

Jo Worcester, Inc.
MRN285223

APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name, address, and license type(s) sought of the proposed License Applicant:

License Applicant Business Name:	Jo Worcester, Inc.
License Applicant d/b/a Name:	Joint Operations
Proposed Location:	142 Southbridge St., Worcester, MA 01608

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

License Type(s) Sought:
Marijuana Retailer

3. The license applicant is associated with the following license type(s):

The license applicant is not associated with any other license applications or licenses.

4. List of all required individuals and their roles:

Individual	Role
Todd Sullivan	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Douglas Lennick	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Michael Scott	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Tania Boardman	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control
Francis Maher	Person Having Direct/Indirect Control

5. List of all required entities and their roles:

Entity	Role
Cannapreneur Partners, LLC	Entity Having Direct/Indirect Control

6. License Applicant's Status:

General Applicant



7. The license applicant and host community executed a Host Community Agreement (“HCA”) on February 25, 2024. The license applicant submitted or resubmitted their application on or after March 1, 2024 and provided a compliant HCA that was certified by Commission staff pursuant to 935 CMR 500.180(3) and/or comparable medical regulations.
8. The Commission received a municipal response from the host community on October 8, 2024 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances or by-laws.
9. The license applicant proposed the following goals for its Positive Impact Plan:

#	Goal
1	The license applicant proposes to hire 10% of staff that residents of Worcester and individuals who are Social Equity Participants or residents with past drug convictions.
2	The license applicant proposed to engage in educational seminars for residents of Worcester, Social Equity Participants, Certified EE recipients, Massachusetts residents who have past drug convictions; and/or Massachusetts residents with parents or spouses who have past drug convictions, twice a year.

BACKGROUND CHECK REVIEW

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

MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS PROFILE REVIEW

12. The license 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.
13. The license applicant proposed the following goals for its Diversity Plan:

#	Goal
1	The license applicant proposes to hire the following: 50% Women, 10% People of color, particularly Black, African American, Hispanic, Latinx, and Indigenous peoples, 10% Veterans, 10% Persons with Disabilities, and 10% LGBTQ+ People.
2	The license applicant proposes to engage with contractors, subcontractors, and suppliers who are 5% Minority-owned, 5% Woman-owned, 5% Veteran-owned, 5% LGBTQ-owned, and 5% Disability-owned.



RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend provisional licensure with the following conditions:

1. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee within 90 days of an affirmative vote of the Commission pursuant to 935 CMR 500.103(1)(e) and 935 CMR 501.103(1)(d)
2. Provisional licensure does not allow the license holder to cultivate, manufacture, or possess marijuana and/or marijuana infused products (MIPs) prior to being approved for a final license.
3. 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.

The license applicant has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Therefore, the applicant is recommended for provisional licensure.

