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Zoning Ordinance

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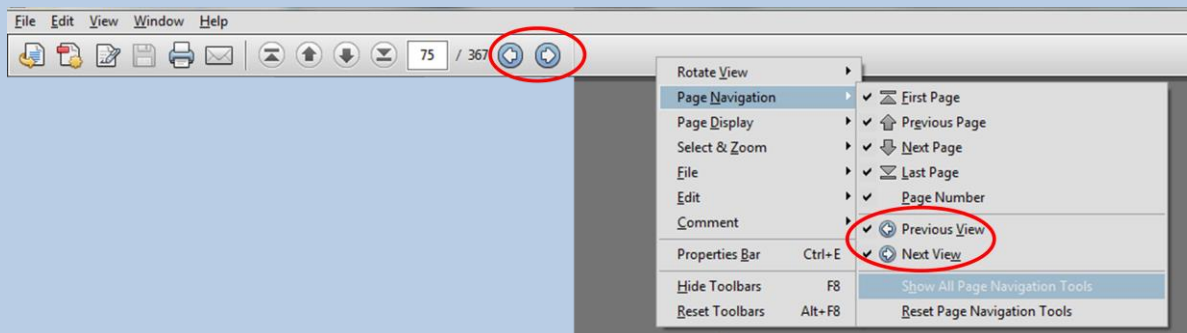
In addition to the requirement for shrubs of [§5.8.5.B.1](#), above, major deciduous trees shall be planted at the minimum rate of one for every 35 feet along any property line abutting public right-of-way.

4. All use tables include hyperlinks to each zoning district listed in the table.

Specific Use Types	R-20	R-10	R-10T	R-8	R-6	R-5	R15-30T	R2-7	Use Standards
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HOW TO USE THIS ORDINANCE

IF YOU OWN PROPERTY AND WANT TO KNOW WHAT RULES APPLY:

STEP 1: Find your zoning district and any overlay districts by looking at the Zoning Map or by calling the Zoning Office.

STEP 2: Go to Article 4 for Public Districts; Article 5 for Residential Districts; Article 6 for Residential Apartment Districts; Article 7 for Commercial/Mixed Use Districts; or Article 8 for Industrial Districts, to review the intent of the district applied to your property. Purpose statements are found in the first subsection within each respective district.

STEP 3: Go to §4.1 for Public Districts; §5.1 for Residential Districts; §6.1 for Residential Apartment Districts; §7.1 for Commercial/Mixed Use Districts; or §8.1 for Industrial Districts use tables, for details on uses permitted on your property. Find the row that lists the specific use you've identified. Match this row to your district (across the top of the table) to determine if the use you want to establish is allowed. If the use you've identified is not listed, go to §12.2.1, Similar use interpretation.

STEP 4: If your use is permitted, before building the structure or establishing the use, you must get the appropriate permits approved (see Article 15). For details on maximum density, minimum lot size, setbacks, lot coverage, and similar standards see "density and dimensional standards" in each of the respective districts for details on uses permitted on your property

For specific use standards ~~that apply in more than one district,~~ see Article 12. ~~Please note that use standards that apply only in one district are found in the respective districts under "district standards".~~

~~For additional use standards and requirements, The use may also be subject to these~~ site development standards in 0 and Article 14, and all regulations for the subject zoning district.

STEP 5: Don't forget the special planning area regulations in Article 9 and the overlay and special purpose districts established in Article 11, ~~which~~ may apply to your property. These requirements are intended to help you and the County ensure that your project is legally established and that it matches the development vision that Arlington County, as a community, desires.

IF YOU WANT TO BUILD OR ESTABLISH A PARTICULAR USE:

Follow Steps 1 through 5 above, to identify your zoning district and the permitted uses. You can find the specific details, use standards, for the permitted uses in your zoning district in Article 12; ~~provided, that use standards that apply only in one district are found and~~ in the respective zoning district regulations under "district standards". You can also find the various site development standards that apply to your property in Article 13 and Article 14.

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Article 1. Introductory Provisions

§1.1. Title

This ordinance and the official zoning map made a part hereof shall be known and may be cited and referred to as the “Arlington County Zoning Ordinance” or herein, simply as “this zoning ordinance”.

§1.2. Minimum Requirements

The provisions of this zoning ordinance shall be held to be the minimum requirements adopted for the promotion of health, safety, convenience, morals, comfort, prosperity and general welfare of the public. It is not intended by this zoning ordinance to repeal, abrogate, annul or in any way to impair or interfere with any existing provisions of law or ordinance, any easement, covenant or private agreement, or any rules, regulations or permits other than zoning regulations.

§1.3. USE OF BUILDINGS AND LAND

No building or structure shall be erected, reconstructed, structurally altered, enlarged or moved, and no land or building shall be used or designed to be used for any purpose other than is hereinafter permitted except as may be permitted by §16.5.¹

~~§1.3.~~ §1.4. Conflicting Provisions

~~§1.3.1.~~ §1.4.1. Interpretation

- A. Where any part of this zoning ordinance imposes a greater or lesser restriction upon the use of the buildings or premises, or upon the height of the buildings, or requires larger or smaller yards, courts or other open spaces than are imposed or required by other existing agreements or provisions of law or ordinance, the provisions which are more restrictive shall control.
- B. Any permit filed and subject to approval prior to July 15, 1950 ~~the official adoption of this zoning ordinance~~² shall adhere to the regulations of the zoning ordinance, as amended.

~~§1.3.2.~~ §1.4.2. Constitutionality, repeal of conflicting provisions

- A. Should any section or provision of this zoning ordinance be decided by the courts to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole, or any part thereof other than the part so held to be unconstitutional or invalid.
- B. All ordinances or parts thereof which are in conflict with the provisions of this zoning ordinance are hereby repealed.

¹ This provision was moved to the introduction to each of Articles 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 as part of the 2013 reformat. This proposed location (1.3) will restore this provision to a location and context where it was included in the 1950 Ordinance (see 1950 ~~Ordinance~~Ordinance Section 2.D.1: <http://buildingarlington.s3.amazonaws.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/04/ACZOSection2.pdf>).

² Date of adoption of 1950 Ordinance has been inserted here to clarify that this provision originated with the 1950 Ordinance (and pre-dated the adoption of the 2013 Ordinance).

31 **§1.4. §1.5. Street Frontage Required**

32 Every building hereafter erected shall be located on a lot with frontage on a public street having a
 33 minimum width of 30 feet as defined in this zoning ordinance.

34 **§1.5. §1.6. Headings and Illustrations**

35 Headings and illustrations are provided for convenience and reference only and do not define or limit the
 36 scope of any provision of this zoning ordinance. In case of any difference of meaning or implication
 37 between the text of this zoning ordinance and any heading, drawing, table, figure, or illustration, the text
 38 controls.

39 **§1.6. §1.7. Zoning Districts Established**

40 **§1.6.1. §1.7.1. General districts**

41 The following general zoning districts are hereby established. ~~“Residential districts” include the~~
 42 ~~R districts and the RA districts. Other d~~istrict groupings include the Public (P), Residential (R),
 43 Residential Apartment (RA), Commercial/Mixed Use (C), and Industrial (M) districts.

GENERAL ZONING DISTRICTS	
Public (P) districts	
S-3A	Special
S-D	Special Development
P-S	Public Service
Residential (R) districts	
R-20	One-family Dwelling
R-10	One-family Dwelling
R-10T	One-family and Residential Townhouse Dwelling
R-8	One-family Dwelling
R-6	One-family Dwelling
R-5	One-family and Restricted Two-family Dwelling
R15-30T	Residential Townhouse Dwelling
R2-7	Two-family Dwelling
Residential Apartment (RA) districts	
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Commercial/Mixed-use (C) districts	
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R-C	Apartment Multiple-family Dwelling and Commercial
RA-H	Hotel
RA-H-3.2	Multiple-family Dwelling and Hotel
C-1-R	Restricted Local Commercial
C-1	Local Commercial
CP-FBC	Columbia Pike Form Based Code
CPN-FBC	Columbia Pike Neighborhoods Form Based Code
MU-VS	Mixed Use – Virginia Square
C-1-O	Limited Commercial-Professional Office Building
C-O-1.0	Commercial Office Building, Hotel and Apartment Mixed Use
C-O-1.5	Commercial Office Building, Hotel and Apartment Mixed Use

GENERAL ZONING DISTRICTS	
C-O-2.5	Commercial Office Building, Hotel and Apartment Mixed Use
C-O	Mixed Use Commercial Office Building, Hotel and Multiple family Dwelling
C-O-A	Mixed Use Commercial, Office and Apartment
C-O Rosslyn	Mixed Use Rosslyn Commercial Office Building, Retail, Hotel and Multiple Family Dwelling
C-O Crystal City	Mixed Use "Crystal City" Commercial Office Building, Retail, Hotel and Multiple family Dwelling
C-2	Service Commercial-Community Business
C-TH	Commercial Townhouse
C-3	General Commercial
C-R	Commercial Redevelopment
Industrial (M) Districts	
CM	Limited Industrial
M-1	Light Industrial
M-2	Service Industrial

44 §1.6.2. §1.7.2. **Overlay and Special Purpose Districts**

45 The following districts are hereby established.

ZONING DISTRICTS	
Special Purpose District	
CP-FBC	Columbia Pike Form Based Code
CPN-FBC	Columbia Pike Neighborhoods Form Based Code
Overlay District	
HD	Historic Preservation

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Article 2. District Map

§2.1. Incorporated as Part of this Zoning Ordinance

The locations and boundaries of the districts shall be as shown on a map entitled, "Arlington County, Virginia Zoning Boundaries, July 2013, as amended" which map is hereby declared to be a part of this zoning ordinance. The said map represents a series of maps showing the more detailed location of boundaries between districts, said series of maps being entitled, "2013 Real Property Identification Map, as amended." All notations, dimensions and designations shown thereon shall be as much a part of this zoning ordinance as if the same were all fully described herein.

§2.2. Map Interpretation

Where uncertainty exists as to the boundaries of any of the aforesaid districts as shown on said maps, the following rules shall apply:

§2.2.1. Existing boundaries

These district boundary lines are intended to follow street, alley, lot or property lines as they exist at the time of the passage of this zoning ordinance, unless such district boundary lines are fixed by dimensions as shown on the "2013 Real Property Identification Map" as amended.

§2.2.2. Follow lot lines

Where such boundaries are so indicated that they approximately follow lot lines, and are not more than 10 feet distant therefrom, such lot lines shall be construed to be such boundaries, unless specifically shown otherwise.

§2.3. Future Boundaries to Street Centerline

Hereafter, all amendments of the zoning district maps shall encompass all land to the center line of all abutting streets, alleys or other public ways unless County Board action adopting said amendment specifically states otherwise.

Article 3. Density and Dimensional Standards

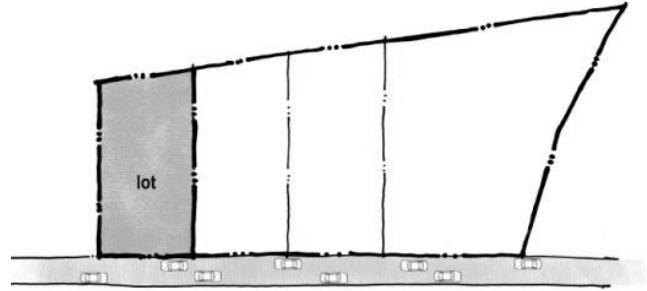
§3.1. Measurements, Computations and Exceptions

§3.1.1. Area

A. ~~Lot area, minimum~~

1. Defined

~~4.~~ A lot is a designated parcel, tract or area of land having its principal frontage upon a street or a place permitted under the subdivisions ordinance and established by plat or subdivision.¹



2. Lot area

Lot area shall be that area, measured in gross square feet or acres, contained within a lot.²

3. Lot area, minimum

- (a) Minimum lot area is the smallest lot area established by this zoning ordinance on which a use or structure may be located in a particular district.
- (b) No part of the minimum requirement may be met by using an area that is also counted for the minimum requirement of some other provision of this zoning ordinance or the subdivisions ordinance.

B. Buildable area³

Buildable area is the area of a lot within which a structure can be placed and remaining after the minimum yard and open space requirements of this zoning ordinance have been met, ~~less any area needed to meet the minimum requirements for streets, sidewalks or other similar public improvements.~~

~~B-C.~~ Gross floor area

Gross floor area is the sum of the area of the horizontal surface of the several floors of a building measured from the exterior faces of exterior walls, to include all floor area not defined as gross parking area.

D. Site area

Site area is the total area of land contained within the property lines of a development project.

¹ Moved from definitions.

² New provision

³ Moved from definitions and edited as shown.

58 **§3.1.2. Build-to line**

59 Build-to line is a line established along a street frontage extending the full width of the lot, either
60 on or setback from the right-of-way line that defines the block face and establishes building
61 placement. ¹

62 **§3.1.3. Court²**

63 **A. Defined**

64 An open, unoccupied space, other than a yard, on the same lot with a building or group of
65 buildings and which is bounded on two ~~or~~ more sides by such building or buildings.

66 **B. Inner**

67 A court other than an outer court.

- 68 1. The length or depth of an inner court is the minimum horizontal dimension measured
- 69 parallel to its longest side.
- 70 2. The width of an inner court is the minimum horizontal dimension measured at right
- 71 angles to its length.

72 **B.C. Outer**

73 A court the full width of which opens onto a required yard, or street or alley.

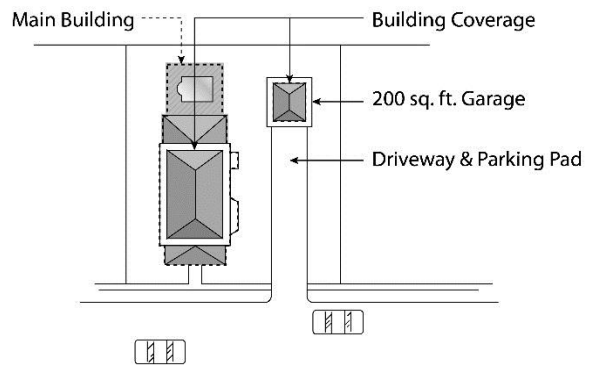
- 74 1. The length or depth of an outer court is the minimum horizontal dimension measured
- 75 at right angles to its width.
- 76 2. The width of an outer court is the minimum horizontal dimension measured in the
- 77 same general direction as the yard, street or alley upon which the court opens.

78 **§3.1.4. Coverage**

79 **C.A. Lot coverage**

- 80 1. Lot coverage is the percentage
- 81 determined by dividing the area
- 82 of a lot covered by the total
- 83 square feet (sq. ft.) of all features
- 84 within the lot identified in
- 85 §3.1.4.A.1(a) through
- 86 §3.1.4.A.1(h) below, by the gross
- 87 area of that lot:

- 88 (a) The main building footprint,
- 89 as defined in §3.1.4.C;
- 90 (b) The total footprints of accessory buildings that have either footprints larger than
- 91 150 sq. ft. square feet, or with heights of two stories or more;



¹ From ~~definitions~~ definitions

² From ~~definitions~~ definitions, with changes as shown.

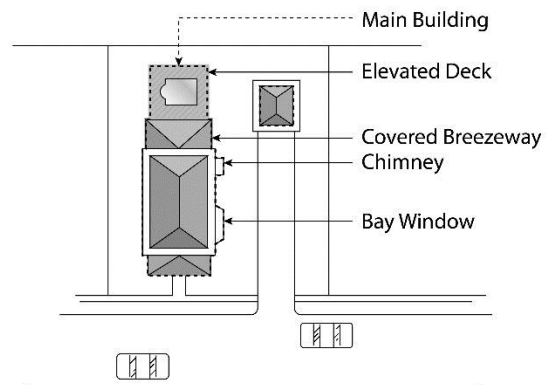
- 92 (c) Driveways and parking pads including, without limitation, any unpaved center
- 93 strip or other portion of the driveway and any lot area regularly used for
- 94 maneuvering or parking of vehicles, whether paved or unpaved;
- 95 (d) Patios that are eight inches or higher above finished grade;
- 96 (e) Decks that are four feet or higher from finished grade that are not attached to a
- 97 main building;
- 98 (f) Gazebos and pergolas, whether enclosed or unenclosed and with or without
- 99 foundations;
- 100 (g) Stoops and landings (including those associated with stairs) that are four feet or
- 101 higher above finished grade; and
- 102 (h) In-ground swimming pools.
- 103 2. The following are not counted in lot coverage:
- 104 (a) Air conditioners, compressors, generators, stormwater planters, and other similar
- 105 equipment, whether or not set on a foundation;
- 106 (b) Above ground swimming pools;
- 107 (c) Sidewalks and other pedestrian walkways; exterior basement steps, areaways and
- 108 window wells;
- 109 (d) Tents and other temporary structures; play equipment; outdoor furniture;
- 110 barbecues and grills; and
- 111 (e) Hot tubs.

D.B. Coverage, mainMain building footprint coverage

Main building footprint coverage is the percentage determined by dividing that area covered by a main building footprint in square feet by the gross area of the lot in square feet on which the main building is located.

E.C. Main building footprintFootprint, main building

The main building footprint shall include all parts of a main building that rest, directly or indirectly, on the ground, including, by way of illustration and not by limitation, attached garages, bay and oriel windows with floor space, chimneys, porches, decks with floor heights that are four feet or higher above finished grade, balconies with horizontal projections that are four feet or more, and covered breezeways connected to a main building.



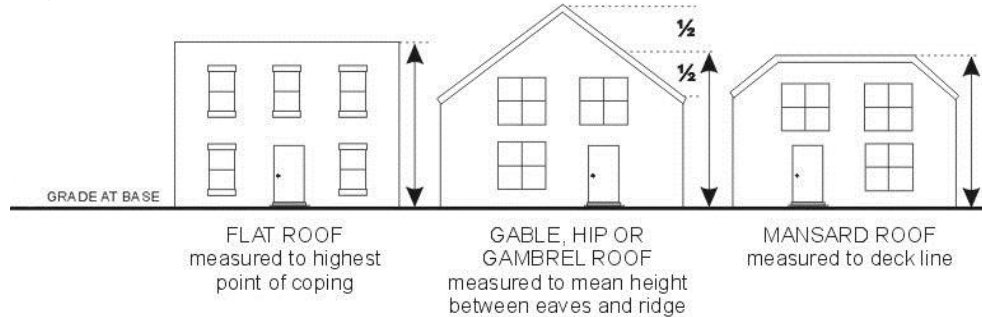
§3.1.3. §3.1.5. Floor area ratio

Floor area ratio is the gross floor area of all buildings on a lot divided by the lot area.

