# Conditional Use Permit (CUP)

Allow for Non-Profit Medical Marijuana Dispensary

1985 W. Apache Trail, Suite #4



#### WHY ARE WE BACK?



## TEXT AMENDMENT

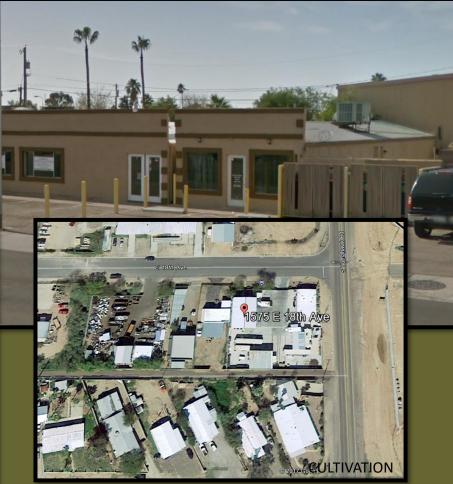


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### OTHER DISPENSARY APPROVALS





#### **LESSONS LEARNED:**

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- Want dispensaries in Commercial districts, not downtown.
- No issues with surrounding residential proximity

#### WHAT WAS APPROVED?



## TEXT AMENDMENT

Opportunity for "do over" to include in items that weren't in original ordinance.

- Separation to other dispensaries and sensitive uses;
- Eliminate zoning categories;
- · Require spacing to parks; and
- Increased security requirements.

RESULT: LIMITED LOCATIONS & STRICT OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

# WHAT ARE WE NOT DOING TONIGHT?



**NOT:** REZONING HEARING

NOT: Do we want Medical Marijuana

in AJ?

NOT: Is this legal?

NOT: Do want think there is better

location?

## TONIGHT WE ARE... (medical marijuana criteria)



DOES THIS COMPLY
W/ MEDICAL
MARIJUANA
CRITERIA?



Separated from Sensitive Uses schools, daycare, churches, recovery facilities



Separated from medical marijuana uses



**Correct Zoning Category** 



Compliant with Operational Requirements
no pick-up windows,
no outdoor seating,
medicine is secure,
security cameras,
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Signage does not include marijuana leaf

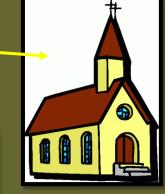


Site Complies with zoning, engineering, building & other City requirements

## SEPARATION OF USES

750 feet to public or private school, business zoned day care, freestanding church, PARK, or drug and/or alcohol rehabilitation center.











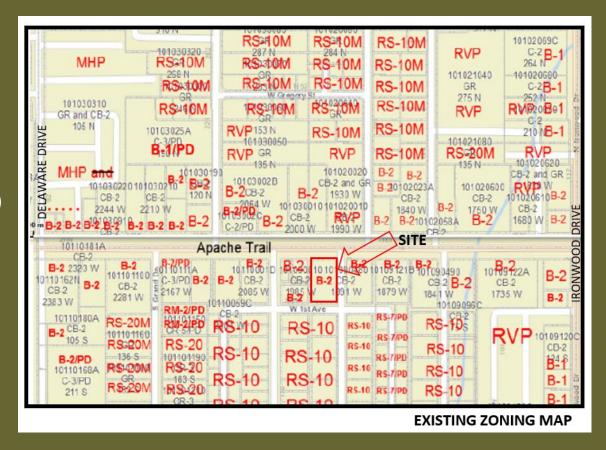
## **EXCEEDS RQD SEPARATIONS**



# CONFORMS W/ GP & CITY POLICIES

## CONFORMANCE WITH GENERAL PLAN & CITY POLICIES:

- Conforms with General Plan designation (Downtown Mixed Use)
- Conforms with Zoning (B-2)
- Meets CUP Performance Criteria
- No variances or waivers requested



#### **EMERGENCY** EXIT ONLY SECURITY SHUTTERS PATIENT WAITING ROOM RECEPTIONIST SECURITY **PATIENT** SHUTTERS DISPENSARY **AREA** COUNTER HEIGHT DOOR **EMPLOYEE ONLY** AREA KEY ACCESS RESTRICTED DOOR N.A.P (walk-in cooler for restaurant) **BACK OFFICE** (EMPLOYEE ONLY) N.A.P (owner storage) 8.....

