City of Eatonton Code of Ordinance

- **Chapter 18 BUSINESSES Sec. 18-39. - Evidence of qualification required if applicable.**

(a) Before an occupation tax certificate can be issued to a new business, or a change in type of business or a change in the ownership of a business located within the city, a building must have a current inspection and approval from the Putnam County Planning and Development Department. All buildings must meet SBCCI standards. Business owners or operators are responsible for making the inspection request to the Putnam County Planning and Development Department and submitting the Putnam County Planning and Development Certificate of Occupancy along with this application to the city clerk. For the purposes of this section, an inspection will only be required if a building has been vacant for longer than 180 days. Vacant means that there is no provable use of utilities other than those necessary for reasonable security, no occupational tax certificate has been issued to such site for 180 days, no verifiable inventory sale or purchase has occurred during the time or other verifiable business activity has occurred during the 180 days prior to the application for the occupational tax certificate.

(b) Any business required to obtain health permits, bonds, certificates of qualification, certificates of competency or any other regulatory matter shall first, before the issuance of an occupation tax certificate or a regulatory fee certificate, show evidence of such qualification.

(c) Any business required to submit an annual application for continuance of the business shall do so before the registration is issued.