GEM COUNTY Development Services Department

Memo

To: Gem County Zoning Commission

From: Jennifer Kharrl, Planning Director

CC: Shyann Harris (owner), Tahja Jensen (Deputy P.A.)

Date: 6/1/22

Re: Amended SUP #12-001 – Babby Farms

Commissioners,

The subject application is on your June 13th agenda. The applicant is requesting a Special Use Permit amendment to SUP #12-001 to increase the allowed months of operation. The request is to change the operating months from May 1st through October 1st to March 1st through November 30th. Since this is a request to amend an existing SUP, the application was noticed in the Messenger Index and we did send hearing notices to neighbors within 300 feet and the property was posted with a sign. No written correspondence was received by Development Services in response to the public notice. The Commission has the same review authority with an amendment as with an original application and new conditions can be added as deemed appropriate.

Because this is a modification to the original SUP, I have listed the 9 findings for an SUP below for you to consider as you deliberate the amendment request. See the application for the applicant's narrative addressing each finding.

- 1) will in fact constitute a special use as established on the Official Schedule of District Regulations for the zoning district involved;
- 2) will be harmonious with and in accordance with the general objectives or with any specific objective of the Comprehensive Plan and/or the Zoning Ordinance;
- 3) will be designed, constructed, operated and maintained to be harmonious and appropriate in appearance with the existing or intended character of the general vicinity and that such use will not change the essential character of the same area:
- 4) will not be hazardous or disturbing to existing or future neighboring uses:
- 5) will be served adequately by essential public facilities and services such as highways, streets police and fire protection, drainage structures, refuse disposal, water and sewer and schools; or that the persons or agencies responsible for the establishments of the proposed use shall be able to provide adequately any such services;
- 6) will not create excessive additional requirements at public cost for public facilities and services and will not be detrimental to the economic welfare of the community;

- 7) will not involve uses, activities, processes, materials, equipment and conditions or operation that will be detrimental to any persons, property or the general welfare by reason of excessive production of traffic, noise, smoke, fumes, glare or odors;
- 8) will have vehicular approaches to the property which shall be so designed as not to create an interference with traffic on surrounding public thoroughfares; and
- 9) will not result in the destruction, loss or damage of a natural, scenic or historic feature of major importance.

Attached is a copy of the original SUP #12-001(Exhibit A), issued in 2012 for the petting zoo. Please review so you are familiar with the permit that is being amended. Below is a staff summary with some background to this application and recommended conditions of approval:

Application Summary / Background

- □ SUP #12-001 was initially approved on 4/23/12 permitting a petting zoo at 5900 El Paso Road (see attached application for more information).
- □ The Zoning Commission decision was appealed to the Board of County Commissioners on July 16, 2012.
- □ The Board of County Commissioners upheld the Zoning Commission decision to approve SUP #12-001 for a petting zoo on July 16, 2012.
- □ Building permits were issued on all the buildings over 120 square feet and final inspections were performed.
- The Zoning Commission held a review on February 10, 2014 per SUP #12-001 condition of approval #8 that required a one-time public review by the Gem County Zoning Commission at the end of the first operating season but prior to opening for the second season to review and assess the impacts of the petting zoo on the neighborhood. The Commission unanimously voted to reissue the Special Use Permit in the name "Trace Inc. DBA as Babby Farms" instead of under "Shannon Williams". All conditions of approval remain the same.
- ☐ The Zoning Commission approved an amendment on April 14, 2014 to increase the hours of operation from 12:00 to 7:00pm (7 total hours) to 9:00am to 6:00pm (9 total hours).