## **SECURITY PROVISIONS**













#### SECURITY PLAN



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- Not open to public need to be a qualified patient.
- File security plan with City of AJ
- File contact roster with City of AJ
- No consumption allowed on property
- Security walk thru with Staff on May 10
- Panic Buttons, Restricted Access Areas, Security Cameras

## TONIGHT WE ARE... (use permit)



Adequate roadways, parking, public facilities to serve the use



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**Conformance with General Plan & City Policies** 



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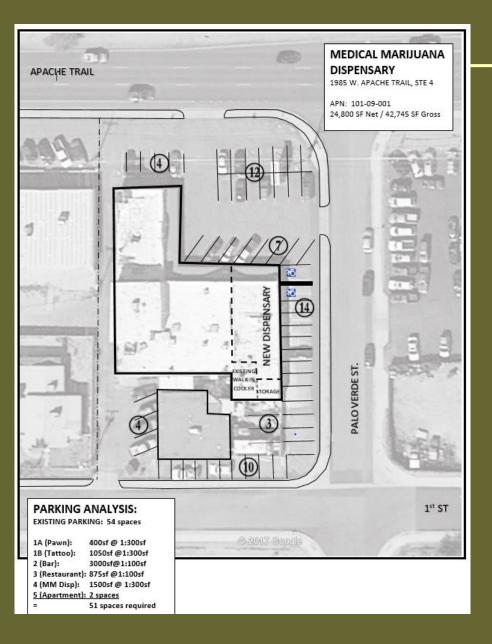
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### PALO VERDE PLAZA



#### **RECENT IMPROVEMENTS TO PALO VERDE PLAZA**

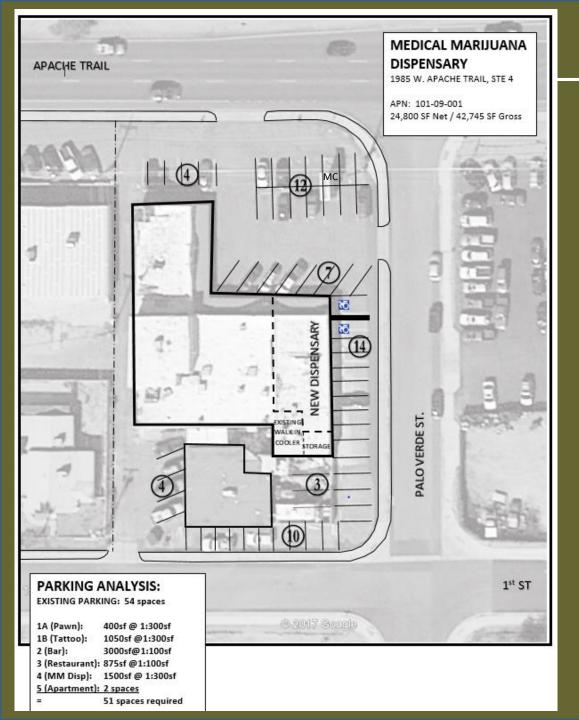
- -FAÇADE UPGRADES
- -NEW SIDEWALK, CURB & GUTTER
- -FULLY LEASED EXCEPT SUITE #4
- -NO IMPROVEMENTS ON EAST SIDE



## ROADWAYS / PARKING

#### ROADWAYS / PARKING ADEQUATE:

- Adjacent to Apache Trail
- New sidewalks, curb & gutter
- Access to Site is available without need impacting residential area.
- Separated from residential areas by 1<sup>st</sup> Street
- Parking on all building sides
- No adjacent ROW improvements required.
- Parking impact is no different than if retail occupied space.



#### SITE PLAN

#### **MEET ORDINANCE REQUIREMENT:**

54 spaces provided 51 spaces required

## DISPENSARY DOES NOT REQUIRE MORE PARKING THAN OTHER USES!

Restaurant Uses (1:100sf)

Retail Use: (1:300 sf)

Our average visitor time: 12-15minutes

Restaurant / Bar: 45min to 2 ½ hours

People only think about parking in front of building... majority of parking on side and rear.

#### **PARKING SOLUTIONS:**

- 1. Employee parking to rear.
- Shift door to east side to encourage parking away from other tenants.
- 3. Signs on east to encourage parking.

