

LC SQUARE, LLC MCN281717

BACKGROUND & APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

LC Square, LLC 173 Howland Avenue, Adams, MA 01220

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

Cultivation – Tier 3/ Indoor (10,001 – 20,000 sq. ft)

3. Applicant is a licensee or applicant for other Marijuana Establishment license(s):

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

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

Arthur Babayan—Owner/Partner Tigran Damiani—Owner/Partner

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

No other entity, other than the applicant, appear to have direct or indirect authority over the Marijuana Establishment.

6. Applicant's priority status and information pertaining to co-located operations:

General Applicant

- 7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on August 23, 2018.
- 8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on September 6, 2018 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.

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- 9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on April 17, 2019 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances and bylaws.
- 10. The applicant proposed the following programs for its Positive Impact Plan:
 - a. Institute hiring practices that will prioritize the hiring of individuals from disproportionate areas with a focus on North Adams; and
 - b. Provide industry-specific educational seminars annually.

SUITABILITY REVIEW

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

MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS REVIEW

- 13. The applicant states that it can be operational within two (2) months of receiving its provisional license.
- 14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Monday - Sunday: 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

- 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 programs for its Diversity Plan:
 - a. Institute a "blind hiring" policy; and
 - b. Utilize suppliers, contractors and wholesale partners that are owned by minorities, women, veterans and people with disabilities.
- 17. Summary of cultivation plan (if applicable):

The applicant submitted a detailed cultivation plan that demonstrated the ability to comply with the Commission's regulations.

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

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

20. ISO 17025 Certifying Body and Certificate Number (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; and
- 5. Final license is subject to the applicant providing to Commission staff a revised Positive Impact Plan that addresses the following: (1) time frame for when the applicant plans to hire 40% of staff from disproportionately impacted areas, (2) a definitive commitment to how many job fairs will be hosted within the first, and subsequent, years of licensure, (3) the removal of the social justice leader plan, and (4) the removal of miscellaneous information not pertaining to the special goals, programs, and measurements of the plan.

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.