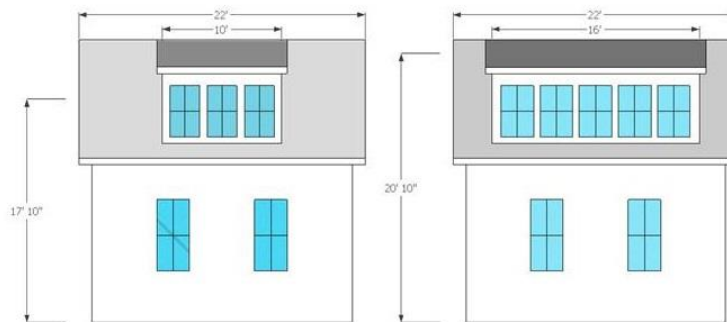
131 §3.1.4. §3.1.6. **Height**

132 **A. Building height**

133 Building height is the vertical distance from existing grade to the highest point of the roof
134 surface, if a flat roof, to the deck line of mansard roof, and to the mean height level
135 (midpoint) between eaves and highest ridge point for gable, hip or gambrel roof. When a
136 dormer exceeds 50 percent of the horizontal width of the roof, the dormer roof then
137 becomes the main roof on that side of the building, and the building height is the vertical
138 distance from existing grade to the mean height level (midpoint) between the eaves and
139 ridge of the dormer roof.



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GABLE, HIP OR GAMBREL ROOF WITH
DORMER < 50% OF ROOF WIDTH
measured to mean height
eaves and ridge

GABLE, HIP OR GAMBREL ROOF WITH
DORMER > 50% OF ROOF WIDTH
measured to mean height
dormer eave and highest ridge point

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1. Measurement in R districts, except RA districts

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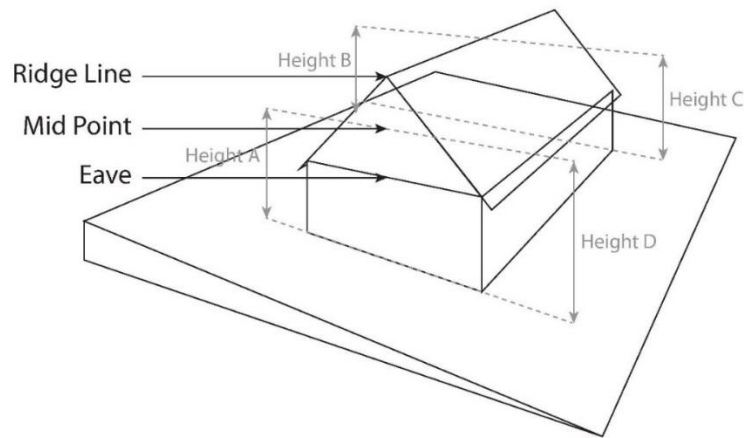
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The average existing grade is calculated by averaging the existing grade at four points at the perimeter of the building, that include two points each on the front and rear of the building, at the points closest to the applicable side lot lines. The vertical distance is the difference between the average existing grade and a single building height determined as described in §3.1.6.A above (or two building heights, in the case where there is a dormer that exceeds 50 percent of the horizontal width of the roof).

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2. Measurement in all other districts (including RA districts)

Vertical distance is measured from a calculated average elevation of the existing or officially approved grade of the site at the perimeter of the site. However, no wall or any structure in any district shall be exposed more than two stories more than the number permitted for that district.

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B. Exceptions

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1. ~~Mechanical pPenthouses or roof structures for the housing of elevators, stairways, tanks, ventilating fans or similar equipment required to operate and maintain the building, and~~ fire or parapet walls, skylights, radio towers, steeples, flagpoles, chimneys, smokestacks or similar structures may be erected above the height limits herein prescribed, but no mechanical penthouse or roof structure or any space above the height limit shall be allowed for the purpose of providing additional floor space. Such structures shall not exceed 23 feet. Mechanical pPenthouses shall be concealed by exterior architectural material of the same type or quality as that used on the exterior walls of the building.

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2. Noncommercial radio towers or masts, excluding amateur radio antennas permitted by §12.9.3, may exceed the height limit by no more than 25 feet.

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3. Chimneys and smokestacks which are an integral part of a mechanical penthouse may exceed the height limit by no more than 27 feet.

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4. County government and public school communication facilities may be erected to exceed the height limit or height of existing structures by no more than 50 feet.

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5. Amateur radio antennas shall not exceed ~~seventy-five (75)~~ feet in height above the ground level. In addition, they shall comply with all of the following requirements:

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- (a) No amateur radio antenna, or support structure therefore shall be located in a front yard, or within 25 feet from any street setback line or within 10 feet from any side or rear property line.

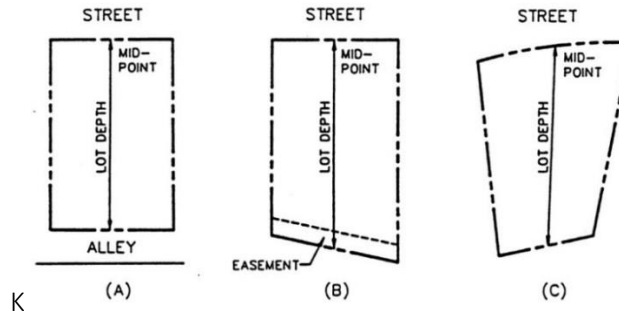
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- (b) Amateur radio antennas shall be located only in side or rear yards. In a zoning district that does not require a rear yard, the antenna may be placed on a building's main roof, but not on the mechanical penthouse of the building.

191 Amateur radio antennas are permitted to be placed in the side yard, only when
192 they are attached to the existing main structures.

193 ~~§3.1.5.~~ §3.1.7. Lot depth

194 Lot depth is the distance between the front and rear lot lines. Lot depth is measured along a
195 straight line connecting the midpoint of the front lot line and the midpoint of the rear lot line.



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197 ~~§3.1.6.~~ §3.1.8. Lot width, minimum

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199 ~~Minimum lot~~ Lot width is the distance determined by dividing the lot area by the lot depth.

200 A.B. Minimum lot width

- 201 1. Every lot must meet the required minimum lot width for the applicable zoning district
- 202 at the midpoint of the depth of the portion of the lot used for the calculation of the
- 203 minimum lot width except as may be permitted by §16.5. The midpoint lot width shall
- 204 be measured at right angles to the lot depth line at its midpoint.
- 205 2. Where a lot area exceeds the required minimum area for its particular zoning district,
- 206 the minimum lot width may be computed within the boundary of a portion of the lot
- 207 that meets the minimum lot area requirement. In that case, the front and/or rear lot
- 208 line that is substituted for the original front or rear lot line must be parallel to the
- 209 original front or rear lot lines, respectively. The midpoint lot width shall be measured
- 210 at right angles to the lot depth line at its midpoint.

211 ~~§3.1.7.~~ §3.1.9. Setbacks and yards

212 Setback refers to the distance which a building is required to be "set back" from a lot line or
213 from nearest building or structure.

214 A. Yard

215 An open space, other than a court, on a lot, which space: (a) either, (1) lies between a lot
216 line and a building, a building group, or a use not involving a building, or (2) on a vacant lot
217 ~~lies contiguous to~~ abuts a lot line and has a uniform depth or width, as the case may be,
218 equal to the minimum depth or width of yard required under the regulations for the district
219 in which is situated the lot on which such yard is located; and (b) is unoccupied and
220 unobstructed from the ground upward except for certain features specified in §3.2.5.¹ ~~The~~

¹ From definitions and edited as shown. Last sentence moved "measurement of yards" on next page.

221 ~~depth or width of a yard, as the case may be, shall be measured from the nearest point of~~
222 ~~the building, building group or use not involving a building to the nearest point of the lot~~
223 ~~line bounding the yard. — (See also §3.1.8.B.2§3.1.8.B.2)~~

224 **B. Types of yards**¹

225 **1. Front yard**

226 A yard extending across the full width of the lot and ~~lying contiguous to~~abutting the
227 front lot line.

228 **2. Rear yard**

229 A yard extending the full width of the lot and ~~lying contiguous~~abutting to the rear lot
230 line.

231 **3. Side yard**

232 A yard ~~lying contiguous to~~abutting a side lot line and extending from the front yard to
233 the rear yard, or in the absence of either of such yards, to the front or rear lot line.

234 **C. Measurement of yards**

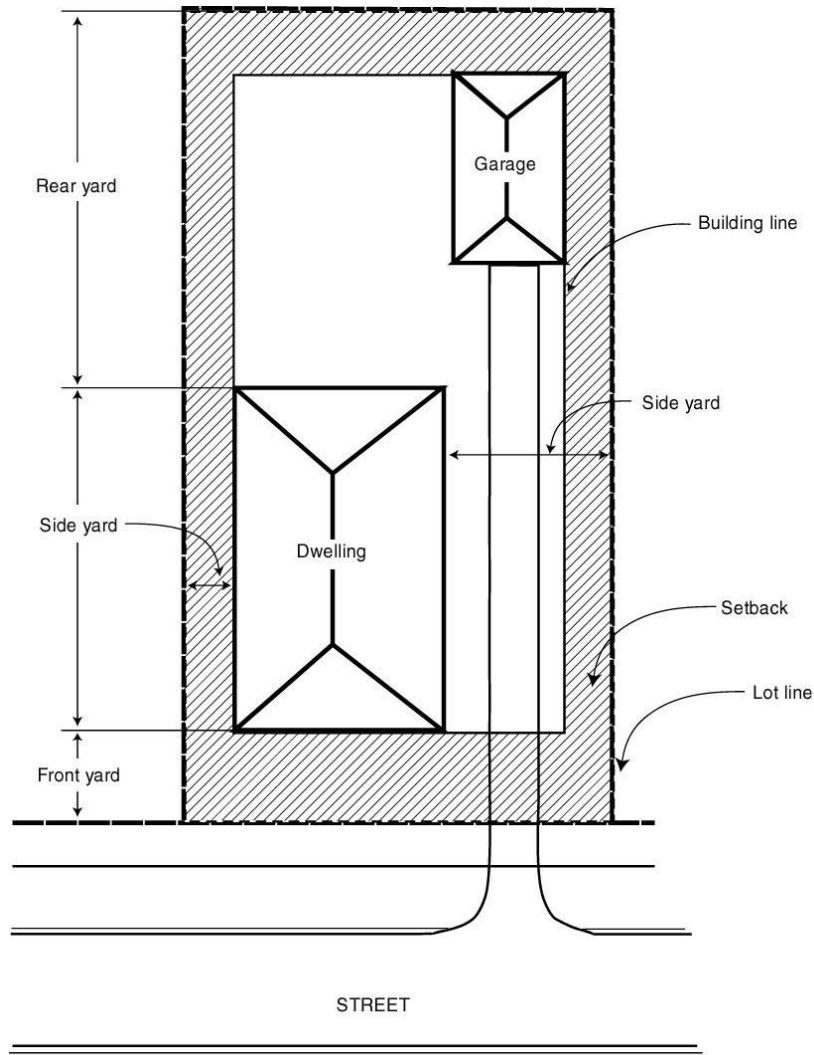
235 **1.** The depth or width of a yard, as the case may be, shall be measured from the nearest
236 point of the building, building group or use not involving a building to the nearest point
237 of the lot line bounding the yard.²

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¹ From definitions (yard front, yard rear, yard side), and amended as shown.

² From definitions (yard – last sentence)

§3.2.1 PURPOSE



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D. Yard encroachments

See §3.2.6.A.3 for permitted ~~projections~~ encroachments into setbacks.

§3.2. Bulk, Coverage and Placement Requirements

§3.2.1. Purpose

Virtually every land use requires an appropriate relationship between lot area and intensity of use, and sufficient open space surrounding such use, to secure safety from fire, panic and other dangers; to ensure privacy; to lessen congestion in the streets; to promote health and the general welfare; to provide adequate light and air; to prevent the overcrowding of land; to avoid undue concentration of population; to facilitate adequate provision for transportation, drainage and other public requirements; to conserve the value of buildings and encourage the most appropriate use of land.

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§3.2.2. Height

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- 253 A. Height of allowed uses is as specified in the respective district regulations.
- 254 B. No building or structure shall be erected, reconstructed, structurally altered, enlarged or
- 255 moved to exceed in height the limit hereinafter designated.

§3.2.3. Lot area, minimum

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- 257 A. Lot area of allowed uses is as specified in the respective district regulations.
- 258 B. No building or structure shall be erected, reconstructed, structurally altered, enlarged or
- 259 moved, no open space surrounding any building shall be encroached upon or reduced in
- 260 any manner, no lot shall be reduced in area, except in conformity with all area and building
- 261 location, bulk, placement and coverage regulations hereinafter designated except as may
- 262 be permitted by §16.5. No yard or other space provided about any building shall be
- 263 considered as providing a yard or open space for the building on any other lot.
- 264 C. In townhouse or cluster development no required or provided lot or yard areas for a
- 265 dwelling unit, in situations where there is one dwelling per lot, shall be encumbered by
- 266 common use or access easements.

§3.2.4. Lot width

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- 268 A. Minimum lot width is as specified in the respective district regulations.
- 269 B. No parcel of land held under separate ownership, with or without buildings on July 15,
- 270 1950, at the time this ordinance became effective¹, shall be subdivided, resubdivided, or
- 271 reduced in any manner below the minimum lot width and lot area required by this
- 272 ordinance except as may be permitted by §16.5.
- 273 C. **Exceptions**
- 274 1. Split-lots shall be permitted, as a matter of right, only in the R-20, R-10, R-8, R-6, and
- 275 R2-7 districts, as an alternative to pipe-stem lot development. Split-lot residential
- 276 developments are permitted only when the applicant has demonstrated to the
- 277 satisfaction of the zoning administrator, which may include a survey plat, that the
- 278 property that is the subject of the split-lot application meets all ordinance standards to
- 279 create one interior lot and one pipe-stem lot. The pipe-stem lot that can be created
- 280 must have a minimum frontage of 40 feet on a public street. Except as specifically
- 281 provided below, split-lot residential developments shall satisfy all applicable subdivision
- 282 and zoning requirements, including those for minimum lot area, setback and yards,
- 283 coverage, parking, and building height, and all of the following requirements:
- 284 (a) Split-lot residential development shall be permitted only on sites that have a
- 285 minimum lot frontage of 140 feet in the R-20 district; 120 feet in the R-10 district;
- 286 110 feet in the R-8 district; 100 feet in the R-6 district; and 90 feet in the R-5
- 287 district and the R2-7 district.

¹ Date of adoption of 1950 Ordinance has been inserted here to clarify that this provision originated with the 1950 Ordinance (and pre-dated the adoption of the 2013 Ordinance).

288 (b) Split-lot residential development shall be defined as the subdivision of one lot into
 289 two by adding a straight lot line that extends from the midpoint of the front lot
 290 line to the midpoint of the rear lot line.

291 (c) The minimum lot width for any lot created under the split-lot provision shall be:
 292 70 feet in the R-20 district; 60 feet in the R-10 districts; 55 feet in the R-8 district;
 293 50 feet in R-6 district; and 45 feet in the R-5 district, and the R2-7 district.

294 **§3.2.5. Coverage**

295 **A. One-family dwellings**

296 On any one-family dwelling lot in an R district (R district to include R-20, R-10, R-8, R-6, and
 297 R-5), and in R2-7, RA, C, and M districts, the following shall apply:

MAXIMUM COVERAGE AND CAP					
Categories	R-5	R-6, R2-7, RA, C, M	R-8	R-10	R-20
Maximum lot coverage (%)	45	40	35	32	25
Maximum lot coverage of one-family dwelling with porch of at least 60 square feet (exclusive of any wrap-around or side portion) on the front elevation (%)	48	43	38	35	28
Maximum lot coverage with detached garage in the rear yard (%)	50	45	40	37	30
Maximum lot coverage with detached garage in the rear yard and porch of at least 60 square feet (exclusive of any wrap around or side portion) on the front elevation (%)	53	48	43	40	33
Maximum main building footprint coverage (%)	34	30	25	25	16
Maximum main building footprint coverage with front porch (%)	37	33	28	28	19
Maximum main building footprint (sf.)	2,380	2,520	2,800	3,500	4,480
Maximum main building footprint with front porch (sf.)	2,590	2,772	3,136	3,920	5,320

- 298 1. Existing main and accessory buildings or structures that, as of November 15, 2005, are
 299 not in conformance with the coverage requirements adopted on November 15, 2005,
 300 may be rebuilt within the building footprint and height and stories as they existed on
 301 November 15, 2005 if such structures are damaged or destroyed by fire, wind,
 302 earthquake, or other force majeure. Such rebuilding shall only be permitted if
 303 commenced within two years after such damage or destruction.
- 304 2. Maximum main building footprint coverage on undersized lots in a zoning district shall
 305 be the same square footage as permitted on a standard sized lot (e.g., 6000 square feet
 306 in R-6) in the zoning district, subject to all applicable setback requirements.

307 **B. Lots in R, RA, R2-7, C-1-O districts**

308 For all lots in R, RA, R2-7, and C-1-O districts that are not used for one-family dwellings, lot
 309 coverage shall not exceed 56 percent, except as may be specified in the various district
 310 classifications, or unless where otherwise permitted to be modified by site plan or use
 311 permit.

312 §3.2.6. Placement

313 The following regulations shall govern the placement on a lot of any building or structure, or
314 addition thereto, hereafter erected, except as may be allowed by site plan approval:

315 A. Setbacks [\(required yards\)](#)

316 1. Front yard

317 No structure shall be located closer to the centerline of any street or officially
318 designated street right-of-way (as defined in this zoning ordinance) than 50 percent of
319 the height of the building. For the purpose of determining setbacks, a limited access
320 highway shall be considered as an abutting lot and not as a street or street right-of-
321 way. Structures shall be set back from streets no less than as follows:

322 (a) For all C, M and PS districts excepting C-1, C-1-O, C-1-R, and C-O

323 40 feet from said centerline except for properties located within the “Clarendon
324 Revitalization District” on the General Land Use Plan and zoned C-3.

