



**COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
CANNABIS COMMISSION**

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A regular meeting of the CNMI Cannabis Commission will be held on **Thursday, May 26, 2022, at 10:30 A.M.** at the office of the CNMI Cannabis Commission Conference Room at Ascension Ct. Bldg. 1341, Capitol Hill, Saipan.

AGENDA

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- VIII. Acting Managing Director's Report

- IX. Executive Session
 1. To discuss the hiring of a Managing Director

- VIII. Adjournment

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CNMI Cannabis Commission
Regular Session Meeting Minutes
May 26, 2022

I. Call to Order

Vice Chairman Mathew Deleon Guerrero called the CNMI Cannabis Commission's meeting to order at 10:30 a.m., which was held at the Office of the CNMI Cannabis Commission Conference Room located at Ascencion Ct., Bldg. 1341, Capitol Hill, Saipan.

II. Roll Call/Determination of Quorum

Vice Chairman Mathew Deleon Guerrero called roll of the commissioners: Commissioner Thomas Songsong, representing Rota, was present (video conference); Commissioner Valentino Taisacan, representing Northern Islands, was present (video conference); Commissioner Journie Hofschneider, representing Tinian, was present (at conference room).

Vice Chairman stated that Chairwoman Nadine Deleon Guerrero was excused from today's meeting, his delegation of authority as acting chairman, and confirmed quorum with the commissioners present.

Acting Managing Director Erik Basa was also present in this meeting.

III. Consideration and adoption of Agenda

Acting Chairman Deleon Guerrero asked if there was any motion to adopt or discuss the agenda. Treasurer Taisacan motioned to adopt the agenda, seconded by Secretary Hofschneider; all commissioners voted in favor of the motion to adopt the agenda, motion carried.

IV. Consideration and adoption of Minutes of prior meetings

Acting Chairman asked if there were any outstanding meeting minutes to be adopted.

Member Songsong responded that the commission is still pending with the September 2021 through December 2021 meeting minutes which he had requested but has not received to date for transcribing, and therefore motioned to table the adoption of prior meeting minutes, seconded by Secretary Hofschneider; all commissioners voted in favor of the motion, motion carried.

V. Public Comment

Acting Chairman requested Acting MD Basa to verify if there were any members of the public present for public comment. Acting MD subsequently reported that there was no one present for public comment.

VI. New Business

1. Cannabis Licensing Application No. C1121-0025-SPN: Cannablyss Inc. dba Cannablyss application for a Marijuana Producer Class 2; discussion and approval

Acting Chairman welcomed Mr. Thomas Kim, owner and operator of Cannablyss, Inc., to today's meeting via zoom, and then turned over the floor to the acting MD for his presentation of the above-subject cannabis licensing application for licensure.

Acting MD Basa presented his PowerPoint presentation of the applicant, business location, scope of operation, square footage, apparatuses, photographs of indoor cultivation operation, and the highlighted boundary lines of the property in yellow and cannabis cultivation facility in green.

Member Songsong asked the acting MD, for clarification purposes, if the green highlighted boundary line will be the licensed premises and not the highlighted yellow boundary line of the property. Acting MD acknowledged that that was correct.

Acting MD continued with presenting site map, floor plan, photographs, ingress/egress and the different sections of the proposed cultivation facility, and explained its security measures. Acting Chairman asked if the facility's security cameras operability was verified. Acting MD acknowledged that its security camera system was operational.

Acting MD continued indicating that the facility had required signage posted, and described the entry into facility, its office space and secured cannabis storage site; the applicant's SOP was mentioned requiring staff training in the event employees are hired, however in the meantime, Mr. Thomas Kim will be the sole operator of the cannabis cultivation facility.

Secretary Hofschneider asked if the applicant's SOP identified any on-line cannabis training certification training for his employees. The acting MD indicated that based on his review of the applicant's SOP, it was not specified and mentioned that Mr. Thomas Kim may provide the commission feedback on that question.

Acting Chairman indicated that questions will be reserved until after the acting MD concludes his presentation.

