



POLICE DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM



TO: Mark Detter (City Manager), Valdez City Council

FROM: Bart Hinkle, Chief of Police

RE: Herbal Outfitters Commercial Marijuana Facility Inspection [VPD Case 23-0664]

DATE: March 7, 2023

On February 15th, 2023, I received notice that the Commercial Marijuana License Renewal for Herbal Outfitters, LLC [License # 10173] would be on the agenda of a City Council meeting during March. As has become customary, I contacted Derek Morris (General Manager) and asked his availability for an inspection. The last inspection I conducted was July 10th, 2021.

At about 0900 on March 1st, 2023, I met Mr. Morris at Herbal Outfitters, LLC. As in my previous inspections, I observed the security measures and protocols to meet or exceed industry requirements. I also observed the storefront to be in good condition and an inviting retail space and environment.

I found that each aspect of operations we discussed (inventory tracking, storage of product, video security systems and protocols, etc.) met or exceeded industry requirements.

By my estimation, Herbal Outfitters continues to be a responsible member of the Valdez community, operating well within the regulations of their Commercial Marijuana License. During the duration of the inspection (approximately 30 minutes), I did not observe any noticeable violations or any business practice that would indicate Herbal Outfitters is operating out of compliance with State of Alaska or City of Valdez regulations.

I see no reasonable grounds to contest or deny the submitted renewal application.