ARTICLE VII

DEFINITIONS

SECTION 7.0  WORDS AND PHRASES: For the purposes of this ordinance, certain terms, phrases, words, and their derivatives are herewith defined as follows:

Words used in the future tense include the present;
Words used in the present tense include the future;
Words used in the singular include the plural;
Words used in the plural include the singular;
Words used in the masculine include the feminine;
Words used in the feminine include the masculine;
The word "shall" is mandatory;
The word "may" shall be deemed as permissive.

ACCESSORY BUILDING OR USE, CUSTOMARY: A "customary accessory building or use" is one which:

a. Is subordinate to and serves the principal building or principal use;
b. Is subordinate in area, extent, or purpose to the principal building or principal use served;
c. Contributes to the comfort, convenience, or necessity of occupants of the principal building or principal use served; and
d. Is located on the same lot as the principal building or principal use served, with the single exception of such accessory off-street parking facilities as are permitted to locate elsewhere than on the same lot with the building or use served.

ACCESS POINT: An access point is:

a. A driveway, a local street, or a collector street intersecting an arterial street;
b. A driveway or a local street intersecting a collector street; or
c. A driveway or a local street intersecting a local street.

ADULT ARCADE: Any place to which the public is permitted or invited wherein coin-operated or slug-operated or electronically, electrically or mechanically controlled still or motion picture machines, projectors, or other image-producing devices are maintained to show images to five (5) or fewer persons per machine at any one time, and where the images so displayed are distinguished or characterized by the depicting or describing of specified sexual activities or specified anatomical areas.
ADULT BOOKSTORE: A business having as a substantial and significant portion of its stock and trade, revenues, space or advertising expenditures, resulting from the sale, renting or viewing of one or more of the following:

1. Books, magazines, periodicals, or other printed matter, or photographs, films, motion pictures, video cassettes or video reproductions, laser disks, slides, or other visual representations which depict or described specified sexual activities or specified anatomical areas; or

2. Instruments, devices, or paraphernalia which are designed for specified sexual activities.

ADULT CABARET: A nightclub, bar, tavern, restaurant or similar business which regularly features:

1. Persons who appear in a state of nudity; or

2. Live performances which are characterized by the exposure of specified anatomical areas or by specified sexual activities; or

3. Films, motion pictures, video cassettes, slides or other photographic reproductions which are characterized by the depiction or description of specified sexual activities or specified anatomical areas.

ADULT MOTEL: A hotel, motel or similar business which offers private rooms to the public and provides patrons live performances or closed-circuit television transmissions, films, motion pictures, video cassettes, slides or other photographic reproductions which are characterized by the depiction or description of specified sexual activities or specified anatomical areas.

ADULT MOTION PICTURE THEATER: A business where films, motion pictures, video cassettes, slides, or similar photographic reproductions are regularly shown which are characterized by the depiction or description of specified sexual activities or specified anatomical areas.

ADULT THEATER: A theater, concert hall, auditorium, or similar business which regularly features persons who appear in a state of nudity or live performances which are characterized by the exposure of specified anatomical areas or by specified sexual activities.

ADULT VIDEO STORE: See ADULT BOOKSTORE.

AGRICULTURE: The use of a tract of at least five (5) contiguous acres for the production of agricultural or horticultural crops, including but not limited to livestock, livestock products, poultry, poultry products, grain, hay, pastures, soybeans, tobacco, timber, orchard fruits, vegetables, flowers, or ornamental plants, including provision for dwellings for persons and their families who are engaged in the above agricultural use
on the tract, but not including residential building development for sale or lease to the public.

AIR RIGHTS: The ownership or control of that area of space at and above a horizontal plane over the ground surface of land. This horizontal plane shall be at a height above the existing or proposed development (depending on the individual property in question) which is reasonably necessary or legally required for the full and free use of the ground surface.

ALLEY: Public rights-of-way which normally affords a secondary means of access to abutting property.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF NURSERYMEN, INC. (STANDARDS): The Association's Horticultural Standards Committee maintains and revises horticultural standards (see American Standards for Nursery Stock) to comply with the standards procedures of the American National Standards Institute.

AMERICAN STANDARD FOR NURSERY STOCK (ANSI Z60.1 - 1990): An American National Standard implies a consensus of those substantially concerned with its scope and provisions. An American National Standard is intended as a guide to aid the manufacturer, the consumer, and the general public.

ANYBODY: Any human being, and any combination thereof, in the form of partnership, corporation, joint venture, unincorporated association, or otherwise.

APARTMENT: A portion of a building consisting of a room or suite of rooms intended, designed, or used as a permanent residence by an individual or one (1) family.

APARTMENT HOUSE: See DWELLINGS, MULTI - FAMILY.

APPLICABLE LAWS: The constitutions, statutes, ordinances, rules, regulations and other laws of the United States, Commonwealth of Kentucky, County of Kenton, City of Crescent Springs, and any other governmental entity or agency having jurisdiction.

AUTOMOBILE LAUNDRY: A building or portion thereof, containing facilities for washing more than two (2) automobiles, using production line methods. The use of personnel for one or more phases of this operation in conjunction with or without complete automatic or mechanical devices does not alter its classification. For the purpose of this ordinance, coin operated devices, of the above nature, which are operated on a self service basis shall be construed to be the same.

