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Mark Montanari, Chair
c/o Maren Toohill, Town Planner
Littleton Planning Board
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Re: Sanctuary Medicinals, Inc.- 234 Taylor Street, Littleton, MA

Dear Chair Montanari:

This firm represents Sanctuary Medicinals, Inc. regarding the application of Sanctuary Medicinals for the Adult Use Marijuana Establishment Special Permit Renewal/Site Plan Review/Water Protection District Special Permit” (the “Applications”) for Sanctuary’s facility at 234 Taylor Street, Littleton, Massachusetts (the “Facility”). This letter is to follow up on the Planning Board’s continued hearing on the Applications held on October 26, 2023, and formally requests a continuance of the hearing on this matter to the Planning Board’s meeting on January 4, 2024.

As was discussed at the last hearing, I can confirm the term of the Special Permit for the Facility that was issued on December 12, 2018 (the “Special Permit”) has been extended by to the COVID-19 state of emergency pursuant to Section 17 of Chapter 53 of the Acts of 2020. Section 17(a) of the statute defined a “permit” to include any “approval issued by a permit granting authority pursuant to a statute, ordinance, bylaw, rule or regulation, whether ministerial or discretionary,” which would include the Special Permit. Section 17(b)(iii) tolled the deadlines for any permit “in effect or existence as of March 10, 2020.” Since the Special Permit was issued before March 10, 2020 and would have expired after the end of the state of emergency (June 15, 2021), the tolling provisions of statute operate to toll the running of the permit for the 462 days of the COVID-19 state of emergency. Therefore, the Special Permit will not expire until March 18, 2025.

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Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns regarding the foregoing, and please confirm the time this matter will be placed on the agenda for the Planning Board meeting on January 4, 2024.

Best regards,



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