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CANNABIS REGULATION COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING AGENDA THURSDAY, AUGUST 17, 2023, 2:00 P.M. FIGUEROA PLAZA BUILDING AND SAFETY BOARD ROOM, 9TH FLOOR 201 N. FIGUEROA ST, LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

Members of the public are invited to address the Cannabis Regulation Commission, in person or virtually, on any item(s) on the agenda during Single or Multiple Agenda Item-Public Comment, prior to action by the Commission on the specific item(s). Members of the public may also address the Commission on any matter within the jurisdiction of the Commission during General Public Comment. To participate and offer public testimony in person during a meeting, an individual must complete and submit a speaker's request form to the Commission Executive Assistant prior to the start of the applicable public comment period. Individuals who wish to participate virtually, must follow the instructions below:

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ROLL CALL

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

SINGLE OR MULTIPLE AGENDA ITEM - PUBLIC COMMENT

1. **COMMISSION BUSINESS**

- Election of Officers
- Advanced Calendar
- Approval of Minutes February 23, 2023
- Approval of Minutes May 25, 2023
- Commission Announcements and Updates
- Future Agenda Requests

2. REPORT FROM THE INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Report from the Interim Executive Director, including, but not limited to, welcome remarks and general Department updates regarding tax revenue and economic activity generated by commercial cannabis activity in the City of L.A., how DCR is preparing to meet Mayor Bass' <u>ED 4</u> requirements, a brief update on the state's legislative activity related to <u>SB 51</u>, <u>SB 512</u> and <u>AB 1565</u>, and an update on the Department's staff hiring.

3. REPORT FROM DCR ON THE SOCIAL EQUITY PROGRAM

Report from the Department, including, but not limited to, updates on the Cannabis Equity Grant for Local Jurisdiction, SEED Rental Assistance Grant funds allocated and disbursements to date, summary of the Business, Licensing, Compliance (BLC) Program accomplishments and deliverables, purpose and participant requirements for the Stakeholder Advisory Committee, and an overview of the services provided and attendance at the Workforce Development-LA Cannabis Unite Networking Mixer on June 17, 2023.

4. REPORT FROM DCR ON THE LICENSING PROGRAM

Report from the Department on current and future licensing procedures, such as the current licensing data related to all pending application record types, number of all active commercial cannabis licenses issued, annual licensing application process including number of pending applications, completeness, and applications transmitted for approval, pending annual license application records and corresponding environmental reports, and recent ordinance amendments to Article 4, Chapter X of the Los Angeles Municipal Code in Council File no. 21-1083-S1 such as modifications, relocations, new record types, and application workflows.

5. REPORT FROM DCR ON THE COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

Report from the Department on program updates, including implementation of its progressive enforcement strategy and licensee compliance inspection program, progress on the issuance of Emblem Placards to retailers in partnership with the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, and an overview of the Complaint Portal enhancements and year-to-date complaint data.