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## VVS PANORAMA LLC (“VVS”) (LA-R-24-310107-ANN) memorandum

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Lea Leu <lleu@enso.law>  
To: Cannabis Commission <cannabiscommission@lacity.org>  
Cc: Licensing <licensing@enso.law>

Thu, Apr 25, 2024 at 1:44 PM

Hi Cannabis Commission,

Attached please find the memorandum in support of VVS PANORAMA LLC (“VVS”) (LA-R-24-310107-ANN) annual license for the Commission’s consideration.

Please let us know if any questions/issues. Thank you so much and have a great day!

Best,



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To: City of Los Angeles (“City”) Cannabis Regulation Commission (“Commission”)  
From: Sevan Toroussian and VVS PANORAMA LLC  
Date: April 24, 2024  
Re: VVS PANORAMA LLC Annual Dispensary License (LA-R-24-310107-ANN)

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## MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION

VVS PANORAMA LLC (“VVS”) submits this Memorandum in support of its annual dispensary license (LA-R-24-310107-ANN) with the Department of Cannabis Regulations (“DCR”). VVS is a Phase 3 with City and state licenses for retail dispensary operations operating at its current location since 2021 at 8717 N Van Nuys Blvd Panorama City Los Angeles CA 91402 (“Licensed Premises”).

### **1) VVS has Responsibly Served its Community for the Past Three Years and Looks Forward to Many More.**

As a social equity applicant dispensary (“SEIAD”) in Los Angeles, VVS has worked hard to provide safe, tested cannabis to its patients and clients over the past 3 years. VVS’s top priority is for its patients and clients, and since its opening has developed meaningful relationships with them. VVS has diligently obtained all applicable licenses and has maintained compliance with the state and City, including through all the iterations of the DCR’s amendments to the Los Angeles Municipal Code, the California Medicinal and Adult Use Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act (“MAUCRSA”) and Department of Cannabis Control (“DCC”)’s regulations.

To date, VVS is not aware of a single complaint about its operations or facilities to or from the City. VVS has successfully passed a DCR compliance inspection supporting the fact that VVS is compliant with DCR’s regulations. VVS keeps its facility and the surrounding area clean and well-kept to enhance the quality of life in the neighborhood. It has proper indoor and outdoor lighting to keep the surrounding neighbors and its patients safe. All security cameras record the inside and outside of the Licensed Premises to ensure safe operations, which security guards monitor closely during operating hours. The security guard also does an hourly perimeter check around the building. In addition, to ensure the safety of patients and customers, VVS has ensured there is a safe walkway in the parking lot to the Licensed Premises so that everyone may feel safe and not be forced to use the adjoining alley to access the facility. VVS strictly prohibits loitering and consumption on or around the Licensed Premises to avoid any nuisance issues in the neighborhood, notices of which are posted throughout the parking lot.

Over the years, VVS has paid all of its licensing and compliance fees and taxes in a timely manner, including hundreds of thousands of dollars. As required, VVS contacted its

neighborhood council offering to speak with the council about its application but was not ultimately requested to do so. In addition, VVS is in the process of getting its site evaluation for its public health permit and retail emblem which should be issued before any deadlines imposed by the DCR.

VVS also prides itself on being part of the local community, among other things, serving approximately 150+ medicinal patients per month seeking relief from various health issues, including, nausea, insomnia, epilepsy, and cancer related ailments. VVS has worked with and supported other local businesses in the community such as the LA Kings Ice Center, MGA Banners, Rincon Taurino, and other local vendors. In 2022, VVS hosted a charity event for the public called the Lucha Libre, which featured well-known luchadores, raising money for Chica's Mom's Inc, a 501(c)(4) charity helping young and disadvantaged mothers in the community.

