STAFF REPORT

DATE:	September 9, 2024		
TO:	Zoning Board of Appeals		
FROM:	Planning Staff		
RE:	Petition Number:	2024-42	
	Applicant:	Andrei Mereuta	
	Status of Applicant:	Business owner	
	Owner:	Joliet Naturescape LLC	
	Location:	121 Airport Drive, Unit A	
	Request:	A Special Use Permit to allow an automotive dent removal business	

<u>Purpose</u>

The applicant is requesting a special use permit to allow an automotive dent removal business at 121 Airport Drive, Unit A. Per the City of Joliet Zoning Ordinance, automotive repair facilities may be allowed as special uses in the I-1 (light industrial) district by the Mayor and City Council, with the advice of the Zoning Board of Appeals in accordance with Section 47-5.2.

Site Specific Information

The subject property is located in the Joliet Airport Industrial Park subdivision, which was recorded in 2003 and 2004 and contains industrial condominium buildings. The subject request is for the westernmost unit of the 8-unit building at 121 Airport Drive. Parking is located adjacent to the building within the same lot as parking for 131 Airport Drive to the south. The overall site for both buildings and their parking area is 3.8 acres. The properties are zoned I-1 (light industrial).

Unit A is approximately 6,000 square feet and has an overhead door facing the parking area and a rear overhead door to access the backyard storage area. The interior of the unit contains an 800-square-foot office area in addition to the open workspace. The six parking spaces in front of the unit are allocated to Unit A. Other tenants in the building include a land surveyor and various contractor businesses.

Surrounding Zoning, Land Use and Character

The subject property is located within a light industrial subdivision that runs along the west side of Airport Drive across from the Joliet Regional Airport. The zoning and land use for the adjacent properties are as follows:

- North: I-1 (Light Industrial), industrial condos
- South: I-1 (Light Industrial), industrial condos
- East: B-3 (General Business), Joliet Regional Airport
- West: R-B (Restricted Business), Lightways Hospice Care

Applicable Regulations

- Section 47-14.3 (D) B-3 Uses within the I-1 District
- Section 47-13.2A (G) Special Uses B-3 (General Business) District
- Section 47-5.2 (C)
- Criteria for issuance of a Special Use Permit (refer to attachment)

Discussion

The petitioner is requesting approval of a special use permit to allow a paintless automotive dent removal business, Dent Wolf Inc., in one of the industrial condos at 121 Airport Drive. Dent Wolf Inc. performs paintless dent removal only and does not perform other general auto maintenance or repairs. The business will operate as a public garage and have four employees. Proposed hours of operation are Monday through Friday 8 AM to 5 PM.

The interior of the unit can fit approximately 4 cars at one time. The outdoor storage area directly behind the unit can be used for additional parking if needed. The petitioner has operated a similar business for around 8 years and is currently located in Aurora, IL. A site plan, floor plan, and business license application are attached.

Economic Development staff have reviewed this request and are not opposed to it.

