



CITY OF JACKSON, MS
Application for Zoning Action
Application Must Be Signed By Owner of Property

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

CASE NO.: _____

Ward #: _____

I. Please choose one or more of the following Zoning Action Requests:

___ Rezoning From ___ To ___ || ___ Use Permit || ___ Special Exception || ___ Variance(s)

II. Subject Property Address: _____

(Street number and name or description of location if property is a vacant lot)

Current Zoning for property: _____

Tax Parcel Number: _____ - _____ - _____

III. Size of Property: Lot Frontage _____ feet
 Lot Depth _____ feet
 Square footage/Acres _____
 Improved or Unimproved? _____
 If improved, number of existing buildings? _____
Use of buildings: Residential Commercial Industrial

IV. Purpose for requested Zoning Action: *(Brief Description)*

V. Are there any City Code Violations on this property? _____
If yes, please give details and dates of violations:

VI. Are there any Restrictive Covenants? _____ *If yes, please attach copies of Covenants.*

VII. Has there been any Zoning Action filed on this property in the past? _____
If yes, please attach copies of agency findings and decisions.

VIII. APPLICANT'S INFORMATION:

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Contact Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

IX. APPLICANT WILL BE REPRESENTED BY: Same as above

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Contact Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

X. CURRENT PROPERTY OWNER(S) Same as above

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Contact Name: _____ Contact Phone: _____

Email: _____ Fax: _____

XI. APPLICATION FEE SCHEDULE: **Application fees are non-refundable after public hearing.*

_____ Rezoning/Use Permit/PUD	\$501 for first five (5) acres, plus \$30 for each additional acre
_____ Special Exception	\$301 with a \$150 annual renewal fee (subject to City Council approval)
_____ Variance(s)	\$301 plus \$100 for each additional Variance request
_____ TOTAL to be included with application	

APPLICATION MUST BE FILED ON OR BEFORE 12:00PM ON THE DEADLINE DATE to be included on the next month's Planning Board Meeting Agenda. Planning Board Meetings are held on the fourth (4th) Wednesday of the month at 1:30pm in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, Warren A. Hood Building located at 200 S. President Street. November and December Planning Board Meetings will be held the third (3rd) Wednesday due to the holidays. Please review the enclosed schedule to confirm exact dates before sending out notification letters.

DECLARATION:

By signing this application, it is understood and agreed that permission is hereby given the duly authorized representative of the City of Jackson to make an investigation of the need for the Zoning Action Request, place signs on the subject property and verify authenticity of the applicant(s) and property owner(s). It is further understood that the Zoning Administrator and staff may inspect the subject property, make photographs and obtain any verifications and data necessary for preparation of its report to the Planning Board and City Council.

The above information is true, and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's Signature

Property Owner's Signature

WITNESS THE SIGNATURE(S) of the owner(s) of the subject property located at

_____ **Jackson, Mississippi**

On this the _____ day of _____, 20_____.

**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HINDS**

Personally came and appeared before me, the within named:

who signed and delivered the above and foregoing instrument as and for their free act and deed on the day and year therein mentioned, and who acknowledged to me that they are the owner(s) of the subject property as described in this Zoning Action Application.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL OF OFFICE, this the _____ day of _____, 20_____.

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:

NOTARY PUBLIC

(Official Seal)

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS – Revised 2/9/21

PLEASE NOTE: all requests with supporting documentation and fees must be filed with the Zoning Administrator by the filing deadline in order to be heard at the next month's Planning Board Hearing. **Incomplete applications will not be considered at that time, no exceptions.** A meeting with the Zoning Administrator is recommended prior to filing application. **There will be a Public Notice sign posted on the property which should only be removed by the City's Zoning Division.**

1. APPLICANT MUST NOTIFY THESE PERSONS BY CERTIFIED MAIL:

- All property owners within a 160 ft. of the subject property. A map can be obtained from the Hinds County Tax Assessor's Office. **If an owner owns more than one parcel you will only need to send one letter to that owner.**
- All neighborhood associations within 1000 ft. of the subject property.
- The City Council Member in the Ward of the subject property:

Ward 1 – Ashby M. Foote, III	Ward 5 – Vernon W. Hartley, Sr.
Ward 2 – Angelique C. Lee	Ward 6 – Aaron B. Banks
Ward 3 – Kenneth I. Stokes	Ward 7 – Virgi Lindsay
Ward 4 – Brian C. Grizzell	

Send City Council Mail to: P. O. Box 17, Jackson, MS 39205-0017

- Names and addresses of the property owners may be obtained from the Hinds County Tax Assessor's Office, Hinds County Chancery Court Building, 316 South President Street or if you have internet access you may go to the following website: www.co.hinds.ms.us/pgs/apps/landroll_query.asp
- Names and addresses of Neighborhood Associations registered with the City may be obtained from Ms. Ester L. Ainsworth, Zoning Administrator at 601-960-2001 or eainsworth@city.jackson.ms.us. Please email her to request the neighborhood associations.

2. LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS:

- A legal ad notifying the public of the proposed Zoning Action will be prepared for the applicant by the Zoning Staff. Upon receipt of the response form, staff will submit the ad to the newspaper for publishing. **The newspaper agency will send the invoice for the legal ad to the applicant.**
- **The applicant shall bear all costs associated with the legal advertisement.**
- **IMPORTANT!** If the request is for REZONING and is approved by the City Council, a final publication of the Ordinance must be advertised in the newspaper. This information should be picked up from the City Clerk's Office after the City Council Hearing.

3. SIGNS:

- A sign informing the public of the pending zoning action will be placed upon the subject property by the City of Jackson Staff at least fifteen (15) days prior to the hearing. At the appropriate time, the sign will be removed by the City. If the sign is removed by the

applicant prior to the hearing, this action will constitute a withdrawal by the applicant, and the case will not be heard at the next scheduled hearing.

4. APPEARANCE BY THE APPLICANT AT THE HEARING:

- The applicant or a representative **must appear** before the Planning Board to explain their request and answer questions.
- See the attached Hearing Procedure for understanding of what to expect at the Planning Board Hearing.

5. APPEALS:

- The Planning Board will make a recommendation to the City Council. Should you (the applicant) or the opposition be displeased with this recommendation, you may appeal the recommendation to the City Council by **submitting in writing a letter to the Zoning Administrator stating your desire to appeal.**
- A notice of appeal letter will be prepared by the applicant and **must be mailed to all parties of record as well as the Court Reporter. The court reporter needs a two-week notification prior to the City Council date.**
- A legal advertisement in the newspaper is required for the appealed case. The ad will be prepared by the Zoning Staff and submitted to the newspaper by the City Clerk. **The newspaper agency will send the bill for the legal ad to the applicant.**
- The appellant is responsible **for all costs** associated with the legal notice.
- Attached is a schedule of the filing deadlines and hearing dates.

6. WITHDRAWALS OR POSTPONEMENTS:

- A letter to the Zoning Administrator must be sent prior to the Planning Board Hearing for the application to be **withdrawn**.
- A **request to withdraw** and a full refund may be filed with the Zoning Administrator up to the time of the Planning Board Hearing. Once the hearing takes place, the application fee becomes non-refundable. The applicant **must re-notify all property owners** within 160 feet **and all** neighborhood associations within 1000 ft. of the subject property of their intent to withdraw the request via certified mail. A copy of said letter must be provided to the Zoning Office to be placed on file.
- A **postponement** may be granted by submitting **\$50.00** and a letter the Zoning Administrator five (5) business days prior to the Planning Board Hearing. The applicant **must re-notify all property owners** within 160 feet **and all** neighborhood associations within 1000 ft. of the subject property of the postponement and the rescheduled public hearing information and submit a copy of said letter the Zoning Office to be placed on file.
- Said notice must be mailed at least ten (10) days prior to the original hearing and fifteen (15) days prior to the date of the rescheduled hearing.
- **Postponements** requested on the day of the hearing, or less than five (5) days prior to the hearing, will be given five (5) minutes to address the Planning Board and request a postponement. The Planning Board has the option of voting for or against the request for a postponement. It is therefore imperative that the applicant or representative appear before the Board to request the postponement.

