



I-90 Enterprise Zone

The Illinois Enterprise Zone Program assists in the revitalization of distressed areas by offering financial and tax incentives to stimulate business growth and neighborhood improvement. Businesses located in an enterprise zone are eligible for state and local incentives. The City of Rockford has two enterprise zones-

Rockford Enterprise Zone #1

I-90 Enterprise Zone

Enterprise Zone Incentives

Investment Tax Credit

Businesses located within an enterprise zone may claim an extra 0.5% of the cost ("basis") of qualified depreciable property placed in service in the enterprise zone as a credit on their state income taxes. This credit is in addition to the existing 0.5% investment tax credit allowed to all manufacturers in Illinois on state income taxes.

City of Rockford Property Tax Abatement

The City of Rockford offers tax abatement on property tax levied by the City for projects occurring on parcels or properties located within the I-90 Enterprise Zone. Projects need to increase the assessment amount due to rehabilitation, expansion, or new construction. Additional criteria applies. Property Tax Abatement is not available for projects located within a TIF District. Contact Community & Economic Development Department for more information.

Building Material Sales Tax Exemption

Building materials used in new construction or rehabilitation of properties located within enterprise zones (and permanently attached to the real estate) may be sales tax exempt (8.25%). Purchasers, whether contractor or owner, must apply for a Certificate of Eligibility from the City of Rockford.

The application is available at www.rockfordil.gov.

Additional Incentives

Specific projects and companies may qualify for the incentives listed below. Full information available at www.rockfordil.gov, as well as on DCEO's website at: <https://dceo.illinois.gov/expandrelocate/incentives/taxassistance/enterprisezone.html>

- The Utility Tax Exemption
- The Machinery and Equipment Sales Tax Exemption
- High Impact Service Facility Machinery & Equipment Sales Tax Exemption.

For more information, contact:

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Larger map is available at www.rockfordil.gov.

Alternatively, contact the Community & Economic Development Department to determine if a property is located in an enterprise zone.

