



Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) 2024 New Updates

**Last year, we laid the
foundation with historic
preservation and signage.**

**This year, we're excited to
expand on development
standards. Stay with us!**



The City of Elkhart is partnering with REA and enFocus to draft the UDO and gain public input respectively towards this initiative.

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Understanding the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO)

What is UDO?

UDO is a collective set of regulations to guide development and growth in the City of Elkhart. A UDO combines zoning, subdivision, and historic preservation regulations to create a single comprehensive ordinance.

A UDO includes:



Zoning Ordinance

Determine how land or property can be utilized in the City of Elkhart to regulate growth and development by governing types of land uses, design requirements, and land development.



Subdivision Ordinance

Guide how land can be divided into smaller parcels for development to create organized, functional spaces that meet and support the needs and growth of the community.



Historic Preservation

Guide the effort to protect and save buildings, objects, and places, such as old houses, monuments, and neighborhoods, that are important to our history.



Our Exciting Updates for This Year!

Purpose of UDO Updates

- A comprehensive approach to land use regulation and economic development
- Support the City with rapid and sustainable growth
- More user-friendly format with charts, figures, and photos
- Keep everything in one place and reduce inconsistencies among regulations

UDO Updates:

Updates in Zoning Ordinance



Accessory Structures



**Outdoor Storage of RVs
& Trailers
(For Residential)**



Swimming Pools

New Additions



Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU)



Mixed Use District



Solar Panel



Wind Turbine



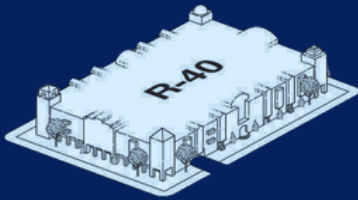
EV Charging



The Importance and Impact

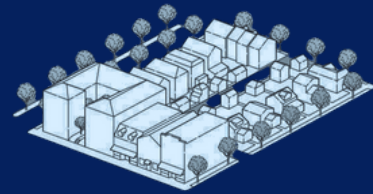
Which type of zoning are we using?

The City is adopting a hybrid approach between Euclidean and form-based zoning.



Euclidean (Conventional) Zoning

This approach keeps residential, commercial, and industrial areas separate.



Form-based Zoning

This approach values both the aesthetics and functionality of our spaces, fostering diverse and harmonious communities.

When does the update impact you?

The City of Elkhart has been developing the scope and UDO goals and drafting UDO changes since Fall 2022, and the formal adoption will be expected to start in early Winter 2024.

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