

COMMUNITY GROWTH PARTNERS GREAT BARRINGTON OPERATIONS, LLC
MRN282695

BACKGROUND & APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Community Growth Partners Great Barrington Operations, LLC
783 South Main Street, Great Barrington, MA 01230

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

Retail

The application was reopened four times 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. However, individuals and entities associated with this application are also associated with Community Growth Partners Northampton Operations, LLC.

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

| Individual | Role |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| Charlotte Hanna | Owner / Partner |
| Marcus Williams | Owner / Partner |

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

| Entity | Role |
|---|--------------------------------|
| Community Growth Partners MA Real Estate, LLC | Entity with Indirect Authority |
| Community Growth Partners Holdings, LLC | Parent Company |



6. Applicant’s priority status:
Economic Empowerment Applicant.
7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on March 20, 2019.
8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on January 31, 2019 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on September 25, 2019 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances and bylaws.
10. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Positive Impact Plan:

| # | Goal |
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| 1 | Applicant plans to be an accelerator for generational wealth building opportunities. |
| 2 | Offer monthly industry-specific educational seminars. |
| 3 | Commit 3% of its annual net profits to its criminal justice reform program. |

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 months of receiving its provisional license.
14. The applicant’s proposed hours of operation are the following:
Monday – Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Thursday – Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 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 goals for its Diversity Plan:



| # | Goal |
|---|---|
| 1 | Establish a diverse ownership and leadership team that exceeds 75% disenfranchised population and 51% equity ownership. |
| 2 | Recruit 75% of individuals from disenfranchised populations. |
| 3 | Utilize suppliers of goods and services that support diversity. |

17. Summary of cultivation plan (if applicable):

Not Applicable.

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

Not Applicable.

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

The applicant plans to obtain marijuana or marijuana products by contracting with other licensed establishments.

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 information about their proposed meetings in their Positive Impact Plan that disclose discussions on the health benefits of cannabis. Commission regulations require scientific data for disclosure of health benefits pursuant to 935 CMR 500.105(4).

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.

