



OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK MEDICAL MARIHUANA DIVISION



Cesar Chavez Overlay District Provisioning Centers Application Rankings March 2, 2021

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Agenda

- 1) Welcome
- 2) Cesar Chavez Provisioning Center Rankings Presentation
- 3) Questions and Answers
- 4) Closing

Overview of Ordinances

1) City of Pontiac Medical Marihuana Facilities Ordinance Ordinance 2357(B)

- Approved by citizens of Pontiac in August 2018
- Granted the City Clerk the authority to oversee the Medical Marihuana Process
- License up to 20 Provisioning Centers using a 130 point scale

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 *scored using Community Benefits Scoring	10
8. Physical Improvements	10
Total Possible Score	130

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2) Zoning Ordinance for Medical Marihuana Ordinance 2363

- Approved by the Pontiac City Council in April 2019
- Stated where growers, processors, safety compliance, secure transporters and provisioning centers could locate
- Created three Medical Marihuana Overlay Districts

Cesar Chavez

Downtown

Walton Blvd

Cesar Chavez Overlay District



Types of License Available in this 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



Types of License Available in this 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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Walton Blvd Overlay District



Types of License Available in this 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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Non Overlay District

Types of Licenses Available in this District:

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. (No more than 5 provisioning centers will be selected in the Non-Overlay)

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

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.

Application Process

When were applications accepted for provisioning centers?

Jan. 6 – 27, 2020 a one-time 21 Day Application Period.

How were applications ranked?

By district, provisioning center applicants applied by district.

When did the review process begin?

The application review process began in June 2020 after the professional experts contracts were signed.

Why has it taken several months to review applications?

The Office of the City Clerk is responsible for administering elections. In 2020, we faced a record turnout election and had to devote all of the Clerk's staff and resources from July-November 2020 to the election.

Provisioning Center Scoring Form

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Office of the City Clerk

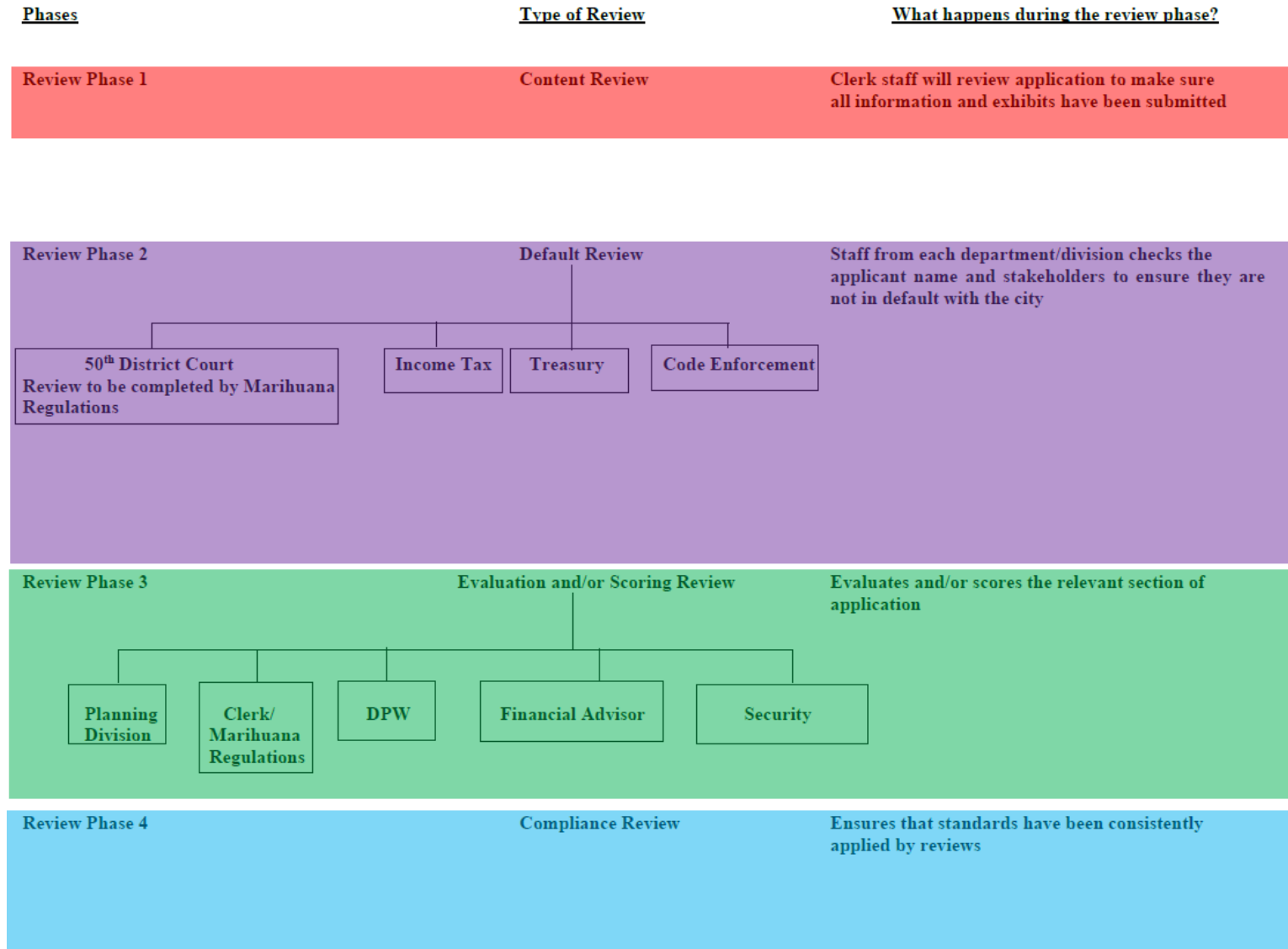
Medical Marihuana Provisioning Center Scoring Form