AUTOMOBILE AND TRAILER SALES AREAS: Any area used for the display, sale, or rental of new or used automobiles or trailers, and where only minor incidental repair of such automobiles or trailers may take place.
BASAL AREA: The total cross sectional area of a tree trunk measured at Diameter at Breast Height (DBH).

BASEMENT: That portion of a building between floor and ceiling, which is so located that the vertical distance from the average level of the adjoining grade to the floor below is less than the vertical distance from the average level of the adjoining grade to the ceiling.

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS: Board of Adjustments of the legislative body.

BUFFER AREA: Areas so planned and/or zoned which act as a buffering or separation area between two (2) or more uses or structures not compatible, due to design, function, use, or operation.

BUILDING: A structure enclosed within exterior walls or firewalls for the shelter, housing, support, or enclosure of persons, animals, or property of any kind.

BUILDING, ALTERATION OF: Any change or rearrangement in the supporting members (such as bearing walls, beams, columns, or girders) of a building, or any addition to a building, or movement of a building from one location to another.

BUILDING AREA OR LOT COVERAGE BY BUILDING: That portion of a lot or building site that can be legally occupied by the ground floor of the principal building or use and all permitted accessory uses.

BUILDING, COMPLETELY ENCLOSED: A building separated on all sides from the adjacent open space, or from other buildings or other structures, by a permanent roof and by exterior walls or party walls, pierced only by windows and normal entrance or exit doors.

BUILDING, DETACHED: A building surrounded by open space on the same lot or tract of land.

BUILDING, HEIGHT OF: The vertical distance measured from average elevation of the finished grade adjoining the building at the front building line to the highest point of the roof surfaces, if a flat roof; to the deck line of a mansard roof; and to the average height level between eaves and ridge for gable, hip, and gambrel roofs.

BUILDING INSPECTOR: The official or officials appointed by the legislative body to administer and enforce the building codes.

BUILDING PERMIT: A permit issued by the legislative body's building inspector authorizing the construction or alteration of a specific building, structure, sign, or fence.
BUILDING, PRINCIPAL: The building on a lot used to accommodate the primary use to which the premises are devoted.

BUILDING, SETBACK LINE: A line parallel to the front, side, and/or rear lot line and set back from the lot line a distance to provide the required minimum yard space, as specified in this ordinance.

BUILDING SITE: One contiguous piece of land that meets all of the provisions of the legislative body's ordinances, regulations, and codes for building on said site.

CALIPER: The measurement of the tree trunk taken six (6) inches above the ground up to and including four (4) inch caliper size, or twelve (12) inches above the ground for larger trees.

CAMPING/VACATION MOBILE UNIT: Any coach, cabin, house trailer, house car or other vehicle or structure intended for, designed for, and used for temporary human habitation or sleeping purposes, mounted upon wheels or supports, or supported and/or capable of being moved by its own power or transported by another vehicle.

CANOPY (MARQUEE): A roof-like structure open on three (3) sides serving the purpose of protecting pedestrians from rain, snow, sun, or hail, which structure projects from a building.

CANOPY COVER: The area that a tree or trees' canopy covers which generally corresponds to a percentage of ground surface area.

CARPORT: See GARAGE, PRIVATE.

CHILD DAY CARE CENTER: See NURSERY SCHOOL.

CITIZEN MEMBER: Any member of the Planning Commission or Board of Adjustments who is not an elected or appointed official or employee of the legislative body.

CLINIC, ANIMAL: A building used by medical persons for the treatment of small animals on an out-patient basis only, without animal runs.

CLINIC, HUMAN CARE: A building used by medical persons for the treatment of persons on an out-patient basis only.

CLUB: An association of persons for some common objective, usually jointly supported and meeting periodically.

COMMISSION (PLANNING COMMISSION OR PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION): The Kenton County and Municipal Planning and Zoning Commission, Kenton County, State of Kentucky.
COMPATIBILITY STANDARDS: Standards that have been enacted by a local government under the authority of this section for the purpose of protecting and preserving the monetary value of real property located within the local government’s jurisdiction.

COMPREHENSIVE (MASTER) PLAN: A guide for public and private actions and decisions to assure the development of public and private property in the most appropriate relationships. It shall contain, as a minimum, the following elements:

A. A statement of goals and objectives, principles, policies, and standards;
B. A land use plan element;
C. A transportation plan element;
D. A community facilities plan element;
E. May include any additional elements such as, without being limited to, community renewal, housing, flood control, pollution, conservation, natural resources, and others.

CONCEALED LIGHTING: An artificial light source intended to illuminate the face of a sign, the direct source of which is shielded from public view and surrounding properties.

CONDITIONAL USE: A use which is essential to or would promote the public health, safety, or welfare in one or more zones, but which would impair the integrity and character of the zone in which it is located, or in adjoining zones, unless restrictions on location, size, extent, and character of performance are imposed in addition to those imposed within this ordinance.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT: Legal authorization to undertake a conditional use, issued by the zoning administrator, pursuant to authorization by the board of adjustments, consisting of two parts:

a. A statement of the factual determination by the board of adjustments which justifies the issuance of the permit; and
b. A statement of the specific conditions which must be met in order for the use to be permitted.

CONFORMING USE: Any lawful use of a building, structure, lot, sign, or fence, which complies with the provisions of this ordinance.

