

CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

July 9, 2020
10:00AM

Remote Participation via [Microsoft Teams Live*](#)
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

Documents:

- Meeting minutes for the April 9, 2020 public meeting.
- Meeting minutes for the June 4, 2020 public meeting.
- Job Description for Constituent Services Associate
- Enforcement Materials for the following matters:
 - Garden Remedies, Inc.
 - The Botanist, Inc.
 - Healthy Pharms, Inc.
- Application materials for the following applications:
 - Garden Remedies, Inc.
 - Krypies, LLC
 - Pharmacannis Massachusetts, Inc.
 - NS AJO Holdings, Inc.
 - Liberty Market, LLC
 - Mission MA, Inc. (#MRR205582)
 - Sira Naturals, Inc. (#MCR139882)
 - Sira Naturals, Inc. (#MPR243523)
 - Sira Naturals, Inc. (#MXR126656)
 - Mass Yield Cultivation LLC. (#MCR139879)
 - Krypies LLC (#MRR205586)
 - Caregiver-Patient Connection LLC (#MRR205589)
 - Massgrow, LLC (#MPR243518)
 - Massgrow, LLC (#MCR139875)
 - Bud's Goods & Provisions, Corp. (#MCR139883)
 - Bud's Goods & Provisions, Corp. (#MPR243526)
 - BeWell Organic Medicine, Inc. (#RMD1245)
 - Garden Remedies, Inc. (#RMD1005)
 - Bountiful Farms, Inc. (#RMD1485)



- Heka, Inc. Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center
- Heka, Inc. (#RMD1385)
- Mayflower Botanicals, Inc., Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center
- Northeast Alternatives, Inc. (#RMD745)
- NS AJO Holdings, Inc., Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center (Fitchburg – Fitchburg)
- NS AJO Holdings, Inc., Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center (Fitchburg – Watertown)
- Sira Naturals, Inc., Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center
- Solurge, Inc., Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center
- Revolutionary Clinics II, Inc. (#RMD1346)
- Revolutionary Clinics II, Inc. (#RMD925)
- Wellness Connection of MA, Inc., Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center
- Agricultural Healing, Inc., Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center
- Commcan, Inc. (#RMD565)
- Ipswich Pharmaceutical Associates, Inc. (#RMD1306)
- Cannatech Medicinals, Inc. (#RMD1105)
- INSA, Inc. (#RMD365)
- INSA, Inc. (#RMD845)
- Sanctuary Medicinals, Inc. (#RMD1127)
- Cannavanna, Inc. f/k/a Fidelity Wellness Center (#MR282801), Retail
- Four Daughters Compassionate Care d/b/a Zen Leaf Sharon (#MR281552), Retail
- Four Daughters Compassionate Care d/b/a Zen Leaf Plymouth (#MR282232), Retail
- Garden Remedies, Inc. (#MR282471), Retail
- Pharmacannis Massachusetts, Inc. d/b/a Verilife (#MR282298), Retail
- Patient Centric of Martha’s Vineyard, LTD, Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center
- 202 Trading Company, LLC (#MRN281735), Retail
- 6 Bricks, LLC (#MRN283098), Retail
- Alexsofia, LLC (#MRN282926), Retail
- BKPN, LLC (#MRN282853), Retail
- Buudda Brothers 90 Sargeant Street, LLC (#MCN282254), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Indoor
- Buudda Brothers 90 Sargeant Street, LLC (#MPN281870), Product Manufacturer
- Calyx Peak of MA, Inc. (#MCN281927), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Indoor



- Calyx Peak of MA, Inc. (#MPN281574), Product Manufacturer
- Canna Provisions, Inc. (#MCN282476), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Indoor
- Coastal Cultivars, LLC (#MCN282052), Cultivation, Tier 11 / Outdoor
- Comm Ave Canna, Inc. (#MRN282314), Retail
- Coyote Cannabis Corporation (#MCN282498), Cultivation, Tier 1 / Indoor
- Coyote Cannabis Corporation (#MPN281798), Product Manufacturer
- DDM Sales, Inc. (#MRN281981), Retail
- Deep Roots, Inc. (#MBN281496), Microbusiness, Cultivation and Product Manufacturing Operations
- Deerfield Naturals, Inc. (#MCN281426), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Indoor
- Deerfield Naturals, Inc. (#MPN281541), Product Manufacturer
- Deerfield Naturals, Inc. (#MRN281929), Retail
- Eskar Arlington, LLC (#MRN282638), Retail
- Eskar Northbridge, LLC (#MRN283073), Retail
- Four Score Holdings, LLC (#MCN282187), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor
- Four Score Holdings, LLC (#MPN281689), Product Manufacturer
- Four Score Holdings, LLC (#MRN282757), Retail
- Green Leaf Health, Inc. (#MRN282991), Retail
- Green Meadows Farm, LLC (#MCN282409), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Indoor
- Green Meadows Farm, LLC (#MPN281763), Product Manufacturer
- GTE Franklin, LLC (#MRN282766), Retail
- Heal Cultivation, LLC (#MCN282119), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor
- Heal Cultivation, LLC (#MPN281658), Product Manufacturer
- Holistic Industries Inc. (#MRN282667), Retail
- Holyoke 420, LLC (#MRN282703), Retail
- HTC Trinity, LLC (#MRN283121), Retail
- Hudson Growers Alliance, LLC (#MCN282581), Cultivation, Tier 1 / Indoor
- LMCC, LLC (#MRN282885), Retail
- MJ's Market, Inc. (#MCN281274), Cultivation, Tier 1 / Indoor
- MJ's Market, Inc. (#MPN281758), Product Manufacturer
- MJ's Market, Inc. (#MRN281457)
- Neo Manufacturing MA, LLC (#MCN282043), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Indoor
- Neo Manufacturing MA, LLC (#MPN281622), Product Manufacturer
- New Green, LLC (#MRN282969), Retail
- New Leaf Enterprises, Inc. (#MRN283203), Retail
- New Leaf Enterprises, Inc. (#MRN283204), Retail
- Patient Centric of Martha's Vineyard, LTD. (#MCN282347), Cultivation, Tier 1 / Indoor