Recommended Conditions of Approval (to be added to SUP #12-001): (Proposed conditions are underlined)

- 1. This permit is non-transferable to another property and is only valid at 5900 El Paso Road, Caldwell, Idaho.
- 2. No off-premise signs are allowed for the purpose of advertising the petting zoo. One (1) free-standing or wall-mounted sign that is a maximum of thirty-two (32) square feet in size is allowed to be constructed on site. The sign submitted with the application (for "Babby Farms") is hereby approved but cannot be mounted in the public right-of-way or within any clear vision site triangles at the 2 driveways.
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- 9. The applicant shall operate and maintain the petting zoo areas in a sanitary fashion and remain in compliance with any applicable public health guidelines of Southwest District Health Department. Prior to opening for business, the applicant shall schedule an on-site visit from Bob Poertner of the Health Department to confirm the septic systems and porta potties will comply with standards of the Health Department.
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GCC 11-7-12: REQUEST FOR EXTENSION:

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- (2) Decision: The Commission or the Board may extend the commencement period or the completion period as provided above upon proof of good cause by the applicant. The burden of proof as to the showing of good cause for the extension shall be on the applicant, and good cause shall be determined at the discretion of the Commission or the Board.



MASTER PUBLIC HEARING APPLICATION

GEM COUNTY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

109 SOUTH MCKINLEY, EMMETT, IDAHO 83617 WWW.GEMCOUNTY.ORG PHONE: (208) 365-5144

TYPE OF APPLICATION: (PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT APPLY.)

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TEXT AMENDMENT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN MAP AMENDMENT SPEC DESIGN REVIEW DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT SUBD	NED COMMUNITY NE AL USE PERMIT - AM ENDMENT AL USE PERMIT (MINERAL EXTRACTION)
PROJECT NAME: Babby Farms	
SITE INFORMATION:	
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Quarter: <u>NW'14</u> Section: <u>AA</u> To	wnship: 6 North Range: 3 West Total Acres: 20
Subdivision Name (if applicable):	
Site Address: 5900 EL Paso Rd. Caldwell	Lot: N/A Block: N/A 1 10 83607 City: Caldwell
	urrent Zoning: A3 Current Land Use: Pelling 700
Address: 17 October 17 000 Och Milaur Aug	APPLICANT: Name: TRACE, Ivc. DBA Babby Farms Address: 3000 V. LAKe Harbor Cone
City: <u>Lenduson</u> State: <u>UU</u> Zip 89015	City: Boise State: Th Zip:83703
Telephone 208. 867.8265 Email: Churh 580g mpil.com	Telephone: 208-939-4350 Email: Traceshyann@gmail.com
I consent to this application and allow Development Services staff to enter the property for site inspections related to this application	I certify this information is correct to the best of my knowledge.
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Signature: (Owner) Date	Signature: (Applicant) Date
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SPECIAL USE PERMIT SUBMITTALS AND CHECKLIST

(Not a business license or building permit)

GEM COUNTY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES 109 SOUTH MCKINLEY, EMMETT, IDAHO 83617 WWW.GEMCOUNTY.ORG PHONE: (208) 365-5144

DESCRIPTION OF EXISTING USE:
Currently open May 1st Sept 30th.
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DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED SPECIAL USE: (Attach other sheets if necessary):
Would like to be open Mar 1st Nov 30th

Submittal Requirements:

FEE: Category 1: All residential uses (e.g. daycare): \$250.00

Category 2: Commercial and industrial uses (up to 5 acres): \$325.00

Category 3: Commercial and industrial uses (greater than 5 acres): \$450.00

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: A metes and bounds description or lot and block reference of proposed property.

SITE PLAN:

A plan of the proposed site for the special use showing the location of all buildings, parking and loading area, traffic access and traffic circulation, open spaces, landscaping, refuse and service

areas, utilities, signs and yards.

LANDSCAPE PLAN as per Gem County Zoning Ordinance; Chapter 6; Section 6-6; Subsection C-1-C. (Please see attached Landscape Plan Checklist)

PROOF OF OWNERSHIP OR VALID OPTION HOLDER: Attach a copy of your property deed, option agreement, quit claim deed, or title report with a complete legal description.

