

**CITY OF LOS ANGELES
CANNABIS REGULATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2024
FIGUEROA PLAZA
BUILDING AND SAFETY BOARD ROOM, 9TH FLOOR
201 N. FIGUEROA ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90012**

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The meeting was called to order at 2:11 p.m. with Vice President Nash and Commissioners Farmby, Lim, and Melendez in attendance. Also present were Michelle Garakian, Executive Director; Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director; Rocky Wiles, Compliance and Enforcement Division Chief; Emily Wada, Deputy City Attorney; Josie Trevizo, Commission Executive Assistant; and Irene Diaz, Sr. Administrative Clerk.

ITEM NO. 1

REPORT FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

There was no report from the Executive Director.

ITEM NO. 2

**REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT ON THE IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED
MAYOR'S 2024-25 BUDGET CUTS ON THE SOCIAL EQUITY PROGRAM –
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The Chair tabled Item No. 2 to allow President Mason to join the meeting for the Department's report back.

ITEM NO. 3

COMMISSION BUSINESS

- **Advanced Calendar:** There were no requests from the Commission.
- **Approval of Minutes:** Commissioner Lim moved to approve the minutes of May 2, 2024. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Melendez.

The vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Lim

Second: Melendez

Ayes: Farmby, Nash

Absent: Mason

Vote: 4 – 0

MOTION PASSED

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

ITEM NO. 4

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 in-person and telephonically.

ITEM NO. 5

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL PRESENTATION

There were no presentations by Neighborhood Council representatives on any Neighborhood Council resolution or community impact statement filed with the City Clerk, which related to any agenda item listed or considered on the agenda.

ITEM NO. 6

[DCR Core Record No. 100054](#)
LA-R-24-100054-ANN & ENV-100054-ANN

CD: 3

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

APPLICANT: After Care Patient's Group.

BUSINESS PREMISES: 5334 ALHAMA DR

IN ATTENDANCE: Roberta Orellana, Management Analyst, Elvin Wheeler, Sr. Management Analyst, and Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department. Edgar Nikolyan, Manager, representing After Care Patient's Group.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides.

MOTION:

Commissioner Farmby put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the Annual License to conduct Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity in a 3,488 sq. ft. retail facility in the Canoga Park - Winnetka - Woodland Hills - West Hills Community Plan Area with hours of operation seven days per week from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301, Class 1, and Article 19, Section 15332, Class 32 of the State CEQA Guidelines (tit. 14, Cal. Code Regs., §§ 15301, 15332), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;
2. Approved, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 104.06(b)(2), the Annual License for Type 10 Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity at the Business Premises location; and,
3. Adopted the Project Analysis and Findings in the Department's report dated May 10, 2024 as the Commission's report on the subject.

Commissioner Melendez seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Farmby
Second: Melendez
Ayes: Lim, Nash
Absent: Mason

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 7

[DCR Core Record No. 100060](#)
LA-R-24-100060-ANN & ENV-100060-ANN

CD: 7

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

APPLICANT: Patients Corp.

BUSINESS PREMISES: 7132 W FOOTHILL BLVD

IN ATTENDANCE: Roberta Orellana, Management Analyst, Elvin Wheeler, Sr. Management Analyst, Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director, and Rocky Wiles, Compliance and Enforcement Division Chief representing the Department. Tony Fong representing Patients Corp.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides.

MOTION:

Commissioner Lim put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the Annual License to conduct Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity in a 2,040 sq. ft. retail facility in the Sunland - Tujunga - Lake View Terrace - Shadow Hills - East La Tuna Canyon Community Plan Area with hours of operation Monday - Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. and Sunday 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301, Class 1, and Article 19, Section 15332, Class 32 of the State CEQA Guidelines (tit. 14, Cal. Code Regs., §§ 15301, 15332), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;
2. Approved, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 104.06(b)(2), the Annual License for Type 10 Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity at the Business Premises location; and,
3. Adopted the Project Analysis and Findings in the Department's report dated May 10, 2024 as the Commission's report on the subject.

Commissioner Farmby seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Lim
Second: Farmby
Ayes: Nash, Melendez
Absent: Mason
Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 8

[DCR Core Record No. 100062](#)
LA-R-24-100062-ANN & ENV-100062-ANN

CD: 4

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

APPLICANT: LIZBOR, Inc.

