



## Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 20, 2024, 10:00 am  
This meeting was held in a hybrid environment

### Meeting Minutes

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

*Chair David Postman called the regular meeting of the Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board to order at 10:00 am on Wednesday, November 20, 2024. Member Ollie Garrett and Member Jim Vollendroff were also present.*

#### 2. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Member Vollendroff moved to approve the Board Meeting minutes for October 9 and 23, 2024. Chair Postman seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

#### 3. CONSIDERATION OF SOCIAL EQUITY TRANSFER AND ASSUMPTION DECISION MAKING

**Sarah Worley, Cannabis Social Equity Case Manager and Nicola Reid, Licensing and Regulation Deputy Director of Administration**

Sarah Worley, Cannabis Social Equity Case Manager, requested a decision by the Board to determine who would review documentation to verify that qualifications are met when a request for a change in ownership is made by a social equity licensee after one year and through year five. Two options were considered: (1) a third-party contractor would review and make the determination if an individual or individuals qualify as a social equity applicant, or (2) the Licensing Department would review and make the determination if an individual or individuals qualify as a social equity applicant.

Licensing recommends keeping with the third-party reviewer.

**Member Vollendroff moved to accept option (1) approving the Staff recommendation. Chair Postman seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**

#### 4. RULEMAKING TIMELINES – ALL INDUSTRIES

**Cassidy West, Policy and Rules Manager**

Cassidy West briefed on upcoming timeline items.

## **5. CANNABIS RELATED RULEMAKING**

### **ACTION ITEM (5A) – Rules Petition Review and Consideration Medical Cannabis Payment Flexibility**

**Cassidy West, Policy and Rules Manager**

Cassidy West, Policy and Rules Manager, began the briefing with materials (HANDOUT 5A) and presented a recommendation on a petition pertaining to a recently amended rule requiring that checks be deposited within five days of delivery. A petition was submitted by Fabian Toader requesting that the Board reconsider the five-day rule and proposed extending the window to 15 days.

The Staff recommendation is to deny the petition for a few reasons, one being that the Agency recently conducted rulemaking on the rule that is being requested to be changed.

**Member Garrett moved to accept the Staff recommendation to deny the petition. Member Vollendroff seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**

### **ACTION ITEM (5B) – Rules Petition Review and Consideration Replacing the Cannabis Central Reporting System (CCRS)**

**Denise Laflamme, Policy and Rules Coordinator**

Denise Laflamme, Policy and Rules Coordinator, began the briefing with materials (HANDOUT 5B), and provided information on a petition submitted by Peter Peterson requesting that the Agency replace the CCRS with an improved system.

Rulemaking is not required to replace CCRS, and LCB's Traceability Project is currently evaluating a long-term solution to replace CCRS, with a phased timeline being implemented. The Director's Office recommendation is to deny the petition.

**Member Vollendroff moved to accept the staff recommendation and deny the petition. Member Garrett seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.**

## **6. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

*Chair Postman invited citizens to address the Board regarding any issues related to LCB business. The Board heard from the following people:*

Brooke Davies

Christopher King

Jim MacRae

David Busby

Sara Cherin

Paul Brice

Gregory Foster

Peter Manning

Mike Asai

Casey Calhoun

*For full detail of public comment, the meeting recording is available on the LCB website.*

## **ADJOURN**

Chair Postman adjourned the meeting at 11:07 am.

Minutes approved this 18th day of December, 2024



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Jim Vollendroff  
Board Chair



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Ollie Garrett  
Board Member

Minutes prepared by: Deborah Soper, Administrative Assistant to the Board

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