Limited access areas;
- iv. Verification of a primary and back-up security company;
- v. Presence of perimeter and duress alarms; and
- vi. All cameras complied with Commission requirements.

- b. Inventory and Storage

Enforcement staff verified that all inventory-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Secure storage of marijuana and marijuana products;
- ii. Sanitation and pest control measures; and
- iii. Inventory controls and procedures.

- c. Retail Operation

Enforcement staff verified that all retail-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Verification of identifications for access;
- ii. Layout of the sales floor; and
- iii. Availability and contents of adult-use consumer education materials.

- d. Transportation

The licensee will not be performing transportation activities at this time.



RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend final licensure with the following conditions:

1. The licensee may possess and otherwise acquire marijuana, but shall not dispense, sell, or otherwise transport marijuana to other Marijuana Establishments, or to consumers, until upon inspection, receiving permission from the Commission to commence full operations.
2. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
3. The licensee remains suitable for licensure.
4. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
5. Licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) prior to the issuance of a commencement of operations and that Commission staff be given adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.

The licensee has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the licensee is recommended for final licensure.

As part of the approval of final licensure, the Commission authorizes staff to take all necessary actions to review compliance with the above-referenced conditions and to approve the commencement of operations.



In Good Health

MR284655

ESTABLISHMENT OVERVIEW

1. Name and address of the Marijuana Establishment:

In Good Health
449 Route 130, Sandwich, MA 02563

2. Type of final license sought:

Retail

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

Type	Status	Location
Cultivation Tier 4 / Indoor (20,001 to 30,000 sq. ft)	Commence Operations	Brockton
Product Manufacturing	Commence Operations	Brockton
Retail	Commence Operations	Brockton
MTC	Commence Operations	Brockton - Brockton

LICENSING OVERVIEW

4. The licensee was approved for provisional licensure for the above-mentioned license(s) on January 12, 2023.
5. The licensee has paid all applicable license fees.
6. No new information has been reported to Commission staff regarding the organizational structure of the entity since the issuance of the provisional license(s).
7. No new information has been discovered by Commission staff regarding the suitability of the licensees previously disclosed since the issuance of the provisional license(s).

INSPECTION OVERVIEW

8. Commission staff inspected the licensee's facility on the following date(s): March 22, 2023
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9. The licensee's facility was inspected by Commission staff and found to be in full compliance with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable.
10. No evidence was discovered during the inspection(s) that indicated the Marijuana Establishment was not in compliance with all applicable state laws and local bylaws or ordinances.
11. Specific information from Commission staff's inspection is highlighted below:

- a. Security

Enforcement staff verified that all security-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. The security of all entrances and exits;
- ii. Visitor procedures;
- iii. Limited access areas;
- iv. Verification of a primary and back-up security company;
- v. Presence of perimeter and duress alarms; and
- vi. All cameras complied with Commission requirements.

- b. Inventory and Storage

Enforcement staff verified that all inventory-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Secure storage of marijuana and marijuana products;
- ii. Sanitation and pest control measures; and
- iii. Inventory controls and procedures.

- c. Retail Operation

Enforcement staff verified that all retail-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Verification of identifications for access;
- ii. Layout of the sales floor; and
- iii. Availability and contents of adult-use consumer education materials.

- d. Transportation

The licensee will not be performing transportation activities at this time.



RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend final licensure with the following conditions:

1. The licensee may possess and otherwise acquire marijuana, but shall not dispense, sell, or otherwise transport marijuana to other Marijuana Establishments, or to consumers, until upon inspection, receiving permission from the Commission to commence full operations.
2. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
3. The licensee remains suitable for licensure.
4. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
5. Licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) prior to the issuance of a commencement of operations and that Commission staff be given adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.

The licensee has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the licensee is recommended for final licensure.

As part of the approval of final licensure, the Commission authorizes staff to take all necessary actions to review compliance with the above-referenced conditions and to approve the commencement of operations.





New England Regional Dispensary

MR284607

ESTABLISHMENT OVERVIEW

1. Name and address of the Marijuana Establishment:

New England Regional Dispensary
34 Cross Road, Clarksburg, MA 01247

2. Type of final license sought:

Retail

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

Type	Status	Location
Cultivation Tier 3 / Indoor (10,001 to 20,000 sq. ft)	Provisional License	Clarksburg

LICENSING OVERVIEW

4. The licensee was approved for provisional licensure for the above-mentioned license(s) on September 15, 2022.
5. The licensee has paid all applicable license fees.
6. No new information has been reported to Commission staff regarding the organizational structure of the entity since the issuance of the provisional license(s).
7. No new information has been discovered by Commission staff regarding the suitability of the licensees previously disclosed since the issuance of the provisional license(s).

INSPECTION OVERVIEW

8. Commission staff inspected the licensee's facility on the following date(s): March 24, 2023

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9. The licensee's facility was inspected by Commission staff and found to be in full compliance with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable.
10. No evidence was discovered during the inspection(s) that indicated the Marijuana Establishment was not in compliance with all applicable state laws and local bylaws or ordinances.
11. Specific information from Commission staff's inspection is highlighted below:

- a. Security

Enforcement staff verified that all security-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. The security of all entrances and exits;
- ii. Visitor procedures;
- iii. Limited access areas;
- iv. Verification of a primary and back-up security company;
- v. Presence of perimeter and duress alarms; and
- vi. All cameras complied with Commission requirements.

- b. Inventory and Storage

Enforcement staff verified that all inventory-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Secure storage of marijuana and marijuana products;
- ii. Sanitation and pest control measures; and
- iii. Inventory controls and procedures.

- c. Retail Operation

Enforcement staff verified that all retail-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Verification of identifications for access;
- ii. Layout of the sales floor; and
- iii. Availability and contents of adult-use consumer education materials.

- d. Transportation

The licensee will not be performing transportation activities at this time.



RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend final licensure with the following conditions:

1. The licensee may possess and otherwise acquire marijuana, but shall not dispense, sell, or otherwise transport marijuana to other Marijuana Establishments, or to consumers, until upon inspection, receiving permission from the Commission to commence full operations.
2. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
3. The licensee remains suitable for licensure.
4. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
5. Licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) prior to the issuance of a commencement of operations and that Commission staff be given adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.

The licensee has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the licensee is recommended for final licensure.

As part of the approval of final licensure, the Commission authorizes staff to take all necessary actions to review compliance with the above-referenced conditions and to approve the commencement of operations.



Noble Manna, Inc.

MR282984

ESTABLISHMENT OVERVIEW

1. Name and address of the Marijuana Establishment:

Noble Manna, Inc.
dba Joint Operations
47 Milford Street, Mendon, MA 01756

2. Type of final license sought (if cultivation, its tier level and outside/inside operation):

Retail

3. The licensee 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.

Please note that individuals and/or entities associated with the proposed application(s) are also associated with other adult-use retail licenses including Discern'd Cannabis Purveyors, Inc. and JWTC Wick, LLC.

LICENSING OVERVIEW

4. The licensee was approved for provisional licensure for the above-mentioned license(s) on March 11, 2021.
5. The licensee has paid all applicable license fees.
6. No new information has been reported to Commission staff regarding the organizational structure of the entity since the issuance of the provisional license(s).
7. No new information has been discovered by Commission staff regarding the suitability of the licensees previously disclosed since the issuance of the provisional license(s).

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8. Commission staff inspected the licensee's facility on the following date(s): February 14, 2023.
9. The licensee's facility was inspected by Commission staff and found to be in full compliance with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable.
10. No evidence was discovered during the inspection(s) that indicated the Marijuana Establishment was not in compliance with all applicable state laws and local bylaws or ordinances.
11. Specific information from Commission staff's inspection is highlighted below:

- a. Security

Enforcement staff verified that all security-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. The security of all entrances and exits;
- ii. Visitor procedures;
- iii. Limited access areas;
- iv. Verification of a primary and back-up security company;
- v. Presence of perimeter and duress alarms; and
- vi. All cameras complied with Commission requirements.

- b. Inventory and Storage

Enforcement staff verified that all inventory-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Secure storage of marijuana and marijuana products;
- ii. Sanitation and pest control measures; and
- iii. Inventory controls and procedures.

- c. Retail Operation

Enforcement staff verified that all retail-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Verification of identifications for access;
- ii. Layout of the sales floor; and
- iii. Availability and contents of adult-use consumer education materials.

- d. Transportation

The licensee will not be performing transportation activities at this time.



RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend final licensure with the following conditions:

1. The licensee may possess and otherwise acquire marijuana, but shall not dispense, sell, or otherwise transport marijuana to other Marijuana Establishments, or to consumers, until upon inspection, receiving permission from the Commission to commence full operations.
2. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
3. The licensee remains suitable for licensure.
4. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
5. Licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) prior to the issuance of a commencement of operations and that Commission staff be given adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.

The licensee has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the licensee is recommended for final licensure.

As part of the approval of final licensure, the Commission authorizes staff to take all necessary actions to review compliance with the above-referenced conditions and to approve the commencement of operations.



Pure Industries, Inc.

MP281746

ESTABLISHMENT OVERVIEW

1. Name and address of the Marijuana Establishment:

Pure Industries, Inc.
dba Smyth Cannabis Co.
181 Stedman Street, Unit 14, Lowell, MA

2. Type of final license sought:

Product Manufacturing

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

Type	Status	Location
Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor (5,001 to 10,000 sq. ft.)	Commence Operations	Lowell

Please note that individuals associated with the proposed application(s) are also associated with another adult-use retail license including Pure Lowell, Inc.

LICENSING OVERVIEW

4. The licensee was approved for provisional licensure for the above-mentioned license(s) on September 10, 2020.
5. The licensee has paid all applicable license fees.
6. No new information has been reported to Commission staff regarding the organizational structure of the entity since the issuance of the provisional license(s).
7. No new information has been discovered by Commission staff regarding the suitability of the licensees previously disclosed since the issuance of the provisional license(s).

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8. Commission staff inspected the licensee's facility on the following date(s): March 23, 2023.
9. The licensee's facility was inspected by Commission staff and found to be in full compliance with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable.
10. No evidence was discovered during the inspection(s) that indicated the Marijuana Establishment was not in compliance with all applicable state laws and local bylaws or ordinances.
11. Specific information from Commission staff's inspection is highlighted below:

- a. Security

Enforcement staff verified that all security-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. The security of all entrances and exits;
- ii. Visitor procedures;
- iii. Limited access areas;
- iv. Verification of a primary and back-up security company;
- v. Presence of perimeter and duress alarms; and
- vi. All cameras complied with Commission requirements.

- b. Inventory and Storage

Enforcement staff verified that all inventory-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Secure storage of marijuana and marijuana products;
- ii. Sanitation and pest control measures; and
- iii. Inventory controls and procedures.

- c. Product Manufacturing Operation

Enforcement staff verified that all manufacturing-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Proposed product compliance; and
- ii. Safety, sanitation, and security of the area and products.

- d. Transportation



Enforcement staff verified that all transportation-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Vehicle and staffing requirements;
- ii. Communication and reporting requirements; and
- iii. Inventory and manifests requirements.

RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend final licensure with the following conditions:

1. The licensee may possess, prepare, produce, and otherwise acquire marijuana, but shall not sell, or otherwise transport marijuana to other Marijuana Establishments, until upon inspection, receiving permission from the Commission to commence full operations.
2. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
3. The licensee remains suitable for licensure.
4. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
5. Licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) prior to the issuance of a commencement of operations and that Commission staff be given adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.

The licensee has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the licensee is recommended for final licensure.

As part of the approval of final licensure, the Commission authorizes staff to take all necessary actions to review compliance with the above-referenced conditions and to approve the commencement of operations.



Pure Oasis, LLC

MR284576

ESTABLISHMENT OVERVIEW

1. Name and address of the Marijuana Establishment:

Pure Oasis, LLC
85 Devonshire Street, Boston, MA 02210

2. Type of final license sought:

Retail

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

Type	Status	Location
Retail	Commence Operations	Boston
Retail	Provisionally Approved	Boston
Marijuana Courier	Provisional License	Boston

LICENSING OVERVIEW

4. The licensee was approved for provisional licensure for the above-mentioned license(s) on July 14, 2022.
5. The licensee has paid all applicable license fees.
6. No new information has been reported to Commission staff regarding the organizational structure of the entity since the issuance of the provisional license(s).
7. No new information has been discovered by Commission staff regarding the suitability of the licensees previously disclosed since the issuance of the provisional license(s).

INSPECTION OVERVIEW

8. Commission staff inspected the licensee's facility on the following date(s): March 2, 2023

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9. The licensee's facility was inspected by Commission staff and found to be in full compliance with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable.
10. No evidence was discovered during the inspection(s) that indicated the Marijuana Establishment was not in compliance with all applicable state laws and local bylaws or ordinances.
11. Specific information from Commission staff's inspection is highlighted below:

- a. Security

Enforcement staff verified that all security-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. The security of all entrances and exits;
- ii. Visitor procedures;
- iii. Limited access areas;
- iv. Verification of a primary and back-up security company;
- v. Presence of perimeter and duress alarms; and
- vi. All cameras complied with Commission requirements.

- b. Inventory and Storage

Enforcement staff verified that all inventory-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Secure storage of marijuana and marijuana products;
- ii. Sanitation and pest control measures; and
- iii. Inventory controls and procedures.

- c. Retail Operation

Enforcement staff verified that all retail-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Verification of identifications for access;
- ii. Layout of the sales floor; and
- iii. Availability and contents of adult-use consumer education materials.

- d. Transportation

The licensee will not be performing transportation activities at this time.

