

Leaf Joy, LLC

MR284606

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Leaf Joy, LLC
1 Main Road, Gill, MA 01354

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

Retail

The application was reopened one (1) time for additional information.

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

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

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

Individual	Role
Grigori Faiziev	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control / Capital Contributor
Kathleen McMahon	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 February 28, 2022.
8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on November 8, 2021 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the City/Town of Gill on May 6, 2022 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances or bylaws.
10. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Plan to Positively Impact Disproportionately Harmed People:

#	Goal
1	Recruit at least 20 individuals from Greenfield for its hiring initiative.
2	Offer at least two (2) public industry-specific education seminars, to up to 30 individuals, in order to provide an opportunity for local community members to learn more about cannabis.

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 five (5) 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
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1	Recruit women (50%), 30% minorities (70%), veterans (5-10%), persons with disabilities (5-10%), persons who are LGBTQ+ (5-10%) for its hiring initiatives.
2	Train hiring managers that address unconscious bias and cultural sensitivity upon hiring and annually thereafter.
3	Contract with 30% of suppliers, contractors, and wholesale partners that are minority-owned (60%), woman-owned (10%), persons with disabilities-owned (10%) and LGBTQ+-owned (10%).

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 license is subject to applicant providing the Commission with a copy of its consumer education, pursuant to 935 CMR.140 (6) (a-j). To ensure compliance, consumer educational materials shall include subsections; a – j, as listed in said regulation and must also include the phone number for the Massachusetts Substance Use Helpline.
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.