CONSTRUCTION LIMITS: The area affected by the grade changes only.

CURB CUT: Any interruption, or break in the line of a street curb in order to provide vehicular access to a street. In the case of streets without curbs, curb cuts shall represent construction of any vehicular access which connects to said street.
DECIBEL: A unit of measurement of the intensity (loudness) of sound. Sound level meters which are employed to measure the intensity of sound are calibrated in "decibels".

DECIDUOUS TREE: Not persistent; annual shedding of leaves.

DEVELOPMENT PLAN: Written and graphic material for the provision of a development, including any or all of the following: location and bulk of buildings and other structures, intensity of use, density of development, streets, ways, parking facilities, signs, drainage of surface water, and all other conditions agreed to by the applicant.

DIAMETER AT BREAST HEIGHT (DBH): The diameter, in inches, of a tree trunk, measured four and one-half (4-1/2) feet above the existing grade.

DISTRICT: For purposes of this ordinance, synonymous with "ZONE".

DISTURBED LIMITS: The site area affected by grading changes plus an additional twenty (20) foot area on the perimeter.

DORMITORY: A residence hall providing rooms for individuals or groups.

DWELLING: Any building which is completely intended for, designed for, and used for residential purposes, but for the purposes of this ordinance, shall not include a hotel-motel, hotel, motel, nursing home, tourist cabins, college or university dormitories, or military barracks.

DWELLING, ATTACHED, SINGLE-FAMILY: A dwelling unit which is attached to one or more dwelling units, each of which has independent access to the outside of the building to ground level and which has no less than two (2) exterior walls fully exposed and not in common with the exterior walls of any other unit.

DWELLING, DETACHED, SINGLE-FAMILY: A dwelling standing by itself and containing only one (1) dwelling unit, separate from other dwellings by open space, but shall not include mobile homes.

DWELLING, TRAILER: See MOBILE HOME.

DWELLING, TWO-FAMILY: A residential building designed, arranged, or used exclusively by two (2) families, living independently of each other.

DWELLING, MULTI-FAMILY: A residential building having three (3) or more dwelling units, as separate housekeeping units.
DWELLING UNIT: A building, or portion thereof, providing complete housekeeping facilities for one (1) person or one (1) family.

EASEMENT: A right, distinct from the ownership of the land, to cross property with facilities such as, but not limited to, sewer lines, water lines, and transmission lines, or the right, distinct from the ownership of the land, to reserve and hold an area for drainage or access purposes.

EASEMENT, LANDSCAPING OR PLANTING: The area in which planting must be installed and the setback for buffering between land uses, zones, vehicular use areas, and public or private streets.

EATING ESTABLISHMENTS -- RESTAURANTS: A restaurant is an establishment selling food items ordered from a menu and prepared on the premises for immediate consumption.

A. Carry-out -- A fast service restaurant which does not have sit down eating arrangements and consumption of food on the premises is prohibited (or discouraged).

B. Drive-in -- A restaurant where consumption of food on the premises is encouraged (in car, no seating facilities) and where food is provided by car-hop or self-service.

C. Drive-thru – A facility which includes a building opening, including a window, door or mechanical device, through which occupants of a motor vehicle pay for and receive food and food related items. May include menu board signs and/or outdoor speaker system.

D. Sit-Down -- Those restaurants which provide seating arrangements.

E. Combination -- A restaurant which provides any combination of sit down, carry out, and/or drive in services.

ELECTRO-MECHANICAL GAMES CENTER: A business that provides electro-mechanical pinball machines and video games specifically designed, constructed, set up, and kept to be played for amusement only.

EMPLOYEE: Any person who is paid directly or indirectly by the licensee for services performed on the premises whether such person would otherwise as a matter of law be classified as an employee, agent, manager, entertainer or independent contractor.

ESSENTIAL SERVICES: The erection, construction, alteration, or maintenance, by public utilities or municipal or other governmental agencies, of underground or overhead gas, electrical, steam, or water transmission or distribution systems, collection,
communication, supply, or disposal systems; including poles, wires, mains, drains, sewers, pipes, conduits, cables, fire alarm boxes, traffic signals, hydrants, and other similar equipment and accessories reasonably necessary for furnishing adequate service or for the public health, safety, or general welfare.

EVERYBODY: Every human being, and every combination thereof, in the form of a partnership, corporation, joint venture, unincorporated association, or otherwise.

FAMILY: Shall consist of one individual, or any number of individuals related by genetics, adoption, marriage, or personal affinity, or any number of unrelated individuals occupying a dwelling unit as a single housekeeping unit. The term shall include individuals residing in a residential care facility as defined in KRS 100.984, state licensed adult family homes, homes for the disabled, and foster homes. The term shall not include group homes licensed for juvenile offenders, or other facilities, whether or not licensed by the state, where individuals are incarcerated or otherwise required to reside pursuant to court order under the supervision of paid staff and personnel.

FENCE: A structure made of wire, wood, metal, masonry, or other material, including hedges.

FILLING STATION: See SERVICE STATION.

FITNESS CENTER: A place or building where passive or active exercises and related activities are performed for the purpose of physical fitness, improved circulation or flexibility, and/or weight control. The activities shall be conducted entirely within an enclosed building and may include any of the following: sauna, spa or hot tub facilities; indoor tennis, handball, racquetball and other indoor sports activities.

