

Office of Pontiac City Clerk Report

FALL 2020 Special Issue: Medical Marihuana



Garland Doyle
Pontiac City Clerk

Dear Resident,

This past summer, we officially launched the Medical Marihuana application review process. Ordinance 2357(B) the City of Pontiac Medical Marihuana Facilities Ordinance approved by Pontiac voters gives the City Clerk the responsibility to review, evaluate and/or score applications.

After voters approved Medical Marihuana, the City of Pontiac adopted Ordinance 2363 a zoning ordinance to regulate where Medical Marihuana facilities could locate in the City. Ordinance 2363 established the Cesar Chavez, Downtown, and Walton Blvd Medical Marihuana Overlay Districts as shown on pages 2-3 of this newsletter. As the City Clerk, I am required to follow both ordinances as the review team assists me in evaluating and/or scoring applications to determine if an applicant should be awarded a permit. I have assembled a team of professional experts to assist me with the review of applications to ensure that the City of Pontiac awards licenses to the most qualified applicants. The review team members are listed on page 7. Each member of the team was required to sign confidentiality/non-disclosure and conflict of interest forms to ensure that they do not have any conflicts or any financial interest in any of the applicants being awarded a license. I am committed to a review process that has integrity.

Ordinance 2357(B) allows the City to award no more than 20 provisioning center licenses using a 130 point scale. According to Ordinance 2363 the zoning ordinance, no more than 5 provisioning center permits will be awarded in the Cesar Chavez Overlay District. No more than 5 provisioning center permits will be awarded in Downtown. No more than 5 provisioning center permits will be awarded in the Walton Blvd Overlay District and no more than 5 permits will be awarded in the Non Overlay, for a total of 20 provisioning center licenses

As a part of each applicant's application, they are required to make significant investments in our community. It is my responsibility to ensure that these commitments are fulfilled. This is why, I created the community benefits scoring system as a way to evaluate these commitments.

In addition, the Clerk can award an unlimited number of permits for grower and processors if they, satisfactorily, fulfill the application requirements and will locate in either the Cesar Chavez or Walton Blvd Overlay Districts only. Safety Compliance and Secure Transporter permits can be awarded in each of three medical marihuana overlay districts as well as C-1, C-3, C-4, M-1 and M-2 zoned properties located outside of the Medical Marihuana Overlay Districts. See p. 4 for the City of Pontiac Zoning Map. The review process has several phases as shown on pages 5-6. In an effort to be fully transparent, all of the applicant proposed locations and type of license they are seeking are listed on pages 3-5.

As your City Clerk, I am committed to a review process that is fair.

Garland Doyle Interim City Clerk

Provisioning Center Scoring System

Category	Max Points
1. Content and Sufficiency Background Information (up to 5 points) Financial Background (up to 10 points) Economic Benefits (up to 10 points) Community Development (up to 10 points) *scored using Community Benefits Scoring Planning (Facility) (up to 10 points) Patient Education (up to 5 points)	50
2. Land Use	20
3. Community Impact	10
4. Managerial Resources	10
5. Financial Resources	10
6. Job Creation	10
7. Philanthropic & Community Improvement	10
*scored using Community Benefits Scoring	
8. Physical Improvements	10
Total Possible Score	130

Grower, Processor, Safety
Compliance and Secure
Transporter Applications
and not scored they will be
evaluated using a satisfactory
vs. unsatisfactory system.