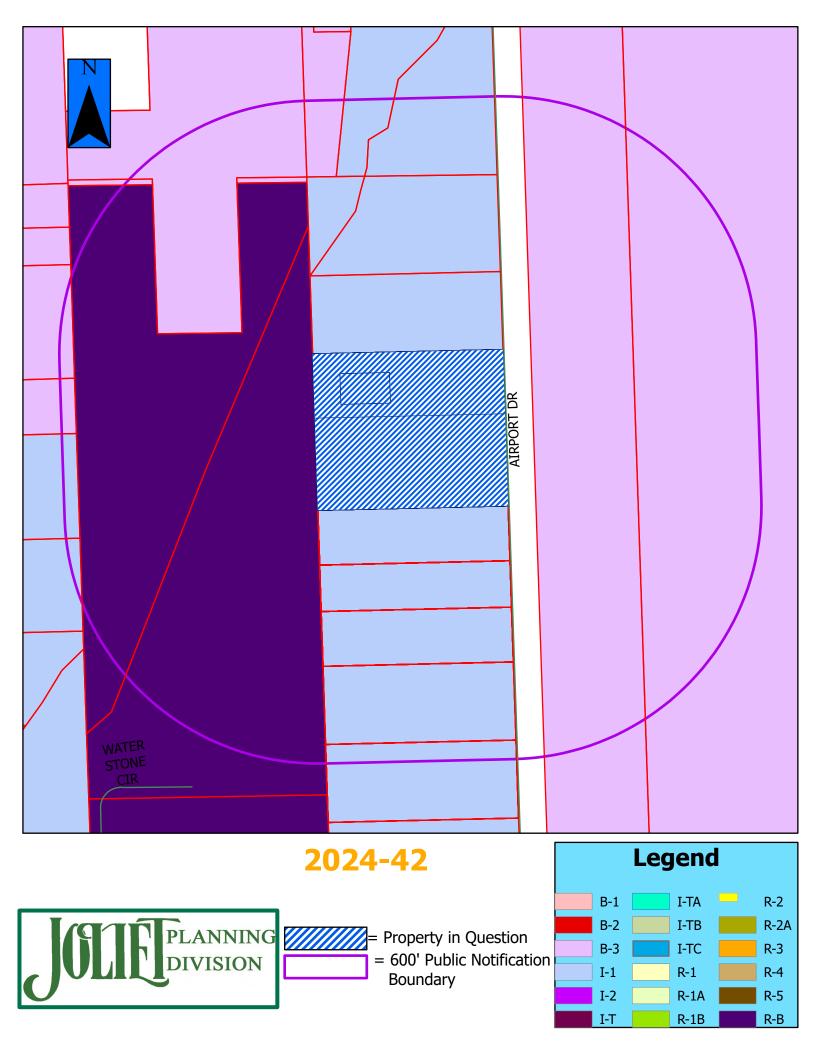
Conditions

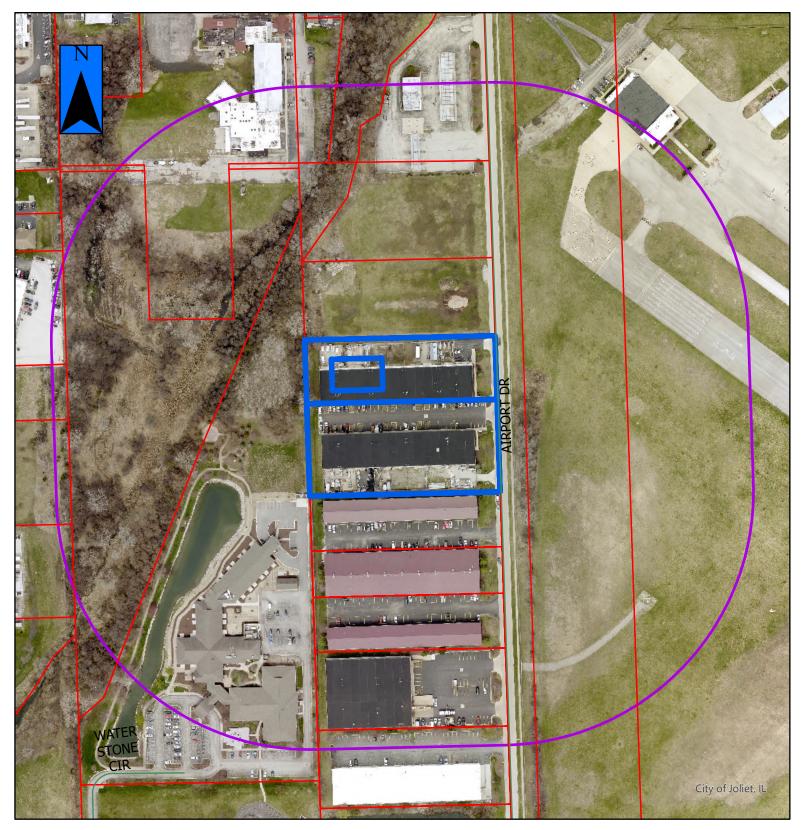
If the Zoning Board desires to approve the Special Use Permit to allow an automotive dent removal business, located at 121 Airport Drive Unit A, the following conditions would be included:

- 1. That a City business license shall be obtained.
- 2. That the Special Use granted shall herein terminate and lapse unless a building permit or certificate of occupancy is obtained not later than 180 days of the effective date of this ordinance and the erection or alteration of a building is started or the use is commenced within such period. The Board may grant an extension of this period, valid for no more than one hundred and eighty (180) additional days, upon written application and good cause shown without notice or hearing. Whether or not there is an intention to abandon the Special Use, if any special use is discontinued for a continuous period of one year, or if an intent to abandon the Special Use is evident in a shorter period of time, the Special Use for such use

shall become void, and such use shall not thereafter be reestablished unless a new Special Use Permit is obtained.

