



United City of Yorkville
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APPLICATION FOR SIGN VARIANCE

INTENT AND PURPOSE:

The purpose of a variance is to provide relief from certain regulations of the zoning ordinance to permit the use of land in a way that is not otherwise permitted under the ordinance. A variance is granted when the terms of the zoning ordinance, if literally applied, would create an unreasonable hardship on the landowner, making the property virtually useless.

This packet explains the process to successfully submit and complete an Application for a Variance Request. It includes a detailed description of the process and the actual application itself. Please type the required information in the application on your computer. The application will need to be printed and be signed by the petitioner. The only item that needs to be submitted to the city from this packet is the application. The rest of the packet is to help guide you through the process unto completion.

For a complete explanation of what is legally required throughout the Variance Request process, please refer to "Title 10, Chapter 20, Section 13 Sign Variations" of the Yorkville, Illinois City Code.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

STAGE 1

Submit
Application, Fees,
and All Pertinent
Information to
the Community
Development
Department

STAGE 2

Planning
and Zoning
Commission Public
Hearing

*Meets on the 2nd
Wednesday of the
Month*

STAGE 3

City Council
Public Hearing
(if applicable)

*Meets on the 2nd
and 4th Tuesday
of the Month*

STAGE 1: APPLICATION SUBMITTAL

The following must be submitted to the Community Development Department:

- One (1) original signed application with legal description.
- Three (3) 11" x 17" copies each of the exhibits, proposed drawings, location map, and site plan. Large items must be folded to fit in a 10" x 13" envelope.
- Appropriate filing fee.
- One (1) CD or portable USB drive containing one (1) electronic copy (pdf) of each of the following: signed application (complete with exhibits), proposed drawings, location map, and site plan. A Microsoft Word document with the legal description is also required.

Within one (1) week of submittal, the Community Development Department will determine if the application is complete or if additional information is needed. These materials must be submitted a minimum of forty five (45) days prior to the targeted Planning and Zoning Commission meeting. An incomplete submittal could delay the scheduling of the project.

Petitioner will be responsible for payment of recording fees and public hearing costs, including written transcripts of the public hearing and outside consultant costs (i.e. legal review, land planner, zoning coordinator, environmental, etc.). The petitioner will be required to establish a deposit account with the city to cover these fees. The Petitioner Deposit Account/Acknowledgment of Financial Responsibility form is attached to this document and must be submitted with the application.



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STAGE 2: PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Petitioner will attend a public hearing conducted by the Planning and Zoning Commission. The Planning and Zoning Commission meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the Month at 7:00pm. Notice will be placed in the Kendall County Record by the United City of Yorkville. The petitioner is responsible for sending certified public hearing notices to adjacent property owners within five hundred (500) feet of the subject property no less than fifteen (15) days and no more than thirty (30) days prior to the public hearing date. Twenty four (24) hours prior to the public hearing, a certified affidavit must be filed by the petitioner with the Community Development Department containing the names, addresses and permanent parcel numbers of all parties that were notified. The Certified Mailing Affidavit form is attached to this document and must be submitted prior to the scheduled Planning and Zoning Commission meeting.

STAGE 3: CITY COUNCIL

If necessary, the petitioner will attend a City Council public hearing where the Planning and Zoning Commission decision will be discussed and reviewed. The City Council meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 7:00pm. Variations may be granted by the City Council, but only after a public hearing for an authorized variation. The concurring vote of two-thirds (2/3) of all members of the City Council shall be necessary to reverse the recommendations of the Planning and Zoning Commission.

DORMANT APPLICATIONS

The Community Development Director shall determine if an application meets or fails to meet the requirements stated above. If the Director determines that the application is incomplete it will become dormant under these circumstances:

- The petitioner has been notified of such deficiencies and has not responded or provided a time line for completing the application within ninety (90) days from the time of notification.
- The petitioner has not responded in writing to a request for information or documentation from the initial plan commission review within six (6) months from the date of that request.
- The petitioner has not responded to a request for legal or engineering deposit replenishment for city incurred costs and fees within ninety (90) days from the date of the request.

If the Community Development Director has sent the required notice and the petitioner has not withdrawn their application or brought it into compliance, then the director shall terminate the application. After termination, the application shall not be reconsidered except after the filing of a completely new application.

