

#### **WASHOE COUNTY**

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## STAFF REPORT BOARD MEETING DATE: June 13, 2017

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Risk Mgt n/a
HR n/a
Other

DATE:

June 7, 2017

TO:

**Board of County Commissioners** 

FROM:

Kevin Schiller, Assistant County Manager

328-2008, kschiller@washoecounty.us

THROUGH: John Slaughter, County Manager

328-2060, jslaughter@washoecounty.us

**SUBJECT:** Public hearing: For possible action to approve the relocation of a medical marijuana dispensary within unincorporated Washoe County pursuant to section 3 of Senate Bill Number 276 as signed into law on June 9, 2015. The request is from GTI Nevada, LLC.

#### **SUMMARY**

Public hearing: For possible action to approve the relocation of a medical marijuana dispensary within unincorporated Washoe County pursuant to section 3 of Senate Bill Number 276 as signed into law on June 9, 2015. The request is from GTI Nevada, LLC.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Safe, secure and healthy communities.

#### PREVIOUS ACTION

On October 25, 2016, the Board held a public hearing and denied an application from GTI Nevada, LLC dba Rise Incline Village to move a medical marijuana dispensary establishment from the location issued a State of Nevada provisional medical marijuana certificate at 745 Mays Blvd, #12 in Incline Village, Nevada (APN 132-201-07) to 15 Eagle Canyon Drive, Spanish Springs, Nevada (APN532-132-01).

#### BACKGROUND

On October 25, 2016 the Board held a public hearing and denied an application from GTI Nevada, LLC dba Rise Incline Village to move a medical marijuana dispensary establishment from the location issued a State of Nevada provisional medical marijuana certificate at 745 Mays

Blvd, #12 in Incline Village, Nevada (APN 132-201-07) to 15 Eagle Canyon Drive, Spanish Springs, Nevada (APN532-132-01). This application was denied with areas identified as follows supporting the denial of the move.

- Proximity to the established 7-11 and students loitering there before and after school
- Opposition to the facility being in a strip mall
- Parking and traffic issues at the intersection of Pyramid Way and Eagle Canyon

Following the denial GTI, Nevada, LLC dba Rise Incline Village has submitted an application to move a medical marijuana dispensary establishment from the location issued a State of Nevada provisional medical marijuana certificate at 745 Mays Blvd, #12, Incline Village, Nevada to 9650 Pyramid Way, Spanish Springs, Nevada. A presentation that was given at a neighborhood meeting on June 6, 2017 from GTI that addressed both efforts to find a new location in addition to the proposed site and the primary concerns listed above to include increased parking, further distances from the established schools, increased entrance and exits, and a stand-alone building.

In accordance with Nevada Revised Statutes, the Board of County Commissioners public hearing is set based on the request to move from GTI Nevada, LLC dba Rise Incline Village. In addition pursuant to Board direction a neighborhood meeting was also completed. Both events were noticed as follows:

**Notice:** The following notice was provided for the neighborhood meeting and the public hearing.

Hearing	Governance	Noticing Deadline
Public Hearing: June 13,	NRS 453A.350 (2) – 7	June 2, 2017
2017	working days	
Community Meeting: June 6,	Washoe County Practice	Friday, May 26, 2017
2017 at Lazy 5 Regional Park	for Special Use Permits –	(Official 5/27)
	10 days	

- Joint meeting notification to 25 property owners surrounding the facility meeting state mandates and following Washoe County's most stringent notification procedures as outlined by the special use permit process. (Thursday, May 25)
- Posting online on two Washoe County websites: District Pages and Medical Marijuana Application Process (Week of May 29)
- Direct email notification of Spanish Springs CAB members (Week of May 29)
- Direct email notification of participants at previous community forums (Week of May 29)
- Media Segment on News 8 KOLO (June 6 morning show)
- Media Segment following neighborhood meeting noting the June 13 Hearing (June 6)
- Social media June 6

#### **Neighborhood Meeting:**

Where: Lazy 5 Regional Park

*Time:* 5:30 p.m. -7:00 p.m.

Presenters: GTI Representatives

Kevin Schiller, Assistant County Manager Lt. Spratley, Washoe County Sheriff's Office Sarah Tone, Washoe County Manager's Office

Attendance: Approximately 80-100 residents

The following is a summary of the key areas identified by residents. In addition, all comment cards provided at the meeting have been provided as an attachment to this report along with the application and presentation from GTI.

- Locating dispensary to other commercial facilities, industrial and/or medical facilities
- Hours of operation and delivery hours/practices
- Public use of marijuana on site
- Availability of onsite security
- Potential for recreational marijuana in the future
- Pedestrian access/safety and potential increase in vehicle traffic
- Increased resource demands on public safety to address concerns on traffic/dui, cash only transactions, loitering and security
- Product packaging requirements for youth
- Off-site advertising requirements
- Demographic served by the facility
- Opposition to MME facilities in general in the Spanish Springs community
- Proximity to Shaw Middle School, Spanish Springs High School, Local Church
- Loitering by students before and after school
- Concerns on entry and exit within the parking lot
- Support for Medical Marijuana facilities from current patient/card holders

Resident comments included increase in security for the community because of the state requirements for the dispensary, support for patient access to medical use marijuana, building design improvement in comparison to local liquor store, increased tax base, companies track history in Carson, and acknowledgement of community benefits of marijuana facilities financial donations dedicated to supporting local community initiatives.

In additional to verbal comments, 20 written comments opposed to and 14 in support of the project were received at the neighborhood community meeting. The day of the meeting County Manager's Office received 20 emails and phone calls in support of the move.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The fee structure for unincorporated Washoe County and local government was recently finalized within the 2017 legislative session. This is being analyzed currently in an effort to determine an accurate projection and any impacts on the medical versus recreational fee structure. Once a fee structure has been identified related to business licensure an estimated total will be provided to the Board based on projections with existing certificate holders.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended the Board of County Commissioners discuss and provide direction to staff on the relocation of a medical marijuana dispensary within unincorporated Washoe County pursuant to section 3 of Senate Bill Number 276 as signed into law on June 9, 2015. The request is from GTI Nevada, LLC.

#### **POSSIBLE MOTION**

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move to direct staff on the relocation of a medical marijuana dispensary within unincorporated Washoe County pursuant to section 3 of Senate Bill Number 276 as signed into law on June 9,

2015."



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Name (optional): Cindee Miller (resident /teacher)

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NyleenAdams

My comment/question is:
I am not in favor of having
a dispensary in Spanish Springs.
There are plenty locations We have
Helementary Schools, ahigh school
and middle school within a 3 mile radius.
The traffic on Pyramid Hwy will only get
worse due to the 300 homes going in and
having more people driving under influence in our area will be as do create more accidents.
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I am in support of the proposed move (circle one):

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are being discussed regarding this issues

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We moved to Spanish Springs to beduce ou exposure
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cell they want but they are still drug dealers.
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Januties.
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Marie (optional). Ally Quirk	
My comment/question is:	
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a dispensary I would plead with you to consider the safety of families and	
children BEFORE considering your financial	
opportunit	1
I am in support of the proposed move (circle one):	J

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ajhopkins & Egmail.com



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Jacqueline Ragnone
My comment/question is:  D Why is the corrent dispensery permit
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for Incline Villago requesting to move to spanish springs? Dwith the recent passage of recreational meripiena laws will this MME
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jragnone @ gmail. com



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Name (optional): Sarah Rosen Felch
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Name (optional): Wystal Spancer
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Spanish Spring 8.
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I am in support of the proposed move (circle one):
Would you like to be contacted directly by a county staff member? If so, please provide your phone number and/or email address:
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Name (optional):
My comment/question is:
Medical Cannabis is help 1,000 of Veterans
throught the U.S. To have safe commabis
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quality of life. We need to educate ourself
and realize people are getting of Narcotics
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Name (optional): Jessica Lally
Opening poses any threat to the safety of Spanish Springs community members. Those opposing this move represent a Small (vocal) percentage of the people living here, and all the people with medical needs for cannabis could not possibly be able to represent themselves and their needs. Let this letter represent those Suffering in silence, unable to leave lamin support of the proposed move (circle-one):  No their
Would you like to be contacted directly by a county staff member? If so, please provide your phone cannabis number and/or email address:    Jack   Jesslaly 26@gmail. Com could save their
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Americans.



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Name (optional): Chelie Kern
My comment/question is:
I am in full support of Rise Dispensiones reginest to
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Please feel free to contact me for any additional
comments,
I am in support of the proposed move (circle one):
Would you like to be contacted directly by a county staff member? If so, please provide your phone
number and/or email address:
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#### **Washoe County Comment Card**

Thank you for attending. We know your time is valuable. To ensure that your comments and questions are addressed, please take a moment to complete this card and return it to one of our representatives.