PLAT MAP: show property under consideration and surrounding properties. AERIAL PHOTO: Show property under consideration and surrounding properties

(THE ABOVE ITEMS WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE DEVELOPMENT SERVICE OFFICE)

LETTER OF INTENT: A narrative statement addressing the following nine standards:

GENERAL STANDARDS APPLICABLE TO ALL SPECIAL USES:

The Commission shall review the particular facts and circumstances of each proposed special use in terms of the following standards and shall find adequate evidence showing that such use at the proposed location:

March 30, 2022

RE: Letter of intent for special use permit amendment

To whom it may Concern,

This letter is for the intent of extending Babby Farms open season. We get constant requests by customers, and by neighboring schools for field trips. We would like to extend the season for the wellbeing of the animals as well, human and animal interaction is beneficial to both parties. Our open season is currently from May 1st through September 30th of every year. We would now like to extend the season from March 1st through November 30^{tt}. We would be able to allow more schools to utilize the property for field trips as we have had to turn them away due to not being open in March, April, October or November. We are only open for 1 month currently while kids are in school and that does not allow us enough time to accommodate all the requests. Our hours/days of operation have not changed and we are not requesting it at this time.

Since 2014, we have not made many structural changes. The few that we have made are the Primate Facility and added restrooms that are located on the other side of the property from the original restrooms (the original restrooms are still there) as a convenience for our customers.

As for traffic, we averaged our ticket sales for the busiest day of our open season, Mother's Day. Every year Mothers Day has been our busiest day so we went by the traffic that comes on and off the property at that time. It averaged to about 25 cars per hour. Most days throughout our season we only generate half the sales of Mothers day so, the traffic is actually less per day on our other business days.

We will be harmonious with all Comprehensive Plan and/or Zoning Ordinance. We will be designed, constructed, operated and maintained to be harmonious and appropriate in appearance with the existing or intended character of the general vicinity. We will not be hazardous or disturbing to existing or future neighbors. We will be served adequately by essential public facilities and services. We will not create excessive additional requirements at public cost for public facilities and services. We will not produce additional traffic, noise, smoke, fumes, glare or odors. We will and do have vehicular approaches to the property, which are designed as not to create an interference with traffic on surrounding public thoroughfares. We will not cause the destruction, loss or damage of a natural, scenic or historic feature of major importance.

Thank you for your consideration,

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Shyann Harris

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5	BEFORE THE ZONING COMMISSION	
6	GEM COUNTY, IDAHO	
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8 9 10	IN RE. PUBLIC PETTING ZOO) BY SHANNON WILLIAMS) Special Use Permit Application: #SUP-12-001 Decision and Order for Approval	
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13 14	Summary of Decision	
15	The applicant, Shannon Williams, on property owned by Turquoise Mountain Holdings,	
16	LLC, filed with Gem County Development Services an application for a Special Use Permit	
17	(SUP) to allow the operation of a public petting zoo. The same property has been used since 2008	
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19	as a breeding farm and operating base for a mobile petting zoo by the same operator, Babby	
	Farms. With this SUP application, they are proposing to open the property to the public as a	
20	physical petting zoo (in addition to the residential and breeding uses already on the property).	
21	The petting zoo is proposed at 5900 El Paso Road on the east side of the road and is	
22	located in the A-3, Rural Agriculture zone. This zone allows for a petting zoo if a SUP is	
23	approved. The property is designated as Agriculture/Natural Resources on the Future Land Use	
24	Map and consists of approximately 20 +/- acres. The parcel is within Township 06N, Range 03W,	
25	Section 22, Parcel 00393713 of Gem County, Idaho.	
26	The Gem County Zoning Commission (Commission) conducted a public hearing on the	
27	application on March 12, 2012. After the applicant and staff made their presentations to the	
28	Commission, five (5) members of the public testified in opposition. Cheryl Harris provided a	
29	rebuttal to the testimony and, after further discussion, the Commission continued the hearing to	
30	April 9, 2012. The hearing was continued in order for the applicant to provide additional	

