

Following is the Wharf District Council's letter to the Boston Cannabis Board on the 200 High Street Cannabis Dispensary.



The Boston Zoning Code Article 8 specifically states that "any cannabis establishment shall be sited at least one-half mile or 2,640 feet from another existing cannabis establishment". Given that the Boston Zoning Commission and the Cannabis Board is not adhering to this regulation, allowing new establishments to be approved within the one-half mile limit in neighborhoods throughout Boston, including ours; the Wharf District Council believes that it has no recourse but to establish a working relationship that would be beneficial to our neighborhood.

Despite what members of the Wharf District Council (WDC) consider to be an excess of cannabis dispensaries in our neighborhood, we voted to support the proposal for a dispensary at 200 High Street ONLY under the following condition:

- The High Street Cannabis Group LLC and the Wharf District Council will enter into a Good Neighbor Agreement for the permitting of a proposed cannabis establishment at 200 High Street. The terms of this agreement shall be for five (5) years commencing upon operation of the establishment. This Good Neighbor Agreement would remain in effect if the business were sold/transferred within the five-year period.

It is important that the 200 High Street Dispensary owners and management wish to be part of our community, working with the WDC, to ensure that the Wharf District neighborhood a place where people want to live, work and visit.

The Wharf District is an historic waterfront neighborhood, with residential condominiums, businesses, hotels, numerous tourist attractions including the New England Aquarium, Boston Harbor Cruises, and Quincy Market, and beautiful parks including the Kennedy Greenway, Post Office Square Park and Christopher Columbus Park. The people and the businesses fortunate enough to be here, believe that they have a responsibility to the past, present and future and to make continue to make it a better place.

The owners of the 200 High St Dispensary have entered into a Good Neighbor Agreement with the Wharf District community. If the license is approved by the Cannabis Board, the owners will be responsible members of the neighborhood, adhering to 11 commitments.

1. Remove the pedestrian entrance and "pick-up/drop-off" parking on Broad Street..
2. Provide enhanced security operations and support that includes working with the Greenway, Boston Police District A-1, and other cannabis dispensaries.
3. Attend and provide updates at the WDC monthly meetings.
4. Notify the community of its yearly renewal of the cannabis dispensary's license.
5. Work with WDC to approve its elevations and signage designs. No sidewalk signs.
6. Provide a small community meeting room with Broad St access.
7. Organize area cannabis establishments to deal with concerns that the community has.
8. Support the work of the WDC, including but not limited to its Climate Resilience initiative.
9. Reduce retail space approximately 25 percent from the original proposal.
10. Prioritizing non-automotive means to access the Facility for customers and employees.
11. Work with community and Boston Police to limit outdoor public use of cannabis.