

## FERNWAY, LLC

MPN281661

### **BACKGROUND & APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW**

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Fernway, LLC  
178 Industrial Drive, Northampton, MA 01060

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

Product Manufacturing

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 business roles in the Marijuana Establishment:

Individual	Role
Christopher Gallant	Executive / Officer
Liam O'Brien	Executive / Officer
Kevin Wu	Executive / Officer
David Van Vlierbergen	Executive / Officer

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

Entity	Role
Fernway Holdings, LLC	Parent Company

6. Applicant's priority status:

General Applicant



7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on March 19, 2019.
8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on March 4, 2019 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on February 28, 2020 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances or bylaws.
10. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Positive Impact Plan:

#	Goal
1	Give hiring preferences to past and current residents of Amherst, Holyoke, and West Springfield, as well as certain census tracts in Springfield.
2	Provide semester-long internships twice a year and at least one intern will be hired per semester.

**SUITABILITY 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 REVIEW**

13. The applicant states that it can be operational within seven (7) months of receiving the provisional license(s).
14. The applicant’s proposed hours of operation are the following:  
  
Monday – Saturday: 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
Sunday: Closed
15. The applicant submitted all applicable and 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 25% of individuals who are minorities, women, veterans, people with disabilities and/or LGBTQ+ for its hiring initiative.



17. Summary of cultivation plan (if applicable):

Not applicable

18. Summary of products to be produced and/or sold (if applicable):

#	Product
1	Full-Spectrum Concentrates
2	Distillate
3	Vape Cartridges

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

Not applicable

## **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. The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission staff;
4. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee;
5. 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; and
6. Final licensure is subject to the applicant submitting to Commission staff, upon inspection, an updated Diversity Plan that modifies the goal relating to the percentage for women, minorities, veterans, people with disabilities, and LGBTQ+ community.

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.