BUSINESS PREMISES: 3760 N CAHUENGA BLVD

IN ATTENDANCE: Roberta Orellana, Management Analyst, Elvin Wheeler, Sr. Management Analyst and Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department. Yana Bakshiy, Owner, LIZBOR, Inc.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides.

MOTION:

Commissioner Melendez put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the Annual License to conduct Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity in a 1,800 sq. ft. retail facility in the Sherman Oaks - Studio City - Toluca Lake - Cahuenga Pass Community Plan Area with hours of operation seven days per week from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301, Class 1, and Article 19, Section 15332, Class 32 of the State CEQA Guidelines (tit. 14, Cal. Code Regs., §§ 15301, 15332), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;
2. Approved, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 104.06(b)(2), the Annual License for Type 10 Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity at the Business Premises location; and,
3. Adopted the Project Analysis and Findings in the Department's report dated May 10, 2024 as the Commission's report on the subject.

Commissioner Farmby seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Melendez
Second: Farmby
Ayes: Lim, Nash
Absent: Mason
Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 9

[DCR Core Record No. 100617](#)
LA-R-24-100617-ANN & ENV-100617-ANN

CD: 11

APPLICANT: Hyperion Healing LLC

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 712 LINCOLN BLVD

IN ATTENDANCE: Roberta Orellana, Management Analyst, Elvin Wheeler Blake Sr. Management Analyst, Rocky Willes, Compliance and Enforcement Division Chief, and Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department and Zahur Lalji, Owner, Hyperion Healing LLC.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides.

MOTION:

Commissioner Farmby put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the Annual License to conduct Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity in a 1,675 sq. ft. retail facility in the Venice Community Plan Area with hours of operation seven days per week from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301, Class 1, and Article 19, Section 15332, Class 32 of the State CEQA Guidelines (tit. 14, Cal. Code Regs., §§ 15301, 15332), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;
2. Approved, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 104.06(b)(2), the Annual License for Type 10 Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity at the Business Premises location; and,
3. Adopted the Project Analysis and Findings in the Department's report dated May 10, 2024 as the Commission's report on the subject.

Commissioner Melendez seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Farmby
Second: Melendez
Ayes: Lim, Nash
Absent: Mason
Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 10

[DCR Core Record No. 100620](#)
LA-R-24-100620-ANN & ENV-100620-ANN

CD: 4

APPLICANT: Hazelwood Patients Collective

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 17523 W Ventura Blvd

IN ATTENDANCE: Roberta Orellana, Management Analyst, Elvin Wheeler, Sr. Management Analyst, Rocky Wiles, Compliance and Enforcement Division Chief, and Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Assistant representing the Department. Arman Simonyan and Dana Cisneros (spoke virtually via zoom) representing Hazelwood Patients Collective.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides.

MOTION:

Commissioner Melendez put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the Annual License to conduct Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity in a 2,058 sq. ft. retail facility in the Encino - Tarzana Community Plan Area with hours of operation seven days per week from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301, Class 1, and Article 19, Section 15332, Class 32 of the State CEQA Guidelines (tit. 14, Cal. Code Regs., §§ 15301, 15332), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;
2. Approved, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 104.06(b)(2), the Annual License for Type 10 Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity at the Business Premises location; and,
3. Adopted the Project Analysis and Findings in the Department's report dated May 10, 2024 as the Commission's report on the subject.

Commissioner Lim seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Melendez
Second: Lim
Ayes: Farmby, Nash
Absent: Mason
Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

Vice President Nash recessed the meeting at 3:59 p.m. The meeting resumed at 4:19 p.m with Commissioner Farmby, Lim, Nash, and Melendez present. President Mason joined and chaired the remainder of the meeting.

President Mason took Item No. 2 out of order.

ITEM NO. 2

**REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT ON THE IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED
MAYOR'S 2024-25 BUDGET CUTS ON THE SOCIAL EQUITY PROGRAM –
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Michelle Garakian, Executive Director provided a report on the impact on Social Equity Applicants and Licensees, impact on Departmental programming, impact on revenue, efforts to reconcile cuts, and market repercussions; and consideration of transmitting a letter of recommendation to the City Council to fund the Social Equity Program.

