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City Planning Commission Application Instructions

1. a. For all Major Projects, the applicant **MUST** participate in one or more Pre-Application Conference(s) prior to an appearance before the City Planning Commission.
110.76.1 "Major Project" shall mean a specific plan, design or planned undertaking determined by a representative of the City of Elmira Code Department which requires Planning Commission or Zoning Board of Appeals action and approval including, but not limited to, new industrial, commercial or residential construction, subdivisions, or business expansion, as well as any project requiring a special permit or a variance. In addition, fencing and plantings in a Junkyard, as defined in section 452 of the Zoning Ordinance, shall be considered Major Projects.
b. If a zoning variance or special permit is required for said project, said request **MUST** be approved by the Zoning Board of Appeals prior to application to the Planning Commission.
2. a. All applicants **MUST** attend the City Planning Commission meeting.
b. The City Planning Commission meets on the **FIRST** Thursday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the Courtroom on the second floor at City Hall, 317 E. Church Street, Elmira, New York. For agendas and minutes see <http://www.cityofelmira.net/boards>.
3. Applications for the Planning Commission **MUST** be received by the Clerk to the Commission at the Code Enforcement Department no later than 12:00 noon, on the 20th of each month or the next business day if the 20th of the month falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a Federal Holiday, prior to the City Planning Commission meeting date. Failure to meet the deadline will result in placement on the agenda for the following meeting. If you are submitting prints or attachments with your application, please provide **8 ½ X 11 size only** and one (1) **full size** set for the Director of Code Enforcement.
4. Application must be complete with all necessary information, including, but not limited to:
 - a. Name of Applicant with legal address and relationship to the property.
 - b. Name and address of the property owner.
 - c. Name and address of Applicant's attorney (if applicable).
 - d. Site Plan Review by the Planning Commission and the Pre-Application Conference(s) shall be accompanied by **ALL** applicable items of the Site Plan Checklist:
 1. Title of drawing, including name and address of applicant and person responsible for preparation of such drawing;
 2. North arrow, scale and date;
 3. Boundaries of the property plotted to scale;
 4. Existing buildings;
 5. Grading and drainage plan and watercourses;
 6. Location, design, type of construction, proposed use and exterior dimensions of all buildings;
 7. Location, design and type of construction of all driveways, parking, and truck loading areas, showing access and egress;
 8. Provision for pedestrian access;
 9. Location of outdoor storage, if any;
 10. Location, design and construction materials of all existing or proposed site improvements including drains, culverts, retaining walls and fences;

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11. Description of the method of sewage disposal and location, design and construction materials of such facilities (Stormwater Pollution Prevention and Sewage Disposal Plans);
 12. Description of the method of securing public water and location, design and construction materials of such facilities;
 13. Location of fire and other emergency zones, including the location of fire hydrants;
 14. Location, size and design and type of construction of all proposed signs;
 15. Location and proposed development of all buffer areas, including existing vegetative cover;
 16. Location and design of outdoor lighting facilities;
 17. Location, design and construction materials of all energy distribution facilities including, but not limited to, electrical, gas and solar energy;
 18. Identification of the location and amount of building area proposed for retail sales or similar commercial activity;
 19. General landscaping plan and planting schedule;
 20. An estimated project construction schedule;
 21. Record of application for and status of all necessary permits from other governmental bodies;
 22. Identification of any permits from other governmental bodies required for the project's execution; and
 23. To comply with the requirements of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) and any details considered pertinent, as well as, any other elements integral to the proposed development as may be considered necessary in the particular case by the Planning Commission.
5. Environmental Assessment Form: one of the two below MUST be completed
1. Short Form (available on Page 4 of the application)
 2. Long Form (available online at <http://www.dec.ny.gov/>)
6. When completing the application, please use **BLUE or BLACK INK**. Completed forms are to be submitted to the Clerk to the Commission at the Code Enforcement Department.
7. Please be sure to fill in all necessary information on the CPC Application. Failure to provide all the details of the proposed request could result in your application being tabled until the next regularly scheduled meeting date.
8. Mail or bring your completed application to:
- City of Elmira Code Enforcement Department**
Clerk to the City Planning Commission
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