Name (optional):
My comment/question is:
I am in support of the proposed move (circle one):  YES  NO
Would you like to be contacted directly by a county staff member? If so, please provide your phononumber and/or email address:

Thank you for participating. If you would like additional information on how to be more involved with Washoe County, please visit <a href="www.washoecounty.us/citizens">www.washoecounty.us/citizens</a>



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My comment/question is:  Thank you for coming to Spanish Springs do  be need product out here.
I am in support of the proposed move (circle one):  YES  NO
Would you like to be contacted directly by a county staff member? If so, please provide your phone number and/or email address:

Thank you for participating. If you would like additional information on how to be more involved with Washoe County, please visit <a href="https://www.washoecounty.us/citizens">www.washoecounty.us/citizens</a>

From:

John Sutton < john@silverstatetrading.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 06, 2017 2:37 PM

To: Subject: Tone, Sarah; Hartung, Vaughn; Herman, Jeanne

GTI / Rise in Spanish Springs

To whom it may concern, I hope all is well.

My name is John Sutton. I'm writing to provide my strong support for the approval of GTI / Rise to move its medical cannabis license from Incline Village to Spanish Springs. Of note, I live in Incline Village where NuLeaf IV is already operating. The small, permanent population in Incline Village would not support a second dispensary. There are simply more people in the Spanish Springs area. NuLeaf IV is a good neighbor at The Lake. Rise will be the same in Spanish Springs.

Thanks for your consideration of this matter.

Regards, John

From:

Aimee Magnin <aimee@blackbirdgo.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, June 06, 2017 10:42 AM

To: Subject: Tone, Sarah GTI / Rise

Ms. Tone,

My name is Aimee Magnin. I'm writing to provide my strong support for the approval of GTI / Rise to move its medical cannabis license from Incline Village to Spanish Springs.

Aimee Magnin
Director of Administration

213-422-7100 www.blackbirdgo.com

From: Tamara Meringolo <tamaramme123@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 06, 2017 12:05 AM

To: Tone, Sarah

Subject: Rise Dispensary Relocation

#### Dear Sarah Tone,

My name is Tamara Meringolo and I am a Holistic Health Practitioner and medical marijuana patient. I am in full support of Rise relocating their unincorporated Washoe County MME from Incline Village to Spanish Springs. Medical patients in the small community of Incline Village already have an established dispensary which is currently trying to stay afloat due to a lack of business. The current patient population there is not big enough to support two dispensaries. If a dispensary goes out of business, it can not generate revenue for the state of Nevada.

Patients in Spanish Springs are underserved and need a local dispensary. Over the last two years I have worked with thousands of medical marijuana patients. I can attest that the majority of patients in Northern Nevada work with cannabis as an alternative medicine because it does not have the dangerous side effects like pharmaceutical drugs. For them, this is not a recreational substance. Many patients enthusiastically shared with me they successfully weaned themselves off opiates and narcotics because of cannabis, and their quality of life greatly improved. Most patients in Northern Nevada are disabled or retired, and therefore on limited incomes. Since cannabis is federally illegal, patients pay out of pocket for medicines which is costly. For patients located in the Northern Sparks area, driving into town requires additional gas money to obtain medicine. This added expense is a burden as well. Patients not only need a local dispensary, but one with a delivery service. Having cannabis products delivered from the nearest dispensary in Sparks is cost prohibitive for many who live a good ten miles from Sparks City Center. Most importantly, a local delivery service is invaluable for patients who are homebound, agoraphobic and when the roads are too dangerous to travel in winter conditions.

When I worked as Dispensary Manager for the first establishment to sell medical marijuana in Nevada, the dispensary benefitted the surrounding area. I witnessed businesses thrive after the dispensary opened - especially restaurants, convenience stores, gas stations, etc. Having a dispensary in Spanish Springs would attract commerce to support local jobs. Over the past ten years I have seen businesses come and go from Spanish Springs. I can also report while working at the dispensary for over a year and a half, it was not a nuisance to the local community. State and local regulations forbid loitering on the premises by patients, dispensary agents or those passing by the establishment. When the local police came by the dispensary it was for educational purposes or to obtain still photographs and video footage of robberies captured by our state of the art surveillance system (required at all Medical Marijuana Establishments). Since the dispensary was such a secure building no one would attempt to vandalize or rob it. This dispensary gladly helped police to solve local crime (which was prevalent in the area before it was built).

I am attending the June 6th meeting at the S.S. Library to show my support. Please allow Rise to relocate. Spanish Springs badly needs a boost for local businesses and patients need a local resource for medicine.

Sincerely, Tamara Meringolo Eagle Canyon Resident Sparks, NV 89441

From:

Kelly Somers <kelly.somers2@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, June 05, 2017 10:50 PM

To: Subject: Tone, Sarah; Hartung, Vaughn; Herman, Jeanne

Rise - Incline to Spanish Springs Support

My name is Kelly Somers and I'm writing to provide my strong support for the approval of GTI / Rise to move its medical cannabis license from Incline Village to Spanish Springs.

Thank you Kelly Somers

From:

tyler brennan <tbrennan801@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, June 05, 2017 4:54 PM

To:

Tone, Sarah; Hartung, Vaughn; Herman, Jeanne

Subject:

Spanish Springs dispensary

My name is Tyler Brennan, I'm writing to provide my strong support for the approval of GTI / Rise to move its medical cannabis license from Incline Village to Spanish Springs. This store will serve a great purpose to the community in helping reduce prescription and opioid abuse as well as bridge the gap between the community.

From:

Jerry Velarde < jvelarde@evergreenorganix.com>

Sent:

Monday, June 05, 2017 2:03 PM

Subject:

**Community Business Support** 

My name is Jerry Velarde, the President of Evergreen Organix. I'm writing to provide my strong support for the approval of GTI / Rise to move its medical cannabis license from Incline Village to Spanish Springs. They are a very well managed company with a strong adherence to compliance and safety protocols. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Jerry J Velarde President EvergreenOrganix 3669 W Hacienda Ave Las Vegas, NV 89118 c. 702-521-9600

EvergreenOrganix Twitter Facebook Instagram

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Timothy Keenan <timothy@cannabellakitchen.com>

Sent:

Monday, June 05, 2017 12:12 PM

To: Subject: Tone, Sarah; Herman, Jeanne; Hartung, Vaughn

**RISE Spanish Springs** 

My name is Timothy Keenan. I'm writing to provide my strong support for the approval of GTI / Rise to move its medical cannabis license from Incline Village to Spanish Springs.

We appreciate your support. Timothy Keenan

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Timothy Keenan Sales/Outreach Manager 256-585-9386

timothy@cannabellakitchen.com

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BRIAN R. IRVINE BIRVINE@DICKINSONWRIGHT.COM (775) 343-7507

April 20, 2017

VIA EMAIL: bwebb@washoecounty.us

Attn: Bob Webb Washoe County Planning and Development Division 1001 E. 9th Street Reno, NV 89512

Re:

GTI Nevada, LLC

Request for Relocation from 754 Mays Blvd., #12 to

9650 Pyramid Highway, Sparks, NV

Dear Mr. Webb:

This letter is sent to request that the Washoe County Board of County Commissioners (the "Board"), pursuant to NRS 453A.350(2) and the Washoe County Code, consider the relocation of GTI Nevada, LLC's ("GTI") medical marijuana dispensary from the previously approved and currently designated location at 754 Mays Blvd., #12, Incline Village, Nevada to the proposed new location of 9650 Pyramid Highway, Sparks, Nevada, and that GTI's request to relocate be placed on the agenda for the Board's meeting scheduled for May 9, 2017.

#### GTI's Initial Application for Relocation 1.

GTI holds a certificate from the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health ("Division") to operate a medical marijuana dispensary. GTI was initially approved to operate at 754 Mays Blvd., #12, Incline Village, Nevada. GTI was asked to relocate from that location to an alternate location in unincorporated Washoe County in 2016. GTI hired a commercial real estate broker and conducted a thorough and diligent search that took several months. Following that search, GTI submitted an application to relocate its dispensary to an alternate location, 15 Eagle Canyon Drive, Sparks, Nevada in October 2016. On October 6, 2016, the Washoe County Planning and Development Division issued a letter to GTI confirming that "[t]he General Commercial regulatory zoning for the property located at 15 Eagle Canyon Drive allows the establishment of a Medical Marijuana Dispensary on this property." On October 19, 2016, Kevin Schiller, Assistant County Manager, issued the Staff Report for GTI's relocation application. The Staff Report noted that the "Official Notice of Hearing was mailed to residents within the designated required notification area on October 7, 2016" and that a community

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> GTI has attached, as Exhibit A, a true and correct copy of the provisional registration certificate issued by the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health ("Division") for the medical marijuana establishment at 754 Mays Blvd., #12, Incline Village, Nevada.

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meeting was held at the Washoe County Spanish Springs Library on October 18, 2016. The Staff Report recommended that the Board "hold a public hearing and possible action to approve" GTI's relocation request.

#### The Board's Denial of GTI's Initial Application for Relocation and Direction 2. that GTI Find an Alternative Location

At the October 25, 2016 Board meeting, the Board held a hearing on GTI's relocation request. During the hearing, the Commission raised several concerns about GTI's application. Specifically, the Commission raised concerns regarding:

- The law in terms of loitering in front of a medical marijuana establishment ("MME");
- How an operator could stop someone from utilizing marijuana products in front of an MME; and
- The impossibility of stopping children from congregating at an MME.