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Cesar Chavez Overlay District Map



Available License Types in the Cesar Chavez Overlay District

- 1.) Grower
- 2.) Processor
- **3.) Secure Transporter**
- 4.) Safety Compliance
- 5.) Provisioning Centers (No more than 5 Provisioning Centers will be selected in this district)

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Downtown Overlay District Map



Available License Types in the Downtown Overlay District

- 1.) Secure Transporter
- 2.) Safety Compliance
- 3.) Provisioning Centers (No more than 5 Provisioning Centers will be selected in this district)

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Medicial Marihuana Overlay Districts

Walton Blvd. Overlay District Map



Available License Types in the Walton Blvd Overlay District

- 1.) Grower
- 2.) Processor
- **3.) Secure Transporter**
- 4.) Safety Compliance
- 5.) Provisioning Centers (No more than 5 Provisioning Centers will be selected in this district)

Applicants

Cesar Chavez District

Grower Applications	
Establishment Name	Establishment Address
Misty Mee LLC	1248 Cesar E Chavez 48340
Nature's Gold LLC	585 W Kennett
PGSH Holdings Inc.	1054 Durant 48340
Processor Application	
Establishment Name	Establishment Address
Nature's Gold LLC	585 W Kennett
Provisioning Center Applications	
Establishment Name	Establishment Address
Caesars Garden	910 Cesar E Chavez
Greenhouse Farms Pontiac LLC	985 Cesar E Chavez
Herb Wealth LLC	856 Cesar Chavez
Larren Investments LLC	986 Cesar E Chavez
Misty Mee LLC "BloomCity Club Pontiac	1248 Cesar E Chavez
OP Holdings II LLC	TBD
PGSH Holdings LLC	1054 Durant
Prime 7 LLC	658 Cesar E Chavez
Pure Life Solutions II LLC	676 Cesar E Chavez
Rize Cannabis	772 Cesar E Chavez
Southeast Provisioning Center LLC	784 Cesar E Chavez
The Cured Leaf TC Inc	962 Cesar E Chavez
The Dixie Depot	TBD
Top Hill Compassion Center	946 Cesar Chavez
U-Versity Medz	1024 Durant
West Fort Holdings LLC	870 Cesar E Chavez
Yellow Tail Ventures Inc	1025 Cesar Chavez

Walton Blvd District

Provisioning Center Applications	
Establishment Name	Establishment Address
3967 Euclid LLC	85 E Walton
444 Commericial Consulting LLC	529 E Walton
5303 Portage Inc	298 W Walton
Cure Wellness LLC	547 Walton
Glacial Waters Ventures Flourish	177 W Walton
Michigan	
Green Facilities Development LLC	156 W Walton

Downtown District

Provisioning Center Applications	
Establishment Name	Establishment Address
3 Green LLC	81 N Saginaw
Battle Spring LLC	49 N Saginaw
Clean Roots LLC	2 & 4 N Saginaw
Common Citizen	17 S Saginaw
Detroit Medical Concepts LLC dba	177 N Perry
Kaleafa Pontiac	
Green Bronco III LLC	50501 Woodward
Green Buddha II LLC	20 Whittemore
Green Buddha/Marelus Brice	18 W Pike
Greenstone East LLC	87 N Saginaw
JDS Brothers LLC	7073 Trailway
JNN Property LLC	33 N Saginaw
JNN Property LLC	45 N Saginaw
Michigan Supply and Provisions	50 N Saginaw
Nature's Medicine	17 W Lawrence
Nature's Medicine	101 Saginaw
New Gen Meds	1 N Saginaw
Pontiac Provisioning LLC	140 N Saginaw
Pure Roots LLC	23 N Saginaw
QPS Michigan Holdings LLC	21 N Saginaw
RTMC Enterprises Inc dba	123 N Saginaw
Northern Trellis	
RTMC Enterprises Inc dba	10-12 W Pike
Northern Trellis	
VB Chesaning	91 N Saginaw
Zenith Ventures LLC	22 N Saginaw