325 (b) For all RA4.8 and C-O districts

326 50 feet from said centerline.

327 (c) For all C-3 district properties in the “Clarendon Revitalization 328 District” on the General Land Use Plan

329 50 feet from the centerline of Fairfax Drive or any street containing more than five
330 lanes, including travel lanes and on-street parking lanes, and 40 feet from the
331 centerline in all other cases.

332 (d) For all residential structures and all structures in all other districts 333 except for one- and two-family dwellings and their accessory 334 structures regulated by §3.2.5.A.1(e)

335 50 feet from said centerline but under no circumstances less than 25 feet from
336 any street right-of-way line.

337 (e) For all one- and two-family dwellings and their accessory structures

338 No structure shall be located less than 25 feet from any street right-of-way line,
339 except that the distance between any street or officially designated street right-
340 of-way line and the front wall of a structure, with the exception of stoops and
341 covered or uncovered but unenclosed porches, may be reduced as follows:

342 (1) The distance shall be at least the average of the distances between the street
343 right-of-way line, and the edges of the front walls of existing structures
344 located on the frontage where the structure is proposed to be located,
345 [subject to approval by the Zoning Administrator, of a plat showing all existing](#)
346 [structures located on the subject frontage;](#)

347 (2) The distance shall be at least 15 feet, provided, however, that no parking
348 garage shall be located closer than 18 feet from the street right-of-way line;
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350 (3) No structure located within 25 feet of a street right-of-way line shall exceed
351 2 ½ stories.

352 2. Side and rear yards

353 No structure shall be located closer to side or rear lot lines than as follows:

354 (a) **For all RA4.8, C, M and PS districts, not including C-1-O**
355 No side or rear yard shall be required except that no wall either on the side or rear
356 of a lot abutting an R or RA district or containing openings or windows, whether or
357 not they can be opened, shall be located closer to side or rear lot lines than eight
358 feet for the first 10 feet of building height, plus two additional feet for each 10
359 additional feet of building height, or fraction thereof.

360 (b) **For all one-family dwellings and their accessory structures**
361 10 feet, provided that one side yard may be reduced to eight feet. The aggregate
362 width of both side yards on any lot shall not be less than 30 percent of the
363 required width of the lot, provided that on interior lots no structure shall be
364 located closer than 25 feet from a rear lot line.

365 (c) **For all accessory buildings in R districts**
366 (1) No addition to a main building shall be located closer than eight feet to any
367 wall of an existing accessory building.
368 (2) No accessory buildings of two or more stories, or taller than 25 feet shall
369 occupy any part of a required rear yard nor shall any wall of such accessory
370 building be located closer than 10 feet to any lot line, or closer than 15 feet
371 to any wall of a main building. Provided, however, that for new construction
372 of accessory buildings with heights lower than 1½ stories or 25 feet,
373 whichever is less, and footprint smaller than 560 ~~sq-ft-square feet~~ in R-5 or
374 R-6 districts, or 650 ~~square feetsq-ft~~ in any other district, placement may be
375 as follows:

- 376 (i) No wall of any accessory building shall be located closer than eight feet
377 to any wall of a main building;
- 378 (ii) On interior lots, the nearest edge of the eave of an accessory building
379 shall not be located closer than one foot to a side or rear lot line; and
- 380 (iii) On corner lots, the nearest edge of an eave of an accessory building
381 shall not be located closer than one foot to any side lot line or 10 feet to
382 any rear lot line.

383 (d) **For all nonresidential main buildings in R and RA districts**
384 Double the side and rear yard requirements for the district in which said
385 structures are located.

386 (e) **For all other residential buildings and for structures in all other**
387 **districts**
388 10 feet plus one additional foot for each 2 1/2 feet, or fraction thereof, of building
389 height above 25 feet, provided that on interior lots no structure shall be located
390 closer than 25 feet from a rear lot line.

391 (f) **Side yards for semidetached dwelling**
392 For the purpose of side yard regulations, a semidetached dwelling shall be
393 considered as one building occupying one lot.

394 **3. Encroachments allowed into required yards and courts**

395 The following encroachments shall be allowed into required yards and courts

- 396 (a) No building or structure, or addition thereto, other than walls or fences, shall
397 encroach into a required yard or court; except that:
- 398 (1) Bay and oriel windows without floor space and chimneys may encroach 18
399 inches.
- 400 (2) Trellises of neither more than eight feet in height nor more than a total of
401 eight feet in length may be placed in any required side or rear yard, but not
402 nearer than 18 inches to any property line; provided, however:
- 403 i. Trellises incorporated as fences
404 ~~, that s~~ Subject to the provisions of §3.2.6.A.3(e), trellises of a total
405 height and length not to exceed the dimensions in §3.2.6.A.3(a)(2),
406 be incorporated as part of fences; ~~and provided that,~~
- 407 ii. Trellises providing screening from an accessory building
408 Oenly where a trellis is placed to provide screening from an accessory
409 building that is within five feet of the common side lot line on abutting
410 property, trellises placed as provided in §3.2.6.A.3(a)(2) above, may be
411 increased to no more than the height and width of the abutting
412 accessory building, but under no circumstances shall such trellises be
413 larger than 14 feet in height and a total of 25 feet in length.
- 414 ~~(2)~~(3) The following unenclosed uses may encroach no more than four feet but
415 not nearer than five feet to any property line: Balconies; eaves, trim and
416 fascia boards and similar architectural features; window wells and areaways;
417 decks and patios that are eight inches or higher from finished grade; stoops;
418 and attached stormwater planters and similar features.
- 419 ~~(3)~~(4) Porches on interior lots, including the base, supporting columns and
420 roof, may encroach four feet into the required front and rear yard, provided
421 that they are no closer than 21 feet to any street right-of-way line and that
422 no rear porch shall exceed the height of the first story of the building to
423 which it is attached. Porch eaves on interior lots may encroach an additional
424 18 inches beyond the edge of the porch, provided they are no closer than
425 19.5 feet to any street right-of-way line.
- 426 ~~(4)~~(5) Porches on corner lots, including the base, supporting columns and roof,
427 may encroach four feet into the required front yard and the required side
428 yard facing the street right-of-way, provided that they are no closer than 21
429 feet to any street right-of-way line. Porch eaves on corner lots may encroach
430 an additional 18 inches beyond the edge of the porch, provided they are no
431 closer than 19.5 feet to any street right-of-way line.
- 432 ~~(5)~~(6) Stairs and steps may encroach into required yards and courts, provided
433 they are no closer than five feet to any lot line, and provided that stairs and
434 steps that encroach more than four feet into required yards shall be
435 uncovered, and for one-family detached dwellings, shall be no wider than 35
436 percent of the width of the building elevation facing that yard. Stairs and
437 steps that are less than 8 inches above finished grade may come all the way
438 to the lot line.

This diagram is based on R-5 and R-6 setback requirements. Larger setbacks shall be applied to other R and RA Districts per § 3.2.6.

- Porch base, columns, and eaves permitted
- Eaves permitted
- No structures permitted except that stairs and steps may be located 5 ft. from any lot line
- All residential structures permitted
- Eaves



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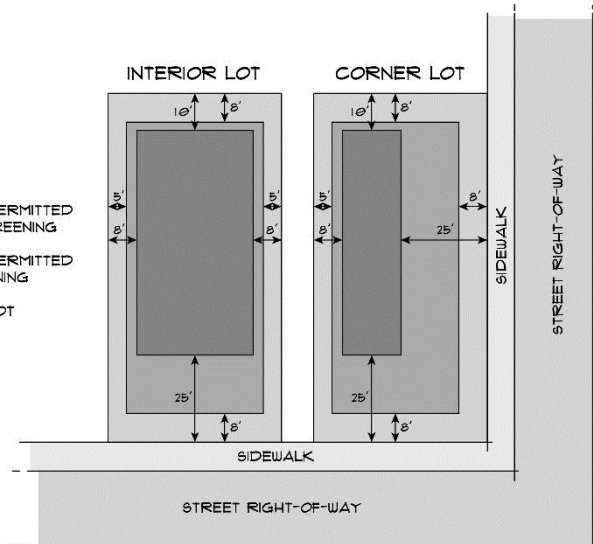
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- (b) Air conditioning units and similar mechanical equipment including emergency generators; pool equipment; compressors; and heat pumps are permitted in required side and rear yards, provided that they are under no circumstances less than eight feet from any side lot line or 10 feet from any rear lot line.

However, air conditioning units and similar mechanical equipment as described above, that are screened with fence or vegetation, and stormwater planters that are separate structures (whether screened or not) may encroach into a required front, side or rear yard, where it is located no closer than eight feet to any front or rear lot line, and no closer than five feet to any side lot line. Stormwater planters



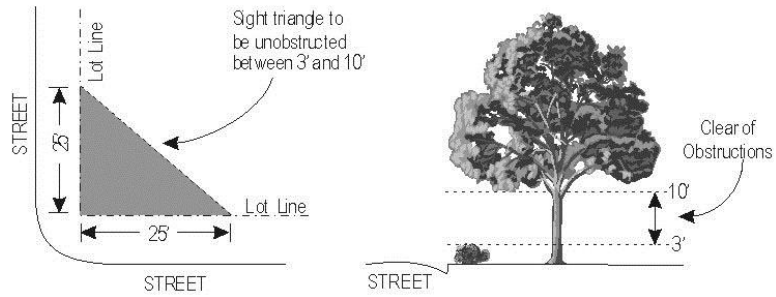
- 463 with walls no higher than eight inches from finished grade may be located within
464 any required yard.
- 465 (c) Except porches, any roofed-over area existing on November 20, 1976, which is
466 attached to a main structure and which encroaches on required front, side or rear
467 yard area may not be enclosed.
- 468 (d) Subsurface parking and subsurface accessory structures may be located anywhere
469 on a property. Nothing in this section shall be construed to abridge the right of
470 the County Board, by site plan approval, to permit the use of air rights over streets
471 and public property, together with inter-building connections or projections into
472 yards associated therewith.
- 473 (e) The front, side and rear yard requirements of this zoning ordinance shall not be
474 deemed to prohibit any otherwise lawful fence or wall which is not more than four
475 feet high; provided, however, that a fence or wall along the rear lot line or along a
476 side lot line to the rear of the required setback line may be erected to a height not
477 exceeding seven feet; provided, further, that in side and rear yards of corner lots,
478 fences up to six feet in height may be erected in the required setback in order to
479 permit the enclosure of the side and rear yards for privacy so long as the
480 requirements of §3.2.6.A.4, relating to visual clearance are maintained. No fence
481 exceeding four feet in height shall be placed within three feet of any public right-
482 of-way. This provision shall not be interpreted to prohibit the erection of any
483 open mesh type fence enclosing any school or playground.
- 484 (f) The zoning administrator shall permit construction of benches, shelters, and bike
485 share stations for passengers of public transportation facilities even though such
486 construction would otherwise violate setback and yard requirements of this
487 section of the zoning ordinance when he is requested by a public authority to
488 permit such construction, and when satisfactory evidence that such construction
489 would not have an adverse effect on automobile and pedestrian traffic safety is
490 presented to him.
- 491 (g) Ramps and other structures or equipment provided to comply with the
492 accessibility requirements for individuals with disabilities in the Virginia Uniform
493 Statewide Building Code (VUSBC), or to provide access for individuals with
494 disabilities to any building or structure which is exempt from said accessibility
495 requirements, may extend, to the extent reasonably necessary, into any minimum
496 required front, side or rear yard or court.
- 497 (h) The front, side and rear yard requirements of this zoning ordinance shall not be
498 deemed to prohibit any otherwise lawful kiosk meeting the requirements of
499 §12.5.12; provided, however, that a kiosk shall not be placed within the visual
500 clearance area. (See §3.2.6.A.4).
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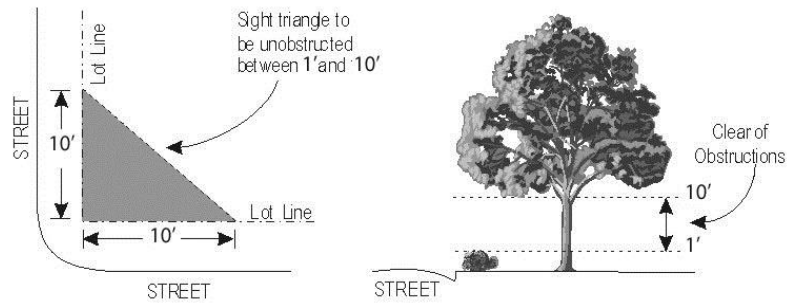
(a) R and RA districts

On any corner lot in an R or RA district there shall be no planting, structure, retaining wall, fence, shrubbery or obstruction to vision between a height of three feet and a height of 10 feet above the curb level within the triangle formed by the street right-of-way lines and a line connecting said street lines 25 feet from their intersection.



(b) C, M and PS districts

On any corner lot in any C or M district, no building or obstructions shall be permitted between a height of one foot and a height of 10 feet higher than the curb level within the triangle formed by the street right-of-way lines and a line connecting said street lines 10 feet from their intersection.



5. Courts

(a) An "outer court" with window openings shall have a depth not more than 1 1/2 times its width.

(b) An "inner court" shall not have any horizontal dimension, measured at right angles to any wall with window openings, which is less than the height of the building above the floor level of the story containing such openings; but under no circumstances shall the width be less than 20 feet. No other dimension of such court shall be less than one-third the height of the building above the floor level of the lowest story served by such court, but under no circumstances shall the width be less than 10 feet.

6. Open spaces for multiple building projects

For projects having more than one main building, the front setback, side and rear yard requirement shall apply along the boundary lines of the project. The minimum distances between the main buildings within the project shall be the sum of the side yard requirements between the respective buildings for each building as though it were located on a separate lot. Multiple-family dwelling projects which are less than 35 feet in building height shall have a minimum distance between main buildings of 20 feet. Except in R districts, these regulations shall also apply to all townhouse projects and the setback and yard requirements for individual lots within the project are not

547 applicable.

548 **7. Provision for development on certain streets**

549 The zoning administrator shall have the authority to permit residential development on
550 streets otherwise meeting the width requirements of this zoning ordinance but on
551 which a dwelling or dwellings, in existence before the adoption of this zoning
552 ordinance, encroach into the street right-of way; provided, however, that the proposed
553 development shall not be permitted unless it is otherwise proper and the zoning
554 administrator has approved a traffic engineering plan for the proposed development
555 designed to minimize any adverse impact on health and safety caused by the
556 encroaching dwelling or dwellings or increased by the proposed development.

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Article 4. Public (P) Districts

§4.1. Public (P) Districts Use Tables

§4.1.1. General

The use tables of this section list all uses allowed within P districts, and is subject to the explanations set forth below. ~~No building or structure shall be erected, reconstructed, structurally altered, enlarged or moved, and no land or building shall be used or designed to be used for any purpose in the P districts other than is hereinafter permitted except as may be permitted by §16.5.~~¹

§4.1.2. Public (P) districts principal use table

~~Table §4.1.2 lists the principal uses allowed within the P districts. The following use table summarizes the principal use regulations of the P districts.~~

~~A. Key to types of uses~~

~~The permitted use table is subject to the explanation set forth below.~~

~~1.A. Permitted uses~~

A "P" indicates that a use is permitted by-right and may be approved administratively in the respective general district subject to all other applicable requirements of this zoning ordinance, including the specific use standards in Article 12 and the site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14. ~~Subject to density and dimensional standards in the subject district or as approved by use permit or site plan, all uses permitted by-right may also be approved administratively in buildings controlled under use permit or site plan, except where expressly prohibited by use permit or site plan conditions for the subject property or where the subject property is expressly approved only for a specific use or uses.~~

~~2.B. Use permit approval required~~

A "U" indicates a special exception use that may be allowed subject to approval of a use permit as provided in §15.5. ~~The Zoning Administrator may require a use permit for such use, whether the use is located in a building approved administratively or whether located in a building controlled by use permit or site plan.~~ Uses allowed by use permit are subject to all other applicable requirements of this zoning ordinance, including the specific use standards in Article 12 and the site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14.

~~3.C. Site plan approval required~~

An "S" indicates a special exception use that may be allowed more flexibility in development form and density subject to site plan approval as provided in §15.6. Site plan uses are subject to all other applicable requirements of this zoning ordinance to the extent not modified through the site plan approval, including the specific use standards in Article 12 and the site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14.

¹ Moved to §1.3

4.D. Uses not allowedpermitted

A blank cell (one without a “P”, “U”, or “S”) in the use table indicates that a use is not allowed in the respective district. Uses not specifically listed may be allowed pursuant to the similar use determination procedure of §12.2.2. A blank cell in the use table indicates that a use is not allowed in the respective district. See also §12.2.1.

5.E. Use standards

The final “use standard” column on the use table contains references to use standards that apply to the listed use types in all districts in which the use is allowed. The “use standard” column on the use table (last column on the right) is a cross-reference to any specific use standard listed in Article 12, which apply to more than one district. ~~Where use standards apply exclusively to a specific district(s), such standards are listed in the respective district(s) regulations.~~

6.F. Accessory and temporary uses

The regulations that apply to accessory and ~~temporary~~ short term uses are contained in §12.9 and §12.10 ~~accessory uses (§12.8), and temporary uses (§12.9).~~

B.G. Use categoriesclassification

All of the use categories listed in the table below are described in §12.2. ~~The first column of the use table lists the sub-categories. The second column of the use table lists the specific use types included within the respective sub-categories. The first column of the use table lists some of the specific uses allowed in the respective districts. Uses not listed may be allowed pursuant to the similar use determination procedure of §12.2.1.~~

Commentary:

The Use Table is organized in to five major use groups:

- *Residential
- *Public, Civic and Institutional
- *Retail, Service and Commercial
- *Industrial
- *Other Uses

Each major use group is further divided into a series of use categories. The use category system is based on common functional, product or compatibility characteristics, thereby regulating uses in accordance with criteria directly relevant to the public interest. Sec. 14.1 provides a further description of use categories.

