

Project Narrative

Approval of the proposed project will advance the goals and objectives of and is consistent with the policies of the general plan and any other applicable City plan/or policies.

The General Plan calls for a need to provide entertainment, safe and inviting retail areas, and redevelopment of areas of the city that are beginning to show age. We believe that Sanctum of Horror offers the City of Mesa all these opportunities. Sanctum of Horror will abide by Title 5 of the City of Mesa Code.

We are an exciting and unique form of entertainment that brings people from all around the Valley and even from out of state. We provide additional business and publicity to Superstition Springs Center during the Halloween season.

The location, size, design, and operating characteristics of the proposed project are consistent with the purposes of the district where it is located and conform with the General Plan and with any applicable City plan or policies.

Superstition Springs Center provides the ideal setting for Sanctum of Horror Haunted Attractions. It is a venue for entertainment and nighttime activities. The mall is far enough away from homes we will not create any noise pollution that can keep neighbors up at night. Additionally, it is surrounded by restaurants and other businesses that stay open later into the night so we can help one another drum up more business. The portion of the parking lot we operate out of is not typically used by mall patrons, so the design is ideal for our purposes. We operate two open-aired mazes which consist of approximately 6,700 square feet. The open-air design complies with the City of Mesa Fire Department Policies. Sanctum of Horror will be open for a maximum of 20 nights in a 6-week period. During the months of August-November Sanctum of Horror will be the only event in this parking lot area of Superstition Springs Center.

The proposed project will not be injurious or detrimental to the adjacent or surrounding properties in the area, nor will the proposed project or improvements be injurious to the neighborhood or general welfare of the City.

During our 11 years as a professional haunted attraction, we have never received a complaint from neighboring businesses or residential communities to the city. The police have never been called out to our business. We work hard to ensure that we

always put the safety of our customers and crew first. We utilize a sophisticated emergency evacuation shut-off system in both of our mazes. It is tested regularly to ensure proper functioning. Our staff is trained in emergency egress procedures so we can be prepared for any sort of evacuation that could occur. Each year we have successfully fulfilled all the safety and building permit requirements necessary to operate our business. Each year we hire multiple off-duty Mesa police officers through Off Duty Management to patrol the venue during hours of operation to ensure the safety and welfare of our staff, customers, and the surrounding areas of the mall.

Adequate public services, public facilities, and public infrastructure are available to serve the proposed project.

Each year we rent public restrooms for our staff and customers to utilize during our operating hours. We work to build a haunted attraction that is enjoyed by all customers by keeping our walkways wide enough for wheelchair accessibility. We rent a 56kW generator to power the attraction and lighting necessary for safe operations both in the egress pathways and surrounding areas of our event.

Companies providing services.

Proper Site Services 602-612-8821 provides the fencing that surrounds the attraction. They provide the barriers to keep order to our lines during open hours.

Rent-A-Can 520-466-7755 provides the port-a-potties and hand washing stations
Seven standard portable toilets
1 ADA approved portable toilets
Two handwashing stations

Sunstate Equipment 602-275-0601 provides the generator with all the necessary power cords and spider boxes.