See Minutes from October 25, 2016 Board meeting at pp. 15-18.

Specifically, Commissioner Hartung stated that "many of his constituents were not in opposition to having an MME in Spanish Springs but they were opposed to the placement of the MME in the current location" and asked "whether the County could find a more suitable location." Id. at 18. He indicated that he "could not support the relocation of the MME to the location in Spanish Springs because it would be impossible to stop children from congregating there" and suggested "looking at other possible locations which were not near areas where children congregated." Id. Commissioner Hartung then made a motion "to deny the relocation of the MME and for staff to find a more suitable location that was tenable to all parties." Id. He then amended his motion "to include adding the reason for the denial was due to the amount of underage foot traffic in that type of center." Id. He added that he thought it was "improperly located" and asked for a new location to be found. Id. The motion carried.

Most of the discussion at the October 25, 2016 Board meeting regarding potential problems with the 15 Eagle Canyon location focused on the underage foot-traffic at the adjacent 7-11 convenience store located in the same "strip mall" as the proposed location and the fact that the proposed location was in a "strip-mall" as opposed to a stand-alone building.

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#### 3. GTI's Work with Commercial Brokers and Washoe County Staff to Find an Alternative Location

Since the denial of its application to relocate its dispensary to 15 Eagle Canyon Drive in October 2016, GTI has worked extremely hard to find an alternative available location within unincorporated Washoe County that met the zoning requirements established in Washoe County Code Chapter 110, Article 302, and that also addressed the previously iterated concerns expressed at the October 25, 2016 Board meeting. GTI obtained maps from Washoe County staff detailing all of the parcels within unincorporated Washoe County that are zoned: (1) General Commercial; (2) Neighborhood Commercial; (3) Tourist Commercial; or (4) Industrial (which are the four zones in which Washoe County has deemed Medical Marijuana Dispensaries to be an approved use in Table 110.302.05.03) and that are not located within 1000 feet of a school or 300 feet of a community facility pursuant to Washoe County Code Section 25.700(3)(b) and NRS 453A.322.

In addition to the commercial real estate broker it had been working with before, GTI also engaged commercial real estate brokers with Dickson Realty Commercial Group to assist it in identifying viable and available locations on the maps received from Washoe County staff. GTI and its brokers vetted more than 25 potential sites in many areas of unincorporated Washoe County, including South Reno, north Washoe Valley, Hidden Valley, Lemmon Valley, Cold Springs and Spanish Springs. GTI also worked with Chad Giesinger at Washoe County to evaluate whether several potential sites met the zoning and setback requirements contained in the Washoe County Code and NRS. GTI looked not only at existing construction, but also raw land, while continuing to consider the concerns expressed by the Board during the October 25, 2016 meeting.

GTI was not left with many choices despite its diligent and thorough search. Upon conducting due diligence at each potential location, several sites were discovered to be too close to churches or schools (pursuant to the zoning requirements established in Washoe County Code Chapter 110, Article 302 and in NRS 453A.322), some were too close to existing or approved medical marijuana dispensaries to allow for appropriate geographic dispersal and the remaining available sites were not viable from both a patient access and business perspective. GTI and its brokers also approached the owners of a number of potential locations that were not on the market about a potential lease or sale, but were unsuccessful. A letter from Dominic Brunetti, the lead commercial real estate broker at Dickson on this project is attached to this letter as **Exhibit B**. Mr. Brunetti's letter and the spreadsheet referenced in his letter detail the efforts that Dickson undertook on behalf of GTI.

After working with Washoe County and Dickson, GTI found only a single location, 9650 Pyramid Way, that met all of the zoning and minimum setback requirements as per Washoe County Code and NRS 453A.322, was available for purchase (or lease), and was viable from both a patient access and business perspective.

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#### The 9650 Pyramid Way Location 4.

9650 Pyramid Way is a stand-alone building that was a former Blockbuster video store and is currently occupied by the Lord of Mercy Lutheran Church pursuant to a lease that expires at the end of August 2017. The building is approximately 5,500 square feet, but GTI would only plan to build out approximately 2,000 square feet for use as a medical marijuana dispensary.<sup>2</sup> GTI has prepared a document which details the tentative floorplan and aesthetics of the planned build-out, which is attached to this application as Exhibit C. It is a "stand-alone" building with at least eight (8) parking spaces directly in front of the front door and more than twice that much parking behind the building. 9650 Pyramid is zoned General Commercial, which means that a medical marijuana dispensary is an approved use pursuant to Washoe County Code. It is more than 1000 feet from any school and more than 300 feet from any community facility, which is compliant with Washoe County Code and NRS 453A.322.

The 9650 Pyramid location is clearly a superior location when compared to GTI's previously proposed location of 15 Eagle Canyon in terms of the items of concern raised by the Commission at the October 25, 2016 Board meeting. Specifically, the previously proposed location was located in a strip mall directly behind a 7-11 convenience store. Concerns were raised by the Commission and community members that the convenience store was frequented by students from Spanish Springs High School on school days, particularly during lunch breaks and after classes. Because of its proximity to the 7-11 convenience store, Commissioner Hartung felt it would be not possible to prevent loitering or unauthorized entry by underage foot traffic at the proposed dispensary. However, the 9650 Pyramid location presents no such risk. It is a stand-alone building that is approximately two miles from Spanish Springs High School. It is more than 1000 feet from the previously proposed location and is across a major State Highway. Moreover, GTI plans to place a full-time security officer at the entrance of the dispensary during business hours that will ensure no loitering or unauthorized entry to the dispensary by any unauthorized individuals.

Further, GTI has proven itself to be a sound operator in the State of Nevada. It currently operates a medical marijuana dispensary located at 135 E. Clearview Dr. #119, Carson City, NV 89701. That dispensary is located in a strip mall that includes a prepared meal provider, a sushi restaurant, a Hertz rental car office, and a Mattress Land store, and is directly behind a Red Hut Cafe, a very popular breakfast and lunch cafe for families in Carson City. GTI has been an exemplary tenant at its Carson City location and a great neighbor to adjacent businesses. See Exhibit D, which includes letters from GTI's landlord in Carson City and from GTI's neighbors adjacent to that location endorsing GTI's operations. In addition, GTI has an excellent relationship with Carson City law enforcement.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> GTI intends to use the remaining portion of the building located at 9650 Pyramid Way either as its Nevada headquarters or for some other responsible and compatible use that will not generate underage foot-traffic, including but not limited to subleasing the remaining space to a third-party tenant.

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Finally, the proposed 9650 Pyramid location will serve medical marijuana cardholders in Spanish Springs that currently have to travel long distances to purchase their medicine. The closest operating dispensaries are in Sun Valley (more than seven miles away) and at the corner of Glendale and McCarran in Sparks (almost ten miles away).

GTI has expended approximately than \$2 million in acquiring its license and working to relocate from its previously approved site in Incline Village to another site in unincorporated Washoe County. GTI is committed as a company to setting the standard for safety and professionalism in the State of Nevada and intends to always act as an exemplary corporate citizen of Nevada and Washoe County.

Thank you for your assistance in processing this application. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any additional information.

Very truly yours,

Brian R. Irvine

BRI Enclosures

#### Exhibit A

#### STATE OF NEVADA

BRIAN SANDOVAL Governor

ROMAINE GILLILAND Director



RICHARD WHITLEY, MS
Administrator

TRACEY D. GREEN, MD Chief Medical Officer

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF PUBLIC AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

November 3, 2014

Pete Kadens GTI Nevada, LLC 325 W. Huron Suite 230 Chicago, IL 60654

Application Identifier: D097 Ref. #: 45491515276399795916

Dear GTI Nevada, LLC,

The State of Nevada, Division of Public and Behavioral Health has completed the application evaluation process for medical marijuana establishment registration certificates. This letter is to inform you of the intent to approve your application for GTI Nevada, LLC, a Dispensary establishment at 754 Mays Blvd. #12 in the UNINCORPORATED WASHOE local jurisdiction. Please note this letter only applies to this establishment. If you submitted multiple applications, you will receive a separate notification letter for each one. Final approval will occur when the applicant has:

- 1. Provided documentation to the Division issued by the local jurisdiction to the establishment authorizing occupancy of the building as a medical marijuana establishment such as a certificate of occupancy, a special use permit or a conditional use permit.
- 2. Provided documentation to the Division regarding successful inspections issued from fire, building, health and air quality.
- 3. Provided documentation to the Division of successful pre-opening inspection findings done by the Division.
- 4. Provided complete and verified agent card information to the Division for all owners, officers, board members and employees of the medical marijuana establishment.
- 5. Paid the applicable fees for the issuance of a medical marijuana registration certificate
- 6. Provided confirmation that a state business license has been acquired.
- 7. Provided confirmation that local business licensing and zoning permits have been acquired.

Per NRS 453A.326, certificates are considered provisional until the establishment is in compliance with all applicable local governmental requirements, and has received a state business license to operate the establishment. NAC 453A.324 allows the Division to revoke the provisional certificate if a medical marijuana establishment is not fully operational within 18 months of receiving it.

