

Section 971.05. - Review of uses requiring a special exception.

- (9) *General criteria for review of special exception uses.* Prior to approval by the board of county commissioners, a special exception use applicant must present evidence of compliance with the below cited general criteria as well as specific criteria for the respective special exception use cited herein in Chapter 971, regulations for specific land uses. The applicant shall have the burden of establishing, by competent material and substantial evidence, the existence of the facts and conditions which this chapter requires for approval. The applicant shall have the responsibility to present evidence in the form of testimony, exhibits, documents, models, plans and the like to support the application for approval of a special exception use.
- (a) *Consistency with comprehensive plan and zoning code.* The proposed use shall be consistent with the comprehensive plan and with the stated purpose and intent of the appropriate district regulations and all applicable regulations within this chapter.
 - (b) *Compatibility with surrounding land uses.* The proposed use and its location shall be compatible with surrounding land uses and the general character of the area, based on consideration of such potential impacts as traffic generation, drainage, nuisance impacts, lighting, appearance, and other factors potentially impacting the character and stability of the surrounding area.
 - (c) *No adverse impacts on public health, safety, and general welfare.* The proposed use and its location and method of operation shall promote the public health, safety, and general welfare. The proposal shall include any landscape and structural improvements, public facility expansions, and operational restrictions or procedures required to effectively mitigate potential negative impacts of the use.
 - (d) *Promote orderly development.* The use and proposed location shall promote orderly and efficient development considering such factors as impact on public facilities, preservation of neighborhood integrity, and similar factors impacting orderly development of the area.