

TREE MARKET TAUNTON, LLC
MRN281597

BACKGROUND & APPLICATION OF INTENT REVIEW

1. Name and address of the proposed Marijuana Establishment:

Tree Market Taunton LLC
9 Cape Road, Taunton, MA, 02780

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 once (1) 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
Eli Volynsky	Executive / Officer
Daniel Razore	Executive / Officer

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

Entity	Role
The Vault Holding LLC	Parent Company

6. Applicant's priority status:

General Applicant



7. The applicant and municipality executed a Host Community Agreement on February 25, 2019 which was amended on June 7, 2019.
8. The applicant conducted a community outreach meeting on March 14, 2019 and provided documentation demonstrating compliance with Commission regulations.
9. The Commission received a municipal response from the municipality on March 24, 2020 stating the applicant was in compliance with all local ordinances or bylaws.
10. The applicant proposed the following goals for its Positive Impact Plan:

#	Goal
1	Hire at least 25% of the company's employees from residents of Massachusetts and individuals within the Commission-approved areas of disproportionate impact.
2	Contribute a minimum of 40 hours of volunteer time to charitable groups serving the Commission-approved areas of disproportionate impact.
3	Donate at minimum \$10,000 to charitable groups serving the Commission-approved areas of disproportionate impact.
4	Provide education programs that focus on the cannabis industry, marijuana retailers, and entrepreneurship, at least twice per year.

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 19 months after receiving the provisional license(s).
14. The applicant's proposed hours of operation are the following:

Monday – Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Friday – Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.

Sunday: 11:00 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	Provide job opportunities to at least 10% of individuals who are minorities, women, veterans, people with disabilities, and LGBTQ+.
2	Offer 100% of the company’s opportunities for advancement to management and executive positions internally, thereby providing opportunities to its diverse workforce.
3	Provide employee training on diversity and sensitivity.

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):

Tree Market Taunton, LLC 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;
4. Provisional licensure is subject to the payment of the appropriate license fee; and
5. Final licensure is subject to the applicant providing Commission staff, upon inspection, that provides detailed information on the topics of the workshops and/or seminars and clarification on the frequency of event notices that will be posted.

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.

