

Land Use

Larkin Hoffman attorneys understand that land use matters require more than legal skills. They require the ability to build effective relationships among private parties, communities and government entities.

Our firm's longstanding and strong connections with key government officials, policymakers, community organizations and other groups are important to effectiveness in land use and development issues. Our land use team represents both developers and government entities in all aspects of the land use process, including zoning and comprehensive plan changes, subdivision and preliminary plat approvals, planned unit developments, and permitting and licensing. If you are contemplating development or are already navigating the approval process, our attorneys can assist with streamlining the process and negotiating the approvals necessary to get the project done.

When land use disputes cannot be resolved at the bargaining table, our real estate litigation team can help. Our real estate litigators have experience handling a full range of land use disputes, including challenges to comprehensive plan amendment, preliminary plat, zoning, variance and conditional use permit denials. Our real estate litigation attorneys are leading practitioners in the state of Minnesota on claims arising under the Minnesota 60-day rule, which requires an agency to grant a zoning request if the agency fails to act on it within 60 days.

When statutory and rule changes are necessary to resolve land use and real estate issues, our government relations team can help. At the Minnesota Capitol and before state agencies, our government relations team works hard to make the zoning, development and land use process function better on local, regional and statewide levels. We have a strong reputation at the capitol and a broad base of experience on land use and real estate issues, making our team an effective ally.