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Gov. Andrew Cuomo has given "thumbs up" to a joint civic project that will grow highest quality medical marijuana on the roof of the Glens Falls Civic Center and transport it by pneumatic tube to Glens Falls Hospital, *The Chronicle* has learned.

"Not only will it help ill people,

it will mean the Civic Center will be financially viable from now on," said an unidentified member of the Civic Center Coalition. "In fact, we'll probably turn a profit once pot gets legalized completely in 2017."

The project was inspired by the rooftop vegetation across the street at the Barton Group that helped Barton's renovation win coveted LEED certification as an environmentally sound building. Agronomists found that the Civic Center location, at the bottom of Glen Street hill, adjacent to the Hudson River and the Finch Paper mill, creates an ideal "microclimate" to grow highgrade marijuana.

Emulating the new Glens Falls firm JUST Beverage, the product will be marketed as "JUST POT."

Furthering the environmental theme, "this won't be pot in plastic baggies; we'll use packets

made of leftover bark from Finch pulpwood," said a city official.

Residents who live on the west side of the adjacent Stichman Towers senior citizens high-rise will maintain site surveillance.

Applications are being taken for "Quality Assurance Monitors" who will use the marijuana and grade it for quality and potency. Pay is \$15 an hour plus a travel allowance. "We definitely don't want them driving." To apply, call



















