
Sec. 126-3. Purpose of this chapter.

This chapter is enacted for the following purposes:

- (1) To provide for the orderly, economic, and safe development of land and urban services and facilities, and to promote the public health, safety, morals, and general welfare of the inhabitants of the city in accordance with the "Comprehensive Plan" as adopted by the city council;
- (2) To promote the character and preserve and enhance the stability of properties and areas within the city;
- (3) To divide the city into zones or districts as to the use, location, construction, reconstruction, alteration business and industrial purposes;
- (4) To provide adequate light, air, privacy and safety;
- (5) To prevent the overcrowding of land, undue concentration of population;
- (6) To promote the proper use of land and structures;
- (7) To fix reasonable standards to which buildings, structures and land shall conform for the benefit of all;
- (8) To prohibit the use of buildings, structures and lands that are incompatible with the intended use or development of lands within the specified zones;
- (9) To promote the safe, rapid and efficient movement of people and goods;
- (10) To facilitate the provision of public services;
- (11) To limit congestion in the public streets and protect the public health and welfare by providing for the off-street parking of vehicles and vehicle loading areas;
- (12) To protect against fire, panic, explosion, noxious fumes, offensive noise, vibration, dust, odor, heat, flare, and other pollution of the air, and other hazards in the interest of the public health, comfort and general welfare; and
- (13) To define and limit the powers and duties of the administrative officers and bodies provided for herein.

(Code 1977, § 13-101.2; Ord. No. 933, 4-27-2026)

State law reference(s)—General purposes of zoning, Minn. Stats. § 462.357, subd. 1.