- Patient Centric of Martha’s Vineyard, LTD. (#MPN281747), Product Manufacturer
- Patient Centric of Martha’s Vineyard, LTD. (#MRN282947), Retail
- Peak Limited, LLC (#MCN282217), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor
- Peak Limited, LLC (#MPN281707), Product Manufacturer
- Royal Hemp, LLC (#MPN281741), Product Manufacturer
- Royal Hemp, LLC (#MRN282799), Retail
- Salisbury Cultivation and Production Manufacturing, LLC (#MCN282530), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Indoor
- Salisbury Cultivation and Production Manufacturing, LLC (#MPN281819), Product Manufacturer
- Salty Farmers, LLC (#MCN282276), Cultivation, Tier 1 / Indoor
- Salty Farmers, LLC (#MRN282640), Retail
- Solurge, Inc. (#MCN281300), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Indoor
- Solurge, Inc. (#MPN281591), Product Manufacturer
- Solurge, Inc. (#MRN282372), Retail
- Ten-Ten, LLC (#MCN282523), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Indoor
- Ten-Ten, LLC (#MCN282524), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Outdoor
- Ten-Ten, LLC (#MPN281809), Product Manufacturer
- Ten-Ten, LLC (#MRN283165), Retail
- The Botanist, Inc. (#MRN282160), Retail
- The Botanist, Inc. (#MRN282186), Retail
- The Fresh Connection Boston, LLC (#MCN281442), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor
- The High End Chocolate Company, LLC (#MPN281656), Product Manufacturer
- The High End Wellness Company, LLC (#MRN282666), Retail
- The Hub Craft, LLC (#MCN282323), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Indoor
- The Hub Craft, LLC (#MPN281740), Product Manufacturer
- Tree Market Taunton, LLC (#MRN281597), Retail
- Union Leaf, Inc. (#MRN282570), Retail
- Volcann, LLC (#MRN282925), Retail
- Theory Wellness, Inc. Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center

1) Call to Order

- The Chairman recognized a quorum and called the meeting to order.
- The Chairman gave notice that the meeting is being recorded.
- The Chairman thanked the staff for their work getting the meeting set up.

2) Chairman’s Comments and Updates



- The Chairman thanked the Treasure for advocating for the SAFE Banking Act, which impacts a lot of the Commission’s operations.
- The Chairman gave an overview of the agenda.
- The Chairman noted that the Commission will go into executive session at the end of the meeting and adjourn from executive session.

3) Minutes for Approval – 5:00

- April 9, 2020
 - Commissioner Title asked for a change.
 - Commissioner Title commented that going back to October 2018 she had been collecting and reviewing Host Community Agreements (HCAs) and **abstained from** votes in which she felt the associated HCA went beyond the law. Commissioner Title said she will no longer continue that practice for the sake of time. Commissioner Title thanked her Commissioners, legislators, and various stakeholders who have pushed for the requisite change.
 - Commissioner Title moved to approve the minutes subject to the change requested by Commissioner Title.
 - Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
 - The Commission unanimously approved the minutes subject to the change requested by Commissioner Title.
- June 4, 2020
 - Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve the minutes.
 - Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
 - The Commission unanimously approved the minutes.

4) Executive Director’s Report – 8:15

a. Licensing Highlights 8:15

- The Executive Director indicated that the full licensing data is in the meeting packet.
 - 10 licenses awaiting initial review in the cue.
 - The longest licenses have waited is 29 days, well below the 60 day goal.
- The Commission has received 25 applications for delivery precertification, 16 of which have been reviewed and approved.
- The Executive Director highlighted that these are only available to EEAs and SEP participants, so will receive priority or expedited review.
- 82,201 certified active patients, which is a continued uptick.
- The Chairman suggested that with some frequency, the Commission start going through the full data overview. The Chairman also highlighted some good news found in that information for this meeting.
 - Chairman shared that between all the Provisional and Final Licenses, the Commission has issued 477 licenses.
 - This meeting will likely put the Commission over 500 licenses.



- The Chairman noted that some applications, including disadvantaged business enterprises (DBE) and laboratories, that were previously underrepresented are starting to fill up.

