

Unified Development Code – Used Car Sales

Request	Hold a public hearing and make a recommendation to City Council on revisions to Chapter 125 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of League City, Article 3, entitled “Zoning Regulations”, and “Appendix A: Definitions”, to revise regulations related to used car dealerships.
Applicant	City of League City
City Council	Public Hearing & First Reading – <i>January 27, 2026</i> ; <i>Second Reading – February 24, 2026</i>
Attachment	1. Redlined Ordinance

Background

December 19, 2025 – Notice of the public hearings was published in the paper and posted at City Hall.

January 8, 2026 – The Planning and Zoning Commission is scheduled to hold a public hearing and make a recommendation to City Council.

January 27, 2026 – City Council is scheduled to hold a public hearing and hear the item on first reading.

February 24, 2026 – Subject to approval on first reading, City Council is scheduled to hear the item on second reading.

Councilmembers Cones and Higgenbotham co-sponsored the proposed amendments to the Unified Development Code (UDC).

Changes to the Ordinance

The proposed ordinance amendment would allow used car sales with a Special Use Permit in the “CG” (General Commercial) District. The amendment would also establish the following definitions for Used Car Sales in Appendix A of the UDC.

Used Car Sales means a retail motor vehicle establishment where previously titled, leased, or owned vehicles are offered for sale or trade. Such establishments may include offices, customer service areas, and designated display areas. Minor mechanical services incidental to preparing vehicles for sale are allowed, provided they occur entirely within enclosed bays. This use does not include major automotive repair, towing and storage yards, or salvage operations.

For additional information, you may contact Kris Carpenter, Planning Director at 281-554-1098 or at Kris.carpenter@leaguecitytx.gov.

Educational Research and Development									P	P	P	P		P		P		S		
Event Venue									P		P					P	S		S	P
Event Venue with Outdoor Facilities									P		P					S	S		S	P
Government Offices and Facilities, large scale									P	P	P	P		P	S					
Government Offices and Facilities, small scale								P	P	P	P	P		P	S	P		P		
Hospitals, may have heliport								S	P	P	P	P		P						
Parks and Recreation	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Public Maintenance Facilities (See Sec. 3.14.5)									S			P	P	S						
Public Safety Facilities	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P
Religious Assembly	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P
Schools, Public or Private	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	P	P	P	P			P		P	P	S	P	P
COMMERCIAL																				
Alcoholic Beverage Sales, On-Premise Consumption (Must comply with LC Ordinance Ch. 10 and TABC)								S	S	S	S					S		S		S
Alcoholic Beverage Sales, Off-Premise Consumption (Must comply with LC Ordinance Ch. 10 and TABC)									P		P					S				S
Ambulance Services									P	P	P	P	P	P						
Amusement Parks, Carnivals, and Other Similar Uses									S			S	S							
Animal Sales and Services, no outdoor kennels or outdoor storage								S	P		P					P	P	P	S	S
Animal Sales and Services with outdoor kennels, areas, and runs									S		S	S						S		
Automobile/Vehicle/Equipment Sales and Rental Incidental parts, sales, servicing, and repair facilities shall be located within a completely enclosed building. Used vehicle sales permitted as accessory use only.									P		S							S		
Used Car Sales									S											
Automobile Rentals								P	P	P	P	P	P					S		
Car Wash								S	S	S	S	P						S		
Vehicle Fueling Stations								S	S		S	P						S		

Appendix A – Definitions

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