PUBLIC (P) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE

Use Category	Specific Use Types	S-3A	S-D	P-S	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted					
Residential Use Categories (See §12.2.3)					
Household Living (See §12.2.3.A)	Dwelling, one-family	P	P	P	
	Assisted living centers, and nursing homes <u>Nursing homes, convalescent homes and intermediate care facilities, and related housing facilities for the elderly</u>		U	S	
Group Living (See §12.2.3.B)	Group <u>Institutional</u> homes	<u>U</u>	<u>U</u>	<u>U</u>	

PUBLIC (P) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE					
Use Category	Specific Use Types	S-3A	S-D	P-S	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted					
	Institutional homes, counseling service, occupational therapy, and similar social service uses	U		U	
Public, Civic and Institutional Use Categories (§12.2.4)					
Colleges (§12.2.4.A)	Colleges and universities Schools and colleges and other public and private educational institution	U	U S	U	§12.4.7
	Hospitals and institutions of an educational, religious, charitable, or philanthropic nature, except animal hospitals and institutions of a corrective nature.	U		U	
Community Service (See §12.2.4.B)	Community centers Public parks, playgrounds, recreational and community center buildings and grounds	P	P	P	
	Libraries Public buildings and properties of a cultural, recreational or administrative type, including libraries, museums and art galleries, but not including repair garages, storage or repair yards or warehouses	P	P	P	
	Museums and art galleries or studios Public buildings and properties of a cultural, recreational or administrative type, including libraries, museums and art galleries, but not including repair garages, storage or repair yards or warehouses	P	P	P	
	Public buildings and properties of a cultural, recreational, administrative or service type, including libraries, fire stations, museums and art galleries but not including repair garages, storage or repair yards or warehouses	P		P	
	Recreation centers, Country clubs, golf courses, and other private noncommercial recreational areas and facilities or recreation centers, including swimming pools	P		P	0
	Swimming pools, community Country clubs, golf courses, and other private noncommercial recreational areas and facilities or recreation centers, including swimming pools	P		P	§12.4.8
Day Care (See §12.2.4.C)	All day care uses Child care center or other programs licensed pursuant to Chapter 52 of the Arlington County Code	U		U	§12.4.1
Governmental Facilities (See §12.2.4.D)	Detention or correctional facilities Courthouses, jails, and county government administration buildings located on sites designated "government and community facilities" on the General Land Use Plan and adjacent to or across the street from a zoning district in which heights greater than 75 feet			P	
	Fire and police stations Public buildings and properties of a cultural, recreational, administrative or service type, including libraries, fire stations, museums and art galleries but not including repair garages, storage or repair yards or warehouses	P		P	
	Public buildings and properties of a service type use other than "public parks, playgrounds, recreational and community center buildings and grounds" and "public buildings and properties of a cultural, recreational or administrative type, including libraries, museums and art galleries, but not including repair garages, storage or repair yards or warehouses"		U S		
	Publicly-owned or controlled repair garages, storage areas and yards and warehouses Publicly owned or controlled buildings, properties and uses of all kinds including, but not limited to, repair garages, storage areas and yards and warehouses			P	

§4.1.2 PUBLIC (P) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE

PUBLIC (P) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE					
Use Category	Specific Use Types	S-3A	S-D	P-S	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted					
	Repair garages, storage areas and yards and warehouses and buildings, properties and uses of all kinds that are publicly owned or controlled. As used herein, "publicly owned or controlled" refers to ownership or control by any government authority or other political subdivision			P	
Hospital (See §12.2.4.E)	Hospitals and hospital-related medical and health care facilities	U	S	U	
	Hospitals and institutions of an educational, religious, charitable, or philanthropic nature, except animal hospitals and institutions of a corrective nature.	U		U	
Parks and Open Space (See §12.2.4.F)	Arboretums, forests and nature preserves Public and private arboretums, forests, wild life reservations and conservation areas, including stream valley drainage areas	P		P	
	Cemeteries, but not including crematoriums	P		P	
	Country clubs and golf courses, and other private noncommercial recreational areas and facilities or recreation centers, including swimming pools	P		P	
	Parks and recreation areas, semipublic or private, when owned and operated by a nonprofit organization	P		P	
Passenger Terminals and Services (See §12.2.4.G)	Parks, playgrounds and playfields Public parks, playgrounds, recreational and community center buildings and grounds	P	P	P	
	Bus, trolley, air, boat and rail passenger terminals Bus and train passenger terminals Public utilities and services such as railroad, trolley, bus, air or boat passenger stations; right-of-way and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, siding and shops); static transformer stations; transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchange (but excluding service and storage yards); provided, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is located	U		U	§12.4.4
Religious Institutions (See §12.2.4.H)	Churches, mosques, synagogues, and temples and other places of worship and Sunday school buildings, but excluding rescue missions or temporary revivals ¹	P	P	P	
	Church and other places of worship and Sunday school buildings, but excluding temporary revivals		P		
	Churches. Secondary uses of churches, schools, public buildings and public properties, including the daily or hourly rental to profit or nonprofit entities of classrooms, meeting rooms, auditoriums, multilevel parking structures and recreational facilities for uses of a cultural, educational, recreational or public service nature. The zoning administrator may approve, for periods not to exceed seven (7) consecutive days, commercial uses incidental to and not inconsistent with the above when he finds that such uses will not disrupt the surrounding community ²	P		P	

¹ Revivals addressed in use classification

² This is a short term use, and is being moved to §12.10 with short term use standards.

PUBLIC (P) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE					
Use Category	Specific Use Types	S-3A	S-D	P-S	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted					
Schools (See §12.2.4.I)	Schools, elementary, middle, or high schools and colleges and other public and private educational institutions.	U	U S	U	§12.4.7
Social Service Institutions (See §12.2.4.J)	Institutional homes, counseling service, occupational therapy, and similar social service uses	U		U	
	All social service institutions Hospitals and institutions of an educational, religious, charitable, or philanthropic nature, except animal hospitals and institutions of a corrective nature	U		U	
Utilities, Major (See §12.2.4.K)	Electrical generating plants and substations Communication and electric utility plant facilities and distributing substations			P	
	Wastewater treatment plants Sewage treatment plants, County-owned, including incinerators and sanitary sewage pumping and lift stations			P	
	Water storage facilities, treatment and pumping facilities, County-owned			P	
	All other major utilities Public utilities and services such as railroad, trolley, bus, air or boat passenger stations; right-of-way and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, siding and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchange (but excluding service and storage yards); provided, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is located	U		U	§12.4.9
Utilities, Minor (See §12.2.4.K)	Bus shelters; bike share stations Public utilities and services such as railroad, trolley, bus, air or boat passenger stations; right-of-way and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, siding and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchange (but excluding service and storage yards); provided, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is located	U		U	§12.4.4
	Wastewater pump stations Sewage treatment plants, County-owned, including incinerators and sanitary sewage pumping and lift stations			P	
	Water pump station-storage treatment and pumping facilities, County-owned			P	
Retail, Service and Commercial Use Categories (See §12.2.5)					
Food and Drinking Establishments (See Error! Reference source not found.)	All food and drinking establishments				
Entertainment, (See §12.2.5.A)	All entertainment uses				
Office (See §12.2.5.C)	Offices, local government Courthouses, jails, and county government administration buildings located on sites designated "government and community facilities" on the General Land Use Plan and adjacent to or across the street from a zoning district in which heights greater than 75 feet			P	

§4.1.2 PUBLIC (P) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE

PUBLIC (P) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE					
Use Category	Specific Use Types	S-3A	S-D	P-S	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted					
	All other office uses				
Overnight Accommodations (See §12.2.5.D)	All overnight accommodations uses				
Parking, Commercial (See §12.2.5.E)	Publicly-owned parking area	U		U	§12.4.3
	All other commercial parking				
Recreation, Indoor (See §12.2.5.F.2(a))	All indoor recreation uses				
Recreation, Outdoor (See §12.2.5.F.2(b))	All outdoor recreation uses				
Retail, Sales (See §12.2.5.G.2(a))	Kiosks and uses permitted and conducted in kiosks	U		U	§12.5.12
	Open-air markets	U	U	U	§12.5.18
	All other retail sales uses				
Retail, Personal Service (See §12.2.5.G.2(b))	All retail personal service uses				
Retail, Repair (See §12.2.5.G.2(c))	All retail repair uses				
Self-service Storage (See §12.2.5.H)	Storage as a principal use All self-service storage uses				§12.5.26
Vehicle Sales and Service (See §12.2.5.I)	All vehicle sales and service uses				
Industrial Use Categories (See §12.2.6)					
Light Industrial Service (See §12.2.6.A)	All light industrial service uses				
Manufacturing and Production (See §12.2.4.B)	All manufacturing and production uses				
Heavy Industrial (See §12.2.6.C)	All heavy industrial uses				
Warehouse and Freight Movement (See §12.2.6.D)	All warehouse and freight movement uses				
Waste-related Service (See §12.2.6.E)	Recycling centers	U		U	
	Separation and disposal facilities, including incinerators Trash collection, County-owned trash collection, transfer, separation and disposal facilities, including incinerators	P		P	
	Solid or liquid waste transfer Trash collection, County-owned trash collection, transfer, separation and disposal facilities, including incinerators	P		P	
	Sewage treatment plants, County-owned, including incinerators and sanitary sewage pumping and lift stations			P	
Wholesale Trade (See §12.2.6.F)	All wholesale trade uses				
Other use categories (See §12.2.7)					
Agriculture (See §12.2.7.A)	All agricultural uses				

PUBLIC (P) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE					
Use Category	Specific Use Types	S-3A	S-D	P-S	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted					
Resource Extraction (See §12.2.7.B)	All resource exaction uses				
Telecommunications Facilities (§12.2.7.C)	All telecommunications facilities Public utilities and services such as railroad, trolley, bus, air or boat passenger stations; right of way and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, siding and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchange (but excluding service and storage yards); provided, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is located	U	U	U	
Unclassified (See §12.2.7.D)	Columbia Pike Special Revitalization District Form Based Code Development as specified in §11.2	P			

68 **§4.1.3. Public (P) districts transitional uses table**

69 Transitional uses in Public (P) districts shall include the following uses, activities and structures:

Public (P) Districts Transitional Uses				
Specific Use Types	S-3A	S-D	P-S	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted				
Public Transitional parking area on a transitional site if said area is located and developed as required in §14.3	U		U	§12.8.5
To permit the productive use of existing publicly owned structures on a temporary basis, when the board determines it to be advisable to have such structures available for possible public use at the end of the period of temporary use, the County Board may permit commercial use of an existing structure on a transitional site in conjunction with and primarily for the purpose of providing services to an existing adjacent use for a period not to exceed 15 years subject to the provision of parking as required in §14.3; such uses may be permitted notwithstanding the fact that not more than 25 percent of the area of the existing structure is located outside the portion of the site within which transitional uses are permitted	U		U	

70 **§4.1.4. Public (P) districts accessory uses table**

71 Accessory uses in Public (P) districts shall include the following uses, activities and structures:

Public (P) Districts Accessory Uses				
Specific Use Types	S-3A	S-D	P-S	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted				
Accessory buildings private garages, provided that a detached accessory building shall be located as required in §3.2	U	U	U	
Telecommunications antennae, building and ground moutedPublic utilities and services such as railroad, trolley, bus, air or boat passenger stations; right of way and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, siding and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchange (but excluding service and storage yards); provided, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is located	U	U	U	

§4.1.4 PUBLIC (P) DISTRICTS ACCESSORY USES TABLE

Public (P) Districts Accessory Uses				
Specific Use Types	S-3A	S-D	P-S	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted				
Parking, off-site incidental to a use permitted in an S-, R or RA district; provided that, unless located on publicly owned land, such parking area shall be on land in the same fee ownership as the land on which the appurtenant use is located. ¹	U		U	

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¹ This is not a land use type, but rather a parking provision; so it has been moved/grouped to §14.3.3.B with the other off-site parking provisions.

§4.2. S-3A, Special District

§4.2.1. Purpose

The purpose of the S-3A, Special District is to encourage the retention of certain properties in a relatively undeveloped state. Land so designated may include publicly or privately owned properties which have distinct and unique site advantages or other features so as to make them desirable to retain as active or passive recreation or for a scenic vista. Also stream valley floodplains could be included in this district.

§4.2.2. Uses

Uses shall be as specified in §4.1.

§4.2.3. Columbia Pike Special Revitalization District

Properties that are located in the Columbia Pike Special Revitalization District may be developed in accordance with §11.1, CP-FBC district. After such development all uses permitted in §11.1 shall be permitted on the property, subject to all regulations in §11.1.

§4.2.4. Density and dimensional standards

A. By-right

Development allowed by-right in the S-3A district shall comply with the following area, width and height requirements, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family Dwelling	All Other Uses
Lot area, minimum (acres)	3 acres	6,000 square feet
Lot width, average minimum (feet)	60	60
Height, maximum (feet)	35	45

B. Special exception

All development allowed by special exception in the S-3A district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise approved by the County Board.

Type of Standard	Colleges, Hospitals, and Social Service and Institutions of an Educational, Religious, Charitable or Philanthropic Nature	All Other Uses
Lot area, minimum (acres)	5 acres	6,000 square feet
Lot width, average minimum (feet)	--	60
Height, maximum (feet)	45	45

C. Bulk, coverage and placement

For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

D. Exception

The height of high schools and school administration buildings on sites that are 19 acres or more, may be increased to a height not exceed 75 feet, subject to the approval of a use permit.

100 **§4.2.5. District use standards**

101 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the S-3A district include:

102 A. [RESERVED]

103 **§4.2.6. Site development standards**

104 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
105 otherwise specified below.

106 **A. Parking**

107 Parking shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of §14.3.

108 **B.** [Reserved]

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§4.3. S-D, Special Development District

§4.3.1. Purpose

[Reserved]

§4.3.2. Uses

Uses shall be as specified in §4.1.

§4.3.3. Density and dimensional standards

A. By-right

Development allowed by-right in the S-D district shall comply with the following area, width and height requirements, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated:

Type of Standard	One-family Dwelling	All Other Uses
Lot area, minimum (sq. ft.)	6,000	43,560
Lot width, minimum average (feet)	60	--
Height, maximum		
(stories)	3	3
(feet)	35	45
Floor area ratio, maximum	--	1.0
Lot coverage, maximum (percent)	56	56

B. Special exception

Development allowed by special exception in the S-D district shall comply with the following area, width and height requirements, except as otherwise approved by the County Board

Type of Standard	Nursing Homes, Convalescent Homes, Intermediate Care Facilities and Related Housing for the Elderly	All Other Uses
Lot area, minimum (sq. ft.)	43,560	43,560
Lot width, minimum average (feet)	--	--
Setbacks, minimum (feet)		
Front	As	As
Side, interior	Specified	Specified
Side, total	in	in
Rear	§3.2.6.A.2(c)	§3.2.6.A.2(c)
Height, maximum (stories)		
Site area 2 acres or more by site plan approval	6	6
Site area 3 acres or more by site plan approval	10	10
Height, maximum (feet)		
Site area 2 acres or more by site plan approval	60	60
Site area 3 acres or more by site plan approval	95	95
Floor area ratio, maximum	1.5	1.0
Lot coverage, maximum by site plan (percent)	75	75

C. Bulk, coverage and placement

For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

125 **D. Exceptions**

126 **1. Floor area ratio by site plan**

127 (a) The maximum gross floor area shall not exceed the site area multiplied by the
128 prevailing F.A.R. of the surrounding area (calculated by averaging the F.A.R. of all
129 the improvements on each lot, any part of which is located within 260 feet from
130 any part of the site), except that the County Board may approve a development by
131 site plan approval with a maximum gross floor area not exceeding the site area
132 multiplied by 1.0. In judging the appropriateness of granting site plan approval for
133 hospitals and hospital-related medical and health care facilities at densities
134 greater than the prevailing F.A.R. of the surrounding area, the following guidelines
135 shall be considered:

136 (b) The bulk and placement of buildings shall be concentrated in a location on the site
137 so as to have the least negative impact on the surrounding neighborhoods. The
138 basis for judging the appropriate bulk and placement of density on the site shall
139 be the degree to which the project achieves a tapering in height, bulk and mass
140 from the center of the site, or that portion of the site deemed appropriate for the
141 concentration of density on the master plan, down to the building line of the site
142 so that the building line of the site is set back at least as far as the required
143 building line of surrounding properties zoned R and RA, and the structures meet
144 the height requirements for the surrounding residential properties at the building
145 line. Behind the building line, the intent is to increase gradually in height in such a
146 way as to relate to the height and bulk requirements of the ~~adjacent abutting~~
147 residential properties, as well as those residential properties across the street.

148 (c) The placing of parking underground, where feasible, shall be encouraged. Where
149 parking is provided in above-ground structures, they shall meet the bulk, coverage
150 and placement requirements for site plans required in subsection (b), above.

151 (d) A vehicular traffic mitigation plan shall be provided.

152 (e) A master plan outlining proposed future development on the site for a minimum
153 of five years from the date of site plan application shall be provided. Master plans
154 and a conceptual plan for the following five years shall include the information,
155 analysis and standards necessary for a plan to be the basis for judging future
156 requests.

157 (f) An increase in gross floor area of private medical offices may be approved only
158 when the applicant demonstrates the medical need for said office space. The
159 total gross floor area of private medical offices shall be substantially subordinate
160 to the gross floor area of hospital use.

161 (g) The impact on the continuous provision of medical services and facilities,
162 particularly those in existing buildings, shall be considered when using these
163 guidelines to evaluate new development.

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165 **2. [Reserved]**

166 **§4.3.4. Use standards**

167 A. [Reserved]

168 **§4.3.5. Site development standards**

169 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
170 otherwise specified below.

171 **A. Parking**

172 Parking shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of §14.3, except as such
173 requirements may be modified in an approved site plan.

174 **B.** [Reserved]

175 **§4.3.6. Filing of site plan**

176 In addition to other conditions, a conditional use permit may be issued on the condition that an
177 application for a site plan be subsequently filed and approved by the County Board.

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§4.4. P-S, Public Service District

§4.4.1. Purpose

[Reserved]

§4.4.2. Uses

Uses shall be as specified in §4.1.

~~§4.4.3. Columbia Pike Special Revitalization District~~

~~Properties that are located in the Columbia Pike Special Revitalization District may be developed in accordance with §11.1, CP-FBC district. After such development all uses permitted in §11.1 shall be permitted on the property, subject to all regulations in §11.1.~~

~~§4.4.4.~~ **§4.4.3. Density and Dimensional Standards**

A. By-right

All development in the P-S district shall comply with the following area, width and height requirements, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated:

Type of Standard	One-family Dwelling	All Other Uses
Lot area, minimum (acres)	3	--
Lot width, average minimum (feet)	60	--
Height, maximum (feet)	35	75

B. Special exception

Development allowed by special exception in the P-S district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise approved by the County Board.