3. Should the property be declared a public nuisance, it shall be subject to a rehearing and a possible revocation of the Special Use Permit.





2024-42a



= Property in Question / Propiedad en cuestión

= 600' Public Notification Boundary / Límite de notificación pública de 600 ft (180 m)



Figure 1: 121 Airport Drive, Unit A within Joliet Airport Industrial Park subdivision (2024)

±6,000 SF INDUSTRIAL CONDO FOR SALE Open Warehouse w/ Drive-Through Capability

Floor Drains in Warehouse Mezzanine Office Area



121-A AIRPORT DRIVE

Joliet, IL 60431 <u>Property Website</u>

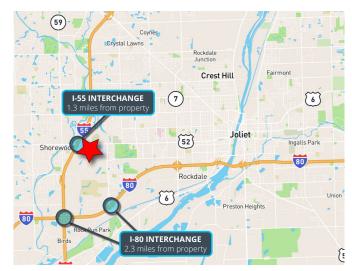


Specifications

- Condo Size: ±6,000 SF
- Land Area: ±0.25 AC
- Office Size: ±800 SF
- Ceiling Height: 24' Clear
- Loading: 2 Oversized DIDs
- Power: 200A
- Parking: ±6 Cars
- Heating: Gas
- Year Built: 2004
- Construction: Precast
- Zoning: I-1 (Light Industrial)
- Sale Price: Subject to Offer

Highlights

- High-image industrial condo unit
- Open warehouse with drive-through capability
- Floor drains in warehouse
- High ceiling height
- Well-maintained
- Mezzanine office area
- Preferred corner unit
- Close proximity to both I-55 and I-80



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PROPERTY PHOTOS



Drive-in Door



Drive-through Capability



Warehouse Area



Office Area

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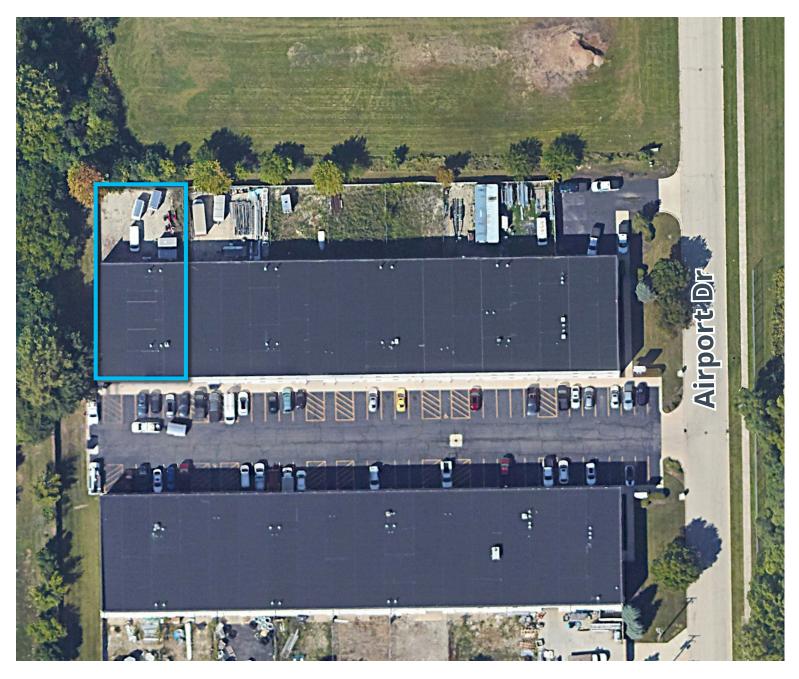
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AERIAL VIEW



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Payment received from:	Petition #:
	Common Address:
	Date filed:
	Meeting date requested:

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS JOLIET, ILLINOIS PETITION FOR SPECIAL USE PERMIT

City of Joliet Planning Division, 150 W. Jefferson St., First Floor, South Wing, Joliet, IL 60432 Phone (815)724-4050 Fax (815)724-4056