b. Budget Update

- The Executive Director said there is not much to report at this time, which is the report in and of itself.
- Given the significant revenue shortfall resulting from the COVID-19 related economic downturn, Massachusetts, like many states, is struggling to complete their budget.
- The Commission's total budget was \$14.2 million. The coming year will be done on a month to month basis based on previous year (called 1/12th budget). The Commission had asked for a budget increase, but the Commission will have to wait on some of that growth.
- The Chairman asked if this uncertainty is to be expected for some time.
 - The Executive Director confirmed that it is expected to be a long term circumstance.
- Commissioner Title raised a concern about the budget stating that it appears to her that there is not sufficient resources to support the Social Equity Program given the growth of the program and asked how can the Commission ensure that the program can still grow and is of a quality it should be and asked how the program is adequately resourced.
 - The Executive Director noted that one thing that is helpful, the previous curriculum can be used as a good foundation. This is helpful, but by no means sufficient to support ongoing needs. The Executive Director noted that when a cohort completes the program, there is still Commission involvement. The Executive Director said there are some ways that integrating the equity mission throughout the Commission can be helpful. That, however, is not sufficient and there will be a need for more money.
 - Commissioner Title asked when there would be a written plan.
 - The Executive Director said that that work is ongoing, and he will make himself available to discuss the details as it is developed.
- Commissioner Title asked how she can be of assistance and when can a written plan be expected.
 - The Executive Director said that that is a natural follow up to this discussion and it will be important to have conversations with other staff as well and will make himself available to the Commissioners to discuss the ongoing budget considerations.
- Commissioner McBride said that it is incredible that we have a cohort that is growing. As we think about the program, what is the underpinning for the program, and how are we planning for that program. Commissioner McBride asked whether the Commission has done the budgetary work to understand how we grow the program and what the cost will be to drive quality programing, not just quantity of programing.
- Commissioner Flanagan commented that in these struggling times, this budget cycle is not the only one that will be impacted by the economic downturn from covid-19.



Commissioner Flanagan wanted to acknowledge that this is a long term problem and the Commission may have to face tough financial choices over the coming budget cycles.

- The Chairman said that the legislature has usually given us what we want, both because of the work that Commission accomplishes as well as the Commission as a net revenue generator. The Chairman asked the Executive Director to provide a data driven report to the Commission’s plan to weather these fiscally lean times with respect to the agency as a whole and in particular to the Social Equity Program.
- Commissioner Flanagan said that a report could be helpful, but given the uncertainty of the times, she cautioned getting too detailed, as the budget may continue to fluctuate.
- The Executive Director agreed with Commissioner Flanagan remarks, but indicated that there is a plan for a 1/12th budget and the Commission has been bracing for the varying scenarios. The Executive Director expressed concern that presenting various options in a report could create a false impression of “this or that” rather than some combination of options that are right for the circumstances that ultimately arise.
- Commissioner Flanagan said that she agrees that a Commission discussion is important, but it may make sense to have that conversation after the legislature starts to finalize a budget and has even a ballpark figure.
- The Chairman appreciated the feedback and said that he will keep them in mind as he considers whether such a discussion should be on the next meeting agenda but emphasized the importance of having a Commission conversation on the budget, which has to happen at a public meeting.
- The Executive Director made a final comment about the Social Equity Program, noting that one of the helpful aspects is follow up from the first cohort to learn from past experience. But it is unknown how large the program could get. The current cohort has doubled compared to last, which may only be the beginning with continued outreach to the targeted communities. It will also be important to find efficiencies.

c. Vaping Update – 45:05

- The Executive Director gave an update on the vaping quarantine order. The units that were under quarantine underwent substantial testing. Vitamin E acetate was not found in the products, but what was found was lead in the products, and second tests did not make it clear the cause. That being said, since discovering this, there is a full panel of testing that includes heavy metals in order to ensure the safety of product. That initial inventory represents a substantial investment by industry, and it could expire while being held out of the market, therefore the Commission has put a question to the public about the circumstances under which the product should be released. That being said, the primary focus is public health and safety.

d. Job Description – 49:03

- The Executive Director gave an overview of the Constituent Services Associate.
- Commissioner Title moved to approve the job description for the Constituent Services Associate.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.



- The Commission unanimously approved the job description for the Constituent Services Associate.

5) Enforcement Actions – 51:07

- The Chairman gave an overview of the discussion and thanked enforcement counsel for its work.

a. Garden Remedies, Inc.

- Commissioner McBride asked for a summary for the stipulated agreement terms and agreed upon action going forward as context for public viewers.
- Associate Enforcement Counsel Lopez gave an overview of the alleged violations and terms of the settlement agreement.
- Commissioner McBride thanked the enforcement staff for the work that went into the agreements and investigations.
- Commissioner Title disclosed that she was previously on the Board of Garden Remedies, but after analysis, her involvement does not rise to the level of recusal.
- Commissioner Title also asked about deterrence and how penalties serve that purpose.
 - Counsel Lopez said that aggravating and mitigating factors are considered, and revenue assessment plays a key role in right sizing the terms of any agreement or penalty, all in the context of the Commission’s regulations.
- Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve the settlement with Garden Remedies, Inc.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the settlement with Garden Remedies, Inc.

b. The Botanist, Inc.

- Enforcement Counsel Payer gave an overview of the alleged violations and terms of the settlement agreement.
- Commissioner Title moved to approve the settlement with The Botanist, Inc.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the settlement with The Botanist, Inc.

c. Healthy Pharms, Inc.

- Associate Enforcement Counsel Lopez gave an overview of the alleged violations and the terms of the settlement agreement.
- Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve the settlement with Healthy Pharms, Inc.
- Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approve the settlement with Healthy Pharms, Inc.

The Commission took a 10 minute recess.

6) Staff Recommendations on Changes of Ownership 1:36:00



a. Garden Remedies, Inc.

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for Change of Ownership.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner McBride moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.

b. Krypies, LLC

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for Change of Ownership.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Title moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.

c. Pharmacannis Massachusetts, Inc.

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for Change of Ownership.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve the Change of Ownership.
- Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Ownership.

7) Staff Recommendations on Changes of Location – 1:40:39

a. NS AJO Holdings, Inc.