## **2) None of the General Denial Reasons Apply to VVS under LAMC 104.04(a).**

VVS's Licensed Premises is substantially the same as that submitted to the DCR, including the size, layout, location of egress and egress, limited access areas and location of doorways/passageways. The DCR and DCC have always been allowed access to the Licensed Premises and provided with requested accurate, truthful information, forms and documents in a timely manner, including annual renewals with the DCR and DCC and required CEQA information. VVS is not aware of any complaint issued against it and there is no history with or documentation from law enforcement that VVS would create a significant public safety problem. VVS' temporary approval is in good standing and it has passed its required City inspections to date. Finally, VVS has never been denied a license, permit or other authorization to engage in commercial cannabis activity and has always adhered to the requirements of the LAMC and DCR regulations.

## **3) None of the Business Premises Denial Reasons Apply to VVS under LAMC 104.04(b).**

The Licensed Premises meet all applicable requirements of LAMC 105.00, et. seq. VVS is located in the Panorama City community plan area, which has not reached undue concentration according to the DCR's licensing map.<sup>1</sup> VVS' landlord, the owner of the Licensed Premises, does not hold office in any government agency related to commercial cannabis activity or otherwise. Furthermore, there have not been any convictions related to the Licensed Premises regarding any type of illegal and/or unlicensed commercial cannabis activity for the past three (3) years that VVS has occupied the facility, including no utility disconnections or padlocking of the Licensed Premises.

<sup>1</sup> Please see Attachment A (DCR Licensing Map).

**4) None of the Ownership Denial or Disqualification of Primary Personnel Reasons Apply to VVS under LAMC 104.04(c) and (d).**

No owner of VVS holds office in any government agency related to commercial cannabis activity or otherwise. There is no entity owner of VVS, including a foreign entity incorporated outside of the United States. In addition, no owner or primary personnel of VVS has been convicted of a crime involving cannabis, wage or labor violations, selling tobacco or alcohol to minors, a violent or serious felony or felony involving guns, sex, hate crimes or offenses against children. Nor has an owner or primary personnel been convicted of a felony involving fraud, deceit or embezzlement or incurred a civil judgment regarding illegal commercial cannabis activity.

**CONCLUSION**

Based upon the foregoing, VVS respectfully requests the Commission approve the issuance of its annual city commercial cannabis dispensary license so that VVS may continue to operate in its community it holds dear and move forward with its state renewals and City requirements. Most important to the Commission, VVS meets all of the criteria for issuance of an annual dispensary license under Los Angeles Municipal Code (“LAMC”) Section 104.04 and there are no facts or circumstances on the record that are required to deny this application.

**ATTACHMENT A**  
**VVS PANORAMA LLC**  
**DCR Licensing Map**

## All Licensed Retail Locations

← Erb and Arbor

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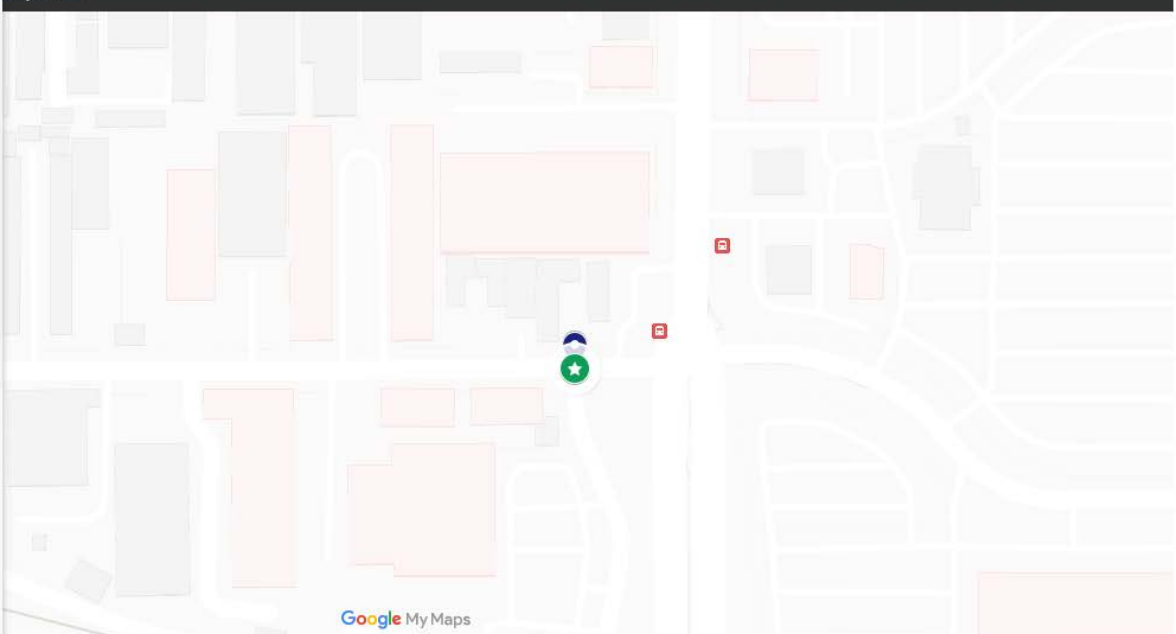
DBA  
Erb and Arbor