ZIP CODE: 60585

ZIP CODE: 53150

ZIP CODE:

(Secondary)_____

ADDRESS FOR WHICH SPECIAL USE IS REQUESTED: 121-A Airport Dr., Joliet, IL 60453

PETITIONER'S NAME: Andrei Mereuta

HOME ADDRESS: 13411 Skyline Dr., Plainfield, IL ZIP CODE: 60585

BUSINESS ADDRESS: 13411 Skyline Dr., Plainfield, IL

PHONE: (Primary) 802-777-4799

EMAIL ADDRESS: mereuta0@yahoo.com FAX:

PROPERTY INTEREST OF PETITIONER: Purchase

OWNER OF PROPERTY: Joliet Naturescape LLC

HOME ADDRESS: 12601 W. Janesville Rd., Muskego, WI

BUSINESS ADDRESS:

EMAIL ADDRESS: todd@naturescapelawncare.com FAX:

<u>Any use requiring a business license shall concurrently apply for a business license and submit a copy with this petition.</u> Additionally, if this request is for operation of a business, please provide the following information:

BUSINESS REFERENCES (name, address, phone):

MS Imperial Inc., 13411 Skyline Dr., Plainfield, IL 60585 Ph: 802-777-4799 (Owner)

Type of business: Paintless dent removal

OTHER PROJECTS AND/OR DEVELOPMENTS:

ACG Freight. 455 E. State Pkwy., #205, Schaumburg, IL 60173 Ph: 331-333-9243 (Owner)

Dent Master Corp. 112 Marie Ave., North Sioux City, SD 57049 Ph: 208-240-4308 (Business partner)

United PDR Group. 3205 N. Wilke Rd., #122, Arlington Heights, IL 60004 Ph: 847-274-0881 (Business partner)

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Property Index Number/P.I.N. can be found on tax bill or Will County Supervisor of Assessments website
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY (attached copy preferred):
+/-6,000 SF industrial condo with an open warehouse and drive-through capability. Warehouse with floor drain. High ceiling.
Mezzanine office area. Land: +/-0.25Ac. Office: +/-800 SF. Ceiling: 24'. Drive-in-doors: 2. Power: 200A. Parking: 6 cars.
Heating: gas. Year built: 2004. Construction: Precast. Zoning: I-1.
LOT SIZE: WIDTH:65DEPTH:90AREA :+/-6,000 SF
PRESENT USE(S) OF PROPERTY: Vacant
PRESENT ZONING OF PROPERTY: 1-1
SPECIAL USE REQUESTED: 1. Passenger car paintless dent removal.

The Zoning Board of Appeals is authorized to grant a special use permit provided the applicant establishes by clear and convincing evidence:

- (1) That the establishment, maintenance, or operation of the special use will not be detrimental to or endanger the public health, safety, morals, comfort, or general welfare; and
- (2) That the special use will not be injurious to the use and enjoyment of other property in the immediate vicinity for the purposes already permitted, nor substantially diminish and impair property values within the neighborhood; and
- (3) That the establishment of the special use will not impede the normal and orderly development and improvement of surrounding property for uses permitted in the district; and
- (4) That adequate utilities, access roads, drainage, and/or other necessary facilities have been or will be provided; and
- (5) That adequate measures have been or will be taken to provide ingress and egress so designed as to minimize traffic congestion in the public streets; and
- (6) That the special use shall in all other respects conform to the applicable land use regulations of the district in which it is located and shall not be in violation of any other applicable law, ordinance or regulation; and
- (7) At least one (1) year has elapsed since any denial of any prior application for a special use permit that would have authorized substantially the same as all or part of the sites, unless conditions in the area have substantially changed.

Please describe how this request meets the criteria by responding to the following questions in your own words.

1. How will the establishment, maintenance, or operation of the special use affect the public health, safety, morals, comfort, or general welfare?

Our business operation and services will only be beneficial to the community and the City of Joliet, IL

2. How will the special use impact properties in the immediate area? <u>We are bringing our excellent services and</u> and experience to the City of Joliet with fair market prices and outstanding customer service.

3. Will the use impede the normal/orderly development/improvement of surrounding property? It will not.

4. Are adequate utilities, access roads, drainage, and/or other necessary facilities provided?

The condo unit has everything for us operate our business in an environmentally friendly way.

