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MARIJUANA REGULATORY AGENCY

October 28, 2019 MEETING MINUTES

In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended, the Marijuana Regulatory Agency met on October 28, 2019, at the Park Place Hotel and Conference Center, Front Room, 300 E. State St. Traverse City, Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER

Executive Director, Andrew Brisbo, called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.

Staff Present: Andrew Brisbo, Executive Director
Desmond Mitchell, Licensing Division Director
Kelly Kronner, Departmental Analyst

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Brisbo thanked the public for attending. He stated that the Marijuana Regulatory Agency is committed to holding four public meetings each calendar year to receive feedback on any statutory changes/initiatives relating to the Agency. Brisbo then reminded the public of the Agency's mission to establish Michigan as the national model for a regulatory program that stimulates business growth while preserving safe consumer access to marijuana. He then proceeded to provide an update on recent outreach/collaboration programs involving the Agency, recent legislative changes, and the current status of the Agency's grant program. Brisbo announced that the Agency has been in the process of drafting combined rule sets consisting of 10 topics. The rule sets are intended to provide clarity/consistency to those working in both the medical and adult use market. The hearing for the topic-based rules will take place in February 2020. Additionally, Brisbo announced that the 2020 MRA public meetings will take place in March, June, September, and December. Brisbo concluded his report by reminding the public to visit the MRA website where they can view the map of all of the licensed facilities throughout the State of Michigan.

LICENSING REPORT

Licensing Division Director, Desmond Mitchell gave a report on the licensing division.

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ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Executive Director, Andrew Brisbo, gave a report on the enforcement division on behalf of Enforcement Division Director, Kavita Kale.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Shaun Opie – Representing E4 Biosciences. Discussed adult use licensing and safety compliance facility inspections.

Jim Dimitriou – Representing PayQuick Michigan. Discussed the benefits of the social equity program. Had questions pertaining to municipal approval and its correlation to the social equity program.

ADJOURNMENT

Executive Director, Andrew Brisbo, adjourned the meeting at 10:11 a.m.

Next Meeting: December 9, 2019

Time: 9:30 A.M.

Location: Flint City Hall

Address: 1101 Saginaw St, Flint, MI 48502

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