

**CITY OF LOS ANGELES
CANNABIS REGULATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, MAY 1, 2025
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 2:10 p.m. with President Mason and Commissioners Melendez and Nash in attendance. Also present were Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director; Emily Wada, Deputy City Attorney; Josie Trevizo, Commission Executive Assistant; and Irene Diaz, Sr. Administrative Clerk.

ITEM NO. 1

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.

President Mason recessed the meeting at 2:30 p.m. during public comment to allow for LAPD to escort disruptive attendees out of the board room. The meeting resumed at 2:38 p.m. and President Mason resumed Item No. 1 with Vice President Nash and Commissioner Melendez in attendance.

ITEM NO. 2

ELECTED OFFICE AND NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS

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. 3

COMMISSION BUSINESS

- **Advanced Calendar:** There were no requests from the Commission.
- **Approval of Minutes:**
Commissioner Nash moved to approve the revised minutes of April 3, 2025. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Melendez.

The vote proceeded as follows:

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

Vote: 3 – 0

MOTION PASSED

- **Commission Announcements and Updates:** There were no announcements from the Commission.
- **Future Agenda Requests:** Commissioner Melendez requested a report on Cannabis business taxes. Commissioner Nash requested an update on the Cannabis Enforcement task force.

Commissioner Farmby joined the meeting at 3:09 p.m.

ITEM NO. 4

REPORT FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director provided updates in legislation, licensing, the Social Equity Program, and the compliance program. Reports on the Department's comprehensive fee study ([CF-25-0418](#)), the Mayor's proposed budget for FY 2025-26 ([CF-25-0600](#)), proposed legislation on cannabis special events ([CF-24-1584](#)) and DCR's updated [Rules and Regulations](#), effective April 18, 2025.

President Mason recessed the meeting at 4:52 p.m. The meeting resumed at 5:35 p.m. with Commissioners Farmby, Mason, Melendez, and Nash in attendance.

President Mason took Item No. 6 out of order

ITEM NO. 6

DCR Core Record No. 100005
LA-R-24-100005-ANN & ENV-100005-ANN

CD: 15

APPLICANT: Sunrise Caregiver Foundation Inc.

BUSINESS PREMISES: 22865 S. Lockness Ave.

The matter was received and filed by the Commission.

President Mason took Item No. 8 out of order.

ITEM NO. 8

DCR Core Record No. 310150
LA-R-24-310150-ANN & ENV-310150-ANN

CD: 9

APPLICANT: Pine & Proper, LLC

BUSINESS PREMISES: 615 E. 61st St., Suite 501

MOTION:

Commissioner Farmby moved to continue the matter to the Cannabis Regulation Commission meeting of June 5, 2025. Commissioner Melendez seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Farmby

Second: Melendez

Ayes: Mason, Nash

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

President Mason announced that the CRC would resume the agenda order.

ITEM NO. 5

DCR Core Record No. 101759
LA-R-24-101759-ANN & ENV-101759-ANN

CD: 3

APPLICANT: West Valley Patients Center, Inc, a California Corporation

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 23043-23045 W. Ventura Blvd.

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

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides.

MOTION:

Commissioner Nash moved to continue the matter to the Cannabis Regulation Commission meeting of May 15, 2025. Commissioner Melendez seconded the motion and the vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Nash

Second: Melendez

Ayes: Mason

Nays: Farmby

Vote: 3 - 1

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 7

DCR Core Record No. 310175
LA-R-24-310175-ANN & ENV-310175-ANN

CD: 3

APPLICANT: The 18629, LLC

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 18629 W Ventura Blvd.

IN ATTENDANCE: Meagan Blome, Management Analyst; Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director; Hector Alikhan, Sr. Management Analyst; and Rocky Wiles, Compliance and Enforcement Division Chief representing the Department. Jason Ainsworth representing 18629 W. Ventura Blvd.

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 the Encino - Tarzana Community Plan Area with hours of operations seven days per week from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. (Monday to Saturday) and 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m (Sunday).

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 April 23, 2025, as the Commission's report on the subject.

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

Moved: Nash

Second: Farmby

Ayes: Mason, Melendez

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 9

DCR Core Record No. 320096
LA-R-24-320096-ANN & ENV-320096-ANN

CD: 4

APPLICANT: Gene Williams

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 7537 N. Reseda Blvd.

IN ATTENDANCE: Meagan Blome, Management Analyst and Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department. Reza Sadafi representing Gene Williams.

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 the Reseda - West Van Nuys Community Plan Area with hours of operations 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 April 23, 2025, as the Commission's report on the subject.

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

Moved: Farmby

Second: Melendez

Ayes: Mason, Nash

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 10

DCR Core Record No. 310227
LA-R-24-310227-ANN & ENV-310227-ANN

CD: 13

APPLICANT: ROK LA LLC

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 1323 N. La Brea Ave.

IN ATTENDANCE: Meagan Blome, Management Analyst and Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department. Vince Hallak representing ROK LA 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 the Hollywood Community Plan Area with hours of operations 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 April 23, 2025, as the Commission's report on the subject.

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

Moved: Nash

Second: Farmby

Ayes: Mason, Melendez

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 11

DCR Core Record No. 310157
LA-R-24-310157-ANN & ENV-310157-ANN

CD: 13

APPLICANT: Olimpya, LLC

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 4878 Fountain Ave.

IN ATTENDANCE: Meagan Blome, Management Analyst and Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department. Levon Ehtibyan representing Olimpya 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 the Hollywood Community Plan Area with hours of operations 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 March 26, 2025, as the Commission's report on the subject.

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

Moved: Farmby
Second: Melendez
Ayes: Mason, Nash

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

ITEM NO. 12

DCR Core Record No. 111765
LA-R-24-111765-ANN & ENV-111765-ANN

CD: 13

APPLICANT: Valley Health Center Collective, Inc.

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

BUSINESS PREMISES: 1700-1706 N. Silver Lake Blvd.

IN ATTENDANCE: Meagan Blome, Management Analyst and Jason Killeen, Assistant Executive Director representing the Department. Samuel Kim and Anahi Tellez representing Valley Health Center Collective, Inc.

EXHIBITS: Department's PowerPoint slides.

MOTION:

Commissioner Naash put forth the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the Annual License to conduct Storefront Retail Commercial Cannabis Activity in the Silver Lake - Echo Park - Elysian Valley Community Plan Area with hours of operations 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 April 23, 2025, as corrected on the record, as the Commission's report on the subject.

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

Moved: Nash
Second: Farmby
Ayes: Mason, Melendez

Vote: 4 - 0

MOTION PASSED

There being no further business before the Cannabis Regulation Commission, President Mason adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.



Thyeris Mason, Commission President
Cannabis Regulation Commission



Josie Trevizo, Commission Executive Assistant
Cannabis Regulation Commission

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