Commissioner Lim moved to continue this item to the CRC meeting on November 7, 2024, so that the Commission may consider and possibly take action regarding a letter to the Budget and Finance Committee and to the full Council in support of DCR's mid-term budget request. Commissioner Nash seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Lim
Second: Nash
Ayes: Farmby, Mason, Nash

Vote: 5 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 11

**[DCR Core Record No. 100632](#)
LA-R-24-100632-ANN & ENV-100632-ANN**

CD: 4

APPLICANT: Chinatown Patient Collective Group, Inc.

PUBLIC MEETING HELD
BUSINESS PREMISES: 15223 W Burbank Blvd

IN ATTENDANCE: Roberta Orellana, Management Analyst, Rocky Wiles, Compliance and Enforcement Division Chief, and Jason Killen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department. There was no representative for the Applicant.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides.

MOTION:

Commissioner Melendez moved to continue the matter to the Commission meeting of June 6, 2024. Commissioner Farmby seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Melendez

Second: Farmby

Ayes: Lim, Nash, Mason

Vote: 5 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 12

[DCR Core Record No. 101749](#)

CD: 12

LA-R-24-101749-ANN & ENV-101749-ANN

APPLICANT: Compassionate Patient Resources, Inc.

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 18526 W Parthenia St

IN ATTENDANCE: Roberta Orellana, Management Analyst, Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department. Jenn Ruiz and Lisa Selan (spoke virtually via zoom) representing Compassionate Patient Resources, Inc.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides.

MOTION:

Commissioner Farmby put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the Annual License to conduct Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity in a 5,037 sq. ft. retail facility in the Northridge Community Plan Area with hours of operation seven days per week from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301, Class 1, and Article 19, Section 15332, Class 32 of the State CEQA Guidelines (tit. 14, Cal. Code Regs., §§ 15301, 15332), and

there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;

2. Approved, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 104.06(b)(2), the Annual License for Type 10 Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity at the Business Premises location; and,
3. Adopted the Project Analysis and Findings in the Department's report dated May 10, 2024 as the Commission's report on the subject.

Commissioner Melendez seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Farmby

Second: Melendez

Ayes: Lim, Nash, Mason

Vote: 5 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 13

[DCR Core Record No. 101753](#)

CD: 3

LA-R-24-101753-ANN & ENV-101753-ANN

APPLICANT: RDC Collective Corp.

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 18448 W OXNARD ST

IN ATTENDANCE: Roberta Orellana, Management Analyst, Rocky Wiles, Compliance and Enforcement Division Chief, Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department. Katie Podein (spoke virtually via zoom) representing RDC Collective Corp.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides.

MOTION:

Commissioner Nash put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the Annual License to conduct Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity in a 11,329 sq. ft. retail facility in the Encino - Tarzana Community Plan Area with hours of operation seven days per week from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301, Class 1, and Article 19, Section 15332, Class 32 of the State CEQA Guidelines (tit. 14, Cal. Code Regs., §§ 15301, 15332), and

there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;

2. Approved, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 104.06(b)(2), the Annual License for Type 10 Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity at the Business Premises location; and,
3. Adopted the Project Analysis and Findings in the Department's report dated May 10, 2024 as the Commission's report on the subject.

Commissioner Farmby seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Nash

Second: Farmby

Ayes: Lim, Melendez, Mason

Vote: 5 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 14

[DCR Core Record No. 101762](#)

CD: 4

LA-R-24-101762-ANN & ENV-101762-ANN

APPLICANT: Herbal Solutions LLC

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 11376 Ventura Blvd

IN ATTENDANCE: Maresja Bray, Management Analyst, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department. There was no representative for the Applicant.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides.

MOTION:

Commissioner Lim put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the Annual License to conduct Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity in a 1,800 sq. ft. retail facility in the Sherman Oaks - Studio City - Toluca Lake - Cahuenga Pass Community Plan Area with hours of operation seven days per week from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301, Class 1, and Article 19, Section 15332, Class 32 of the State CEQA Guidelines (tit. 14, Cal. Code Regs., §§ 15301, 15332), and

there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;

2. Approved, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 104.06(b)(2), the Annual License for Type 10 Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity at the Business Premises location; and,
3. Adopted the Project Analysis and Findings in the Department's report dated May 10, 2024 as the Commission's report on the subject.