Pete Kadens will be contacted soon to discuss the details of the provisional certification. When the approvals to operate listed above are fulfilled, GTI Nevada, LLC will receive a certificate to operate as a medical marijuana establishment.

Note: Provisional certification resulting from this notification shall not become effective until approved by the Division of Public & Behavioral Health.

Please do not hesitate to e-mail the Division with any questions or concerns you may have at medicalmarijuana@health.nv.gov. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Richard Whitley MS, Administrator

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Division of Public & Behavioral Health

Medical Marijuana Establishment Program

#### Exhibit B



Attn: Bob Webb Washoe County Planning and Development Division 1001 E. 9th Street Reno, NV 89512

Re: GTI Nevada, LLC dba Rise

Request for Relocation from 754 Mays Blvd., #12 to

9650 Pyramid Highway Sparks, NV

Dear Mr. Webb:

Please consider this letter in conjunction with Green Thumb Industries' ("GTI") application to relocate its medical marijuana dispensary from the previously approved location at 754 Mays Blvd., #12, Incline Village, Nevada to the proposed new location of 9650 Pyramid Highway, Sparks, Nevada.

GTI sought out our expertise to assist its property search for a new medicinal marijuana dispensary business location after its request to relocate to 15 Eagle Canyon Drive, Sparks, Nevada had been denied by the Washoe County Board of County Commissioners. A Dickson Commercial Group team of three including Dominic Brunetti, Scott Shanks, and Patrick Riggs conducted the search. We utilized maps GTI obtained from Washoe County staff detailing all of the parcels within unincorporated Washoe County that are zoned: (1) General Commercial; (2) Neighborhood Commercial; (3) Tourist Commercial; or (4) Industrial (which are the four zones in which Washoe County has deemed Medical Marijuana Dispensaries to be an approved use in Table 110.302.05.03) and that are not located within 1000 feet of a school or 300 feet of a community facility pursuant to Washoe County Code Section 25.700(3)(b). Due to the restrictive geography of unincorporated Washoe County and the setback requirements in the Washoe County Code, search parameters were kept broad to assure all potential properties were explored and investigated. All current on-market commercial land and buildings for sale and for lease were pursued, as well as qualified off market opportunities.

Dickson and GTI vetted more than 25 potential sites in many areas of unincorporated Washoe County, including South Reno, north Washoe Valley, Hidden Valley, Lemmon Valley, Cold Springs and Spanish Springs. Unfortunately, GTI was not left with many choices despite this diligent and thorough search. I have enclosed a spreadsheet detailing many of the qualified search findings. I am available to discuss our work for GTI should you have any questions or should you require additional information.

Sincerely,

Dominic Brunetti

Dickson Commercial Group, Inc.

					Sale Price		<b>Proximity to</b>
Address	Submarket	Size	Property	<b>Previous Use</b>	Lease Rate	Dispensary Viability	Exsisting Dispensary
16300 S. Virginia St	South Reno	5,400 SF total	Vehicle Retail	Trailers Plus	For Sale: \$1,600,0000	Further Investigation of church proximity	For Sale: \$1,600,0000 Further Investigation of church proximity Under Construction Dispensary on Hwy 395: 5.2 Miles
14825 Kivett Ln.	South Reno	1,944 SF	Office/Retail	Salon	For Sale: \$431,000	No: Close Proximity to Church	Under Construction Dispensary on Hwy on 395: 9.1 Miles
105 Emeralda Dr.	Washoe Valley	1.02 AC Lot	Land	NA	For Sale: \$240,000	No: Proximity to exsisting dispensary	Under Construction Dispensary on Hwy on 395: 4.5 Miles
Pyramid (Eagle Landing) Spanish Springs	Spanish Springs	50,000 SF	Land	N	For Lease: Negotiable	No: Owner will not allow dispensary	Kanna: 7.1 Miles
4760 Sinelio Drive	Hidden Valley	28,750 SF	Land	NA	For Sale: \$287,500	No: Neighbors and Zoning	Silver State Relief: 1.9 Miles
0 Pembroke Drive	Hidden Valley	14.87 AC lot	Land	AN	For Lease: \$2,500 Month	No: Owner will not allow dispensary	Silver State Relief: 2.6 Miles
7655 Pyramid Way	Spanish Springs	22.02 Acres	Land	NA	NA	No: Tribal Land	Kanna: 6.7 Miles
140 Inventors Place	Spanish Springs	9,712 SF	Industriai	NA	For Sale: \$1,489,500	No: Development will not allow dispensary	Kanna: 9.7 Miles
400 Lemmon Drive	Lemmon Valley	Lot 1: 3.31 AC Lot 5: 2.07 AC Lot 7: 2.75 AC	Retail (Land) Retail (Land) Retail (Land)	A A A	For Sale: \$349,000 For Sale: \$495,000 For Sale: \$598,000	No: Proximity to other dispensary No: Proximity to other dispensary No: Proximity to other dispensary	Open: 500 ft Open: 500ft Open: 500ft
315 Zolezzi Ln	South Reno	2.172 AC	Land	RV Storage-Current	NA	No: Business in place	The Dispensary NV: 8.8 Miles
12325 S. Virginia St	South Reno	3.212 AC	Land	N	NA	No: Reno Zoned	The Dispensary NV: 8.6 Miles
Village Parkway	Cold Springs	7.57 AC	Land	NA	For Sale: \$650,000	No: Undesirable business location	Open: 9.7 Miles
3600 White Lake Pkwy	Cold Springs	1,320 SF	Industrial	Truck Terminal	For Sale: \$275,000	No: Undesirable business location	Open: 9.1 Miles
16255 S. Virginia St	South Reno	13.96 AC	Land	Church	On Market Price NA	No: Residential Zoned	Under Contruction Dispensary on Hwy 395: 5.2 Miles

#### Exhibit C

GETTO KNOW GTI

## WHAT WOULD A DISPENSARY IN SPANISH SPRINGS LOOK LIKE?

- Does NOT deviate from the character and streetscape of the local community.
- / Must have Local Zoning + Planning Board Approval.
- ✓ GTI focuses on a comfortable + uplifting, 'at-home' environment.



GG Thank you very much for being pioneers in this state and for doing it correctly. Every staff member is always in good spirits, extremely helpful and informative. Taking the time to explain in detail any questions a person has and the ones the don't think to ask. Glad and grateful for your presence here. – RISE Carson City Patient



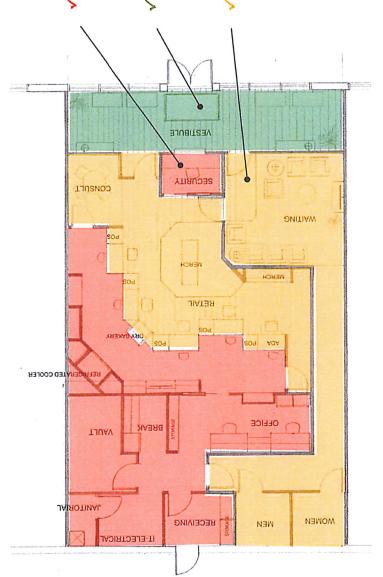
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Actual photos from the interior of RISE Carson City, opened September 2016

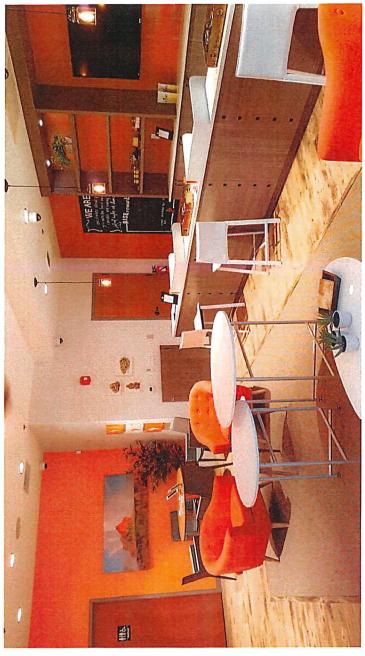
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Actual photo from the interior of RISE Carson City, opened September 2016

WHO IS GTI?