Acting MD concluded his presentation specifying the applicant's completion of all required licenses, permits, or certificates for the proposed business activity, employee badge, and cannabis waste disposal plan, including additional details of the cultivation facility, and then yielded the floor to the commission for deliberation of the applicant's application for licensure.

Acting Chairman thanked the acting MD for his presentation and clarified that the acting MD recommended for a non-conditional approval for licensure, in which the acting MD acknowledged based on the applicant's satisfying the commission's application requirements and inspections.

Acting Chairman called for a five minute recess; the meeting was called back to order at 11:04 a.m.

Acting Chairman opened the floor for discussion and asked if any members of the commission had questions for the acting MD or applicant, and laid out the rules of engagement during this question and answer session.

Secretary Hofschneider asked the applicant, Mr. Thomas Kim, if he plans on using any of the various on-line cannabis training programs for his employees in the event he hires employees, or if his SOP employee training was something he personally developed; Secretary Hofschneider continued to mention that the commission does not currently have any stipulated cannabis training requirements, however, inquiries were made with previous applicant's about their employee cannabis training to develop a better idea of what works for producers in order for the commission to implement future cannabis training requirements.

The applicant replied that he is not currently using any on-line cannabis training programs and that his SOP contains all the fine details as to what needs to be done in the cultivation facility, and that it will be his responsibility once he hires staff to ensure that they are fully aware of the SOP's details, including the conduct of individual testing, and that in the future when he does come across on-line cannabis training, he will definitely implement that too; he further mentioned that his SOP is in line with industry experts and his connections with the cannabis industry in California and Canada who communicated their amazement with his SOP.

Member Songsong expressed to the applicant of his major undertakings with his cultivation facility based on the inspection photographs which is an indication of an experienced cannabis cultivator, and asked about his fertilizers as was shown in inspection photographs if they were imported or locally purchased. The applicant mentioned that he imported the fertilizers.

Member Songsong added that being that the fertilizers were imported, he must have consulted with the Bureau of Environmental and Coastal Quality (BECQ) and obtained a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) from the shipper/manufacturer for the imported fertilizers. *(Note: Member Songsong confused the imported fertilizers with imported pesticides; thus, his fertilizer statement was irrelevant as BECQ regulates pesticide importation and not fertilizers.)*

The applicant responded that he did not go through BECQ for the fertilizer imports and mentioned that these products are all industry standard for cannabis which may be found in most hardware or fertilizer stores, and that these hydroponics fertilizers are the most organic fertilizer products in the market.

Member Songsong asked another question relating to concerns with public health and safety with pesticide use on cannabis and product safety, and the type(s) of pesticide he may plan on using on cannabis.

The applicant mentioned that he has contracted a local company to visit his cultivation facility once a week to inspect for insects to ensure a bug-free environment, or to implement any pest control measure if needed.

Member Songsong continued that in the event a pest issue occurs, what type of pesticides is being planned for use and has this been specified in his SOP as he did not get the opportunity to review his SOP.

The applicant responded no (meaning no pesticides are being planned for use and is not specified in his SOP) and that his cultivation method is a hydroponics water-based grow operation which differs from soil grown in that soils contains natural pests/organisms whereas water-based hydroponics has little to no concerns with pests and within his cultivation facility; his pest concerns are from outside of the facility, i.e., roaches entering the facility and is what they will primarily control.

Member Songsong brought up an example where pests may attach to clothing and be brought into the facility. The applicant responded that they do have a gowning area

where persons are brushed down and dawn a gown to protect the cultivations site from possible introduction of outdoor pests into the facility.

Member Songsong raised another example where cannabis plants are reaching maturity nearing the market stage and a pest such as spider mites are discovered in flowering plants, and expressed that it wouldn't be a good idea to apply any pesticides on flowering buds, is this something that he or his company has thought out.

The applicant stated that what he/his company can ensure is that their cultivated product, as was shown in the inspection photographs with covered/insulated ceilings, walls and floors, provides for an A+ clean environment, any product found with possible insect or other matter will be eliminated, and assured the commission that there will be no pesticides and that they put in a lot of time and study into that; that their product could be the safest product in the market considering they are hydroponics cultivators and which will be closely monitored to bring out the cleanest product.

