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Sec. 17-4.2. Principal Uses

(c) Standards for Specific Principal Uses

3. Residential Care Facility

If a residential care facility is proposed to be located in a new building or in an existing building that has not been used as a residential care facility within the previous 12 consecutive months, or if an expansion of an existing residential care facility is proposed, the residential care facility or expansion is only allowed as a special exception in accordance with Sec. 17-2.5(e), Special Exception Permit, and upon a finding that the following conditions have been met and made part of the special exception conditions of approval, in addition to the standards for special exceptions set forth in Sec. 17-2.5(e)(4), Special Exception Permit Decision Standards:

(i) Licensing

The owner, operator, or manager shall verify that proper DHEC licensing requirements will be met prior to start of operation.

(ii) Loitering Control Program

The owner, operator, or manager shall verify that a loitering control program will be enforced.

(iii) Neighborhood Communication Program

The owner, operator, or manager shall provide written verification they provided local contact information to the adjoining neighborhood associations or businesses for the documentation of any problems they may have with current business practices that impact adjacent neighborhoods or businesses.

(iv) Business Plan

The owner, operator, or manager shall provide a written business plan that describes, at a minimum, the following:

- (a) Number of residents;
- (b) Uses and activities that will occur in conjunction with the use;
- (c) Security plan;
- (d) Provisions for transportation of residents to and from the facility; and
- (e) Staffing information.