RECOMMENDATION



Commission staff recommend final licensure with the following conditions:

1. The licensee may possess and otherwise acquire marijuana, but shall not dispense, sell, or otherwise transport marijuana to other Marijuana Establishments, or to consumers, until upon inspection, receiving permission from the Commission to commence full operations.
2. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
3. The licensee remains suitable for licensure.
4. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
5. Licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) prior to the issuance of a commencement of operations and that Commission staff be given adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.

The licensee has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the licensee is recommended for final licensure.

As part of the approval of final licensure, the Commission authorizes staff to take all necessary actions to review compliance with the above-referenced conditions and to approve the commencement of operations.



Revolutionary Clinics II, Inc.

MR282412

ESTABLISHMENT OVERVIEW

1. Name and address of the Marijuana Establishment:

Revolutionary Clinics II, Inc.
67 Broadway, Somerville, MA 01245

2. Type of final license sought:

Retail

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

Type	Status	Location
Retail	Provisional License	Leominster
Product Manufacturing	Commence Operations	Fitchburg
Cultivation Tier 8 / Indoor (60,001 to 70,000 sq. ft)	Commence Operations	Fitchburg
MTC	Commence Operations	Fitchburg-Cambridge
MTC	Commence Operations	Fitchburg-Somerville
MTC	Commence Operations	Fitchburg-Cambridge

Please note that individuals and/or entities associated with the proposed application(s) are also associated with a marijuana delivery license under the name of Trevor Express, Inc.

LICENSING OVERVIEW

4. The licensee was approved for provisional licensure for the above-mentioned license(s) on March 11, 2021.
5. The licensee has paid all applicable license fees.
6. No new information has been reported to Commission staff regarding the organizational structure of the entity since the issuance of the provisional license(s).

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7. No new information has been discovered by Commission staff regarding the suitability of the licensees previously disclosed since the issuance of the provisional license(s).

INSPECTION OVERVIEW

8. Commission staff inspected the licensee's facility on the following date(s): March 6, 2023
9. The licensee's facility was inspected by Commission staff and found to be in full compliance with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable.
10. No evidence was discovered during the inspection(s) that indicated the Marijuana Establishment was not in compliance with all applicable state laws and local bylaws or ordinances.
11. Specific information from Commission staff's inspection is highlighted below:

- a. Security

Enforcement staff verified that all security-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. The security of all entrances and exits;
- ii. Visitor procedures;
- iii. Limited access areas;
- iv. Verification of a primary and back-up security company;
- v. Presence of perimeter and duress alarms; and
- vi. All cameras complied with Commission requirements.

- b. Inventory and Storage

Enforcement staff verified that all inventory-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Secure storage of marijuana and marijuana products;
- ii. Sanitation and pest control measures; and
- iii. Inventory controls and procedures.

- c. Retail Operation

Enforcement staff verified that all retail-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Verification of identifications for access;
- ii. Layout of the sales floor; and
- iii. Availability and contents of adult-use consumer education materials.



d. Transportation

Enforcement staff verified that all transportation-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Vehicle and staffing requirements;
- ii. Communication and reporting requirements; and
- iii. Inventory and manifests requirements.

RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend final licensure with the following conditions:

1. The licensee may possess and otherwise acquire marijuana, but shall not dispense, sell, or otherwise transport marijuana to other Marijuana Establishments, or to consumers, until upon inspection, receiving permission from the Commission to commence full operations.
2. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
3. The licensee remains suitable for licensure.
4. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
5. Licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) prior to the issuance of a commencement of operations and that Commission staff be given adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.

The licensee has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the licensee is recommended for final licensure.

As part of the approval of final licensure, the Commission authorizes staff to take all necessary actions to review compliance with the above-referenced conditions and to approve the commencement of operations.



Silver Therapeutics of Palmer, Inc.

MR284328

ESTABLISHMENT OVERVIEW

1. Name and address of the Marijuana Establishment:

Silver Therapeutics of Palmer, Inc.
1235 Thorndike Street, Palmer, MA 01069

2. Type of final license sought:

Retail

3. The licensee 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.

Please note that individuals and/or entities associated with the proposed application(s) are also associated with other adult-use cultivation, product manufacturing, retail and MTC licenses under the name of Silver Therapeutics, Inc.

LICENSING OVERVIEW

4. The licensee was approved for provisional licensure for the above-mentioned license(s) on July 14, 2022.
5. The licensee has paid all applicable license fees.
6. No new information has been reported to Commission staff regarding the organizational structure of the entity since the issuance of the provisional license(s).
7. No new information has been discovered by Commission staff regarding the suitability of the licensees previously disclosed since the issuance of the provisional license(s).

INSPECTION OVERVIEW

8. Commission staff inspected the licensee's facility on the following date(s): March 1, 2023
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9. The licensee's facility was inspected by Commission staff and found to be in full compliance with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable.
10. No evidence was discovered during the inspection(s) that indicated the Marijuana Establishment was not in compliance with all applicable state laws and local bylaws or ordinances.
11. Specific information from Commission staff's inspection is highlighted below:

- a. Security

Enforcement staff verified that all security-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

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- iii. Limited access areas;
- iv. Verification of a primary and back-up security company;
- v. Presence of perimeter and duress alarms; and
- vi. All cameras complied with Commission requirements.

- b. Inventory and Storage

Enforcement staff verified that all inventory-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Secure storage of marijuana and marijuana products;
- ii. Sanitation and pest control measures; and
- iii. Inventory controls and procedures.

- c. Retail Operation

Enforcement staff verified that all retail-related requirements were in full compliance with Commission regulations. Some of the requirements verified include the following:

- i. Verification of identifications for access;
- ii. Layout of the sales floor; and
- iii. Availability and contents of adult-use consumer education materials.

- d. Transportation

The licensee will not be performing transportation activities at this time.



RECOMMENDATION

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Witch City Gardens, LLC MR281663

ESTABLISHMENT OVERVIEW

1. Name and address of the Marijuana Establishment:

Witch City Gardens, LLC
d/b/a Starbird
2 Bridge Street, Salem, MA 01970

2. Type of final license sought:

Retail

3. The licensee 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.

LICENSING OVERVIEW

4. The licensee was approved for provisional licensure for the above-mentioned license(s) on June 4, 2020.
5. The licensee has paid all applicable license fees.
6. No new information has been reported to Commission staff regarding the organizational structure of the entity since the issuance of the provisional license(s).
7. No new information has been discovered by Commission staff regarding the suitability of the licensees previously disclosed since the issuance of the provisional license(s).

INSPECTION OVERVIEW

8. Commission staff inspected the licensee's facility on the following date(s): March 14, 2023



9. The licensee's facility was inspected by Commission staff and found to be in full compliance with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable.
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2. The licensee is subject to inspection to ascertain compliance with Commission regulations.
3. The licensee remains suitable for licensure.
4. The licensee shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff.
5. Licensure is subject to notification to the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 500.105(1) prior to the issuance of a commencement of operations and that Commission staff be given adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.

The licensee has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the licensee is recommended for final licensure.

As part of the approval of final licensure, the Commission authorizes staff to take all necessary actions to review compliance with the above-referenced conditions and to approve the commencement of operations.



MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT RENEWALS
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
COMMISSION MEETING: APRIL 14, 2023

RENEWAL OVERVIEW

1. Name, license number, renewal application number, host community, and funds deriving from a Host Community Agreement allocated for the municipality for each Marijuana Establishment presented for renewal:

	Licensee Name	License Number	Renewal Application Number	Location	Municipal Costs Disclosed
1	140 Industrial Road, LLC	MP281433	MPR243958	Fitchburg	\$16, 201.00
2	1Connection LLC	MC282245	MCR140470	Dighton	\$0.00
3	1Connection LLC	MR282401	MRR206409	Dighton	\$0.00
4	1Connection LLC	MP281717	MPR243963	Dighton	\$0.00
5	7LEAF GARDENS LLC	MC282830	MCR140444	Middleborough	\$0.00
6	7LEAF GARDENS LLC	MP281894	MPR243943	Middleborough	\$0.00
7	Alchemy League	DO100144	DOR5182955	Holyoke	\$0.00
8	Alchemy League, Inc	MD1272	MDR272547	Holyoke	\$0.00
9	AmeriCann Brands, Inc.	MC282714	MCR140457	Freetown	\$0.00
10	Beacon Compassion, Inc.	MP281517	MPR243941	Attleboro	\$0.00
11	Beacon Compassion, Inc.	MC281378	MCR140439	Attleboro	\$0.00
12	Beacon Compassion, Inc.	MR282271	MRR206362	Attleboro	\$0.00
13	Beacon Compassion, Inc.	MR284569	MRR206374	Boston	\$0.00
14	Bodelle's Edibles, LLC	MB281356	MBR169305	Northampton	\$0.00
15	Bud's Goods & Provisions Corp.	MR281774	MRR206407	Watertown	\$0.00
16	Bud's Goods & Provisions Corp.	MR282319	MRR206395	Worcester	\$0.00
17	BWell Holdings, Inc	MP281725	MPR243946	Provincetown	\$0.00
18	BWell Holdings, Inc	MR282825	MRR206363	Provincetown	\$0.00
19	C3 Brands LLC	MC283612	MCR140449	Orange	\$0.00
20	C3 Brands LLC	MP282124	MPR243947	Orange	\$0.00
21	Cadella LLC	MR284556	MRR206422	Quincy	\$0.00
22	Canna 11 Holyoke, LLC	MC281342	MCR140460	Holyoke	\$0.00
23	Canna Provisions Inc	MC283454	MCR140441	Sheffield	\$0.00



24	Cape Cod Grow Lab, LLC	MP281446	MPR243959	Brewster	\$0.00
25	Cape Cod Grow Lab, LLC	MC281275	MCR140454	Brewster	\$0.00
26	CNA Stores, Inc.	MR281744	MRR206390	Haverhill	\$0.00
27	CNA Stores, Inc.	MR282576	MRR206389	Amesbury	\$49.50
28	Core Empowerment LLC	MR281865	MRR206370	Boston	\$0.00
29	CTDW LLC	MR281844	MRR206375	Salem	\$0.00
30	Cypress Tree Management, Inc.	MR282803	MRR206396	Newton	\$0.00
31	Debilitating Medical Condition Treatment Centers	MC283056	MCR140438	Whately	\$0.00
32	Delivered Inc	MD1276	MDR272550	Holyoke	\$0.00
33	Dr. Greenthumb Greenfield LLC	MR284245	MRR206367	Greenfield	\$0.00
34	Eagle Eyes Transport Solutions, LLC	MT281320	MTR263108	Plymouth	\$0.00
35	EOS-Bittersweet LLC	MC281338	MCR140434	Pittsfield	\$0.00
36	FCC Holdings LLC	MB282029	MBR169306	Northampton	\$0.00
37	Fernway LLC	MP281661	MPR243956	Northampton	\$0.00
38	Galil Greenery LLC	MR281978	MRR206401	Northampton	\$0.00
39	Grass Appeal LLC	MP281406	MPR243945	Uxbridge	\$0.00
40	Green Gold Group, INC	MR281791	MRR206415	Charlton	\$0.00
41	Green Gold Group, INC	MP281456	MPR243966	North Brookfield	\$0.00
42	Green Meadows Farm, LLC	MR282316	MRR206418	Southbridge	\$0.00
43	Green Patriot LLC	MC282987	MCR140459	Hinsdale	\$0.00
44	Green World LLC	MR281939	MRR206380	Brockton	\$0.00
45	H&H Cultivation LLC	MP282022	MPR243937	Holyoke	\$0.00
46	Healing Calyx LLC	DO100137	DOR5182951	Holyoke	\$0.00
47	HIGHMINDED LLC	MR282318	MRR206347	Great Barrington	\$0.00
48	HIGHMINDED LLC	MP281662	MPR243932	Great Barrington	\$0.00
49	Holistic Industries, Inc.	MP281630	MPR243939	Monson	\$0.00
50	Holistic Industries, Inc.	MC282056	MCR140435	Monson	\$0.00
51	Holyoke Wilds, LLC	MC283571	MCR140477	Holyoke	\$0.00
52	Holyoke Wilds, LLC	MP282115	MPR243970	Holyoke	\$0.00
53	Hudson Botanical Processing, LLC	MP281588	MPR243951	Hudson	\$181.26
54	Humboldt Masters LLC	MP281467	MPR243968	West Boylston	\$0.00
55	HumboldtEast LLC	MC282004	MCR140475	Georgetown	\$0.00
56	Hyecorp LLC	MR282460	MRR206379	Brockton	\$0.00
57	In Good Health Inc.	MR282468	MRR206399	Brockton	\$0.00
58	Kapnos, Inc.	MC283154	MCR140484	Sharon	\$0.00
59	Legal Greens, LLC	MC282508	MCR140462	Brockton	\$0.00
60	Mantis Management Group	MP281550	MPR243950	Winchendon	\$0.00



