



ZONING CHANGE APPLICATION



APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

All application materials and attachments should be submitted electronically through the Accela Online Permitting System:

[Click Here to Apply Online](#) or visit www.fortworthtexas.gov/zoning

The deadline to submit applications is the first Monday of each month at 5:00 pm. Completed applications will be scheduled for Zoning Commission consideration the following month. All incomplete or inaccurate applications will be placed on hold until the applicant has made the required changes. These applications will be re-evaluated on the next deadline day.

Please refer to the most recently adopted [Zoning Commission Calendar](#) for exact filing deadlines and meeting dates.

For more information about rezoning and the public hearing process, please visit www.fortworthtexas.gov/zoning.

FEE SCHEDULE

Base Zoning Change Fee

Site Acreage	Fee
Less than 1 acre	\$1,200*
1 – 5 acres	\$1,800
5.01 – 10 acres	\$2,700
10.01 – 25 acres	\$3,300
25.01 or more acres	\$3,300 plus \$75 per acre (not to exceed \$9,000)

** A reduced fee of \$450 applies when less than one acre of property is downzoned to a one or two-family district consistent with the Future Land Use Plan.
- An additional fee of \$600 applies when the proposed zoning is inconsistent with the City's adopted Comprehensive Plan.*

Additional Fees for Planned Developments (PD) or Conditional Use Permits (CUP) Site Plan Review

Site Acreage	Fee
0 – 5 acres	\$1,200
5.01 – 10 acres	\$2,700
10 or more acres	\$3,300 plus \$75 per acre (not to exceed \$9,000)
PD or CUP with Development Standard Waiver Requests	\$750 Additional Fee

Other Fees

Site Plan Submittal or Amendment (with public hearing)	\$800
Administrative Site Plan Amendment (staff review only)	\$250
Comprehensive Plan Inconsistency Fee	\$600
Hearing Continuance at Applicant's Request (after public notice)	\$600
Paper Filing Fee	\$50
Zoning-Multi Family Dwelling (MFD/PD)	\$600 for the first waiver and then \$300 after
Quick Turn (request to expedite City Council consideration)	Twice the total application fee as calculated above

Please note: To determine if your site is within a Neighborhood Empowerment Zone (NEZ) and if you qualify for the program benefits, please contact 817-392-7316. In order to qualify for fee waivers on this Zoning Change Application, the NEZ application must be completed and approved prior to submission of the Zoning Change Application. Otherwise, full zoning fees will apply.



ZONING CHANGE / SITE PLAN APPLICATION

CONTACT INFORMATION

PROPERTY OWNER _____

Mailing Address _____ City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

APPLICANT _____

Mailing Address _____ City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

AGENT / OTHER CONTACT _____

Mailing Address _____ City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Note: If the property owner is a corporation, partnership, trust, etc., documentation must be provided to demonstrate that the person signing the application is legally authorized to sign on behalf of the organization.

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

Site Location (Address or Block Range): _____

Total Rezoning Acreage: _____ I certify that an exhibit map showing the entire area to be rezoned is attached.

If multiple tracts are being rezoned, the exhibit map must clearly label each tract and the current and proposed zoning districts. A platted lot description or certified metes and bounds description is required for each tract, as described below.

Is the property platted?

YES - PLATTED

Subdivision, Block, and Lot (list all): _____

Is rezoning proposed for the entire platted area? Yes No Total Platted Area: _____ acres

Any partial or non-platted tract will require a certified metes and bounds description as described below.

NO – NOT PLATTED

A Registered Texas Surveyor’s certified metes and bounds legal description is required. The boundary description shall bear the surveyor’s name, seal, and date. The metes and bounds must begin at a corner platted lot or intersect with a street. All metes and bounds descriptions must close. If the area to be rezoned is entirely encompassed by a recorded deed, a copy of the deed description is acceptable. The certified metes and bounds description must be provided in Microsoft Word format.

Total Area Described by Metes and Bounds: _____ acres

APPLICATION TYPE

Please check the box next to the description that applies to your project. Make sure to select the corresponding application type when submitting your application in Accela (Zoning Change or Site Plan Amendment).

Zoning Change Application	Site Plan Amendment
<input type="checkbox"/> Rezoning from one standard zoning district to another <input type="checkbox"/> Rezoning to Planned Development (PD) District <input type="checkbox"/> Adding a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Modifying development standards, waivers, and/or land uses for an existing PD or CUP	<input type="checkbox"/> Submitting a required site plan for an existing PD <i>(no change to development standards or waivers)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Amending a previously approved PD or CUP site plan Existing PD or CUP Number: _____ Previous Zoning Case Number: _____

DEVELOPMENT INFORMATION

Current Zoning District(s): _____ Proposed Zoning District(s): _____

Current Use of Property: _____

Proposed Use of Property: _____

For Planned Development (PD) Requests Only

First, reference Ordinance [Section 4.300](#) to ensure your project qualifies for PD zoning. If so, complete the following:

