

# ONE STOP SHOP

# CITY OF LINDSBORG BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT GUIDE

CONTACT:

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT CITY HALL, 101 S. MAIN

(785) 227-3355

## Table of Contents

## Business Development Guide

City of Lindsborg Key Contact	2
Licenses and Permits	3
Utilities	3
Zoning	4
Design Review Board	4
Business Development Process Flow Chart	5
City of Lindsborg Zoning Map	6

## City of Lindsborg - Key Contacts

City Hall 785-227-3355 101 S. Main Fax 785-227-4128

Gary Shogren Community Development Director/

garys@lindsborgcity.org Planning Department/One Stop Shop Contact

Gaylene Butler Utilities Clerk - Customer Service

gayleneb@lindsborgcity.org

Jerry Lovett-Sperling City Clerk - Licensing ils@lindsborgcity.org

Larry Lindgren Finance Director

larryl@lindsborgcity.org

Robin Drogemeier Municipal Court Clerk/Recycling Department

robind@lindsborgcity.org

Public Works Department 785-227-3428
202 E. Lincoln Fax 785-227-4492

Chris Lindholm Building Official chrisl@lindsborgcity.org

Public Safety Department 785-227-2988

102 S. First

Timothy Berggren Chief of Police chief@lindsborgcity.org

angelao@lindsborgcity.org

Angela Oestmann Communications Specialist

2

## Licenses and permits

The City does not require a general business license, but there are some exceptions for certain business activities. All application forms are available at City Hall.

#### Alcohol

The sale of alcohol, in one form or another, will always require a license or permit. Keep in mind that they are annual licenses (calendar year), and some must be approved by City Council before they are effective.

#### Peddlers and Solicitors

Any individual, whether a resident of the city or not, must obtain a license to sell merchandise "door-to-door". This includes goods, wares, merchandise, meats, fish, vegetables, fruits, garden and farm products. The license is daily (\$10) up to a maximum of \$300.

Plumbers, Electricians and Tree Maintenance Contractors All require an annual license.

#### Sidewalk Seating and Streetscape Enhancement License

Special restrictions have been placed on businesses in the downtown "C-2" business district related to the use of public sidewalks in front of store fronts. Contact City Hall for details, or look up Chapter 42, Article III Sidewalks in the municipal code.

#### Health Department Permits

The City does not monitor food establishments, but be aware that the following types of businesses must contact the Kansas Department of Agriculture before doing business.

Restaurants

Grocery stores

Convenience stores

Meat markets

Bars, lounges and clubs

**Bakeries** 

Mobile food vendors

Places of lodging

Contact Mark Lackey, Kansas Department of Agriculture (785) 296-5600

### **Utilities**

The City of Lindsborg provides electric, water, wastewater and refuse service to homes and businesses with the community. To request service, an application must be made with City Hall. Kansas Gas Service provides gas service and can be contacted at (800) 794-6673. High speed internet, telephone and TV service is available from a variety of sources. Contact the Community Development Department for more information.

## Zoning

Zoning is a tool that a community uses to regulate development and establish a vision for the future. Zoning regulations protect the general public health, safety and welfare by controlling land use as well as the type, size and height of buildings. By limiting incompatible uses and preventing overcrowding, property values are protected and businesses have more opportunity to thrive.

Simply put, zoning classifies land into areas and districts, generally referred to as "zones" or "districts". Each zone allows certain types of uses, residential, commercial or industrial, as well as the intensity of the use. For example, "R-1" restricts housing to single family dwellings, while "R-3" allows multi-family apartments. For businesses, the two major commercial districts, Downtown ("C-2") and Harrison/Cole ("C-3") have common but not identical uses. Be sure to contact the Community Development Department for information on specific business types allowed in each district.

Although zoning regulations prohibit the operation of a business from a residence, in some situations, some business operations are allowed as an accessory use to the residence. A special use permit is required. For more information, contact the Community Development Department.

## Design Review Board

While the zoning code addresses the types of land uses that are allowed in particular areas and the intensity of development, the Design Review process considers the preservation of Lindsborg's natural setting of scenic and historical beauty. In the Downtown "C-2" district, compliance with the following regulation is required:

"No person shall modify the exterior appearance of any building or structure, nor shall any building permit be issued for the erection or modification of any building or structure, nor shall any sign be erected or placed in use, unless a precise plan of design describing said modification, erection or sign shall have been submitted and approved as stated in this division."

The Design Review Board is responsible for approving proposed exterior modifications and signage. It consists of five members, all residents of the City, and appointed by the Mayor. In addition to approving all structural, design or facade changes to buildings in the downtown district, they also review all sign requests in other business districts within the community.

Before installing any signs or initiating any changes to downtown buildings, a precise plan of design must be submitted to City Hall for review and approval by the Board. For more information, contact the City Clerk at (785) 227-3355.

#### One Stop Shop Business Development Process Key: Flow Chart Community Development **Public Works** Inter-Department Review Planning & Zoning Utilities Clerk/Customer Service **Public Safety** Start City Clerk Community Development Public Works Site Selection and Engineering Design Criteria Zoning Determination Submission of Drawings Plan Review **Building Permits** Community Development Inter-Department Review Rezoning Subdivision Platting Applicant infor-Planning & Zoning Commission mation is forward-Home Occupation Permits Board of Zoning Appeals ed to affected city Special Use Permits departments for Zoning Changes, Variances review & com-Floodplain Development and Special Use Permits ment. Permits Variances Note: If Planning Commission Review is required, allow 60 to 90 days. Utilities Clerk/Customer Service Electrical Service City Clerk Water Service Wastewater Service Design Review Compliance Trash and Recycling Sign Permits Public Safety Pay Deposits Alcoholic Beverage Licenses Special Event Requests New Street Addresses Peddler/Solicitor Licenses Fingerprinting Services Contractor Licenses