FLOOD: A general and temporary condition of partial or complete inundation of normally dry land areas from: (a) the overflow of inland waters; (b) the unusual and rapid accumulation of runoff of surface waters from any source; and (c) mudslides (i.e., mudflows) which are proximately caused or precipitated by accumulations of water on or under the ground.

FLOOD - 100 YEAR FREQUENCY: The highest level of flooding that, on the average, is likely to occur once every 100 years.

FLOODPLAIN OR FLOOD PRONE AREA: Any normally dry land area that is susceptible to being inundated by water from any source.

FLOODWAY: The channel of a river or other watercourse and the adjacent land areas that must be reserved in order to discharge the 100-year flood without cumulatively increasing the water surface elevation more than one foot at any point.
FLOODWAY ENCRYCHEMENT LINES: The lines marking the limits of floodways on the official zoning map.

FLOOR AREA, GROSS: The sum of the gross horizontal area of the several floors of a dwelling unit or units exclusive of porches, balconies, and garages, measured from the exterior faces of the exterior walls or from the centerline of walls or partitions separating dwelling units.

For uses other than residential, the gross floor area shall be measured from the exterior faces of the exterior walls or from the centerlines of walls or partitions separating such uses and shall include all floors, lofts, balconies, mezzanines, cellars, basements, and similar areas devoted to such uses.

The gross floor area shall not include floors used for parking space when such parking pertains to a residential, commercial, or office used in the same structure.

FRATERNITY OR SORORITY: A club or social activity officially associated with and recognized and supervised by an institution for higher education whose membership is limited exclusively to students of the said institution.

FRATERNITY/SORORITY HOUSE: A building used by a fraternity or sorority to provide living quarters for some or all members as well as to provide study, meeting, recreational and other facilities.

FRONTAGE: All the property abutting on one (1) side of the right-of-way of a street, measured along the right-of-way line of the street between the intersecting lot lines. In no case shall the line along an alley be considered as acceptable for frontage.

GARAGE, PRIVATE: A building used for the storage of vehicles and clearly accessory to the principal use permitted.

GYM: See Fitness Center

HEALTH CLUB: See Fitness Center

HEALTH SPA: A commercial establishment which employs professional, licensed therapists whose services include massage and body or facial treatments, which may include body packs and wraps, exfoliation, cellulite and heat treatments, electrolysis, body toning, waxing, aromatherapy, cleansing facials, medical facials, nonsurgical face lifts, electrical toning, and electrolysis. Hydrotherapy and steam and sauna facilities, nutrition and weight management, spa cuisine, and exercise facilities and instruction may be provided, as well as hair salons, make-up consultation and application and manicure and pedicure services.
HOME IMPROVEMENT CENTER: A facility of more than 30,000 square feet gross floor area, engaged in the retail sale and rental of various basic hardware lines, such as tools, builders hardware, lumber, paint and glass, housewares and household appliances, garden supplies, and cutlery.

HOME OCCUPATION: An accessory use customarily conducted entirely within a dwelling, as permitted herein and further meeting all requirements of this ordinance.

HOSPITAL (HUMAN CARE): A building used by medical persons for treatment of persons generally on an in-patient basis.

HOSPITAL (ANIMAL): A building used by medical persons for treatment of animals generally on an in-patient basis and may have outside runs.

HOTEL: A building or buildings to be used for the temporary abiding place for travelers and transient guests, not including extended stay facilities, where all access to sleeping accommodations is from the interior of the building and guests must pass through a lobby, which must be staffed 24 hours per day.

HOUSE TRAILER: See MOBILE HOME.

INTERIOR LANDSCAPING: All landscaping surrounded by the perimeter landscaping, including all vehicular use landscaping.

JUNK YARD: An open area where waste materials are bought, sold, exchanged, stored, shredded, baled, packed, disassembled, etc., including, but not limited to, scrap metals, paper, rags, rubber tires, bottles, inoperative motor vehicles, etc.

KENNEL: Any area specifically used for the raising, boarding, or harboring of small domestic animals.

LABORATORY, MEDICAL OR DENTAL: A building or a portion of a building used for providing bacteriological, biological, medical, x-ray, pathological, and similar analytical or diagnostic services to doctors or dentists.

LASER THERAPY: Any of a variety of outpatient medical treatments involving the use of lasers, including, but not limited to, hair removal, treatment of pain and cosmetic treatments.

LAUNDROMAT: A business that provides washing, drying, and/or ironing machines for hire to be used by customers on the premises.

LEASABLE AREA, GROSS: The total floor area designed for tenant occupancy and exclusive use, including basements, mezzanines, and upper floors, if any, expressed in
square feet and measured from the centerline of joint partitions and from outside wall faces.

LEGISLATIVE BODY: The City of Crescent Springs City Council.

LIVESTOCK: Domestic animals of types customarily raised or kept on farms for profit or other productive purposes.

LOADING AND/OR UNLOADING SPACE: A space used for the temporary standing, loading and/or unloading of vehicles.

LOT: A parcel of land or any combination of several lots of record, occupied or intended to be occupied by a principal building or a building group, as permitted herein, together with their accessory buildings or uses and such access, yards, and open spaces required under this ordinance.

LOT AREA: The total area of a horizontal plane bounded by the front, side, and rear lot lines, but not including any area occupied by rights-of-way, the waters of any lake or river, and shall be in one (1) zone only.