Walton Blvd District

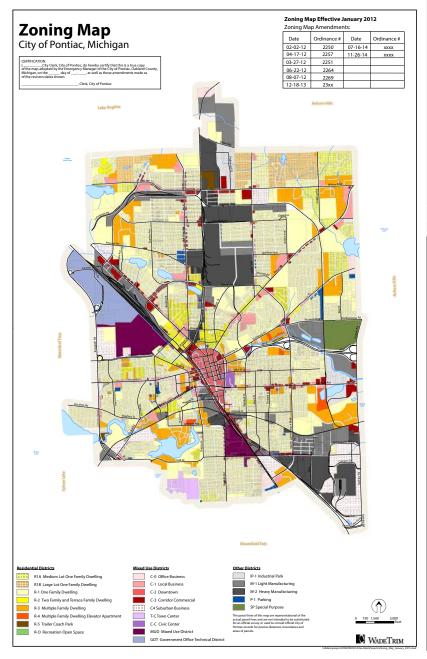
Lake Effect	108 W Walton
Leafco Ventures Inc	1461 Baldwin
Lucid Detroit	114 W Walton
Nature's Relief Pontiac	TBD
Nature's Remedy of Pontiac LLC	278/290 W Walton
Oak Flint LLC	500 E Walton
Ocean Capitol LLC	TBD
REM Pontiac LLC	1430 Joslyn
Shine Cannabis	41 E Walton



Medical Marihuana Provisioning Centers are permitted in C-1, C-3 and C-4 zones properties located outside of the Cesar Chavez, Downtown and Walton Overlay Districts.

Prior to being issued a permit, the applicant will need to obtain a special exemption permit from the City of Pontiac Planning Commission.

Available License type in the Non-Overlay Provisioning Centers (No more than 5 provisioning centers will be selected in the Non-Overlay)



Applicants

Non-Overlay

Non-Overlay	
Provisioning Center Applications	
Establishment Name	Establishment Address
Attitude Wellness LLC	45258 Woodward
Baldwin Investment Group LLC	1245 Baldwin
Blue Transit LLC	49730 Woodward
Common Citizen	45671 Woodward
Core Canna	101 E Walton
CRO Ventures LLC	348 Franklin
Cure Pontiac	TBD
District	307 Cesar E Chavez
District	44784 Woodward
DSK Holding Company LLC	241 S Telegraph
Genesis Wellness Center	746 N Perry
Get Your Greens LLC	645 S Telegraph
Green Station Depot	TBD
Green Zone	50300 Woodward
Greenhouse Farms Pontiac LLC	51616 Woodward
Greenstone Michigan LLC	284 S Telegraph
Greenstone Natural Remedies	205 N Opdyke
Hayat Quality Provisioning I Inc	701 Orchard Lake
Herb Wealth	701 Orchard Lake
	50800 Woodward
HKM Group LLC JARS	869 Orchard
JDS Brothers LLC	3 S Glenwood
JIS LLC	254 N Telegraph
	1001 Orchard Lake
Joyology KG Capital Investments LLC	689 Baldwin
Larren Investments LLC	44911 Woodward
MK Group MI LLC	51848 Woodward
Nature Releaf Pontiac	454-460 W Huron
Nature's Remedy of Pontiac LLC	939 Orchard Lake
Nirvana Operations MI LLC	644 Cesar E Chavez
	2212 Glade
Nirvana Operations MI LLC	
NOBO Michigan LLC	735 Auburn
Ocean Capitol LLC	1065 Perry 44732 Woodward
PGSH Holdings LLC	
Pharmaco Inc	345 W Walton
Pharmaco Inc	1 S Glenwood
Pleasantrees	44821 Woodward
Pure Roots LLC	984 Orchard Lake
Pure Roots LLC	44731 Woodward
Quality Roots LLC	890/892 W Huron Ste C (Current)
	18 N Telegraph (New)
RTMC Enterprises Inc DBA	270 S Telegraph
Northern Trellis	6011
SJMB Holdings LLC	684 Auburn
Supherb Dank Inc	23 W Montcalm
The Pier Provisioning Center	TBD
West Coast Meds LLC	390 W Huron
Wish Pontiac LLC	422 W Huron
Zen Republic LLC	645 W Walton
Zen Republic LLC	935 Orchard Lake

Safety Compliance are permitted in C-1, C-3, C-4, M-1 and M-2 zoning districts outside the Medical Marihuana Overlay Districts.

Secure Transporters are permitted in C-1, C-3, C-4, M-1 and M-2 zoning districts outside the Medical Marihuana Overlay Districts.