61	Mantis Management Group, LLC	MC281390	MCR140469	Winchendon	\$0.00
62	Mayflower Medicinals, Inc.	MP281480	MPR243961	Holliston	\$0.00
63	Mayflower Medicinals, Inc.	MC281343	MCR140458	Holliston	\$0.00
64	Mayflower Medicinals, Inc.	MR281256	MRR206420	Worcester	\$0.00
65	Metro Harvest, Inc.	MR282659	MRR206387	New Bedford	\$0.00
66	Morning Dew, LLC	MB282152	MBR169303	Orange	\$0.00
67	Native Sun Wellness INC	MR281800	MRR206385	Hudson	\$593.13
68	Nova Farms, LLC	MC281841	MCR140452	Sheffield	\$0.00
69	NS AJO Holdings Inc.	MR282236	MRR206400	Fitchburg	\$0.00
70	NS AJO Holdings Inc.	MP281564	MPR243964	Fitchburg	\$0.00
71	NS AJO Holdings Inc.	MC281884	MCR140471	Fitchburg	\$0.00
72	Ocean Breeze Cultivators LLC	MR283656	MRR206428	Gloucester	\$0.00
73	Paper Crane Provisions, LLC	MC283300	MCR140472	Hubbardston	\$0.00
74	Platinum HydroLab, Inc.	MC281510	MCR140480	Lowell	\$0.00
75	Rasta Rootz LLC	MR284000	MRR206368	Boston	\$0.00
76	SOLAR RETAIL NORTON LLC	MR283896	MRR206406	Norton	\$0.00
77	The Cannabis Station	MR284248	MRR206381	Boston	\$0.00
78	The Heirloom Collective, Inc.	MR284511	MRR206394	North Easton	\$0.00
79	The Old Bank, LLC	MR282467	MRR206384	Wellfleet	\$0.00
80	Tower Three, LLC	MC281652	MCR140450	Taunton	\$0.00
81	Town Meadow Farm	MC283497	MCR140427	Leicester	\$0.00
82	Turnbuckle Consulting Inc.	MR281951	MRR206364	Pittsfield	\$0.00
83	Union Leaf Inc.	MR282570	MRR206425	Somerville	\$0.00

2. All licensees have submitted renewal applications pursuant to 935 CMR 500.103(4) which include the licensee's disclosure of their progress or success towards their Positive Impact and Diversity Plans.
3. All licensees have submitted documentation of good standing from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, Department of Revenue, and Department of Unemployment Assistance, if applicable.
4. All licensees have paid the appropriate annual license fee.
5. The licensees, when applicable, have been inspected over the previous year. Commission staff certify that, to the best of our knowledge, no information has been found that would prevent renewal of the licenses mentioned above pursuant to 935 CMR 500.450.

RECOMMENDATION



Commission staff recommend review and decision on the above-mentioned licenses applying for renewal, and if approved, request that the approval be subject to the licensee remaining in compliance with the Commission regulations and applicable law.



**MEDICAL MARIJUANA TREATMENT CENTER RENEWALS
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
COMMISSION MEETING: APRIL 14, 2023**

RENEWAL OVERVIEW

1. Name, license number, location(s), for each Medical Marijuana Treatment Center presented for renewal:

	Licensee Name	License Number	Location (Cultivation)	Location (Dispensing)
84	Beacon Compassion Inc.	RMD3112	Attleboro	Boston
85	Curaleaf North Shore, Inc.	RMD765	Amesbury	Oxford
86	Green Gold Group, Inc.	RMD786	North Brookfield	Charlton
87	Green Meadows Farm, LLC	RMD1626	Southbridge	Southbridge
88	Greencare Collective, LLC	RMD1706	Millbury	Millbury
89	In Good Health, Inc.	RMD105	Brockton	Brockton
90	Liberty Compassion, Inc. d/b/a Affinity	RMD1465	Clinton	West Springfield
91	The Botanist, Inc.	RMD905	Sterling	Worcester
92	The Botanist, Inc.	RMD1225	Sterling	Shrewsbury
93	Theory Wellness, Inc.	RMD305	Bridgewater	Bridgewater

2. All licensees have submitted renewal applications pursuant to 935 CMR 501.103.
3. All licensees have paid the appropriate annual license fee.
4. The licensees, when applicable, have been inspected over the previous year. Commission staff certify that, to the best of our knowledge, no information has been found that would prevent renewal of the licenses mentioned above pursuant to 935 CMR 501.450.

RECOMMENDATION



Commission staff recommend review and decision on the above-mentioned licenses applying for renewal, and if approved, request that the approval be subject to the licensee remaining in compliance with the Commission regulations and applicable law.



Evan Erickson

RVR453132

RESPONSIBLE VENDOR TRAINING (“RVT”) TRAINER SUMMARY

1. Name, address, and contact information of the proposed RVT trainer:

Item	Information
RVT Applicant Name	Evan Erickson
RVT Applicant d/b/a Name	N/A
RVT Address	757 East 20th Avenue, Suite 370-439, Denver, CO 80205
RVT Business Phone Number	720-984-8569
RVT Business Email Address	admin@greencultured.co
RVT Business Website	https://greencultured.co/

2. The RVT trainer has submitted a renewal application to continue to provide a training program for the Basic Core Curriculum.
3. No owner, manager, or employee of the RVT trainer is a Person or Entity Having Direct or Indirect Control of a Marijuana Establishment or Medical Marijuana Treatment Center. The following is a list of all required individuals disclosed:

Individual	Role
Evan Erickson	Owner

GENERAL OVERVIEW OF TRAINING PROGRAM

4. The RVT trainer was originally certified through MassCIP on May 14, 2021. Since that time, or the time of its last renewal, the RVT trainer has provided instruction for 47 Marijuana Establishment and/or Medical Marijuana Treatment Center agents.
5. The RVT trainer’s program is presented in an in-person and virtual model.
6. The RVT trainer has continued to demonstrate the following:
 - a. To verify the identification and certify completion of the training program for each agent;
 - b. To track trainees' time needed to complete the course training;
 - c. To allow for the trainees to ask questions of the RVT; and



d. To evaluate each trainee's proficiency with course material.

RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommends the RVT trainer listed above be approved for renewal for a two-year certification to provide its training program with the following conditions:

1. The RVT trainer shall ensure all training materials reflect current Commission regulations.
2. The RVT trainer shall remain fully compliant with all applicable Commission regulations.

This recommendation is based on the review and evaluations of required materials and information submitted to the Commission.



Memorandum

To: Commissioners
Cc: Shawn Collins, Executive Director; Cedric Sinclair, Chief Communications Officer
From: Matt Giancola, Director of Government Affairs and Policy
Date: April 14, 2023
Subject: **April 2023 Government Affairs Update**

Massachusetts State House Update

Chair Shannon O'Brien and Executive Director Shawn Collins testified before the Joint Committee on Ways and Means to discuss the Commission's FY 2024 budget request.

Commissioner Kimberly Roy, Executive Director Shawn Collins, and Government Affairs and Policy staff met with House Minority Leader Bradley Jones, to discuss the Commission's FY 2024 budget request and share general updates on cannabis issues.

Executive Branch Update

Chair Shannon O'Brien, Executive Director Collins, and Government Affairs staff met with the Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development staff to discuss the Social Equity Loan Fund.

Municipal Update

Municipal Law Unit

The Attorney General's Municipal Law Unit (MLU) issued 0 marijuana-related decisions this month.



Cannabis Control Commission

Monthly Public Meeting

April 14 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

Via Microsoft Teams



Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Commissioners' Comments and Updates
3. Minutes for Approval
4. Executive Director's Report
5. Staff Recommendations on Changes of Ownership
6. Staff Recommendations on Provisional Licenses
7. Staff Recommendations on Final Licenses
8. Staff Recommendations on Renewals
9. Staff Recommendations on Responsible Vendor Training Renewals
10. Commission Discussion and Votes
11. New Business that the Chair did not Anticipate at the Time of Posting
12. Next Meeting Date and Adjournment



Executive Director's Report

Highlights from Licensing Data*

- 4 applications awaiting first review
- 13 applications for Commission consideration
- 16 applications awaiting supplemental review
- 95,659 certified active patients



Licensing Applications | April 14, 2023

The totals below are number of licenses approved by stage.

Type	#
Pre-Certified/Delivery Endorsed Microbusiness	194
Provisionally Approved	185
Provisional License	505
Final License	47
Commence Operations	523
Total	1454

➔ + 143

* Note: This represents the increase since April 2022

Provisionally approved means approved by the Commission but has not submitted license fee payment yet – provisional license has not started



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Of 1454 applications approved by the Commission, the following applications have Economic Empowerment Priority Review, Social Equity Program Participant, and/or Disadvantaged Business Enterprise status. Please note, applicants may hold one or more statuses. Please note that the end total represents the total number of applications/licenses at that step in the licensure process.

Type	Economic Empowerment	Social Equity Program	Disadvantaged Business Enterprise	Total
Pre-Certified/Delivery Endorsed Microbusiness	39	158	28	194
Provisionally Approved	13	29	43	185
Provisional License	32	71	101	505
Final License	0	3	5	47
Commence Operations	20	35	53	523
Total	104	296	230	1454

-0.7%

2.5%

0.7%

* Note: This represents the increase since April 2022



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The totals below are distinct license numbers that have submitted all required packets.

The 1,678 applications represent 921 separate entities

Type	#
MTC Priority	255
Economic Empowerment Priority	123
Expedited Review	622
General Applicant	683
Total	1,683

Type	#
Expedited: License Type	76
Expedited: Social Equity Participant	303
Expedited: Disadvantaged Business Enterprise	178
Expedited: Two or More Categories	65
Total	622



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Type	Pending Application	Pre-Certified Endorsement	Initial License Declined	Provisionally Approved	Provisional License	Final License	Commence Operation	Total
Craft Marijuana Cooperative	2	-	0	0	4	0	0	6
Marijuana Courier License	11	-	0	0	10	1	9	31
Marijuana Courier Pre-Certification	11	97	0	-	-	-	-	108
Independent Testing Laboratory	1	-	0	2	5	0	13	21
Marijuana Cultivator	57	-	2	65	174	21	106	425
Marijuana Delivery Operator License	9	-	0	2	18	0	7	36
Marijuana Delivery Operator Pre-Certification	13	95	-	-	-	-	-	108
Marijuana Microbusiness	5	-	0	8	15	2	9	39
Marijuana Product Manufacturer	35	-	1	58	131	14	89	328
Marijuana Research Facility	7	-	0	0	1	0	0	8
Marijuana Retailer	55	-	1	46	145	9	282	538
Marijuana Transporter with Other Existing ME License	4	-	0	3	2	0	3	12
Microbusiness Delivery Endorsement	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	5
Third Party Transporter	8	-	0	1	0	0	4	13
Standards Laboratory	0	-	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	220	194	4	185	505	47	523	1,678



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Type	Pending Application	Initial License Declined	Provisionally Approved	Provisional License	Final License	Commence Operation	Total
Microbusiness w/ Tier 1 Cultivation (up to 5,000 sq. Ft.)	0	0	5	5	1	9	20
Cultivation Tier 1 (Up to 5,000 sq. ft.)	17	0	10	34	2	19	82
Cultivation Tier 2 (5,001-10,000 sq. ft.)	11	0	7	49	8	25	100
Cultivation Tier 3 (10,001-20,000 sq. ft.)	6	2	12	41	3	18	82
Cultivation Tier 4 (20,001-30,000 sq. ft.)	0	0	6	12	2	10	30
Cultivation Tier 5 (30,001-40,000 sq. ft.)	4	0	9	6	3	8	30
Cultivation Tier 6 (40,001-50,000 sq. ft.)	3	0	3	8	1	6	21
Cultivation Tier 7 (50,001-60,000 sq. ft.)	2	0	1	4	0	4	11
Cultivation Tier 8 (60,001-70,000 sq. ft.)	1	0	0	1	0	2	4
Cultivation Tier 9 (70,001-80,000 sq. ft.)	3	0	1	3	1	2	10
Cultivation Tier 10 (80,001-90,000 sq. ft.)	1	0	1	1	0	6	9
Cultivation Tier 11 (90,001-100,000 sq. ft.)	9	0	15	15	1	6	46
Total	57	2	70	179	22	115	445
Total Maximum Canopy (Sq. Ft.)	2,045,000	N/A	2,805,000	4,645,000	565,000	3,350,000	

62%

12%

* Note: percentage is of "Total" commence operations licenses



MMJ Licensing and Registration Data | April 14, 2023

The numbers below are a snapshot of the program for the month of March.

