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Please find enclosed a business license application form for the City of Lake Forest Park. A business license is required for businesses located in or doing business in the city.

Contractors applying for building or mechanical permits must complete and submit the business license application form along with the application fee. The business license will be issued within 2-3 weeks. The business license fee is as follows:

Businesses Located in LFP	\$30.00
Businesses Located Outside LFP	\$60.00
Secondhand Dealers located in LFP	\$60.00

Issued for Calendar Year – January through December

A business B&O tax form is required to be completed by businesses on a quarterly basis. The tax rate is two tenths of one percent (.002) of gross sales.

The enclosed information sheet regarding business license and tax collection provides additional information regarding doing business in Lake Forest Park. If you have further questions, please contact me at the telephone number or email address listed below.

Thank you.

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Enclosures



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BUSINESS LICENSE AND TAX COLLECTION INFORMATION

General

1. All businesses located or doing business in Lake Forest Park must be licensed. A business license application form must be completed and signed, along with the business license fee which is listed on the current fee schedule annually, based on the calendar year. After the application is processed, which takes up to two to three weeks, a license will be mailed to the business owner for display at the business location. (LFP Municipal Code, 5.04.190)
2. On a quarterly basis, a business tax of two tenths of one percent of the gross proceeds of the business is due and a tax return will be mailed to the business owner. Businesses collecting less than \$5,000.00 per quarter in taxable income, shall not be required to pay business tax. The signed return and the tax payment, if applicable, are due one month after the end of each quarter. (LFP Municipal Code 5.04.010-180, 230-240).
3. Deductions from the gross proceeds amount are allowed for the following: contributions, cash discounts, credit losses, excise taxes, interest on residential property, interest on farm loans, and items allowed as deductions for state B&O taxes for financial businesses (banks, loan companies, investment companies) only. (LFP Municipal Code 5.04.170)
4. All businesses, including Home Occupation Businesses, must comply with the land use code governing the property where the business is located. Home Occupation applications are subject to review by the Planning Department.
5. When reporting state sales tax, please make sure to use location code 1717 for the City of Lake Forest Park.
6. Taxes that are delinquent will be turned over for collection. The business owner is responsible for any and all collection fees; attorney and legal fees.

Annual Business Tax Returns

1. Businesses located in LFP at a residential-zoned address may elect to pay taxes on an annual basis. A business tax of two-tenths of one percent of the gross proceeds of the business is due, and a tax return will be mailed to the business owner.
2. Businesses which collect less than \$20,000.00 in taxable income for the year, or less than \$5,000.00 per quarter shall not be required to pay business tax.
3. Businesses choosing the annual reporting (available to LFP residential addresses only) option must notify the city or they will be considered quarterly-reporting businesses and will be required to submit quarterly returns and payments.
4. The annual tax return will be mailed on or about January 1st of each year to businesses choosing the annual return option. The return and tax payment, if applicable, is due by January 31st of each year.
5. Businesses converting from quarterly to annual status during the year will be credited for any payments made during the year.



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BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATION

APPLICATION FEE:
Businesses located in LFP \$30.00
Business located outside LFP \$60.00
Secondhand Dealer License \$60.00
Issued for Calendar Year Jan-Dec

Date received: _____

Receipt No. _____

BUSINESS NAME		LFP Commercial Property? Yes No
BUSINESS LOCATION ADDRESS (CITY, STATE, ZIP) (REQUIRED)		
BUSINESS MAILING ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT) (CITY, STATE, ZIP)		
BUSINESS TELEPHONE NUMBER		
OWNER/MANAGER NAME	TELEPHONE	
EMERGENCY CONTACT: NAME	TELEPHONE	
TYPE OF BUSINESS (required)		
SOLE PROPRIETOR	PARTNERSHIP	CORPORATION
PARTNERS OR CORPORATE OFFICER'S NAMES		
WASHINGTON STATE UBI NO. (REQUIRED)	IF TAKING OVER A BUSINESS PREVIOUS OWNER'S NAME	PREVIOUS LICENSE NO.
CONTRACTOR'S NO. (required for all contractors)		
Please sign below and date for Application or Renewal. For Renewals, please update with any changes.		
Signature	Title	Date
Printed Name: _____		

Local Lake Forest Park B&O Tax Rate: .002 % on gross sales over \$5,000.00 quarterly.
Taxes that are delinquent will be turned over for collection. The business owner is responsible for any and all collection fees; attorney and legal fees.

APPROVAL/OFFICE USE ONLY

ZONING DISTRICT: _____

Building Dept. _____ Planning/Permitting: _____

APPROVED LICENSE NUMBER: _____ DATE: _____ Approval: _____