

ARTICLE I
GENERAL PROVISIONS

100 **Purpose**

These subdivision regulations are designed to encourage the development of residential, commercial, industrial, and public areas, according to recognized standards which provide for sound, healthful, and economical development; to provide for safe, convenient and efficient traffic circulation; to coordinate land development in order to ensure that future growth of Versailles, Midway and Woodford County will be orderly, efficient, and conducive to the provision of minimum outlay of public and private expenditures in providing services to developing areas; to provide for the protection of environmentally sensitive and geologic hazard areas; to minimize fire hazards; to provide for adequate light and air in habitable structures; to mitigate flooding hazards; to provide for proper disposal of sewage; to enhance the unique aesthetics of the community; to encourage the protection and enhancement of trees and woodland areas; and to provide sound and efficient guidelines for the overall development of the community in accordance with the adopted Comprehensive Plan for Woodford County and the Cities of Versailles and Midway, Kentucky.

110 **Title**

These regulations shall be known and may be cited as the "Amended Versailles-Midway-Woodford County Subdivision Regulations".

120 **Legislative Authority**

These regulations are adopted by the Versailles-Midway-Woodford County Planning Commission under authority granted by the Kentucky Revised Statutes, Chapter 100.

130 **Powers of the Planning Commission**

The Planning Commission is hereby empowered to do all things necessary and proper to administer and enforce these regulations, including but not limited to, the power to hear and finally decide applications for variances when a proposed development involves a subdivision and one or more variances from the dimensional requirements of the zoning regulations. In considering applications for variances under these regulations, the Planning Commission shall assume all powers and duties otherwise exercised by the Board of Adjustment pursuant to Kentucky Revised Statutes (KRS), Chapter 100.231 through 100.251. The applicant for the subdivision, at the time of filing the application for the subdivision, may elect to have a variance for the same development to be heard and finally decided by the Planning Commission at the same public hearing set for the subdivision, or by the Board of Adjustment as otherwise provided by KRS Chapter 100.

140 **Administration**

These regulations shall be administered by the Versailles-Midway-Woodford County Joint Planning Commission. All applications, fees, maps, and documents relative to subdivision approval shall be submitted to this Planning Commission.

The Planning Commission shall appoint a Planning Director to handle the daily administration of these regulations and may seek advice from planning consultants or other local, regional, and State agencies, regarding subdivision proposals.

The Planning Commission may also appoint a Subdivision Committee, composed of members of the Planning Commission, to study proposed subdivisions. However, no subdivision plat shall be approved except by official action of the Planning Commission, or its duly authorized designee.

150 **Area of Jurisdiction**

The provisions of these regulations shall apply to all lands within the boundaries of Woodford County, Kentucky.

160 **Application**

No land within Woodford County shall be subdivided, nor shall any lot be sold or building erected in a subdivision as herein defined, until a plat of the subdivision is approved by the Planning Commission and the plat properly filed and recorded by the Woodford County Clerk.

In their interpretation and application, the provisions of these regulations shall be held to minimum requirements adopted for the promotion of the public health, safety, and general welfare. All subdividers should consider developing their subdivisions at higher standards. The Planning Commission may require standards above the minimum contained herein whenever it finds that public health, safety, or welfare purposes justify such increases. Whenever the provisions of these regulations are at variance with the requirements of any other lawfully adopted rules, regulations, ordinances, deed restrictions, or covenants, that provision which is more restrictive or imposes higher standards of requirements shall govern.

170 **Severability of Regulations**

These regulations are severable and the invalidation of any portion hereof by any court of competent jurisdiction shall in no way affect the validity of any other portion.

180 **Penalties/Violations**

Violation of the provisions of any subdivision regulation or failure to comply with any of the requirements herein shall constitute a misdemeanor. Any person or entity that violates this regulation or fails to comply with any of its requirements shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined not less than two-hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) or more than five hundred dollars (\$500) for each violation, and in addition, shall pay all costs and expenses involved in the case. Each day of violation shall constitute a separate offense.