Base Zoning District Proposed for PD: _____

Land Uses Being Added or Removed: _____

Are Development Standards or Waivers being requested? Yes No If yes, please list below:

- Site Plan Included (completed site plan is attached to this application)
- Site Plan Required (site plan will be submitted at a future time for approval by Zoning Commission and City Council)
- Site Plan Waiver Requested (in the box above, explain why a waiver is needed)

For Conditional Use Permit (CUP) Requests Only

Current Zoning of Property: _____

Additional Use Proposed with CUP: _____

Are Development Standards or Waivers being requested? Yes No If yes, please list below:

A site plan meeting requirements of the attached checklist is included with this application (required for all CUP requests)

DETAILED PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Please provide a detailed summary of your proposal below. This should include a detailed description of the proposed use and reason for rezoning, how this use is compatible with surrounding land uses and the City's Comprehensive Plan, and any other details relevant to your request. Feel free to attach additional pages, concept plans, etc. as needed.

For PD or CUP requests, please explain why your proposal cannot be accommodated by standard zoning districts, clarify if any waivers are being requested and why, and detail any changes from previously approved site plans or development standards.



ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

1. **Is this property part of a current Code Compliance case?** Yes No If yes, please explain:

2. **Is the purpose of this request to provide a reasonable accommodation for a person(s) with disabilities?** Yes No

If yes, this application will be directed to the Development Services Director or Zoning Administrator for review pursuant to Ordinance No. 22098-03-2016, "Reasonable Accommodation or Modification for Residential Uses." Applications under a Reasonable Accommodation Ordinance review will not be heard by the Zoning Commission. Please see Ordinance No. 22098-03-2016 (Chapter 17, Division V) for more information. *(Note to staff: If yes, send a copy of this application and any attachments to the Zoning Administrator as soon as possible.)*

3. **Have you contacted the relevant Council Member to discuss your proposal?** Yes No [Click to find your Council District.](#)

4. **Have you contacted nearby neighborhood organizations and property owners to discuss your proposal?** Yes No

The [Fort Worth Neighborhood Database](#) includes contact information for each registered organization. To find a list of organizations in close proximity to your site, please use the [Online Zoning Map](#) or contact [Community Engagement](#). All registered groups within ½ mile of your site and property owners within 300 feet will be notified of the request.

5. **Would you need Translation Services to explain your case and answer questions at either the Zoning Commission and/or at City Council hearing?** (at no cost to you)

¿Va usted a necesitar servicios de traducción para explicar y contestar preguntas sobre su caso ante la Comisión de Zonificación y/o frente al Consejo de la Ciudad? (sin coste para usted) Sí No

If yes, please explain in which language you need translation/ *Si así lo quiere, explique en qué idioma:* _____

6. **The following items are required with your application.** Please confirm submittal by checking each item below.

- Completed copy of Zoning Change Application with original signatures (pages 2-6)
- Corporate documents demonstrating signature authority if property owner is a corporation, partnership, trust, etc.
- A copy of the recorded plat or certified metes and bounds description (page 2)
- An exhibit map showing the entire area to be rezoned with labels for current and proposed zoning districts
- If requesting Planned Development (PD) zoning or a Conditional Use Permit (CUP):
 - Site Plan meeting requirements of attached checklist (pages 7-8)
 - A list of all waiver requests with specific ordinance references

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS / LETTER OF AUTHORIZATION FOR ZONING CASE REPRESENTATION

I certify that the above information is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and ability and that I am now, or will be, fully prepared to present the above proposal before the Zoning Commission and City Council public hearings. I further certify that I have read and understand the information provided, concerning the policies and procedures regarding consideration of my zoning request.

I understand that Planning staff will not conduct a plan review for this development and any and all development / design standards must be adhered to unless otherwise specified through a waiver.

I understand that all recommendations of the Zoning Commission will be forwarded to the City Council for final determination, normally scheduled for the second Tuesday of the following month. I further understand that any actions of the Zoning Commission are considered recommendations to the City Council and that I may be heard by the City Council at the prescribed Council hearing date where a final decision will be made.

I further understand that if I am not present nor duly represented at the Commission’s public hearing, the Zoning Commission may dismiss my request, which constitutes a recommendation that the request be denied. I further understand that if I am not present, or duly represented, at the City Council public hearing, the City Council may deny my request.

I reserve the right to withdraw this proposal at any time, within 14 days of the deadline filing date, upon written request filed with the Executive Secretary of the Commission. Such withdrawal shall immediately stop all proceedings thereon; provided, however, case withdrawal, filed any time after the 14 days following the filing deadline, shall constitute a denial by the Commission and City Council. I understand my filing fee is not refundable upon withdrawal of my case application after public notice, nor following denial by the Commission or Council of my case. I / we respectfully request approval and adoption of the proposed zoning / land use of property, within the City of Fort Worth, as identified in this application.

