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RE: 725 Eighth Avenue - Urban Multi-Craft LLC

Manhattan Community Board 4 ("MCB4"), at its regularly scheduled full board meeting on Wednesday, April 3rd, 2024, voted, by a vote of 30 for, 6 against, 2 abstaining, and 1 present-not-eligible, to recommend approval of the application of Urban Multi-Craft LLC for a Microbusiness at 725 Eighth Avenue.

MCB4 votes to approve the Applicant in spite of its immense frustration with the continued proliferation of illegal smoke-shops and dispensaries in our district. Although MCB4 does not believe that those who have followed the law by waiting for a license, such as the Applicant, should be penalized for the illegal acts of others, it is becoming increasingly difficult to recommend approval on blocks already saturated with such illicit dispensaries. MCB4 anticipates that if State and City agencies significantly improve their enforcement efforts against illegal enterprises, a cannabis dispensary, when operated in a legal, responsible, and neighborly way, can: (a) compete with, and displace, illicit and dangerous dispensaries and smoke-shops; (b) create jobs within our district; (c) contribute to New York's tax revenue.

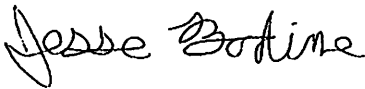


Urban Multi-Craft LLC is owned by Ciro Salcedo who is applying for a Microbusiness license as a Social and Economic Equity applicant. The adult-use microbusiness license authorizes the cultivation, processing, distribution, retail sale and delivery of the licensee's own cannabis products. The proposed location is a 3-story building with a full basement. Mr. Salcedo's primary vocation is building restoration and has worked previously on two restoration projects in Hell's Kitchen. His focus is restoring the building of 725 Eighth Avenue and using the entire space to cultivate, grow and sell legal cannabis. Mr. Salcedo has retained an experienced cannabis lawyer and demonstrated an understanding of the complexity of the OCM regulations. This coupled

with the applicant's experience in building restoration and sensitivity to the community character were primary factors in the consideration of approving this application.

MCB4 recognizes if granted a license, this applicant may not realize the full vision of this project for several years, and recommends approval if and only if the Applicant agrees to the following stipulations:¹

but given the many possible impacts of a Microbusiness on the immediate surrounding community, we ask that this applicant stay connected with the community and apprise MCB4 of updates and developments in the business plan.

- Applicant continues to engage with the Community Board, local Block Associations, and neighboring community organizations.
- The Applicant will operate in accordance with the methods outlined in the applicant's MCB4 Cannabis Task Force application (annexed hereto as Exhibit A).

MCB4 District Office	MCB4 Cannabis Task Force	
Signature:  Print: Jesse Bodine Date: 4/11/24	Signature:  Print: Delores Rubin Date: 4/11/24	
Applicant		
Signature:  Print: Ciro Salcedo Date: 04-11-24		

¹ Applicant agrees to these stipulations as the basis for the community support of this application and acknowledges that all of these stipulations are essential prerequisites to the MCB4 recommendation regarding this application. Applicant agrees to have these stipulations incorporated in the method of operation of its dispensary license. The stipulations in this application constitute the entire agreement between MCB4 and applicant and may only be altered in writing signed by MCB4 and applicant. These stipulations supersede any oral statements or representations in connection with this application.

MCB4 Cannabis Licensee Application

Email *

cirosalcedo@gmail.com

Corporation Name *

URBAN MULTI-CRAFT LLC

*Doing Business As *

URBAN MULTI-CRAFT LLC

Address (or intended address) *

Formation Address: 84-09 35th Avenue, Apartment 6K, Jackson Heights, New York 11372; Store Address: 725 8th Avenue, NY NY 10036

Attorney/Representative

Evan Van Leer-Greenberg, Esq., Van Leer & Greenberg, 11 Broadway, Suite 1051, New York, New York 10004, Tel. (212) 962-1596, Email: vanleergreenberg@gmail.com

Owner *

Ciro Salcedo

Please list all individuals and entities with financial interest in this business and percentage of ownership: *

Ciro Salcedo, 100%

Phone Number/Email Address *

cirosalcedo@gmail.com, 646-895-0404

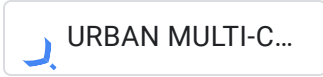
Application Type *

- Adult-Use Retail Dispensary
- Adult-Use Retail Dispensary & Consumption Facility
- Microbusiness
- Registered organization (ROD)
- Other: _____

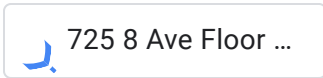
Does the Applicant have a fully executed lease? *

- Yes
- No

Please upload an Executed Lease or Landlord Letter of Intent (LOI) for your intended location.



Please upload the site/floor plan for your business.



Property Owner Information: Name, Phone Number, Business Address & Email Address *

EFT CAPITAL SERVICING, LLC, with an address of 13 EAST 17TH STREET 8TH FLOOR, NEW YORK NEW YORK 10018, telephone 212-620-0101, Contact person: Dan Forrester, Email: dan@transworldequities.com

Applicant Priority

- Social & Economic Equity Applicant
- CAURD Licensee
- CAURD Applicant
- N/A

Has the owner filed with the Cannabis Control Board/OCM? *

- Yes
- No

If no, when does the owner plan on filing?