MTC Licenses	#
Provisional	41
Final	2
Commence Operations	101
License Expired	45
Total	189

MMJ Program	#
Certified Patients	101,721 (-623)
Certified Active Patients	95,659 (-691)
Active Caregivers	7,463 (-57)
Registered Certifying Physicians	316 (+1)
Registered Certifying Nurse Practitioners	117 (NC)
Registered Physician Assistants	1
Ounces Sold	94,258



Commission Updates

- FY24 Budget – House Ways & Means
 - 1070-0840 – CNB Operations
 - FY24 Request: \$18,526,946
 - H1: \$16,312,004 (-\$2,214,942)
 - HWM: \$16,312,004 (-\$2,214,942)
 - 1070-0841 – Public Awareness Campaign
 - FY24 Request: \$1,500,000
 - H1: \$0 (-\$1,500,000)
 - HWM: \$0 (-\$1,500,000)
 - 1070-0842 – Medical Use of Marijuana Program
 - FY24 Request: \$3,684,738
 - H1: \$3,451,738 (-\$233,000)
 - HWM: \$3,451,738 (-\$233,000)



Commission Updates

- Inadvertent Records Release
- Regulations Working Group Updates – *Stakeholder Outreach*
 - HCAs
 - Social Consumption
 - Municipal Equity
- MDAR Webinar recordings now available online
- Medicinal Genomics Corporation Testing Kit Recall – Bulletin



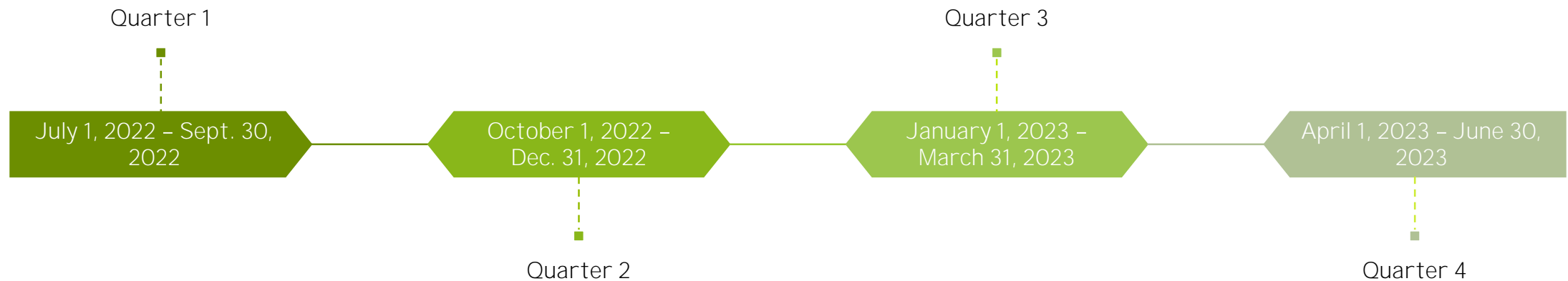
FY23 Quarterly Budget Update

April 14, 2023



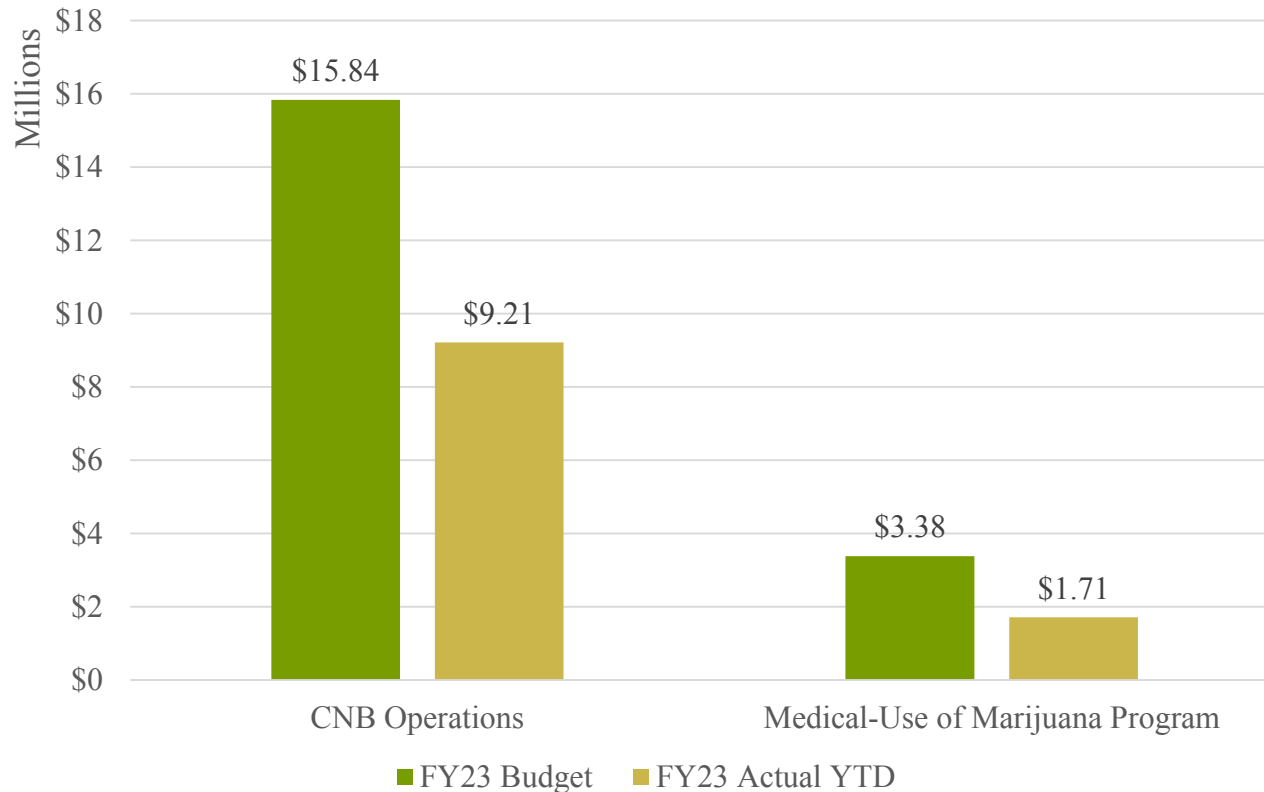
FY23 Update: Budget Execution through Quarter 3

- This is the second update this fiscal year on our budget performance.
- Our aim is to provide the Commission with insight on budget execution performance through each quarter.
- This update covers spending from July 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023.
- The next update will occur in July 2023.
- The final FY23 update will occur in September 2023, as we finalize closing the books on FY23.



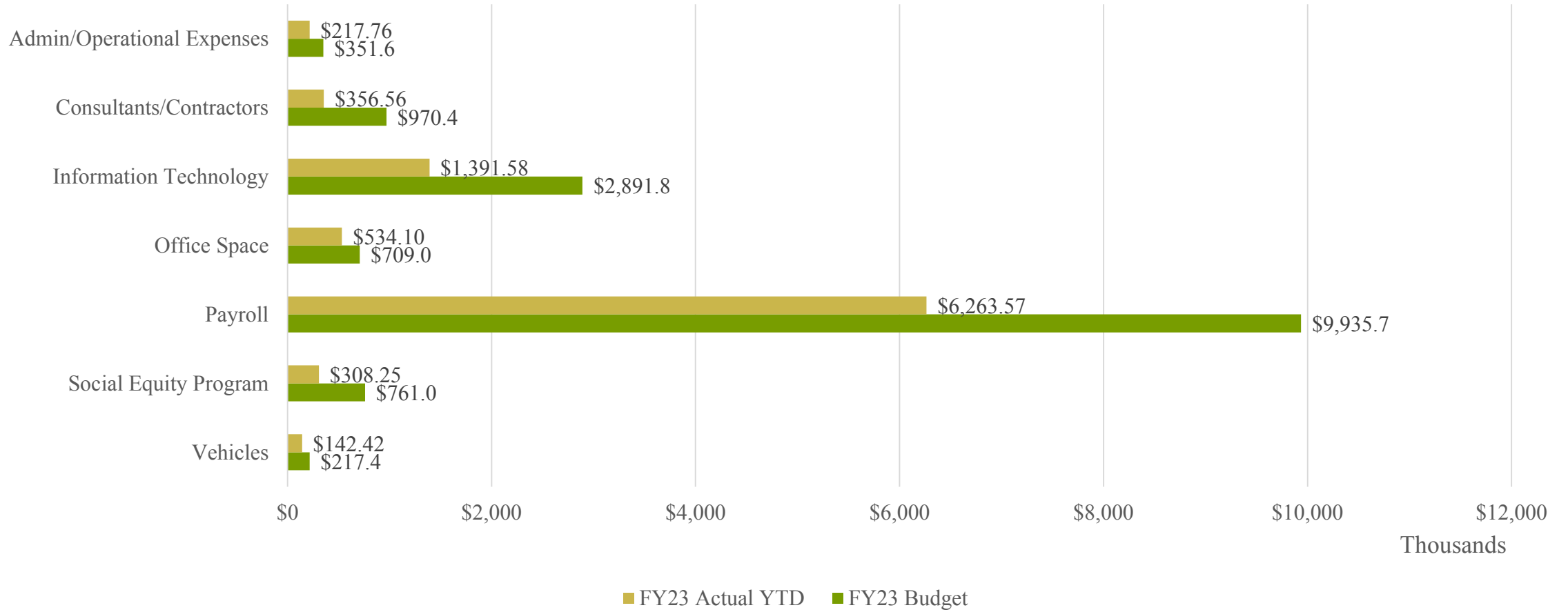
FY23 Year-to-date Spending

FY23 Budget vs. FY23 Actual Spending YTD
(July 1, 2022 - March 31, 2023)

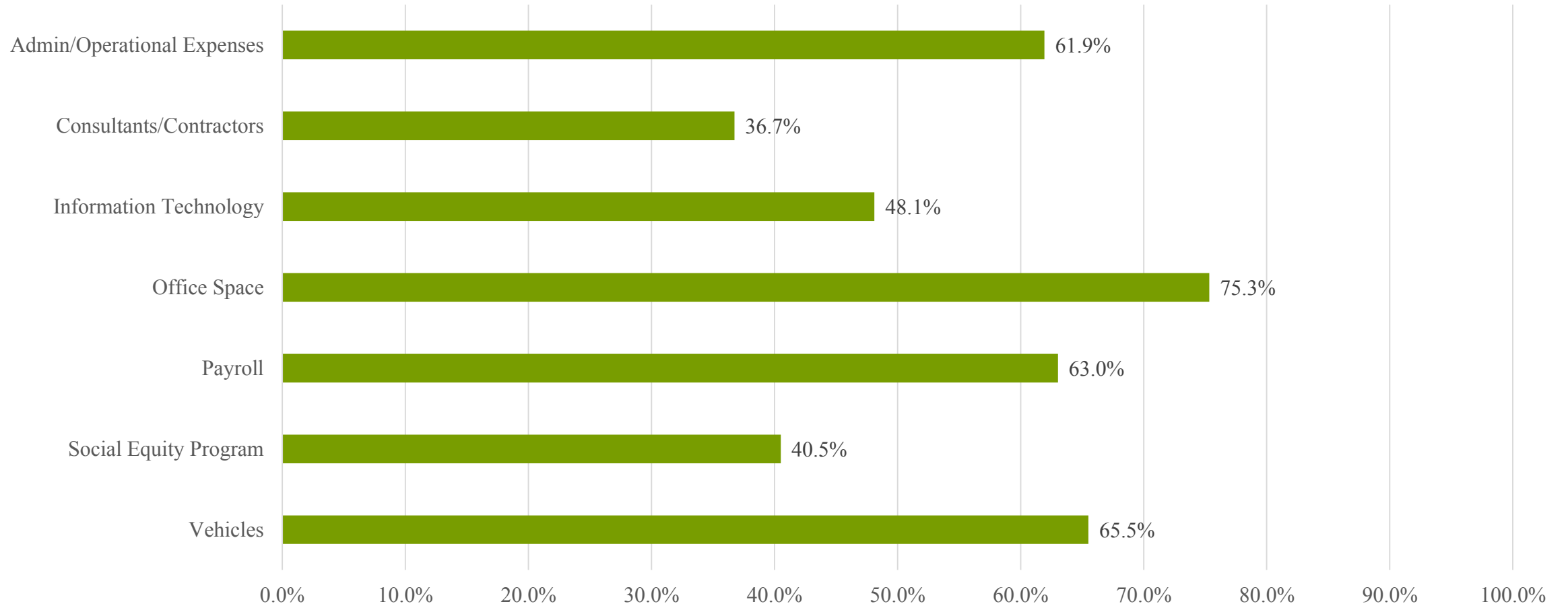


- The Commission’s total budget for FY23 is **\$19.22 million**.
- Through March 31, 2023, the Commission has spent **\$10.9 million** of this budget.
- This equates to **56.8%** of the total budget approved by the Governor and Legislature.
- These figures reflect both payroll and non-payroll spending through March 31, 2023.

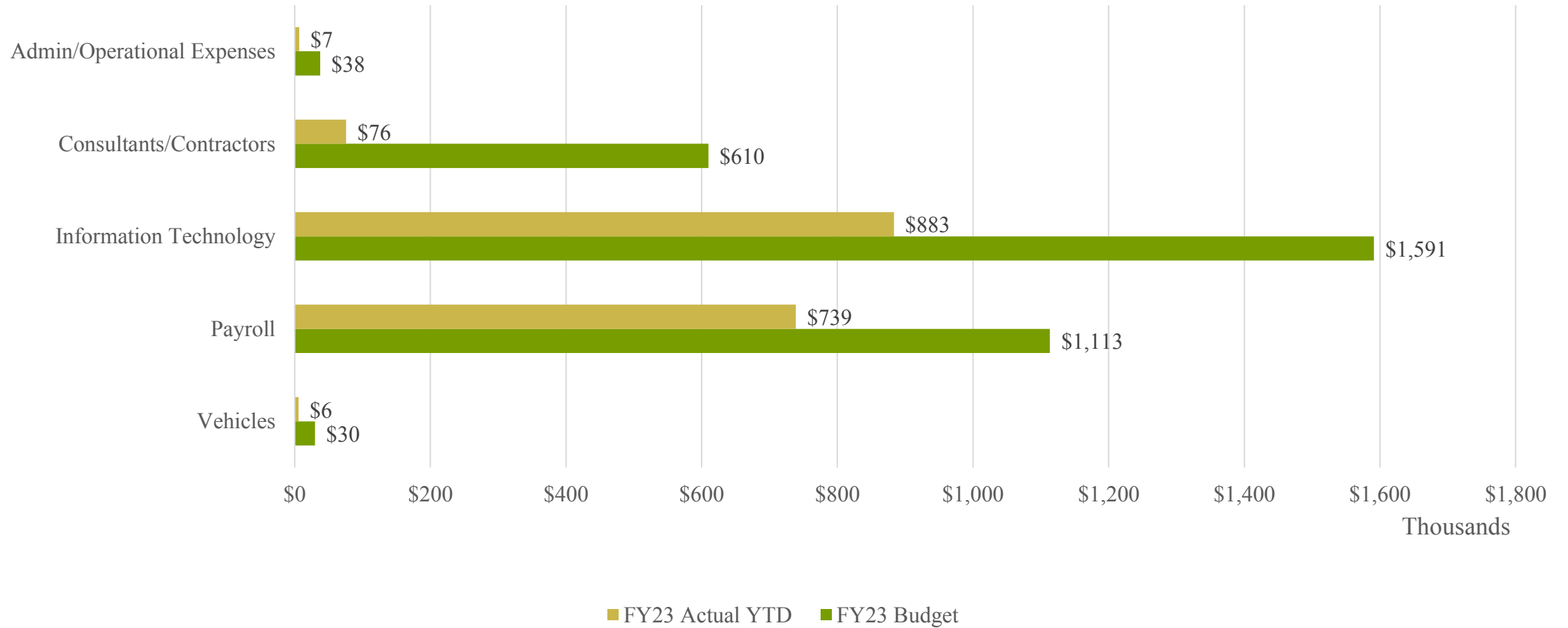
CNB Operations, FY23 Budget vs. FY23 Actual Spending YTD