5. Have adequate measures been taken to provide ingress/egress design to minimize traffic congestion in public streets?

The condo unit is in an HOA and our business shall comply with the HOA rules and regulations as well as the City

building code and zoning ordinance.

6. Does the use conform to the applicable land use regulations of the district in which it is located and does it violate any other applicable law, ordinance or regulation? The use does conform to the the applicable land use and regulations.

7. Has at least one (1) year elapsed since any denial of any prior application for a special use permit that would have authorized substantially the same as all or part of the sites (unless conditions in the area have changed substantially)?

N/A

REQUIRED SUPPORTING ATTACHMENTS

Site plan / concept plan / floor plan / building elevation plan

□ Joliet Ownership Disclosure form

Business license application (if applicable)

NOTARIZATION OF PETITION

STATE OF ILLINOIS) SS COUNTY OF WILL)

1. Andrei Merenta

____, depose and say that the above statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I agree to be present in person or by representation when this petition is heard before the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Petitioner's Signature

Owner's Signature (If other than petitioner)



Subscribed and sworn to before me , 20 24 this 16 day of July

ADDENDUM NOTARIZATION OF PETITION

Owner joins this Petition for sole purpose of assisting Petitioner's request for a Special Use Permit and, to the best of Owner's knowledge, believes the detail provided herein to be accurate.

OWNER'S SIGNATURE:

JOLIET NATURESCAPE LLC, a Wisconsin limited liability company

By: Jodd Ferry Todd Furry, Authorized Member (SEAL)

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF Wisconsin Waskeston COUNTY

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Personally came before me this 5^{10} day of August 2024, the above named **Todd Furry** to me known to be the person who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged the same.

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ERIC KOLONICH

Notary Public State of Wisconsin

*_ERTE KOLONICH Notary Public, State of WISCONSIN

Notary Public, State of W15C3051NMy Commission is permanent. (If not, state) Expiration date: 4 - 23 - 28

CITY OF JOLIET OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE FORM

The City of Joliet requires that applicants for zoning relief, subdivision approval, building permits and business licenses disclose the identity of all persons having an ownership interest in the business and the real property associated with the application. A copy of this form must be completed and submitted with other application materials. Failure to properly complete and submit this form may result in the denial of the application.

INFORMATION ABOUT THE APPLICATION I.

This form is submitted as part of an application for the following (check all that apply):

- Rezoning, Special Use Permit, Variation, or Other Zoning Relief (Complete Sections II and III)
- Preliminary Plat, Final Plat, or Record Plat of Subdivision (Complete Sections II and III)
- Building Permit (Complete Sections II and III)
- Business License (Complete All Sections)

11. **INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPERTY**

The address and PIN(s) of the real property associated with this application are:

121-A Airport Dr., Joliet, IL 60456

PIN(s): 05-06-15-204-020-1010

III. **PROPERTY OWNERSHIP**

Select the type of owner of the real property associated with this application and fill in the appropriate contact information below:

	Individual:	State the names, addresses, and phone #'s of the individual owner(s)
	Corporation:	State the names, addresses, and phone #'s of all persons holding 3% or more of the stock of the corporation and the percentage of shares held by such stockholders
\boxtimes	Limited Liability Company:	State the names, addresses, and phone #'s of all members of the company along with the percentage of ownership held by each member
	Land Trust:	State the names, addresses, and phone #'s of the trustee(s) and all beneficiaries
	Partnership:	State the names, addresses, and phone #'s of all partners
	Other type of organization:	State the names, addresses, and phone #'s of all persons having a legal or equitable ownership interest in the organization or the right to direct the affairs of the organization

E-MAIL: _____ FAX:_____

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IV. BUSINESS OWNERSHIP

If the owner of the business is different than the owner of the real property associated with the application, then the following information must be provided:

Select the type of business owner associated with this application and fill in the contact information below:

	Individual:	State the names, addresses, and phone #'s of the individual owner(s)
X	Corporation:	State the names, addresses, and phone #'s of all persons holding 3% or more of the stock of the corporation and the percentage of shares held by such stockholders
	Limited Liability Company:	State the names, addresses, and phone #'s of all members of the company along with the percentage of ownership held by each member
	Partnership:	State the names, addresses, and phone #'s of all partners
	Other type of organization:	State the names, addresses, and phone #'s of all persons having a legal or equitable ownership interest in the organization