Type of Standard	Institutions of an Educational, Religious, Charitable or Philanthropic Nature Colleges, Hospitals and Social Service	All Other Uses
Lot area, minimum (acres)	5	--
Height, maximum (feet)	75	75

C. Bulk, coverage and placement

For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

D. Exceptions

1. Smokestacks and water towers

Smokestacks and water towers may, by use permit, exceed 75 feet.

2. Publicly-owned or controlled recreation buildings or aquatic centers ~~of properties, located on sites designated North Tract Special Planning District on the General Land Use Plan~~

Publicly owned or controlled recreation buildings or aquatic centers or properties, located ~~on sites~~ within areas designated as North Tract Special Planning District on the General Land Use Plan, may be constructed to a height which does not exceed 100 feet.

207 **3. Detention or correctional facilities and local government offices**

208 ~~Courthouses, jails, and county government administration buildings~~Courthouses,
209 detention or correctional facilities and County government offices located on sites
210 designated "government and community facilities" on the General Land Use Plan and
211 ~~adjacent-abutting~~to or across the street from a zoning district in which heights greater
212 than 75 feet are allowed may be constructed to a height which does not exceed that of
213 the ~~adjacent~~subject -abutting district or district across the street, and exceptions may
214 be made to the provisions of §4.4.3.A, subject to the following:

- 215 (a) A use permit from the County Board under the provisions of §15.4 must be
216 obtained.
- 217 (b) No use permit shall be granted for a structure which exceeds a height of 180 feet.
218 The County Board may approve bonus height of up to 11 percent, not to exceed
219 200 feet, for the focal point courthouse or county government administration
220 building for a Metro station area, as defined by approved sector plans, where the
221 added height will clearly be used to create an architectural feature which would
222 be recognized by the standards of professional architecture and professional city
223 planning to be the focal point for the area.

224 **§4.4.4. District use standards**

225 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the P-S district include:

226 ~~**E. Use standards applicable to specific uses in the P-S district include:**~~
227 ~~**Courthouses, jails, and county government administration buildings located**~~
228 ~~**on sites designated "government and community facilities" on the General**~~
229 ~~**Land Use Plan and adjacent to or across the street from a zoning district in**~~
230 ~~**which heights greater than 75 feet**~~

231 ~~Courthouses, jails, and county government administration buildings located on sites~~
232 ~~designated "government and community facilities" on the General Land Use Plan and~~
233 ~~adjacent to or across the street from a zoning district in which heights greater than 75 feet~~
234 ~~are allowed may be constructed to a height which does not exceed that of the adjacent~~
235 ~~district, and exceptions may be made to the provisions of §4.4.4.A, subject to the following:~~

- 236 ~~**1.**~~ A use permit from the County Board under the provisions of §15.5 must be obtained.
- 237 ~~**2.**~~ No use permit shall be granted for a structure which exceeds a height of 180 feet. The
238 County Board may approve bonus height of up to 11 percent, not to exceed 200 feet,
239 for the focal point courthouse or county government administration building for a
240 Metro station area, as defined by approved sector plans, where the added height will
241 clearly be used to create an architectural feature which would be recognized by the
242 standards of professional architecture and professional city planning to be the focal
243 point for the area.¹

244 A. [Reserved]

¹ Moved to 4.4.4.D.3 above and edited as shown.

246 **§4.4.5. Site development standard**

247 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
248 otherwise specified below.

249 **A. Parking**

250 Parking shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of §14.3.

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Article 5. Residential (R) Districts

§5.1. Residential (R) Districts Use Tables

§5.1.1. General

The use tables of this section lists all uses allowed within R districts, and is subject to the explanations set forth below. ~~No building or structure shall be erected, reconstructed, structurally altered, enlarged or moved, and no land or building shall be used or designed to be used for any purpose in the R districts other than is hereinafter permitted except as may be permitted by §16.5.~~¹

§5.1.2. Residential (R) districts principal use table

~~Table §5.1.2 lists the principal uses allowed within the R districts. The following use table summarizes the principal use regulations of the R districts.~~

~~A.~~ Key to types of uses

~~The permitted use table is subject to the explanation set forth below.~~

~~1.A.~~ Permitted uses

A "P" indicates that a use is permitted by-right and may be approved administratively in the respective general district subject to all other applicable requirements of this zoning ordinance, including the specific use standards in Article 12 and the site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14. Subject to density and dimensional standards in the subject district or as approved by use permit or site plan, all uses permitted by-right may also be approved administratively in buildings controlled under use permit or site plan, except where expressly prohibited by use permit or site plan conditions for the subject property or where the subject property is expressly approved only for a specific use or uses.

~~2.B.~~ Use permit approval required

A "U" indicates a special exception use that may be allowed subject to approval of a use permit as provided in §15.5. The Zoning Administrator may require a use permit for such use, whether the use is located in a building approved administratively or whether located in a building controlled by use permit or site plan. Uses allowed by use permit are subject to all other applicable requirements of this zoning ordinance, including the specific use standards in Article 12 and the site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14.

~~3.C.~~ Site plan approval required

An "S" indicates a special exception use that may be allowed more flexibility in development form and density subject to site plan approval as provided in §15.6. Site plan uses are subject to all other applicable requirements of this zoning ordinance to the extent not modified through the site plan approval, including the specific use standards in Article 12 and the site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14.

¹ Moved to §1.3

4.D. Uses not ~~allowed~~permitted

~~A blank cell (one without a “P”, “U”, or “S”) in the use table indicates that a use is not allowed in the respective district. Uses not listed may be allowed pursuant to the similar use determination procedure of §12.2.2. A blank cell in the use table indicates that a use is not allowed in the respective district. See also §12.2.1.~~

5.E. Use standards

~~The final “use standard” column on the use table contains references use standards that apply to the listed use types. The uses standards in Article 12 apply to more than one district. The “use standard” column on the use table (last column on the right) is a cross-reference to any specific use standard listed in Article 12, which apply to more than one district.~~ Where use standards apply exclusively to a specific district(s), such standards are listed in the respective district(s) regulations.

6.F. Accessory and temporary uses

The regulations that apply to accessory and temporary uses are contained in §12.9 and §12.10 ~~accessory uses (§12.8), and temporary uses (§12.9).~~

G. Transitional uses

The regulations that apply to transitional uses are contained in §12.8.

B.H. Use categories ~~Use classification~~

~~All of the use categories listed in the table below are described in §12.2. The second column of the use table lists some of the specific use types included within the respective use categories. The first column of the use table lists some of the specific uses allowed in the respective districts. Uses not listed may be allowed pursuant to the similar use determination procedure of §12.2.1.~~

Commentary:
 The Use Table is organized in to five major use groups:
 *Residential
 *Public, Civic and Institutional
 *Retail, Service and Commercial
 *Industrial
 *Other Uses

Each major use group is further divided into a series of use categories. The use category system is based on common functional, product or compatibility characteristics, thereby regulating uses in accordance with criteria directly relevant to the public interest. Sec. 14.1 provides a further description of use categories.

RESIDENTIAL (R) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE										
Use Category	Specific Use Types	R-20	R-10	R-10T	R-8	R-6	R-5	R15-30T	R2-7	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted										
Residential Use Categories (See §12.2.3)										
Household Living (See §12.2.3.A)	One-family detached Dwelling, one-family	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
	Duplexes									P S

RESIDENTIAL (R) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE										
Use Category	Specific Use Types	R-20	R-10	R-10T	R-8	R-6	R-5	R15-30T	R2-7	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted										
	Dwellings, two-family (duplexes and semidetached dwellings)									P S
	Duplexes, adjacent butting to RA, C or M districts Dwellings, two-family (duplexes and semidetached dwellings), on sites that share a lot line with RA, C or M district						U S	U S		§12.8.6
	Semidetached, adjacent butting to RA, C or M districts Dwellings, two-family (duplexes and semidetached dwellings), on sites that share a lot line with RA, C or M district						U S	U S		§12.8.7
	Semidetached								P S	
	Dwellings, two-family (duplexes and semidetached dwellings)								P S	
	Townhouses								P	
	Dwellings, townhouse								P	§5.9.4.A
	Dwellings, T townhouse, semidetached and existing one-family dwellings			S						§5.4.4.A
Dwellings, T townhouse, semidetached, one-family and stacked units							S		§1.1.1.A	
Group Living (See §12.2.3.B)	Dormitories Private clubs, lodges, fraternities, sororities and dormitories	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.3.3
	Fraternity and sorority houses; Private clubs, lodges, fraternities, sororities and dormitories	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.3.5
	Group homes Institutional homes and institutions of an educational or philanthropic nature; except those of a correctional nature	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.3.6
Public, Civic and Institutional Use Categories (§12.2.4)										
Colleges (§12.2.4.A)	Colleges and universities Institutional homes and institutions of an educational or philanthropic nature; except those of a correctional nature	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.3.6
Community Service (See §12.2.4.B)	Community centers Community buildings	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	
	Community swimming pools Clubs and grounds for games or sports, including community swimming pools	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.4.8
	Publicly-operated recreation buildings, playgrounds, parks, and athletic fields	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	
	Libraries Public libraries, museums, and art galleries	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	
	Museums and art galleries or studios Public libraries, museums, and art galleries	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	
Day Care (See §12.2.4.C)	All day care uses Schools, private, elementary, middle and high, and kindergartens, nursery schools, child care centers, and other programs regulated by Chapter 52 of the Arlington County Code	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.4.1
	Schools, private, elementary, middle and high, and kindergartens, nursery schools, child care centers, and other programs regulated by Chapter 52 of the Arlington County Code	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.4.11
Governmental Facilities (See §12.2.4.D)										

RESIDENTIAL (R) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE										
Use Category	Specific Use Types	R-20	R-10	R-10T	R-8	R-6	R-5	R15-30T	R2-7	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted										
Hospital (See §12.2.4.E)	Hospitals or sanitariums; except animal hospitals, clinics, and hospitals or sanitariums for contagious, mental or drug or liquor addict cases	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.4.2
Parks and Open Space (See §12.2.4.F)	Airports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematories when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	
	Country clubs and golf courses Airports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematories when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	
	Clubs and grounds for games or sports, including community swimming pools	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.4.13
	Parks, playgrounds and playfields Publicly-operated recreation buildings, playgrounds, and athletic fields	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	
Passenger Terminals and Services (See §12.2.4.G)	Airports and aircraft landing fields ; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematories when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	
	Bus, trolley, air, boat and rail passenger terminals Public utilities and services; such as railroad, trolley, bus, air, or boat passenger stations; railroad offices, rights-of-way, and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, sidings and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchanges (but excluding service and storage yards); provided, however, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is located	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.4.4
Religious Institutions (See §12.2.4.H)	Churches, mosques, synagogues, and temples and other places of worship, including parish houses and Sunday schools, but excluding rescue missions or temporary revivals	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Schools (See §12.2.4.I)	Schools, elementary, middle and high, and kindergartens, nursery schools, child care centers, and other programs regulated by Chapter 52 of the Arlington County Code	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.4.1
Social Service Institutions (See §12.2.4.J)	All social service institutions									

RESIDENTIAL (R) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE										
Use Category	Specific Use Types	R-20	R-10	R-10T	R-8	R-6	R-5	R15-30T	R2-7	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted										
Utilities, major (See §12.2.4.K)	All major utilities Public utilities and services; such as railroad, trolley, bus, air, or boat passenger stations; railroad offices, rights-of-way, and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, sidings and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchanges (but excluding service and storage yards); provided, however, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is located	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.4.9
Utilities, minor (See §12.2.4.K)	Bus shelters; bike share stations Public utilities and services; such as railroad, trolley, bus, air, or boat passenger stations; railroad offices, rights-of-way, and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, sidings and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchanges (but excluding service and storage yards); provided, however, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is located	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	
	All other minor utilities	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Retail, Service and Commercial Use Categories (See §12.2.5)										
Food and Drinking Establishments (See Error! Reference source not found.)	All Food and Drinking Establishments									
Entertainment (See §12.2.5.A)	Membership clubs and lodges Private clubs, lodges, fraternities, sororities and dormitories	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.5.14
Office (See §12.2.5.C)	Offices, federal, state and local Buildings used exclusively by the federal and state governments for public purposes; except penal and correctional institutions	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	
	Offices or clinics, medical or dental Offices of medical doctors, physicians, dentists or psychologists in existing institutional structures converted to such use					U	U	U	U	§12.5.17
Overnight Accommodations (See §12.2.5.D)	Bed and breakfasts	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.5.3
Parking, Commercial (See §12.2.5.E)	All commercial parking uses									
Recreation, Indoor (See §12.2.5.F.2(a))	All indoor recreation uses									
Recreation, Outdoor (See §12.2.5.A)	All outdoor recreation uses									
Retail, Sales (See §12.2.5.G.2(a))	All retail sales uses									
Retail, Personal Service (See §12.2.5.G.2(b))	All retail personal service uses									

§5.1.2 RESIDENTIAL (R) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE

RESIDENTIAL (R) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE										
Use Category	Specific Use Types	R-20	R-10	R-10T	R-8	R-6	R-5	R15-30T	R2-7	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted										
Retail, Repair (See §12.2.5.G.2(c))	All retail repair uses									
Self-service Storage (See §12.2.5.H)	All self-storage uses Storage as principal use									§12.5.25
Vehicle Sales and Service (See §12.2.5.I)	All vehicle sales and service uses									
Industrial Use Categories (See §12.2.6)										
Light Industrial Service (See §12.2.6.A)	All light industrial uses									
Manufacturing and Production (See §12.2.4.B)	All manufacturing and production uses									
Heavy Industrial Industrial (See §12.2.6.C)	All heavy industrial uses									
Warehouse and Freight Movement (See §12.2.6.D)	All warehouse and freight movement uses Storage as principal use									§12.5.25
Waste-related Service (See §12.2.6.E)	Recycling centers	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	
	All other waste-related service uses									
Wholesale Trade (See §12.2.6.F)	All wholesale trade uses									
Other use categories (See §12.2.7)										
Agriculture (See §12.2.7.A)	All agricultural uses Farming, livestock and poultry raising, and all uses commonly classed as agricultural	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	§12.7.1
Resource Extraction (See §12.2.7.B)	All resource extraction uses									
Telecommunications Facilities (§12.2.7.C)	All telecommunications facilities Public utilities and services; such as railroad, trolley, bus, air, or boat passenger stations; railroad offices, rights-of-way, and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, sidings and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchanges (but excluding service and storage yards); provided, however, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is located	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.4.9
Unclassified (See §12.2.7.D)	Columbia Pike Neighborhoods Special Revitalization District Form Based Code Development as specified in §11.3. ¹					P	P	P	P	
	Contractors, off-site storage and staging yards and sales or leasing trailers or pavilions. ²	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.9.4

¹ This is not a specific land use type. Applicability is clearly stated in §11.1.2 and, additionally, applicability is broader than shown here.

² See temporary use provisions (12.10)

RESIDENTIAL (R) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE										
Use Category	Specific Use Types	R-20	R-10	R-10T	R-8	R-6	R-5	R15-30T	R2-7	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted										
	Residential cluster development as specified in §5.10 ¹	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	

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323 **§5.1.3. Residential (R) districts transitional use table**

324 Transitional uses in residential (R) districts shall include the following uses, activities and
 325 structures:

RESIDENTIAL (R) DISTRICTS TRANSITIONAL USE TABLE										
Specific Use Types	R-20	R-10	R-10T	R-8	R-6	R-5	R15-30T	R2-7	Use Standards	
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted										
Duplexes, adjacent/butting to other than C-1 or C-1-0 districts Dwellings, two-family (duplexes and semidetached dwellings), adjacent to other than the C-1 or C-1-0 district					U	U	U	U		
Semidetached, adjacent/butting to other than C-1 or C-1-0 districts Dwellings, two-family (duplexes and semidetached dwellings), adjacent to other than the C-1 or C-1-0 district²					U	U	U	U		
Medical or dental clinic					S	S	S	S	§12.5.17	
Offices of doctors, physicians, dentists or psychologists					S	S	S	S		
Offices or clinics, medical or dental, in existing one-family detached dwelling. Office, principal, of a physician, surgeon or dentist, provided such use is conducted within a dwelling and the residential character of such dwelling is not changed	P	P	P	P	S	S	S	S	§12.8.3	
Transitional parking areas Transitional parking area if said area is located and developed as required in §14.2 and §14.3	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.8.5	

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¹ This is not a specific land use type. The applicability statement in §5.10 explains where such development may be allowed.

² Duplexes and semidetached have been removed from R-6 and R15-30T because they are already allowed in the same manner as a principal use. Site plan option was added to R-5 and R2-7, where it was left out in error during the reformat adopted in May 2013.

328 **§5.1.4. Residential (R) districts accessory use table**

329 Accessory uses in residential (R) districts shall include the following uses, activities and
 330 structures:

RESIDENTIAL (R) DISTRICTS ACCESSORY USE TABLE

Use Types	R-20	R-10	R-10T	R-8	R-6	R-5	R15-30T	R2-7	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted									
Accessory buildings, including a private garage, provided that a detached accessory building shall be located as required in §3.2	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Accessory dwellings	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	§12.9.2
Accessory uses, customarily incident to any of the otherwise permitted uses	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Commercial vehicle parking—Parking of one commercial vehicle which has a gross vehicle weight of 16,000 pounds or less	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	§12.9.4
Commercial vehicle parking. In cases working a grave hardship on the resident, and in accordance §12.8.5, and §14.6, parking of (i) a commercial vehicle which does not meet the locational requirements of this zoning ordinance, or (ii) more than one commercial vehicle	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.9.4
CrematoriumsCrematoriumsAirports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematoriums when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.9.6
Family day care homes (six to nine children)for six to nine children	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.9.9
Family day care homes (up to five children)for up to five children	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	§12.9.9
Family/caregiver suites	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	§12.9.8
Guest house	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	§12.9.10
Home occupations	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	§12.9.11
Mortuaries and funeral homesAirports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematoriums when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.9.13
Swimming pools, private	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	§12.9.16
Telecommunications antennae, building and ground mountedPublic utilities and services such as railroad, trolley, bus, air or boat passenger stations; right-of-way and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, siding and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchange (but excluding service and storage yards); provided, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is located	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	
TrailerRecreational vehicle or trailer parking	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	§12.9.15
Vehicle maintenance and minor repairs, routine	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	§12.9.17
Vehicle, one-licensed and/or uninspected.	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	§12.9.18

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333 §5.2. R-20, One-Family Dwelling District

334 §5.2.1. Purpose

335 [Reserved]

336 §5.2.2. Uses

337 Uses shall be as specified in §5.1.

338 §5.2.3. Density and dimensional standards

339 A. General

340 All development in the R-20 district shall comply with the following requirements, except as
341 otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	All Uses
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)	
Lot area	20,000
Lot area per dwelling unit	20,000
Lot width, average minimum (feet)	100
Height, maximum (feet)	35

342 B. Bulk, coverage and placement

343 For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

344 C. Exceptions

345 The County Board may, on R district lots of 100 acres or more, by use permit approval in
346 accordance with §15.5, approve an increase in the height of one main building to 55 feet.
347 Notwithstanding the provisions of §3.1.10, when a use permit is approved with such a
348 height increase, the County Board may approve non-occupiable architectural features such
349 as cupolas, flagpoles and chimneys that are no more than 15 feet in height above the
350 height of the main building. Height increases allowed under this subsection may only be
351 approved where the main building is set back a minimum of 150 feet from all lot lines and
352 public rights-of-way.

