(Words in **boldface and underlined** indicate language being added; words [CAPITALIZED AND BRACKETED] indicate language being deleted.)

3 AAC 306.080 is amended to read:

- **3 AAC 306.080. Denial of License application.** (a) After review of the application, including the applicant's proposed operating plan and all relevant information, the board will deny an application for a new license if the board finds that
- (1) the application is not complete as required under the applicable provisions of 3 AAC 306.020 3 AAC 306.055, or contains any false statement of material fact;
- (2) the license would violate any restriction in 3 AAC 306.010 or 3 AAC 306.015;
- (3) the license would violate any restriction applicable to the particular license type authorized under this chapter;
- (4) the license is prohibited under this chapter as a result of an ordinance or election conducted under AS 17.38.210, 3 AAC 306.200, or 3 AAC 306.230;
- (5) [THE BOARD FINDS THAT] the <u>applicant's actions or the</u> operating plan does not adequately demonstrate that the applicant will comply with applicable provisions of this chapter; [OR]
 - (6) the license would not be in the best interests of the public; or
- (7) a protest by the local governing body is not arbitrary, capricious, and unreasonable.
- (b) After review of the application and all relevant information, the board will deny an application for renewal of a marijuana establishment license if the board finds
 - (1) any cause listed in (a) of this section;

applicant required under this chapter; or

(5) that a protest by the local governing body is not arbitrary, capricious, and unreasonable.

(d) If the board denies an application for a new license, renewal of a license, license conversion, or transfer of a license to another person, the board will, not later than 15 days after the board meeting at which the application was denied, furnish a written statement of issues to the applicant, explaining the reason for the denial in clear and concise language, and identifying any statute or regulation on which the denial is based. In the notice of denial the board will inform the applicant of the right to an informal conference under 3 AAC 306.085 and to a formal hearing under 3 AAC 306.090.

- (e) After review of the application and all relevant information, the board will deny an application for license conversion if the board finds **that**
 - (1) the application contains any false statement of material fact;
- (2) the license would violate any restriction applicable to the particular license type authorized under this chapter;
- (3) the license is prohibited under this chapter as a result of an ordinance or election conducted under AS 17.38.210, 3AAC 306.200, or 3 AAC 306.230;
- (4) [THE BOARD FINDS THAT] the <u>applicant's actions or the</u> application does not adequately demonstrate that the applicant will comply with applicable provisions of this chapter;
- (5) a protest by the local governing body is not arbitrary, capricious, and unreasonable [THE APPLICATION IS PROTESTED BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT]; or (6) the license conversion would not be in the best interest of the public. (Eff. 2/21/2016, Register 217; am 2/21/19, Register 229; am ___/___, Register ____)

 Authority: AS 17.38.010 AS 17.38.150 AS 17.38.200

AS 17.38.190

AS 17.38.900

AS 17.38.121

AS 17.38.070