1	information to the Commission regarding ISDA/USDA requirements, Southwest District Health
2	requirements, ADA parking requirements, photos of the fenced area, Babby Farm's business plan,
3	501c3 certification, a 2009/2010 Gem County traffic study on El Paso Road and proof of Idaho
4	Business filing of Corporation.
5	The applicant submitted everything requested to the Development Services Department
6	prior to the hearing and, on April 9, 2012, the Commission held the continued public hearing. The
7	other new items submitted into the record for this hearing included seven (7) letters of support
8	from the public and some photos of a fundraiser event that took place on the subject property
9	(submitted by a neighbor in opposition). Five (5) members of the public testified in opposition.
10	Cheryl Harris provided a rebuttal to the testimony and, after further discussion, the Commission
11	continued the public hearing to a Special Meeting on April 23, 2012. The hearing was continued
12	in order to receive additional information regarding the potential traffic impacts and public safety
13	concerns on El Paso Road at the entrance to the proposed petting zoo. Public testimony was
14	limited to these topics.
15	On April 23, 2012, the Commission held the continued public hearing. An updated letter
16	from Neal Capps, Gem County Road and Bridge Director, and a memo from Bradley Clark,
17	Planning Director, were submitted into the record addressing transportation-related public safety
18	concerns. Two (2) members of the public appeared to testify in opposition, although only one was
19	relevant to the transportation/public safety topic. Cheryl Harris provided a rebuttal to the
20	testimony.
21	Proper legal requirements for advertisement of the first public hearing was met by
22	publication in the Messenger Index on February 15, 2012, posting of the property on February 27,
23	2012, and first class mailing to all property owners within 300 feet on February 13, 2012.
24	Subsequent public hearings were set by motion at the meetings to a date certain.
25	Section 11-7-3 of the Gem County Code (Zoning Ordinance related to Special Use
26	Permits) requires that, to grant a special use permit, the Commission shall find adequate evidence
27	showing that the proposed use: 1) will in fact constitute a special use as established on the

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Upon finding the above standards have been met (as further outlined in Exhibit B), the Commission voted to approve the Special Use Permit with conditions. (See Exhibit A for a list of the site-specific conditions.)

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Commission Vote

23	Motion: Approve with conditions	
24	Commissioner Vickery	Yea
25	Commissioner Barron	<u>Yea</u>
26	Commissioner Darnell	<u>Absent</u>
27	Commissioner Boston	<u>Nay</u>
28	In case of tie vote	
29	Commissioner Perin	N/A

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3	Order
4 5	IT IS NOW THEREFORE HEREBY ORDERED that the Special Use Permit requested
6	in SPECIAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION NUMBER SUP-12-001 is APPROVED with
7	conditions (Exhibit A), subject to the reasons set forth above.
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9	III.
10	Option to Appeal
11	In accordance with Gem County Code, Section 11-13-1.B, any person having an interest in
12	real property adversely affected by the Commission's decision has the right to file an Appeal of
13	the Commission decision to the Board of County Commissioners. You must appeal the written
14	decision within twenty (20) days from its rendering. Said application must follow the procedures
15	outlined in Section B.1 of Gem County Code 11-13-1.
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17	On hehelf of the Com County Toning Commission
18	On behalf of the Gem County Zoning Commission:
19	(Bradley D. Clark, Planning Director)
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22	I hereby certify that on this day of may, 20 1.2, I
23	served a true and correct copy of the foregoing DECISION AND ORDER upon
24	Name Shamon Williams
25	Address 5519 N. Dlenward St
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27	by depositing a copy thereof in the United States mail, with first class postage prepaid.
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Exhibit A

SITE SPECIFIC CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL **SHANNON WILLIAMS** PUBLIC PETTING ZOO FILE #SUP-12-001

Section 11-7-5 General Standards in the Special Use Chapter of the Gem County Zoning Ordinance states the following: In granting special use, the commission may prescribe appropriate conditions, bonds and safeguards in conformity with this title. Violations of such conditions, bonds or safeguards, when made a part of the terms under which the special use is granted, shall be deemed a violation of this title. (Ord. 95-04, 5-22-1995)

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