Application Category	Applicant Points	Maximum Points
Content and Sufficiency of Information		50
Background Information		5
Marihuana Regulations		(1.5)
Business Entity		(2)
Security		(1.5)
Financial Background		10
Economic Benefits		10
Community Development		10
Facility (Planning and Sanitation)		10
Planning		(8)
Sanitation		(2)
Patient Education		5
Staff Training and Education		(2.5)
Patient and Community Programs		(2.5)
Land Use		20
Resident Safety		10
Neighborhood Land Use		10
Community Impact		10
Managerial Resources		10
Financial Resources		10
Job Creation		10
Philanthropic and Community Improvement		10
Physical Improvements		10
Applicant Total Score		130

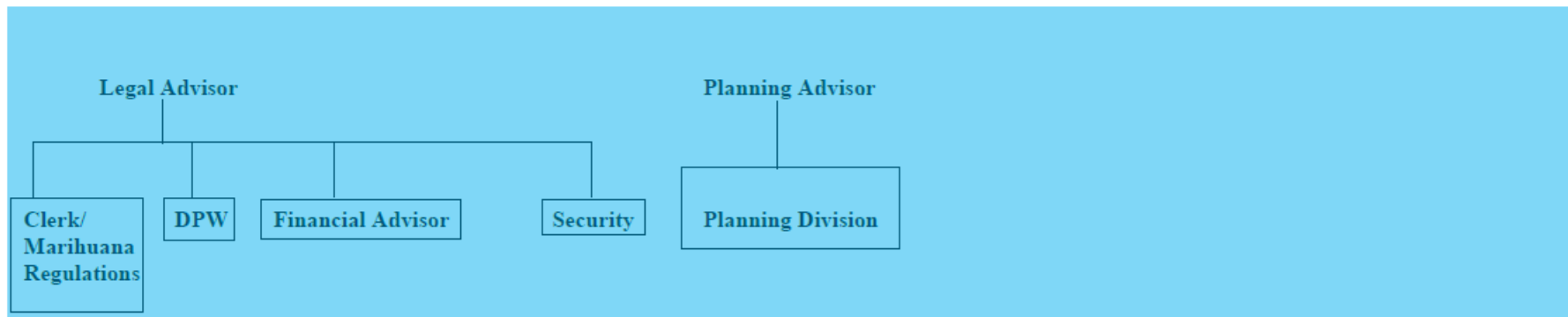
Applicant Ranking: ____ of ____ Total Applicants

