Understanding the Zoning Clearance Process

- Coordinate request with Community Development Staff
- Submit application & documentation-pay Application Fee
- Application is accepted by Community Development Director as complete
- Staff prepares report & gives public notice of hearing
- Planning Commission Public Hearing
  - Planning Commission Recommendation
    - Recommendation of Approval
      - City Council Public Hearing
        - Approve
          - Zoning is Approved; Ordinance is Amended
        - Deny
          - File is closed
    - Recommendation of Denial
  - Zoning clearance is issued
    - Consult with Community Development about alternate location

NORTH KANSAS CITY ZONING GUIDE
A guide to understanding zoning in North Kansas City

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**What is zoning?**

Zoning is the division of land into various zones within which various uses are permitted. Zoning districts are created to keep compatible uses together. Not all uses are suited for all zoning districts.

**The Purpose of the North Kansas City Zoning Code**

1. Promoting the public health, safety, comfort, morals, convenience and general welfare;
2. Securing adequate light, pure air and safety from fire and other dangers; and
3. Conserving the taxable value of land and buildings throughout the city.

**Zoning Applications**

**Site Plan Review**

- The purpose of requiring site plan review is to ensure that proposed development conforms with these regulations and proposes a compatible arrangement of buildings, off-street parking, lighting, signage, landscaping, vehicle and pedestrian circulation, site drainage and open spaces.

**Conditional Use permits**

- Conditional uses are those uses which generally are compatible with the permitted land uses in a given zoning district, which require individual review of their location, design and configuration and the imposition of conditions in order to ensure the appropriateness of the use at a particular location within a given zoning district, as specified in a conditional use permit.

**Variances**

- The board of zoning adjustment may authorize a variance from the strict application of these regulations where, owing to special conditions, a literal enforcement of these provisions will, in an individual case, result in practical difficulties or unnecessary hardship.

**Zoning Amendments**

It may be necessary or advisable, from time to time, to amend the zoning classification of property as indicated on the zoning district.

**Abbreviated Designation**

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