



CANNABIS CONTROL COMMISSION

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

December 13, 2018 1:00 p.m.
Massachusetts State House
Boston, MA

COMMISSION MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Chairman Steven Hoffman
Commissioner Kay Doyle
Commissioner Jen Flanagan
Commissioner Britte McBride
Commissioner Shaleen Title

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT: None

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Chairman Hoffman called the Cannabis Control Commission to order at 1:02pm on December 13, 2018. Chairman Hoffman put the public on notice that the meeting is being recorded. Chairman Hoffman reviewed the meeting agenda.

Chairman Hoffman discussed the November 20, 2018 minutes. Commissioner Flanagan made the motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Chairman Hoffman turned to the executive director's report. Executive Director Shawn Collins discussed the Commission's year by the numbers (slide 5). Mr. Collins discussed licensing applications (slide 6). Next, Mr. Collins discussed applications under review by license type (slide 7). Mr. Collins discussed the disadvantaged business enterprise statistics (slide 8). Mr. Collins discussed the licensing applications status (slide 9). Mr. Collins discussed the map of applications (slide 10). Mr. Collins discussed the map of retail applications (slide 11). Mr. Collins discussed agent applications (slide 12). Mr. Collins discussed demographics of agent applications (slide 13,14).

Mr. Collins discussed the applications of Alternative Therapies Group, Inc. (# MC281255), Alternative Therapies Group, Inc. (# MP281300), which staff has recommended for approval of final licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary. Commissioner McBride inquired about the inspection process and how many visits an establishment receives.

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve (# MC281255), seconded by Commissioner Flanagan.

The Commission approved the motion 4 in favor (Hoffman, Doyle, Flanagan, McBride) and 1 abstain (Title).

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve (# MP281300), seconded by Commissioner Flanagan.

The Commission approved the motion 4 in favor (Hoffman, Doyle, Flanagan, McBride) and 1 abstain (Title).

Mr. Collins discussed the applications of Northeast Alternatives, Inc. (# MC281319), Cultivation, Tier 1/Indoor Operation, Northeast Alternatives, Inc. (# MP281319), Product Manufacturer, Northeast Alternatives, Inc. (# MR281314), Retailer, which staff has

recommended for approval of final licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary.

Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to approve (# MC281319), seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The Commission approved the motion 4 in favor (Hoffman, Doyle, Flanagan, McBride) and 1 abstain (Title).

Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to approve (# MP281319), seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The Commission approved the motion 4 in favor (Hoffman, Doyle, Flanagan, McBride) and 1 abstain (Title).

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve (# MR281314), seconded by Commissioner McBride.

The Commission approved the motion 4 in favor (Hoffman, Doyle, Flanagan, McBride) and 1 abstain (Title).

Commissioner Title recused herself for this applicant at 1:30pm and sat in the audience. Mr. Collins discussed the applications of Temescal Wellness of Massachusetts, Inc. (# MR281309), Retailer, Temescal Wellness of Massachusetts, Inc. (# MR281588), Retailer, which staff has recommended for approval of final licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary.

Commissioner McBride made a motion to approve (# MR281309), seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The Commission approved the motion 4 in favor (Hoffman, Doyle, Flanagan, McBride) with 1 recusal (Title).

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve (# MR281588), seconded by Commissioner McBride.

The Commission approved the motion 4 in favor (Hoffman, Doyle, Flanagan, McBride) with 1 recusal (Title).

Commissioner Title returned at 1:38pm. Mr. Collins discussed the application of Theory Wellness Inc. (# MR281549), which staff has recommended for approval of final licensure

subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary. Commissioner Title asked about patient priority on the sales floor.

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner McBride.

The Commission approved the motion 4 in favor (Hoffman, Doyle, Flanagan, McBride) and 1 abstain (Title).

Director of Licensing Kyle Potvin discussed the applications of Baked Bean, LLC (# MPN281406), which staff has recommended for approval of provisional licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary. Commissioner Flanagan expressed concern with the lack of detail for the positive impact plan and added a condition to add clarity to the plan. Commissioner McBride asked where the materials will come from to make the products. Mr. Collins discussed the language in the executive summary and how it relates to final products. Commissioner Flanagan asked applicants to be sure to check charitable organizations can take this money, and if not, to have a plan b.

Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Mr. Potvin discussed the application of BCWC, LLC (# MRN281379), which staff has recommended for approval of provisional licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary. Commissioner Flanagan added conditions to check to see if the charity can take the money, list the community-based groups they intend to work with, and have a plan B if not. Commissioner McBride would like to see the charity confirm the ability to take the funds in writing. Commissioner Title asked about Future Farm technologies and their ownership in other jurisdictions. Mr. Potvin said he did not believe so.

Commissioner McBride made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Mr. Potvin discussed the application of Berkshire Welco, LLC (# MCN281317), which staff has recommended for approval of provisional licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary. Commissioner Title noted a close associate for this applicant was associated with a former client of hers, but it is not a conflict.

Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Commissioner Title recused herself and sat in the audience. Mr. Potvin discussed the applications of Garden Remedies, Inc. (# MCN281504), Cultivation, Tier 3/Indoor, Garden Remedies, Inc. (# MPN281381), Product Manufacturer, which staff has recommended for approval of provisional licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary. Commissioner Flanagan asked for more detail about the funding of the community relation board and added further clarity as a condition. Commissioner Doyle noted the condition to remain in compliance with DPH should be updated per the transfer.

