

February 9, 2017

Robert McKay
City of Lee's Summit
Director of Planning & Development
220 SE Green Street
Lee's Summit, MO 64063



Dear Bob,

I would like to ask that you initiate a request for a Unified Development Ordinance amendment with the CEDC to allow an in-home portrait studio on a parcel that is under 1 acre.

In the early 90's, when I first began my journey in photography I initiated and the City of Lee's Summit approved zoning for home based small business. There was no restriction on size of home, or parcel of land. I initiated this for a variety of business owners operating in their homes, because I wanted to operate a legal and professional business. It encompassed artists(including photographic artists), beauticians, tax preparers and a variety of other small businesses that do not require a commercial location to operate a business.

When my business expanded and had a staff of photographer's, I moved into and purchased a commercial building. I have scaled my business back, and no longer have any employees or need a commercial location. I do wish to be able to create portraits from an in-home studio once more. I create only custom (low-volume) portraits by appointment only. New-born children, HS senior, family, fitness/bodybuilding and business headshots. Most portraits are created for family members and some for commercial and marketing purposes.

Parking would not be an issue as 4 cars can fit in my drive, but would only envision 1 or 2 at most, which is less than most neighbors have on a daily basis. Hours of operation would be 10-6 Tuesday-Friday and Saturday 10-1 by appointment only.

Thank you for your consideration,

God Bless,

Jenny Roland

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