353 §5.2.4. District use standards

354 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the R-20 district include:

355 [Reserved]

356 §5.2.5. Site development standards

357 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
358 otherwise specified below.

359 A. Parking

360 Automobile parking spaces to be provided as required in §14.3.

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§5.3. R-10, One-Family Dwelling District

§5.3.1. Purpose

[Reserved]

§5.3.2. Uses

Uses shall be as specified in §5.1.

§5.3.3. Density and dimensional standards

A. General

All development in the R-10 district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family Dwellings	All Other Uses
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)		
Lot area	10,000	10,000
Lot area per dwelling unit	10,000	10,000
Lot width, minimum average (feet)	80	80
Height, maximum (feet)	35	35

B. Bulk coverage and placement

For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

C. Exceptions

The County Board may, on R district lots of 100 acres or more, by use permit approval in accordance with §15.5, approve an increase in the height of one main building to 55 feet. Notwithstanding the provisions of §3.1.6.B, when a use permit is approved with such a height increase, the County Board may approve non-occupiable architectural features such as cupolas, flagpoles and chimneys that are no more than 15 feet in height above the height of the main building. Height increases allowed under this subsection may only be approved where the main building is set back a minimum of 150 feet from all lot lines and public rights-of-way.

§5.3.4. District use standards

Use standards applicable to specific uses in the R-10 district include:

A. [Reserved]

§5.3.5. Site development standards

The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development.

§5.4. R-10T, One-Family and, Residential-Townhouse Dwelling District

§5.4.1. Purpose

The purpose of the R-10T, One-Family, ~~Residential~~ Townhouse Dwelling District is to provide for development of one-family dwellings and, under certain conditions, the development of townhouse projects. Such townhouse projects may include a variety of dwelling styles including one-family and semidetached dwellings; however, the project shall maintain the townhouse style character. Up to one-third of the permitted dwelling units may be semidetached. In townhouse projects, existing one-family dwellings may be retained but new construction of such dwellings is not permitted. Townhouse development may occur where development will be consistent with the adopted master plan or plans for the immediate area. Such development is appropriate but not limited to situations where it provides a transition between a one-family district and uses permitted in other district classifications, or for a reuse of land. It is intended that any townhouse development permitted should result in well- designed living units offering optimum residential environmental amenities, including preservation of natural land form and foliage and the clustering of usable open space. Clusters of dwelling units should be so arranged as to achieve an intimate internal relationship. Site plans shall be prepared in such detail as to permit judgment of the quality of design.

§5.4.2. Uses

Uses shall be as specified in §5.1.

§5.4.3. Density and dimensional standards

A. By-right

All development in the R-10T district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family Dwelling	All Other Uses
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)		
Lot area	10,000	10,000
Lot area per dwelling unit (sq. ft.)	10,000	10,000
Lot width, minimum average (feet).	80	80
Height, maximum (feet)	35	35

B. Special exception

All development allowed by special exception in the R15-30T district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise approved by the County Board.

Standard	Townhouse, Semidetached and Existing One-family Dwellings
Project, minimum	
Units (number)	12
Site (sq. ft.)	51,600
Setbacks, minimum	
Front	--
Side, interior	--
Side, street	20
Rear	20

Standard	Townhouse, Semidetached and Existing One- family Dwellings
Site, minimum Area (sq. ft.) Width (feet), average	4,300-5,000 18
Lot area, minimum (sq. ft.) Lot area per dwelling unit	As approved by Site Plan
Lot width per dwelling unit (feet)	18
Height, maximum (feet)	36
Floor area, minimum, exclusive of utility, attic, and garage area (sq. ft.) Townhouse Semidetached Existing one-family	1,500 1,500 --

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C. Bulk coverage and placement

For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

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D. Exceptions

The County Board may, on R district lots of 100 acres or more, by use permit approval in accordance with §15.5, approve an increase in the height of one main building to 55 feet. Notwithstanding the provisions of §3.1.6.B, when a use permit is approved with such a height increase, the County Board may approve non-occupiable architectural features such as cupolas, flagpoles and chimneys that are no more than 15 feet in height above the height of the main building. Height increases allowed under this subsection may only be approved where the main building is set back a minimum of 150 feet from all lot lines and public rights-of-way.

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§5.4.4. District use standards

Use standards applicable to specific uses in the R10-T district include:

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A. Townhouses, semidetached and existing one-family dwellings

Semidetached dwellings shall not compromise more than one-third of the total dwelling units, as follows:

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1. Lot area and width requirements

Every townhouse project shall have a minimum area per dwelling of 4,300 square feet; provided, however, that the County Board may require up to a minimum of 5,000 square feet per dwelling to preserve unique site characteristics including natural land form and foliage. Not less than 1,000 square feet of the minimum area per dwelling unit shall be combined to form common open park space suitable for recreational use located within the project. Public or private drives and parking areas shall not be included in the calculation of common open park space. A site plan showing either less lot area or common open park space, or both, shall not be approved by the County Board.

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- 443 **2. Setback and yard requirements**
- 444 **(a)** Where an off-street parking space is provided in front of a dwelling unit, the front
- 445 yard setback shall be no less than 25 feet from any street right-of-way line.
- 446 **(b)** Side yard setback for corner lots shall be a minimum of 20 feet.
- 447 **(c)** Every dwelling unit shall have a rear yard of not less than 20 feet which shall be
- 448 screened with landscaping, walls or fences so as to provide optimum privacy for
- 449 the occupants of that dwelling unit.
- 450 **(d)** Building setback variations shall be provided whenever possible to permit side
- 451 lighting to interior spaces.

452 **3. Lot development and visibility requirements**

- 453 **(a)** All dwelling units shall be functionally related to the natural topography.
- 454 **(b)** No townhouse or semidetached dwelling shall be constructed so as to provide
- 455 direct vehicular ingress or egress to any streets designated as controlled access
- 456 principal arterial, minor arterial, local principal as designated in the adopted
- 457 Arlington County Master Transportation Plan.

458 **4. Landscape and site improvement plan**

459 A preliminary landscape plan shall be included as part of the site plan submittal. A

460 detailed landscape plan and a complete site improvement plan shall be submitted and

461 approved by the county manager prior to the issuance of a building permit. In

462 approving the plans the county manager shall require the following:

- 463 **(a)** Conformance to the approved site plan.
- 464 **(b)** Plant materials which do not have a deleterious effect on other site
- 465 improvements, which do have a reasonable period of life and which do not
- 466 produce an unreasonable amount of debris in the form of branches and leaves.
- 467 **(c)** Plant materials shall be used in sufficient quantity to reasonably enhance the
- 468 appearance of the entire townhouse project.
- 469 **(d)** The impervious area of townhouse project shall not exceed 50 percent.

470 **5. Internal streets**

471 Internal streets, whether public or private, shall have a minimum right-of-way width of

472 40 feet and a minimum pavement width of 30 feet.

473 **6. Completion of construction**

474 Upon the completion of construction, street improvements, parking, site

475 improvements and landscaping, the standard zoning regulations for the district become

476 effective, even though they conflict with provisions of the approved site plan,

477 landscaping plan and site improvement plan as to individual dwelling units, title to

478 which has been conveyed to individual owners who will be occupying or renting such

479 dwelling units to other persons; provided, however, all areas of the project intended

480 for common use shall remain bound by the approved site plan, site improvement plan

481 and landscaping plan.

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7. Parking

Not less than two and one-half off-street parking spaces shall be provided for every dwelling unit.

§5.4.5. Site development standards

The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as otherwise specified below.

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§5.5. R-8, One-Family Dwelling District

§5.5.1. Purpose

[Reserved]

§5.5.2. Uses

Uses shall be as specified in §5.1.

§5.5.3. Density and dimensional standards

A. General

All development in the R-8 district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family Dwellings	All Other Uses
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)		
Lot area	8,000	8,000
Lot area per dwelling unit (sq. ft.)	8,000	8,000
Lot width, minimum average (feet)	70	70
Height, maximum (feet)	35	35

B. Bulk coverage and placement

For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

C. Exceptions

The County Board may, on R district lots of 100 acres or more, by use permit approval in accordance with §15.5, approve an increase in the height of one main building to 55 feet. Notwithstanding the provisions of §3.1.6.B, when a use permit is approved with such a height increase, the County Board may approve non-occupiable architectural features such as cupolas, flagpoles and chimneys that are no more than 15 feet in height above the height of the main building. Height increases allowed under this subsection may only be approved where the main building is set back a minimum of 150 feet from all lot lines and public rights-of-way.

§5.5.4. District use standards

Use standards applicable to specific uses in the R-8 district include:

A. [Reserved]

§5.5.5. Site development standards

The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development.

§5.6. R-6, One-Family Dwelling District

§5.6.1. Purpose

[Reserved]

§5.6.2. Uses

Uses shall be as specified in §5.1.

§5.6.3. Density and dimensional standards

A. General By-right

All development in the R-6 district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family Dwellings	All Other Uses
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)		
Lot area	6,000	6,000
Lot area per dwelling unit	6,000	6,000
Lot width, minimum average (feet)	60	60
Height, maximum (feet)	35	35

B. Special exception use permit¹

All development allowed by special exception use permit in the R-6 district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise approved by the County Board.

Type of Standard	Two-family Dwellings on Transitional Sites, other than abutting C-1 or C-1-O districts	
	Semi-detached	Duplex
Site area, minimum (sq. ft.)	8,700	8,700
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)		
Lot area	4,350	8,700
Lot area per dwelling unit	4,350	=
Lot width, minimum average (feet) by use permit	35	70
Lot width, minimum average (feet) by site plan	28	56
Height, maximum (feet)	35	35
Floor area per dwelling unit, minimum, exclusive of basement or attic (sq. ft.)	750	750

B-C. Bulk coverage and placement

For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

C-D. Exceptions

The County Board may, on R district lots of 100 acres or more, by use permit approval in accordance with §15.5, approve an increase in the height of one main building to 55 feet. Notwithstanding the provisions of §3.1.6.B, when a use permit is approved with such a

¹ Was missing from 2013 Ordinance; restored from 1950 Ordinance.

534 height increase, the County Board may approve non-occupiable architectural features such
535 as cupolas, flagpoles and chimneys that are no more than 15 feet in height above the
536 height of the main building. Height increases allowed under this subsection may only be
537 approved where the main building is set back a minimum of 150 feet from all lot lines and
538 public rights-of-way.

539 **§5.6.4. District use standards**

540 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the R-6 district include:

541 A. [Reserved]

542 **§5.6.5. Site development standards**

543 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
544 otherwise specified below.

545 **A. Parking**

546 Automobile parking space shall be provided as required and regulated in §14.3, except that
547 in considering use permit applications under §14.5 the required parking for medical offices
548 may be reduced up to a maximum of 10 percent.

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§5.7. R-5, One-Family and, Restricted Two-Family Dwelling District

§5.7.1. Purpose

The purpose of the R-5, One-family, Restricted Two-family District is to provide for one-family dwellings on relatively small lots and to provide, under certain circumstances, for two-family dwellings on lots of such size as follows the progression in residential density established in this zoning ordinance giving consideration to architectural compatibility with one-family detached dwellings in the existing neighborhood. An existing one-family dwelling shall not be converted into a two-family dwelling (duplexes and semidetached dwellings). Two-family dwelling (duplexes and semidetached dwellings) units should have as many of the one-family amenities as possible.

§5.7.2. Uses

Uses shall be as specified in §5.1.

§5.7.3. Density and dimensional standards

A. By-right

All development allowed by-right in the R-5 district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family Dwelling	All Other Uses
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)		
Lot area	5,000	5,000
Lot area per dwelling unit	5,000	5,000
Lot width, minimum average (feet).	50	50
Height, maximum (feet)	35	35

B. Special exception

All development allowed by special exception in the R-5 district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise approved by the County Board.

Type of Standard	Two-family Dwellings That Share a Lot Line with <u>abutting</u> RA, C or M District		All Other Uses
	Semi-detached	Duplex	
Site area, minimum (sq. ft.)	8,700	8,700	--
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)			
Lot area	4,350	8,700	5,000
Lot area per dwelling unit	4,350	--	5,000
Lot width, minimum average (feet) by use permit	35	70	50
Lot width, minimum average (feet) by site plan	28	56	--
Height, maximum (feet)	35	35	35
Floor area per dwelling unit, minimum, exclusive of basement or attic (sq. ft.)	750	750	--

569 **C. Bulk coverage and placement**

570 For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

571 **D. Exceptions**

572 The County Board may, on R district lots of 100 acres or more, by use permit approval in
573 accordance with §15.5, approve an increase in the height of one main building to 55 feet.
574 Notwithstanding the provisions of §3.1.6.B, when a use permit is approved with such a
575 height increase, the County Board may approve non-occupiable architectural features such
576 as cupolas, flagpoles and chimneys that are no more than 15 feet in height above the
577 height of the main building. Height increases allowed under this subsection may only be
578 approved where the main building is set back a minimum of 150 feet from all lot lines and
579 public rights-of-way.

580 **§5.7.4. District use standards**

581 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the R-5 district include:

582 **A. Two-family (duplexes and Semidetached) abutting RA, C and M districts**

583 Two-family dwellings (semidetached and duplex dwellings), on sites that share a lot line
584 with RA, C, or M Districts, shall be located no more than 100 feet from the shared lot line,
585 or on sites that are located on principal or minor arterial streets as designated in the
586 Arlington County Master Transportation Plan provided that the dwellings front on the
587 principal or minor arterial street, except on corner lots where no more than one unit may
588 front on the local street.¹

589 **B. [Reserved]**

590 **§5.7.5. Site development standards**

591 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
592 otherwise specified below.

593 **A. Parking**

594 There shall be two parking spaces per dwelling unit.

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¹ Moved from use standards (12.3.3)

§5.8. R15-30T, Residential-Townhouse Dwelling District

§5.8.1. Purpose

The intent of the R15-30T, Residential-Townhouse Dwelling District is to provide for low-rise one-family townhouse development within Metro Transit Corridors as designated by the County Board. The R15-30T district may also be appropriate in other areas of the county which are planned for "low" residential (11-15 units per acre) and "low-medium" residential (16-36 units per acre) use in the General Land Use Plan, and where townhouse development will provide an appropriate transition between commercial uses or higher density residential uses and single-family or two-family residential development. Uses shall be as permitted and regulated as in R-5; however, density up to 15 units per acre, and density up to 30 units per acre may be permitted by the County Board in accordance with the site plan provisions of this zoning ordinance when consistent with the General Land Use Plan and approved plans for the area. Preservation of existing dwellings in projects is encouraged as is architectural integration of new projects into existing neighborhoods by relating the facade, height, and setbacks of the new dwellings with the old. Determination as to the actual densities to be allowed will be based on the characteristics of individual sites in their neighborhood and on the need for community facilities, open and landscaped areas, circulation, and utilities.

§5.8.2. Uses

Uses shall be as specified in §5.1.

§5.8.3. Density and dimensional standards

A. By-right

All development allowed by-right in the R15-30T district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family Dwellings	All Other Uses
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)		
Lot area	5,000	5,000
Lot area per dwelling unit	5,000	5,000
Lot width, minimum average (feet)	50	50
Height, maximum (feet)	35	35

620 **B. Special exception**
 621 All development allowed by special exception in the R15-30T district shall comply with the
 622 following standards, except as otherwise approved by the County Board.

Standard	Two-family Dwellings That Share a Lot Line with abutting RA, C or M districts		Semi- detached Dwellings	Townhouse Dwellings	Townhouse, Semi- detached and Existing One- family Dwellings
	Semi- detached	Duplex			
Units, minimum Project (units)	--	--	2	3	--
Density, maximum (units/acre)			15	15	16-30
Site, minimum					
Area (sq. ft.)	8,700	8,700	5,808	8,712	8,712 sq. ft., or 17,424 sq. ft. in projects where density is requested above 15 units per acre As approved by Site Plan
Width (feet)	--	--	50	75	
Setbacks, minimum (feet)					
Front					25
Side	See §3.2 and §5.8.4.A	See §3.2 and §5.8.4.A	See §3.2	See §3.2	7 (Townhouse, Semidetached dwelling end units)
Side, street					15
Rear					25
Lot area, minimum (sq. ft.)					
Lot area	4,350	8,700	--	--	--
Lot area per dwelling unit	4,350	--	2,904	2,904 of which up to 1,300 sq. ft. may be in common area	As approved by site plan but under no circumstances less than 1,452 sq. ft. of site area per dwelling unit
Lot width per dwelling unit (feet)					
By use permit	35	70	--	--	--
By site plan	28	56	25	20	As approved by Site Plan, see §5.8.4.B
Height, maximum (feet)	35	35	45	45	45

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 624 **C. Bulk, coverage and placement**
 625 For bulk, coverage and placement regulations not listed in this section, See §3.2.