Member Songsong raised a final question to the acting MD on whether or not a permit from the Bureau of Environmental Health (BEH) was required as he heard that a BEH permit was required on Rota even for the sale of unprocessed agricultural products, e.g., coconut, banana, eggplant, etc. The acting MD stated that he is not aware of it being a requirement but will look into it. Member Songsong responded to the acting MD that whether or not he looked into the BEH matter, he did not need that information as he was just wondering about it and is in disagreement with that specific BEH issue, and then closed by thanking the acting MD and Mr. Thomas Kim for their time in answering the questions.

Acting Chairman raised an issue on the subject of pesticides that it would be great to have an understanding of the contracted pesticide company's pest control process; the particular question being should there be roaches, for example, or any other non-plant based pests within the facility, how the facility/cultivation site would be impacted with the chemicals that may be used to eradicate those pests, and whether there will be an impact to the quality of the grow area or product, not necessarily pertaining to the application but for information purposes would be helpful.

Acting Chairman stated that the floor is still open if there are any further questions or discussion on Cannablyss' application. There were no further questions from the commissioners.

Acting Chairman then asked the applicant about his hydroponics grow system and expectations on its water and energy usage, if there was any consideration on utility costs, and whether that would impact the general liability of his operations.

The applicant responded that his company has enough capital, so they are not concerned with electricity/utility costs, but understands that utility rates have been increasing.

Acting Chairman asked if there were any additional discussion; hearing no further discussion, he called to entertain a motion on Cannabis Licensing Application No. C1121-0025-SPN.

Secretary Hofschneider motioned for the approval of Cannabis Licensing Application No. C1121-0025-SPN, Cannablyss Inc., dba Cannablyss.

Acting Chairman asked if any other commissioner other than Secretary Hofschneider could make a motion on Cannabis Licensing Application No. C1121-0025-SPN.

Member Songsong motioned for the approval of Cannabis Licensing Application No. C1121-0025-SPN for licensure, seconded by Treasurer Taisacan.

Acting Chairman noted that for the purpose of being in compliance with the commission's existing delegation from Chairwoman Nadine Deleon Guerrero, Secretary Hofschneider is recused from taking actions relating to the approval or denial of cannabis applications for the time being until that delegation letter is rescinded or amended.

Acting Chairman then reiterated Member Songsong's motion for the approval of Cannabis Licensing Application No. C1121-0025-SPN for licensure, seconded by Treasurer Taisacan, and proceeded to call roll for a yes or no vote on the aforementioned motion as follows:

- Commissioner Val Taisacan voted yes;
- Commissioner Thomas Songsong voted yes;
- Acting Chairman Mathew Deleon Guerrero voted yes.

Acting Chairman stated that with three commissioners voting yes, Cannabis Licensing Application No. C1121-0025-SPN is approved, and Mr. Thomas Kim was subsequently congratulated.

Mr. Thomas Kim expressed his thankfulness for the commission's approval and detailed his company's long (year and a half) of preparation since the CNMI's cannabis

legalization, his happiness to jump into the cannabis industry being an avid consumer and dealing with anxieties and knows of the beneficial qualities it brings to his health and life, and wants it shared with the community; he mentioned the former Managing Director Monique Sablan's helpfulness in getting his company started through the processes, and assured of his company's compliance and safety for the community and in adding value to the advancement of this industry.

Acting Chairman concluded that the action of the commission is official with the approval of Cannablyss' application for licensure, and that the acting MD will be in touch with Mr. Kim for the license issuance process, and thanked Mr. Kim for going through the processes and supporting the industry and commonwealth.

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Acting Chairman recapped the subject matter above and asked if there were any motions on this item.

Secretary Hofschneider motioned to approve the above-listed items that the acting Chairman went over for final adoption for promulgation into the Commonwealth Register, seconded by Treasurer Taisacan.

