

GARDEN REMEDIES, INC.
MCN281504
MPN281381

BACKGROUND & APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name of the Marijuana Establishment and its application number:

Garden Remedies, Inc.

2. Address of the Marijuana Establishment:

307 Airport Road, Fitchburg, MA, 01420

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

Cultivation, Tier 3/Indoor (10,001-20,000 sq. ft)
Product Manufacturer

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

Retailer (located in Newton)
Retailer (located in Marlborough)

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

Karen Munkacy—Executive
Jeffrey Herold—Executive
Karen Hawkes—Executive
Michael Climo—Executive
Sean Mack—Executive
Katie Tenenbaum—Board Member

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

RMC Holdings, LLC, is an entity contributing initial capital.

7. Priority status of applicant:

RMD Priority (RP201820)

8. Location and status of business if it is an RMD:

The RMD is in compliance with the Department of Public Health (DPH).
The RMD business will be co-located with the adult-use business in Fitchburg.
The RMD has a Final Certificate of Registration for dispensing, cultivation, and processing.

9. Information regarding host community agreement certification:

The Host Community Agreement was executed on April 18, 2018; certification provided.

10. Information regarding community outreach meeting:

The community outreach meeting was held on May 7, 2018.
Notice was published at least seven days prior in the Sentinel & Enterprise.
The applicant certified notice to the municipality and abutters.
The applicant certified compliance with the community outreach meeting requirements.

11. Any objections regarding compliance with local ordinances and bylaws presented by the municipality:

No objections were communicated to the Commission. The Commission received a response from the municipality on November 26, 2018, stating that the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances and bylaws for both operations.

12. Summary of plan to positively impact areas of disproportionate impact:

The applicant plans to do the following:

- a. Assist individuals negatively harmed by cannabis prohibition; and
- b. Launch a 'Catalyst Mentoring Program' to provide individuals harmed by marijuana prohibition and individuals approved as economic empowerment applicants with the skills and knowledge needed to participate in the marijuana industry. This program will be provided at no cost to the participants.

The applicant will conduct regular evaluations of its plan to ensure a positive impact is effectuated.

SUITABILITY REVIEW

13. Concerns arising from background checks on individuals associated with the application:

No concerns.

14. Concerns arising from background checks on entities associated with the application:

No concerns.

15. Applicant's disclosure of any past civil or criminal actions:

No disclosures.

16. Applicant's disclosure of any occupational license issues:

No disclosures.

17. Applicant's disclosure of any marijuana-related business interests in other jurisdictions:

No disclosures

18. Status of applicant's compliance with the Department of Revenue and Secretary of the Commonwealth:

April 11, 2018 | Certificate of Good Standing, Secretary of the Commonwealth
(Certification Number: 18040256410)

April 25, 2018 | Certificate of Good Standing, Department of Revenue
(Letter ID: L0818727040)

MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS REVIEW

19. Applicant's proposed timeline to become operational in the adult-use market:

The applicant is an existing RMD and states that it can be operational once given approval from the Commission.

20. Applicant's proposed hours of operation:

Monday-Sunday: 5:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

21. Applicant's compliance with submitting summaries of the following plans, policies and procedures:

- a. Security Plan
- b. Prevention of Diversion Plan
- c. Storage of Marijuana Plan
- d. Transportation Plan
- e. Inventory Procedures
- f. Quality Control and Testing Procedures
- g. Personnel Procedures
- h. Dispensing Procedures
- i. Record-Keeping Procedures
- j. Maintenance of Financial Records Policy
- k. Diversity Plan

The applicant is fully compliant with submitting all summaries. All summaries were determined to be substantially compliant with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable. Full compliance will be reviewed during inspections and will be required before a final license is issued.

22. Summary of diversity plan:

The applicant plans to do the following:

- a. Promote and maintain a diverse staff and foster an environment of inclusion;
- b. Participate in job fairs;
- c. Engage with community stakeholders for the purpose of recruitment;
- d. Actively seek out diverse suppliers that can provide goods and services; and
- e. Train management on how to address and recognize bias.

The applicant will periodically review and assess the status of its plan.

23. Summary of cultivation plan (if applicable):

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

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

The applicant plans to produce the following products:

- a. Vape pens;
- b. Capsules;
- c. Oil;
- d. Salts;
- e. Lip balm;
- f. Lotion;
- g. Salve;
- h. Soft candies;
- i. Hard candies;
- j. Honey;
- k. Sugar;
- l. Chocolates;
- m. Rosin; and
- n. Kiefs.

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

Not applicable.

26. ISO 17025 Certifying Body and Certificate Number (if applicable):

Not applicable.

RECOMMENDATION

Commission staff recommend issuing provisional licenses with the following conditions:

- (1) Final license is subject to certification that the applicant remains in compliance with DPH regulations, 105 CMR 725.000;
- (2) Final license is subject to inspection and audit to ascertain compliance with the requirements listed in 935 CMR 500.105 through 935 CMR 500.160 as applicable;

- (3) Final license is subject to inspection and audit to ascertain that the facilities are compliant with all applicable state and local codes, bylaws, ordinances, and regulations;
- (4) The applicant shall cooperate with and provide information to Commission investigators, agents, and employees upon request;
- (5) Provisional license is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee pursuant to 935 CMR 500.005; and
- (6) Final license is subject to the licensee providing Commission staff specific information on how it plans to fund its proposed Community Relations Board stated in its plan to positively impact areas of disproportionate impact and how any monies will be dispensed from that board.

This recommendation was based on the applicant's demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth, suitability for licensure, and upon the evaluation of the thoroughness of the applicant's responses to the required criteria.

Commission staff certify that a due diligence review of the applications were performed. As of this date, the applicant has demonstrated compliance with the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth and suitability for licensure. Accordingly, the applicant is recommended for provisional licensure with the previously mentioned conditions.