LOT, CORNER: A "corner lot" is a lot situated at the intersection of two streets or on a curved street on which the interior angle of such intersection or curved streets does not exceed one hundred thirty-five (135) degrees.

LOT, DEPTH OF: The distance measured in the mean direction of the side lot lines from the midpoint of the front lot lines to the midpoint of the rear lot lines.

LOT, DOUBLE FRONTAGE: A lot other than a corner lot that has frontage on more than one (1) street.

LOT, INTERIOR: A lot other than a corner lot with only one (1) frontage on a deeded and occupied public right-of-way.

LOT LINE, FRONT: The common boundary line of a lot and a street right-of-way line. In the case of a corner lot or a double frontage lot, the common boundary line and the street right-of-way line toward which the principal or usual entrance to the main building faces.

LOT LINE, REAR: The boundary line of a lot which is most nearly opposite the front lot line of such lot. In the case of a triangular or wedge shaped lot, for measurement purposes only, a line ten (10) feet in length within the lot parallel to and at the maximum distance from the front lot line. In the case of a corner lot, providing that all requirements for yard space are complied with, the owner may choose either side not abutting a street as the rear lot line, even though it is not opposite the front lot line.
Once the choice has been made, it cannot be changed unless all requirements for yard space can be complied with.

LOT LINE, SIDE: Any boundary line of a lot, other than a front lot line or rear lot line.

LOT OF RECORD: A designated fractional part or subdivision of a block, according to a specific recorded plat or survey, the map of which has been officially accepted and recorded in the office of the appropriate county clerk, state of Kentucky.

LOT WIDTH: The width of the lot as measured along the building front setback line.

MANAGER: Any employee of a sexually oriented business who acts as a manager or supervisor of other employees, finances or patrons of the business or is otherwise responsible for operation of the business.

MANUFACTURED HOME: A single-family residential dwelling constructed after June 15, 1976, in accordance with the National Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974, 42 U.S.C. Section 5401, et seq., as amended, and designed to be used as a single-family residential dwelling with or without permanent foundation when connected to the required utilities, and which includes the plumbing, heating, air conditioning, and electrical systems contained therein and installed in accordance with KRS 227.570 by a Kentucky certified installer.

MINIMUM FRONT YARD DEPTH: The minimum distance required by this ordinance to be maintained within the lot between a line parallel to the front lot line, as defined herein, and the front lot line.

MINIMUM REAR YARD DEPTH: The minimum distance required by this ordinance to be maintained within the lot between a line parallel to the rear lot line, as defined herein, and the rear lot line.

MINIMUM SIDE YARD WIDTH: The minimum distance required by this ordinance to be maintained within the lot between a line parallel to the side lot line, as defined herein, and the side lot line.

MOBILE HOME: A structure manufactured prior to June 15, 1976, which was not required to be constructed in accordance with the federal act, which is transportable in one (1) or more sections, which, in the traveling mode, is eight (8) body feet or more in width and forty (40) body feet or more in length, or, when erected on site, is three hundred twenty (320) or more square feet, and which is built on a permanent chassis and designed to be used as a dwelling, with or without a permanent foundation, when connected to the required utilities, and includes the plumbing, heating, air conditioning, and electrical systems contained therein. Mobile homes must be installed in accordance with KRS 227.570 by a Kentucky certified installer.
MOBILE HOME PARK: Any lot, parcel, or premises, subdivided, designed, maintained, intended, and/or used to accommodate ten (10) or more mobile homes, and meets the requirements as specified in this ordinance. For the purpose of this ordinance, any lot or premises used for the wholesale or retail sale of mobile homes shall not be included within this definition. Double width mobile structures, which are fabricated on individual chassis with wheels and are designed to be joined shall be considered a mobile home for purposes of this ordinance.

MODULAR HOUSING: Housing manufactured off-site, often mass-produced, and designed so that sections are interchangeable. For purposes of this ordinance, this definition shall not include mobile homes.

MOTEL: A building or buildings to be used for the temporary abiding place for travelers and transient guests, where there is a separate outside entrance to sleeping accommodations.

NEIGHBORHOOD CONCEPT PLAN: Means written and graphic materials for the purpose of providing guidelines for development or redevelopment of a defined area that would provide for the further detailing and implementation of the Land Use Plan Recommendation and development Concepts of the adopted comprehensive plan per KRS Chapter 100. Such plan may include approximate delineation of such features as public ways (vehicular and pedestrian traffic flow), parking facilities, utilities, density of development, and generalized land use.

NKAPC: Northern Kentucky Area Planning Commission.

NOBODY: Not anybody, or no human being, or any combination thereof, in the form of a partnership, corporation, joint venture, unincorporated association, or otherwise.

NONCONFORMING LOT: A lot which was lawfully created but which does not conform to the minimum area or dimensional requirements specified for the zone in which it is located.

NONCONFORMING USE OR STRUCTURE: An activity or a building, sign, fence, structure, or a portion thereof, which lawfully existed before the adoption or amendment of this ordinance, but which does not conform to all of the regulations contained in this ordinance, or amendments thereto, which pertain to the zone in which it is located.

NOXIOUS MATTER OR MATERIALS: Matter or material which is capable of causing injury to living organisms by chemical reaction or is capable of causing detrimental effects upon the physical or economic well-being of individuals as determined by the appropriate health department.