Legal Business Name  
VVS PANORAMA LLC

Address  
8717 N VAN NUYS BLVD, PANORAMA CITY,  
CA 91402

Website  
<https://www.erbandarbor.com/>

Social Equity (Yes or No)  
Yes



Keyboard shortcuts

Updated April 12, 2024



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**Your Community Impact Statement Submittal - Council File Number: LA-R-24-101737-ANN - City Planning Number: ENV-101737-ANN - Agenda Item Number: 17**

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**Jacob Wasserman** <jacobnwwnc@gmail.com>

Wed, May 1, 2024 at 10:16 PM

To: Jessica Fugate <jessica.fugate@lacity.org>, CannabisCommission@lacity.org, Cannabis@lacity.org

Cc: Josh Trifunovic <JoshNWNC@gmail.com>, Marcello Robinson <marcelloNCLA@gmail.com>

Cannabis Commission and staff,

Please find below and attached a Community Impact Statement in support of Westwood Farmacy's application for an annual license.

Please inform us when you can your decision on their application tomorrow. Thank you,

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Jacob Wasserman  
Board member, Worker Seat and Secretary  
North Westwood Neighborhood Council  
<jacobnwwnc@gmail.com>  
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- COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT -

Department of Cannabis Regulation Record Number: [LA-R-24-101737-ANN](#)

Position: For

CEQA Clearance Number: [ENV-101737-ANN](#)

Position: For

Summary:

At our meeting on May 1, 2024, the North Westwood Neighborhood Council voted unanimously to support Westwood Farmacy's application for an annual license for commercial cannabis activity (WFARM1045, at 1035 Gayley Avenue). The vote to support was approved with 12 votes in favor, no votes against, and no abstentions.

The Council thanks the applicant for the outreach to our community and Council stakeholders and Board Members. The applicant has a demonstrated record of being a respectful neighbor and abiding by regulations for years without community complaints.

Written by authority delegated under the Council bylaws and Community Impact Statement filer designation



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## comment on DCR application LA-R-24-310021-ANN

1 message

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**Jeff** <Jeff@keyway.net>  
Reply-To: Jeff@keyway.net  
To: cannabiscommission@lacity.org

Sat, May 11, 2024 at 2:25 PM

I submit this comment on the application for a commercial cannabis storefront #LA-R-24-310021-ANN

My name is Jeff Warner, I am 85 years old and own and reside in a condo at 13785 Wilshire Blvd, #206; 1 block south of the proposed cannabis location.

Comment:

I approve of granting a license for a commercial cannabis location at 520 S. Western Ave.

The more cannabis storefronts that legally exist, the better for consumers. There must be more legal cannabis outlets to force the illegal outlets out of business.

Thanks you for your consideration.