## SCREENING & BUFFERING



PATIENT PARKING ONLY

- RELOCATE ENTRANCE TO EAST SIDE
- ADD HANDICAP PARKING
- STUCCO & PAINT EAST BUILDING FACE
- ADD PLANTERS
- DESIGNATED PARKING ON EAST SIDE
- CAN ADD NO PARKING ON ADJACENT STREETS



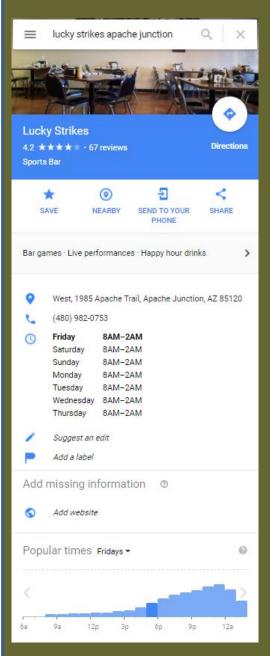


## NO NEIGHBORHOOD IMPACTS

## NO NEGATIVE IMPACT ON NEIGHBORHOOD / COMMERCIAL PROPERTY VALUES:

- Use is similar to small medical practice;
- Impacts no different than having retail in space;
- Commercial vacancy have negative impact on surrounding community;
- Visit time averages 12-15 minutes significantly lower than restaurant / tattoo times in complex.
- Relocate entrance to east side
- Designate dispensary parking on east side
- LESS IMPACT THAN IF A RESTAURANT / BAR WOULD BE IN THIS SUITE
- No Loitering / Consumption allowed on property



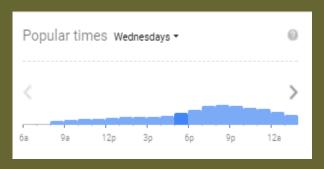


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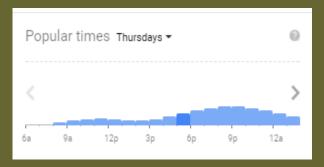










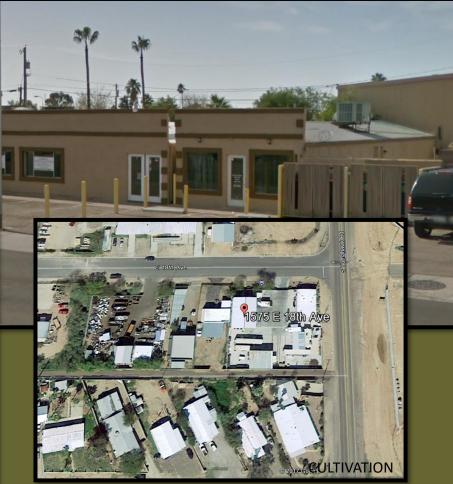


#### **Google Analytics about Lucky Strikes**

- Busiest time as evening goes on;
- Busiest time is Sundays only after 5pm & Friday after 10pm

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#### Odor Control Plan

Medical Marijuana Dispensary 1985 W. Apache Trail Apache Junction, AZ

#### Property Owner:

Palo Verde Plaza LLC 500 N. Estrella Parkway #B2602 Goodyear, AZ 85338

#### Dispensary Owner / Operator:

SVACCHA LLC 324 E. Santa Cruz Dr. Tempe, AZ 85282

#### **Facility Information:**

SVACCHA LLC, to be located at 1985 W. Apache Trail. The facility will be located within an existing retail shopping center, in suite 4. The suite is currently vacant. Previously, the suite was occupied by a retail truck accessory shop. Minor tenant improvements will be needed to the suite. Any changes that require a building permit will be reviewed and permitted through the Apache Junction Building Safety Division.

#### Process Description:

The facility will be used only for the dispensing of medical marijuana. No cultivation or infusion will occur within this property.

#### Identify Areas of Odor Producing Operations:

Within the dispensary areas, open product may be repackaged between larger containers to smaller, patient bottles and bags. There will be no kitchen or infusion facilities on site.

#### Describe the Types of Odor Control Practices:

Best industry practices will be performed on a predetermined schedule as described by the manufacturer of the equipment. Staff will be trained per manufacturer specifications to operate the equipment, and understand what to do when a malfunction occurs. Maintenance schedules preparation and continuing updating will be an integral part of staff training.

#### Identify the Components of the Odor Control Systems:

Suite 4 air conditioning and ventilation systems are completely independent from other suites within the building. In addition, the suite is completely separated from the adjacent suite with a fire wall that extends from the floor to the roof.

The building will be equipped with systems manufactured by Active Air, model: ACDF10, 120v/1ph, 2.07 amps. The charcoal carbon filters are manufactured by Phat Filter, model: IGSPF396 with an air flow rating of 760 cfm. All recirculating fans installed which are replaced every 3 months.

Staff will be trained and have a system log to replace filters on schedule, and report same in the system maintenance log. Intake and exhaust locations will be determined during building plan review.

#### **Engineering Controls:**

The system will be designed by a registered professional engineer, reviewed by the City of Apache Junction Building Safety Division, if required, prior to installation. The engineer will use the Adopted Code of 2012 IMC for compliance.

#### Modification of Facility or Process:

SVACCHA will notify the City of Apache Junction Planning and Development Department when equipment of processes of maintenance are modified.