MS Imperial, Inc. Andrei Mereuta, President/Owner

13411 Skyline Dr., Plainfield, IL 60585

Ph: 802-777-4799

100% Ownership

E-MAIL: mereuta0@yahoo.com FAX:_____

NOTE:

If a stockholder, member, beneficiary or partner disclosed in Section III or Section IV is not an individual, then the individuals holding the legal or equitable title to the real property or business associated with the application must also be disclosed. For example, if the real property associated with an application is owned by a land trust, and the beneficiary of the land trust is a limited liability company, then the members of the limited liability company must be disclosed. If one of the members of the limited liability company is a partnership, then the identity of the partners must be disclosed. If one of the partners is a corporation, then all persons owning 3% or more of the issued stock must be disclosed.

SIGNED:_____

DATE: 07/16/2024

Name, Title, and Telephone Numbers of Person Completing and Submitting This Form:

Andrei Mereuta, President, MS Imperial, Inc., Ph: 802-777-4799



2024 GENERAL BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATION

Office of the City Clerk - Business Services 150 West Jefferson Street Joliet, Illinois 60432 Office 815-724-3905 Fax 815-724-3904 Email: <u>businessservices@joliet.gov</u> Website: <u>http://www.joliet.gov</u>

Office Use Only:

Date Opened:

Date Received:	
Date Issued:	
Business Account ID:	

This application pertains to the following type of businesses: Auctioneer; Billiard Hall/Pool Hall; Bowling Alley; Broker; Dry Cleaner; Food Service Establishment; Food Store; Gasoline Station; Hotel/Motel; Massage Salon; Nursing Home; Paint Sale/Paint Application; Pet Shop Operator; Public Amusement; Public Garage; Tattoo Artist; Tattoo Shop; Warehouse, Weapons Dealer; Wholesale Purveyor of Food.

Please print legibly. All information and supplemental requirements must be completed and submitted. **Incomplete forms will be returned.** Please allow a *minimum* of twenty (20) business days for process and review prior to opening.

Proposed Opening Date:

LOCAL BUSINESS INFORMATION

Business Name (DBA):			Store Number:	
Business Address:				
City:			Zip Code:	
Business Phone Number:		Fax Number:		
Location Manager/Supervisor Name	e:			
Home Address:				
Cell Phone Number:	E-mail	Address:		
Contact Name	RSHIP INFORMATION			
O				
City:			Zip Code:	
Phone Number:		Fax Number:		
E-mail Address:		Website:		
Federal Employee Identification Num	ber (FEIN Submit IRS Dept.	of Treasury Autho		
State of Illinois Business Tax Number	r (IBT - Submit IDOR Certific	ate of Registratior	n):	

Mailing address for all correspondence:	Local Rusiness	Corporate:
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BUSINESS OWNERSHIP INFORMATION

Provide the following information regarding how the business was created and is owned:

Individual	Partnership	Limited Liability Corporation (LLC)	Private Limited Company (LTD)	Corporation

List all owner(s) information below and add a second sheet if necessary:

Name:			Title:		
Home Address:					
City:				Zip Code:	
				% of Ownership:	
Name:			_ Title:		
Home Address:					
City:				Zip Code:	
Cell #:	Email:			% of Ownership:	
Name:			_ Title:		
Home Address:					
City:		-		Zip Code:	
Cell #:	Email:			% of Ownership:	
Name:			_ Title:		
Home Address:					
City:		State		Zip Code:	
Cell #:	Email:			% of Ownership:	

I hereby certify that the information provided in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and that I have not provided false or misleading information. I understand that the failure to supply adequate or correct information will be subject to suspension or revocation of the City of Joliet business license.

Name of applicant (print)

Signature of applicant

Title of applicant

Date

GENERAL BUSINESS LICENSE WORKSHEET

Check all uses that apply. Any additional information must be submitted.

