

# UG WEBSITE CONTENT

KCK Zoning Code Rewrite

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

KCK ZONING CODE REWRITE



The Unified Government of Wyandotte County-Kansas City, Kansas' (UG) Urban Planning and Land Use Department is developing a new, easy to understand zoning code that will help guide land development. The effort began during winter 2018 and is anticipated to continue through 2019.

Zoning is the main way our community implements its planning priorities. Under Kansas law, UG uses zoning to protect neighborhood character and the public safety, health, and welfare. Chapter 27 of the UG Code of Ordinances (the Planning and Development Code) specifies zoning requirements in Wyandotte County and Kansas City. Zoning affects everyone's property and began in the 1920s. Zoning tells you how a property is used, where buildings are located, how tall buildings can be, and how a buildings and sites are designed.

Over the years, UG has adjusted the Zoning Code to accommodate new development projects, sign regulations, and other needs. During the **KCK Zoning Code Rewrite**, we are engaging the community in a dialogue about specific ways to:

- Streamline the development review process.
- Make it easier to accommodate new types of businesses.
- Preserve and enhance neighborhoods.
- Help guide development of places community members enjoy.

## OUTLINE OF THE NEW ZONING CODE

The outline for the new zoning code will include the following sections of information:

- General
- Design / Use patterns
- Zoning
- Procedures
- Development standards
- Supplemental use regulations
- Nonconformities / Vested rights
- Agencies
- Legal status
- Definitions
- Submittal Requirements

Many of the outlined sections are further described with white papers. The planning team is developing them as they coordinate with the public and Steering Committee during the rewrite process. So far, the white papers include:

- [Unified Development Code: The Basics](#)
- [Development Standards](#)
- [Building and Site Design](#)
- [Neighborhood Conservation Overlay Districts](#)
- [Procedures](#)
- [Use Regulations](#)

## CONTACT US

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