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**Jeff Warner**  
213-405-1494  
c-562-477-1637  
Koreatown, Los Angeles, CA



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## Fwd: Offer to appear before Neighborhood Council

1 message

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**CannabisLA** <cannabis@lacity.org>

Fri, May 24, 2024 at 2:19 PM

To: DCR Cannabis Commission <CannabisCommission@lacity.org>, DCR Licensing <dcrlicensing@lacity.org>

FYI

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Doniyor Adilbaev** <[doniyorboyla@gmail.com](mailto:doniyorboyla@gmail.com)>

Date: Tue, May 14, 2024 at 10:38 PM

Subject: Offer to appear before Neighborhood Council

To: <[LHNC@empowerla.org](mailto:LHNC@empowerla.org)>

Cc: Nathan Tellers <[nathan.tellers@lacity.org](mailto:nathan.tellers@lacity.org)>, DCR Licensing <[dcrlicensing@lacity.org](mailto:dcrlicensing@lacity.org)>, Department of Cannabis Regulation (DCR) <[cannabis@lacity.org](mailto:cannabis@lacity.org)>

To whom it may concern,  
my name is Doniyor Adilbaev. I'm the owner of storefront Euphoros, LLC located at  
[2934 N Broadway](#),  
Los Angeles, CA 90031

I would like to offer to appear before Neighborhood Council to address questions about the application  
LA-R-24-310091-ANN

Best regards,  
Doniyor Adilbaev - Owner & SE Operator of  
Euphoros, LLC

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Department of Cannabis Regulation  
Tel: (213) 978-0738

Department of Cannabis Regulation

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DCR Office  
221 North Figueroa  
Suite 1245  
Los Angeles, CA

To whom it may concern,

Mr. Andrew Washington advised me to submit my 400 petitions to this office regarding SET Commercial Cannabis Activity:

DCR Application no.: LA-R-24-310086-ANN  
Submitted by: Tigranandlavrent Lic at 2110 NHillhurst Ave, Los Angeles, Ca 90027 Activities  
Requested: Retailer Storefront (Type10) Commercial Cannabis Activity Council District: 4  
Community Plan Area: Hollywood

Please add the name Cathy Morfopoulos to this Thursday Meeting:

Community Meeting Date and Time: Zoom Link:  
Thursday, May 30, 2024, 1-3 p.m.  
[lacr.info/3UldCZE](https://lacr.info/3UldCZE)  
Ordial +1 (669) 444-9171 Meeting ID: 828 1612 3177 Passcode: 001735

Thank you.

Sincerely,



Ms. G. Lynne Hanson  
Los Feliz Towers  
4455 Los Feliz Blvd. #1001  
Los Angeles, CA 90027  
(323) 662-2076

(Received 382 copies of this petition from separate individuals)

# Petition to Preserve Our Los Feliz Neighborhood 9-21-22

Los Feliz residents want to preserve our neighborhood from the troubles brought on by the cannabis industry.

As illustrated by the recent LA Times series on legal weed, the cannabis industry has been tied to crime and the destruction of our neighborhoods. One LA Times headline: "The Reality of Legal weed in California is Huge Illegal Grows, Violence, Worker Exploitation, and Deaths".

Another headline: "\$250,000 cash in a Brown Paper Bag. How Legal Weed Unleashed Corruption in California".

**Whereas:** 80% of all Cannabis business in California is a black market affecting both legal and illegal shops.

**Whereas:** LA city's ability to regulate and control dispensaries has been inadequate as witnessed by the turmoil and crime around these shops.

**Whereas:** the tax income from these dispensaries has been far lower than promised.

Because of these reasons, the undersigned **do not want a cannabis business at 2110 Hillhurst Ave, in the Los Feliz area.**

Printed Name: Michael Weiss

Signature [Handwritten Signature]

Check one: Resident  Work  or shop in Los Feliz

Address: 5332 Las Virgenes Rd.

Email: lmw8878@yahoo.com

Phone: 818-970-7501

Thank you very much for your support!