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve, (# MCN281504) seconded by Commissioner McBride.

The Commission approved the motion 4 in favor (Hoffman, Doyle, McBride, Flanagan) with 1 recusal (Title).

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve (# MPN281381), seconded by Commissioner McBride.

The Commission approved the motion 4 in favor (Hoffman, Doyle, McBride, Flanagan) with 1 recusal (Title).

Commissioner Title returned. Mr. Potvin discussed the application of Herbology Group, Inc. (#MRN281679), which staff has recommended for approval of provisional licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary. Chairman Hoffman asked for clarification on the funding and added it as a condition. Commissioner Flanagan would like more information on education and outreach to veterans and added it as a condition. Commissioner Title discussed giving pro bono opportunities to providers. Commissioner Title sought further information on ownership interests. Commissioner Title asked about leadership rating criteria.

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Title.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Mr. Potvin discussed the application of Sanctuary Medicinals, Inc. (# MRN281950), which staff has recommended for approval of provisional licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary.

Commissioner McBride made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Chairman Hoffman adjourned the meeting at 2:36pm. Chairman Hoffman reconvened at 2:52pm.

Mr. Potvin discussed the applications of Silver Therapeutics, Inc. (# MCN281359), Cultivation, Tier 3/Indoor, Silver Therapeutics, Inc. (# MRN281271), Retailer, which staff has recommended for approval of provisional licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary. Commissioner Flanagan added a condition for further clarification of the positive impact plan. Commissioner McBride asked about language in the suitability review. Mr. Collins discussed the suitability review process.

Commissioner McBride made a motion to approve (# MCN281359), seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve (# MRN281271), seconded by Commissioner Title.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Mr. Potvin discussed the application of The Caregiver-Patient Connection (# MCN281254), which staff has recommended for approval of provisional licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary. Commissioner Flanagan asked for clarification about whether a senior center can accept funding as a condition.

Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Mr. Potvin discussed the applications of The Green Lady Dispensary, Inc. (# MCN281443), Cultivation, Tier 1/Indoor, The Green Lady Dispensary, Inc. (# MPN281345), Product Manufacturer, The Green Lady Dispensary, Inc. (# MRN281427), Retailer, which staff has recommended for approval of provisional licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary.

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve, (# MCN281443) seconded by Commissioner Flanagan.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve (# MPN281345), seconded by Commissioner Flanagan.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve (# MRN281427), seconded by Commissioner McBride.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Mr. Potvin discussed the application of The Verb is Herb, LLC (# MRN281637), which staff has recommended for approval of provisional licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary. Commissioner Flanagan added a condition to receive further information if the Boys and Girls club and Girls Inc. can receive this funding.

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Title.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Mr. Potvin discussed the application of Viridis Analytics, LLC—d/b/a Evio Labs Massachusetts (# ILN281277), which staff has recommended for approval of provisional licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary. Chairman Hoffman asked how long it would take to get the updated accreditation. Commissioner Flanagan added a condition to get further information on community organizations and would the educational organizations be allowed to accept the donations. Commissioner Title disclosed she has a friend who is an employee.

Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Chairman Hoffman turned to the Interdepartmental Service Agreement for the Transfer of the Medical Marijuana Program. Mr. Collins discussed the details of the ISA. Commissioner McBride asked about the transfer of inventory and DPH's current role in the process. Mr. Collins said he is confident the seed to sale tracking system will be an efficient way to transfer. Commissioner Title asked if patients will see anything differently. Mr. Collins said the patient experience should remain very similar. Chairman Hoffman asked about toxicology services. Mr. Collins discussed outside agency support of the medical marijuana program.

Chairman Hoffman asked for a motion to approve the essential terms of the ISA between DPH and CCC and delegate to the Executive Director to take any action to finalize and certify the agreement.

Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Chairman Hoff asked for a motion to delegate to the executive director the authority to finalize and execute all other agreements associated with the transfer.

Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Title.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Mr. Collins discussed the Idemia contract. Mr. Collins was seeking to modify scope of work for the Idemia contract, to update a communication channel.

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Flanagan. The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Chairman Hoffman turned to the lease of the satellite office. Mr. Collins discussed the search for the satellite office. Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to approve the lease, seconded by Commissioner Doyle. The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Chairman Hoffman turned to the Updated Guidance on Disproportionate Impact and Diversity Plans. Commissioner Flanagan discussed the guidance. Commissioner McBride suggested an edit to receive in writing confirmation from the nonprofit. Commissioner Title suggested removing the phrase due diligence. Commissioner McBride agreed, with the final edit reading:

The anticipated donation amount to the non-profit/charity should be include in the plan. In addition, applicants that intend to make a monetary donation to non-profits/charities are advised to obtain written correspondence certifying that the non-profit/charity will accept the donation prior to including it as a component of a Positive Impact Plan;

Commissioner Title made the motion to approve the guidance subject to the edits and the range of contributions be specified, seconded by Commissioner Flanagan.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Chairman Hoffman turned to the 2019 Regulatory Timeline. Mr. Collins discussed regulatory issues to revisit. Commissioner Flanagan noted she wanted enough time to speak with the patient community. Commissioner Title asked to move RMD agent process to the spring.

With no unknown business before the Commission, Chairman Hoffman noted the next public meeting is December 17th. Chairman Hoffman asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Flanagan made the motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The motion is unanimously approved by the Commission. The Commission is adjourned as of 4:18pm.