Withdrawal or termination of an application shall not affect the petitioner's responsibility for payment of any costs and fees, or any other outstanding debt owed to the city. The balance of any funds deposited with the city that is not needed to pay for costs and fees shall be returned to the petitioner. (Ord. 2011-34, 7-26-2011)



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INVOICE & WORKSHEET PETITION APPLICATION			
CONCEPT PLAN REVIEW	<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering Plan Review deposit	\$500.00	Total: \$
AMENDMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> Annexation <input type="checkbox"/> Plan <input type="checkbox"/> Plat <input type="checkbox"/> P.U.D.	\$500.00 \$500.00 \$500.00 \$500.00	Total: \$
ANNEXATION	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250.00 + \$10 per acre for each acre over 5 acres		Total: \$
	$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} - 5 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ # of Acres Acres over 5	$\times \$10 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ Amount for Extra Acres	$+ \$250 = \$ \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ Total Amount
REZONING	<input type="checkbox"/> \$200.00 + \$10 per acre for each acre over 5 acres		Total: \$
<i>If annexing and rezoning, charge only 1 per acre fee; if rezoning to a PUD, charge PUD Development Fee - not Rezoning Fee</i>			
	$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} - 5 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ # of Acres Acres over 5	$\times \$10 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ Amount for Extra Acres	$+ \$200 = \$ \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ Total Amount
SPECIAL USE	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250.00 + \$10 per acre for each acre over 5 acres		Total: \$
	$\underline{\hspace{2cm}} - 5 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ # of Acres Acres over 5	$\times \$10 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ Amount for Extra Acres	$+ \$250 = \$ \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ Total Amount
ZONING VARIANCE	<input type="checkbox"/> \$85.00 + \$500.00 outside consultants deposit		Total: \$
PRELIMINARY PLAN FEE	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500.00		Total: \$
PUD FEE	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500.00		Total: \$
FINAL PLAT FEE	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500.00		Total: \$
ENGINEERING PLAN REVIEW DEPOSIT	<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 1 acre <input type="checkbox"/> Over 1 acre, less than 10 acres <input type="checkbox"/> Over 10 acres, less than 40 acres <input type="checkbox"/> Over 40 acres, less than 100 acres <input type="checkbox"/> Over 100 acres	\$5,000.00 \$10,000.00 \$15,000.00 \$20,000.00 \$25,000.00	Total: \$
OUTSIDE CONSULTANTS DEPOSIT	<i>Legal, land planner, zoning coordinator, environmental services</i> For Annexation, Subdivision, Rezoning, and Special Use:		Total: \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 2 acres <input type="checkbox"/> Over 2 acres, less than 10 acres <input type="checkbox"/> Over 10 acres	\$1,000.00 \$2,500.00 \$5,000.00	
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:			



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DATE:	PZC NUMBER:	DEVELOPMENT NAME:	
PETITIONER INFORMATION			
NAME:		COMPANY:	
MAILING ADDRESS:			
CITY, STATE, ZIP:		TELEPHONE:	
EMAIL:		FAX:	
PROPERTY INFORMATION			
NAME OF HOLDER OF LEGAL TITLE:			
IF LEGAL TITLE IS HELD BY A LAND TRUST, LIST THE NAMES OF ALL HOLDERS OF ANY BENEFICIAL INTEREST THEREIN:			
PROPERTY STREET ADDRESS:			
DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY'S PHYSICAL LOCATION:			
CURRENT ZONING CLASSIFICATION:			
ZONING AND LAND USE OF SURROUNDING PROPERTIES			
NORTH:			
EAST:			
SOUTH:			
WEST:			
KENDALL COUNTY PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER(S)			



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ATTORNEY INFORMATION

NAME: COMPANY:

MAILING ADDRESS:

CITY, STATE, ZIP: TELEPHONE:

EMAIL: FAX:

ENGINEER INFORMATION

NAME: COMPANY:

MAILING ADDRESS:

CITY, STATE, ZIP: TELEPHONE:

EMAIL: FAX:

LAND PLANNER/SURVEYOR INFORMATION

NAME: COMPANY:

MAILING ADDRESS:

CITY, STATE, ZIP: TELEPHONE:

EMAIL: FAX:

ATTACHMENTS

PETITIONER MUST ATTACH A LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY TO THIS APPLICATION AND TITLE IT AS "EXHIBIT A".