626 **D. Exceptions**

- 627 1. The County Board may, on R district lots of 100 acres or more, by use permit approval
 628 in accordance with §15.5, approve an increase in the height of one main building to 55
 629 feet. Notwithstanding the provisions of §3.1.6.B, when a use permit is approved with
 630 such a height increase, the County Board may approve non-occupiable architectural
 631 features such as cupolas, flagpoles and chimneys that are no more than 15 feet in
 632 height above the height of the main building. Height increases allowed under this
 633 subsection may only be approved where the main building is set back a minimum of
 634 150 feet from all lot lines and public rights-of-way.

636 **§5.8.4. District use standards**

637 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the R15-T district include:

638 **E.A. Two-family (duplexes and Semidetached) abutting RA, C or M districts**

639 Two-family dwellings (semidetached and duplex dwellings), on sites that share a lot line
640 with RA, C, or M Districts, shall be located no more than 100 feet from the shared lot line,
641 or on sites that are located on principal or minor arterial streets as designated in the
642 Arlington County Master Transportation Plan provided that the dwellings front on the
643 principal or minor arterial street, except on corner lots where no more than one unit may
644 front on the local street.¹

645 **F.B. Townhouse and semidetached dwellings requiring site plan approval by the**
646 **County Board:**

- 647 1. Site plans may include a variety of dwelling styles including townhouse, semidetached,
648 one-family and stacked units. Existing one-family units may be retained. The provisions
649 of this subsection shall be in accordance with Section 36 and consistent with the
650 general land use plan. The County Board, at its discretion, may approve any of the
651 following special exceptions subject to the approval of a site plan as specified in §15.5:
652 variations in setback, yard, lot size, coverage and parking requirements to achieve a
653 design appropriate for the site and project.
- 654 2. To maintain neighborhood scale by matching new and existing setbacks, the front yard
655 setback for one-family and two-family dwellings may be reduced to that of the average
656 setback of the existing buildings on the same side of the subject block.

657 **§5.8.4. §5.8.5. Site development standards**

658 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
659 otherwise specified below.

660 **A. Parking**

- 661 1. Semidetached dwellings: Two parking spaces per unit.
662 2. All other uses: Parking spaces shall be provided as required in §14.3.

663 **B. Landscaping**

664 A landscaping plan shall be submitted within two weeks after submitting the application for
665 approval of the site plan. At a minimum, plans shall include the following:

666 **1. Shrubs**

667 There shall be a minimum of five shrubs for each dwelling unit and a minimum of one
668 tree per dwelling unit

669 **2. Street trees**

- 670 **(a)** In addition to the requirement for shrubs of §5.8.5.B.1, above, major deciduous
671 trees shall be planted at the minimum rate of one for every 35 feet along any
672 property line abutting public right-of-way. The requirement is to be satisfied by
673 planting trees on-site/on-site within the front yard setback or within the public

¹ Moved from use standards 12.3.3.

674 right-of-way at a location to be designated by the zoning administrator and
675 consistent with otherwise existing ordinances.

676 (b) The above shall be planted according to the standards of §14.2, Landscaping.

677 ~~§5.8.5.~~ §5.8.6. **Additional regulations**

678 A. Prior to the approval of a plat of subdivision, where a common area is included, there shall
679 be submitted to the county attorney evidence satisfactory to him that by condominium or a
680 homeowner's association, there will be incorporated into each deed conveying a
681 townhouse, a covenant which provides the following:

682 1. That the common area of the townhouse project shall be maintained by the council of
683 co-owners, homeowner's association or other entity established in the covenant as the
684 entity responsible for such maintenance.

685 2. Each townhouse owner shall be responsible for a pro rata share of cost of such
686 maintenance and such share shall constitute a lien on the townhouse owner's
687 property.

688 3. In the event that the entity fails to maintain the common area in accordance with the
689 approved landscape plan in a reasonable condition and state of repair, the
690 determination of such failure to be made by the zoning administrator, Arlington County
691 may, at its option through its own agents or by independent contractor, enter upon the
692 common area for purposes of maintenance thereof, and assess each lot owner a pro
693 rata share of the costs thereof, together with an additional charge of 25 percent of said
694 costs for management fee, said costs to constitute a lien upon each and every lot in the
695 project.

696 B. Projects are only permitted where an existing recorded subdivision or master deed shows
697 the lots (or condominium areas) on which the individual units are to be constructed prior to
698 the issuance of a building permit.

699 C. Heating, air conditioning units and other similar equipment should be screened and
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§5.9. R2-7, Two-Family and Townhouse Dwelling District

§5.9.1. Purpose

[Reserved]

§5.9.2. Uses

Uses shall be as specified in §5.1.

§5.9.3. Density and dimensional standards

All development in R2-7 district shall comply with the following requirements, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated:

A. By-right

All development in the R2-7 district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family Dwellings	Two-family Dwellings		Townhouse Dwellings	All Other Uses
		Semi-detached	Duplex		
Site area, minimum (sq. ft.)	--	7,000	7,000	10,500	--
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)					
Lot area	5,000	3,500	7,000	3,500	5,000
Lot area per dwelling unit	5,000	3,500	3,500	3,500	5,000
Lot width, minimum average (feet)					
Lot width	50	35	70	--	50
Unit width, minimum	--	--	--	18	--
Height, maximum (feet)	35	35	35	35	35
Floor area, minimum, exclusive of basements and attics (sq. ft.)	--	750	750	--	--

B. Special exception¹

Development allowed by special exception in the R2-7 district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise approved by the County Board.

Type of Standard	Two-family Dwellings		Two-family Dwellings on Transitional sites other than abutting C-1 or C-1-O Districts		All Other Uses
	Semi-detached	Duplex	Semi-detached	Duplex	
			<u>8,700</u>	<u>8,700</u>	
Site area, minimum (sq. ft.)	7,000	7,000	<u>8,700</u>	<u>8,700</u>	--
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)					
Lot area	3,500	7,000	<u>4,350</u>	<u>8,700</u>	5,000
Lot area per dwelling unit	3,500	3,500	<u>4,350</u>	<u>4,350</u>	5,000
Lot width, minimum average (feet)					
Lot width	28	56	<u>28</u>	<u>56</u>	50
Lot width per dwelling unit	28	--	<u>28</u>	--	--

¹ Transitional site standards were missing from 2013 Ordinance; restored from 1950 Ordinance.

Type of Standard	Two-family Dwellings		Two-family Dwellings on Transitional sites other than abutting C-1 or C-1-O Districts		All Other Uses
	Semi-detached	Duplex	Semi-detached	Duplex	
Height, maximum (feet)	35	35	35	35	35
Floor area, minimum, exclusive of basements and attics (sq. ft.)	750	750	750	750	--

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C. Bulk, coverage and placement

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For bulk, coverage and placement regulations not listed in this section, §3.2.

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D. Exceptions

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1. Subdivision of a group of townhouse dwelling units

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In the case of any subdivision of a group of townhouse dwelling units, the lot size for each dwelling unit may be reduced to an area not less than 1,300 sq. ft. square feet; provided, that the deed of dedication shall commit sufficient common land so that the total site satisfies the area requirements of this zoning ordinance for each unit.

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Moreover, the deed of dedication shall provide to each lot the right to use the land required by this zoning ordinance for parking (where parking is not on the lot of the dwelling unit), as well as the right to use land dedicated to other common uses, and for easements for access to public streets and other common area.

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2. The County Board may, on R district lots of 100 acres or more, by use permit approval in accordance with §15.5, approve an increase in the height of one main building to 55 feet. Notwithstanding the provisions of §3.1.6.B, when a use permit is approved with such a height increase, the County Board may approve non-occupiable architectural features such as cupolas, flagpoles and chimneys that are no more than 15 feet in height above the height of the main building. Height increases allowed under this subsection may only be approved where the main building is set back a minimum of 150 feet from all lot lines and public rights-of-way.

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§5.9.4. District use standards

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Use standards applicable to specific uses in the R2-7 district include:

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A. Townhouses

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(a) All townhouse projects shall comply with the following regulations:

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(b) No grouping of units shall exceed 180 feet in length.

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(c) No individual townhouse lot shall have direct vehicular access to a controlled access highway, a primary arterial, a secondary arterial, a distributor or a collector street.

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(d) Heating, air conditioning units, utility meters and other similar equipment shall be screened and mounted to minimize noise and visibility.

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(e) Each townhouse dwelling shall have a rear yard of not less than 25 feet.

749 (f) Each townhouse dwelling, when subdivided to a common access easement, shall
750 be set back a minimum of 10 feet from the access casement.

751 **2. Modification of use regulations for townhouse projects**

752 On sites having a minimum size of one acre and extremely uneven topography, the use
753 regulations may be modified by site plan approval. Site plans are required to be
754 approved as specified in §15.6.

755 **§5.9.5. Site development standards**

756 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
757 otherwise specified below.

758 **A. Landscaping**

759 At least 50 percent of the area within the required setback shall be landscaped.

760 **B.** [Reserved]

Article 6. ~~Residential Apartment~~Multiple-Family (RA) Districts

§6.1. ~~Residential Apartment~~Multiple-family (RA) Districts Use Tables

§6.1.1. General

The use tables of this section list all uses allowed within RA districts, and is subject to the explanations set forth below. ~~No building or structure shall be erected, reconstructed, structurally altered, enlarged or moved, and no land or building shall be used or designed to be used for any purpose in the RA districts other than is hereinafter permitted except as may be permitted by §16.5.~~¹

§6.1.2. ~~Multiple-family Residential apartment~~ (RA) districts principal use table

~~Table §6.1.2 lists the principal uses allowed within the RA districts. The following use table summarizes the principal use regulations of the R districts.~~

~~A. Key to types of uses~~

~~The permitted use table is subject to the explanation set forth below.~~

~~1.A. Permitted uses~~

A "P" indicates that a use is permitted by-right and may be approved administratively in the respective general district subject to all other applicable requirements of this zoning ordinance, including the specific use standards in Article 12 and the site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14. ~~Subject to density and dimensional standards in the subject district or as approved by use permit or site plan, all uses permitted by-right may also be approved administratively in buildings controlled under use permit or site plan, except where expressly prohibited by use permit or site plan conditions for the subject property or where the subject property is expressly approved only for a specific use or uses.~~

~~2.B. Use permit approval required~~

A "U" indicates a special exception use that may be allowed subject to approval of a use permit as provided in §15.5. ~~The Zoning Administrator may require a use permit for such use, whether the use is located in a building approved administratively or whether located in a building controlled by use permit or site plan.~~ Uses allowed by use permit are subject to all other applicable requirements of this zoning ordinance, including the specific use standards in Article 12 and the site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14.

~~3.C. Site plan approval required~~

An "S" indicates a special exception use that may be allowed more flexibility in development form and density subject to site plan approval as provided in §15.6. Site plan uses are subject to all other applicable requirements of this zoning ordinance to the extent not modified through the site plan approval, including the specific use standards in Article 12 and the site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14.

¹ Moved to §1.3

4.D. Uses not allowedpermitted

A blank cell (one without a “P”, “U”, or “S”) in the use table indicates that a use is not allowed in the respective district. Uses not listed may be allowed pursuant to the similar use determination procedure of §12.2.2. A blank cell in the use table indicates that a use is not allowed in the respective district. See also §12.2.1.

5.E. Use standards

The final “use standard” column on the use table contains references use standards that apply to the listed use types. The uses standards in Article 12 apply to more than one district. The “use standard” column on the use table (last column on the right) is a cross-reference to any specific use standard listed in Article 12, which apply to more than one district. Where use standards apply exclusively to a specific district(s), such standards are listed in the respective district(s) regulations.

F. Transitional uses

The regulations that apply to transitional uses are contained in §12.8.

6.G. Accessory and temporary uses

The regulations that apply to accessory and temporary uses are contained in §12.9 and §12.10, accessory uses (§12.8), and temporary uses (§12.9).

B.H. Use categoriesclassification

All of the use categories listed in the table below are described in §12.2. The second column of the use table lists some of the specific use types included within the respective use categories. The first column of the use table lists some of the specific uses allowed in the respective districts. Uses not listed may be allowed pursuant to the similar use determination procedure of §12.2.1.

Commentary:

The Use Table is organized in to five major use groups:

- *Residential
- *Public, Civic and Institutional
- *Retail, Service and Commercial
- *Industrial
- *Other Uses

Each major use group is further divided into a series of use categories. The use category system is based on common functional, product or compatibility characteristics, thereby regulating uses in accordance with criteria directly relevant to the public interest. Sec. 14.1 provides a further description of use categories.

Residential ApartmentMultiple-family (RA) Districts Use Table						
Category	Specific Use Types	RA14-26	RA8-18	RA7-16	RA6-15	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted						
Residential Use Categories (See §12.2.3)						
Household Living (See §12.2.3.A)	One-family detached Dwelling, one-family	P	P		P	
	Dwellings, apartment houses		P		P	
	Duplexes Dwelling, two-family (duplexes and semidetached dwellings)	P	P		P	
		S	S		S	

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Category	Specific Use Types	RA14-76	RA8-18	RA7-16	RA6-15	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted						
	SemidetachedDwellings, two-family (duplexes and semidetached dwellings)	P	P		P	
	Apartment houses			P		
	Apartment houses, which may be of townhouse design			U		
	Multiple-familyApartments or townhouse dwellings	P	P	U	P	
	Townhouses, not within the "Fort Myer Heights North Special District," as designated on the General Land Use Plan	P	P	U	P	
	Townhouses, within the "Fort Myer Heights North Special District," as designated on the General Land Use Plan		S		S	
	Dwellings, T ownhouses, semidetached and existing one-family	S	S		S	§12.3.4
Group Living (See §12.2.3.B)	Boarding houses and rooming houses		U		U	§12.3.1
	DormitoriesPrivate clubs, lodges, fraternities, sororities and dormitories		U	U	U	§12.3.3
	Fraternity and sorority houses; Private clubs, lodges, fraternities, sororities and dormitories		U	U	U	§12.3.5
	Group homesInstitutional homes and institutions of an educational or philanthropic nature, except those of a correctional nature.		U	U	U	§12.3.6
Public, Civic and Institutional Use Categories (§12.2.4)						
Colleges (§12.2.4.A)	Colleges and universities Institutional homes and institutions of an educational or philanthropic nature, except those of a correctional nature.		U	U	U	§12.3.5
Community Service (See §12.2.4.B)	Community centers, fire stations, and libraries		U	U	P	
	Community buildings		U	U	U	
	Community swimming pool Clubs and grounds for games or sports, including community swimming pools		U	U	U	§12.4.8
	Museums and art galleries or studios Public libraries, museums, and art galleries		U	U	U	
	LibrariesPublic libraries, museums, and art galleries		U	U	P	U
Day Care (See §12.2.4.C)	Recreation centers Publicly-operated recreation buildings, playgrounds, parks, and athletic fields		U	U	U	0
	Child care centers Schools, private, elementary, middle and high, and kindergartens, nursery schools, child care centers, and other programs regulated by Chapter 52 of the Arlington County Code.		U	U	U	§12.4.1
Governmental Facilities (See §12.2.4.D)	Nursery schools and preschools Schools, private, elementary, middle and high, and kindergartens, nursery schools, child care centers, and other programs regulated by Chapter 52 of the Arlington County Code.		U	U	U	§12.4.1
	Fire and police stations				P	
	Community centers, fire stations, and libraries				P	

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Category	Specific Use Types	RA14-76	RA8-18	RA7-16	RA6-15	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted						
Hospital (See §12.2.4.E)	Hospitals or sanitariums except animal hospitals, clinics, and hospitals or sanitariums for contagious, mental or drug or liquor addict cases; provided, that any building so used shall be set back not less than 100 feet from any lot line or street line; and doctors' offices in buildings already being used exclusively as such pursuant to other zoning provisions or variances previously granted, and a one-time addition thereto, provided such addition does not exceed 25 percent of the existing floor area of the building being so used	U	U	U	U	§12.4.2
	Cemeteries, Airports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematories when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	U	U	U	
Parks and Open Space (See §12.2.4.F)	Country clubs and golf courses, Airports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematories when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	U	U	U	
	Parks, playgrounds and playfields, Publicly-operated recreation buildings, playgrounds, parks, and athletic fields	U	U	U	U	
	Clubs and grounds for games or sports, including community swimming pools	U	U	U	U	§12.4.13
Passenger Terminals and Services (See §12.2.4.G)	Airports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematories when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	U	U	U	
	Bus, trolley, air, boat and rail passenger terminals, Public utilities and services; such as railroad, trolley, bus, air, or boat passenger stations; railroad offices, rights of way, and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, sidings and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchanges (but excluding service and storage yards); provided, however, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is located	U	U	U	U	§12.4.4
Religious Institutions (See §12.2.4.H)	Churches, mosques, synagogues, and temples and other places of worship, including parish houses and Sunday schools, but excluding rescue missions or temporary revivals	P	P	P	P	
Schools (See §12.2.4.I)	Schools, elementary, middle and high and kindergartens, nursery schools, child care centers, and other programs regulated by Chapter 52 of the Arlington County Code.	U	U	U	U	§12.4.1
Social Service Institutions (See §12.2.4.J)	All social service institutions					

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Category	Specific Use Types	RA14-76	RA8-18	RA7-16	RA6-15	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted						
Utilities, major (See §12.2.4.K)	<u>All major utilities</u> Public utilities and services; such as railroad, trolley, bus, air, or boat passenger stations; railroad offices, rights-of-way, and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, sidings and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchanges (but excluding service and storage yards); provided, however, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is located	U	U	U	U	§12.4.9
Utilities, minor (See §12.2.4.K)	<u>Bus shelters; bike share stations</u> Public utilities and services; such as railroad, trolley, bus, air, or boat passenger stations; railroad offices, rights-of-way, and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, sidings and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchanges (but excluding service and storage yards); provided, however, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is located	U	U	U	U	
	<u>All other minor utilities</u>	P	P	P	P	
Retail, Service and Commercial Use Categories (See §12.2.5)						
Food and Drinking Establishments (See Error! Reference source not found.)	<u>All Food and Drinking Establishments</u>					
Entertainment (See §12.2.5.A)	<u>Membership clubs and lodges</u> Private clubs, lodges, fraternities, sororities and dormitories	U	U	U	U	§12.5.14
Office (See §12.2.5.C)	<u>Offices, federal, state or local</u> Government buildings, federal and state. Buildings used exclusively by the federal and state governments for public purposes; except penal and correctional institutions	U	U	U	U	
	<u>Offices or clinics, medical or dental</u> Offices of medical doctors, physicians, dentists or psychologists may be permitted in existing institutional structures converted to such use	U	U	U	U	§12.5.17
	<u>Offices, principal, of physicians, surgeons or dentists in existing multiple-family dwellings or residences converted to such use or in new buildings designed for such use</u>	U	U	U	U	§12.5.22
Overnight Accommodations (See §12.2.5.D)	<u>Bed and breakfasts</u>	U	U	U	U	§12.5.3
	<u>Tourist homes</u>		U	U		
Parking, Commercial (See §12.2.5.E)	<u>All commercial parking</u>					
Recreation, Indoor (See §12.2.5.F.2(a))	<u>All indoor recreation uses</u>					
Recreation, Outdoor (See §12.2.5.F.2(b))	<u>All outdoor recreation uses</u>					
Retail, Sales (See §12.2.5.G.2(a))	<u>All retail sales uses</u>					