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for Change of Location.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Title moved to approve the Change of Location.
- Commissioner Flanagan seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Location.

b. Liberty Market, LLC

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for Change of Location.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner McBride moved to approve the Change of Location.
- Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the Change of Location

8) Staff Recommendations on Renewals – 1:43:29

- The Chairman noted that Renewals are done in rosters. There will be two rosters, but there are two universal conditions:



- First roster consists of 1 license renewal from which Commissioner Title has recused herself and the second will consist of all others.
- Commissioner Flanagan requested universal conditions for all adult licenses.
 - Proposed conditions:
 - Within 90 days of the removal of the State of Emergency declaration all adult use licensees must notify the Cannabis Control Commission of updated actions taken on the Plans to Positively Impact Disproportionately Harmed People.
 - Within 90 days of the removal of the State of Emergency declaration all adult use licensees must notify the Cannabis Control Commission of updated actions taken on the Diversity Plans.
- Commissioner Title requested a universal condition for adult licenses noting that 935 CMR 500.103(4)(f) requires licensees to request information from host communities with respect to the costs reasonably related to the operation of the marijuana establishment in the municipality.
 - Requested condition: Provide documentation required under 935 CMR 500.103(4)(f) to the Commission.
- Commissioner Title asked that this practice be implemented across the board and to request the information from previously approved renewals.

a. Mission MA, Inc. (#MRR205582)

- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve the Renewal License, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioners Title and Flanagan.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission approved the Renewal by a vote of three in favor (Flanagan, McBride, Hoffman) and one recusal (Title), subject to the universal conditions requested by Commissioners Title and Flanagan.

- b. Sira Naturals, Inc. (#MCR139882)
- c. Sira Naturals, Inc. (#MPR243523)
- d. Sira Naturals, Inc. (#MXR126656)
- e. Mass Yield Cultivation LLC. (#MCR139879)
- f. Krypies LLC (#MRR205586)
- g. Caregiver-Patient Connection LLC (#MRR205589)
- h. Massgrow, LLC (#MPR243518)
- i. Massgrow, LLC (#MCR139875)
- j. Bud's Goods & Provisions, Corp. (#MCR139883)
- k. Bud's Goods & Provisions, Corp. (#MPR243526)
- l. BeWell Organic Medicine, Inc. (#RMD1245)
- m. Garden Remedies, Inc. (#RMD1005)



- n. Bountiful Farms, Inc. (#RMD1485)
- o. Heka, Inc. Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center
- p. Heka, Inc. (#RMD1385)
- q. Mayflower Botanicals, Inc., Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center
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- z. Agricultural Healing, Inc., Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center
- aa. Commcan, Inc. (#RMD565)
- bb. Ipswich Pharmaceutical Associates, Inc. (#RMD1306)
- cc. Cannatech Medicinals, Inc. (#RMD1105)
- dd. INSA, Inc. (#RMD365)
- ee. INSA, Inc. (#RMD845)
- ff. Sanctuary Medicinals, Inc. (#RMD1127)
 - Commissioner Title moved to approve the remaining roster of Renewals, subject to the universal conditions requested by Commissioners Title and Flanagan.
 - Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
 - The Commission unanimously approved the remaining roster of Renewals, subject to the universal conditions requested by Commissioners Title and Flanagan.

9) Staff Recommendations on Final Licenses

- The Chairman noted that final licenses are considered as a roster unless a Commissioner has requested individual consideration. There will be two rosters, the first consisting of **Four Daughters Compassionate Care, for which Commissioner Title is requesting a condition**, and the second will consist of the remainder of final licenses.

a. Cannavanna, Inc. f/k/a Fidelity Wellness Center (#MR282801), Retail

b. Four Daughters Compassionate Care d/b/a Zen Leaf Sharon (#MR281552), Retail

c. Four Daughters Compassionate Care d/b/a Zen Leaf Plymouth (#MR282232), Retail

- Commissioner Title commented that there is an open civil lawsuit alleging fraud and therefore requested a condition.



- Proposed condition: disclose the final outcome of the litigation to the Commission when applicable.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner McBride moved to approve the two final licenses for Four Daughters Compassionate Care, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Title.
- Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the two final licenses for Four Daughters Compassionate Care, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Title.

d. Garden Remedies, Inc. (#MR282471), Retail

e. Pharmacannis Massachusetts, Inc. d/b/a Verilife (#MR282298), Retail

f. Patient Centric of Martha's Vineyard, LTD, Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center

- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Title moved to approve the remaining roster of final licenses.
- Commissioner Flanagan seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the remaining roster of final licenses.

10) Staff Recommendations on Provisional Licenses – 1:54:22

- The Chairman noted that the applications from the same entity will be considered together, unless specifically requested otherwise.

a. 202 Trading Company, LLC (#MRN281735), Retail

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner McBride moved to approve the provisional license.
- Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license.

b. 6 Bricks, LLC (#MRN283098), Retail

- The Chairman noted that this was an expedited applicant based on their Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) status.
- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- Commissioner Title wanted to highlight that this was a Black owned, woman owned, and Latino owned business and had exemplary diversity and positive impact plans.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Title moved to approve the provisional license.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license.

c. Alexsofia, LLC (#MRN282926), Retail



- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- Commissioner Title requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Revise diversity plan goal to employ “20% or more women and/or veterans in retail and management positions” to be clearer and objectively reasonable, and to specify the basis for the indication that annual advertisements in The Athol Daily News and The Greenfield Recorder are a way to recruit women and veterans.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner McBride moved to approve the provisional license.
- Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license.

