

Communication from Public

Name: Chela Demuir, Unique Woman's Coalition
Date Submitted: 04/14/2021 01:41 PM
Council File No: 21-0420-S15
Comments for Public Posting: All of us at the Unique Woman's Coalition strongly urge your support for a cannabis retail license request made by Green Qween. Please see our attached letter which adds to the chorus of support they are receiving from across the community for their mission.



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April 13, 2021

Re: Support for Green Qween's Cannabis Retail License

Dear Councilmember Kevin de León,

Established in 1997, The Unique Woman's Coalition (UWC) is the first Los Angeles based supportive organization for and by Black Trans people. We are dedicated to being a collective voice centering the narratives and needs of black trans culture and are committed to empowering and elevating the quality of life of black trans people by fostering the next generation of black trans leadership from within the community through mentorship, scholarship, and community care engagement work.

Since UWC's inception, we have been at the table for a few historic moments for the movement including establishing the original Trans-Unity Pride aka Trans Pride LA, establishing the original Los Angeles County Transgender Task Force, establishing the Transgender Youth Network aka TSPN and coordinating with OAPP the first Transgender HIV Testing Day.

Our philosophy has always been to create a path where there is none by creating a door that others can utilize. Similarly, Green Qween will be using cannabis as a vehicle to empower and enrich the community by supporting the community from seed to sale by creating a safe space and serving as a platform and incubator for LGBTQIA+, & BIPOC brands.

I'm writing to you today to urge your support for Green Qween's application for a cannabis license. By donating 10% of their yearly profits, Green Qween's support is critical to the opening and future funding of the DTLA Proud Community Center. The Center would consist of LGBTQIA+ programming around housing, employment, health, & legal services, as well as a non-profit incubator establishing itself as a hub for LGBTQIA+ development in the region.

The black trans community was hit hard by disproportionate policing in the failed war on drugs - members of our community have lost their freedom, livelihood, and in too many cases their lives. The scars of this time still run deep in the community and have been the source of long-standing inequities of outcome.

You have long since been an advocate for underserved communities and I hope you will continue that legacy in supporting Green Qween's application. We need your support to make the cannabis industry more open and accepting to the LGBTQIA+, & BIPOC community.

Thank you for your consideration,

Chela Demuir

Chela Demuir
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Unique Women's Coalition

Communication from Public

Name: Brian McIntire, Precinct
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PRECINCT

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April 13, 2021

Councilmember Kevin de Leon
City of Los Angeles
200 N Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: **Planning Case No:** LA-C-20-310916-APP
Project Address: 1051 S Broadway (Green Qween)
Applicant: Andres Rigal, Green Qween

Project Description: A finding of public convenience or necessity to allow the further processing of a Type 10 cannabis retail license by the City of Los Angeles and State of California

Dear Councilmember Kevin de Leon,

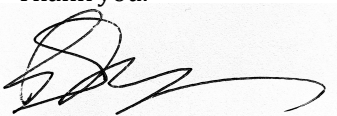
I am writing in support of Green Qween's cannabis retail license application at, 1051 S Broadway Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90015, with the City of Los Angeles.

Green Qween is an original start-up cannabis company that will specifically cater to the LGBTQ+ and ally community that is preparing to open their first location in DTLA.

I have known Andres as a fellow member of the LGBTQ community and local DTLA resident for well over a decade. Our association together as board members of DTLA Proud, combined with my experience working with him on numerous LGBTQ+ fundraising and philanthropic projects, has affirmed my belief in Andres' status as a pillar of the Community.

Green Qween's dedication to not only give queer-owned but those of BIPOC-, minority- and women-owned brands priority access to shelf space speaks volumes toward creating both balance and equality in a primarily white, cis-gendered market. Their apportionment of proceeds toward the creation of the upcoming DTLA Proud Center is further testament to their dedication to the community.

Please consider supporting Green Qween's cannabis PCN request.
Thank you.



Brian McIntire
Owner and CEO, BLT Nightlife, LLC
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Communication from Public

Name: Jesse Hicks
Date Submitted: 04/14/2021 03:59 PM
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Comments for Public Posting: See attached letter of support!

WEEKENDERS

April 14, 2021

200 N Spring Street, Suite 425
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Dear Councilmember Kevin de Leon,

I am writing in support of Green Qween's cannabis retail license application. I sincerely hope it is approved so that they can set up a groundbreaking dispensary, one that, through its sale of legal cannabis, directly supports the LGBTQ community in the City of Los Angeles.

As a co-founder of a BIPOC owned cannabis brand that has operations in L.A., I understand the need of diverse representation not only in cannabis, but in small business ownership at large. Companies whose mission it is not just to enrich their owners, but to support social good – as is the case with Green Qween - are the exact kinds of companies we need in our city.

Please consider supporting Green Qween's cannabis public convenience or necessity request as it will promote a more inclusive Los Angeles and a more diverse cannabis industry.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jesse Hicks', with a stylized, flowing script.

Jesse Hicks

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