



NEW JERSEY CANNABIS REGULATORY COMMISSION
225 East State Street, Trenton, NJ 08608
April 12, 2021
Minutes of Public Meeting

The meeting was publicly accessible online via Microsoft Teams.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The April 12, 2021 public meeting of the Cannabis Regulatory Commission was called to order by Chairwoman Houenou at 3pm at the commission offices, 225 East State Street, Trenton NJ 08608.

2. ROLL CALL

Chairwoman Houenou took the roll, and the following Commissioners were present: Mr. Charles Barker, Ms. Maria Del Cid-Kosso, Mr. Samuel Delgado, Ms. Krista Nash, and Ms. Dianna Houenou.

3. NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Executive Director Jeff Brown read the following statement:

“Madam Chair, this is a regular meeting of the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission. Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the Senator Byron M. Baer Open Public Meeting Act. There was a publication of the meeting time and location in two NJ print publications, The Trenton Times and The Star Ledger, on Saturday April 10th, and the notice has been sent to the Secretary’s Office. Information regarding the virtual nature of meeting due to the Covid-19 pandemic was posted in the publications and on the CRC/MMP website. In addition, notice of said meeting has been and is being displayed on the websites of both the New Jersey Department of Health and the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Commission.”

4. OATH OF OFFICE

Executive Director Brown confirmed to Chairwoman Houenou that the Commission members have taken their oath of office.

5. CHAIR’S REMARKS

- Chairwoman Houenou gave opening remarks
- Commissioner Delgado gave opening remarks
- Commissioner Nash gave opening remarks
- Commissioner Barker gave opening remarks
- Commissioner Del Cid-Kosso gave opening remarks



6. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

Chairwoman Houenou asked for nominations of a Vice Chair. Commissioner Nash nominated Commissioner Delgado. Hearing no further nominations, Chairwoman Houenou closed the nominations and gave Commissioner Delgado and opportunity to give remarks.

- Commissioner Delgado gave brief remarks.

Executive Director Brown took the roll call vote.

AYES: Chairwoman Houenou, Commissioner Delgado, Commissioner Nash,
Commissioner Barker, Commissioner Del Cid-Kosso

NAYS: None The motion was carried.

7. TRANSFER OF AUTHORITY FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR ACTIVITIES PURSUANT TO NJSA 24:6I-1 ET SEQ.

Chairwoman Houenou summarized Resolution 2021-2, and described that pursuant to the Jake Honig Compassionate Use Medical Cannabis Act, all five Commissioners must be appointed and present at a meeting, and majority must vote to transfer authority from the Department of Health to the Cannabis Regulatory Commission.

Executive Director Brown confirmed that all five Commissioners have been appointed and sworn in and are present.

Chairwoman Houenou asked for a motion to adopt Resolution 2021-2 to transfer authority for the regulation of medical cannabis from the Department of Health to the Cannabis Regulatory Commission. Moved by Commissioner Del Cid-Kosso and seconded by Commissioner Nash. Hearing no discussion, Executive Director Brown called the vote.

AYES: Chairwoman Houenou, Commissioner Delgado, Commissioner Nash, Commissioner Barker, Commissioner Del Cid-Kosso

NAYS: None The resolution was passed.



8. APPROVAL OF THE ANNUAL MEETING SCHEDULE FOR THE YEAR 2021
Chairwoman Houenou displayed the proposal of the meeting agenda for the rest of the year and called for a motion to adopt Resolution 2021-3 concerning the annual meeting schedule. Commissioner Barker moved, and Commissioner Delgado seconded.

Commissioner Barker moved to postpone consideration of Resolution 2021-3 concerning the annual regular meeting schedule to the next Commission meeting. Commissioner Delgado seconded. Hearing no further discussion, Executive Director Brown took the roll call vote.

AYES: Chairwoman Houenou, Commissioner Delgado, Commissioner Nash, Commissioner Barker, Commissioner Del Cid-Kosso

NAYS: None The motion was passed.

9. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Brown gave remarks and read from the Executive Director report.

10. PLAN OF ORGANIZATION AND COMMISSION LOGO

Chairwoman Houenou introduced Resolution 2021-4, concerning the Plan of Organization for the Commission, as well as the Commission logo. Executive Director Brown discussed the plan of organization and displayed slides of the proposed organizational plan. Chairwoman Houenou asked for a motion to adopt Resolution 2021-4 concerning the Plan of Organization and the logo. Moved by Commissioner Nash and seconded by Commissioner Del Cid-Kosso. Hearing no discussion, Executive Director Brown called the vote.

AYES: Chairwoman Houenou, Commissioner Delgado, Commissioner Nash, Commissioner Barker, Commissioner Del Cid-Kosso

NAYS: None The resolution was passed.



11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairwoman Houenou announced that the Executive Session will be deferred to the next scheduled meeting. Hearing no new business to consider, Commissioner Houenou asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Barker moved, and Commissioner Delgado seconded.

AYES: Chairwoman Houenou, Commissioner Delgado, Commissioner Nash, Commissioner Barker, Commissioner Del Cid-Kosso

NAYS: None The motion was passed.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing minutes represent a true and complete summary of the public meeting held by the Cannabis Regulatory Commission on Monday, April 12, 2021.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dianna Houenou', is written over a solid horizontal line.

Dianna Houenou
Chair