### NOISIN

## **THE NATIONAL MARKET LEADER**

safe and quality cannabis nationwide, while giving back to the communities we call home. We're committed to progressing positive social change and providing dignified access to

### STRATEGY GAIN SHAR

Capture licenses in 6-8 highly regulated markets to establish foundation for national impact

#### OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE

Establish best-in-class operational efficiency delivering consistency, reliability, and legendary customer experience

#### CONSUMER BRANDS

Build compelling suite of consumer-insight driven brands that capture ongoing consumer value

## **OUR TEAM**



## BENKOVLER | DIRECTOR + CHAIRMAN

- CEO GTI Illinois
- Chief Investment Officer for Kovpak
- Co-founder and CEO of Invest For Kids MBA University of Chicago Booth



## PETE KADENS | DIRECTOR + CEO

- Serial entrepreneur and dedicated philanthropist
- Founder + Former CEO SoCore Energy Chairman of Streetwise
- **Bucknell University**



#### Fmr. M&A + private equity analyst Burkhall Treatment **Bucknell University**

Co-Founder + COO Wendover Art

#### CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER DINAROLLMAN, ESQ. |

Founding Partner Rollman Dahlin Law Group

Co-Founder + Managing Partner LG Entrepreneur + Business Executive

Cannabis as Alternative Medicine

University of Virginia

Advocate

Former NFL Football Player

**EUGENEMONROE** | PARTNER

Capital Management Syracuse University

ANDYGROSSMAN | PARTNER

- Founder + President IL Women in Cannabis
  - Northwestern University School of Law



## SARAH MEJIA | OPERATIONS MANAGER

- Customer Experience and Operations Professional
  - Hope College



### BENKOPPELCPA | CONTROLLER

- 10 year Audit and Tax expert
  - Chartered Financial Analyst Northern Illinois University



TERRY GAINER, SR. | HEAD OF SECURITY

 Fmr. US Sergeant-At-Arms Fmr. Chief of Capital Police

Ret. US Naval Captain

Customer-Focused Strategic Planning

Fmr. Chief of Staff SoCore Energy

SUSIESCHNEIDER | VP OPERATIONS

Israeli Cancer Research Foundation

University of Illinois

Board

### JENNIFER DOOLEY | VP MARKETING

- 8 years Executive Branding + Innovation in Consumer Packaged Goods Industry
  - MBA Northwestern University, Kellogg



#### 10 year Supply Chain + Logistics Consulting Sales + Customer Solution Implementation ADAM ROBBINS | MARKET STRATEGIST Ohio University

## **EXECUTIVE TEAM PROFILES**



## PETE KADENS | DIRECTOR + CEO

Pete is a serial entrepreneur and dedicated philanthropist. He has started three companies, which have employed thousands of people over the last 13 years, including one of the largest commercial solar companies in the US, SoCore Energy.

Under his leadership, SoCore grew into a multi-million dollar business with Fortune 500 commercial and industrial clients across the U.S. and was named one of Chicago's most innovative businesses by Chicago Innovation Awards. In 2013, sold to Edison International.

Pete believes deeply in, and actively leads, organizations that seek to transform lives and strengthen communities, serving as Chairman of StreetWise (2012 – Present), one of the largest homeless aid organizations in the Midwest. He also serves as a board member of The Cara Program, one of the largest non-profit workforce training programs in the Midwest which focuses on preparing individuals on the verge of homelessness for employment. Pete is also one of five marijuana industry CEOs who serves on the board of directors of the Marijuana Policy Project (MPP)

Pete was recognized as a Distinguished Alumnus by his alma mater, Bucknell University, where he earned his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science. He was also named 40 under 40 by Crains Chicago Business.

In his spare time, he and wife Amy hang out with their three toddler aged kids soaking in their every move.



## **BEN KOVLER** | DIRECTOR + CHAIRMAN

Ben brings his extensive experience managing complex investment portfolios and his deep commitment to philanthropy to the GTI team. Ben serves as the Chairman of GTI Investments and the CEO of GTI-Clinic Illinois, which operates 2 cultivation centers and two dispensaries in Illinois.

Ben is the Chief Investment Officer for Kovpak II, LLC, an investment partnership company.

In addition to his various investment management roles, Ben is co-founder and CEO of Invest For Kids (IFK), an annual forum that allows portfolio managers, family offices, private investors and analysts to collaborate and share investment ideas to benefit children in Illinois. In its first eight years, Invest For Kids generated more than \$10,000,000 to benefit more than forty-three youth organizations that have

Ben earned a Bachelor of Arts in philosophy, politics and economics from Pomona College and an M.B.A. in accounting and finance from The University of Chicago.

Ben and his wife, Amy, enjoy living in Chicago with their two children

## **EXECUTIVE TEAM PROFILES**



## ANTHONY GEORGIADIS | PARTNER

Anthony is an investor and entrepreneur, having purchased a Florida-based manufacturing business in 2005 that he helped grow into one of the Nation's largest manufacturers of wall décor under his tenure as COO. Prior to this, he worked as an M&A analyst for Bowles Hollowell Conner &Co. and as an investment associate for CIVC Partners, a \$1.5 billion Chicago-based private equity firm.

Anthony became involved in the cannabis industry in early 2014 after exploring cannabidiol (CBD) for treatment on his swiss mountain dog, who was epileptic. Since then he has invested in over 12 different cannabis related companies including PAX, Cannasure, and MassRoots.

Anthony is a proud supporter of the Special Operations Warriors Foundation, the Drug Policy Alliance, Students for Sensible Drug Policy, and the Marijuana Policy Project.

Anthony graduated magna cum laude from Bucknell University with a degree in finance and a minor in mathematics. Anthony resides in Tampa, Florida with his wife, Katie, and their two dogs.



## ANDY GROSSMAN | PARTNER

Andy is an entrepreneur and business executive with 20 years of experience in the hedge fund industry. He joined GTI for the opportunity to join a nascent industry with the potential for tremendous growth.

Andy previously served as Managing Partner and Head of Trading, Risk Management and Operations of LG Capital Management. Andy co-founded LG in August 2011 with \$13 million in capital and helped raise it to a peak of \$350 million under management. He was instrumental in building the infrastructure of the business and is highly qualified in business operations.

Prior to founding LG Capital, he was a senior trader for Chesapeake Partners, a Baltimore-based multi-billion event-driven investment Fund. Andy graduated from Syracuse University in 1996 with a Bachelor of Arts in Finance.

Andy is actively involved in various organizations in the Baltimore community which include The Associated, LifeBridge Health, Beth El Congregation and Jewish Volunteer Connection. Andy lives in Baltimore, Maryland with his wife, Jennifer, and their three kids. He is passionate about giving back to the community and enjoys traveling with his family and friends.

## **EXECUTIVE TEAM PROFILES**



## **EUGENE MONROE** | PARTNER

Eugene was the first active NFL player to openly advocate for the use of cannabinoids to treat chronic pain and sports-related injuries. He recognized cannabis as a healthier alternative to opioids and has actively campaigned for marijuana policy change. He joined GTI for its patient-first focus of striving to provide the best medicine possible, active community support and research initiatives.

Previously, Eugene was drafted 8th overall by the Jacksonville Jaguars in the 2009 NFL Draft and later joined the Baltimore Ravens on a trade in 2013. Eugene enjoyed a 7 year NFL career and retired with long term health and family as a priority.

Eugene is a supporter of the Drug Policy Alliance, Marijuana Policy Project and Doctors for Cannabis Regulation.

He earned a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology from the University of Virginia.

Eugene and his wife Nureya have three children and reside in Maryland. Eugene loves spending time with his young family, fishing offshore, and focusing on health and fitness.



## DINA ROLLMAN, ESQ. | CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER

Dina is a founding partner of Rollman & Dahlin LLP, where she specializes in counseling business and investors on the implications of cannabis laws, and representing business and individuals in litigation. Dina joined GTI for the opportunity to shape the industry with smart, passionate professionals rallied behind one goal: to bring high quality medical cannabis products to those who need it.

Prior to founding her firm, Dina was a commercial litigation partner at Sperling & Slater, P.C., representing plaintiffs and defendants in business disputes throughout the country.

Dina is the founder and President of Illinois Women in Cannabis, a not for profit group that promotes women's role in Illinois' medical cannabis industry. She is also a founding member of the Illinois Cannabis Bar Association. Dina has lectured widely on cannabis topics, addressing national trade conferences, national legal conferences and presenting at legal seminars.

Dina earned a Bachelor of Arts from Oberlin College and a law degree from Northwestern University School of Law.

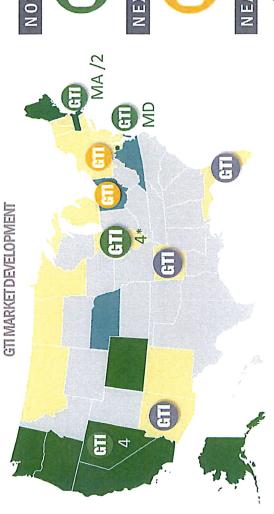
When Dina is not moving the cannabis industry forward you might find her playing tennis, reading or running.

# NATIONAL FOOTPRINT WITH MARKET DISCIPLINE

## GTI CORE MARKET ENTRY PRINCIPLES:

2) Strong regulatory framework Barriers: Limited # of Licenses

rk 3) Eligible, sustainable patient base



NOW III

11 ACTIVE LICENSES in 3 highly regulated markets

#### NEXT



**PA, OH** application period, real estate, community outreach

### NEAR FUTURE



**AK, AZ, FL** market research

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## Thank you.

For more information, contact:

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# Exhibit D

#### DBB HOLDINGS, INC.

P.O. Box 18087, Reno, NV 89511 775-624-8429 Phone

April 19th, 2017

To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter on behalf of GTI Nevada, LLC. We are GTI's landlord in Carson City. Our Company, DBB Holdings, Inc. owns the shopping center where GTI operates its medical marijuana dispensary, Rise.

We have been extremely impressed with the GTI team and their operation. They have been a great tenant and have gone out of their way to ensure that they have been a good neighbor to the other tenants in our center.