Commissioner Melendez seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Lim

Second: Melendez

Ayes: Farmby, Nash, Mason

Vote: 5 - 0

MOTION PASSED

President Mason took Item No. 18 out of order to allow for Commissioner Farmby to vote on the item prior to his early departure from the meeting.

Commissioner Melendez recused himself from Item No. 18 and announced publicly that his recusal is due to a personal relationship with the applicant and left the meeting.

ITEM NO. 18

[DCR Core Record No. 101766](#)

CD: 14

LA-R-24-101766-ANN & ENV-101766-ANN

APPLICANT: Cornerstone Research Collective

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 2551 W Colorado Blvd

IN ATTENDANCE: Maresja Bray, Management Analyst, Rocky Wiles, Compliance and Enforcement Division Chief, Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department. Carlos De La Torre representing Cornerstone Research Collective.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides.

MOTION:

Commissioner Nash put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the Annual License to conduct Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity in a 1,645

sq. ft. retail facility in the Northeast Los Angeles Community Plan Area with hours of operation seven days per week from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301, Class 1, and Article 19, Section 15332, Class 32 of the State CEQA Guidelines (tit. 14, Cal. Code Regs., §§ 15301, 15332), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;
2. Approved, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 104.06(b)(2), the Annual License for Type 10 Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity at the Business Premises location; and,
3. Adopted the Project Analysis and Findings in the Department’s report dated May 10, 2024 as the Commission’s report on the subject.

Commissioner Lim seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Nash
Second: Lim
Ayes: Farmby, Mason
Recused: Melendez

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

Commissioner Farmby left the meeting to attend a pre-scheduled commitment.

Commissioner Melendez rejoined the meeting.

ITEM NO. 15

[DCR Core Record No. 100070](#)
LA-R-24-100070-ANN & ENV-100070-ANN

CD: 13

APPLICANT: Valley Holistic Caregivers, Inc.

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 1038 N Western Ave

IN ATTENDANCE: Maresja Bray, Management Analyst, Rocky Wiles, Compliance and Enforcement Division Chief, Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing

the Department. Andrew Udvarnoki, Owner, and Chase Kaufman, Chief Executive Officer representing Valley Holistic Caregivers, Inc.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides.

MOTION:

Commissioner Lim put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the Annual License to conduct Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity in a 644.76 sq. ft. retail facility in the Hollywood Community Plan Area with hours of operation seven days per week from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301, Class 1, and Article 19, Section 15332, Class 32 of the State CEQA Guidelines (tit. 14, Cal. Code Regs., §§ 15301, 15332), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;
2. Approved, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 104.06(b)(2), the Annual License for Type 10 Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity at the Business Premises location; and,
3. Adopted the Project Analysis and Findings in the Department's report dated May 10, 2024 as the Commission's report on the subject.

Commissioner Melendez seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Lim
Second: Melendez
Ayes: Nash, Mason
Absent: Farmby

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

President Mason recessed the meeting at 6:12 p.m. The meeting resumed at 6:28 p.m with Commissioners Lim, Nash, Mason, and Melendez present.

ITEM NO. 16

[DCR Core Record No. 100609](#)
LA-R-24-100609-ANN & ENV-100609-ANN

CD: 14

APPLICANT: Peace of Green, Inc.
PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 1155 E Pico Blvd

IN ATTENDANCE: Maresja Bray, Management Analyst, Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department. Latasha Bonaparte (spoke virtually via zoom) and Efren Gonzalez (spoke virtually via zoom) representing Peace of Green, Inc.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides.

MOTION:

Commissioner Lim put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the Annual License to conduct Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity in a 1,952 sq. ft. retail facility in the Central City Community Plan Area with hours of operation seven days per week from 10:00 a.m. to 7:45 p.m.

1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301, Class 1, and Article 19, Section 15332, Class 32 of the State CEQA Guidelines (tit. 14, Cal. Code Regs., §§ 15301, 15332), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;
2. Approved, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 104.06(b)(2), the Annual License for Type 10 Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity at the Business Premises location; and,
3. Adopted the Project Analysis and Findings in the Department's report dated May 10, 2024 as the Commission's report on the subject.

Commissioner Melendez seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Lim
Second: Melendez
Ayes: Nash, Mason
Absent: Farmby

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 17

[DCR Core Record No. 101756](#)

CD: 5

LA-R-24-101756-ANN & ENV-101756-ANN

APPLICANT: The Van Nuys Group, LLC.

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 8311 W Beverly Blvd

IN ATTENDANCE: Maresja Bray, Management Analyst, Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department. Lauren Fontein, Chief Compliance Officer representing The Van Nuys Group, LLC.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides, Applicant's PowerPoint slides.

MOTION:

Commissioner Nash put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the Annual License to conduct Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity in a 4,950 sq. ft. retail facility in the Wilshire Community Plan Area with hours of operation seven days per week from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301, Class 1, and Article 19, Section 15332, Class 32 of the State CEQA Guidelines (tit. 14, Cal. Code Regs., §§ 15301, 15332), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;
2. Approved, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 104.06(b)(2), the Annual License for Type 10 Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity at the Business Premises location; and,
3. Adopted the Project Analysis and Findings in the Department's report dated May 10, 2024 as the Commission's report on the subject.

Commissioner Melendez seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Nash

Second: Melendez

Ayes: Lim, Mason

Absent: Farmby

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

President Mason reopened Item No. 17 to allow the Applicant's representative, Lauren Fontein to offer testimony.

ITEM NO. 17

[DCR Core Record No. 101756](#)
LA-R-24-101756-ANN & ENV-101756-ANN

CD: 5

APPLICANT: The Van Nuys Group, LLC.

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 8311 W Beverly Blvd

Commissioner Nash moved to withdraw his prior motion. Commissioner Melendez seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Nash

Second: Melendez

Ayes: Lim, Mason

Absent: Farmby

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED (VOTE WITHDRAWN)

IN ATTENDANCE: Maresja Bray, Management Analyst, Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department. Lauren Fontein, Chief Compliance Officer representing The Van Nuys Group, LLC.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides, Applicant's PowerPoint slides.

Lauren Fontein, Chief Compliance Officer representing The Van Nuys Group, LLC addressed the Commission.

MOTION:

Commissioner Nash put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the Annual License to conduct Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity in a 4,950 sq. ft. retail facility in the Wilshire Community Plan Area with hours of operation seven days per week from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301, Class 1, and Article 19, Section 15332, Class 32 of

the State CEQA Guidelines (tit. 14, Cal. Code Regs., §§ 15301, 15332), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;

2. Approved, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 104.06(b)(2), the Annual License for Type 10 Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity at the Business Premises location; and,
3. Adopted the Project Analysis and Findings in the Department's report dated May 10, 2024 as the Commission's report on the subject.

Commissioner Melendez seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Nash
Second: Melendez
Ayes: Lim, Mason
Absent: Farmby

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 19

[DCR Core Record No. 101769](#)
LA-R-24-101769-ANN & ENV-101769-ANN

CD: 13

APPLICANT: Holistic Healing Alternative, Inc.

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 2950 W Los Feliz Blvd

IN ATTENDANCE: Maresja Bray, Management Analyst, Rocky Wiles, Compliance and Enforcement Division Chief, Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department. Lisa Selan, (spoke virtually via zoom) and Elizabeth Caffrey representing Holistic Healing Alternative, Inc.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides.

Rocky Wiles, Compliance and Enforcement Division Chief stated on the record that violation #8 on page 3 of the Department's report was incorrect and struck out '*Licensee does not maintain employee training records*' and replaced it with '*Licensee is engaging in curbside pickup*'.

MOTION:

Commissioner Lim put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the Annual License to conduct Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity in a 4,809.1 sq. ft. retail facility in the Northeast Los Angeles Community Plan Area with hours of operation seven days per week from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301, Class 1, and Article 19, Section 15332, Class 32 of the State CEQA Guidelines (tit. 14, Cal. Code Regs., §§ 15301, 15332), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;
2. Approved, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 104.06(b)(2), the Annual License for Type 10 Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity at the Business Premises location; and,
3. Adopted the Project Analysis and Findings in the Department's report dated May 10, 2024 as the Commission's report on the subject.

Commissioner Melendez seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Lim
Second: Melendez
Ayes: Nash, Mason
Absent: Farmby

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 20

[DCR Core Record No. 101782](#)
LA-R-24-101782-ANN & ENV-101782-ANN

CD: 14

APPLICANT: Care California Consultation Inc.

PUBLIC HEARING HELD
BUSINESS PREMISES: 2038 Sacramento St

IN ATTENDANCE: Maresja Bray, Management Analyst, Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department. There was no representative for the Applicant.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides.

MOTION:

Commissioner Lim moved to continue the matter to the Commission meeting of June 20, 2024 to allow for the Applicant to appear before the Commission and provide written evidence of the Applicant's offer to appear before the Neighborhood Council. Commissioner Nash seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Lim

Second: Nash

Ayes: Melendez, Mason

Absent: Farmby

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 21

[DCR Core Record No. 310025](#)

CD: 10

LA-R-24-310025-ANN & ENV-310025-ANN

APPLICANT: 2000 S La Cienega and Hope, LLC

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 2000 S La Cienega Blvd

IN ATTENDANCE: Marissa Candelaria, Management Analyst, Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department. Aja Allen, General Manager representing 2000 S La Cienega and Hope, LLC.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides.

MOTION:

Commissioner Nash put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the Annual License to conduct Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity in a 4,252 sq. ft. retail facility in the West Adams - Baldwin Hills - Leimert Community Plan Area with hours of operation seven days per week from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301, Class 1, and Article 19, Section 15332, Class 32 of the State CEQA Guidelines (tit. 14, Cal. Code Regs., §§ 15301, 15332), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;

2. Approved, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 104.06(b)(2), the Annual License for Type 10 Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity at the Business Premises location; and,
3. Adopted the Project Analysis and Findings in the Department's report dated May 10, 2024 as the Commission's report on the subject.

Commissioner Melendez seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Nash
Second: Melendez
Ayes: Lim, Mason
Absent: Farmby

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 22

[DCR Core Record No. 310026](#)
LA-R-24-310026-ANN & ENV-310026-ANN

CD: 9

APPLICANT: 316 Florence Holdings, LLC

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 316 W Florence Ave

IN ATTENDANCE: Marissa Candelaria, Management Analyst, Rocky Wiles, Compliance and Enforcement Division Chief, Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department. Mily Marrero, Director of Compliance and Jolynn Bernal, Senior Compliance Manager representing 316 Florence Holdings, LLC.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides, Applicant's PowerPoint slides.

MOTION:

Commissioner Nash put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the Annual License to conduct Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity in a 2,475 sq. ft. retail facility in the Southeast Los Angeles Community Plan Area with hours of operation seven days per week from 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.

1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301, Class 1, and Article 19, Section 15332, Class 32 of the State CEQA Guidelines (tit. 14, Cal. Code Regs., §§ 15301, 15332), and

there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;

2. Approved, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 104.06(b)(2), the Annual License for Type 10 Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity at the Business Premises location; and,
3. Adopted the Project Analysis and Findings in the Department's report dated May 10, 2024 as the Commission's report on the subject.

Commissioner Melendez seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Nash
Second: Melendez
Ayes: Lim, Mason
Absent: Farmby

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 23

[DCR Core Record No. 310213](#)
LA-R-24-310123-ANN & ENV-310123-ANN

CD: 15

APPLICANT: The Green Co. Dispensary Inc.

PUBLIC HEARING HELD
BUSINESS PREMISES: 1705 S Gaffey St

IN ATTENDANCE: Marissa Candelaria, Management Analyst, Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department. Michael Esposito, Owner representing The Green Co. Dispensary Inc. Pamela Thornton, Planning Director for Council District 15 (spoke virtually via Zoom).

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides.

Pamela Thornton, Planning Director for Council District 15, stated support for the Applicant.

MOTION:
Commissioner Lim put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the Annual License to conduct Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity in a 684 sq. ft. retail facility in the San Pedro Community Plan Area with hours of operation seven days per week from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301, Class 1, and Article 19, Section 15332, Class 32 of the State CEQA Guidelines (tit. 14, Cal. Code Regs., §§ 15301, 15332), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;
2. Approved, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 104.06(b)(2), the Annual License for Type 10 Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity at the Business Premises location; and,
3. Adopted the Project Analysis and Findings in the Department's report dated May 10, 2024 as the Commission's report on the subject.

Commissioner Melendez seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Lim
Second: Melendez
Ayes: Nash, Mason
Absent: Farmby

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 24

[DCR Core Record No. 310231](#)
LA-R-24-310231-ANN & ENV-310231-ANN

CD: 8

APPLICANT: 11500 Vermont Holdings LLC

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 10020 S Figueroa St.

IN ATTENDANCE: Marissa Candelaria, Management Analyst, Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department, Jolynn Bernal, Senior Compliance Manager and Mily Marrero representing 11500 Vermont Holdings LLC.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides, Applicant's PowerPoint slides.

MOTION:

Commissioner Nash put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the Annual License to conduct Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity in a 4,624 sq. ft. retail facility in the South Los Angeles Community Plan Area with hours of operation seven days per week from 10:00 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.

1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301, Class 1, and Article 19, Section 15332, Class 32 of the State CEQA Guidelines (tit. 14, Cal. Code Regs., §§ 15301, 15332), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;
2. Approved, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 104.06(b)(2), the Annual License for Type 10 Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity at the Business Premises location; and,
3. Adopted the Project Analysis and Findings in the Department's report dated May 10, 2024 as the Commission's report on the subject.

Commissioner Melendez seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Nash
Second: Melendez
Ayes: Lim, Mason
Absent: Farmby

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 25

[DCR Core Record No. 101775](#)
LA-R-24-101775-ANN & ENV-101775-ANN

CD: 14

APPLICANT: Advanced Patients' Collective

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 735 S Broadway Ave

IN ATTENDANCE: Marissa Candelaria, Management Analyst, Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department, Richard Ormand representing Advanced Patients' Collective.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides.

MOTION:

Commissioner Lim put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the Annual License to conduct Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity in a 4,974 sq. ft. retail facility in the Central City Community Plan Area with hours of operation seven days per week from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301, Class 1, and Article 19, Section 15332, Class 32 of the State CEQA Guidelines (tit. 14, Cal. Code Regs., §§ 15301, 15332), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;
2. Approved, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 104.06(b)(2), the Annual License for Type 10 Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity at the Business Premises location; and,
3. Adopted the Project Analysis and Findings in the Department's report dated May 10, 2024 as the Commission's report on the subject.

Commissioner Melendez seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Lim
Second: Melendez
Ayes: Nash, Mason
Absent: Farmby

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 26

[DCR Core Record No. 101778](#)
LA-R-24-101778-ANN & ENV-101778-ANN

CD: 5

APPLICANT: MME Cyon Retail, Inc.

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 110 S Robertson Blvd

IN ATTENDANCE: Marissa Candelaria, Management Analyst, Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department, Richard Ormand representing MME Cyon Retail, Inc.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides.

MOTION:

Commissioner Nash put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the Annual License to conduct Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity in a 4,629 sq. ft. retail facility in the Wilshire Community Plan Area with hours of operation seven days per week from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

1. Determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15301, Class 1, and Article 19, Section 15332, Class 32 of the State CEQA Guidelines (tit. 14, Cal. Code Regs., §§ 15301, 15332), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15300.2 applies;
2. Approved, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 104.06(b)(2), the Annual License for Type 10 Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity at the Business Premises location; and,
3. Adopted the Project Analysis and Findings in the Department's report dated May 10, 2024 as the Commission's report on the subject.

Commissioner Melendez seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Nash
Second: Melendez
Ayes: Lim, Mason
Absent: Farmby

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 27

[DCR Core Record No. 100002](#)
LA-R-24-100002-ANN & ENV-100002-ANN

CD: 4

APPLICANT: 18013 W Ventura Blvd

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 18013 W Ventura Blvd

IN ATTENDANCE: Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides.

Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director stated on the record that the Department is withdrawing its recommendation to approve the application due to issues related to site control. No action was taken.

There being no further business before the Cannabis Regulation Commission,
President Mason adjourned the meeting at 8:53 p.m.



Thyeris Mason, Commission President
Cannabis Regulation Commission



Josie Trevizo, Commission Executive Assistant
Cannabis Regulation Commission

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