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(Received 4 copies of this petition from separate individuals)



# Petition to Protect Los Feliz

We want to protect the Los Feliz neighborhood from the troubles brought by the cannabis industry. The LA Times' recent series on "Legal Weed," reports that the cannabis industry has been tied to crime and the destruction of neighborhoods:

**LA Times Article:** "The Reality of Legal Weed in California is Huge Illegal Grows, Violence, Worker Exploitation, and Deaths." 9/8/22

**LA Times Article:** "\$250,000 Cash in a Brown Paper Bag. How Legal Weed Unleashed Corruption in California." 9/15/22

**LA Times Article:** "Killings, Robberies, Extortion. California Can't Stop Its Booming Illegal Cannabis Stores." 9/13/22

**Whereas:** 80% of all Cannabis business in California is a black market, affecting both legal and illegal shops.

**Whereas:** LA City's ability to regulate and control dispensaries has been inadequate as witnessed by the turmoil and crime around these shops.

**Whereas:** the tax income from these dispensaries has been far lower than promised.

Based on these reasons and reports, the undersigned does not want a cannabis business at 2110 Hillhurst Avenue.

Printed Name: MARILYN BUSH

Signature: Marilyn Bush

Address: 4411 Los Feliz Blvd

Email: marilynbush92@gmail.com

Phone: 323-447-4617

I live in Los Feliz  I work in Los Feliz  I shop in Los Feliz

[lfneighbors@stopshop.com](mailto:lfneighbors@stopshop.com)

promised.

The undersigned, based on these reasons and reports, does not want a cannabis business at 2110 Hillhurst Avenue.

Email \*

juneharton@prodigy.net

Name

June Harton

Address

4411 Los Feliz Blvd. #504

Phone

13236639792

Location

Residence

Work

Shop



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## DEC Medical Group, Inc. Memorandum in Support of Annual Application (LA-R-24-101745-ANN)

1 message

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**Latasha Bonaparte** <[lbnaparte@enso.law](mailto:lbnaparte@enso.law)>  
To: Cannabis Commission <[cannabiscommission@lacity.org](mailto:cannabiscommission@lacity.org)>  
Cc: Licensing <[licensing@enso.law](mailto:licensing@enso.law)>

Thu, Jun 6, 2024 at 1:24 PM

Hello Cannabis Commission,

Attached please find a memorandum in support of DEC Medical Group, Inc.'s (DEC), LA-R-24-101745-ANN, for DEC's commission hearing on Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup>. Please let us know if you have any questions/issues.

Thank you!

Best,

Latasha



**Latasha Bonaparte**

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**To:** City of Los Angeles (“City”) Cannabis Regulation Commission (“Commission”)  
**From:** DEC MEDICAL GROUP, INC.  
**Date:** June 20, 2024  
**Re:** DEC MEDICAL GROUP, INC Annual Dispensary License (LA-R-24-101745-ANN)

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## **MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION**

DEC MEDICAL GROUP, INC (“DEC”) submits this Memorandum in support of its annual dispensary license (LA-R-24-101745-ANN) with the Department of Cannabis Regulations (“DCR”). DEC is a Phase 1 pre-ICO with City and state licenses for retail dispensary, cultivation, manufacturing, and distribution operations<sup>1</sup> operating at its current location, 11101 W Ventura Blvd., Studio City, CA 91604 (“Licensed Premises”), in the heart of Studio City since 2022.

### **1) DEC has Responsibly Served its Community for the Past Two Years.**

As an Existing Medical Marijuana Dispensary (“EMMD”) in LA, DEC has successfully provided safe, tested cannabis to its patients and clients over the past 2 years. DEC focuses on its patients and clients and has developed meaningful relationships with them to provide them with safe and effective medicinal and recreational cannabis. DEC has worked hard to get all of its licenses issued and maintain compliance with the state and City of LA, first in compliance with Proposition D then through all the iterations of the DCR’s amendments to the Los Angeles Municipal Code, the California Medicinal and Adult Use Cannabis Regulations and Safety Act (“MAUCRSA”) and Department of Cannabis Control (“DCC”)’s regulations.