In addition, we appreciate the following with regard to their operation:

- They keep a very low profile.
- The design of their facility is high end and doesn't look like most other dispensaries.
- There is no odor whatsoever from their facility.
- It's a professionally run business.

In the event you'd like to learn more about GTI or have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 775-721-7023 or email jack@dbbholdings.com.

Best Regards,

Jack H. Brower, CCIM

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April 19th, 2017

Hello there,

We are writing this letter in support of GTI Nevada. Their dispensary, Rise, is directly behind us in the Clearview shopping plaza. We have been very happy with the GTI team and their business. Like others we were a little concerned when we heard a dispensary was moving to the area but they have been a great neighbor and we have had no issues whatsoever.

We also would like to mention that:

- The design of their store is very nice and doesn't look like a dispensary.
- There is no smell coming from their building.

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- All employees and managers seem very professional.
- They go out of their way to ensure their operation doesn't affect our business.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Red Hut Carson City

775-461-0038

April 19th, 2017

To whom it may concern,

We are writing this letter regarding GTI Nevada. Their dispensary, Rise, is three doors down from us in the Clearview shopping plaza. We understand that they are trying to get approval on locating a facility in Spanish Springs. We have been very happy with having Rise as our neighbors as they run a professional business. They have always gone out of their way to be a good neighbor.

We also would like to mention that:

- There is no odor from their store.
- Our customers don't even realize there is a dispensary a few doors down from us.
- We have not had any issues with any of their employees, managers or customers.
- They are professional and just friendly people overall.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Hertz Carson City

775-841-8002

April 19th, 2017

To whom it may concern,

We are writing this letter in support of GTI Nevada. We are neighbors with their Rise dispensary in Carson City in the Clearview shopping plaza.

We have been very happy with the GTI team and how they run their business. They have gone out of their way to be a good neighbor to us and we have had no issues with having a dispensary close to us.

Specifically, we like them because they:

- Have kept a low profile.
- Their store doesn't look like a dispensary.
- There is no smell from their facility.
- All their employees and managers are professional.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Thank you,

Tomo Sushi and Grill

775-297-3581

# DREAM DINNERS



CARSONCITYNV@DREAMDINNERS.COM



775.841.3663

123 CLEARVIEW DRIVE CARSON CITY, NV 89701

#### TESTIMONIAL REGARDING GTI / RISE

April 2017

To whom it may concern,

It is without hesitation that we are submitting this testimonial letter regarding Rise, a medical marijuana dispensary, being immediately adjacent to our current place of business.

We have not experienced any adverse situations because of Rise opening their place of business next door to us. They have been very diligent about keeping a low profile, addressing/discussing any concerns that we may have had, and in containing any odors that might exist within their establishment.

Rise has been able to visibly maintain a low profile while contributing to an increase in foot traffic within our complex. Due to their minimal professional appearance we have been asked on many occasions as to the nature of the business next door.

The concerns mentioned above have been in regards to the trash bins and parking issues within our complex. These have been general good neighbor tenant issues that any complex experiencing growth and new tenants will experience. GTI/Rise was very easy to work with and together we found solutions that worked for everyone involved.

We have been impressed with their construction design as it has successfully been containing any potential odors that could occur, especially through the common walls and ceiling. They have achieved what our other neighbors, 2 restaurants, have not.

If there are any additional concerns or questions please don't hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Bonnie L. Betts, Franchise Owner / Manager

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**Dream Dinners** 

amended by AB65 of the 2013 Legislative Session.

#### **Request Tracker Summary**

June 13, 2017

Community
Opposition: 1

Community Support: 312

June 13, 2017

Board of County Commissioners,

Below is a summary of constituent opinions on the RISE Dispensary location in Nevada, in Spanish Springs, Washoe County. Submitted through Request Tracker as of Tuesday June 13, 2017. Washoe County received 313 emails on this topic through our online tracking system. Below is an overall summary of comments received.

Total number of comments	313
Position	
Against passage of the RISE Dispensary location in Spanish Springs	1
Support passage of the RISE Dispensary location in Spanish Springs	312

- BCC 6-13-17 #8#25 -K. Schiller - mgr's office

#### CONSTITUENT EMAILS SUBMITTED ONLINE



#### Support passage of the RISE Dispensary location in Spanish Springs

#### 312 Comments and Signatures:

- Roger Stimson, Stimson Design & Drafting, 775-720-4946:
  - Please allow GTI's relocation from Incline Village to Spanish Springs. I am a customer of Rise in Carson City. There management and staff are nice, well trained and professional. The business is ran well and the environment is good. Spanish Springs would benefit from a well ran business of this type.
- Debra Berry
  - o Hello,

I support GTI's relocation to Spanish Springs, NV. They are a very professional and well organized business with strong policies and procedures for selling medical and future recreational pot legally. I see no detriment in the areas where they currently conduct business once a grand opening rush has passed. Please add them to your meeting agenda and approve their request.

Respectfully, Debra Berry

- Jerry J Velarde, President, Evergreen Organix, 3669 W Hacienda Ave, Las Vegas, NV 89118, c. 702-521-9600
  - My name is Jerry Velarde, the President of Evergreen Organix. I'm writing to provide my strong support for the approval of GTI / Rise to move its medical cannabis license from Incline Village to Spanish Springs. They are a very well managed company with a strong adherence to compliance and safety protocols. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely, Jerry J Velarde

- Kristin Ehasz
  - My name is Kristin Ehasz. I'm writing to provide my strong support for the approval of GTI / Rise to move its medical cannabis license from Incline Village to Spanish Springs.
- Aimee Magnin, Director of Administration, 213-422-7100, www.blackbirdgo.com:
  - My name is Aimee Magnin. I'm writing to provide my strong support for the approval of GTI / Rise to move its medical cannabis license from Incline Village to Spanish Springs

# TB61

#### CONSTITUENT EMAILS SUBMITTED ONLINE

- Kelly Somers, <u>kelly.somers2@gmail.com</u>:
  - My name is Kelly Somers and I'm writing to provide my strong support for the approval of GTI / Rise to move its medical cannabis license from Incline Village to Spanish Springs.
- John Sutton, john@silverstatetrading.com:
  - o To whom it may concern, I hope all is well.

My name is John Sutton. I'm writing to provide my strong support for the approval of GTI / Rise to move its medical cannabis license from Incline Village to Spanish Springs. Of note, I live in Incline Village where NuLeaf IV is already operating. The small, permanent population in Incline Village would not support a second dispensary. There are simply more people in the Spanish Springs area. NuLeaf IV is a good neighbor at The Lake. Rise will be the same in Spanish Springs.

Thanks for your consideration of this matter.

Regards,

John

- Tyler Brennan, tbrennan801@yahoo.com:
  - O My name is Tyler Brennan, I'm writing to provide my strong support for the approval of GTI / Rise to move its medical cannabis license from Incline Village to Spanish Springs. This store will serve a great purpose to the community in helping reduce prescription and opioid abuse as well as bridge the gap between the community.
- Jessica Lally, jesslally26@gmail.com:
  - My name is Jessica Lally. I'm writing to provide my strong support for the approval of GTI / Rise to move its medical cannabis license from Incline Village to Spanish Springs.

Appreciate your consideration, thank you very much.

- Jerry J Velarde, President, Evergreen Organix, 3669 W Hacienda Ave, Las Vegas, NV 89118, c. 702-521-9600:
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# TREAT \*

#### CONSTITUENT EMAILS SUBMITTED ONLINE

- Rebecca Ann Hale, tahoerabbit9709@gmail.com
  - o Dear All,

Citizens are being asked for input regarding the upcoming decision on securing legal / public support for the second RISE Dispensary location in Nevada, in Spanish Springs, Washoe County. I know the people present at the meeting on Tuesday June 13th at noon at the County Commission Chambers will do a fine job of representing the issues, but I am not able to attend in person so am taking some time to help document for you the reasons that a Medical Marijuana Dispensary in the Spanish Springs neighborhood should not be a cause for alarm among parents, business owners, or residents. However, it is impossible for any of us to perfectly forecast the future, therefore no one can say for certain how the addition of this type of business will influence the culture in the neighborhoods for the short and long terms. We can rely on data, personal stories, and that is why I am putting these thoughts together for you, to try to get more clarity about some people's phobias with regards to anything 'marijuana', and how to overcome these prejudices in a good way, for the benefit of all concerned.

