

Cannabis Control Commission

Public Meeting Minutes

February 7, 2019
1:30 p.m.
50 Milk Street 8th Floor
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

List of Documents:

1. [Presentation from 02/07/19 Commission Meeting](#)
2. [Meeting Minutes | 10/09/18 | Cannabis Control Commission – Executive Session](#)
3. [Final License-Executive Summary- Berkshire Roots, Inc.- MR281585-MP281427-MX281322-MC281590](#)
4. [Final License – Caroline’s Cannabis, LLC- MR281274](#)
5. [Provisional License – Executive Summary – Apothca – MCN281276-MPN281445](#)
6. [Provisional License – Executive Summary – Apothca – MRN281447](#)
7. [Provisional License- Executive Summary – Bodelles Edibles, LLC – MBN281356](#)
8. [Provisional License- Executive Summary – Garden Remedies – MRN281942](#)

Chairman Hoffman called the Cannabis Control Commission to order at 1:30 pm. Chairman Hoffman put the public on notice that the meeting is being recorded. Chairman Hoffman reviewed the meeting agenda.

Chairman Hoffman turned to the minutes from October 9, 2018 Executive Session. Commissioner Doyle made the motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Flanagan. The Commission unanimously approved the minutes.



Chairman Hoffman turned to the executive director's report. Mr. Collins discussed licensing applications (slide 5). Next, Mr. Collins discussed applications under review by license type (slide 6). Mr. Collins discussed the disadvantaged business enterprise statistics (slide 7). Mr. Collins discussed the licensing applications status (slide 8). Mr. Collins discussed the map of applications (slide 9). Mr. Collins discussed the map of retail applications (slide 10). Mr. Collins discussed agent applications (slide 11). Mr. Collins discussed demographics of agent applications (slide 12-13). Medical Marijuana program data slide (14). Mr. Collins discussed the Social Equity Program Applications (slide 15).

Mr. Collins discussed the applications of Berkshire Roots, Inc. (# MR281585), Retail; Berkshire Roots, Inc. (# MP281427), Product Manufacturer; Berkshire Roots, Inc. (# MX281322), Marijuana Transporter with Other Existing Marijuana Establishment License; Berkshire Roots, Inc. (# MC281590), Cultivation – Tier 2 / Indoor, which staff has recommended for approval of final licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary. Commissioner McBride placed on all applicants a condition shall be added to all final licenses that licensure is subject to notification of the Commission of any update to written operations plans required by 935 CMR 105(1) prior to the issuance of a commencement of operations and that Commission staff be given adequate opportunity to review said plans at the business location or the location where any such plans are maintained in the normal course of business.

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve (# MR281585), seconded by Commissioner McBride.

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

Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to approve (# MP281427), 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 (# MX281322), seconded by Commissioner McBride.

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

Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to approve (# MC281590), seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

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



Mr. Collins discussed the application of Caroline's Cannabis, LLC (# MR281274), which staff has recommended for approval of final licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary.

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

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Director of Licensing Kyle Potvin discussed the applications of Apothca, Inc. (# MCN281276), Cultivation /Tier 5 – Indoor; Apothca, Inc. (# MPN281445), Product Manufacturer; Apothca, Inc. (# MRN281447), Retail which staff has recommended for approval of provisional licensure subject to the conditions set forth in the executive summary. Commissioner Flanagan asked for more information for the plan for positive impact. Commissioner Title asked about the measurable goals in the positive impact plan. Commissioner McBride asked for further detail for what products that will be offered.

Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to approve (#MCN281276), seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve (# MPN281445), seconded by Commissioner Flanagan.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve (# MRN281447), seconded by Commissioner Title.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Mr. Potvin discussed the application of Bodelles Edibles, LLC (# MBN281356), which the staff has recommended for provisional licensure, subject to the conditions in the executive summary.

Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to approve (# MBN281356), seconded by Commissioner Doyle.

The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Commissioner Title recused herself at 2:08pm and left the room. Mr. Potvin discussed the application of Garden Remedies, Inc. (# MRN281942), which the staff has recommended for



provisional licensure, subject to the conditions in the executive summary. Commissioner Flanagan asked for further detail of the positive impact plan.

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve (# MRN281942), seconded by Commissioner McBride.

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

Commissioner Title returned at 2:13pm. Chairman Hoffman turned to the social equity program. Mr. Collins discussed the RFP. Commissioner Title suggested edits. Commissioner McBride suggested edits.

Commissioner Doyle made a motion to approve issuing the RFP, subject to edits, seconded by Commissioner Title. The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to delegate authority to the executive director to approve social equity applicants, seconded by Commissioner McBride. The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

Chairman Hoffman turned to the update of municipal guidance. Commissioner Doyle discussed the 2019 updated guidance. Commissioner Title suggested adding a prominent link to the Commission's recommendations for equitable local policies.

Commissioner Flanagan made a motion to approve the guidance subject to edits, seconded by Commissioner McBride. The Commission unanimously approved the motion.

With unknown business before the Commission, Commissioner Title noted that she had sent a memo to the other commissioners regarding the Commission's progress toward building an industry characterized by robust participation from small and large businesses and by different groups, and some suggested starting points for a discussion. Chairman Hoffman noted the next meeting will be February 21, 2019 and would include an agenda item for that discussion. Chairman Hoffman asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner McBride made the motion to adjourn seconded by Commissioner Flanagan.

The motion is unanimously approved by the Commission. The Commission is adjourned.

