

HAMPSHIRE HEMP, LLC

MRN281867

BACKGROUND & APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Hampshire Hemp, LLC
371 – 391 Damon Road, Northampton, MA 01060

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 (4) 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.

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

Individual	Role
Peter Picknelly	Board Member
Mark Cutting	Manager
Nicholas Yee	Manager

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

Entity	Role
Hampshire Management, LLC	Capital Contributor

6. Applicant's priority status:

General Applicant



7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on November 6, 2019.
8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on October 31, 2019 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on November 8, 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
1	Recruit and hire 50% of individuals who are residents of Holyoke and Springfield, Commission-designated Social Equity Program participants, Massachusetts residents who have past drug convictions and Massachusetts residents with parents or spouses who have drug convictions.
2	Donate \$5,000, provide eight (8) hours of community service, and hold at least four (4) food drives on an annual basis to Margaret's Pantry.

SUITABILITY REVIEW

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

MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS REVIEW

13. The applicant states that it can be operational within two (2) months of receiving the provisional license.
14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:
 Monday – Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
 Sunday: 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 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
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1	Hire and Recruit 50% of woman and 30% of minorities, people who identify as LGBTQ/Alternative Sexual Identities, veterans and people with disabilities.
2	Purchase 20% of goods and services from vendors, contractors, and professional service providers that are owned and operated by individuals that have cultural and ethnically diverse characteristics.

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 intends to apply for additional marijuana establishment licenses, therefore plans to obtain marijuana from its affiliated licenses, if and when, they are approved. If the need arises, the applicant will 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; and
4. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee.

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.

