

# TAXONOMY HEALING PRACTICES

Medical Marijuana Dispensary

**Use Permit Application**

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**Taxonomy Healing Practices**

**5900 N. Granite Reef Rd, Suites 107 & 115  
Scottsdale, Arizona 85250**

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## **Introduction and Request**

To meet the needs of ill and suffering patients, Taxonomy Healing Practices, an Arizona non-profit corporation, has been formed and is seeking to open up a medical marijuana dispensary, Organix, in the City of Scottsdale. Taxonomy Healing Practices will focus on providing a safe and secure environment where patients can acquire the medicine they need to help them during their hardest times.

The Applicant also plans to focus on providing the medicine to their patient customers through a line of marijuana-infused edible products, primarily drinks, lozenges and packaged pills. Taxonomy Healing Practices strongly believes that smoking the medicine can have unwanted harmful side effects and as a result their goal is to provide qualified patients with a healthier method of ingesting the product.

The Applicant is requesting a Use Permit to establish a medical marijuana dispensary at 5900 N. Granite Reef Road, Suites 107 and 115 in Scottsdale.

### **Conforms with Zoning Ordinance**

Taxonomy Healing Practices request conforms to the regulations in Text Amendment 8-TA-2010. The property is zoned C-0, which, under the new ordinance, permits the operation of medical marijuana dispensaries. This is precisely the type of location that the City Council, the Planning Commission, and the City's citizens that participated in the drafting of the Ordinance thought would be appropriate for this use.

### **Setbacks from Protected Uses**

Text Amendment 8-TA-2010 lays out setback requirements. There is a 500 foot minimum setback from medical marijuana use to public, private and/or charter schools. There is also a 500 foot minimum setback from the medical marijuana use to property zoned single family (R1- ), (R-2), and (MH). This location meets all of the necessary setback requirements as outlined in the City of Scottsdale Medical Marijuana Ordinance.

### **Compliance with Zoning Ordinance**

This site is in total compliance with the Arizona State Department of Health Services rules on medical marijuana dispensaries. The building is

completely enclosed and is not fitted for drive-through service, take-out window or drive-in service. Hours of operation will comply with the Scottsdale Ordinance and will be no earlier than 6:00 A.M. and no later than 7:00 P.M. The Applicant will submit a public safety and refuse control plan to the City along with the Scottsdale Police Department for approval.

### **Meets and Exceeds City's Use Permit Criteria**

This request meets and/or exceeds all the use permit criteria outlined in the Scottsdale Zoning Ordinance.

A. The granting of this Use Permit will in no way be detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare of the surrounding area.

1. This use does not create damage or nuisance caused from noise, odor, dust, vibration or illumination. This dispensary will operate in a discrete, professional manner. Taxonomy Healing Practices plans to focus on infused edibles and drinks. All products will be sealed and securely stored in refrigerators to eliminate any odors.

2. No Impact on surrounding area from traffic. The proposed dispensary will operate like a medical office. There is plenty of parking and easy ingress/egress on the lot.

B. This use is compatible with surrounding uses. The property is zoned C-O which allows the operation of a medical marijuana dispensary with a conditional use permit. It is surrounded by a variety of retail businesses and a storage facility. All the properties in the area are well kept and clean. This is an ideal location for a dispensary.

C. This location meets all other additional conditions. As stated above, this location complies with all of the City of Scottsdale's zoning requirements.

### **Conclusion**

5900 N. Granite Reef Road is an excellent site for a medical marijuana dispensary. It is in a tidy, well-kept building with plenty of parking. Taxonomy Healing Practices is committed to public safety and the health of their patients above all else. This location will promote a safe operation and should provide the patients visiting the site with comfort. Only "qualified patients" who are registered and approved by the state of Arizona will be allowed access into this facility. All employees will be registered and approved agents by the state of Arizona. There will be a full time security guard during business hours to monitor and maintain the safety of patients, employees and the general public. Taxonomy Healing Practices respectfully submit this request for City approval.