NURSERY: Any building or lot, or portion thereof, used for the cultivation or growing of plants and including all accessory buildings.
NURSERY SCHOOL: Any building used for the daytime care or education of preschool age children with or without compensation, and including all accessory buildings and play areas.

NURSING HOME: A health establishment which provides nursing care under the direction of a Kentucky licensed physician to patients who, for reason of illness or physical infirmities, are unable to care for themselves properly.

OCTAVE BAND: A means of dividing the range of sound frequencies into octaves in order to classify sound according to pitch.

OCTAVE BAND FILTER: An electrical frequency analyzer designed according to standards formulated by the American Standards Association and used in conjunction with a sound level meter to take measurements in specific octave intervals.

ODOROUS MATTER: Any matter or material that yields an odor which is offensive in any way to a person with reasonable sensitivity.

OWNER - OCCUPANT: The property owner who will occupy the residence.

PARKING AREA, OFF-STREET: An open, surfaced area, other than the rights-of-way of a street, alley, or place, used for temporary parking of motor vehicles.

PARKING BUILDING OR GARAGE: A building, or portion thereof, designed, intended, and used exclusively for the temporary parking of motor vehicles which may be publicly or privately owned and/or operated.

PARTICULATE MATTER: Any material, except uncombined water, which exists in a finely divided, suspended form as a liquid or solid at standard conditions.

PEEP BOOTH: Any room, other than a private room, of less than one hundred fifty (150) square feet of floor space upon the premises of a sexually oriented business where there is exhibited photographs, films, motion pictures, video cassettes, or other video reproductions, slides or other visual representations which depict or described specified sexual activities or specified anatomical areas.

PERFORMANCE STANDARDS: Criteria established to control building enclosure, landscaping, noise, odorous matter, exterior lighting, vibration, smoke, particulate matter, gasses, radiation, storage, fire, and explosive hazards, and humidity, heat, or glare generated by or inherent in, uses of land or buildings.

PERIMETER LANDSCAPING: The landscaping surrounding a land use or a vehicular use area.
PERMANENT FOUNDATION: A system of supports that is: (1) capable of transferring, without failure, into soil or bedrock, the maximum design load imposed by or upon the structure; (2) constructed of concrete; and (3) placed at a depth below grade adequate to prevent frost damage.

PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD): A large scale, unified land development which permits a mixture of land uses, clustering of residential units of varying types, and common recreation/open spaces, through flexible regulations which encourage creative design to preserve the natural features and foliage of the site.

PRIVATE ROOM: A room in an adult motel that is not a peep booth, has a bed in the room, has a bath in the room or adjacent to the room, and is used primarily for lodging.

QUALIFIED MANUFACTURED HOME: A manufactured home that meets all of the following criteria:

A. Is manufactured on or after July 15, 2002;
B. Is affixed to a permanent foundation as is connected to the appropriate facilities and is installed in compliance with KRS 227.570;
C. Has a width of at least twenty (20) feet at its smallest width measurement or is two (2) stories in height and oriented on the lot or parcel so that its main entrance door faces the street;
D. Has a minimum total living area of nine hundred (900) square feet;
E. Is not located in a manufactured home land-lease community; and
F. Is compatible, in terms of assessed value, with existing housing located immediately adjacent to: (1) either side of the proposed site within the same block front; (2) adjacent to the rear; or (3) within a one-eighth (1/8) mile radius or less from the proposed location of the qualified manufactured home.

RAILROAD RIGHTS-OF-WAY: A strip of land within which the railroad tracks and auxiliary facilities for track operation are normally located, but not including freight depots or stations, loading platforms, train sheds, warehouses, car or locomotive shops, or car yards.

REPLACEMENT TREE: Any tree planted to meet the requirements of this ordinance, either for landscaping or tree density purposes.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FACILITIES: a building or buildings to be used to administer and/or investigate activities with the intention of making a discovery that can either lead to the development of new products or procedures, or improve existing products or procedures.

RESIDENTIAL CLUSTER DEVELOPMENT (RCD): A large scale, unified land development which permits a clustering of attached and detached single-family residential dwellings, with common recreation/open spaces, through flexible regulations.
which encourage creative design to preserve the natural features, foliage, and other characteristics of the site.

REST HOME: Any building, institution, residence, or home used as a place of abode for the reception and care of three (3) or more persons, who by reasons of age, mental, or physical infirmities, are not capable of properly caring for themselves.

RESTAURANTS: See EATING AND DRINKING ESTABLISHMENT

SATELLITE DISH ANTENNA: A device commonly parabolic in shape, mounted at a fixed point in the ground or on a structure, for the purpose of capturing television signals transmitted via satellite communications facilities and serving the same or similar function as the common television antenna. Said devices are herein defined as an accessory structure.

SCHOOLS, PAROCHIAL: An institution or a place for instruction or education belonging to and maintained by a religious organization.

SCHOOLS, PRIVATE: An institution or a place for instruction or education belonging to and maintained by a private organization.

SCHOOLS, PUBLIC: An institution or place for instruction or education belonging to and maintained under public authority and open to the public for their attendance.

SERVICE FACILITIES, PUBLIC UTILITIES: Service facilities include all facilities of public utilities operating under the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission, or the Department of Motor Transportation, or Federal Power Commission, and common carriers by rail, other than office space, garage and warehouse space and include office space, garage space and warehouse space when such place is incidental to a service facility.

