



## BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

### Appeal Application

#### Purpose:

- I) The appeal procedure is provided as a safeguard against arbitrary, ill-considered, or erroneous administrative decisions. It is intended to avoid the need for legal action by establishing local procedures to review and correct administrative errors. It is not, however, intended as a means to subvert the clear purposes, meanings, or intent of the Unified Development Code of the Town of Pendleton or the rightful authority of the Planning Director to enforce the requirements of this Code.
- II) The filing of an appeal shall stay all proceedings in furtherance of the action appealed from, unless the Planning Director certifies to the Board of Zoning Appeals, after the notice of appeal has been filed, that by reason of facts stated in the certificate, a stay would cause, in her or his opinion, imminent peril to life or property, in which case the proceedings shall not be stayed otherwise than by a restraining order that may be granted by the Board of Zoning Appeals or by a court of record, on application, of notice to the Planning Director and on due cause shown.
- III) The Board of Zoning Appeals may reverse or affirm, wholly or partly, or may modify the order or final decision as in its opinion ought to be made in the premises, and to that end has all the powers of the officer from whom the appeal is taken.

#### Provisions for Filing:

- I) Filing Requirements (required in order to file):
  - A) Application
    - 1) Applicant must submit a completed Appeals Application not later than thirty (30) days after the action being appealed.
    - 2) This application must be signed and notarized prior to submission to the Planning and Zoning Administrator.
  - B) Materials
    - 1) Legal Description: An accurate legal description of the property which is the subject of the request.
      - (a) Please provide the recording number and a copy of the most recent Deed of Record.
    - 2) Copies of all materials upon which the decision being appealed was based.
    - 3) Copies of any written decisions that are the subject of the appeal.
    - 4) A letter or narrative describing the reasons for the appeal (noting specific sections of the Code or other applicable standards upon which the appeal is based).
- II) Notice Requirements (required after filing, but before public hearing):
  - A) Newspaper Publication
    - 1) A legal notice of the scheduled public hearing will be prepared and submitted by the Planning and Zoning Administrator for publication to the *Anderson Herald Bulletin* (or such other paper allowed by law) in sufficient time to meet the notice deadlines.
  - B) Certified Mail Notification
    - 1) Written notice shall be prepared by the Planning and Zoning Administrator.
    - 2) The applicant is responsible for the following tasks prior to the public hearing:
      - (a) Identifying Affected Property Owners: The applicant shall contact the Madison County Auditor's Office (located in the Madison County Government Center) in order to obtain the names and mailing addresses of all property owners within 150 feet of the subject property.

**Auditor's Office**

**Phone: (765) 641-9419**

**Madison County Government Center**

**16 East 9th Street**

**Anderson, IN 46016**

- (b) Mailing Legal Notices
  - (i) The applicant shall mail legal notice of the public hearing, via certified mail with return receipt, to property owners of record within a distance of 150 feet of subject property.
  - (ii) The applicant is responsible for payment of certified mailing fees.
  - (iii) The applicant shall submit all certified mail return receipts and any undeliverable letters (such letters should remain unopened) to the Planning and Zoning Administrator five days prior to the scheduled public hearing.
- (c) Completion of Petitioner's Affidavit: An affidavit entitled "Petitioner's Affidavit of Notice of Public Hearing" is attached to this application. The affidavit shall be completed by the applicant and submitted to the Planning and Zoning Administrator five days prior to the scheduled public hearing.

III) Public Hearing

- A) Meetings start promptly at 7 p.m. at the Pendleton Town Hall, located at 100 West State Street.
- B) Applicant may appear on their own behalf or be represented by counsel or an agent.
- C) The public hearing procedure is as follows:
  - 1) The Chairman gives a restatement of the case as an introduction to the item.
  - 2) The Staff presents evidence.
  - 3) The Board members question the Staff.
  - 4) The Applicant presents evidence and any necessary witnesses.
  - 5) The Board members question the Applicant and any witnesses.
  - 6) The Chairman asks for any Objectors to present evidence.
  - 7) The Board members question the Objectors.
  - 8) The Applicant is given a rebuttal period.
  - 9) The Board discusses information that has been presented and asks any additional questions.
  - 10) Board decides to reverse, affirm, or modify the appealed action.

IV) After the Public Hearing

- A) Findings of Fact
  - 1) A Findings of Fact detailing the result of the public hearing shall be sent to the Applicant after the public hearing.
  - 2) This document should be retained by the applicant for his/her records.
  - 3) The Findings of Fact document may include further instructions on additional tasks that must be completed by the applicant. Any instructions included in this document should be strictly followed.

**Board of Zoning Appeals  
2019 Meeting Schedule  
7 p.m. at Town Hall**

<b>MEETING DATES</b>	<b>FILING DEADLINES</b>
January 15, 2019 .....	December 17, 2018
February 19, 2019 .....	January 22, 2019
March 19, 2019 .....	February 19, 2019
April 16, 2019 .....	March 18, 2019
May 21, 2019 .....	April 22, 2019
June 18, 2019 .....	May 20, 2019
July 16, 2019 .....	June 17, 2019
August 20, 2019 .....	July 22, 2019
September 17, 2019 .....	August 19, 2019
October 15, 2019 .....	September 16, 2019
November 19, 2019 .....	October 21, 2019
December 17, 2019 .....	November 18, 2019



## Application for Appeal

The undersigned requests an Appeal of an administrative decision made by the Planning Director, or any other administrative official or board charged with the duty of enforcing and interpreting the Unified Development Code, as specified below.

Property Address

Zoning

Description of Appeal

Name of Applicant

Applicant Email Address

Applicant Phone Number

Applicant Address

City/Town

State

Zip code

Name of Business Owner (if applicable)

Business Owner Email Address

Business Owner Phone Number

Business Owner Address

City/Town

State

Zip code

Name of Property Owner

Property Owner Email Address

Property Owner Phone Number

Property Owner Address

City/Town

State

Zip code

The Pendleton Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) is authorized to reverse, affirm, or modify, in whole or in part, the action being appealed in accordance with the terms of the Pendleton Unified Development Code. The BZA may impose reasonable conditions as part of its approval (see Indiana Code 36-7-4-918.2).

1. Explanation of requested appeal (attach additional documents if necessary):

2. Related Code Citations:

3. Reasons supporting the appeal (attach additional documents if necessary):

The above information, to my knowledge and belief, is true and correct.

Signature of Applicant

Signature of Property Owner

State of Indiana, County of Madison

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

My Commission expires:

Notary's Signature

A resident in the County of:

Type or Print Name

*Planning Department Use Only*

*Petition Number*

*Date Filed*

*Meeting Date*