d. BKPN, LLC (#MRN282853), Retail

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- Commissioner Title requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Revise diversity plan goal to “strive to achieve at least 10% of staffing needs from people from diverse backgrounds, specifically 5% women and 5% minorities” to be objectively reasonable.
- Commissioner Flanagan requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Resubmit Plan to include more than just a hiring plan
 - Clarification about proposed “workshops” at MassHire Greater Lowell and Career Center of Lowell. They sound like recruitment rather than educational seminars
 - If workshops are truly educational workshops, I would like more details
 - How many specifically
 - What specific topics
- Commissioner Flanagan commented that the Positive Impact Plans should be designed to have a positive impact on the target communities and there should be some type of action being taken beyond recruitment.
- The Chairman asked for additional questions or comments.
- Commissioner McBride moved to approve the provisional license, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioners Title and Flanagan.
- Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioners Title and Flanagan.

e. Buudda Brothers 90 Sargeant Street, LLC (#MCN282254), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Indoor

f. Buudda Brothers 90 Sargeant Street, LLC (#MPN281870), Product Manufacturer

- The Chairman note that these applications were expedited due to the applicants DBE status.
- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for both Buudda Brothers 90 Sargeant Street LLC provisional licenses.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve both of the provisional licenses.



- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved both of the provisional licenses.

g. Calyx Peak of MA, Inc. (#MCN281927), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Indoor

h. Calyx Peak of MA, Inc. (#MPN281574), Product Manufacturer

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for both Calyx Peak of MA, Inc. provisional licenses.
- Commissioner Flanagan requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: clarify how a donation to CultivatEd will directly benefit residents of Worcester
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Title moved to approve both of the provisional licenses, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Flanagan.
- Commissioner Flanagan seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved both of the provisional licenses, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Flanagan.

i. Canna Provisions, Inc. (#MCN282476), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Indoor

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner McBride moved to approve the provisional license.
- Commissioner Flanagan seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license.

j. Coastal Cultivars, LLC (#MCN282052), Cultivation, Tier 11 / Outdoor

- The Chairman noted that this was an expedited applicant based on the license type.
- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- Commissioner Flanagan requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Clarification on community service activities:
 - Will the educational programs be hosted by Coastal Cultivars?
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Title moved to approve the provisional license, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Flanagan.
- Commissioner Flanagan seconded the motion.
- The Commission approved the provisional license by a vote of three in favor (Flanagan, Hoffman, Title) and one recusal (McBride), subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Flanagan.

k. Comm Ave Canna, Inc. (#MRN282314), Retail

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner McBride moved to approve the provisional license.



- Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license.

l. Coyote Cannabis Corporation (#MCN282498), Cultivation, Tier 1 / Indoor

m. Coyote Cannabis Corporation (#MPN281798), Product Manufacturer

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for both Coyote Cannabis Corporation provisional licenses.
- Commissioner Title requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Revise diversity plan goal to “achieve at least 20% of staffing needs from people from diverse backgrounds, specifically 10% women and 10% some combination of veterans, minorities, LGBTQ, and/or people with disabilities” to be objectively reasonable.
- Commissioner Flanagan requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Resubmit plan to include more than just donations and update organizations they plan to donate to.
- Commissioner Flanagan reiterated that donations to organizations alone are not sufficient for a positive impact plan. This particular applicant was planning to donate to an organization that no longer exists, so will have to work out what that means for their positive impact plan.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve both of the provisional licenses, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioners Flanagan and Title.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved both of the provisional licenses, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioners Title and Flanagan.

n. DDM Sales, Inc. (#MRN281981), Retail

- The Chairman noted that his was an expedited applicant based on its DBE status.
- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Title moved to approve the provisional license.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license.

o. Deep Roots, Inc. (#MBN281496), Microbusiness, Cultivation and Product Manufacturing Operations

- The Chairman noted this was an expedited applicant based on its DBE status and license type.
- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- Commissioner Flanagan requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Resubmit plan to include more than just donations.
 - Specify which cohort you are seeking to impact.



- Commissioner Title requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Revise diversity plan goal to “achieve at least 10% of staffing needs from people from diverse backgrounds including women and minorities” to be objectively reasonable.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve the provisional license, subject to the condition requested Commissioners Flanagan and Title.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioners Flanagan and Title.

p. Deerfield Naturals, Inc. (#MCN281426), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Indoor

q. Deerfield Naturals, Inc. (#MPN281541), Product Manufacturer

r. Deerfield Naturals, Inc. (#MRN281929), Retail

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for all three Deerfield Naturals, Inc. provisional licenses.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner McBride moved to approve all three provisional licenses.
- Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved all three provisional licenses.

s. Eskar Arlington, LLC (#MRN282638), Retail

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for the provisional license.
- Commissioner Flanagan requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Resubmit plan to include clarification about which cohort is being served and how a donation to CultivatEd will directly impact that cohort.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Title moved to approve the provisional license, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Flanagan.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Title.

t. Eskar Northbridge, LLC (#MRN283073), Retail

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for the provisional license.
- Commissioner Flanagan requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Resubmit plan to include clarification about which cohort is being served and how a donation to CultivatEd will directly impact that cohort.
- Commissioner Title acknowledged the diversity plan’s measurable goal to achieve 85% employee satisfaction with respect to workplace environment, safety, acceptance, and respect.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.