Ordinace 2363 only permits Grower or Processors to be licensed if they are located in the Cesar Chavez or Walton Overlay Districts

The City has received the following grower and processor applications that are not in either the Cesar Chavez or Walton Blvd Overlay Districts as required by Ordinance 2363.

Grower Applications	
Establishment Name	Establishment Address
Botanical Greens Inc.	1651 E Highwood
Family Rootz	1-97 S Glenwood Bldg. C 48342
Family Rootz	1-97 S Glenwood Space 35 Unit 100 48342
Pharmaco Inc.	13 S Glenwood 48342
Processor Applications	
Family Rootz	1-97 S Glenwood Space 35 Unit 100 48342
Pharmaco Inc.	13 S Glenwood 48342

What will happen to these applications?

In January 2020, the City Council submitted a proposed zoning map amendment to the Planning Commission to allow grower and processor facilities to locate outside of the Cesar Chavez and Walton Blvd Overlay Districts. The Planning Commission has yet to issue a recommendation to the City Council. The City Council must receive a recommendation from the Planning Commission prior to amending Ordinance 2363. Until Ordinance 2363 is amended these applications cannot be licensed by the Office of the City Clerk.

Review Process

- Review Phase 1
- → Content Review
- clerk staff will review application to make sure all information and exhibits have been submitted.
- Review Phase 2 Default Review
 - Staff from each department/division checks the applicant name and stakeholders to ensure they are not in default with the city.
- Review Phase 3

 Evaluation and/or Scoring Review
 - Review team members evaluate and or score their respective sections of the application.
- Review Phase 4

 Compliance Review
 - The legal and planning advisors ensures that satisfactory and unsatisfactory standards have been consistently applied by reviewers for Grower, Processor, Secure Transporter, and Safety Compliance.
 - The legal and planning advisors ensures that Satisfactory, Somewhat Deficient, and Very Deficient scoring for Provisioning Centers has been consistently applied by reviewers.

- Review Phase 5
- → Background Check
- Review Phase 6
- Conditional Approval or Application Denied
- If applicant receives conditional approval, they advance to Phase 7.
- If application is denied, applicant can file an appeal. (See Process for Appeal)
- Review Phase 7
 - → Site Plan Approval and/if necessary Special Exemption Approval Appeal.
- Review Phase 8
 - → Certificate of Compliance/Occupancy from Building and Fire.
- Review Phase 9
 - Clerk issues a permit provided you have been issued your pre-qualification from the State of Michigan.

Get monthly updates on the review process at pontiaccityclerk.com/medical-marihuana

Process For Appeal

Pontiac City Clerk makes decision on application



Applicant submits written appeal to Pontiac City Clerk within 14 days.



Pontiac City Clerk appoints hearing officer to hear and evaluate appeal.



Hearing officer conducts hearing on appeal and makes recommendation to Pontiac City Clerk, who makes a decision on the matter.



Applicant may submit further written appeal to medical marihuana commission within 30 days.



Garland Doyle, M.P.A., CNP, Interim City Clerk

Garland Doyle was appointed Interim City Clerk in October 2018 by the Pontiac City Council. He previously served as the Deputy Director for Community & Economic Development in Pontiac. Also, he has been an administrator for the City of Detroit. City Clerk Doyle is a results-driven local government leader. He is a certified nonprofit professional (CNP).

Doyle holds a Master of Public Administration with a concentration in Nonprofit Administration and a Graduate Certificate in Local Government Management from Eastern Michigan University. His Bachelor of Arts degree is from Wayne State University.

Jonathan Starks, Special Assistant to the City Clerk

Jonathan Starks joined the Office of the City Clerk in 2019. His primary responsibility is assisting the City Clerk with the medical marihuana review process. Jonathan received his Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting from Cleary University.