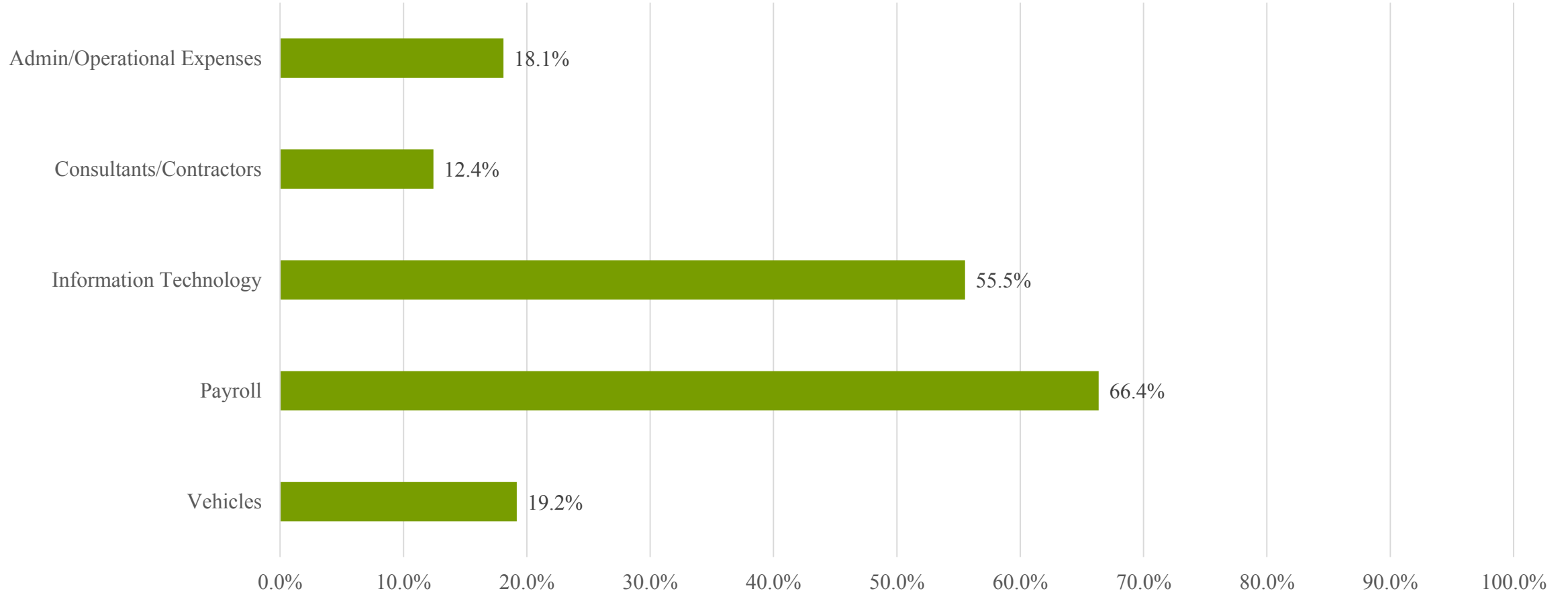
CNB Operations, Percentage of Budget Spent YTD by Category



Medical-Use of Marijuana Program, FY23 Budget vs. FY23 Actual Spending YTD

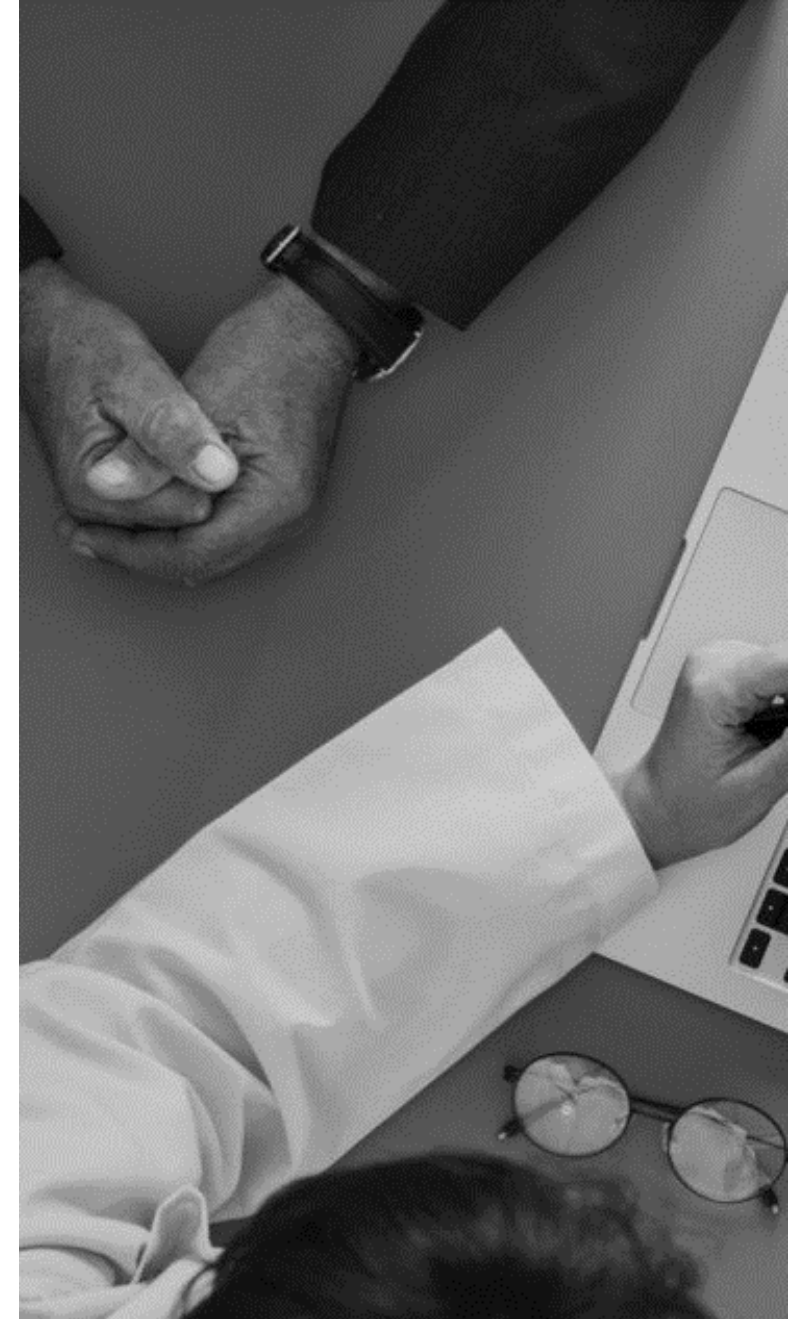


Medical-Use of Marijuana Program, Percentage of Budget Spent YTD by Category



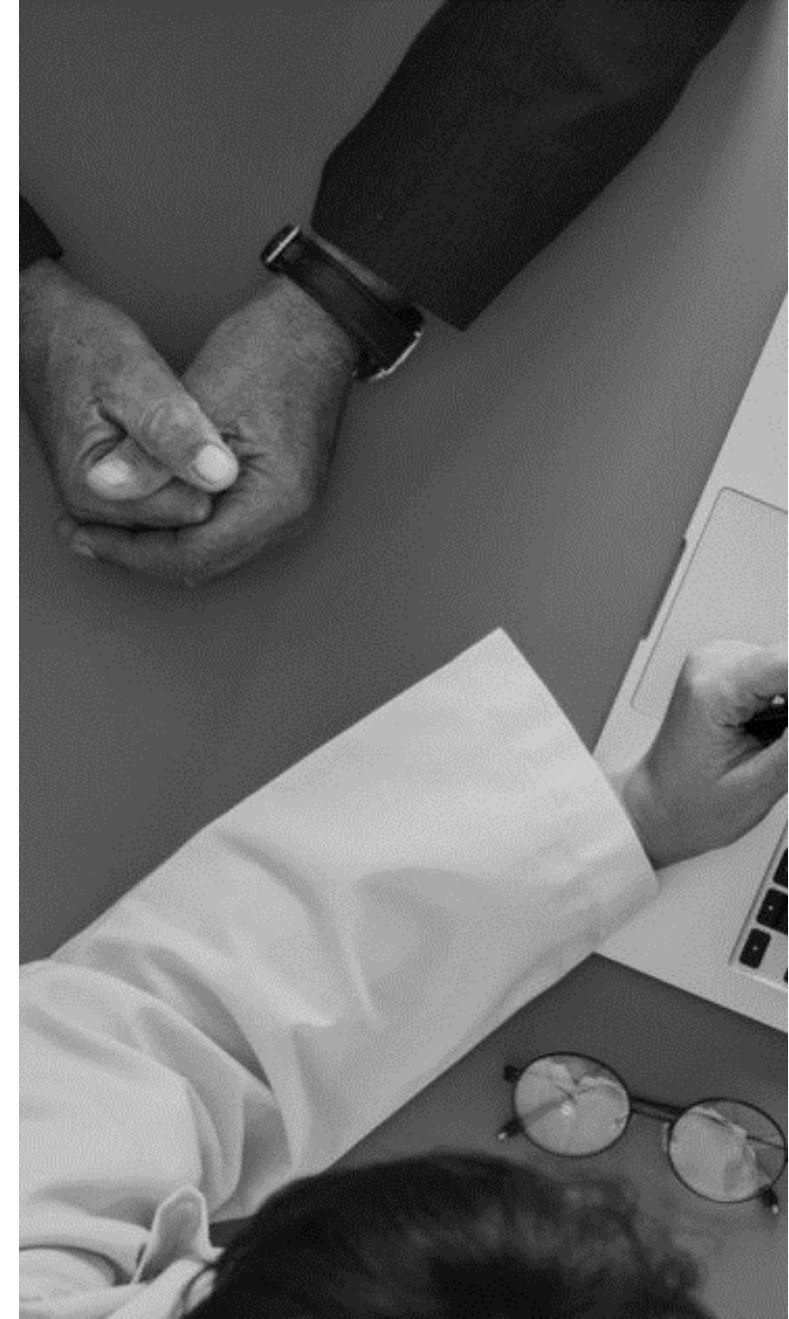
Hiring Update

- **Press Secretary**
- **Laboratory and Testing Analyst (2)**
 - *Onboarded*
- **Human Resources Generalist**
- **Research Analyst**
- **Project Coordinator (2)**
- **Enforcement Paralegal (2)**
 - *Final candidates' stage*



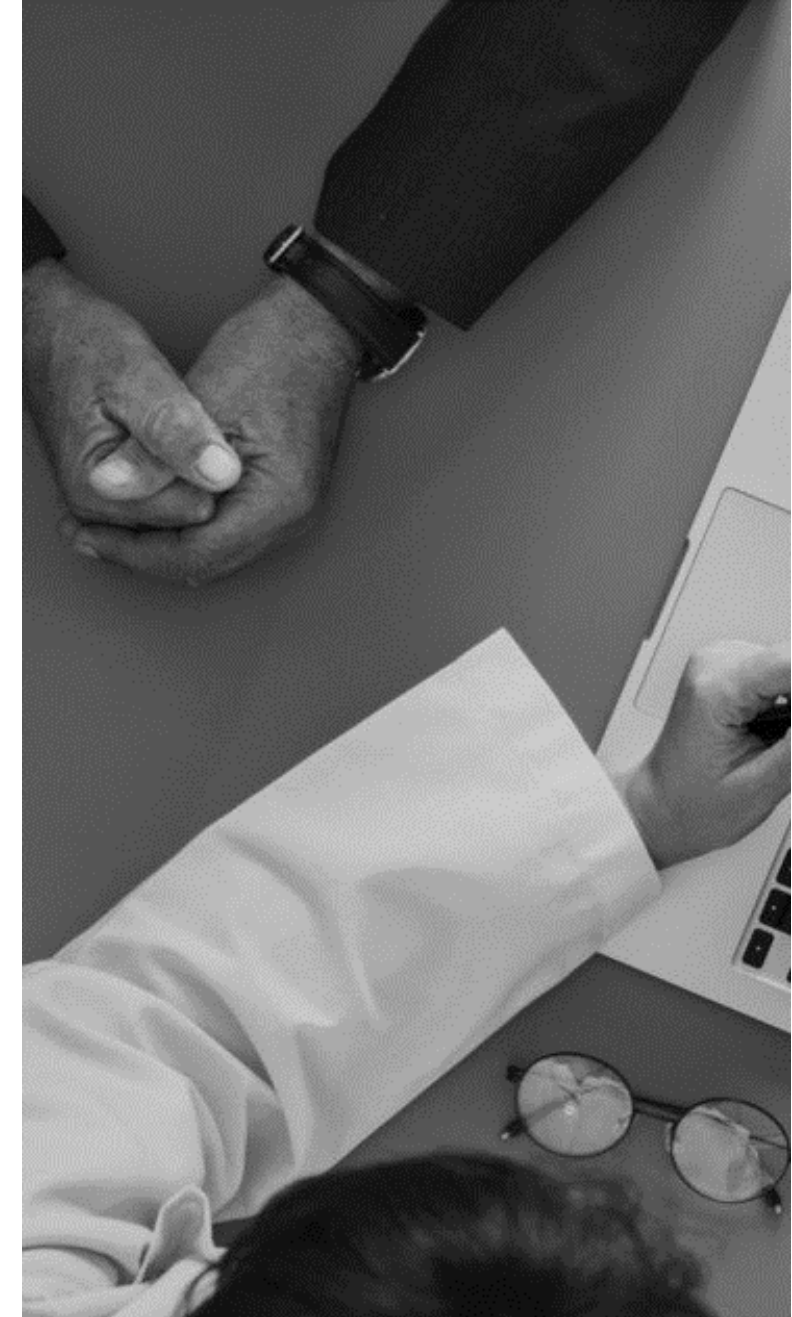
Hiring Update

- **Desktop Support Specialist**
- **Policy Analyst**
- **Associate Enforcement Counsel**
 - Screening / Interview stage



