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Committee: Plan Commission	Date: 07/13/2016
Common Council Item Number: PC# 16-0052	Date: Click here to enter a date.
Submitted By: Maria Pandazi, City Planner	City Administrator Approval: Kevin Lahner, City Administrator Click here to enter text.
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Subject: Escape Chambers, 2246 W Bluemound Rd – Conditional Use Permit	

Details:

Escape Chambers Jr is seeking a Conditional Use Permit to occupy a tenant space in the multi-tenant business park at 2246 W Bluemound Rd. Escape Chambers is an “escape the room” business. According to the application the concept is “part game, part team building experience where groups must work together to solve puzzles in order to escape.” The location will be the headquarters for Escape Chambers Jr. The company’s management staff, call center, and creative team will be located there. It will also include four Escape Chambers, which will be open to the public and will be used to test new concepts and ideas. The office will be open from 8 AM to 5 PM, and the Escape Chambers will be open from 10 AM to 10 PM.

The 2246 W Bluemound Rd property is zoned M-1 Light industrial. Escape room businesses are not specifically listed as a permitted or conditional use in M-1 districts, but staff feels that they fall into the indoor recreational facilities category, which is a conditional use. Offices that are auxiliary to the principle operation are a permitted accessory use.

Options & Alternatives:

The Commission could impose any additional conditions on the permit they see fit.

Financial Remarks:

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Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval of the Conditional Use Permit for Escape Chambers for the tenant space at 2246 W Bluemound Rd.



