



APPLICATION FOR CONDITIONAL USE APPROVAL

PLANNING DEPARTMENT
700 FOX TRAIL
OPELIKA, AL 36801



PC Deadline _____ PC Meeting _____

SITE ADDRESS: _____
PROPERTY OWNER: _____
APPLICANT/ AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE: _____
MAILING ADDRESS: _____
PHONE NUMBER: _____ FAX NUMBER: _____
EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

PARCEL INFORMATION

Project name: _____ Address/Location: _____
 Current Land Use: _____ Current Zoning: _____
 Adjacent Zoning Districts: North: _____ South: _____ East: _____ West: _____
 Description of Proposed Use: _____

AUTHORIZATION TO ACT AS APPLICANT (if applicable)

I, _____, being owner of the property which is the subject of this conditional use application hereby authorize _____, to act as my representative before the City of Opelika's Planning Commission, and if necessary, represent me before the Board of Zoning Adjustments and City Council.

Property Owner's Signature: _____ Date: _____

**STATE OF ALABAMA,
COUNTY OF LEE**

I, _____, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, hereby certify that _____, whose name is signed to the foregoing document, and who is known to me or acknowledged before me on this day, that being informed of the contents of said document, did execute the same voluntarily on the day that bears the same date.

Given my hand and seal of office this ____ day of _____,

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: _____

READ THE FOLLOWING GENERAL USE STANDARDS, (E) PARAGRAPH (1-5) OF **SUBSECTION**

8.17 CONDITIONAL USES; E. General Use Standards.

1. No application for a conditional use permit shall be approved unless the Planning Commission shall specifically find the proposed conditional use appropriate in the location for which it is proposed. This finding shall be based on the following criteria.
2. The proposed use shall be in harmony with the general purpose, goals, objectives, and standards of the Comprehensive Plan, this ordinance, or any other plan, program, map, or ordinance adopted, or under consideration pursuant to official notice, by the City.
3. There shall be a community need for the proposed use and a need to provide or maintain a proper mix of uses both within Opelika and also within the immediate area of the proposed use: (a) the proposed use shall not result in either a detrimental concentration of a particular use within the City or within the immediate area; and (b) the area for which the use is proposed is not better suited for or likely to be needed for the uses that are permitted as a matter of right within that district, in light of policies or programs of the City of Opelika.
4. The proposed use at the proposed location shall not result in a substantial or undue adverse effect on adjacent property, the character of the neighborhood, traffic conditions, parking, public improvements, public sites or right-of-ways, or other matters affecting the public health, safety, and general welfare, either as they not exist or as they may in the future be developed as a result of the implementation of provisions and polices of the Comprehensive Plan, this ordinance, or any other plan, program, map, or ordinance adopted, or under consideration pursuant to official notice, by the City or other governmental agency having jurisdiction to guide growth and development.
5. The proposed use in the proposed area will be adequately served by and will not impose an undue burden on any of the improvements, facilities, utilities, and services specified in this subsection. Where any such improvements, facilities, utilities, or services are not available or adequate to service the proposed use in the proposed location, the applicant shall, as part of the application and as a condition to approval of the proposed conditional use permit, be responsible for establishing ability, willingness and binding commitment to provide such improvements, facilities, utilities, and services in sufficient time and in a manner consistent with the Comprehensive Plan, this ordinance, the other plans, programs, maps and ordinances adopted by the City to guide its growth and development. The approval of the conditional use permit shall be conditional upon such improvements, facilities, utilities, and services being provided and guaranteed by the applicant.

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS TO THE BEST OF YOUR KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITY. YOUR ANSWERS PROVIDE THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND STAFF THE BASIS FOR REVIEWING YOUR REQUEST. ANY QUESTION UNANSWERED WILL BE RETURNED TO YOU FOR COMPLETION.

1) How is the proposed use appropriate in the location for which it is proposed? _____

2) Will the use result in a substantial adverse effect on adjacent properties, the character of the neighborhood, traffic conditions, public infrastructure, etc.? _____

3) What precautions will be taken to minimize any adverse effects from the proposed use on surrounding property owners? _____

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Application due 1st Tuesday of each month. (Meeting 4th Tuesday of each month at 3:00 PM CT; Work Session is 3rd Tuesday each month at 3:00 PM CT before each PC Meeting).
2. Authorization to Act as Applicant signed by property owner and notarized, if applicable
3. Copy of the current deed
4. Submit 26 copies of the Site Plan (21 - 11 x 17 if legible; 4 – 24 x 36; 1 - 8 x 11). Copies must accompany and be made part of this application.
5. Conditional Use fee = \$125 application fee. Checks are payable to the City of Opelika.
6. Conditional use approval shall expire in one year after approval date. **FEE: \$125 Paid** _____

CERTIFICATION

I _____, HEREBY CERTIFY that this application is made with my approval, as property owner or authorized applicant designated by the property owner, as evidenced by my signature below. This application, site plan, and all other information are submitted with the full authorization and knowledge of the property owner(s). The undersigned below hereby swears to be the authorized applicant designated by the property owner(s) as representative or agent for the property owner(s) and therefore the undersigned is authorized to make said application and submit said documents on this request. I certify that I have read and understand the contents of this application, and that this application together with the requirements set forth in Section 8.16 *Site Plan Review* and all supplemental information is a true representation of the facts concerning this request.

OWNERS/AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE:	DATE:
(PRINT NAME)	

STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING

I, _____ (property owner or authorized applicant) UNDERSTAND this Conditional Use Request must be filed with all to the requirements of the Opelika Zoning Ordinance and all other information requested or required by City Departments in order to be considered complete. I UNDERSTAND that this application will not be filed until all required information has been received and further understand that the City reserves the right to postpone this request until such time as the requirements are met. I UNDERSTAND that City Department staff is available for the purpose of reviewing my site plan prior to submission deadline. I UNDERSTAND that if the request is approved the approval applies only to the property(s) shown on the site plan submitted and reviewed by the Opelika Planning Commission. I UNDERSTAND that at a later date if adjacent or other property(s) are expected to be used in association with an approved conditional use then a Conditional Use request must be submitted for the use of such adjacent or other property(s). I UNDERSTAND that the City may require additional information, requirements, or require modifications to the site plan at any time during the process as deemed necessary to accomplish the proper and orderly development of this proposal. I UNDERSTAND that if conditional use is granted by the Opelika Planning Commission then I must submit structural drawings (building plans) as required for review and approval by the applicable departments prior to issuing a Building Permit. The said drawings shall be submitted to the Building Inspection Division for review (Building Inspection 705-5420). I UNDERSTAND that if a request for conditional use is approved or approved subject to conditions, I must acknowledge such approval in writing and unconditionally accept and agree to any conditions imposed on the approval within fifteen (15) days following approval by the Opelika Planning Commission. In the event the conditional use request is not approved or is approved subject to conditions not acceptable to me, I may within the fifteen (15) days either appeal such decision to Circuit Court or abandon the application at the expiration of this fifteen (15) day period.

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(PRINT NAME)	