

# Thank You for Joining!

Stakeholder Comment Period: 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

SPARK Session: 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.



*SPARK Session #5 (Licensing and Regulation)*



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## REMINDER

**BEGINNING APRIL 5, 2021**

**DCR VIRTUAL PUBLIC COUNTER  
SERVICE HOURS WILL CHANGE TO:**

**MONDAY - THURSDAY  
10AM - 4PM  
CLOSED ON FRIDAY**



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## REMINDER

### Upcoming:

Cannabis Regulation  
Commission Meeting

Thursday, June 17, 2021

Begins at 2:00 p.m.

Access via DCR homepage, or  
Cannabis Regulation  
Commission menu.



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# SEED Grant Program Lunch and Learn



Please join DCR and Elevate Impact LA for a SEED Grant Program Lunch and Learn! The team from Elevate Impact LA will walk participants through each step of the application, provide feedback on grant assessment documents and answer questions.



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### SPARK Virtual Meeting Room Now Available!

- RSVP for future SPARK Sessions.
- Watch past SPARK Sessions.
- Utilize SPARK Resource Station.
- Take a SPARK Survey.
- Provide feedback in the SPARK Comment Box.



Access the Virtual Meeting Room from the DCR website's SPARK landing page.



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## Sign-Up for the SPARK Email List!

Get all the latest SPARK news, direct access to the Virtual Meeting Room and additional updates from DCR.

Sign-up link on the SPARK Landing Page on the DCR website.

A screenshot of the SPARK landing page on the City of Los Angeles Department of Cannabis Regulation website. The page features the DCR logo and navigation links (Alert, Services, Directory). The main heading is 'SPARK' with a cannabis leaf icon. Below the heading, it says 'Enter the SPARK Virtual Meeting Room to provide DCR with feedback and input that will help us shape the future of cannabis policy and programs here in Los Angeles.' A blue button at the bottom says 'Coming Soon!'.

A screenshot of the SPARK landing page content, showing the 'AVAILABLE NOW!' section. It features the SPARK logo and a list of SPARK STATIONS: SPARK SESSIONS, SPARK RESOURCE, SPARK SURVEYS, and SPARK COMMENT BOX. A red box highlights the 'Get SPARK Email Updates! Stay Connected to SPARK!' button. The page also includes a calendar icon and a 'Next SPARK SESSION' date of Saturday, May 8, 2021.



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### City of Los Angeles Complaint Portal

- Complaints about unlicensed or illegal commercial cannabis activity
- Complaints about licensed commercial cannabis activity that you are concerned may be happening in an unlawful or unsafe manner
- Non-emergency communications with the Los Angeles Police Department about cannabis or cannabis-related activities. If this is an emergency please call 9-1-1.



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# Finding an Authorized Retailer



The State of California has a California Cannabis Portal to do searches for locations licensed by the state.

Be sure to check out the Bureau of Cannabis Control “Get #weedwise” campaign, which aims to educate consumers about the risks associated with purchasing and using unlicensed cannabis, and increase awareness of the benefits of licensure.

An advertisement for the "Get #weedwise" campaign. The top part shows a hand holding a smartphone that is scanning a QR code on a license. The license has the text "Scan to verify this license." and a QR code. The background is a blurred image of a person's shoulder. The bottom part of the advertisement has a teal background with white text.

**Get #weedwise**

Scan to verify this license.

**SCAN OUR QR CODE TO CHECK OUR LICENSE STATUS**

You can also check [CApotcheck.com](https://www.cacpotcheck.com) to verify we are licensed and our cannabis is legal



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# Welcome and Introduction(s)

# SPARK Updates



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Collect Feedback



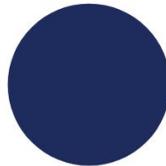
Analyze Feedback



Create Report



Develop / Present  
Recommendations



Action by Council &  
Council Committee(s)



# Welcome and Introduction(s)



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REGULATION  
COMMISSION**



# SPARK Session Breakout Rooms

# SPARK Session Breakout Rooms Guidelines



To foster an inclusive environment during our breakout rooms, we are asking attendees to observe the following guidelines:

- DCR representatives are in rooms to present information to \*SPARK\* discussion and comments. No specific licensing or application questions will be answered.
- Use the Raise Hand function (or \*9 on phone) to make a comment.
- Keep comments and recommendations on topic to the prompt / question.
- Allow time for others to provide feedback on each prompt.
- Use Chat Box to respond if you do not want to speak on a prompt.



