



## LINCOLN

These FAQs are being provided as a courtesy to the businesses impacted by the East Gateway Redevelopment Plan which provides for the redevelopment of the "Shops at the Lincoln Redevelopment Project". The Treasurer's office assumes no legal liability or responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, or usefulness of any information in these FAQs. The City intends to follow the guidance and practice of the State under the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 in determining which sales to impose the occupation tax on.

### FAQ's:

1) Q: Whom does the Shops at the Lincoln Redevelopment Project EEA Occupation Tax apply to?

A: The occupation tax is imposed upon each and every person operating a business within the East Gateway Redevelopment plan "Enhanced Employment Area" any period of time during a calendar month.

2) Q: What is the Shops at Lincoln Redevelopment Project EEA Occupation Tax rate?

A: The rate is five-tenths of one percent (0.5%) of all gross receipts for each calendar month derived from total consideration charged for the general businesses subject to this tax.

3) Q: What items are being taxed?

A: Taxes apply to the total gross receipts resulting from the sale, lease, or rental of any products or services within the Enhanced Employment Area, except for, and not limited to the following:

- Any sale of food in any drinking place or restaurant defined in Chapter 3.30 of the Lincoln Municipal Code.
- Any sale of food (prepared or non-prepared) as defined in Nebraska statutes 77-2704.24, and 77-2701.04 to 77-2717.
- Any sales related to manufacturer, producer, supplier, distributor, wholesaler or importer, as defined in Nebraska statutes 53-160, 66-489, 66-489.02, 66-4140 145 & 146, 77-2602, & 77-4008.

4) Q: Where do I send my monthly payment and remittance worksheet?

A: Payments and remittance worksheets can be submitted online or sent to the City Treasurer at:

City Treasurer  
City of Lincoln  
555 South 10<sup>th</sup> St  
Lincoln, NE 68508-2830

5) Q: When is the Shops at Lincoln Redevelopment Project EEA Occupation Tax due?

A: On or before the 25<sup>th</sup> day of each and every month the occupation taxes due from the preceding month shall be paid to the City of Lincoln. Please note that Lincoln Municipal Code does NOT make any allowance for late filing when the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday or holiday. Interest will still be assessed on payments received after the due date under these circumstances.

6) Q: Whom do I contact if I have a question regarding tax returns or registration of my online account for Shops at Lincoln Redevelopment Project EEA Occupation Tax?

A: City Finance office at (402) 441-7457.

7) Q: Where do I send a written request for additional information?

A: City Finance Department  
555 South 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
Lincoln, Nebraska 68508-3996

8) Q: How do I calculate sales tax?

A: Contact the Nebraska Department of Revenue at (402) 471-5729 or visit their website at

[http://www.revenue.nebraska.gov/info/occupation\\_tax.html](http://www.revenue.nebraska.gov/info/occupation_tax.html) .

### **Example: Shops at Lincoln Redevelopment Project EEA:**

A customer purchases a product or service from a business located in the Shops at Lincoln Redevelopment Project Enhanced Employment Area. The sales tax rate is 7.25%.

Purchase Price of Product or Service	\$100.00
Shops at Lincoln Redev. EEA Occupation Tax (.05%)	+ 0.50 (remit to City)
Subtotal	\$ 100.50
<b>Gross Receipts Subject to Sales Tax =</b>	<b>\$ 100.50</b>

#### Sales Tax Calculation

Gross Receipts subject to sales tax:	<u>\$100.50</u>
Sales Tax 7.25% (State 5.5% and City 1.75%) +	7.32 (remit to Nebraska Department of Revenue)
	\$ 107.82

**The customer's bill may show:**

Purchase Price of Product or Service	\$ 100.00
Enhanced Employment Area tax	0.50
State and Local Sales Tax	7.32
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 107.82</b>

9) Q: Is there a late remittance fee?

A: Interest is charged at a rate of one percent (1%) per month, or fraction thereof from the date when due. Any such interest due may be compounded quarterly. Based upon information as may be reasonably available, of the amount of taxes due for the period or periods for which the taxpayer is delinquent, the Finance Director may compute and assess in addition thereto a penalty equal to ten percent (10%).

10) Q: What are the office hours?

A: The City Finance department is open 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday.

11) Q: My business is not located within the Enhanced Employment Area of East Gateway Shopping Center. Do I have to pay the occupation tax? A: Only qualified sales made within the Shops at Lincoln Redevelopment Project Enhanced Employment Area are subject to the tax.

12) Q: When is the Shops at Lincoln Redevelopment Project EEA occupation Tax effective?

A: September 1, 2024. The tax will continue until the earlier of August 31, 2044, or upon payment in full of all eligible public improvements within an approved redevelopment project to be incurred and indebtedness issued by the City pursuant to the provisions of the Act, for which such occupation tax receipts have been pledge.

13) Q: When using ACH payments through the Online Payment System, when will the payment post to my bank account?

A: Payments will be processed on the first working day after the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month. The funds will be removed from your account on the next working day. Please see the examples below.\*

EXAMPLE 1

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	Tax Due	Payments processed by City Treasurer	Funds removed from your account.			

EXAMPLE 2

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
20	21	22	23	24	25 Tax Due	26
27	28 Payments processed by City Treasurer	29 Funds removed from your account.	30	31		

EXAMPLE 3

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
20	21	22	23	24	25 Tax Due	26
27	28 HOLIDAY Non- Working Day	29 Payments processed by City Treasurer	30 Funds removed from your account.	31		

\*Please note: Interest will not be charged on the account as long as the online payment process is completed by midnight on the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month.

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