

**CITY OF LOS ANGELES
CANNABIS REGULATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, APRIL 28, 2022
VIA TELECONFERENCE**

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The meeting was called to order at 2:07 p.m. with Commissioners Ahn, Mason, Narro, and Villa virtually in attendance via Zoom.

Also attending the meeting via Zoom were, Michelle Garakian, Acting Executive Director; Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director; Dr. Imani Brown, Social Equity Program Director; Paula Groves, CEO of Elevate Impact; Emily Wada, Deputy City Attorney; and Josie Trevizo, Commission Executive Assistant

**GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT AND
SINGLE OR MULTIPLE AGENDA ITEM**

General Public Comment and Single or Multiple Agenda Items were taken together. Members of the public addressed the Commission telephonically.

ITEM NO. 1

COMMISSION BUSINESS

- **Advance Calendar:** There were no requests from the Commission.
- **Approval of Minutes:** Commissioner Villa moved to approve the minutes of April 7, 2022. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Narro and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Villa
Second: Narro
Ayes: Mason
Abstentions: Ahn

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

- **Commission Announcements and Updates:** There were no Commission announcements.
- **Future Agenda Requests:** There were no future agenda requests from the Commission.

ITEM NO. 2

FINDING TO CONTINUE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS PURSUANT TO AB 361

Commissioner Villa moved to approve the continuance of teleconference meetings in accordance with AB 361 Section 3(e)(3) that, while the state of emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic, as originally proclaimed by the Governor on March 4, 2020, remains active and/or state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, this legislative body has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency and that the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person and/or state or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Narro and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Villa
Second: Narro
Ayes: Ahn, Mason
Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 3

REPORT FROM THE ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Michelle Garakian, Acting Executive Director gave a report on the Department of Cannabis Regulation.

ITEM NO. 4
LICENSING REPORT

Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director gave an update on legislative amendments to the Los Angeles Municipal Code and DCR's Rules and Regulations concerning licensing timelines, licensing procedures, and operating requirements including the following:

- New Pre-Application requirements, processes, and anticipated timelines.
- New Temporary Approval Application requirements, processes, and anticipated timelines.
- Environmental Review and Annual Application processes.
- New Application and License modification requirements, processes, and anticipated timelines.
- Abandonment of applications and new refiling system and requirements
- Social Equity Individual Applicant Eligibility Verification Review (May 2022)

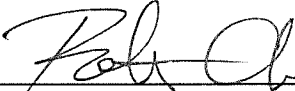
ITEM NO. 5
SOCIAL EQUITY PROGRAM UPDATES

Dr. Imani Brown, Social Equity Director gave a report concerning the Social Equity Program including the following:

- Business, Licensing and Compliance Assistance Program
 - Live Webinar Series
 - Capital Case Workers Pilot
 - Grow 2022 Career Fair
 - LACBA Pro Bono Partnership

Paula Groves, CEO of Elevate Impact reported on survey report findings on the LASEED Grant Program.

There being no further business before the Cannabis Regulation Commission, President Ahn adjourned the meeting at 4:13 p.m.



Robert Ahn, Commission President
Cannabis Regulation Commission



Josie Trevizo, Commission Executive Assistant
Cannabis Regulation Commission

ADOPTED
City of Los Angeles

May 19, 2022

**CANNABIS REGULATION
COMMISSION**