- Commissioner McBride moved to approve the provisional license, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Flanagan.
 - Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
 - The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Flanagan
- u. Four Score Holdings, LLC (#MCN282187), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor
- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for all three Four Score Holdings, LLC provisional licenses, subject to separate votes.
 - Commissioner Flanagan requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Clarification on the informational seminars:
 - How many?
 - What specific topics?
 - Clarification about notices.
 - Will be they be posted 2 months or 2 weeks ahead of event?
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 - Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve the provisional license, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Flanagan.
 - Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
 - The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Flanagan.
- v. Four Score Holdings, LLC (#MPN281689), Product Manufacturer
- Commissioner Flanagan requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Clarification on the informational seminars:
 - How many?
 - What specific topics?
 - Clarification about notices.
 - Will be they be posted 2 months or 2 weeks ahead of event?
 - Commissioner McBride requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: 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.
 - Commissioner McBride moved to approve the provisional license, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioners Flanagan and McBride.
 - Commissioner Flanagan seconded the motion.
 - The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioners Flanagan and McBride.
- w. Four Score Holdings, LLC (#MRN282757), Retail
- Commissioner Flanagan requested a condition.



- Proposed condition: Clarification on the informational seminars:
 - How many?
 - What specific topics?
- Clarification about notices.
 - Will be they be posted 2 months or 2 weeks ahead of event?
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Title moved to approve the provisional license, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Flanagan.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Flanagan.

x. Green Leaf Health, Inc. (#MRN282991), Retail

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- Commissioner Flanagan requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Clarification on the trainings/seminars:
 - What specific topics will be presented
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner McBride moved to approve the provisional license, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Flanagan.
- Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Title.

y. Green Meadows Farm, LLC (#MCN282409), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Indoor

z. Green Meadows Farm, LLC (#MPN281763), Product Manufacturer

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for both Green Meadows Farm, LLC provisional licenses.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve both of the provisional licenses.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved both of the provisional licenses.

aa. GTE Franklin, LLC (#MRN282766), Retail

- The Chairman noted that this was an expedited applicant based on its DBE status.
- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Title moved to approve the provisional license.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license.

bb. Heal Cultivation, LLC (#MCN282119), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor



cc. Heal Cultivation, LLC (#MPN281658), Product Manufacturer

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for both Heal Cultivation, LLC provisional licenses.
- Commissioner Title requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Revise diversity plan goal to “hire and maintain the number of minorities, women, and others working in the establishment at the rate of 20% of workforce” to be objectively reasonable.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve both of the provisional licenses, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Title.
- Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved both of the provisional licenses, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Title.

dd. Holistic Industries Inc. (#MRN282667), Retail

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Title moved to approve the provisional license.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license.

ee. Holyoke 420, LLC (#MRN282703), Retail

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Title requested a condition.
 - Proposed Condition; Revise diversity plan goal to “hire and retain at least 10% of the company’s staff from people who represent diverse backgrounds” to be objectively reasonable.
- Commissioner Flanagan requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Resubmit plan to include more than just donations and eliminate donation to C3RN:
 - Specify which cohort you are seeking to impact.
 - Clarification on how a donation to MRCC will directly impact the cohort you have chosen.
- Commissioner McBride moved to approve the provisional license, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioners Title and Flanagan.
- Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioners Title and Flanagan.

ff. HTC Trinity, LLC (#MRN283121), Retail



- The Chairman noted this was an expedited application based on the applicants DBE status.
- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- Commissioner Flanagan prosed a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Clarification on partnership with Taunton Comprehensive Treatment Center
 - Has this already been established?
 - Clarification on partnership with Community Counseling of Bristol County
 - Has this already been established?
 - Clarification on who the seminars are geared towards.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Title moved to approve the provisional license, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Flanagan.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license, subject to the condition requested by Commissioners Title and Flanagan.

gg. Hudson Growers Alliance, LLC (#MCN282581), Cultivation, Tier 1 / Indoor

- The Chairman noted that this was an expedited applicant based on its DBE status.
- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- Commissioner Title requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Revise diversity plan goal to “hire and retain at least 10% of the company’s employees that represent minorities, women, and other groups” to be objectively reasonable.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve the provisional license, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Title.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Title.

hh. LMCC, LLC (#MRN282885), Retail

- The Chairman noted that this was an expedited applicant based on their Social Equity Program (SEP) participant status.
- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner McBride moved to approve the provisional license.
- Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license.

The Commission took a 43 minute recess.



ii. MJ's Market, Inc. (#MCN281274), Cultivation, Tier 1 / Indoor - 3:32:00

jj. MJ's Market, Inc. (#MPN281758), Product Manufacturer

kk. MJ's Market, Inc. (#MRN281457), Retail

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for all three MJ's Market, Inc. provisional licenses.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Flanagan requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition. Clarification on how a donation to CultivatEd will directly impact Worcester residents.
- Commissioner Title moved to approve all three provisional licenses, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Flanagan.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved all three provisional license, subject to the conditions requested by Commissioner Flanagan.

ll. Neo Manufacturing MA, LLC (#MCN282043), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Indoor

mm. Neo Manufacturing MA, LLC (#MPN281622), Product Manufacturer

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for both Neo Manufacturing MA, LLC provisional license.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve both of the provisional licenses.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved both of the provisional licenses.

nn. New Green, LLC (#MRN282969), Retail

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner McBride moved to approve the provisional license.
- Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license.

oo. New Leaf Enterprises, Inc. (#MRN283203), Retail

- The Chairman noted that this was an expedited applicant based in SEP participant status.
- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation provisional license.
- Commissioner Title requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Revise diversity plan to include measurable goals.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Title moved to approve the provisional license, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Title.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Title.