Acting Chairman asked if there were any discussion; hearing none, the acting Chairman called for voice vote in which all commissioners voted in favor of the motion, motion carried. Acting Chairman announced that these items are approved for final adoption.

VIII. Acting Managing Director's Report

Acting MD commenced with permitting/licensing detailing the following:

- The commission has eight (8) active licensees, however, one of the eight licensees had informed him of his business closure in which he had discussed the matter with the former MD; however, he has no documentation or written statement(s) on that discussion from neither the licensee nor the former MD, and so the conduct of an

inspection of the licensee's licensed premises was initiated to verify the extent of his facility closure in which the licensee was requested to submit a written withdrawal of his license for cannabis business activity, and to include a description of his cannabis disposal plan;

- There is one (1) inactive applicant who was notified to submit required documents to complete application requirements, but the applicant was not responsive; additional attempts were made to contact him in which the applicant responded that he has decided not to go through with the application process because of the requirements. The applicant was then notified if he would submit a request to withdraw his application, however, he has not submitted a withdrawal letter since; as a result, a letter was sent to him of a proposed application denial back in March (2022) because of the lack of a withdrawal letter and incomplete documentation required for application completeness, and therefore, his application has been denied;
- There are six (6) pending applications and eleven (11) approval-in-principals (AIPs) in which one of the AIPs is soon to expire on August 22, 2022 who was contacted to follow-up on their state of affairs as far as progressing forward for their first inspection to verify compliance and operational readiness for the commission's consideration for licensure; another AIP visited the office last week indicating inspection readiness, however, it was shown that his floor plan had changed, and thus was advised to refer back to the zoning authorities to address the amended floor plan as the zoning permit initially approved did not match the new amended floor plan; he is going through that process now and once he is cleared with the zoning authority, we will proceed forward with that;
- Other comment presented by one of the retail licensees offered his idea of providing a "joint rolling service," and that this service would only occur if pre-rolled joints are not available and a consumer requests for the rolling of the purchased bagged product; the consumer, however, will have to purchase the rolling paper product and pay a small rolling service fee. Acting MD stated that he has not looked into the regulations relating to this type of service since this is the first time he brought this to the commission's attention that may need to be discussed further;
- Another retail licensee inquired about the identification check requirement in which section 705 of the cannabis regulations indicated that prior to the sale of a marijuana item, a retailer must verify that the consumer must have a valid identification; in essence, every transaction made requires identification verification; the reason why this identification issue was raised is specifically catered to senior citizen consumers, and given their age and weekly consumers, the licensee feels for these senior citizens having to make the trip to the cannabis retail store, forget their identification card and having to walk back upstairs to retrieve their identification card. This is something he wanted to raise if it is something the commission may consider for regulatory amendment relating to senior citizens.

- For the enforcement section, the commission is receiving the required monthly reports from licensees which are being examined and available for commissioners' review. The commission's enforcement team has been coordinating training sessions and completed its training with the Department of Public Safety with eighty-one of its officers trained; we are now moving over to the Division of Customs and Quarantine in which fifty-seven of its officers will be participating in this cannabis training workshop; to date, the commission has trained thirty-one of fifty-seven customs officers and plan to conduct additional training for the remaining twenty-six customs officers; commerce's ABTC enforcement staff are also requesting participation in this training session; it is not certain at this point whether the commission will continue with its training session or await the hiring of the commission's new managing director, which can be discussed at a later date;
- With administrative responsibilities, they are working on accessing the Department of Finance's MUNIS system because the former managing director was the only person with authorized access; they are waiting for the arrival of one of finance's staff to input the access code or MUNIS link into one of their computers and be trained on its use. The acting MD expressed eagerness for the hiring of administrative personnel to manage the commission's administrative matters, including a managing director.

Secretary Hofschneider indicated that it is her understanding that the former MD had submitted required data into the MUNIS system up to August 2022, so that could buy some time into the commission's hiring of administrative personnel.

Acting MD replied that he is addressing incoming invoices and ensuring that vendors are being compensated which the finance department is assisting him address that issue.

