

## Meeting Minutes: Cannabis Advisory Council Quarter 1

Date: 2/20/2025  
Minutes prepared by: Yingya Vang  
Location: Saint Paul

### Attendance

**Quorum: 41 named members, 26 is quorum**

#### Present

Archbold, Nicole	Johnson, Melanie	Ratner, Nathan
Bauer, Nico	Jones, Bryant	Schroeder, Maren
Brunner, Lisa	Knight, Jamal	Solomon, Dan
Childs, Selena	Knutson, Catherine	Tastad-Damer, Diana
Cornish, Gabe	Marinkovich, Kyle	Taubel, Eric
Dawson, Angela	Moss, Carol	Thompson, Dana
Drucker, Jeremy	Philbrick, Ann	Watso, Sophie
Gloppen, Kari	Podulke-Smith, Laurel	Wilken-Simon, Josh
Hanson, Michael	Prescott, Tyler	Wolf, Jill
Hotz, Anna	Puechner, Nic	Zylla, Dylan

#### Absent

Abramowski, Robert	Kjeseth, Peder	Prenevost, Pia
Burton, Martha	Lee, Samantha	Sather, Jen
Chaplin, Damon	Makinen, Kate	Sly, Michael
Ennis, Donna	Moran, Rachel	Wind, Virgil
Johnson, Denise	Needham, Austin	Zech, Jaren
King, Eric	Polley, Sara	

### Action Items

- Approved minutes from Cannabis Advisory Council meeting on December 12, 2024. Roll call was conducted.

## Ayes

Archbold, Nicole  
Brunner, Lisa  
Cornish, Gabe  
Drucker, Jeremy  
Gloppen, Kari  
Hanson, Michael  
Hotz, Anna  
Jones, Bryant  
Knight, Jamal

Knutson, Catherine  
Marinkovich, Kyle  
Moss, Carol  
Philbrick, Ann  
Podulke-Smith, Laurel  
Prescott, Tyler  
Puechner, Nic  
Ratner, Nathan  
Schroeder, Maren

Solomon, Dan  
Tastad-Damer, Diana  
Taubel, Eric  
Thompson, Dana  
Watso, Sophie  
Wilken-Simon, Josh  
Wolf, Jill

## Nays

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## Abstain

Zylla, Dylan

## Absent

Abramowski, Robert  
Bauer, Nico  
Burton, Martha  
Childs, Selena  
Chaplin, Damon  
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## Agenda

1. Chair Eric Taubel remarks
2. OCM Updates
  - a. Legislative Preview by Sophie Leininger, OCM Government Affairs Director
  - b. Licensing Update by Max Zappia, OCM Chief Regulatory Officer
3. Cannabis Grants Presentation by Councilmember Nathan Ratner, Department of Employment and Economic Development
4. Grant Opportunities for Cannabis Labor and Office of Higher Education by Councilmember Dan Solomon, Department of Labor and Industry
5. Council had large group discussion
6. Council heard comments from the public
7. Closing