SERVICE STATION: Any building, structure, or land, used for the dispensing, sale, or offering for sale, at retail, of any automobile fuels, oils, or accessories and in connection with which is performed general automotive servicing other than body work, including auto repairing, providing all repair, except that of a minor nature -- e.g., change of fan belt, minor carburetor adjustment, tire removal and/or replacement, windshield wiper replacement, etc. -- is conducted wholly within a completely enclosed building and providing further that such service station is located adjacent to an arterial street, as identified in the adopted comprehensive plan.

SEXUAL ENCOUNTER ESTABLISHMENT: A business or commercial establishment, which as one of its primary business purposes, offers for any form of consideration, a place where two (2) or more persons may congregate, associate or consort for the purpose of specified sexual activities or the exposure of specified anatomical areas, when one or more of the persons exposes any specified anatomical area.
SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESS: An adult arcade, adult bookstore, adult video store, adult cabaret, adult motel, adult motion picture theater, adult theater, sexual encounter establishment or other similar business and includes:

1. The opening or commencement of any sexually oriented business as a new business.
2. The conversion of an existing business, whether or not a sexually oriented business, to a sexually oriented business.
3. The addition of any sexually oriented business to any other existing sexually oriented business.
4. The relocation of any sexually oriented business; or
5. The continuation of a sexually oriented business in existence on the effective date of this ordinance.

SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESS LICENSE: A license required by the City of Crescent Springs, pursuant to the police power thereof, for the purpose of the regulation of sexually oriented businesses within the City, in a manner which will protect the property values, neighborhoods and residents from the potential adverse secondary effects of sexually oriented businesses, while providing an opportunity to patronize sexually oriented businesses for those who are desirous thereof.

SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESS LICENSE FEE: A fee required by the City of Crescent Springs, pursuant to the police power thereof, for each sexually oriented business license, to provide the money necessary to pay the expenses of supervising and regulating the sexually oriented business activities and operations within the City of Crescent Springs, including, without limitation, the expense of issuing licenses therefore.

SIGN: Any combination of letters, pictures, characters, or other display used to identify or direct attention to some activity or direction.

SIGN, ADVERTISING: A sign which directs attention to a business, commodity, service, or entertainment conducted, sold, or offered:

a. Only elsewhere than upon the premises where such sign is located or to which it is affixed; or
b. As a minor and incidental activity upon the premises where the sign is located.

SIGN, ANIMATED: Any sign having a conspicuous and intermittent variation in the illumination or physical position of any part of the sign.
SIGN, BUSINESS: A sign which directs attention to a business, profession, industry, to type of products sold, manufactured, or assembled, and/or to service or entertainment offered upon said premises and located upon the premises where such sign is displayed.

SIGN, FLASHING: Any sign having a conspicuous and intermittent variation in the illumination of the sign.

SIGN, FLAT: Any sign which is attached directly, in rigid manner, and parallel to the building wall.

SIGN, GROSS AREA OF: The entire area within a single continuous perimeter enclosing the limits of a sign. However, such perimeter shall not include any structural elements lying outside the limits of such sign and not forming an integral part of the display.

SIGN, GROUND: Any sign erected, constructed, or maintained directly upon the ground or upon uprights or braces placed in the ground, with a maximum permitted ground clearance of three (3) feet.

SIGN IDENTIFICATION: A sign used to identify: the name of the individual, family, organization, or enterprise occupying the premises; the profession of the occupant; the name of the building on which the sign is displayed.

SIGN, INDIVIDUAL LETTER: Letters and/or numbers individually fashioned from metal, glass, plastic or other materials and attached directly to the wall of a building, but not including a sign painted on a wall or other surface.

SIGN, POLE: Any sign affixed to a freestanding supporting pole or poles, embedded in, and extending upward from the ground with a ground clearance exceeding three (3) feet.

SIGN, PROJECTING: Any sign projecting from the face of a building and securely attached to the building by bolts, anchors, chains, guys, or to posts, poles, or angle irons attached directly to the building.

SIGN, WINDOW: Any type of sign or outdoor advertising device which is attached to a window of any building, but shall not extend past the limits of said window. For the purpose of Article XIV, SIGN REGULATIONS, the word "window" shall be construed to mean any glass which comprises part of the surface of the wall regardless of its movability.

SOUND LEVEL METER: An instrument standardized by the American Standards Association for measurement of intensity of sound.
SPECIFIED ANATOMICAL AREAS: Defined as follows:

1. Less than completely and opaquely covered; human genitals, pubic region, buttocks and female breast below a point above the top of the areola.

2. Human male genitals in a discernibly turgid state even if completely and opaquely covered.

SPECIFIED SEXUAL ACTIVITIES: Acts, simulated acts, exhibitions, representations, depictions or descriptions of:

1. Human genitals in a state of sexual stimulation or arousal.

2. Fondling or other erotic touching of human genitals, pubic regions, buttocks or female breasts.

3. Intrusion, however slight, of any object, any part of an animal's body, or any part of a person's body into the genital or anal openings of any person's body or into the body of an animal.