Hiring Update

- **Project Coordinator, Investigations & Enforcement**
 - **Director of IT Security**
 - **Deputy General Counsel**
 - **Developer / Power Platform Administrator**
 - **Investigator(s)**
 - **Constituent Services Associate**
 - **Receptionist**
 - **Licensing Analyst**
 - **Licensing Specialist**
 - **Legal Assistant**
 - **Chief People Officer**
- Open positions (all positions are posted until filled)





Staff Recommendations on Licensure

Staff Recommendations: Changes of Ownership

1. Artis, LLC d/b/a Little Dog Delivery
2. Havn Extracts, LLC
3. KG Collective, LLC
4. Local Roots NE Inc.



Staff Recommendations: Provisional Licenses

1. 684 Center St. JP, LLC d/b/a Prolific Cannabis (#MRN284764), Retail
2. Apple Guy Flowers, LLC (#MCN283790), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Outdoor
3. Blossom Flower, LLC (#MXN281418), Transporter with Other ME License
4. Dris Corporation (#MDA1321), Marijuana Delivery Operator
5. Kali Cannabis, LLC (#MRN284841), Retail
6. Lifted Genetics, Inc. (#MCN283745), Cultivation, Tier 1 / Indoor
7. Lowkey 2, LLC d/b/a Lowkey Dispensary (#MRN284730), Retail
8. Lowkey Cultivation, LLC d/b/a Lowkey Cultivation (#MCN283125), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor
9. Many Rivers, LLC (#MDA1299), Marijuana Delivery Operator
10. National Cannabis Research, Inc. (#REN281346), Marijuana Research Facility
11. Neamat, LLC (#MCN283685), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor
12. Sugarloaf Maynard, LLC (#MRN284213), Retail
13. Theory Wellness, Inc. (#MRN284150), Retail
14. Berkshire Roots, Inc. (#RMDA3480), Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center



Staff Recommendations: Final Licenses

1. BeWell Organic Medicine, Inc. (#MR284729), Retail
2. Calverde Naturals, LLC (#MR283258), Retail
3. East Boston Bloom, LLC d/b/a Boutiq (#MR283011), Retail
4. GreenCare Collective, LLC d/b/a Plant (#MR284476), Retail
5. In Good Health (#MR284655), Retail
6. New England Regional Dispensary (#MR284607), Retail
7. Noble Manna, Inc. d/b/a Joint Operations (#MR282984), Retail
8. Pure Industries, Inc. d/b/a Smyth Cannabis Co. (#MP281746), Product Manufacturing
9. Pure Oasis, LLC (#MR284576), Retail
10. Revolutionary Clinics II, Inc. (#MR282412), Retail
11. Silver Therapeutics of Palmer, Inc. (#MR284328), Retail
12. Witch City Gardens, LLC d/b/a Starbird (#MR281663), Retail



Staff Recommendations: Renewals

1. 140 Industrial Road, LLC (#MPR243958)
2. 1Connection LLC (#MCR140470)
3. 1Connection LLC (#MRR206409)
4. 1Connection LLC (#MPR243963)
5. 7LEAF GARDENS LLC (#MCR140444)
6. 7LEAF GARDENS LLC (#MPR243943)
7. Alchemy League (#DOR5182955)
8. Alchemy League, Inc (#MDR272547)
9. AmeriCann Brands, Inc. (#MCR140457)
10. Beacon Compassion, Inc. (#MPR243941)
11. Beacon Compassion, Inc. (#MCR140439)
12. Beacon Compassion, Inc. (#MRR206362)
13. Beacon Compassion, Inc. (#MRR206374)
14. Bodelle's Edibles, LLC (#MBR169305)
15. Bud's Goods & Provisions Corp. (#MRR206407)
16. Bud's Goods & Provisions Corp. (#MRR206395)
17. BWell Holdings, Inc (#MPR243946)
18. BWell Holdings, Inc (#MRR206363)
19. C3 Brands LLC (#MCR140449)
20. C3 Brands LLC (#MPR243947)
21. Cadella LLC (#MRR206422)
22. Canna 11 Holyoke, LLC (#MCR140460)
23. Canna Provisions Inc (#MCR140441)
24. Cape Cod Grow Lab, LLC (#MPR243959)
25. Cape Cod Grow Lab, LLC (#MCR140454)
26. CNA Stores, Inc. (#MRR206390)
27. CNA Stores, Inc. (#MRR206389)
28. Core Empowerment LLC (#MRR206370)
29. CTDW LLC (#MRR206375)
30. Cypress Tree Management, Inc. (#MRR206396)



Staff Recommendations: Renewals

31. Debilitating Medical Condition Treatment Centers
(#MCR140438)

32. Delivered Inc (#MDR272550)

33. Dr. Greenthumb Greenfield LLC (#MRR206367)

34. Eagle Eyes Transport Solutions, LLC (#MTR263108)

35. EOS-Bittersweet LLC (#MCR140434)

36. FCC Holdings LLC (#MBR169306)

37. Fernway LLC (#MPR243956)

38. Galil Greenery LLC (#MRR206401)

39. Grass Appeal LLC (#MPR243945)

40. Green Gold Group, INC (#MRR206415)

41. Green Gold Group, INC (#MPR243966)

42. Green Meadows Farm, LLC (#MRR206418)

43. Green Patriot LLC (#MCR140459)

44. Green World LLC (#MRR206380)

45. H&H Cultivation LLC (#MPR243937)

46. Healing Calyx LLC (#DOR5182951)

47. HIGHMINDED LLC (#MRR206347)

48. HIGHMINDED LLC (#MPR243932)

49. Holistic Industries, Inc. (#MPR243939)

50. Holistic Industries, Inc. (#MCR140435)

51. Holyoke Wilds, LLC (#MCR140477)

52. Holyoke Wilds, LLC (#MPR243970)

53. Hudson Botanical Processing, LLC (#MPR243951)

54. Humboldt Masters LLC (#MPR243968)

55. HumboldtEast LLC (#MCR140475)

56. Hyecorp LLC (#MRR206379)

57. In Good Health Inc. (#MRR206399)

58. Kapnos, Inc. (#MCR140484)

59. Legal Greens, LLC (#MCR140462)



Staff Recommendations: Renewals

60. Mantis Management Group (#MPR243950)
61. Mantis Management Group, LLC (#MCR140469)
62. Mayflower Medicinals, Inc. (#MPR243961)
63. Mayflower Medicinals, Inc. (#MCR140458)
64. Mayflower Medicinals, Inc. (#MRR206420)
65. Metro Harvest, Inc. (#MRR206387)
66. Morning Dew, LLC (#MBR169303)
67. Native Sun Wellness INC (#MRR206385)
68. Nova Farms, LLC (#MCR140452)
69. NS AJO Holdings Inc. (#MRR206400)
70. NS AJO Holdings Inc. (#MPR243964)
71. NS AJO Holdings Inc. (#MCR140471)
72. Ocean Breeze Cultivators LLC (#MRR206428)
73. Paper Crane Provisions, LLC (#MCR140472)
74. Platinum HydroLab, Inc. (#MCR140480)
75. Rasta Rootz LLC (#MRR206368)
76. SOLAR RETAIL NORTON LLC (#MRR206406)
77. The Cannabis Station (#MRR206381)
78. The Heirloom Collective, Inc. (#MRR206394)
79. The Old Bank, LLC (#MRR206384)
80. Tower Three, LLC (#MCR140450)
81. Town Meadow Farm (#MCR140427)
82. Turnbuckle Consulting Inc. (#MRR206364)
83. Union Leaf Inc. (#MRR206425)
84. Beacon Compassion Inc. (#RMD3112)
85. Curaleaf North Shore, Inc. (#RMD765)
86. Green Gold Group, Inc. (#RMD786)
87. Green Meadows Farm, LLC (#RMD1626)
88. Greencare Collective, LLC (#RMD1706)
89. In Good Health, Inc. (#RMD105)



Staff Recommendations: Renewals

90. Liberty Compassion, Inc. d/b/a Affinity (#RMD1465)

91. The Botanist, Inc. (#RMD905)

92. The Botanist, Inc. (#RMD1225)

93. Theory Wellness, Inc. (#RMD305)



Staff Recommendations on Responsible Vendor Training Renewals

1. Evan Erickson (#RVR453132), RVT Trainer





**The Commission is in recess
until**



The Commission is
in Executive Session



Commission Discussion & Votes



Upcoming Meetings & Adjournment

Upcoming Meetings and Important Dates

Public Meeting dates are tentative and subject to change

Next Meeting Date

May 11, 2023
Monthly Public Meeting
Remote via Teams
10:00am

2023 Public Meetings*	
June 8	October 12
July 13	November 9
August 10	December 14
September 14	





Additional Licensing Data

Licensing Applications | April 14, 2023

The totals below are all license applications received to date.

Type	#
Pending	220
Withdrawn	1,268
Incomplete	7,734
Denied	4
Approved: Delivery Pre-certifications	192
Approved: Delivery Endorsements	3
Approved: Licenses	1,259
Total	10,680



Licensing Applications | April 14, 2023

The totals below are number of licenses approved by category.

Type	#
Craft Marijuana Cooperative	4
Marijuana Courier	21
Marijuana Delivery Operator	29
Independent Testing Laboratory	20
Marijuana Cultivator	366
Marijuana Microbusiness	34
Marijuana Product Manufacturer	291
Marijuana Research Facility	1
Marijuana Retailer	480
Marijuana Third Party Transporter	5
Marijuana Transporter with Other Existing ME License	8
Total	1,259



Licensing Applications | April 14, 2023

Status	#
Application Submitted: Awaiting Review	4
Application Reviewed: More Information Requested	171
Application Deemed Complete: Awaiting 3rd Party Responses	32
All Information Received: Awaiting Commission Consideration	13
Applications Considered by Commission (includes Delivery Pre-Cert)	1,458
Total	1,678



*Additional data available at the end of slide presentation

Licensing Applications | April 14, 2023

The totals below are applications that have submitted all four packets and are pending review.