Acting Chairman highlighted some of the issues the acting MD reported beginning with the loss of the commission's previous administrative personnel, the funding allocated for that position which was re-announced, and inquired if there were any leads to any potential applicant for that position.

Acting MD stated that based on his communication with the former MD, two or three candidates submitted resumes which were reviewed and contacted for interview scheduling, but that is the extent what transpired; he was also informed that the candidates' credentials are in the former MD's computer, so if there are still plans on hiring an administrative staff, the candidates' resumes can be re-reviewed.

Acting Chairman acknowledged the acting MD's statement and indicated that current commission staff expressed the need for an administrative staff, so with or without an official MD, we have an acting MD, and the commission shouldn't be necessarily be

micro-managing that process for your staff as it is not the commissioners' role, but if it is necessary, Secretary Hofschneider is offered to assist with the review of employment applications/resumes and going through that process; it comes down to your management on it, how fast you want to bring personnel on, and it seems that process has been gone through, and if you feel that a current applicant fulfills that role and the commission has the funding for it, then you may proceed forward without the commission telling you when to stop or start that process. Acting MD acknowledged.

Secretary Hofschneider expressed to the acting MD that he may not need her assistance with the hiring process of an administrative assistant but wanted him to know that she is available to assist if he so chooses.

Acting Chairman then raised the age requirement that the acting MD reported under required identification relating to senior citizens, that is a requirement and the safest way to ensure full compliance is to make sure there is full compliance, and although current regulations do not allow deferring identification checks, the commission could entertain that issue in later readings, recommendations, or proposals on that matter, that is what the regulations stipulate.

Acting Chairman continued with the retailer inquiry of a joint rolling service stating that there does not seem to be anything stipulated prohibiting additional services, similar with former proposals for providing paraphernalia, bongs, pipes, etc., and methods by which it is being sold, whether it is rolled or unrolled, it is not necessarily within the regulatory clause, and considering that it is not a marijuana product but more of a service, it is nice that they inquired about it, and concluded that those are his opinions and if there are any disagreements on that to raise those concerns.

Secretary Hofschneider exemplified a past scenario with one licensee about its acquisition of a rolling machine for pre-rolled joints, which the commission did not have any issues with as it was a service offered. Acting Chairman added, similarly this was looked into if it was regulatorily defined as "processing," in which the commission was comfortable that it did not, and so that falls within a regular retail function. Acting MD acknowledged.

Acting Chairman asked if there are any potential applicants moving into the approval or denial stage by the next meeting, and mentioned that Secretary Hofschneider was not present in the previous meeting about T-Marianas when it was discussed, and then asked Secretary Hofschneider if she had any questions about that licensee.

Secretary Hofschneider asked the reason why T-Marianas cancelled its license, whether it was for economic reasons, or other matters, and whether there was any feedback that the commission needs to take into consideration so as to learn why that licensee was unsuccessful. Acting MD replied that based on discussions with the former MD, the licensee said that it was personal matters that was the deciding factor in not furthering his cannabis business, but did not get into specific details. Acting Chairman added that the former MD did mention that T-Marianas expressed his cancellation was unrelated to regulatory requirements, and that it was personal in nature.

Acting Chairman asked if there were any other questions for the acting MD under the acting managing director's report.

Member Songsong mentioned that the recently approved license for Cannablyss, Inc., Mr. Thomas Kim did speak of his standard operating procedure, his ties with cannabis industry experts in California and Canada, and asked if allowable, would like to review Mr. Kim's SOP on cultivation and training since the commission did not get the opportunity to review his SOP prior to acting on Cannablyss' application for licensure.

Member Songsong also reported that cannabis consumers out of Rota have reported to him about moldy marijuana products from cannabis retailers, and wondered whether the commission would consider obtaining samples or even conduct spot checks on products for mold which can be seen with the naked eye or microscopic lens; the other issue raised by consumers was that certain retailers were logging identification card numbers stating that it was for the purposes of banking requirement wanting to ensure that consumers were of age, which did not make any sense to him relating to the banking sector.