Professional Experts

Sherman J. Taylor, JD CPA, Financial Advisor

Sherman J Taylor received his bachelor's degree in Business Administration in Accounting and Taxation from Grand Valley State University in 2008. He went on to study public interest law at the University of the District Columbia's David A. Clarke School of Law. As a senior staff accountant, he led engagements focused on projecting cash flow and forecasting sales trends to evaluate the worth and viability of both budding and established enterprises.

His work with Michigan Cannabis companies began in 2017. He's given multiple lectures on cannabis taxation and wrote numerous periodicals including, "When money grows on Michigan Trees, The Taxation of Medical Marihuana under the Michigan Medical Marijuana Facilities Licensing Act," published in the Oakland County Bar Journal in 2018.

Robert Huth, Jr., Esq., Legal Advisor

Robert Huth is a partner with Kirk, Huth, Lange and Badalamenti, PLC. Attorney Huth has thirty years of legal experience. Rob's expertise is in municipal matters relating to litigation, and ordinance drafting. During the "Great Recession" he was appointed a founding member of the Michigan Government Turnaround Association and in that capacity was often called upon by the Michigan Treasurer to assist municipalities during difficult financial times.

Jill Bahm, AICP, Planning Advisor

Jill Bahm is a partner at Giffels Webster and has a broad planning background that includes work in both the public and private sector. Jill's municipal experience as a city planner and DDA executive director, combined with her commercial real estate experience, design, marketing and promotional skills, allows her the opportunity to assist clients with a variety of projects. Jill also enjoys exploring how new technologies can be used to engage the public and improve service delivery. Jill serves on the Main Street Oakland County Advisory Board and the Michigan Association of Planning Information & Education Committee.

John Fraser, Esq., Appeals Hearing Officer

John Fraser is an associate attorney with Grewal Law PLLC and leads the firm's Cannabis Law division. He is the Chair-Elect of the Council for the Marijuana Section of the State Bar of Michigan. In addition, John is an adjunct professor of law at Western Michigan University Colley Law School where he teaches a course on Medical Marijuana and law. He also regularly lectures and presents on cannabis law topics to attorneys and the community.

The following City Departments and Divisions are a part of the review team. Planning, Building, City Engineering, and the Waterford Regional Fire Department.

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Drive-Up Official Ballot Dropbox Locations:

- Bowens Center 52 Bagley
- City Hall 47450 Woodward
- >> Fire Station 787 W Huron
- >> Herrington Elementary 541 Bay
- Kennedy/Owen School 1700 Baldwin
- >> Ruth Peterson Center 990 Joslyn
- Walt Whitman Elementary 125 W Montcalm

Pontiac Elected Officials

Mayor Deirdre Waterman , MD(248) 758-3181
Council President Kermit Williams, Dist. 7 (248) 758-3017
Council President Pro Tem Randy Carter, Dist. 4 (248) 758-3014
Council Member Patrice Waterman, Dist. 1 (248) 758-3018
Council Member Megan Shramski, Dist. 2 (248) 758-3015
Council Member Mary Pietila , Dist., 3 (248) 758-3019
Council Member Gloria Miller , Dist., 5 (248) 758-3016
Council Member Doris Taylor Burks, Dist. 6 (248) 758-3027

Pontiac Polling Locations

New Bethel Baptist Church 174 Branch Street **Precincts: 1, 2 & 3**

> **Bowens Center** 52 Bagley St **Precincts: 4, 5 & 6**

Baldwin Center 212 Baldwin Ave Precincts: 7 & 8

Alcott Elementary 460 W Kennett Rd Precincts: 9 & 10

Kennedy Jr. High - 11 & 12 1700 Baldwin Rd. Precincts: 11 & 12

> **Pontiac High** 1051 Arlene **Precincts: 13 & 14**

Herrington Elementary 541 Bay St Precinct: 15

Pontiac Middle School 1275 N Perry **Precincts: 16, 17 & 18**

Salvation Army 469 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd S **Precincts: 19, 20 & 21**

Important Dates:

November 3, 2020 Election Day November 11, 2020 Veterans Day (City Offices Closed) November 26-27, 2020 Thanksgiving Holiday (City Offices Closed)