

# APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE

Please complete this form in its entirety; failure to do so may cause a delay in the submittal of your application to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

The following information is required before this application will be submitted to the Planning and Zoning Commission for consideration.

OWNER: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS OF PROPERTY IN QUESTION IF DIFFERENT FROM  
ADDRESS STATED ABOVE.

APPLICATION FEE OF \$250.00: \_\_\_\_\_

## CRITERIA

Zoning ordinances are not intended to be changed lightly and are presumed to be "well planned and adopted to be permanent." As a result of the presumption of permanency, it is necessary for one seeking a change in zoning to show the following:

1. Legal description of property to be considered for proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance as described in the Hancock County tax rolls.

2. Parcel number(s) as described in the Hancock County tax rolls.

3. Present Zoning: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Proposed Zoning: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Proposed use of property is rezoned: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Is the property to be rezoned in a subdivision? \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

7. If construction is being considered for the property in question, please provide a sketch Of building, showing dimensions and all property setbacks.

8. Text Amendment:

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8. Provide the specific provision(s) of the ordinance involved for your zoning request as listed below under AMENDMENTS: \_\_\_\_\_

**Article XIV, AMENDMENTS**  
**1401.3 AMENDMENT POLICY**

- A. **Mistake.** There is a mistake in the Zoning Ordinance or the Zoning Map and it is in the public interest to correct this error.
- B. **Change in Conditions.** Change or changing conditions in a particular area, or in the city, or in the regional area generally, in which an amendment to the Ordinance is in the public interest and is necessary and is desirable.
- C. **Increase for Need in Sites.** Increased or increasing needs for business or industrial sites, in addition to sites that are available, which is in the public interest and make it Necessary and desirable to reclassify an area or to extend the boundaries of an existing district.
- D. **Annexation.** It is necessary and desirable to classify territory hereafter annexed to city to a district classification.
- E. **Ordinance Changes.** Amendment of the Ordinance not involving a change in Classification of land is necessary.
- F. **Change in Governmental Property.** It is necessary to reclassify property as a result of acquisition or disposition of such property by the United States of America, the State of Mississippi, or Hancock County.

The burden of proving the criteria set forth is the responsibility of the party seeking a zoning change. The above elements must be proven through clear and convincing evidence and must be submitted with this application.

It is warranted in good faith by the owner whose name is signed hereto that all of the above facts are true and correct.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

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Date

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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY    Date application received: \_\_\_\_\_