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED WITH THE APPLICATION

STATEMENT OF INTENT:

Documentation of the changing land use character of the area in which the requested change is made and evidence that a public need exists for the petitioned rezoning classification. Documentation of the changing land use character of an area can be established by recent rezonings and subsequent development. Evidence of a public need can be established by quantifying the amount of vacant acreage available for development in the area of the subject property. Little vacant acreage may indicate a public need for additional property to be rezoned to the requested classification.

All rezoning requests should conform to Jackson's Future Land Use Plan. A copy of the plan is available for public inspection in the Zoning Office, Suite 204, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 South President Street.

SITE PLAN OR LOCATION MAP:

A map, plat, site plan, or survey showing location of subject property and surrounding vicinity shall be included with the application. The Plan or map should include parcel lines with dimensions, roads, and any other physical features, such as creeks or streams.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ZONING ACTIONS

REZONING REQUEST

The applicant must prove by clear and convincing evidence either of the following:

1. That there was a mistake in the original zoning, or
2. That there has been substantial change in the land use character of the surrounding area that justifies rezoning the property and a public need for additional property in that area zoned in accordance with the request in said application since any previous City Council action.

SPECIAL EXEPTION REQUEST

The Planning Board and City Council shall consider the extent to which the Special Exception:

1. promotes the public health, safety, morals, or the general welfare of the community; and
2. the granting of such will adversely affect adjacent properties.

The **annual renewal** fee is \$150.00. If the Special Exception is canceled by the City Council, the renewal fee is not refundable.

USE PERMIT REQUEST

The justification statement shall state the grounds upon which the request is based, and shall further demonstrate that the granting of a Use Permit will not adversely affect the surrounding properties nor otherwise be detrimental to the public welfare.

The development and execution of the Zoning Ordinance is based upon the division of the community into districts, within which districts the use of land, buildings, the bulk and location of buildings and structures in relation to the land are substantially uniform. It is recognized, however, that there are certain uses which are generally compatible with the land uses permitted in the zoning district, but due to their unique characteristics, require individual review to ensure the appropriateness and compatibility of the use of the sun on any particular site.

When considering applications for Use Permits, the City Council shall consider the extent to which:

1. the proposed use is compatible with the character of development in the vicinity relative to density, bulk and intensity of structures, parking and other uses;
2. the proposed use will not be detrimental to the continued use, value, or development of properties in the vicinity;
3. the proposed use will not adversely affect vehicular or pedestrian traffic in the vicinity;
4. the proposed use can be accommodated by existing or proposed public services and facilities including, but not limited to, water sanitary sewer, streets, drainage, police and fire protection, and schools;
5. the proposed use is in harmony with the Comprehensive Plan; and
6. the proposed use will not be hazardous, detrimental, or disturbing to present surrounding land uses due to noise, glare, smoke, dust, odor, fumes, water pollution, vibration, electrical interference or other nuisances.

A Use Permit may be issued subject to such conditions as are necessary to carry out the purpose of the Zoning Ordinance and to prevent or minimize adverse effects upon other property in the neighborhood, including, but not limited to, limitations on size and location, requirements for landscaping, lighting, the provision of adequate ingress and egress, and duration of the permit which may be permanent or may be limited to the specific period of time and hours of operation.

Application for a Use Permit shall be accompanied by a site plan drawn at a scale to allow adequate review. Site Plans shall include the following:

1. property boundary lines and dimensions, available utilities, location of easements, roadways, rail lines and public right-of-way crossings adjacent to the subject property;
2. the proposed height, dimensions and arrangements of buildings and uses on the site;
3. the type and location of landscaping proposed for the site;

4. the locations of points of ingress and egress from the site;
5. the location of driveways, parking lots and loading areas on the site;
6. the location of any proposed substantial regrading on the site and any significant topographical or physical feature, including water courses.
7. The annual renewal fee for **Conditional Use Permits** will be \$75.00

VARIANCE REQUEST

Documentation will include the exact nature of the requested variance and demonstrate at least one of the following:

1. That special conditions and circumstances exist which are peculiar to the land, structure or building involved and which are not applicable to other lands, structures or buildings in the same district.
2. That literal interpretation of the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance would deprive the applicant of rights commonly enjoyed by other properties in the same district under the provisions of the Ordinance and would result in unnecessary undue hardship.
3. That the special conditions and circumstances do not result from actions of the applicant.
4. That granting the variance requested would not confer upon the applicant any special privilege that is denied by the Zoning Ordinance to other similar lands, structures or buildings in the same district.

