

# SETTING UP A NEW BUSINESS

## **Certificate of Occupancy:**

A Certificate of Occupancy is required for new businesses operating in Hurst. The application can be accessed online at <a href="www.hursttx.gov/css">www.hursttx.gov/css</a>, and there is a \$60.00 application fee. After an approved inspection, Hurst Building Inspections gives a utility release to Oncor. The customer is responsible for starting their services to the various utility companies. A new Certificate of Occupancy is also required when a business changes ownership, square footage or type of business. It is necessary to have all of the information requested on the application before it can be processed.

## **Registration of Business Name:**

Northeast Tarrant County Clerks Office Northeast Tarrant County Court House Assumed Names Department 645 Grapevine Hwy Hurst, Texas 76054 (817) 581-3604

#### **State Tax Number:**

Comptroller of Public Accounts 2108 E Randol Mill Rd, Suite 100 Arlington, TX 76011-8228 1-800-252-5555 www.window.state.tx.us

# Signs:

An approved sign permit must be obtained prior to erecting any sign. An application with digital drawings must be submitted by contractor online at <a href="www.hursttx.gov/css">www.hursttx.gov/css</a>. A plan review fee will be invoiced when the sign permit application is submitted, and the permit fee is paid when sign permit is issued.

#### **Restaurants:**

The Tarrant County Health Department must be contacted prior to opening, or obtaining a building permit to remodel or build a new structure. Tarrant County Health Department approved plans must be submitted to the Building Inspection Department along with a building permit application. The Tarrant County Health Department is located at 1101 S Main Street in Fort Worth and can be reached by phone at (817) 321-4960.

In order to process an application for a Certificate of Occupancy for any restaurant, a seating layout is required with plans showing square footage of kitchen, bathroom, storage, etc. to allow proper classification.