SIGN INSTALLATION AUTHORIZATION

Authority is hereby granted to the City of Fort Worth, or its agent, to install upon the above described property, sign or signs in a conspicuous place, or places, at a point, or points nearest any right-of-way, street, roadway or historic designation, or, special exception or public thoroughfare abutting said property. Such sign or signs indicate that a zoning amendment is proposed and that further information can be acquired by telephoning the number indicated. I shall inform City Staff if the sign is removed, lost, or otherwise ceases to be displayed on my property during the processing of the zoning case.

Owner’s Signature (of the above referenced property): _____

Owner’s Name (Printed): _____

If application is being submitted by an applicant or agent other than the property owner, complete the section below:

AUTHORITY IS HEREBY GRANTED TO (NAME) _____ ACTING ON MY BEHALF AS THE OWNER OF THIS PROPERTY AS INDICATED AT THE APPRAISAL DISTRICT, TO FILE AND PRESENT AN APPLICATION TO THE CITY OF FORT WORTH, TEXAS, TO REQUEST A CHANGE IN ZONING CLASSIFICATION FOR THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY:

_____ (CERTIFIED LEGAL DESCRIPTION)

Owner’s Signature (of the above referenced property)

Applicant or Agent’s Signature

Owner’s Name (Printed)

Applicant or Agent’s Name (Printed):





SITE PLAN CHECKLIST AND REQUIREMENTS

Planned Development (PD) and Conditional Use Permit (CUP) Requests

Items to be Shown on All Site Plans

Project Identification:

- Site Address and Legal Description
- Title of project or development (in bold letters) in the lower righthand corner of the plan
- Date of preparation or revision, as applicable
- Name, address, and telephone number of engineer, architect, surveyor, and developer/owner
- Vicinity map, north arrow, and scale
- Label the zoning case number in the lower righthand corner of the plan, below the title
- Provide a signature line labeled: "Director of Development Services" with a "Date" line above the project title

Site Conditions:

- Buildings and Structures – The location and dimensions of all existing and proposed buildings and structures on the site, including those proposed for removal; the specific category of land/occupancy use(s) to be contained therein; the gross floor area, number of stories, land density per net acre of any residential buildings to remain or proposed, building height and separation, exterior construction material(s); and the location of all entrances and exits to buildings.
- Streets, Parking, and Drives – The location, paving and Right-of-Way widths, dimensions, and type(s) of all existing and proposed surface materials of perimeter and internal public and private streets, driveways, entrances, exits, parking and loading areas, including the number of off-street parking and ADA spaces, access ramps, wheel stops/curbing, and internal vehicular circulation pattern(s) or flow diagrams.
- Supplemental Surfaces – The types of surfacing i.e. grass turf, gravel, walks, etc. elsewhere existing or proposed on the site that is not proposed for vehicular paving and circulation.
- Dumpsters/Air Conditioners/Compactors – The size and location of all garbage containers, compactors, ground mounted air conditioners, etc., including the screening material identification and height thereof.
- Fences and Screening – Location, material, and height of all screen fences, walls, screen plantings, or bufferyards.
- Setbacks and Easements – Show all utility, drainage, and other easements, and all setbacks as appropriate to the zoning district and recorded plats.
- Land Use and Zoning – Label the land use and zoning classifications of both the site area and the immediately adjacent properties abutting the site.
- For Multifamily Site Plans - Provide a diagram showing areas being counted towards open space. If a waiver is required, provide a specific minimum percentage or other language defining how open space will be calculated for your project.

General Notes:

The following notes should be included on all site plans:

- This project will comply with [Section 6.301, Landscaping](#).
 - Note: For multifamily projects, revise this note to state: "This project will comply with Enhanced Landscaping Requirements for Section ____." (reference section for your specific zoning district)*
- This project will comply with [Section 6.302, Urban Forestry](#).
- All signage will conform to [Article 4, Signs](#).
- All provided lighting will conform to the Lighting Code.

For multifamily projects in CR, C, or D districts, also include the following note:

- This project will comply with the Multifamily Design Standards (MFD) and an MFD Site Plan shall be submitted.

Please make sure to carefully review the development and design standards for your zoning district in [Chapter 4](#) of the Zoning Ordinance. If any waivers from these requirements are being requested, they must be clearly listed on the application and site plan. Once a site plan is approved by City Council, a PD or CUP Amendment will be required to add or modify any waivers. This is a full rezoning (public hearing) process that cannot be approved administratively.

Note: Approval of a zoning site plan does not waive health and safety requirements from Platting, Transportation/Public Works, Fire, Park & Recreation, and Water Department. These items cannot be waived through the Zoning Commission and City Council. Approval of the zoning site plan does not constitute the acceptance of conditions from these departments.