



Sustainable Safari will be like no other zoo in the world. We will bring unique animals safely in front of the public to dispel some long-held myths about the animals themselves and about their sustainably under current global conditions and practices. Did you know that you can pet a porcupine? Did you know they love to be scratched under the chin and will lick your hand while you are scratching them? Guests can purchase packages that will allow them to interact with our animals. They will have the opportunity to feed or pet Lemurs, Kangaroos, or even an Alligator. All animals that have close guest interaction are hand raised, and guest /animal interactions will be closely supervised by experienced keepers. Our facility will display 30+ different unique species such as: Red Kangaroo, Kinkajou, Ring Tail Lemur, Crested Porcupine, Coatimundi and many more.

In addition to up close personal animal interaction, our guests can utilize augmented and virtual reality stations. Through the magic of virtual reality, guests will observe our animal's natural habits. Guests will visit the desert of Australia, coast of Africa and the rain forest of South America to name a few locations. Augmented reality will guide and educate our guests about each animal as they travel throughout our facility. Our guests simply download an application to their phone. Specific technology tracks the guests ensuring the correct information is always displayed

Our Mission Statement is: *Providing our guests, a unique animal encounter in a safe up-close manner, while educating on Planetary Sustainability using live animals and technologies.* Throughout our facility we will educate our guests on steps we are taking to lessen our impact on the environment and small steps they can take to do the same. Our sustainable message will be delivered through a modeling viewpoint, not preaching. Our hope is that after our guests meet our animals, and see the state of their natural habitats, they will want to get involved ensuring these animals and their habitats will be around for future generations.

## Location at MOA

We have attained a LOI from Mall of America to build our above proposed Zoo in the lower level of the old Bloomingdale Store. It consists of 49,000 square feet with our own access to loading docks and private entrance from first floor of Mall.

## Talking Points for Meeting on December 4, 2018 (No particular order)

- 1) My name is Bob Pilz. I have been working on this project since 2014 with the MOA.
- 2) I am a USDA licensed animal exhibitor and breeder since 2002. Also hold permits or licenses through the DNR, MN Board of Animal Health and USFWS. I currently operate a petting zoo called Cock-A-Doodle Zoo and display our animals all over the state. We've been at the MN Renaissance Festival, Valley Fair, 14 different county fairs and several city festivals over the years. To this date I've had zero (0) claims on insurance with an average of 150 events yearly.
- 3) We will house around 200-250 different animals at MOA, but these will include high numbers of Insects, Reptiles, Amphibians and then of-course mammals. We will continue to house animals on a off site location for quarantine and animal R and R.

4) Species will be safe not dangerous or poisonous. Mammals that will likely be involved include; kangaroo, wallaby, coatimundi, kinkajou, otter, binturong, alligator, lemurs, marmoset, tamarins, agouti, paca, farm animals, fox, tamandua, raccoon, squirrels, muntjac deer, white tail fawns, cuscus, sloth, cavy, armadillo, porcupines, skunk, prairie dogs, woodchuck, zorilla, hyrax, owl monkey, squirrel monkey, and other miscellaneous.

5) CNH Architects – Wayne Hilbert

6) We will have on staff approximately 20 zoo keepers and overnight staff for cleaning and security. Majority of the animals will be housed on site for extended periods. Farm animals will be on daily rotations. Others on as needed basis.

7) Feces removal will be on “As-Pooped” basis. We will have several Brute barrels at the ready to remove from public and off premises daily.

8) Enclosure clean-up will consist of Electric Hot Water Pressure system and either drain removed or vacuum removal system.

9) Ventilation discussions are on-going.

10) Supervised “Hands on interactions” will take place. Lemur feedings (we do these at the Renaissance Fair typically 1000 a season), petting of animals, holdings and feedings.

11) Hand Sinks will be placed throughout facility and the leased space has bathrooms for public safety from animal borne illness that are possible with animal interactions.

Sincere regards,

Bob and Dave