PETITIONER MUST LIST THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ANY ADJOINING OR CONTIGUOUS LANDOWNERS WITHIN FIVE HUNDRED (500) FEET OF THE PROPERTY THAT ARE ENTITLED NOTICE OF APPLICATION UNDER ANY APPLICABLE CITY ORDINANCE OR STATE STATUTE. ATTACH A SEPARATE LIST TO THIS APPLICATION AND TITLE IT AS "EXHIBIT B".



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SIGN VARIANCE STANDARDS

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|--|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| WAS THE SIGN ERECTED LEGALLY WITH A SIGN PERMIT? | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO |
| ARE THERE LIMITED AVAILABLE LOCATIONS FOR SIGNAGE ON THE PROPERTY? | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO |
| DOES THE SIGN FACE A STREET WITH A FORTY (40) MILE PER HOUR OR HIGHER SPEED LIMIT? | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO |
| IS THE SIGN ON A STREET WITH TWENTY THOUSAND (20,000) OR HIGHER VEHICLE TRIPS PER DAY? | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO |
| IS THE SIGN ON A WALL FACING A PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY WITHOUT A PUBLIC ENTRANCE? | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO |
| WOULD THE SIGN BE BLOCKED BY EXISTING OR REQUIRED LANDSCAPING? | <input type="checkbox"/> YES | <input type="checkbox"/> NO |

PLEASE STATE THE VARIANCE REQUESTED AND THE CITY ORDINANCE INCLUDING THE SECTION NUMBERS TO BE VARIED:

PLEASE STATE HOW THE PROPOSED VARIATION WILL NOT IMPAIR AN ADEQUATE SUPPLY OF LIGHT AND AIR TO ADJACENT PROPERTY, OR SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASE THE CONGESTION IN THE PUBLIC STREETS, OR INCREASE THE DANGER TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY, OR SUBSTANTIALLY DIMINISH OR IMPAIR PROPERTY VALUES WITHIN THE NEIGHBORHOOD:

PLEASE CONFIRM THE PROPOSED VARIATION IS CONSISTENT WITH THE OFFICIAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND OTHER DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS AND POLICIES OF THE CITY.



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PLEASE DESCRIBE THE COST TO THE PETITIONER OF COMPLYING WITH THE SIGN ORDINANCE REQUIREMENTS:

IF THERE ARE ANY UNIQUE PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PROPERTY, PLEASE DESCRIBE THEM BELOW:

PLEASE STATE HOW THE GRANTING OF THE VARIATION WILL NOT BE DETRIMENTAL TO THE PUBLIC WELFARE OR INJURIOUS TO OTHER PROPERTY OR IMPROVEMENTS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD IN WHICH THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED:

PLEASE STATE HOW THE PARTICULAR SURROUNDINGS, SHAPE OR TOPOGRAPHICAL CONDITIONS OF THE SPECIFIC PROPERTY INVOLVED, A PARTICULAR HARDSHIP TO THE OWNER WOULD RESULT, AS DISTINGUISHED FROM A MERE INCONVENIENCE, IF THE STRICT LETTER OF REGULATIONS WAS CARRIED OUT:



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PLEASE STATE HOW THE CONDITIONS UPON WHICH THE APPLICATION FOR A VARIATION IS BASED ARE UNIQUE TO THE PROPERTY FOR WHICH THE VARIATION IS SOUGHT AND ARE NOT APPLICABLE, GENERALLY, TO OTHER PROPERTY WITHIN THE SAME ZONING CLASSIFICATION:

PLEASE STATE HOW THE ALLEGED DIFFICULTY OR HARDSHIP IS CAUSED BY THIS TITLE AND HAS NOT BEEN CREATED BY ANY PERSON PRESENTLY HAVING AN INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY:

AGREEMENT

I VERIFY THAT ALL THE INFORMATION IN THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE. I UNDERSTAND AND ACCEPT ALL REQUIREMENTS AND FEES AS OUTLINED AS WELL AS ANY INCURRED ADMINISTRATIVE AND PLANNING CONSULTANT FEES WHICH MUST BE CURRENT BEFORE THIS PROJECT CAN PROCEED TO THE NEXT SCHEDULED COMMITTEE MEETING.

