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ACTIVITY CLASSIFICATIONS

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6-401 General.

The planning director shall assign each type of business or other economic activity to one of the activity classifications defined in this chapter. His decision as to each assignment shall be appeal able once as provided in Section 6-234 of this title. The planning director shall keep a list of uses that have been determined to be included in each activity classification. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-402 Administrative activity.

“Administrative activity” means the executive, management, administrative and clerical activities of private, profit-oriented firms, including public utility administrative offices. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-403 Administrative civic activity.

“Administrative civic activity” means the local offices of state and federal legislators, city administrative offices and chamber of commerce offices. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-404 Repealed by Ordinance 359.

6-405 Animal care commercial activity.

“Animal care commercial activity” means the provision of animal care, treatment, grooming and boarding services. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-406 Automotive repair and cleaning activity.

“Automotive repair and cleaning activity” means the major repair or painting of motor vehicles, including body work and installation of major accessories, as well as the washing and polishing of motor vehicles. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-407 Automotive sales, rental and delivery activity.

“Automotive sales, rental and delivery activity” means the retail or wholesale sale or rental, from the premises, of motor vehicles, with incidental maintenance, as well as the retail or wholesale sale or rental, from the premises, of any type of goods where orders are placed predominantly by telephone or mail order with delivery being provided by motor vehicle. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-408 Automotive servicing activity.

“Automotive servicing activity” means the sale, from the premises, of goods and the provision of services which are generally required in the operation and maintenance of automotive vehicles and the fulfilling of motorist needs, including sale of petroleum products together with sale and servicing of tires, batteries, automotive accessories and replacement items, lubricating services, and performance of minor repairs. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-409 Reserved.

6-410 Community assembly and education activity.

“Community assembly and education activity” means and consists of activities typically performed by, or at, the following institutions or installations:

- (a) Churches, temples, synagogues and other religious institutions;
- (b) Private clubs, lodges, meeting halls and recreation facilities, such as golf clubs, swimming pools and tennis clubs, whether or not operated for profit;
- (c) Public, parochial and private schools, including elementary, intermediate and high schools.

(Ord. 245 § 1, 1981)

6-411 Business and communication service activity.

“Business and communication service activity” means the provision to firms and individuals of services of a clerical, communication or minor processing nature, including multicopy and blueprinting services, but excluding printing of books, other than pamphlets and small reports. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-412 Commercial automotive fee parking activity.

“Commercial automotive fee parking activity” means the parking and storage of motor vehicles on a fee basis, including those fee or non-fee basis facilities operated by or contracted by the city. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-413 Commercial laundry or dry cleaning activity.

“Commercial laundry or dry cleaning activity” means the wholesale cleaning or repair of personal apparel or other household or institutional goods, but excluding self-service laundry and retail dry cleaning. (Ord. 359 § 2(B), 1987; Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-414 Commercial recreation activity.

“Commercial recreation activity” means the provision of entertainment, amusement and athletic services to assembled groups of spectators or participants. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-415 Consultative service activity.

“Consultative service activity” means the provision of advice, designs, information or consultation of a professional nature, such as architects, engineers, attorneys or accountants. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-416 Construction sales and service activity.

“Construction sales and service activity” means construction storage and incidental storage activities performed by construction contractors on lots other than construction sites, also the storage of heavy equipment, trucks or other vehicles, as well as the retail or wholesale sale, from the premises, of materials used in construction of buildings or other structures, other than paint, fixtures and hardware. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-417 Convenience market activity.

“Convenience market activity” means the retail sale of food, beverages and small personal convenience items, primarily for off-premises consumption and typically found in establishments with long or late hours of operation and a relatively small building; but excludes delicatessens, other specialty food shops and establishments which have a sizable assortment of fresh fruits and vegetables and fresh-cut meat. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-418 Day-care and educational services activity.

“Day-care and educational services activity” means the following:

- (a) Child-care services for seven or more children, provided, however, that care for four or more children be provided only in facilities licensed by a state or county agency;
- (b) Nursery schools and kindergartens.

(Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-419 Fast-food restaurant activity.

“Fast-food restaurant activity” means the retail sale of ready-to-eat cooked foods and beverages, for on-premises or off-premises consumption, wherever the foods and beverages are available upon a short waiting time and primarily served in or on disposable wrappers, containers or plates. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-420 Financial service activity.

“Financial service activity” means the provision of financial advice, receiving, deposit, lending or changing of money, such as banks, savings and loans, and finance companies. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-421 Firearm sales.

“Firearm sales” means the sale, transfer, lease, offer or advertising for sale or lease of a firearm, which includes a gun, pistol, revolver, rifle or any device designed to be used as a weapon from which is expelled through a barrel a projectile by the force of any explosion or other form of combustion. (Ord. 443 § 1, 1995; Ord. 433 § 2, 1994)

6-442 Supportive care.

“Supportive care” means the provision of accommodations for a number of unrelated people that live together in need of care, support, or supervision.

6-423 Full-service restaurant activity.

“Full-service restaurant activity” means a place which is regularly and in a bona fide manner used and kept open for the serving of at least lunch or dinner to guests for compensation and which has suitable kitchen facilities connected therewith, containing conveniences for cooking and assortment of foods which may be required for such meals. The sale or service of sandwiches (whether prepared in a kitchen or made elsewhere and heated up on the premises) or snack foods does not constitute a full-service restaurant. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-424 General commercial sales and service activity.