**CHECKLIST FOR COMPLETE APPLICATION
 PACKET: Submit this page with your application**

_____ **Application with fee** *(completed, signed by and notarized)*
(No personal checks accepted)

_____ **Statement of Intent**

_____ **Application Must Be Signed by Owner & Applicant**

_____ **Site Plan or location map (8.5 x 11) – *no large maps***

_____ **Copy of Warranty Deed** *(filed and recorded at the courthouse)*
with legal description granting title to the current owner

_____ **Typed Legal Description on Separate Page from Warranty Deed(s)**
in Microsoft Word where it *(Must be the legal description that is on the warranty deed)*

_____ **Copy of notification letter sent to property owners within 160 feet and neighborhood associations within 1000 feet**
(see page 4 of application on how to obtain this information)

- Include with letter a copy of hearing procedure (p.11)
- Submit the **original certified green & white** mailing receipts with application – **names/address mailed to MUST be on certified slip prior to mailing them** - **you do not need to use the hard green cards.**
Example of certified slip needed below! Certified slips must be stamped by post office.

_____ **List of the names & addresses for all the individuals you sent notification letters to including neighborhood associations.**

Check these 2 lines to acknowledge you are aware of this information

_____ **There will be a Public Notice sign posted on the property which should only be removed by the City's Zoning Division**

_____ **The newspaper agency will send the bill for the legal ad to the applicant**



This section must be fully completed prior to mailing notification and submitting application. Slip must be stamped by Post Office.

NOTIFICATION FORM LETTER

Date: _____

Dear Sir or Madame:

Please be advised that _____
has/have filed with the City of Jackson an application for a:

_____ **REZONING** _____ **Special Exception** _____ **Use Permit** _____ **Variance**

for property located at _____.

The property is currently used as _____.

The proposed use of the property is _____.

The City of Jackson Planning Board will conduct a public hearing on this application on:

Date: _____ at 1:30p.m. at 200 S. President Street in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room – 1st Floor of the Warren A. Hood Building.

As a property owner within 160 feet of the subject property or a neighborhood organization within 1000 feet of the subject property, you have the right to be present at the hearing and to make a statement concerning the proposed action. Persons testifying for or against the action **will be subject to the time limitations** regulated by the Planning Board (**see attached hearing procedure**). You may also submit a letter of support or opposition to the Zoning Administrator to City of Jackson Attn: Zoning Division - P. O. Box 17, Jackson, MS 39205-0017 (200 S. President Street, Room 204). **Additional information about this proposed Zoning Action case may be obtained by calling the Zoning Division at (601) 960-2037.**

Applicant

Applicant

Attachment

**JACKSON CITY PLANNING BOARD'S
ZONING PETITION HEARING PROCEDURE**

The Planning Board's Zoning Hearing Meeting functions as a **fact finding body only**. The purpose of this hearing is to gather and make a record of all pertinent information concerning the petitions in question. A court reporter will take down all statements at the hearing. In addition, a tape recording will be made. A recommendation will be made by the Planning Board and submitted in writing to the City Council. All parties of record on a petition at this hearing will receive a copy of the recommendation on that petition through their spokesman. For this reason, interested parties should not request nor expect any commitment from this Board either at this hearing or later.

The procedure for hearing the Zoning petitions will be as follows:

- A. The Chair will call the petition (by number and name of the petitioner) before the Board members. The petitions will be called in order of the agenda. An inquiry will be made as to whether there is opposition to the petitioner's request.
- B. The Zoning Staff will describe the request and location, the existing land use and zoning in the surrounding area, will note the availability of existing utilities, and traffic counts. The Staff will then present their recommendation, noting any conflict with the Future Land Use Plan.
- C. Petitioner's presentation for:
 1. **Rezoning** must document a significant change in the land use character of the area and the existence of a community need for the petitioned zoning classification.
 2. A **variance** must demonstrate a physical hardship not created by the applicant and that the granting of the variance will not confer upon the applicant any special privilege that is denied to any other similar lands, structures or buildings in the same district.
 3. A **special exception** must demonstrate that the granting of the special exception will not adversely affect the surrounding properties nor otherwise be detrimental to the public welfare.
 4. A **use permit** must demonstrate that the granting of the use permit will not adversely affect the surrounding properties, nor otherwise be detrimental to the public welfare and must include a site plan approved by all relevant City departments.
- D. Any opposition will next proceed with its entire argument within the specified **fifteen (15) minutes** summary time period.
- E. Petitioner may use **any part of the fifteen (15) minutes remaining** to address the questions raised by objectors, if any.
- F. The hearing of evidence on this petition will then be concluded.