## NO NOISE / SMELL



NO NEGATIVE IMPACTS ARISING FROM EMISION OF ODOR, DUST, GAS, NOISE, LIGHTING, VIBRATION, SMOKE, HEAT, GLARE:

- Remodeling work will be conducted indoors;
- Any lighting installed outside will be dark sky compliant;
- Odor Plan filed with CUP Application;
- Independent Ventilation System;
- Charcoal filtration systems (PHAT Filter);
- System to be reviewed and approved by Building Safety during plan review.

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#### WHY IN AJ?:

#### ARIZONA MEDICAL MARIJUANA ACT



MEDICAL MARIJUANA IS LEGAL.

Voter Approved / State Regulated / Courts Agree

#### DHS awarded SVACCHA a certificate

- By regulating and providing for it, you prevent individuals from growing.
- Improved Access for Apache Junction patients
- Opioid / Prescription Painkillers / Drug Abuse epidemic
- AJ is a commuter town. This will enable residents ability to safely purchase medical marijuana before and after work.
- Located in a safe, convenient location near home.
- Sales tax revenue to City.

### IS THIS A PUBLIC SAFETY PROBLEM?



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#### **OUTREACH**



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April 14, 2017

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Sincerely,

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August 3, 2017

1985 W. Apache Trail Proposed Medical Marijuana Dispensary

Dear Neighbor,

Thank you for your continued interest in our project for a Medical Marijuana Dispensary to be located within an existing retail center at 1985 W. Apache Trail, located at the southwest corner of Apache Trail and Palo Verde Dr. As a follow up from our May 2<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 neighbor meeting, we would like to meet with you again to discuss our progress on this development. At the last meeting, we took questions and heard your concerns regarding the proposed use. We've taken your input from that meeting and incorporated these suggestions into the project design.

Please join us for a follow-up neighborhood meeting to discuss our Conditional Use Permit proposal on Tuesday August 15th, 2017 at 6 pm at the VFW Post 9399, located at 133 N. Saguaro Dr. Apache Junction, AZ 85120.

I would be happy to answer any questions or hear any concerns that you may have regarding this proposal. You may reach me at (480) 628-1499 or by email at: <a href="mailto:jenifercorey@zoning-strategies.com">jenifercorey@zoning-strategies.com</a>.

Sincerely

Jenifer Corey

**April 14**: 1<sup>st</sup> neighbor letter sent;

May 2: Neighbor Meeting;

May 10: Security Walk thru with Police, Fire & Planning;

May 10: Meet & Greet other business owners;

July 11: Met with Chamber of Commerce;

**August 3:** 2<sup>nd</sup> neighbor letter sent;

August 4: City Notice letter sent / Property Posting

**August 15**: 2<sup>nd</sup> Neighbor Meeting.

- Increased notice area from 300 to 600+ feet (101 letters per mailing sent).
- 2<sup>nd</sup> neighborhood meeting (not required)
- Worked with Lucky Strikes to address their concerns on security cameras/ lighting/ rotated our building entrance to east side

- ✓ Voters approved AMMA in 2011
   established that medical marijuana is
   medicine
- ✓ Restricted use not open to the public
- ✓ Increased security plan required which allows additional input by Police Chief
- ✓ Does not negatively impact existing dispensary or cultivation entitlements;
- ✓ Improving Patient Access
- Competition benefits patients & community
- ✓ No negative impacts to center or neighborhood.
- ✓ Ideally located site maximizes separation to sensitive uses.
- Exceeds all required medical marijuana criteria.
- ✓ Complies with all use permit standards.

## PATIENT ACCESS



# Conditional Use Permit (CUP)

Allow for Non-Profit Medical Marijuana Dispensary at 1985 W. Apache Trail, Suite #4



#### HOURS OF OPERATION

Walgreens Pharmacy Hours:	Open	Close
11545 E. Apache Trail	8 am	8 pm
55 W. Apache Trail	6 am	Midnight
9230 E. Main Street (Ellsworth)	9 am	9 pm
1158 S. Crismon (Southern)	9 am	9 pm
9253 E. Guadalupe (Ellsworth)	8 am	10 pm

#### CVS Pharmacy Hours:

325 W. Apache Trail	8 am	10 pm
9950 E. Guadalupe (Crismon)	8 am	10 pm

#### 8am-10pm

- What is benefit of restricting hours?
- Consistent with Pharmacy Hours;
- Allows for deliveries to be completed;
- Restricting to 8pm close would give others unfair advantage since they do not have that stipulation;
- Later hours increases building safety
- Security Plan will be in place with Police Department