Type	#
Craft Marijuana Cooperative	2
Delivery-Only Provisional Licensure (Part 2)	11
Delivery-Only Pre-Certification (Part 1)	11
Independent Testing Laboratory	1
Marijuana Cultivator	57
Marijuana Delivery Operator Provisional License (Part 2)	9
Marijuana Delivery Operator Pre-Certification (Part 1)	13
Marijuana Microbusiness	5
Marijuana Product Manufacturer	35
Marijuana Research Facility	7
Marijuana Retailer	55
Marijuana Transporter with Other Existing ME License	4
Microbusiness Delivery Endorsement	2
Third Party Transporter	8
Total	220



Licensing Applications | April 14, 2023

Type	Pending Application	Pre-Certified Endorsement	Initial License Declined	Provisionally Approved	Provisional License	Final License	Commence Operation	Total
Marijuana Cultivator (Indoor)	44	-	1	64	164	18	94	385
Marijuana Cultivator (Outdoor)	13	-	1	6	15	4	21	60
Total	57	-	2	70	179	22	115	445

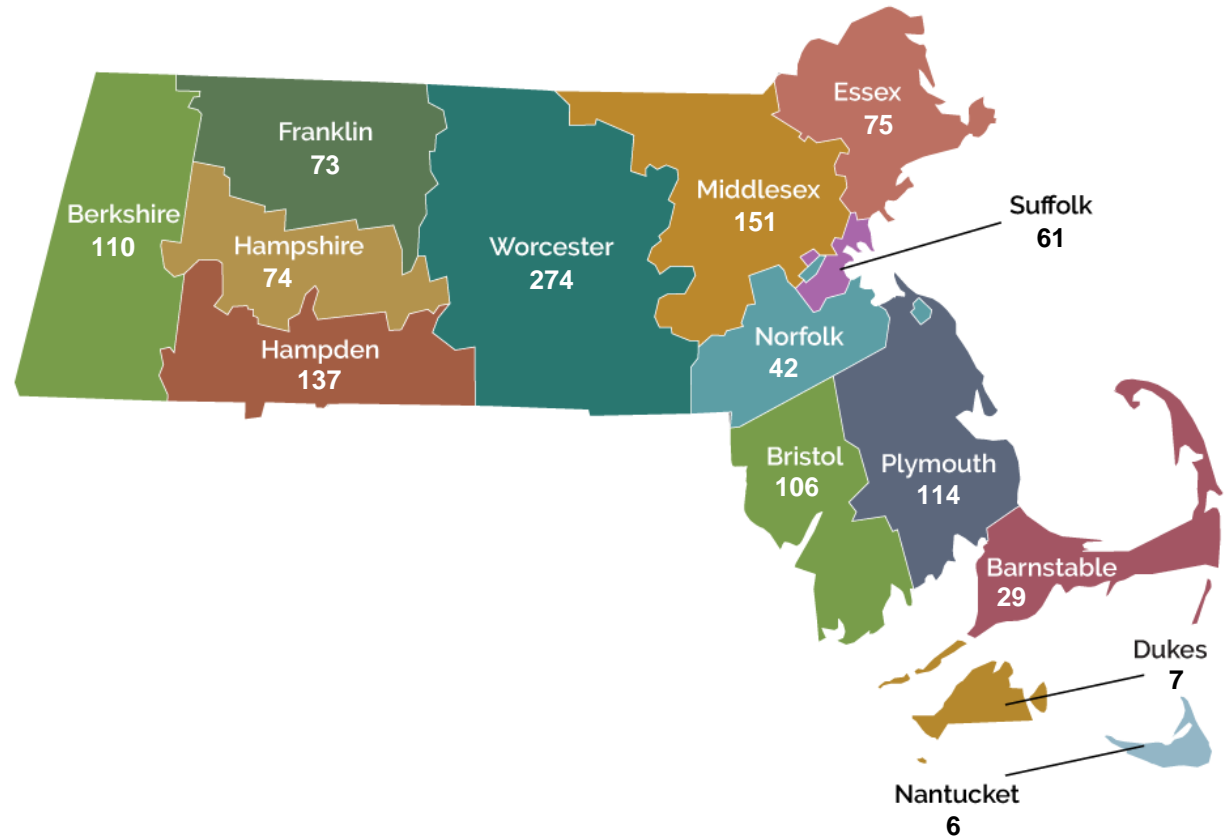


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Marijuana Establishment Licenses | April 14, 2023

The totals below are the total number of licenses by county.

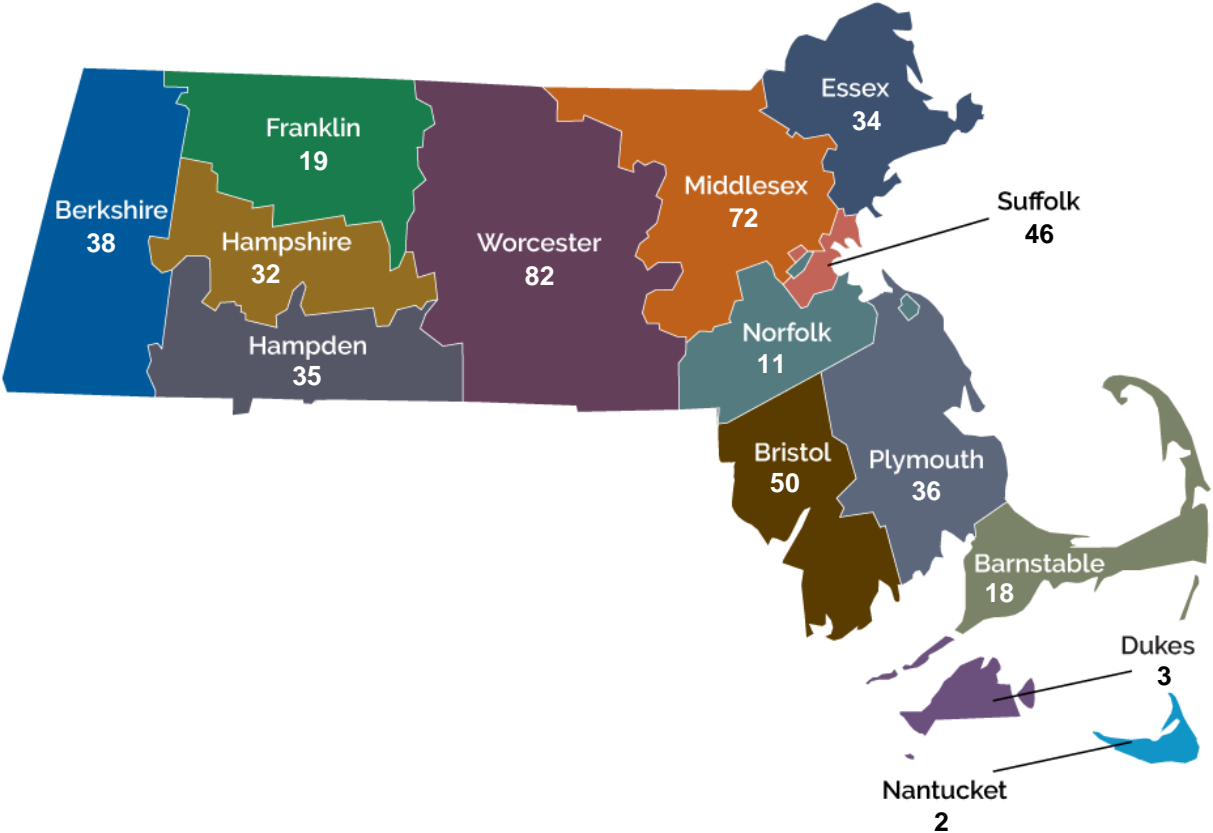
County	#	+
Barnstable	29	1
Berkshire	110	4
Bristol	106	2
Dukes	7	0
Essex	75	0
Franklin	73	0
Hampden	137	2
Hampshire	74	2
Middlesex	151	1
Nantucket	6	0
Norfolk	42	0
Plymouth	114	0
Suffolk	61	1
Worcester	274	1
Total	1,259	14



Marijuana Retailer Licenses | April 14, 2023

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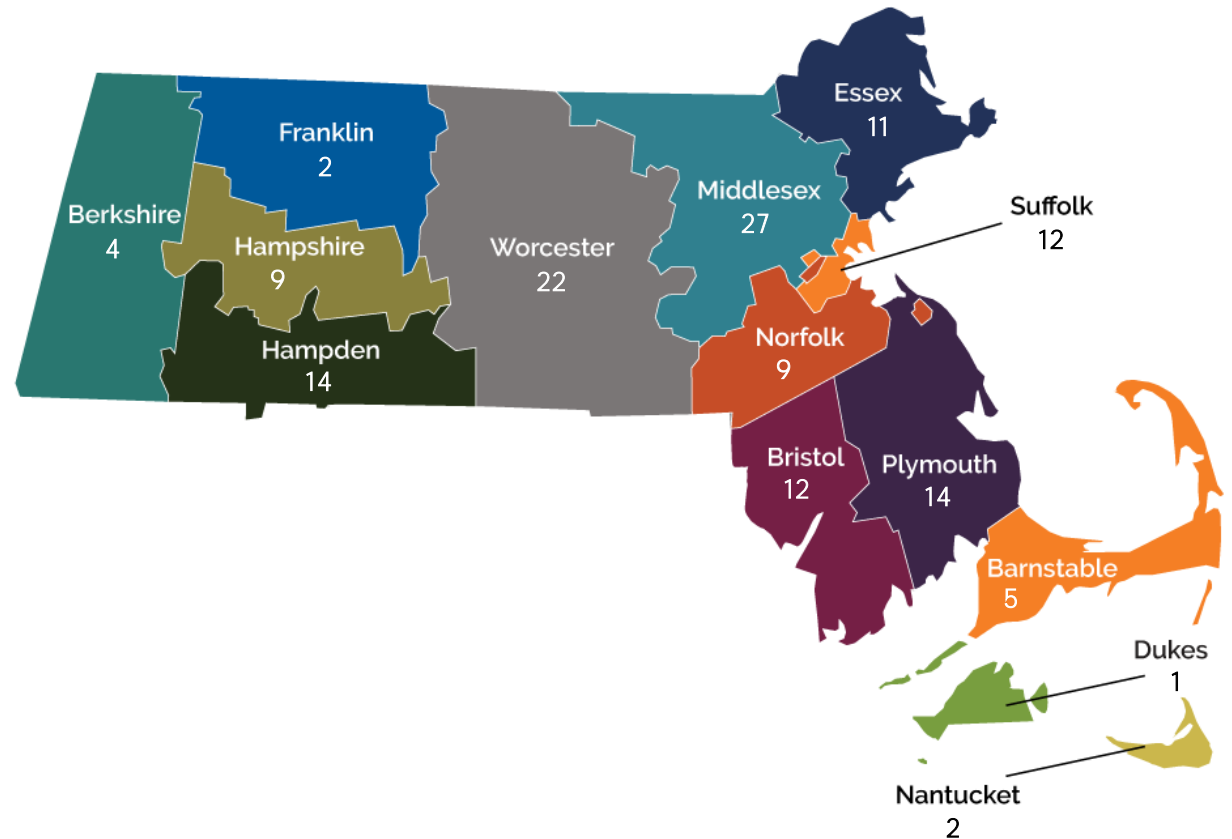
County	#	+/-
Barnstable	18	0
Berkshire	38	1
Bristol	50	0
Dukes	3	0
Essex	34	0
Franklin	19	0
Hampden	35	1
Hampshire	32	0
Middlesex	72	0
Nantucket	2	0
Norfolk	11	0
Plymouth	36	0
Suffolk	46	1
Worcester	83	0
Total	479	3



Medical Marijuana Treatment Center Licenses (Dispensing) April 14, 2023

The totals below are the total number of MTC (Dispensing) licenses by county.

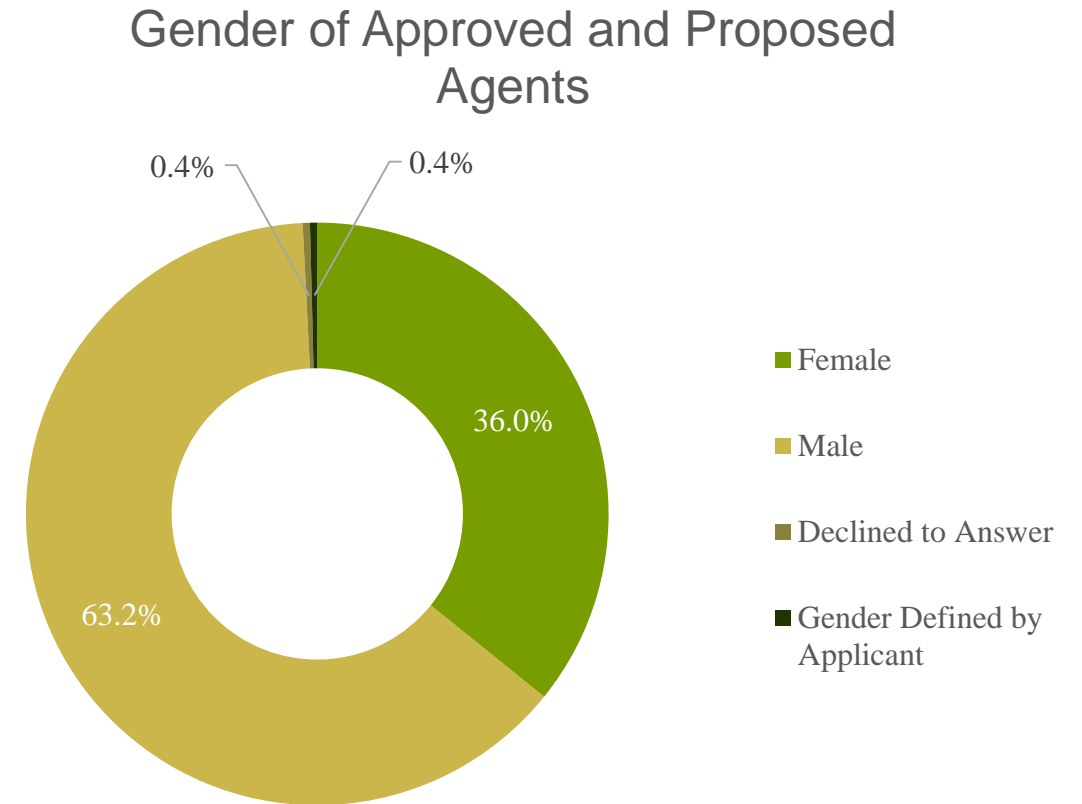
County	#
Barnstable	5
Berkshire	4
Bristol	12
Dukes	1
Essex	11
Franklin	2
Hampden	14
Hampshire	9
Middlesex	27
Nantucket	2
Norfolk	9
Plymouth	14
Suffolk	12
Worcester	22
Total	144



Agent Applications | April 14, 2023

Demographics of Approved and Pending Marijuana Establishment Agents

Gender	#	%
Female	7,952	36.0%
Male	13,961	63.2%
Declined to Answer	89	0.4%
Gender Defined by Applicant	93	0.4%
Total	22,095	100%