There is now ample evidence for the advantage of marijuana / cannabis as a medicine for individuals dealing with many chronic diseases and chronic pain, as well as PTSD. RISE is not in the recreational market at this time. The medical marijuana clientele and culture is unique, and should not be discounted as 'less-than' because it is coming at this time from the edges of 'mainstream'. Most of us know a family that has been negatively, if not catastrophically affected by alcohol and/or opiate-prescription drug abuse. Many of us also know that unfortunately much of the research on marijuana / cannabis at the Federal level has been skewed since as early as 1937, to retard/inhibit the progress of a certain economic sector while promoting the progress of another, when interests seem to be diametrically opposed. At this juncture, with the access to information people have, culture is shifting quickly. People with illness and disability are wellserved to have a clean, safe, reliable, secure medical marijuana dispensary within easy driving / delivery distance of their home. Expecting vulnerable people who are already compromised and perhaps under-served by the system to bear further hardship in obtaining their legitimate medicine, is a form of discrimination. Many law-enforcement personnel favor the de-criminalisation and eventual complete de-regulation of marijuana / cannabis. Here is a reputable website on that topic: https://lawenforcementactionpartnership.org/

Crime statistics do not back up the notion that dispensaries bring more crime or delinquency. Youth always need activities and mentorship. A medical marijuana dispensary will be a good alternative to the heavy messages people receive from alcohol and tobacco, as well as pharmaceutical companies. Medical Marijuana is a good, cash-flow positive, tax-paying business which creates jobs and technological and product innovation, for the betterment of people's well-being. If juvenile delinquency and social concerns are a problem, possibly consider raising funds for a new or upgraded community center that will offer classes, sports, events, to help people maintain a healthy quality of life so they won't be tempted into crime in the first place.

Thank you for the time, and best wishes Rebecca Ann Hale

# TR61

#### CONSTITUENT EMAILS SUBMITTED ONLINE

- Tamara Meringolo, tamaramme 123@gmail.com, Eagle Canyon Resident, Sparks, NV 89441:
  - o My name is Tamara Meringolo and I am a Holistic Health Practitioner and medical marijuana patient. I am in full support of Rise relocating their unincorporated Washoe County MME from Incline Village to Spanish Springs. Medical patients in the small community of Incline Village already have an established dispensary which is currently trying to stay afloat due to a lack of business. The current patient population there is not big enough to support two dispensaries. If a dispensary goes out of business, it can not generate revenue for the state of Nevada.

Patients in Spanish Springs are underserved and need a local dispensary. Over the last two years I have worked with thousands of medical marijuana patients. I can attest that the majority of patients in Northern Nevada work with cannabis as an alternative medicine because it does not have the dangerous side effects like pharmaceutical drugs. For them, this is not a recreational substance. Many patients enthusiastically shared with me they successfully weaned themselves off opiates and narcotics because of cannabis, and their quality of life greatly improved. Most patients in Northern Nevada are disabled or retired, and therefore on limited incomes. Since cannabis is federally illegal, patients pay out of pocket for medicines which is costly. For patients located in the Northern Sparks area, driving into town requires additional gas money to obtain medicine. This added expense is a burden as well. Patients not only need a local dispensary, but one with a delivery service. Having cannabis products delivered from the nearest dispensary in Sparks is cost prohibitive for many who live a good ten miles from Sparks City Center. Most importantly, a local delivery service is invaluable for patients who are homebound, agoraphobic and when the roads are too dangerous to travel in winter conditions.

When I worked as Dispensary Manager for the first establishment to sell medical marijuana in Nevada, the dispensary benefitted the surrounding area. I witnessed businesses thrive after the dispensary opened - especially restaurants, convenience stores, gas stations, etc. Having a dispensary in Spanish Springs would attract commerce to support local jobs. Over the past ten years I have seen businesses come and go from Spanish Springs. I can also report while working at the dispensary for over a year and a half, it was not a nuisance to the local community. State and local regulations forbid loitering on the premises by patients, dispensary agents or those passing by the establishment. When the local police came by the dispensary it was for educational purposes or to obtain still photographs and video footage of robberies captured by our state of the art surveillance system (required at all Medical Marijuana Establishments). Since the dispensary was such a secure building no one would attempt to vandalize or rob it. This dispensary gladly helped police to solve local crime (which was prevalent in the area before it was built).

I am attending the June 6th meeting at the S.S. Library to show my support. Please allow Rise to relocate. Spanish Springs badly needs a boost for local businesses and patients need a local resource for medicine.

Sincerely, Tamara Meringolo



#### CONSTITUENT EMAILS SUBMITTED ONLINE

- Lea, <u>lea@pistilandstigma.com</u>:
  - We wanted to turn these into you yesterday. It is the petition for RISE relocation with upwards of 300 signatures. We would like to have this included into the staff report. If you need original copies we can drop that as well. Please let me know if the scanned document will suffice.
- 300 signatures : RISE.pdf



#### CONSTITUENT EMAILS SUBMITTED ONLINE

#### Against passage of the RISE Dispensary location in Spanish Springs:

#### 1 Comment

- Shannon Lemmon, 775.250.3624, Trans-Action Realty 500:
  - o Please do not put a marijuana dispensary in our community here in Spanish springs. We love our community and do not feel this would be a positive outcome in any way.

Thank you, Shannon Lemmon



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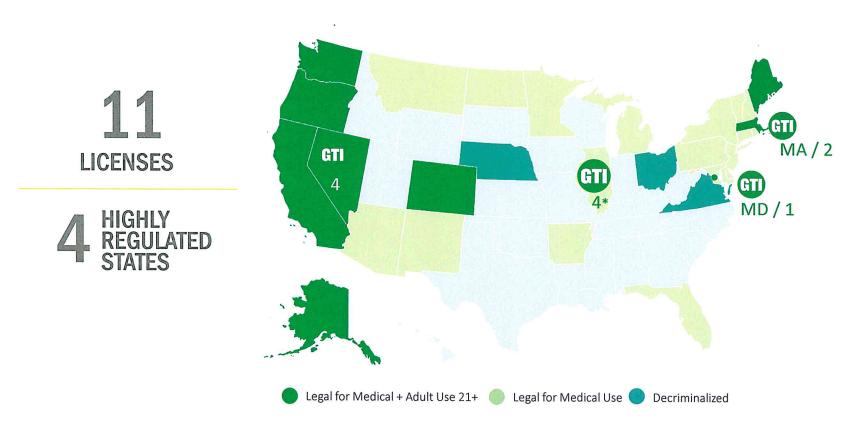
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SPANISH SPRINGS | JUNE 13TH 2017

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# EXPERIENCED + TRUSTED OPERATORS IN COMMUNITIES LIKE YOURS



<sup>2 \*</sup> Illinois operations are owned and controlled by GTI-Clinic Illinois, a separate, affiliated entity of GTI Investments



## **WE ARE A TEAM OF COMMUNITY-MINDED + EXPERIENCED BUSINESS PROFESSIONALS**





















#### GTI'S FOUNDING MEMBERS HAVE ACCOMPLISHED:



Generated \$10M across 30+ organizations benefitting 85,000 children



Advocated + fundraised for organizations combating life-altering ailments



Secured jobs for thousands of homeless individuals



Created not-for-profits serving individuals with disabilities































































### **WE BELIEVE SAFETY + SECURITY ARE PRIORITY #1**



Terry Gainer is GTI's Head of Security.
Chief Gainer was the 38<sup>th</sup> Sergeant At Arms of the United States
Senate and former
Chief of the US Capital
Police from 2002-2006.



Subject-matter expert who is a nationally acknowledged specialty firm in strategic security planning, design, integration and program development.

### THE SAFETY PROCESS

- Ingress and egress control equipment ensures limited access to facility.
- **Diversion Protection** against employee theft, inventory manipulation or illegal transfer.
- Methodical access screening of all individuals, packages or vehicles seeking access to the facility.
- Law Enforcement Integration to support 24/7 security operations



### **NORTHERN NEVADA ADVISORY BOARD**

SAFETY + SECURITY



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### WE BELIEVE IN BEING GOOD NEIGHBORS

### DBB HOLDINGS, INC.

P.O. Box 18087, Reno, NV 89511 775-624-8429 Phone

April 19th, 2017

To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter on behalf of GTI Nevada, LLC. We are GTI's landlord in Carson City. Our Company, DBB Holdings, Inc. owns the shopping center where GTI operates its medical marijuana dispensary, Rise.

We have been extremely impressed with the GTI team and their operation. They have been a great tenant and have gone out of their way to ensure that they have been a good neighbor to the other tenants in our center.

In addition, we appreciate the following with regard to their operation:

- They keep a very low profile.
- The design of their facility is high end and doesn't look like most other dispensaries.
- There is no odor whatsoever from their facility.
- It's a professionally run business.

In the event you'd like to learn more about GTI or have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 775-721-7023 or email <a href="mailto:jack@dbbholdings.com">jack@dbbholdings.com</a>.

Best Regards,

Jack H. Brower, CCIM

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#### DREAM DINNERS



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#### TESTIMONIAL REGARDING GTI / RISE

April 2017

To whom it may concern

It is without hesitation that we are submitting this testimonial letter regarding Rise, a medical marijuana dispensary, being immediately adjacent to our current place of business.

We have not experienced any adverse situations because of Rise opening their place of business next door to us. They have been very diligent about keeping a low profile, addressing/discussing any concerns that we may have had, and in containing any odors that might exist within their establishment.

Rise has been able to visibly maintain a low profile while contributing to an increase in foot traffic within our complex. Due to their minimal professional appearance we have been asked on many occasions as to the nature of the business next door.

The concerns mentioned above have been in regards to the trash bins and parking issues within our complex. These have been general good neighbor tenant issues that any complex experiencing growth and new tenants will experience. GTI/Rise was very easy to work with and together we found solutions that worked for everyone involved.