4. Cunnilingus, fellatio, anilingus, masturbation, bestiality, lewd exhibition of genitals or exrectory function.

5. Flagellation, mutilation or torture for purpose of sexual arousal, gratification or abuse.

STAGE: A raised floor or platform at least three feet (3') above the surrounding floor measured perpendicularly from the edge of the stage to the surrounding floor and at least thirty six (36) square feet in area.

STORY: That portion of a building included between the surface of any floor and the surface of the floor next above it, or if there be no floor above it, then the space between such floor and the ceiling next above it. For purposes of this ordinance, a basement shall not be counted as a story.

STORY, HALF: A story under a gable, hip, or gambrel roof, the wall plates of which on at least two (2) opposite exterior walls are not more than three (3) feet above the floor of such story.

STREET, PRIVATE: A paved private roadway which affords access to abutting property for private users of such property. For the purposes of density calculations, a private street shall constitute the areas of its paved surface and sidewalks or the private right-of-way if designated on the recorded plat.
STREET, PUBLIC: A public roadway, constructed within the boundaries of an officially deeded and accepted public right-of-way, which affords principal means of access to abutting property. For purposes of density calculations, a public street shall constitute all of the area within the public right-of-way.

STREET, ARTERIAL: Public thoroughfares which serve the major movements of traffic within and through the community, as identified in the adopted comprehensive plan.

STREET, COLLECTOR: Public thoroughfares which serve to collect and distribute traffic, primarily from local to arterial streets.

STREET, EXPRESSWAY: A divided arterial highway for through traffic with full or partial control of access, and generally with grade separations at major intersections.

STREET, FREEWAY: A divided multi-lane highway for through traffic with all crossroads separated in grades and with full control of access.

STREET, FRONTAGE ROAD (SERVICE OR ACCESS ROAD): A street adjacent to a freeway, expressway, or arterial, street separated therefrom by a dividing strip and providing access to abutting properties.

STREET, LOCAL: Roadways which are designed to be used primarily for direct access to abutting properties and feeding into the collector street system.

STRUCTURE: Anything constructed or erected, the use of which requires permanent location in or on the ground or attachment to something having a permanent location in or on the ground, including such as: buildings, mobile homes, signs, fences, etc.

SUBDIVISION: The division of a parcel of land into two or more lots or parcels for the purpose, whether immediate or future, of sale, lease, or building development, or if a new street is involved, any division of a parcel of land; providing that a division of land for agricultural purposes into lots or parcels of five acres or more and not involving a new street shall not be deemed a subdivision. The term includes resubdivision and when appropriate to the context shall relate to the process of subdivision or to the land subdivided.

SWIMMING POOL, OUTDOOR: Any structure or device of any kind that is intended for swimming purposes, including but not limited to: any pool or tank of any material or type of construction, or any depression or excavation in any natural or constructed material, or any dike or berm of any material or type of construction; including all appurtenances to such structure or device and all appliances used in connection therewith; which structure or device is intended to cause, or would cause, if completely filled, the retaining of water to a greater depth than eighteen (18) inches at any point. Any such structure or device shall be deemed to be included within the meaning of the term "structure" as used in this ordinance.
Outdoor swimming pools shall be deemed to consist of the following classes: private, semi-public, public, and commercial, as follows:

a. Private: when consisting of an accessory structure appurtenant to a one-family or a two-family dwelling and used only as such by persons residing on the same lot and their private guests.

b. Semi-public: when consisting of an accessory structure appurtenant to a multiple dwelling, hotel, motel, church, school, club, etc., and used only as such by persons who reside or are housed on the same lot or who are regular members of such organizations.

c. Public: a swimming pool operated by a unit of government for the general public.

d. Commercial: a swimming pool operated for profit, open to the public upon payment of a fee.

TAVERN: Any establishment selling alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages by the drink for consumption on the premises; with sales of alcoholic beverages accounting for at least 50% of the establishment’s gross annual receipts.

TRAILER: See CAMPING/VACATION MOBILE UNIT.

URGENT CARE CLINIC: A medical clinic which specializes in the delivery of ambulatory care in a facility dedicated to the delivery of medical care outside of a hospital emergency department, usually on an unscheduled, walk-in basis.

USE, PERMITTED: A use which may be lawfully established, if permitted, in a particular zone provided it conforms with all requirements of such zone.

VARIANCE: A departure from dimensional terms of this ordinance pertaining to the height, width, or location of structures, and the size of yards and open spaces where such departure meets the requirements of KRS 100.241 to 100.247.

VEHICULAR USE AREA: Any area containing more than one thousand five hundred (1,500) square feet and used by two or more vehicles for parking, sales, or service, exclusive of driveways.

YARD DEPTH, FRONT: An area extending the full width of the lot or building site measured between a line parallel to the street right-of-way line intersecting the foremost point of any building excluding steps and unenclosed porches and the front lot line, as defined herein.
YARD DEPTH, REAR: An area extending across the full width of the lot and measured between a line parallel to the rear lot line, as defined herein, which intersects the rearmost point of any building excluding steps and unenclosed porches and the rear lot line.

YARD WIDTH, SIDE: An area between any building and the side lot line, as defined herein, extending from the front to the rear yard, or on through lots or building sites from one front lot line to the other front lot line.

ZONE: An established area within the city for which the provisions of this ordinance are applicable. (Synonymous with the word "DISTRICT".)

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR: The official or officials appointed by the legislative body to administer and enforce the provisions of this ordinance.