Auctioneer – submit copy of Illinois license	Nursing Home – submit proof of
Number of auctioneers:	Administrator License and Illinois License
Number of assistants:	Type of facility:
	Number of beds:
Broker	
Bonds: Grain:Merchandise:	Paint Sales/Application
Negotiable Paper: Produce:	Containers one pint in size or less:
Stocks:	Yes No
	Containers one pint in size or more:
Dry Cleaners	Yes No
On-site plant: Yes No	Is paint applied on the premises?
Home delivery: Yes No	Yes No
Food Service Establishment	Pet Shop Operator – Submit Pet Shop
(Restaurants) – must also complete Food	Operator License issued by State of IL
Store Section & submit Health Department	. ,
Certificate (Any place in which food or drink is	Public Amusement – Submit Certificate
prepared for sale or for service on the premises or	of Insurance Naming the City of Joliet as
elsewhere or any operation where food is served or	Additional Insured
provided for the public with or without a charge.)	
Total seating capacity: Home delivery: Yes: No:	Public Garage
Home delivery: Yes: No:	Number of service bays:
Number of outdoor seats:	
Food Store – submit Health Department	Tattoo Artist – submit medical papers and
Certificate (Any place where food, including	Bloodborne Pathogen Training Certificate
beverages, intended for human consumption off the	
premises, is manufactured, produced, prepared,	Tattoo Shop – submit Illinois Certificate of
handled, transported, sold or offered for sale).	Registration and Certificate of Insurance
Total number of employees: Home delivery: Yes: No:	Number of tattoo artists on premise:
Home delivery: Yes: No:	·
Coopling Station	Warehouse
Gasoline Station	
Number of service hoses:	Weapons Dealer - submit copies of
Number of underground storage tanks:	Federal Weapons Dealer's Number and
Total Number of gallons stored:	State of Illinois F.O.I.D. Number
Hotel/Motel	Wholesale Purveyor of Foods
Number of rooms available:	Describe commodities delivered:
Massage Business	Number of vehicles delivering:
Number of masseuses on staff:	Do you have a location within the city limits
	of the City of Joliet? Yes No

BUSINESS OPERATION INFORMATION

General Description/Purpose of Business:
Gross Square Footage of Business Location:
Total Number of Employees at Location (include family members):
Days of Week and Hours of Operation at Location:
Do you want your business information listed on the City of Joliet's website and/or the city's tourism website at www.visitjoliet.com? Yes No
Is the Business Located in a Stand-Alone Structure? Yes No If no, name of center:
Does the Business Own the Building? Yes No If no, complete the following: Owner Name:
Owner Address:
City: State: Zip Code: Cell Phone Number:
Does or will the Business have a Joliet Liquor License? Yes No Does the Business buy, sell, or accept used merchandise? Yes No
If yes, the Antique Dealers, Itinerant Merchants, Pawn Brokers and Second Hand Dealers Application must be completed
Are Hazardous Materials Stored on Site? Yes No If yes, provide MSD Sheets to the Joliet Fire Department
Does the Business have an Alarm System? Yes No If yes, must register with the Joliet Police Department
Name of Alarm System Monitoring Company:
Are there any food/ beverage vending machines, gaming machines, amusement machines, or a market pantry on the property? Yes No
Provide vending/market pantry vendor information below:
Vending Company: Office Number:
Contact Name: Cell Phone Number:

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

CRITERIA FOR SPECIAL USES

Section 47-5.2 (C) of the Zoning Ordinance states:

Does the evidence presented sustain this Comments criteria? (1) That the establishment. maintenance or operation of the special use will not be detrimental to or endanger the public health, safety, morals, comfort, or general welfare; and (2) That the special use will not be injurious to the use and enjoyment of other property in the immediate vicinity for the purposes already permitted, nor substantially diminish and impair within the property values neighborhood; and (3) That the establishment of the special use will not impede the normal and orderly development and improvement of surrounding property for uses permitted in the district: and (4) That adequate utilities, access roads, drainage, and/or other necessary facilities have been or will be provided; and (5) That adequate measures have been or will be taken to provide ingress and egress so designed as to minimize traffic congestion in the public streets; and (6) That the special use shall in all other respects conform to the applicable land use regulations of the district in which it is located and shall not be in violation of any other applicable law, ordinance or regulation; and (7) At least one (1) year has elapsed since any denial of any prior application for a special use permit that would have authorized substantially the same as all or part of the sites, unless conditions in the area have substantially changed.

A special use permit shall not be granted unless the applicant establishes by clear and convincing evidence: