

Written Project Description:

Emerald Groves Total Care (formerly identified as Emerald Groves West)

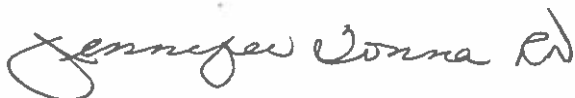
To be located at: 3558 E. McDowell Rd, Mesa NW Corner of Val Vista and McDowell Rd.

This will be a 30 bed assisted living facility. To meet the specialized needs of those with memory impairment, I will install greater security of the building, while have its exterior mirror my 2008 project on the opposite corner.

Client preferences often focus on the "smaller" environments rather than the large sprawling communities, I often call "Big Boxes." More so than in service to other health issues, those with memory impairment are actually best served in smaller environments - fewer faces and less square footage to tax an already failing memory. As the 2008 project has happily blended into the neighborhood of large single family homes, so too will this one.

Plans are made for the compliance with Citrus Sub Area preferences: double row of citrus trees along the frontage, careful screening of parked cars, lush green landscaping. Impact on the neighborhood will be similar to the 2008 project: minimal noise and minimal traffic. Residents will be provided 24 hour-care under one roof, with enhanced safety features to prevent elopement. The two sides bordering neighboring properties will have a 6 ft block fence, with additional screening by an inside row of trees. The comings and goings will primarily be staff, less than 10 during the day time, and visitors. Residents will not have vehicles.

I have endeavored in the past to meet the medical and social needs of aging seniors within a facility that doesn't resemble an institution, but rather a home. The medical community and the public are increasingly aware of the specialized needs of those with ongoing memory impairment. Emerald Groves Total Care will meet both those needs without forcing the families to choose between a (regular) assisted living facility for needed medical attention and a memory care facility for management of memory impairment. We aim for excellence in both areas and will partner with other community resources to make our goal a reality.

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