pp. New Leaf Enterprises, Inc. (#MRN283204), Retail

- The Chairman noted that this was an expedited applicant based in SEP participant status.
- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- Commissioner Title requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Revise diversity plan to include measurable goals.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner McBride moved to approve the provisional license, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Title.
- Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Title.

qq. Patient Centric of Martha's Vineyard, LTD. (#MCN282347), Cultivation, Tier 1 / Indoor

rr. Patient Centric of Martha's Vineyard, LTD. (#MPN281747), Product Manufacturer

- The Chairman noted that these received MTC Priority status.
- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve the provisional licenses.
- Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license.

ss. Patient Centric of Martha's Vineyard, LTD. (#MRN282947), Retail

- The Chairman noted that these received MTC Priority status.
- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner McBride moved to approve the provisional license.
- Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license.

tt. Peak Limited, LLC (#MCN282217), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor

uu. Peak Limited, LLC (#MPN281707), Product Manufacturer

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for both Peak Limited, LLC provisional licenses.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner McBride moved to approve both of the provisional licenses.
- Commissioner Flanagan seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved both of the provisional licenses.

vv. Royal Hemp, LLC (#MPN281741), Product Manufacturer

ww. Royal Hemp, LLC (#MRN282799), Retail



- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for both Royal Hemp, LLC provisional licenses.
 - Commissioner Title requested a condition.
 - Proposed condition: Condition: Revise diversity plan goal to employ “20% or more women and or veterans in retail and management positions” to be clearer and objectively reasonable, including how this goal applies to a product manufacturer license, and to specify the basis for the indication that annual advertisements in The Berkshire Eagle and The Pittsfield Gazette are a way to recruit women and veterans.
 - The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner McBride moved to approve both of the provisional licenses, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Title.
 - Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
 - The Commission unanimously approved both of the provisional licenses, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Title.
- xx. Salisbury Cultivation and Production Manufacturing, LLC (#MCN282530), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Indoor
- yy. Salisbury Cultivation and Production Manufacturing, LLC (#MPN281819), Product Manufacturer
- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for both Salisbury Cultivation and Production Manufacturing, LLC provisional licenses.
 - The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve both of the provisional license.
 - Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
 - The Commission unanimously approved both of the provisional license.
- zz. Salty Farmers, LLC (#MCN282276), Cultivation, Tier 1 / Indoor
- aaa. Salty Farmers, LLC (#MRN282640), Retail
- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for both Salty Farmers, LLC provisional licenses.
 - The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
 - Commissioner McBride moved to approve both of the provisional licenses.
 - Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
 - The Commission unanimously approved both of the provisional licenses.
- bbb. Solurge, Inc. (#MCN281300), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Indoor
- ccc. Solurge, Inc. (#MPN281591), Product Manufacturer
- ddd. Solurge, Inc. (#MRN282372), Retail
- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for all three Solurge, Inc. provisional licenses.
 - The Chairman asked for questions or comments.



- Commissioner Title moved to approve all three provisional licenses.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved all three provisional licenses.

eee. Ten-Ten, LLC (#MCN282523), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Indoor

fff. Ten-Ten, LLC (#MCN282524), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Outdoor

ggg. Ten-Ten, LLC (#MPN281809), Product Manufacturer

hhh. Ten-Ten, LLC (#MRN283165), Retail

- The Chairman noted that the tier 3 outdoor application was expedited based on license type.
- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for all four Ten-Ten, LLC provisional licenses.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Title moved to approve all four provisional licenses.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved all four provisional licenses.
- The Chairman noted this applicant was previously denied a license and has made the necessary investment to put forth an acceptable application.

iii. The Botanist, Inc. (#MRN282160), Retail

jjj. The Botanist, Inc. (#MRN282186), Retail

- The Chairman noted that these were both priority applicants based on MTC Priority status.
- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for both The Botanist, Inc. provisional licenses.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Title moved to approve both of the provisional licenses.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved both of the provisional licenses.

kkk. The Fresh Connection Boston, LLC (#MCN281442), Cultivation, Tier 2 / Indoor

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve the provisional license.
- Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license.

lll. The High End Chocolate Company, LLC (#MPN281656), Product Manufacturer

- The Chairman noted that this application was expedited based on DBE status.
- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.



- Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve the provisional license.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license.

mmm. The High End Wellness Company, LLC (#MRN282666), Retail

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Title moved to approve the provisional license.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license.

nnn. The Hub Craft, LLC (#MCN282323), Cultivation, Tier 3 / Indoor

ooo. The Hub Craft, LLC (#MPN281740), Product Manufacturer

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for both The Hub Craft, LLC provisional licenses.
- Commissioner Flanagan requested a condition, based on the change to the May of Fitchburg's ability to appoint members to the Community Board in Fitchburg.
 - Proposed condition: Eliminate the mayoral recommendations for the community board.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve both of the provisional licenses subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Flanagan.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved both of the provisional licenses, subject to the condition requested from Commissioner Flanagan.

ppp. Tree Market Taunton, LLC (#MRN281597), Retail

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- Commissioner Flanagan requested condition.
 - Proposed condition: Clarification on the informational seminars:
 - How many?
 - What specific topics?
 - Clarification about notices.
 - Will they be posted 2 months or 2 weeks ahead of event?
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Title moved to approve the provisional license, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Flanagan.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license, subject to the condition requested by Commissioner Title.

qqq. Union Leaf, Inc. (#MRN282570), Retail



- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner McBride moved to approve the provisional license.
- Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license.

rrr. Volcann, LLC (#MRN282925), Retail

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner McBride moved to approve the provisional license.
- Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license.

sss. Theory Wellness, Inc. Vertically Integrated Medical Marijuana Treatment Center

- Director Potvin presented the staff recommendation for provisional license.
- The Chairman asked for questions or comments.
- Commissioner Flanagan moved to approve the provisional license.
- Commissioner Title seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimously approved the provisional license.

