

Certain areas of Summit County are designated Enterprise Zones, as allowed by state law and consented to by local communities. This allows incentive agreements to be negotiated between the county, local communities and businesses seeking to expand or relocate within the zone areas. The Department of Development administers this state program and acts as the central point of contact and assists businesses with expansion, relocation or start-up questions on how best to maximize their business investment.

Enterprise Zones are designated areas of land in which businesses can receive tax incentives in the form of tax exemptions on eligible new investments. Enterprise Zones are not part of the traditional zoning program -- which limits the use of land -- instead they allow local officials to negotiate with businesses to encourage new business investment in the zone.

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