Secretary Hofschneider exemplified one retail licensee that made a point to input identification information in its system, depending on the acceptable type of identification, similar to what is being done stateside collecting data and registering before entry into a retail shop and purchasing products, so perhaps the communicated reason for collecting that personal information was not communicated in the best way, but it is not a regulatory requirement, so there would be customers that would be uncomfortable with personal data collection, and not necessarily from a requirement from a banking system perspective.

Acting Chairman asked Member Songsong if he received the packet on Cannablyss, Inc., in which he responded yes, but not its SOP, and is curious as to the content of the SOP especially in the area of cultivation and training. Acting Chairman then asked the acting MD to provide the commissioners a copy of Cannablyss' SOP, in which the acting MD acknowledged.

Acting Chairman asked if there were any additional homegrown licensees. Acting MD mentioned that there were three homegrown licenses that are up for renewal, however, two of them decided not to renew; when if it the fee was the cause for their decision not to renew, they replied it was a personal matter, although they would like to renew at a later date; to date, there are fourteen homegrown licensees.

Acting Chairman mentioned that there was a concert on Friday sponsored by Common Wealth Cannabis, and they were not allowed to sell cannabis items or any of that, and asked the acting MD if he had any feedback or concern from that event. Acting MD answered that he did not receive any feedback or results from that event.

Member Songsong related back to homegrown licenses and added that Rota did receive one homegrown license approximately last month and thanked the acting MD for that. Secretary Hofschneider then asked if Rota now has two homegrown licenses. Member Songsong replied that Rota had two homegrown licensees, but the first one passed.

Acting Chairman stated that if there is nothing else for discussion, he has a consideration that does not necessarily have to be discussed in the acting managing director's report or in executive session, we could have an open session if it's okay with the team, does not think the commission is in violation of the OGA, but feels that the commission needs to start hammering through the process and is something he would like wait for the Chairwoman's return to start working through; it is something to think about in terms of the commission's last experience with issuing a JVA, or the process we would like to see, timelines, piecing out, making sure that we are available because we may require intermonth meetings to work through, and to do interviews and other things; just having that consideration and framework and getting access to MUNIS to figure out what budget we have to deal with for potential applicants; this is not necessarily to make a decision on, but we need to probably start reviewing our files, recollections, thoughts and experience, and work through what we would like to change or work through our schedules to make sure that we are available to ensure that commission has the management it needs.

Secretary Hofschneider noted that she has all previous documents and processes the commission dealt with in the hiring of its initial managing director, and how it provided for feedback on the way applicants demonstrated meeting specific requirements and how they were weighed to determine a successful candidate was; it became very handy because several of the past candidates asked for feedback which those notes were able to be used to provide feedback as to why they were not considered and helped validate why a specific candidate was selected; it was very helpful to have that kind of data.

Acting Chairman noted that this conversation does not exclude the potential hiring from within the commission, so we do have members of the commission staff that know what is going on (functions/operations) and was unsure if there is interest in hiring from the staff applying for the managing director's position; if there was a separate process that we could do if we thought that there was interest from within the commission for promotion and not necessarily applying through a JVA; something to discuss as we move along. Acting Chairman asked if there were any other discussion on that.

Acting Chairman asked if anyone was approached by anybody interested in the managing director's position. Member Songsong and Secretary Hofschneider mentioned that no one in their neck of the woods is aware of the managing director position vacancy.

Acting Chairman mentioned that he has not heard any names but that there are six individuals interested in the position, and concluded that the difference between the last time and this time is making sure the commission staff is involved, somebody that they will be able to work with and would understand the work that is being done.

Acting Chairman congratulated the commission for its new producer class 2 licensee, and being there was nothing else to discuss, thanked the acting MD for his work, welcomed Commissioner Hofschneider's return, thanked the other commissioners for their time, and opened the floor for any motion to adjourn this meeting.

IX. Adjournment

Secretary Hofschneider motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Treasurer Taisacan; all commissioners voted in favor of the motion, motion carried. Commission meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m.