

LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE REFORM

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What is the Land Development Code?

The Land Development Code (LDC) is a set of rules and laws that defines how land can be used, how a development such as a new shopping mall or apartment must be designed, and the procedures for approval.

What is the Reform?

The LDC Reform is an equity-focused approach to revise the LDC consistently with Plan 2040 to allow for increased housing choices and opportunities in new and existing neighborhoods, to create procedures and regulations that are easier to use, and increase the quality of life by reducing the concentration of environmental hazards near housing. Work to reform the LDC began in the summer of 2020 with Louisville Metro Council's passage of Resolution 082 series 2020.

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Changes under consideration for LDC Reform beginning in 2022 include:

- **Middle Housing** (duplexes, small lots, pocket neighborhoods, and more)
- **Land Use Classification** (industrial/residential location, hazardous uses, document usability)
- **New form districts**
- **Capacity Standards** (roadways, sewers, water, and more)

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