I UNDERSTAND ALL OF THE INFORMATION PRESENTED IN THIS DOCUMENT AND UNDERSTAND THAT IF AN APPLICATION BECOMES DORMANT IT IS THROUGH MY OWN FAULT AND I MUST THEREFORE FOLLOW THE REQUIREMENTS OUTLINED ABOVE.

 PETITIONER SIGNATURE

 DATE

OWNER HEREBY AUTHORIZES THE PETITIONER TO PURSUE THE APPROPRIATE ENTITLEMENTS ON THE PROPERTY.

 OWNER SIGNATURE

 DATE

**THIS APPLICATION MUST BE
 NOTARIZED PLEASE NOTARIZE HERE:**



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PETITIONER DEPOSIT ACCOUNT/ ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

PROJECT NUMBER:	FUND ACCOUNT NUMBER:	PROPERTY ADDRESS:
APPLICATION/APPROVAL TYPE <i>(check appropriate box(es) of approval requested)</i> : <input type="checkbox"/> CONCEPT PLAN REVIEW <input type="checkbox"/> AMENDMENT (TEXT) <input type="checkbox"/> ANNEXATION <input type="checkbox"/> REZONING <input type="checkbox"/> SPECIAL USE <input type="checkbox"/> MILE AND 1/2 REVIEW <input type="checkbox"/> ZONING VARIANCE <input type="checkbox"/> PRELIMINARY PLAN <input type="checkbox"/> FINAL PLANS <input type="checkbox"/> PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT <input type="checkbox"/> FINAL PLAT		
PETITIONER DEPOSIT ACCOUNT FUND: It is the policy of the United City of Yorkville to require any petitioner seeking approval on a project or entitlement request to establish a Petitioner Deposit Account Fund to cover all actual expenses occurred as a result of processing such applications and requests. Typical requests requiring the establishment of a Petitioner Deposit Account Fund include, but are not limited to, plan review of development approvals/engineering permits. Deposit account funds may also be used to cover costs for services related to legal fees, engineering and other plan reviews, processing of other governmental applications, recording fees and other outside coordination and consulting fees. Each fund account is established with an initial deposit based upon the estimated cost for services provided in the INVOICE & WORKSHEET PETITION APPLICATION . This initial deposit is drawn against to pay for these services related to the project or request. Periodically throughout the project review/approval process, the Financially Responsible Party will receive an invoice reflecting the charges made against the account. At any time the balance of the fund account fall below ten percent (10%) of the original deposit amount, the Financially Responsible Party will receive an invoice requesting additional funds equal to one-hundred percent (100%) of the initial deposit if subsequent reviews/fees related to the project are required. In the event that a deposit account is not immediately replenished, review by the administrative staff, consultants, boards and commissions may be suspended until the account is fully replenished. If additional funds remain in the deposit account at the completion of the project, the city will refund the balance to the Financially Responsible Party. A written request must be submitted by the Financially Responsible Party to the city by the 15th of the month in order for the refund check to be processed and distributed by the 15th of the following month. All refund checks will be made payable to the Financially Responsible Party and mailed to the address provided when the account was established.		
ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY		
NAME:	COMPANY:	
MAILING ADDRESS:		
CITY, STATE, ZIP:	TELEPHONE:	
EMAIL:	FAX:	
FINANCIALLY RESPONSIBLE PARTY: I acknowledge and understand that as the Financially Responsible Party, expenses may exceed the estimated initial deposit and, when requested by the United City of Yorkville, I will provide additional funds to maintain the required account balance. Further, the sale or other disposition of the property does not relieve the individual or Company/ Corporation of their obligation to maintain a positive balance in the fund account, unless the United City of Yorkville approves a Change of Responsible Party and transfer of funds. Should the account go into deficit, all City work may stop until the requested replenishment deposit is received.		
_____ PRINT NAME	_____ TITLE	
_____ SIGNATURE	_____ DATE	
ACCOUNT CLOSURE AUTHORIZATION		
DATE REQUESTED: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETED	<input type="checkbox"/> INACTIVE
PRINT NAME: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> WITHDRAWN	<input type="checkbox"/> COLLECTIONS
SIGNATURE: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER	
DEPARTMENT ROUTING FOR AUTHORIZATION:	<input type="checkbox"/> COM. DEV.	<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING <input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING <input type="checkbox"/> FINANCE <input type="checkbox"/> ADMIN.