



Home occupations refer to any commercial activity conducted entirely within a residence by those that live in that residence. Home occupations are allowed within Cudahy but must be accessory uses that do not change the residential character of the home or adversely impact other permitted uses in the area. Home occupations are therefore limited to allow only residents of the home as employees and to use no more than 200 square feet of the home for the business operations.

A City Business License is necessary to conduct any business in the City of Cudahy, including a home occupation. The first step in obtaining a Business License is to receive **zoning approval from the Planning Division**. The purpose of a Zoning Clearance is to verify the proposed home-based business is allowed meets the criteria of a home occupation. Zoning approval or denial, however, **does not** ensure that the existing building is of proper construction type or in condition to permit the proposed home occupation, **does not** ensure that the Business License will be issued, and **in no way legalizes** any other use, sign, structure, code violations, or nonconformity. The associated fee is \$184 for any zoning clearance. Please note that fees are subject to change at the start of each fiscal year.

**THIS FORM CONSTITUTES A PRELIMINARY ZONING APPROVAL OR DENIAL OF ZONING. THIS FORM DOES NOT APPROVE OR DENY A BUSINESS LICENSE.**

If you have any questions, please contact the Planning Division by email, [planning@cityofcudahyca.gov](mailto:planning@cityofcudahyca.gov) or by phone, (323) 773-5143.

#### GENERAL BUSINESS INFORMATION

Name of business: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of property owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Property owner phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Property owner email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of employees (must live in residence): \_\_\_\_\_

Square footage of residence to be used for home occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

#### DETAILED BUSINESS INFORMATION

Provide a detailed description of the proposed home-based business:

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## SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONS

Will the business include any of the following? Check all that apply.

- Use of materials or mechanical equipment not recognized as part of normal household or hobby uses ☐
- Sale of products or services at the residence ☐
- Storage of materials, supplies, or merchandise ☐
- Multiple rooms in the residence to be used for the home occupation ☐
- Use of utilities or facilities beyond what is typically used for a residential property ☐

If any of the above apply to your business, please explain in detail below:

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## HOME OCCUPATION RESTRICTIONS

Per Cudahy Municipal Code Section 20.16.040, home occupations are permitted in all residential zones and other zones that allow residential uses, with the following restrictions:

- a. **Display.** No display or storage of goods, wares, merchandise, or stock shall occur.
- b. **Employment.** No one other than the residents of the dwelling unit shall be employed in the conduct of the home occupation.
- c. **Equipment.** No equipment shall be used in conjunction with such occupation which emits dust, fumes, noise, odor, etc., which would or could interfere with the peaceful use and enjoyment of adjacent properties.
- d. **Floor Area.** No more than 200 square feet of the floor space of the dwelling shall be devoted to such use.
- e. **Traffic.** No appreciable increase in traffic, pedestrian and vehicular, shall occur resulting from the home occupation.
- f. **Alterations.** No alteration of the structure nor the use of any signs shall occur if not otherwise permitted in the zone in which the occupation is located.
- g. **Inspections.** The person conducting the home occupation shall authorize city staff to inspect the home occupation once a month to assure compliance with the above items.

- h. **Mobile Carwashing.** Mobile carwashing services are a permitted home occupation as long as the cars are washed at the residence of the car owner.
- i. **Cottage Food Operations.** A cottage food operation is a permitted home occupation. All cottage food operations shall comply with regulatory standards established by state law and the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health.

I acknowledge that I will abide by all restrictions as provided in the above statement:

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(APPLICANT SIGNATURE)

## FLOOR PLAN

Use the space below to provide a floor plan for the home-based business. Show what space within the home shall be used for the business, noting the dimensions of that space.

## DECLARATIONS

### Must be read, filled in, and signed by the applicant.

I hereby certify and say, under penalty of perjury, that I am the applicant in the foregoing application for a zoning clearance to operate \_\_\_\_\_ (business name) at \_\_\_\_\_ (tenant space address/ suite number), that I have read this Zoning Clearance Application and know the content thereof, and that the herein stated information and all attachments hereto, are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. As the applicant, I acknowledge that if I receive a zoning clearance, it will be only for the business and/or project that is described within this application and that I will be responsible for obtaining any necessary approvals or permits from the City of Cudahy prior to the start of business operations.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### Must be read, filled in, and signed by the owner of the property or management company.

\_\_\_\_\_ (owner/prop. management) hereby grants full permission and approval for \_\_\_\_\_ (applicant) to operate \_\_\_\_\_ (business name) at \_\_\_\_\_ (tenant space address/ suite number).

Additionally, I have been notified of the full extent of the business use and agree to not hold the City of Cudahy responsible for any problems or concerns that may arise due to it.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of owner or person authorized

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

#### **STAFF USE ONLY**

Received By: \_\_\_\_\_ File Number: \_\_\_\_\_

General Plan Land Use Designation: \_\_\_\_\_ Zone: \_\_\_\_\_

Restrictions/Conditions of Approval: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

The proposed use is: ☐ Approved (Permitted by right) ☐ Denied (Not permitted)

Date of Approval/ Denial: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Approval Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

Date/Time Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Fee Received & Receipt Number: \_\_\_\_\_