During its 2 years of operation, DEC has not received a single complaint about its operations or facilities from the City and prides itself on being part of the local community. For example, DEC serves approximately 30+ medicinal patients per month seeking relief from various health issues, such as providing relief of nausea and insomnia related to cancer treatments and epilepsy.

In addition, DEC has held quarterly events in its community and provided free food and discounted items to the locals and people who live in the community. DEC keeps its facility and the surrounding area clean and well-kept to enhance the quality of life in the neighborhood. It has proper indoor and outdoor lighting to keep the surrounding neighbors and its patients safe. DEC

<sup>1</sup> Please see Attachment A (State Unified License Search).

has cameras on the inside and outside of the Licensed Premises to ensure safe operations, which security guards monitor closely during operating hours. The security guard also does an hourly perimeter check around the building. In addition, to ensure the safety of patients and customers, DEC has ensured there is a safe walkway in the parking lot to the Licensed Premises so that everyone may feel safe. DEC strictly prohibits loitering and consumption on or around the premises to avoid any nuisance issues in the neighborhood, notices of which are posted throughout the parking lot. Combined, these safety measures not only create a pleasant and safe experience for patrons but also deters general crime in the surrounding neighborhood.

Over the years, DEC has paid all of its licensing fees and compliance fees and taxes in a timely manner. As required, DEC contacted its neighborhood council offering to speak with the council about its application as required but was not ultimately requested to do so. DEC meets all of the criteria for issuance of an annual license under Los Angeles Municipal Code (“LAMC”) section 104.04.

**2) None of the General Denial Reasons Apply to DEC under LAMC 104.04(a).**

DEC’s Licensed Premises is substantially the same as that submitted to the DCR, including the size, layout, location of egress and egress, limited access areas and location of doorways/passageways. The DCR and DCC have always been allowed access to the Licensed Premises and provided with requested accurate, truthful information, forms, and documents in a timely manner, including annual renewals with the DCR and DCC and required CEQA information. DEC is not aware of any complaint(s) issued against it and there is no history with or documentation from law enforcement that DEC would create a significant public safety problem. DEC’s temporary approval is in good standing, and it has passed its required City inspections. Finally, DEC has never been denied a license, permit or other authorization to engage in commercial cannabis activity and has always adhered to the requirements of the LAMC and DCR regulations.

**3) None of the Business Premises Denial Reasons Apply to VHC under LAMC 104.04(b).**

The Licensed Premises meet all applicable requirements of LAMC 105.00, et. seq., including the limited grandfathering authorized for EMMDs in the City. DEC is located in the Los Angeles community plan area, which has not reached undue concentration according to the DCR’s licensing map.<sup>2</sup> DEC’s landlord, the owner of the Licensed Premises, does not hold office in any government agency related to commercial cannabis activity or otherwise. Furthermore, there have not been any convictions related to the Licensed Premises regarding any type of illegal and/or unlicensed commercial cannabis activity for the past two (2) years that DEC has occupied the facility, including no utility disconnections, or padlocking of the Licensed Premises.

<sup>2</sup> Please see Attachment B (DCR Licensing Map).

**4) None of the Ownership Denial or Disqualification of Primary Personnel Reasons Apply to DEC under LAMC 104.04(c) and (d).**

No owner of DEC holds office in any government agency related to commercial cannabis activity or otherwise. There is no entity owner of DEC, including a foreign entity incorporated outside of the United States. In addition, no owner or primary personnel of DEC has been convicted of a crime involving cannabis, wage or labor violations, selling tobacco or alcohol to minors, a violent or serious felony or felony involving fraud, deceit or embezzlement or incurred a civil judgment regarding illegal commercial cannabis activity.

**CONCLUSION**

Based upon the foregoing and based on the fact that no facts or reasons for denial under LAMC 104.04 exist, DEC respectfully requests the Commission to approve the issuance of its annual city commercial cannabis dispensary license so that DEC may continue to operate in its community it holds dear and move forward with its state renewals and City requirements.