



**ARAPAHOE COUNTY**  
COLORADO'S FIRST

## Board Summary Report

**Date:** December 3, 2020

**To:** Board of County Commissioners

**Through:** Ron Carl, County Attorney

**From:** Robert Hill, Senior Asst. County Attorney

**Subject:** Application for a New Retail Marijuana License re:  
Colorado Cannabis Services LLC, d/b/a Green Cross Caregivers  
1842 S. Parker Rd., Unit 18  
Denver, CO 80231

### Request and Recommendation

The purpose of this report is to request that the Board of County Commissioners (“the BoCC”) adopt a resolution to approve a new local Retail Marijuana Store License pursuant to the Arapahoe County Marijuana Licensing Policy (“the Policy”) for Colorado Cannabis Services LLC, d/b/a Green Cross Caregivers located at 1842 S. Parker Rd., Unit 18, Denver, CO 80231. The expiration date for such new license shall mirror that of the corresponding State of Colorado license and final approval, per the Policy, is conditioned on the State approving the corresponding State license.

### Background

On July 28, 2020, the BoCC adopted Arapahoe County Ordinance No. 2020-02 Establishing Limited Retail Marijuana Stores within Unincorporated Arapahoe County, which became effective August 27, 2020. Ordinance No. 2020-02 allows the four (4) existing licensed medical marijuana stores to also operate retail marijuana stores in accordance with the Arapahoe County Land Development Code (“the LDC”). On July 28, 2020, BoCC also adopted a revision to the LDC, Sec. 3-3.5 Marijuana Land Uses, which also became effective on August 27, 2020 and provides for the retail sale of marijuana and marijuana products at the store locations stated in the Ordinance. The Ordinance and the LDC provisions allow these four stores to operate both medical and retail marijuana stores, as non-conforming uses under the LDC, at those specified locations.

On September 22, 2020, the Board adopted, by Resolution No. 200621, the Arapahoe County Marijuana Licensing Policy (“the Policy”) to establish procedure and standards for the issuance and renewal of licenses for both retail and medical marijuana stores for those four business locations in compliance with the requirements of Ordinance 2020-02 and Section 3-3.5 of the Land Development Code.

**Discussion**

On November 5, 2020, the Arapahoe County Zoning Department confirmed that Colorado Cannabis Services LLC, d/b/a Green Cross Caregivers is in compliance with the Arapahoe County Land Development Code Regulations at this location. On November 5, 2020 Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office provided that there have been no material issues or concerns with Colorado Cannabis Services LLC, d/b/a Green Cross Caregivers at this location.

Prior to submission of this application, as provided in the Policy, Colorado Cannabis Services LLC, d/b/a Green Cross Caregivers also applied to the State of Colorado, Department of Revenue, for a license to operate a retail marijuana store at the address.

Colorado Cannabis Services LLC, d/b/a Green Cross Caregivers' application for a local retail marijuana license for the store at 1842 S. Parker Rd., Unit 18, Denver, CO 80231 is in compliance with the standards under the Policy for an application for a new retail marijuana store and is in compliance with the requirements of Ordinance No. 2020-02 and Section 3-3.5 of the Land Development Code. All fees for the application have been paid.

The Policy provides that, if approved, a new Retail Marijuana Store license "will be issued for a period of one (1) year and mirror the expiration date of the State License, which is conditioned upon approval of a corresponding State License before it becomes effective."

Colorado Cannabis Services, d/b/a Green Cross Caregivers' application is complete and pursuant to the Policy, issuance of a Retail Marijuana Local License for Colorado Cannabis Services LLC, d/b/a Green Cross Caregivers is being placed on the BOCC consent agenda for approval.

**Alternatives**

The Board may deny the application for a new retail marijuana license for this property upon a finding that the proposed application does not comply with a particular requirement of the Policy, Ordinance No. 2020-02 or Section 3-3.5 of the Land Development Code or it turns out that the State denies the corresponding State license.

**Fiscal Impact**

Licensing fees will provide revenue to the county to cover the cost of licensing. Otherwise there is no fiscal impact.