The Commission took a 7 minute break.

11) Commission Discussion and Votes

a. Report to the Legislature on Alternative Tax Structures – 4:20:52

- The Chairman gave an overview of the legislative mandate to produce a Report to the Legislature on Alternative Tax Structures.
- The Chairman thanked the Chief Operating Officer, the Director of Research, KPMG, and Commissioner Snyder of the Department of Revenue.
- Director of Research Johnson gave an overview of the Report.
- Commissioner Title moved to approve the report.
- Commissioner McBride seconded the motion.
- The Commission unanimous approved the report.

12) Next Meeting Date & Regulatory Calendar – 4:26:28

- The Chairman gave an overview of the remaining regulatory calendar.
- The next meeting will be held on July 20, 2020 to vote on proposed draft regulations.
- August 6 is the next regularly scheduled Commission meeting.

13) New Business that the Chairman did not anticipate at time of posting – 4:29:30

- Commissioner Title invited other Commissioners to join her in requesting the legislature to allow donations and fines to go to funding the Social Equity Program. Commissioner



Title gave an overview of the issue and referenced a one-page background memo that was sent to the commissioners July 7 summarizing previous discussions and facts demonstrating why the change is necessary in her judgment.

- This included that numerous licensees have committed to donating part of their revenue to the Commission's efforts as part of their positive impact plans, but the Commission lacks a formal mechanism to accept it. In some cases, the funds are currently sitting unused in escrow.
- Commissioner Title suggested that the commission notify the legislature of this technical challenge, particularly at a moment when leaders at all levels are being more thoughtful about how to be equitable.
- Commissioner Title noted that the number of Social Equity Program participants had more than doubled, but program funding had remained the same since 2017 at \$300,000 per year. She stated that in her judgment, more funding and resources would be necessary to meet statutory mandates.
- Commissioner Title noted that a mechanism to accept the funds was reviewed by the executive director and previously introduced in a bill which was provided to the commissioners on July 7.
- Commissioner Flanagan commented that she does not think it is the role of the Commission to lobby the legislature. Commissioner Flanagan thinks that the legislative process will not allow this push to have the intended impact.
- Commissioner Flanagan also expressed her concern about having last minute agenda items added and how that is not in the spirit of open meeting laws.
- Commissioner Flanagan also said that she does not want to have a vote.
- Commissioner McBride expressed her frustration that this was a last minute addition.
- Commissioner McBride said this is a policy discussion that requires appropriate staff preparation and Commissioner preparation, and she doesn't feel prepared for this discussion at this time.
- The Chairman accepted the feedback about adding new agenda items and commits to addressing the issue.
- The Chairman also expressed that this is an important policy issue that requires staff analysis and reflection for Commissioners and an appropriate public debate.
- The Chairman asked Commissioner Title to allow for these aspects to be developed and he commits that it will be on a future agenda.
- Commissioner Title noted that there had not been any substantive objections.
- Commissioner Title expressed that she too shared frustration with the shortness of time but noted that the legislative session would be coming to an end before the next meeting, so this is a time sensitive matter.
- Commissioner Title noted that she had brought the subject up previously.
- Commissioner Title stated that the commission had lost staff due to a lack of support and resources dedicated to outreach and equity.
- Commissioner Flanagan expressed her concerns about rushing this through the legislature and the Commission should take more time to work with the legislature.



- Commissioner Title thanked Commissioner Flanagan for her expertise and clarified that what she is asking is to express a uniform position of the Commission, rather than to tell the Legislature what to do.
- Commissioner Title moved that the Commission write a letter to the legislature asking it to create a mechanism to receive and use donations and fines and apply those funds to the Commission's equity efforts, similar to Senate Bill 1708.
- The Chairman seconded the motion.
- Commissioner McBride expressed her frustration with what feels like a false choice.
- Commissioner Title expressed that a vote against the motion should not be construed as a lack of support for the equity programs.
- The Commission voted against the motion due to a tie, with one vote in favor (Title) and one against (Flanagan) and two abstentions (McBride and Hoffman).
- The Chairman made a commitment that this would go on the next meeting agenda, provided the conversation can be done in a way that Commissioners are comfortable with and can be productive.

14) Executive Session

- The Chairman move under the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(2) and (3) and the Public Records Law, G.L. c. 66, and the exemptions set forth in G.L. c. 4, § 7(26)(b) and (d), that the Commission enter into Executive Session to discuss negotiation strategy with respect to a collective bargaining agreement.
- The Chairman added that the Commission will not return into open session and will adjourn from executive session.
- Commissioner Flanagan seconded the motion.
- Given that the meeting is being conducted virtually, the Chairman asked Commissioners to state on the record that no other person is present or able to hear the Commissions deliberations in executive session.
- The vote should include other staff members who will be present including Executive Director, General Counsel, Chief People Officer, Chief of Staff, AGC Smith (for the purposes of taking minutes) and outside counsel, Attorney Jim Pender.
- The Commission voted unanimously to enter into executive session.