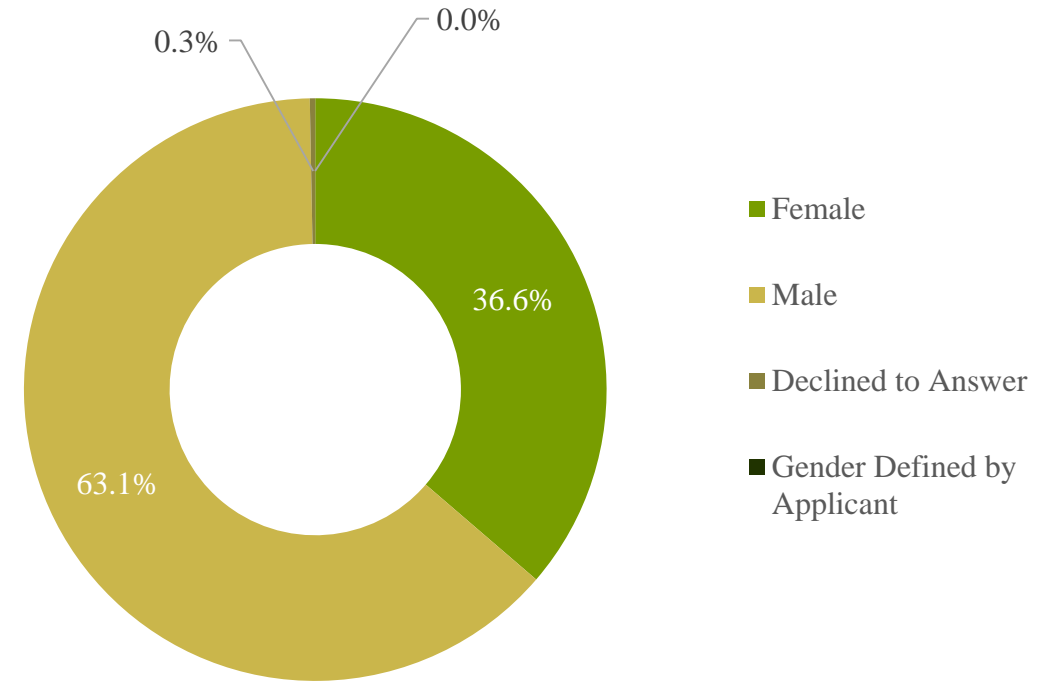


Agent Applications | April 14, 2023

Demographics of Approved and Pending Medical Marijuana Treatment Center Agents

Gender	#	%
Female	3,113	36.6%
Male	5,368	63.1%
Declined to Answer	28	0.3%
Gender Defined by Applicant	0	0.0%
Total	8,509	100%

Gender of Approved and Proposed MTC Agents

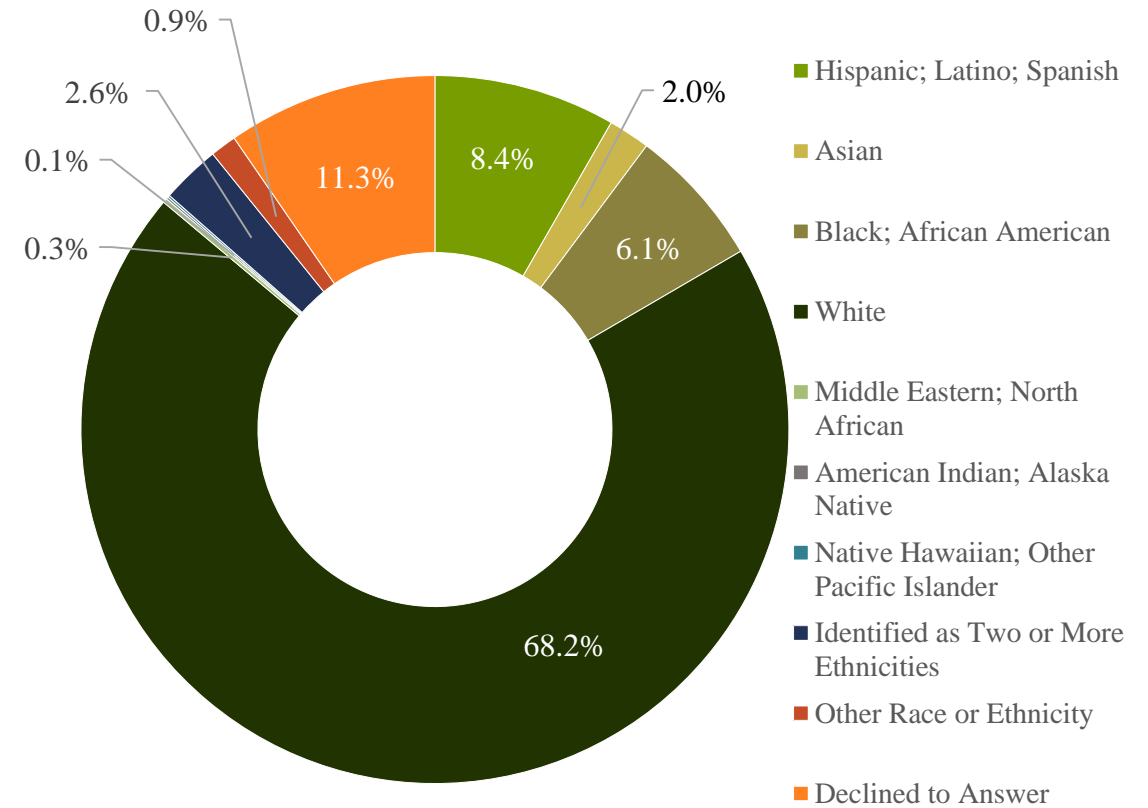


Agent Applications | April 14, 2023

Demographics of Approved and Pending ME Agents

Race/Ethnicity	#	%
Hispanic; Latino; Spanish	1,865	8.4%
Asian	432	2.0%
Black; African American	1,347	6.1%
White	15,078	68.2%
Middle Eastern; North African	59	0.3%
American Indian; Alaska Native	33	0.1%
Native Hawaiian; Other Pacific Islander	24	0.1%
Identified as Two or More Ethnicities	565	2.6%
Other Race or Ethnicity	206	0.9%
Declined to Answer	2,486	11.3%
Total	22,095	100%

Race/Ethnicity of Approved and Proposed ME Agents

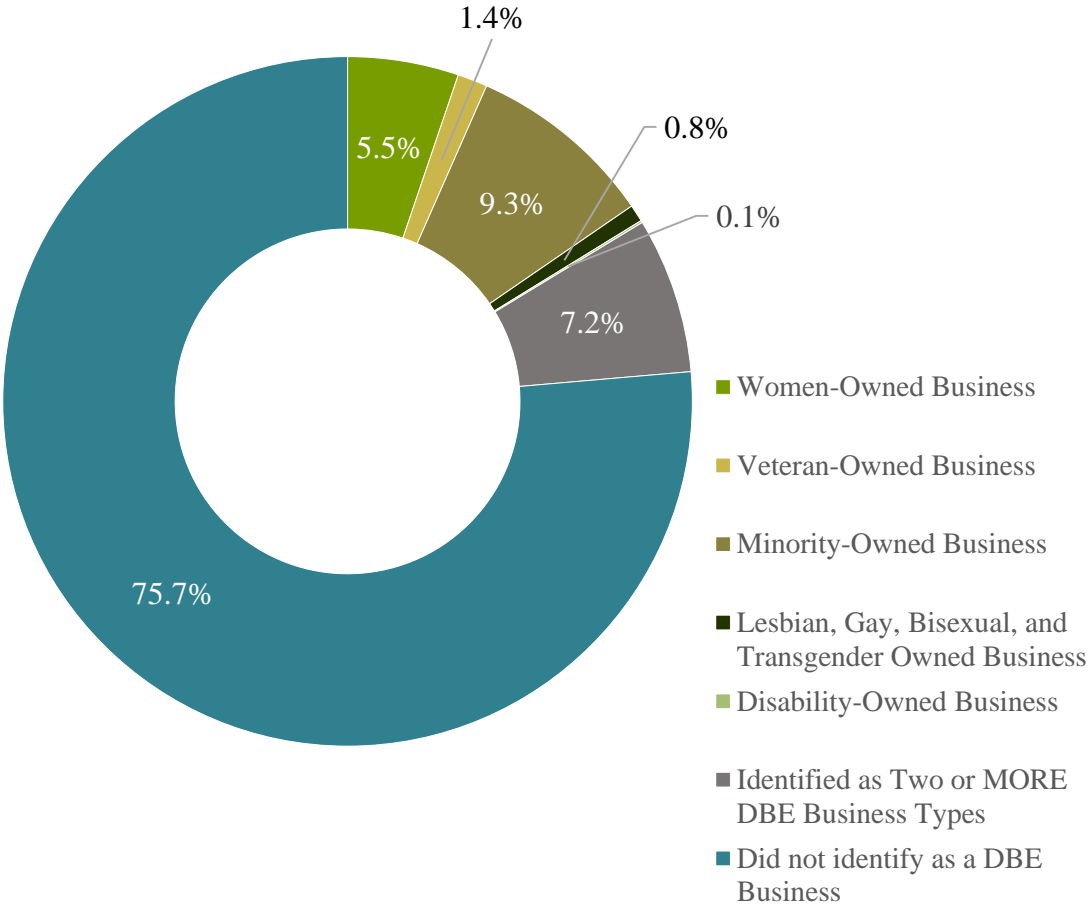


Licensing Applications | April 14, 2023

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Statistics for Approved Licensees

Type	#	% of Group
Women-Owned Business	80	5.5%
Veteran-Owned Business	21	1.4%
Minority-Owned Business	135	9.3%
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Owned Business	11	0.8%
Disability-Owned Business	2	0.1%
Identified as Two or MORE DBE Business Types	104	7.2%
Did not identify as a DBE Business	1,101	75.7%
Total	1,454	100%

DBE Statistics Approved Licensees

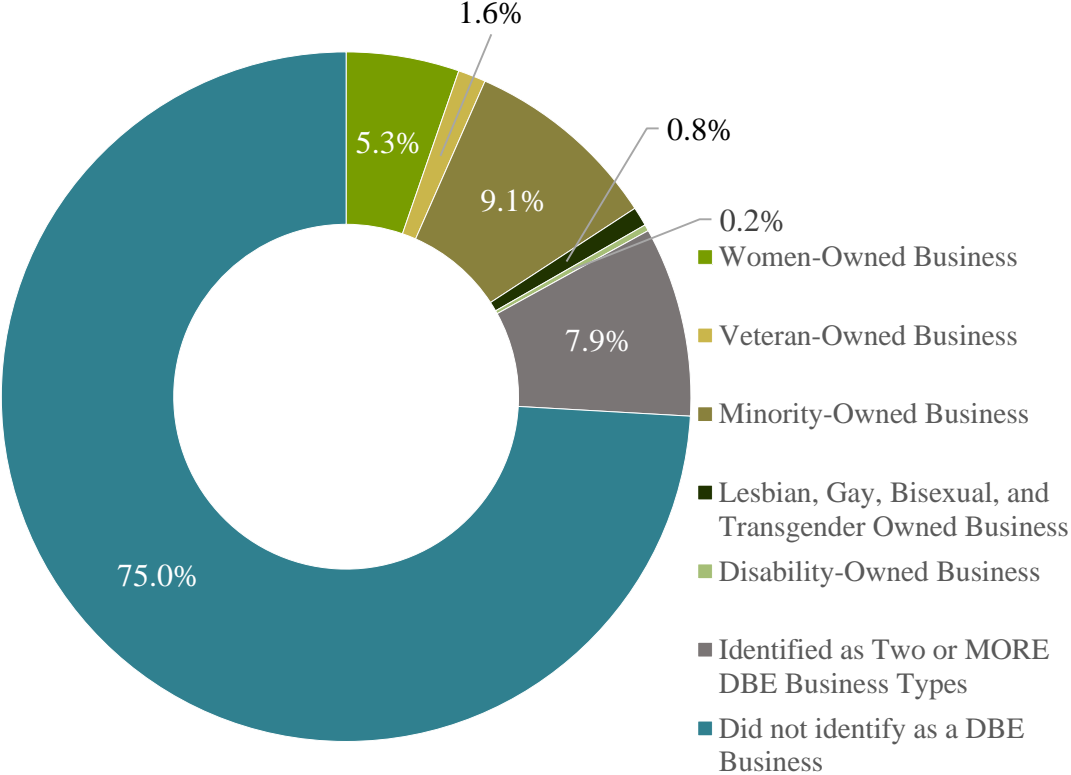


Licensing Applications | April 14, 2023

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Statistics for Pending and Approved License Applications

Type	#	% of Group
Women-Owned Business	89	5.3%
Veteran-Owned Business	26	1.6%
Minority-Owned Business	153	9.1%
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Owned Business	14	0.8%
Disability-Owned Business	4	0.2%
Identified as Two or MORE DBE Business Types	133	7.9%
Did not identify as a DBE Business	1,255	75.0%
Total	1,674	100%

DBE Statistics for Pending & Approved License Applications



Adult Use Agent Applications | April 14, 2023

56,272 Total Agent Applications:

- 209 Total Pending
 - 199 Pending Establishment Agents
 - 10 Pending Laboratory Agents
- 2,858 Withdrawn
- 2,356 Incomplete
- 3,496 Expired
- 27,460 Surrendered
- 6 Denied / 1 Revoked
- **21,886 Active**

Of the 209 Total Pending:

- 20 not yet reviewed
- 185 CCC requested more information
- 4 awaiting third party response
- 0 review complete; awaiting approval



Medical Use Agent Application | April 14, 2023

The total number of MTC agent applications received by status.

MTC Agent Application	#
Pending MTC Agent Applications	29
Pending Laboratory Agent Applications	0
Incomplete	49
Revoked	13
Denied	31
Surrendered	14,668
Expired	2,413
Active	8,480
Total	25,683

