



## **CANNABIS REGULATORY COMMISSION**

### **Commissioner Vacancy Announcement**

The City Auditor is now accepting applications to fill one Auditor-appointed Commissioner position, to begin immediately, for the volunteer Cannabis Regulatory Commission (Commission).

#### **Background**

In 2004, Oakland voters passed Measure Z, an initiative entitled, “Oakland Cannabis Regulation and Revenue Ordinance.” In accordance with the Ordinance No. 12694 C.M.S, the Commission’s responsibilities include the following:

- Ensure timely implementation of the ordinance.
- Oversee the implementation of the Lowest Law Enforcement Priority policy.
- Make recommendations to the Oakland City Council regarding appropriate taxation and regulations.
- Oversee the disbursement of revenues generated through the sale of cannabis by licensed cannabis businesses to ensure that funds go to vital City services such as schools, libraries and youth programs; and
- Report annually to the Oakland City Council on implementation of the Ordinance.

#### **Commission Members**

The Commission is an 11-member board of volunteers. Each member of the Commission must be an Oakland resident who is registered to vote in the City of Oakland.

The Mayor, City Auditor, and City Manager each appoint one member. The remaining eight members are appointed by Oakland City Councilmembers (one Commissioner appointment per Councilmember). Once appointed, a Commissioner is expected to participate in monthly meetings, held on the first Thursday of each month.

Commissioners *receive no compensation* and are appointed for a term of 2 years; however, there are no term limits.

#### **Desired Skills and Abilities**

Commissioners should represent a variety of backgrounds and professions so that the Commission provides a well-rounded perspective. Commissioners should be able to:

- Read, analyze, and understand written information and make decisions based on the information.
- Listen to public input, assess community needs, and make decisions about how to best accomplish the Commission's goals.
- Understand the context in which the Commission operates within City government and the broader community.
- Communicate orally during a public, televised meeting.
- Collaborate effectively with other Commissioners, the public, City officials, and staff.
- Identify personal conflicts of interest or other factors that could lead to actual or perceived improper influence.
- Serve with fairness, openness, honesty, and integrity.
- Complete a *Form 700 – Statement of Economic Interests* annually, disclosing information such as one's financial interests in investments, property, income, and gifts (to view a copy of a Form 700, contact Commission staff or visit [www.fppc.ca.gov](http://www.fppc.ca.gov)).
- Adhere to all Commission-related laws and policies, including but not limited to the Oakland City Charter, Oakland Government Ethics Act, Oakland Sunshine Ordinance, Commission Complaint Procedures, and Commission Operations Policies (by-laws).

### **For More Information About the Cannabis Regulatory Commission:**

For more about the Cannabis Regulatory Commission, visit <https://www.oaklandca.gov/boards-commissions/cannabis-regulatory-commission>. We also suggest you attend a Commission meeting in person or virtually on KTOP.

For more information about the Commission, contact Kathleen Torio ([KTorio@oaklandca.gov](mailto:KTorio@oaklandca.gov)).

### **To Apply:**

Please send a letter of interest and resume with "Cannabis Commissioner Appointment 2026" in the subject line to [CityAuditor@oaklandca.gov](mailto:CityAuditor@oaklandca.gov).