During the course of this hearing, members of the City Planning Board and Staff will be asking questions of the witnesses as they appear in order to gain additional information. As a matter of policy and as a courtesy to the witness, questions will be held until his/her testimony is completed. However, if members of this Board feel compelled to interrupt the testimony to ask a question, they are free to do so. The nature or tone of any questions asked by a member of this Board or Staff should not be construed in any way to be an indication of the opinion of the individual or of the Board as a whole. The Board and Staff are simply attempting to gain all the significant information necessary for a recommendation to the City Council.

This is a public hearing. Anyone who desires to present constructive evidence or testimony which is pertinent to a petition is encouraged to do so, as long as it is contained within the framework mentioned above. However, each side should have its testimony well organized, and duplicating testimony should be avoided. **If you would like your letter and/or petition of support or opposition to be a part of the Planning Board Members Packet, we ask that you submit it 2 weeks prior to the date of the meeting.**

It is the intention of this Board that these proceedings shall be conducted in an orderly, efficient manner, with proper courtesy shown to all parties. Comments from persons not recognized by this moderator as having the floor to speak shall not be admissible, recorded, or considered as testimony.

**2023 ZONING ACTION APPLICATIONS
FILING DEADLINES & MEETING SCHEDULES**

FILING DEADLINES	PUBLICATION DATES	PLANNING BOARD HEARING DATE	APPEAL DEADLINE	CITY COUNCIL HEARING DATE
FRIDAY	THURSDAY	4 TH WED – 1:30	THURSDAY	3 RD MON – 2:30
DEC 02, 2022	JAN 5/ JAN 19	JAN 25, 2023	FEB 9, 2023	FEB 27, 2023+
JAN 06, 2023	FEB 2/ FEB 16	FEB 22, 2023	MAR 9, 2023	MAR 20, 2023
FEB 03, 2023	MAR 2/ MAR 16	MAR 22, 2023	APR 6, 2023	APR 17, 2023
MAR 03, 2022	APR 6/ APR 20	APR 26, 2023	MAY 11, 2023	MAY 15, 2023
APR 07, 2023	MAY 4/ MAY 18	MAY 24, 2023	JUN 8, 2023	JUN 19, 2023
MAY 05, 2023	JUN 8/ JUN 22	JUN 28, 2023	JUL 13, 2023	JUL 17, 2023
JUN 02, 2023	JUL 6/ JUL 20	JUL 26, 2023	AUG 10, 2023	AUG 21, 2023
JUL 07, 2023	AUG 3/ AUG 17	AUG 23, 2023	SEPT 7, 2023	SEPT 18, 2023
AUG 04, 2023	SEPT 7/ SEPT 21	SEPT 27, 2023	OCT 12, 2023	OCT 16, 2023
SEPT 01, 2023	OCT 5/ OCT 19	OCT 25, 2022	NOV 9, 2023	NOV 20, 2023
OCT 06, 2023	OCT 26/ NOV 9	*NOV 15, 2022*	NOV 30, 2023	DEC 18, 2023
NOV 03, 2023	NOV 30/ DEC 14	*DEC 20, 2023*	JAN 4, 2024	JAN 22, 2024+

Location of Hearings:

-**Planning Board Hearing** is held in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, 1st Floor, Warren A. Hood Building at 200 S. President Street, Jackson, Mississippi.

-**City Council Hearing** is held in the Council Chamber, at 219 S. President Street, Jackson, Mississippi; Times & Dates are subject to change. In this case you will be notified by our office.

These meetings will be held on the 3rd Wednesday due to the holiday

+These meetings will be held on 4th Monday due to holidays.