General Permit Application Worksheet - Special Use Permit

Below or on a separate sheet, or in a letter of application, please provide the information required in the list below. All Special Use Permits require Site Plan Review, and applications must proceed beyond Sketch Plan Review in that procedure in order to be approved. The Town Board may waive further Site Plan Review based upon the Sketch Plan (see Site Plan Review Worksheet)

As you can see from the requested information, Special Use Permits are allowed uses so long as they are not disruptive to neighboring properties. The actual performance of the site with regard to traffic, lighting etc. is addressed in the Site Plan Review process. The Town Board may, and likely will, condition any approval to ensure this compatibility (letter E. below). These conditions often have to do with hours of operation, lighting, signs, and outdoor storage that will also have to be shown on the approved Sketch Plan, or Site Plan (if required).

A. Compatibility of the proposed use with the other permitted uses in the district and the purposes of the district set forth in this Ordinance;

*Please refer to the Zoning Ordinance (Section 400) and review the descriptions of the zoning districts. These generally describe the intent of the district. Your application should refer to the proper description and state why your proposed project is compatible with the intent of the zoning district.*

*Property currently has a Residential Special Use Permit and we are seeking a Commercial Special Use Permit. We are planning to add a parking lot and signage, but otherwise intend to preserve the land as it exists. Long-term we hope to cultivate Chinese medicinal herbs as a part of our curriculum and training, using raised planting beds.*

B. Compatibility of the proposed use with adjoining properties and with the natural and manmade environment;

*This requirement is concerned with compatibility with neighbors, and the environment. This is mainly concerned with the over use of the property, and appearance. Essentially how does the proposal blend in with the existing neighborhood?*

*A self-storage facility is located across the street. The closest residence is approximately 400 feet away, with others at approximately 450 feet and 1000 feet. We will add a sign and parking lot, but intend to add landscaping to minimize visual changes from the road.*

*Please see attached images.*
C. Adequacy of parking, vehicular circulation, and infrastructure for the proposed use, and accessibility for fire, police, and emergency vehicles;

Here, describe how utilities (phone, gas, water, sewer, etc.) will serve the site. And a basic description or reference to the Site Plan Review documents with regard to parking and circulation.

We plan to use existing utilities – electric, propane heating, and cable. We are currently investigating alternate HVAC methods by working with the Tompkins County Planning & Sustainability office through their BEA (Business Energy Advisors) program, but will apply for any recommended changes separately. A new parking area for a approximately of 8 vehicles will be established using existing driveways. Please see site plan.

D. The overall impact on the site and its surroundings considering the environmental, social and economic impacts of traffic, noise, dust, odors, release of harmful substances, solid waste disposal, glare, or any other nuisances;

The potential environmental impacts, or not, of the project should be described here, along with the ways that these impacts will be lessoned, or made better. You may want to supply this on a separate sheet to be included in Part D. of the long Environmental Assessment Form.

The martial arts school only operates for approximately 25 hours per week, mostly in the evenings and nights, and sometimes on the weekends. Additional traffic overall should only see a slight increase; there is only one residence with an unimpeded sight line to the property, and additional landscaping should minimize visual impact. No other impact is anticipated.

E. Restrictions and/or conditions on design of Structures or operation of the use (including hours of operation) necessary either to ensure compatibility with the surrounding uses or to protect the natural or scenic resources of the Town;

Here please indicate how the Site Plan and other operational approaches will reduce impacts, or improve, the compatibility with surrounding uses.

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F. Compliance with the requirements for site plan review, including conformity to the Town’s Residential and Commercial Design Guidelines.

Please review the appropriate design guidelines and state how your project reflects the ideas included in the design guidelines such as vegetation along roadway, peaked roof, lighting, parking on side or in the rear of the building etc.

Signage will be of monument type per guidelines. Existing well cap prevents parking lot on the side of the building; to help minimize impact we will add landscaping along the facing edge of the new parking lot.

Notices and Disclaimers – Signature Required

1.) Right to Farm Law Be advised:

“This property may border a farm, as defined in Town of Dryden Local Law #1 of the year 1992, a Local Law known as “Right to Farm Law.” Residents should be aware that farmers have the right to undertake good or acceptable farm practices which may generate dust, odor, smoke, noise, and vibration.”


Enforcement

The Town of Dryden will strictly enforce all requirements and regulations of both the N.Y.S. Building & Fire Prevention Code and the Town of Dryden Zoning Ordinance. The following is the general policy of the Town of Dryden Planning Department.

1) No Building Permits will be issued to any applicant until such time that all other required permits, certificates and documents have been submitted to this office and found to be acceptable and complete.

2) No Public Hearings or Town Review will be scheduled for any purpose until this office has reviewed and found that all application and supporting documents are accurate and complete.

3) If at any time prior to the issue of an above permit or authority to proceed has been granted, it is found that construction or occupancy has begun or taken place, the violator, and property owner may be prosecuted in a court of law.

4) If after permits have been issued a permit holder takes occupancy, opens its doors to the public or uses a permitted device without obtaining a Certificate of Occupancy or Certificate of Compliance, the holder of that permit may be prosecuted in a court of law.

5) The Town of Dryden will not tolerate a violation of either the Dryden Town Zoning Ordinance or the New York State Building and Fire Prevention Code. Action will be taken against all violators.

6) Inspections are required per inspection sheet. A mandatory final inspection is required from the Town of Dryden Code Enforcement Officer, to close out permit and to allow use. Permits expire one year from
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Reimbursable Costs, fees and disbursements. The reasonable and necessary costs, fees or disbursements incurred by the Town or its officials for consultation or review by professionals including architects, landscape architect, engineers, surveyors, attorneys or others, on any Application for a Zoning Permit, Certificate of Occupancy, Appeal to the Zoning Board of Appeals, Application for Subdivision Approval, Application for a Planned Unit Development or application for a Special Permit or a Special Permit for a mobile home park shall be paid by the applicant.

Signature required

By signing you agree that you have read and understand and will be responsible for issued permits.

Owner or responsible party signature: ___________________________ Date: 2/12/2020

Print name: Peter D Barrow