



## Meeting Minutes - Final

### Marijuana Licensing Authority

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Friday, February 5, 2016

1:00 PM

Room 2108

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#### 1. Call To Order

*Hearing Officer Ablao called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm*

#### 2. Consent Agenda

**The consent agenda was approved as presented.**

[Min 16-19](#)

Minutes of Public Hearing on Application for Beddor Claude, LLC

[Min 16-20](#)

Minutes of Public Hearing for Lifestyle Foods

[Min 16-21](#)

Minutes of Public Hearing for Starbuds

#### 3. Public Hearing

[Pres 16-152](#)

Application for Retail Marijuana Store License of Beddor Claude, LLC

*Hearing Officer Ablao reopened the public hearing that was continued from December 18, 2015.*

*Attorney Adam Foster, Sandra Beddor, Jason Saunders, and Robert Domagata appeared on behalf of Beddor Claude.*

*Deputy City Attorney Stevens and Investigator Ken Coffey appeared on behalf of the city.*

*Robert Domagata was sworn in and testified to being 25% owner of Beddor Claude. Mr. Domagata testified that in June of 2010, Beddor Claude entered into a business relationship with Platte Valley Dispensary in Denver as growers. In 2013, Platte Valley Dispensary was sold and Beddor Claude continued to grow for the new owner. In 2014, Beddor Claude opened their own medical dispensary and attached optional cultivation center in Wheat Ridge. After beginning operations in Wheat Ridge, Beddor Claude made four to five wholesale transfers of marijuana product from the grow operation in Denver to the Wheat Ridge dispensary. The state marijuana enforcement division became aware of the transfers and placed an administrative hold on the Wheat Ridge dispensary.*

*Jason Saunders was sworn in and testified to being 25% owner of Beddor Claude. Mr. Saunders testified to the compliance trainings and state audits that the applicant underwent after the administrative hold was lifted. He also stated that standard operating procedures for each function of the business have been implemented.*

*Sandra Beddor was sworn in and testified to being 25% owner of Beddor Claude. Ms. Beddor testified that Beddor Claude entered into a stipulation agreement with the Colorado Marijuana Enforcement Division. As part of the stipulation, Beddor Claude pled guilty to four violations and paid a fine of \$20,000 in lieu of active suspension. She stated that she had several conversations with the marijuana enforcement division when completing new marijuana license applications and renewal applications and was told by the state that she did not need to disclose those on her applications. Ms. Beddor provided background information on the people who submitted letters of support for the Commerce City licensing of Beddor Claude, LLC.*

*Investigator Kenneth Coffey was sworn in and testified that he is employed by Commerce City to conduct background investigations on marijuana license applicants. Mr. Coffey testified that in the course of his investigation into the members of Beddor Claude, LLC, he discovered the stipulation agreement signed by the four members of Beddor Claude admitting to four violations. He stated that the applicants failed to disclose these four violations on their license application, and in fact stated no to the question asking if they had ever had any violations.*

*The applicant submitted a petition, signed by parties of interest, in support of the neighborhood desires of the licensing of Beddor Claude, LLC.*

*No one else in attendance spoke in support or opposition of the issuance of the license and Hearing Officer Ablao closed the public hearing. She stated she would issue written findings within 30 days.*

**This Presentation was discussed and closed**

### [Pres 16-153](#)

**Applications for Retail Marijuana Cultivation Facility and Medical Marijuana-Infused Products Manufacturer of Sima Sciences, LLC**

*Attorney Jessica Scardina, registration #41260, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Attorney Colin Fletcher, registration #47616, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Lamia McKearn, member of the LLC, appeared on behalf of the applicant.*

*Deputy City Attorney Karen Stevens appeared on behalf of the city and asked for a continuance to allow background checks to occur on late submitted fingerprints.*

*Attorney Scardina asked that the public hearing proceed because there are a number of local witnesses prepared to testify to the desires of the neighborhood inhabitants.*

*In response to questions asked by the hearing officer, both Attorney Scardina and Fletcher stated that the fingerprints of the financiers were submitted late because of their travel schedules.*

*Hearing Officer Ablao agreed to hear the testimony of the witnesses present (other than applicant), but will continue the public hearing for the background investigation to be completed.*

*The following people testified in support of the license application:*

*Gabriel Fenton, 9690 Dallas St. Units I+J, business owner  
Gregory Holbert, 9740 Dallas St., general manager  
Kevin Vlack, 9670 Dallas St. Unit B, building owner*

*After hearing the testimony of the witnesses, Hearing Officer Ablao continued the*

*public hearing on the application to April 22, 2016, 1:00 pm.*

**4. Administrative Business**

*None*

**5. Adjourn**

*There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.*