



City of Las Vegas Planning Department
495 South Main Street
Las Vegas, NV 89101

RE: New laboratory Justification letter

Dear City of Las Vegas Staff:

The Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD) is seeking permission to build a new annex for the Public Health Laboratory located at 700 South MLK Boulevard in Las Vegas, NV. The project involves the construction of a laboratory building with a total area of 12,600 net square feet.

The program includes two-stories of spaces for the SNHD Network with both floors connected to the South side of the current building on the parcel. The program includes the following spaces: Biology Whole Genome Sequencing (WGS) Lab Suite, BSL-3 Lab Suite and the Clinical Microbiology Lab Suite. These essential program areas are supported by amenity, administration and building support areas to complete the program for the building.

The site is 1.4 Acres and currently supports the existing 15,000 SF building.

The new building will almost double the area on the site and together will support the SNHD's mission "To assess, protect, and promote the health, the environment, and the well-being of southern Nevada communities, residents, and visitors." The Health District is one of the largest local public health organizations in the United States, serving more than 2.3 million residents and safeguarding the public health of more than 40 million visitors to Las Vegas annually.

We are optimistic that the information included here will receive your favorable consideration and backing. If you have any questions or require additional information, don't hesitate to reach out to me at (702) 759-1236.

Sincerely,

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