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The Application Review Process



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Review Phase 5

Conditional Approval, Notice of Deficiencies or Application Denial

If applicant receives conditional approval, they advance to Phase 6

PROCESS FOR APPEAL

Pontiac City Clerk issues denial letter.



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



Applicant can present additional clarifying information or evidence that the applicant believes should be considered in assessing its application.



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.

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Review Phase 6

**Site Plan Approval and/if necessary Special
Exemption Approval**

Review Phase 7

**Certificate of Compliance/Occupancy from
Building and Fire**

Review Phase 8

**Clerk issues a permit provided you have been
issued your pre-qualification from the State of
Michigan**

Review Team

- Garland Doyle, M.P.A., CNP, Interim City Clerk
 - Jonathan Starks, Special Assistant to the City Clerk
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Professional Experts

- Sherman J. Taylor, JD CPA, Financial Advisor
SRT Consulting
- Robert Huth, Jr., Esq., Legal Advisor
Kirk, Huth, Lange and Badalamenti PLC
- Jill Bahm, AICP, Planning Advisor
Giffels Webster
- Brain Stair, Security Consultant
Global Alliance Protective Group

The following City Departments and Divisions are a part of the review team.

- Department of Public Works (DPW), Planning, Building & Safety and the Waterford Regional Fire Department

Note: All reviewers have signed conflict of interest and confidentiality forms

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Cesar Chavez Overlay District Provisioning Centers Applications Rankings

- 1) Rize Cannabis
 - 2) West Fort Holdings LLC
 - 3) Greenhouse Farms Pontiac LLC
 - 4) Caesars Garden
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- 5) The Cured Leaf TC Inc
 - 6) Yellow Tail Ventures Inc
 - 7) Larren Investments LLC
 - 8) PGSH Holdings LLC
 - 9) U-Versity Medz
 - 10) Pure Life Solutions II LLC
 - 11) Misty Mee LLC
 - 12) Southeast Provisioning Center LLC
 - 13) Top Hill Compassion Center LLC
 - 14) OP Holdings II LLC
 - 15) The Dixie Depot
 - 16) Prime 7 LLC
 - 17) Herb Wealth LLC

Note: Rankings are preliminary. They are subject to appeal.

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Appeal Process

The process for appeal instructions and hearing officer appeal form will be included in your ranking letter.

Pontiac City Clerk makes decision on application



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



John Fraser, Esq., Appeals Hearing Officer



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



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Appeal Form

Application Name _____ Application Number _____

**City of Pontiac
Medical Marihuana Facility Permit Application
Hearing Officer Appeal Form**

Appellant Name (Applicant)		Address	
City	State	Zip Code	
Appellant's Representative or Contact Person for Purposes of Appeal			
Phone Number		Email Address	

Written Statement of Appeal *If You Require Additional Space, You May Attach An Addendum, All Attachments To This Appeal Form Should Be Clearly Labeled With Your Appellant (Application) Name and Application Number; Failure To Properly Label Attachments May Result In Your Appeal Being Delayed.

Appellant Representative or Contact Person
Print Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____

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Next Steps

Appeals

14 days after letter is issued March 16, 2021

Hearing Officer

Marihuana Commission

- Commission members have not been appointed
- After the commission is appointed, they must establish rules
- The rules must be approved by the City Council

Conditional Approval

After appeals have been exhausted, then the top 5 ranked applicants will move forward

Questions

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