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Pursuant to § 119.1 of the Adult-Use Cannabis Regulations, has the applicant confirmed that the location is **NOT** (a) on the same road and within 200 feet of a building occupied exclusively as a house of worship? *

Yes

No

(b) on the same road and within 500 feet of the entrance of a building occupied exclusively as a school? *

Yes

No

(c) on the same road and within 500 feet of a structure and its grounds occupied exclusively as a public youth facility? *

Yes

No

N/A (see § 119.1 (3))

Are there any drug treatment facilities, harm reduction facilities, playgrounds or parks within 1000 ft. of the proposed cannabis business location? If yes, please list: *

None, upon information and belief

Community Notification/Relations

List all: block associations; tenant associations, co-op boards or condo boards of residential buildings; and community groups that applicant has notified regarding its application. For each please list both the organization and individual you contacted. *

Option 1

If the location has residential units in the same building, please list both the method and date of when notice was provided to those residential units and can you confirm the residential units are aware of this application?

No residential units in the same building

Will applicant provide owner cell phone number to neighbors and respond to complaints that arise? *

Yes

No

Will applicant inform the Community Board of its job openings and/or provide a hyperlink to applicants jobs webpage? *

Yes

No

Background

Does the owner(s) have a connection to Community District 4? *

Business Owner

Resident

Other

None

Please provide a brief overview of the applicant's previous business experience. Please list all owned/operated businesses within Community District 4. *

Property management within the Community District for more than 25 years.

If the applicant has previous experience in the cannabis industry, please explain.

None. However, applicant has spent substantial time learning about the cultivation of cannabis.

Is there any other information the applicant would like to provide the Board regarding work or life experience?

Applicant has been gainfully employed in the same position for approximately 25 years. Applicant is married with two (2) teenage/adult children. Applicant is funding this business with personal savings and does not seek to obtain any third party financing. Applicant has an executed lease with the landlord, wherein the landlord agrees to the tenant operating a microbusiness. Applicant is a law abiding citizen, with no prior criminal convictions. Applicant has prepared, filed and paid all tax returns and all taxes payable, for his entire adult life. Applicant is a born and raised New Yorker, from Colombia originally, but raised from childhood in Jackson Heights, Queens, New York. Applicant intends to follow and comply with all laws, rules, regulations and requirements of OCM and the Community Board in the operation of this business enterprise. Applicant would be happy to provide a resume, references or other background information, upon request.

Operational Details

State the name and type of business previously located in this space. *

Previously the space was vacant.

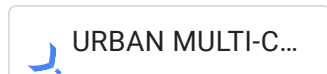
What are the hours of operation M-F? *

Hours of operation are intended to be Monday through Friday, from 8am to 12am. However if the Community Board has a limitation on hours of operation, these hours of operation can be modified.

What are the hours of operation Sat-Sun? *

Hours of operation are intended to be Saturday and Sunday, from 8am to 12am. However if the Community Board has a limitation on hours of operation, these hours of operation can be modified.

Please upload applicants security plan or provide detailed description in the next response. *



Please provide the applicant's detailed security plan (if the plan was uploaded, enter "Uploaded") *

LPA for hiring employees is attached. Applicant intends to hire 1 unarmed security guard and/or full video monitoring and surveillance with commercially monitored retail security system, including surveillance cameras, silent hold up alarms and perimeter protection.

What is the anticipated increase in sidewalk traffic? How will you manage the sidewalk, crowd control, vehicular traffic? Will you use utilize stanchions and ropes? *

Minimal anticipated increase in sidewalk traffic. The storefront is located on 8th Avenue in Times Square, the sidewalk traffic id already heavy at all hours of the day and night.

How many employees does the applicant expect to employ? How many full-time/part-time? *

2-3 full time employees, to start.

Please provide the applicant's hiring plan; please explain if the applicant will take steps to hire from CB4. *

Applicant's hiring plan is to be determined upon the issuance of a license and community board approval. However, with regard to the initial employees, the Applicant does have members of his family and close family friends who need employment and is considering offering them the initial positions once the license is approved.

What products does the applicant expect to carry? *

Cannabis flower indoor grown sativa and indica; cannabis disposable vape pens sativa and indica; Cannabis pre rolled products; Cannabis tinctures and consumables; Non-cannabis products such as rolling papers, pipes, vape charges and glass pipes.

Will the applicant accept online or telephone orders? If yes, how will the applicant verify the purchaser is over the age of 21? (See § 123.10 (d)(4)) *

Not at first.

Does the applicant intend to operate a delivery service? *

As of 5/28/2023, the revised Adult-Use Regulations do now allow a business licensed to sell adult-use cannabis to simultaneously hold a delivery license/make deliveries. (See § 123.20 (c)(1))

Yes

No

If this dispensary includes or plans to include on-site consumption at any point, please describe how it will be managed. What is the capacity? What environmental monitoring and ventilation measures will be taken to protect shoppers and staff from second hand smoke and other potential hazards? If not, please write n/a. *

No on site consumption.

Do you use/plan to use any outdoor space? If so, please explain how you intend to use the space. *

No.

Is the entrance of the store ADA compliant?

Yes

No

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