“General commercial sales and service activity” means the retail or wholesale sale of goods, or provision of services, of a nature which are not readily carried by a pedestrian and usually necessitates the use of a motor vehicle to transport the goods or materials, and requires that parking or loading areas be provided on-site to facilitate convenient loading or unloading of goods by patrons. Generally

these uses by their nature are almost totally reliant upon on-site patron parking and loading facilities. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-425 General food sales activity.

“General food sales activity” means the retail sale from the premises of a comprehensive variety of generally used foods and beverages, including sizable assortments of fresh fruits and vegetables and fresh-cut meat; but excludes convenience markets. (Ord. 359 § 2(C), 1987: Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-426 General personal service activity.

“General personal service activity” means the provision to individuals of informational, instructional, personal care, repair of personal apparel, and similar services of a nonprofessional small-scale nature which are not needed frequently, such as barber and beauty care and shoe repair. (Ord. 342 § 1, 1985: Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-427 General retail sales activity.

“General retail sales activity” means the retail sale from the premises of shopper goods which are generally of a nature that are easily carried or transported from place to place by a pedestrian, and does not normally necessitate the use of motor vehicles for portage of goods or the provision of parking in close proximity to the place of business. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-428 Light manufacturing and research activity.

“Light manufacturing and research activity” means a limited-volume function of on-site production, processing or examination of goods when the goods or the materials which are used in the production, processing or examination of the goods, or the process itself, do not create noise, odor, dust, smoke or vibration which might be obnoxious or offensive to persons residing or conducting business on neighboring properties. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-429 Limited child-care activity.

“Limited child-care activity” means the provision of day-care service for six or fewer children, provided, however, that care for four or more children be provided only in facilities licensed by a state or county agency. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-429.5 Medical marijuana dispensary.

“Medical marijuana dispensary” means any facility or location where marijuana is made available for medical purposes in accordance with health and Safety Code Section 11362.5 (Proposition 215). (Ord. 601 § 1 (Exhibit A), 2011)

6-430 Medical service activity.

“Medical service activity” means the provision of therapeutic, preventive or corrective personal treatment services by physicians, dentists and other medical practitioners, and includes medical testing and analysis services. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-431 Kennel activity.

“Kennel activity” means the keeping of more than 20 cats and/or dogs over six months old; or the keeping of any cats or dogs for certain commercial purposes, including boarding, breeding, sales for

resale (wholesaling), training and similar purposes, but not including veterinary or medical treatment, grooming, hospitalization, impoundment or retail sales, nor killing of such animals. (Ord. 266 § 2, 1982)

6-432 Multiple pet activity.

“Multiple pet activity” means keeping more than three dogs over six months old, or more than five cats over six months old, but not more than 20 dogs and/or cats, none of which are kept for commercial purposes. (Ord. 266 § 3, 1982)

6-433 Real estate service activity.

“Real estate service activity” means the provision of real estate sales or brokerage services, or both, and includes provision of advice, information or consultation relative to the sale, rental, lease or financing of real estate. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-434 Self-service laundry or retail dry cleaning activity.

“Self-service laundry or retail dry cleaning activity” means a facility providing one or more of the following: (a) coin-operated washing, drying or dry-cleaning machines for self-service; (b) drop-off, pick-up station; or (c) on-site professional dry cleaning of personal apparel and household goods brought into the facility by retail customers. (Ord. 359 § 2(D), 1987; Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-435 Repealed by Ordinance 359.

6-436 Hotels and motels activity.

“Hotels and motels activity” means the provision of lodging services to transient guests on a less-than-weekly basis other than in the case of activities involving the provision of a special kind of care such as in nursing homes or orphanages. (Ord. 359 § 2(E), 1987; Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-437 Undertaking service activity.

“Undertaking service activity” means the provision of undertaking and funeral services involving the care and preparation of the human dead prior to burial or cremation. (Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-438 Utility distribution and civic service activity.

“Utility distribution and civic service activity” means the maintenance and operation of the following installations:

- (a) Communications equipment installations and exchanges;
- (b) Electrical substations;
- (c) Gas substations;
- (d) Police stations and fire stations;
- (e) Neighborhood news carriers distribution centers;
- (f) Recycling center.

(Ord. 221 § 5 (part), 1980)

6-439 Home/business furnishings activity.

“Home/business furnishings activity” means the sale or rental of home or business furnishings. (Ord. 359 § 2(F), 1987)

6-440 Sales representatives and goods brokers activity.

“Sales representatives and goods brokers activity” means the sales of goods by contract, provided that the associated sales tax is coded and credited to the city. The use must be in compliance with the purpose section of the zoning district in which the business is located. The use may include display and storage of goods in appropriate amounts in compliance with the purpose section of the zoning district in which the business is located. (Ord. 359 § 2(G), 1987)

6-441 Hospital.

“Hospital” means an institution providing medical or surgical treatment and care for the recovery of people with major illnesses or injuries on an inpatient and outpatient basis including ambulance bays, trauma units, maternity wards, intensive care units or pharmacies.