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CITY OF STOCKTON 2023 COMMERCIAL CANNABIS BUSINESS LOTTERY *Application Period Opens May 1, 2023*

STOCKTON, Calif. — The City of Stockton Community Development Department will begin accepting applications for the 2023 Commercial Cannabis Business Lottery on May 1, 2023. The 2023 lottery application can be completed through the City of Stockton’s online [Permitting Portal](#) or in person by visiting the Permit Center at 345 N. El Dorado St Stockton, CA 95202. A fee of \$200 will apply to each lottery application submitted. The application period will close on Thursday, June 15, 2023.

The Stockton Municipal Code (Title 5, [Chapter 5.100](#)) and the State of California Medicinal and Adult-Use Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act of 2016 (Proposition 64) allow for the issuance of annual permits to conduct, own, and operate cannabis businesses within the city limits of the City of Stockton. The City issues Commission Use Permits for specific commercial cannabis business types using an annual lottery system. Only Storefront Retail (Dispensary) and Microbusiness Commercial Cannabis business types are eligible for the 2023 Commercial Cannabis Business Lottery. Applications for these business types will be selected from a General Pool and Equity Pool, per Stockton Municipal Code Chapter 16, Section [16.80.195](#).

The City will allow for a total of four (4) new Commission Use Permits — two (2) per

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cannabis business type: Retail Storefront (Dispensary) and Microbusiness. After closing the application process, the City will select one (1) application from the General Pool and one (1) application from the Equity Pool for each business type, using a random selection software application.

Information about the application process, submission instructions, lottery drawing date, and other details are available at www.stocktonca.gov/cannabis.

For questions or additional information, please contact the Community Development Department at (209) 937-8444 or cannabislotttery@stocktonca.gov.

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