We have been impressed with their construction design as it has successfully been containing any potential odors that could occur, especially through the common walls and ceiling. They have achieved what our other neighbors, 2 restaurants, have not.

If there are any additional concerns or questions please don't hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Bonne of Bette

Bonnie L. Betts, Franchise Owner / Manager

Dream Dinners



### WE BELIEVE IN BEING GOOD NEIGHBORS

April 19th, 2017

Hello there,

We are writing this letter in support of GTI Nevada. Their dispensary, Rise, is directly behind us in the Clearview shopping plaza. We have been very happy with the GTI team and their business. Like others we were a little concerned when we heard a dispensary was moving to the area but they have been a great neighbor and we have had no issues whatsoever.

We also would like to mention that:

- The design of their store is very nice and doesn't look like a dispensary.
- There is no smell coming from their building.
- All employees and managers seem very professional.
- They go out of their way to ensure their operation doesn't affect our business.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Red Hut Carson City

775-461-0038

April 19th, 2017

To whom it may concern,

We are writing this letter regarding GTI Nevada. Their dispensary, Rise, is three doors down from us in the Clearview shopping plaza. We understand that they are trying to get approval on locating a facility in Spanish Springs. We have been very happy with having Rise as our neighbors as they run a professional business. They have always gone out of their way to be a good neighbor.

We also would like to mention that:

- There is no odor from their store.
- Our customers don't even realize there is a dispensary a few doors down from us.
- We have not had any issues with any of their employees, managers or customers.
- They are professional and just friendly people overall.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Hertz Carson City

775-841-8002

# COMPREHENSIVE REAL ESTATE SEARCH TO ADDRESS OCT 25th COUNTY COMMISSION CONCERNS

# EXTRA DUE DILIGENCE

Hired 2<sup>nd</sup> Real Estate Broker



## EVALUATION CRITERIA

- Zoning compliance + Setback requirements
- Stand-alone building
- Ample parking
- Non-disruptive traffic flow
- Distance from areas prone to non-patient loitering

# VETTED OVER 50 SITES FOR COMPLIANCE

- Existing Properties + Raw Land
- Proactive outreach to owners of on and off-market sites
- Throughout Washoe County:
  - · South Reno
  - North Washoe
  - Hidden Valley
  - Lemmon Valley
  - Cold Springs
  - Spanish Springs



# IDENTIFIED LOCATION CONSIDERING COMMUNITY FEEDBACK 9650 PYRAMID WAY

### **EXCEEDS EVALUATION CRITERIA:**



 Zoning compliance + setback requirement: Confirmed by Chad Giesenger



- Stand-alone building NOT a unit in a strip mall
  - Former Blockbuster Video; 2 other Northern NV dispensaries in former Blockbuster buildings



- Substantial parking for minimal disruption
  - 3.5x the parking as previously presented location



- Multiple lot entrances for non-disruptive traffic flow
  - Accessible off Pyramid + La Posada



- Distance from areas prone to non-patient loitering
  - NOT adjacent to 7-eleven frequented by students



# WHAT DOES RISE A DISPENSARY IN SPANISH SPRINGS LOOK LIKE?

- ✓ Will NOT deviate from the character and streetscape of the local community.
- ✓ GTI focuses on a comfortable + uplifting, 'at-home' environment.
- ✓ Will not look like a "traditional dispensary"



Thank you very much for being pioneers in this state and for doing it correctly. Every staff member is always in good spirits, extremely helpful and informative. Taking the time to explain in detail any questions a person has and the ones the don't think to ask. Glad and grateful for your presence here. – RISE Carson City Patient



# PATIENT IS GREETED BY WARM + INVITING WELCOME ROOM



#### A Welcome Like No Other

- ✓ Greeted by Care Specialist upon entry
- ✓ Mirrored exterior glass for privacy
- ✓ Comfortable seating
- ✓ Filled with locally-inspired art + warm textures
- ✓ Patient's ID and cardholder status is checked and verified in the State system.
- Patient waits until escorted into the primary consultation space



Actual photos from the interior of RISE Carson City, opened September 2016



# PATIENT IS ESCORTED BY CARE SPECIALIST INTO CONSULTATION AREA



#### **CARE SPECIALISTS**

- ✓ Knowledgeable + trained to recommend most suitable patient-specific treatments
- ✓ Focus on legendary customer service
- ✓ Professional + compassionate

#### **COZY + COMFORTABLE**

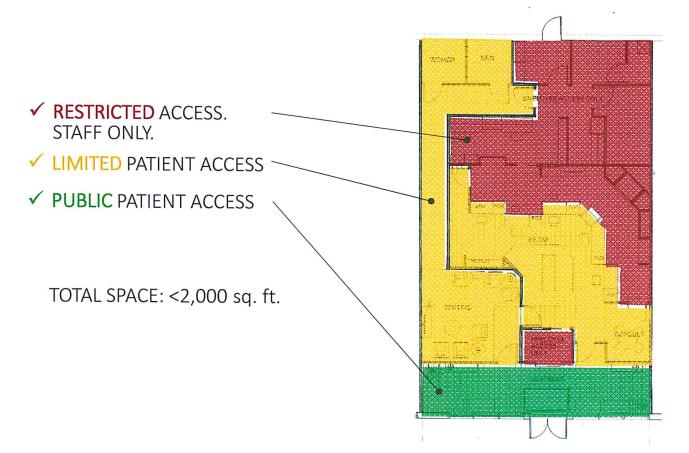
- ✓ All useable product behind consulting counter
- ✓ Private consulting stations
- ✓ Brightly lit
- ✓ Uplifting color and décor
- ✓ Comfortable seating







# SECURE, LIMITED ACCESS LAYOUT ENSURES SAFETY FOR PATIENTS + TEAM MEMBERS





### **PROACTIVE SECURITY + SAFETY PROTOCOLS**

### **CONTROLLED ACCESS**

#### **DISTINCT ACCESS POINTS:**

- LIMITED ACCESS: granted with proper, registered ID
- RESTRICTED ACCESS: authorized personnel only

INTEGRATED SOFTWARE monitors location of each checked-in guest throughout duration of stay.

### SURVEILLANCE COVERAGE

#### **ON-SITE GUARD**

- To prevent:
  - Suspicious activity
  - Public consumption
  - Loitering

### 24/7 CAMERA SURVEILLANCE

- INTERNAL: Every inch of the facility
- EXTERNAL: 30ft radius of facility

### **PRODUCT SAFETY**

- All products packaged in childproof containers.
- Labeled with comprehensive content, testing and safety warnings.
- Seed-to-sale traceability from manufacturer to patient end-user.

### **PUBLIC CONSIDERATIONS**

- Carbon filtration system eliminates odor transfer.
- Not the traditional look and feel of a medical cannabis dispensary.
- Stand-alone building.



# **PROUD TO SUPPORT OUR CARSON CITY HOME**CONTRIBUTED OVER \$20,000 SINCE OPENING SEPTEMBER 2016

### **GIVING BACK FEELS GOOD**

Every day, RISE Carson City offers Carson City residents the opportunity to SAVE 5% or GIVE 5% to a local organization in need.

### **Our Community's support includes:**

- VETERAN'S RESOURCE CENTER:
  - Every day SAVE 5% / GIVE 5% beneficiary
  - Sponsorship in The Nevada Appeal
  - Proceeds from Veterans Day Sales



## THIS VETERANS DAY 10% OF SALES ON FRIDAY WILL B

DONATED TO THE NORTHERN NEVADA VETERANS RESOURCE CENTER.







## PROUD TO SUPPORT OUR CARSON CITY HOME CONTRIBUTED OVER \$20,000 SINCE OPENING SEPTEMBER 2016

### Our Community's support includes:

- BOYS & GIRLS CLUB:
  - 24<sup>TH</sup> Annual Luau sponsor
  - Business Center Re-Opening
  - Literacy for Life Golf Tournament
- TASTE OF DOWNTOWN Advocates for Domestic Violence
- CANNED FOOD DRIVE for RON FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER
- NEVADA DAY 2016 Sponsor
- EVERY DAY RECYCLING PROGRAM



# PROUD TO SUPPORT THE SPANISH SPRINGS COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTED \$6,000 TO DATE

### Our Community's support includes:

- BOYS & GIRLS CLUB:
  - Sponsored 400 children for summertime field trips.
- VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
- NEVADA VETERANS MEMORIAL PLAZA







# AND ALL OF THE COMMUNITIES WE ARE PART OF ACROSS THE UNITED STATES

#### GTI'S FOUNDING MEMBERS HAVE ACCOMPLISHED:



Generated **\$10M** across 30+ organizations benefitting **85,000** children



Secured jobs for thousands of homeless individuals



Advocated + fundraised for organizations combating lifealtering ailments



Created not-for-profits serving individuals with disabilities



A HAND UP, NOT A HAND OUT

Helping individuals out of the crisis of poverty with employment opportunities and supportive services



Annual Investible Ideas Conference benefitting local Chicago charities























## Thank you.