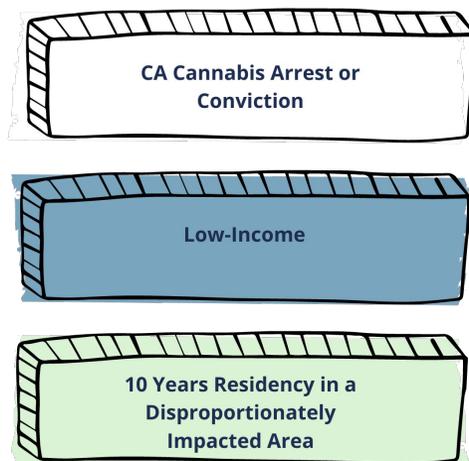
# SPARK Session Breakout Room: Prompt 1

# Social Equity Program

## Individual Level Eligibility Verification



The Social Equity Program is available to individuals verified by the Department as Social Equity Individual Applicants. To be verified individuals must meet certain criteria related to:



- Original
  - Verification Period -- CLOSED
  - Approx. 1600 Individuals Verified
    - Tier 1
    - Tier 2
    - Tier 3\*
  - Refer to your Accela account to confirm you are a verified Applicant.
- Expanded & Phase 3 Retail Round 2
  - Verification Period -- TBD



# SPARK Session Breakout Room: Prompt 2

# Licensing Program: Application and Licensing Processing Restrictions



License Type	License CAP	Are Applications Currently Being Accepted?	Application Processing Restrictions	Comments
Testing	No	Yes	No	Application processing opened on October 20, 2020.
Distribution	No	Yes	No	Application processing opened on October 20, 2020.
Non-Volatile Manufacturing	No	Yes	No	Application processing opened on October 20, 2020.
Volatile Manufacturing	Yes	No	No	
Cultivation	Yes	No	No	
Delivery	No	Yes	Yes. Limited to Social Equity Applicants until January 1, 2025 (Phase 3)	SEAs must be verified. SEAs may be verified under the original eligibility criteria or the expanded eligibility criteria. Application processing opened on October 20, 2020.
Retail	Yes	No	Yes. Limited to Social Equity Applicants until January 1, 2025 (Phase 3 Round 2)	Licenses are limited per CPA. To apply in a CPA that has reached Undue Concentration, eligibility must be verified pursuant to LAMC Sections 104.20(b) and 104.06.1(c)(3) before submitting a PCN Request. A lottery will be administered to determine which eligible SEAs are selected to apply for a License in a CPA that has not reached Undue Concentration. SEAs must be verified pursuant to LAMC Sections 104.20(b) and 104.06.1(c)(3) before being determined eligible to participate in the lottery.



# SPARK Session Breakout Room: Prompt 3

# Cannabis Location Requirements



The City of Los Angeles restricts where Commercial Cannabis Activity may lawfully occur. The City restricts Commercial Cannabis Activities to specific zones.

Sensitive use restrictions include but may not be limited to following:

- A licensed retail storefront must be outside of a 700-foot radius of a School, Public Park, Public Library, Alcoholism or Drug Abuse Recovery or Treatment Facility, Day Care Center, Permanent Supportive Housing, and any other licensed storefront retailer.
- A licensed non-storefront retailer (delivery), distributor, cultivator, non-volatile manufacturer or testing lab must be outside of a 600-foot radius of any School.
- A volatile manufacturer must be outside of a 600-foot radius of any School and a 200-foot radius of any Residentially Zoned Property.



# SPARK Session Breakout Room: Prompt 4

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In order to participate in Commercial Cannabis Activity within the City of Los Angeles, both a state license and a local license are required.



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# Application Process

## APPLICATION PROCESS



If necessary, City Council must make a PCN finding.



The Individual pays the Pre-Application Filing Fee and submits the required Pre-Application documents via Accela (DCR Licensing Portal).



DCR determines compliance with land use regulations and ownership restrictions.



DCR determines that the application is eligible for further processing.



The Temporary Approval Filing Fee is paid.



# SPARK Session Breakout Room: Prompt 5

# Cannabis Business Taxes



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Classification (Monthly)	Activities Taxed	Tax Rate
L711 - Medical Cannabis Sales	All sales related to medical use cannabis by Retail or Microbusiness operations.	\$50 per \$1,000 in Gross Receipts
L712 - Adult-Use Cannabis Sales	All sales related to adult or recreational cannabis use by Retail or Microbusiness operations.	\$100 per \$1,000 in Gross Receipts
L713 - Cannabis Transportation	Transportation or delivery of cannabis products.	\$10 per \$1,000 in Gross Receipts
L714 - Cannabis Testing	Activities related to the testing of cannabis products.	\$10 per \$1,000 in Gross Receipts
L716 - Cannabis Cultivation	Wholesale sales related to the cultivation of cannabis.	\$20 per \$1,000 in Gross Receipts
L718 - Cannabis Miscellaneous	Sales related to all other cannabis activities such as manufacturing and packaging.	\$20 per \$1,000 in gross Receipts



SPARK Session Breakout Rooms  
End.

# SPARK Session Breakout Rooms Session Share!

# Upcoming SPARK Events and Engagement



The next SPARK SESSION will be held Thursday, June 3, 2021 (Corporate Social Responsibility)

- Stakeholder Comment Period: 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- SPARK Session #6: 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- RSVP available in Virtual Meeting Room.

SPARK SURVEYS and SPARK COMMENT BOX are available **through June 30, 2021.**

### SPARK Upcoming Sessions

EVENT	DAY	DATE	STAKEHOLDER COMMENT PERIOD	TIME
SPARK Session (Licensing and Regulation)	WEDNESDAY	5/26/2021	5 P.M. - 6 P.M.	6 P.M. - 7 P.M.
SPARK Session (Corporate Social Responsibility)	THURSDAY	6/3/2021	5 P.M. - 6 P.M.	6 P.M. - 7 P.M.
SPARK Session (Social Equity Program)	TUESDAY	6/8/2021	5 P.M. - 6 P.M.	6 P.M. - 7 P.M.
SPARK Session (Community Impact)	SATURDAY	6/12/2021	5 P.M. - 6 P.M.	10 A.M. - 11 A.M.



# Stay Connected to SPARK!



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DCR Website

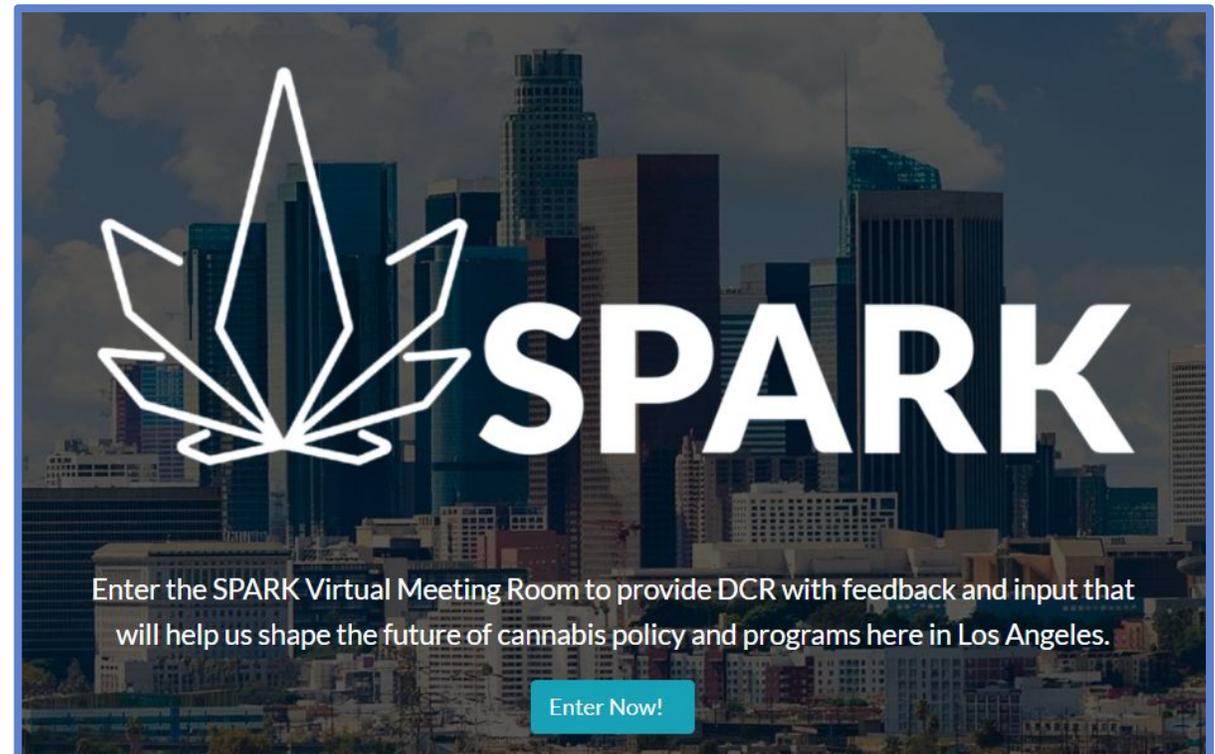
DCR Email Blast

SPARK Comment Box

SPARK Surveys

SPARK Sessions

**\*NEW\*** Email List



# Closing Remarks