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Category	Specific Use Types	RA14-76	RA8-18	RA7-16	RA6-15	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted						
Retail, Personal Service (See §12.2.5.G.2(b))	MortuariesMortuary or and funeral homes, including a cremation unit within a mortuary or funeral home. ¹ <u>All other retail personal service uses</u>	S	S	S	S	§12.5.15
Retail, Repair (See §12.2.5.G.2(c))	<u>All retail repair uses</u>					
Self-service Storage (See §12.2.5.H)	<u>All self-service storage uses</u> Storage as principal use.					§12.5.26
Vehicle Sales and Service (See §12.2.5.I)	<u>All vehicle sales and service uses</u>					
Industrial Use Categories (See §12.2.6)						
Light Industrial Service (See §12.2.6.A)	<u>Contractors, off site, storage and staging yards and sales or leasing trailers or pavilions.</u> ²	U	U		U	§12.9.4
Manufacturing and Production (See §12.2.4.B)	<u>All manufacturing and production uses</u>					
Heavy Industrial (See §12.2.6.C)	<u>All heavy industrial uses</u>					
Warehouse and Freight Movement (See §12.2.6.D)	<u>All warehouse and freight movement uses</u>					
Waste-related Service (See §12.2.6.E)	Recycling centers	U	U	U	U	
Wholesale Trade (See §12.2.6.F)	Storage as principal use. <u>All wholesale trade uses</u>					
Other use categories (See §12.2.7)						
Agriculture (See §12.2.7.A)	<u>All agricultural uses. Farming, livestock and poultry raising, and all uses commonly classed as agricultural.</u>	P	P		P	§12.7.1
Resource Extraction (See §12.2.7.B)	<u>All resource extraction uses</u>					
Telecommunications Facilities (See §12.2.7.C)	<u>All telecommunications facilities. Public utilities and services, such as railroad, trolley, bus, air, or boat passenger stations; railroad offices, rights-of-way, and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, sidings and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchanges (but excluding service and storage yards); provided, however, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is located.</u>	U	U	U	U	§12.4.9
Unclassified (See §12.2.7.D)	<u>Columbia Pike Neighborhoods Form-Based Code Development as specified in §11.3</u>	P	P	P	P	
	<u>Columbia Pike Special Revitalization District Form-Based Code Development as specified in §11.2</u>	U	U	U	U	

¹ S in RA7-16 was shown in error in 2013 reformat, and is now proposed to be deleted, consistent with 1950 Ordinance.

² Moved to short term use standards (12.10)

ResidentialApartmentMultiple-family (RA) Districts Use Table						
Category	Specific Use Types	RA14-76	RA8-18	RA7-16	RA6-15	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted						
	Housing, low or moderate income ¹	U	U	U	U	§12.3.6

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832 **§6.1.3. Residential apartment (RA) districts transitional use table**

833 Transitional uses in residential apartment (RA) districts shall include the following uses, activities
834 and structures:

RESIDENTIAL APARTMENT (RA) TRANSITIONAL USE TABLE

Specific Use Types	RA14-76	RA8-18	RA7-16	RA6-15	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted					
Duplexes, adjacent butting to other than C-1 or C-1-O districts Dwellings, two family (duplexes and semidetached dwellings) Two family dwellings (duplexes and semidetached dwellings), adjacent to other than the C-1 or C-1-O district, provided that the dwellings are located no more than 100 feet from the shared lot line, or on sites that are located on principal or minor arterial streets as designated in the Arlington County Master Transportation Plan provided that the dwellings front on the arterial street, except on corner lots where no more than one unit may front on the local street, provided: (1) Every lot shall have a minimum average width of 70 feet and a minimum area of 8,700 sq. ft. In the case of semidetached dwellings, the minimum average width of lot per dwelling unit shall be 35 feet and the minimum lot area per dwelling unit shall be 4,350 sq. ft. (2) Each dwelling unit shall have a minimum gross floor area of 750 sq. ft., exclusive of basement or attic. semidetached	U	U	U	U	
Semidetached, adjacent butting to other than C-1 or C-1-O districts Dwellings, two family (duplexes and semidetached dwellings) Two family dwellings (duplexes and semidetached dwellings), adjacent to other than the C-1 or C-1-O district, provided that the dwellings are located no more than 100 feet from the shared lot line, or on sites that are located on principal or minor arterial streets as designated in the Arlington County Master Transportation Plan provided that the dwellings front on the arterial street, except on corner lots where no more than one unit may front on the local street, provided: (1) Every lot shall have a minimum average width of 70 feet and a minimum area of 8,700 sq. ft. In the case of semidetached dwellings, the minimum average width of lot per dwelling unit shall be 35 feet and the minimum lot area per dwelling unit shall be 4,350 sq. ft. (2) Each dwelling unit shall have a minimum gross floor area of 750 sq. ft., exclusive of basement or attic. semidetached	U	U	U	U	
Dwellings, two family (duplexes and semidetached dwellings) adjacent to other than the C-1 district or the C-1-O district two family dwellings (duplexes and semidetached dwellings), provided that the dwellings are located no more than 100 feet from the shared lot line, or on sites that are located on arterial streets as designated in the Master Transportation Plan provided that the dwellings front on the arterial street, except on corner lots where no more than one unit may front on the local street, provided: -Semidetached (1) Each dwelling unit shall have a minimum gross floor area of 750 sq. ft., exclusive of basement or attic. (2) Two family dwellings (duplexes and semidetached dwellings) on lots with a minimum average width of 56 feet and a minimum area of 8,700 sq. ft. In the case of semidetached dwellings, the minimum average lot width per dwelling unit shall be 28 feet and the minimum lot area per dwelling unit shall be 4,350 sq. ft.	S	S		S	

¹ Site development regulation is referenced in the specific district regulations where it is allowed.

RESIDENTIAL APARTMENT (RA) TRANSITIONAL USE TABLE

Specific Use Types	RA14-26	RA8-18	RA7-16	RA6-15	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted					
Dwellings, two family (duplexes and semidetached dwellings) adjacent to other than the C-1 district or the C-1-O district two family dwellings (duplexes and semidetached dwellings), provided that the dwellings are located no more than 100 feet from the shared lot line, or on sites that are located on arterial streets as designated in the Master Transportation Plan provided that the dwellings front on the arterial street, except on corner lots where no more than one unit may front on the local street, provided: -Semidetached (1) Each dwelling unit shall have a minimum gross floor area of 750 sq. ft., exclusive of basement or attic. (2) Two family dwellings (duplexes and semidetached dwellings) on lots with a minimum average width of 56 feet and a minimum area of 8,700 sq. ft. In the case of semidetached dwellings, the minimum average lot width per dwelling unit shall be 28 feet and the minimum lot area per dwelling unit shall be 4,350 sq. ft. ¹	S	S		S	
Medical or dental clinics on sites which abut C-2, CM or M districts	S	S		S	§12.5.16
Offices or clinics, medical or dental clinics	U S	U S		U S	§12.8.3
Office, principal, of a physician, surgeon or dentist, provided such use is conducted within a dwelling and the residential character of such dwelling is not changed	U	U	U	U	
Offices of doctors, physicians, dentists or psychologists ²	S	S		S	§12.5.18
Offices of physicians, surgeons, dentists, or psychologists or clinics, medical or dental on sites that which abut C-2, CM or M districts	S	S		S	§12.8.4
Transitional parking area if said area is located and developed as required in §14.2 and §14.3	U	U	U	U	§12.8.5

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836 **§6.1.4. Residential apartment Multiple-family (RA) districts accessory use table**

837 Accessory uses in residential apartment (RA) districts shall include the following uses, activities
838 and structures:

MULTIPLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL APARTMENT (RA) DISTRICTS ACCESSORY USE.

Use Types	RA14-26	RA8-18	RA7-16	RA6-15	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted					
Accessory buildings, including a private garage, provided that a detached accessory building shall be located as required in §3.2	P	P	P	P	
Accessory uses, customarily incident to any of the otherwise permitted uses	P	P		P	
Commercial vehicle parking. Parking of one commercial vehicle which has a gross vehicle weight of 16,000 pounds or less and conforms to the requirements in §12.8.3	P U	P U	P U	P U	§12.9.4
Commercial vehicle parking. In cases working a grave hardship on the resident, and in accordance §12.9.5, and §14.6, parking of (i) a commercial vehicle which does not meet the locational requirements of this zoning ordinance, or (ii) more than one commercial vehicle	U	U	U	U	§12.9.4
Convenience service areas	U	U	U	U	§12.9.5
Crematoriums Airports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematoriums when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	U	U	U	§12.9.6

¹ These two-family uses were carried over in error from R-6 districts in the reformat adopted in May 2013, so are proposed to be deleted.

² Not a transitional use because already otherwise allowed as a principal use, therefore removed from transitional use table.

MULTIPLE-FAMILYRESIDENTIAL APARTMENT (RA) DISTRICTS ACCESSORY USE

Use Types	RA14-26	RA8-18	RA7-16	RA6-15	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted					
Family day care homes (six to nine children) for six to nine children	U	U	U	U	§12.9.9
Family day care homes (up to five children) for up to five children	P	P		P	§12.9.9
Home occupations	P	P	P	P	§12.9.11
Mortuaries and funeral homes Airports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematories when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	U	U	U	§12.9.13
Swimming pools, private	P	P	P	P	§12.9.16
Trailer-Recreational vehicle or trailer parking	P	P	P	P	§12.9.15
Telecommunications antennae, building and ground mounted Public utilities and services such as railroad, trolley, bus, air or boat passenger stations; right-of-way and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, siding and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchange (but excluding service and storage yards); provided, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is located	U	U	U	U	
Vehicle maintenance and minor repairs, routine	P	P		P	§12.9.17
Vehicle, unlicensed and/or uninspected	P	P		P	§12.9.18

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841 **§6.2. RA14-26, Multiple-family Apartment Dwelling District**

842 **§6.2.1. Purpose**

843 [Reserved]

844 **§6.2.2. Uses**

845 Uses shall be as specified in §6.1.

846 **§6.2.3. Density and dimensional standards**

847 **A. By-right**

848 All development allowed by-right in the RA14-26 district shall comply with the following
849 standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family Dwelling	Two-family Dwellings		Multiple-family Apartment Houses	Townhouse Dwellings	All other uses
		Semi-detached	Duplex			
Site area, minimum (sq. ft.)	6,000	7,000	7,000	7,500	7,500	--
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)						
Lot area	6,000	3,500	7,000	7,500	7,500	5,000
Lot area per dwelling unit	6,000	3,500	3,500	1,800	1,800	5,000
Lot width, minimum average (feet)						
Lot width	60	35	70	75	75	50
Lot width per dwelling unit	60	35	--	--	--	--
Height						
Maximum (feet)	35	35	35	35	35	35
Maximum (stories)	--	3 ½	3 ½	3 ½	3 ½	--
Floor area per dwelling unit, minimum, exclusive of basement or attic (sq. ft.)	--	750	750	--	--	--

850 **B. Bulk coverage and placement**

851 For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

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853 **C. Special exception**
 854 All development allowed by special exception in the RA14-26 district shall comply with the
 855 following standards, except as otherwise approved by the County Board.

Type of Standard	Two-family Dwellings		Low or Moderate Income Housing	Townhouse, Semi-detached, and Existing One-family Dwellings	All other uses
	Semi-detached	Duplex			
Site area, minimum (sq. ft.)	7,000	7,000	See §12.3.7	See §12.3.4	--
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)					
Lot area	3,500	7,000			
Lot area per dwelling unit	3,500	3,500			
Lot width, minimum average (feet)					
Lot width	28	56			
Lot width per dwelling unit	28	--			
Height					
Maximum (feet)	35	35			
Maximum (stories)	3 ½	3 ½			
Floor area per dwelling unit, minimum, exclusive of basement or attic (sq. ft.)	750	750			--

856 **D. Exceptions**

857 **1. Large-scale housing projects**

858 Large-scale housing projects having a site area of five acres or more, dwellings may be
 859 erected to a height not to exceed either six stories or 60 feet, provided said dwellings
 860 are located not nearer than 150 feet to any boundary line of the site on which the
 861 project is situated.

862 **2. Nonconforming lots**

863 (a) Where a lot has less width and less area than required in this subsection and was
 864 recorded under one ownership at the time of the adoption of this ordinance, such
 865 lot may be occupied by any use permitted in this section.

866 (b) Where a lot has less width and less area than required in this subsection and was
 867 recorded under one ownership at the time of the adoption of this zoning
 868 ordinance, such lot, if it has an area of 7,000 sq. ft. or more, may be occupied by a
 869 two-family dwelling (duplexes and semidetached ~~dwellings~~ dwellings) with a
 870 minimum average width of 70/35 ft. and minimum site area of 7000/3500 sq. ft.
 871 by-right for duplex/semidetached, respectively; and 56/28 feet and 7000/3500 sq.
 872 ft. by site plan for duplex/semidetached, respectively; and minimum GFA per
 873 dwelling unit of 750 sq. ft. If such lot has an area of less than 7,000 sq. ft., it may
 874 be occupied by a one-family dwelling.

875 **3. Lot size for townhouse groups**

876 In the case of any subdivision of a group of townhouse dwellings, the lot size for each
 877 dwelling unit may be reduced to an area not less than 750 sq. ft., provided, that the
 878 deed of dedication shall commit sufficient common land so that the total site satisfies
 879 the area requirements of this zoning ordinance for each unit. Moreover, the deed of
 880 dedication shall provide to each lot the right to use the land required by this zoning

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881 ordinance for parking (where parking is not on the lot of the dwelling unit), as well as
882 the right to use land dedicated to other common uses, and for easements for access to
883 public streets and other common areas.

884 **§6.2.4. District use standards**

885 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the RA14-26 district include:

886 A. [Reserved]

887 **§6.2.5. Site development standards**

888 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
889 otherwise specified below.

890 **A. Parking**

891 Parking shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of §14.3.

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893 **§6.3. RA8-18, Multiple-family Apartment Dwelling District**

894 **§6.3.1. Purpose**

895 [Reserved]

896 **§6.3.2. Uses**

897 Uses shall be as specified in §6.1.

898 **§6.3.3. Fort Myer Heights North Special District**

899 Properties in the area designated as the Fort Myer Heights North Special District on the General
900 Land Use Plan may be developed in accordance with the requirements of §9.3.

901 **§6.3.4. Density and dimensional standards**

902 **A. By-right**

903 All development allowed by-right in the RA8-18 district shall comply with the following
904 standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family Dwelling	Two-family Dwelling		Multiple-family Apartment Houses	Townhouse Dwellings	All other uses
		Semi-detached Dwellings	Duplex			
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)						
Lot area	6,000	3,500	7,000	7,500	7,500	5,000
Lot area per dwelling unit	6,000	3,500	3,500	1,200	1,200	5,000
Lot width, minimum average (feet)						
Lot width	60	35	70	75	75	50
Lot width per dwelling unit	60	35	--	--	--	--
Height, maximum						
Maximum (feet)	35	35	35	40	40	35
Maximum (stories)	3	3½	3½	4	4	--
Floor area per dwelling unit, exclusive of basement or attic, minimum (sq. ft.)	--	750	750	--	--	--

905 **B. Bulk coverage and placement**

906 For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

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908 **C. Special exception**
 909 All development allowed by special exception in the RA8-18 district shall comply with the
 910 following standards, except as otherwise approved by the County Board.

Type of Standard	Two-family Dwellings		Low or Moderate Income Housing	Townhouse, Semi-detached, and Existing One-family Dwellings	All other uses	
	Semi-detached	Duplex				
Site area, minimum (sq. ft.)	7,000	7,000	See §3.2	See §12.3.4	--	
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)						
Lot area	3,500	7,000				5,000
Lot area per dwelling unit	3,500	3,500				5,000
Lot width, minimum average (feet)						
Lot width	28	56				50
Lot width per dwelling unit	28	--				--
Height						
Maximum (feet)	35	35				35
Maximum (stories)	3 ½	3 ½				--
Floor area per dwelling unit, minimum, exclusive of basement or attic (sq. ft.)	750	750		--		

911 **D. Exceptions**

912 **1. Height**

913 **(a) General**

914 By site plan approval dwellings may be increased to a height not to exceed either
 915 eight stories or 75 feet.

916 **(b) Revitalization Area of the “Fort Myer Heights North Special District”**

917 In the “Revitalization Area” of the “Fort Myer Heights North Special District”
 918 designated on the General Land Use Plan, building heights shall under no
 919 circumstances exceed 12 stories or 125 feet, exclusive of mechanical penthouses,
 920 if developed by site plan in a manner consistent with the design guidelines,
 921 heights plan and purposes of the Fort Myer Heights North Plan.

922 **(c) Large-scale housing projects**

923 By site plan approval as specified for the RA4.8 district, the height limit in large-
 924 scale housing projects having a site area of 20 acres or more may be increased to
 925 a height not to exceed either 10 stories or 95 feet subject to the following:

- 926 **(1)** The coverage shall not exceed 25 percent;
- 927 **(2)** Where a district abuts any residential district, no automobile parking shall be
 928 permitted between the building setback line and any property line;
- 929 **(3)** Where a district abuts an RA district, no parking shall be permitted nearer
 930 than 50 feet from the property lines.

931 **2. Lot size for townhouse groups**

932 In the case of any subdivision of a group of townhouse dwellings, the lot size for each
 933 dwelling unit may be reduced to an area not less than 750 sq. ft., provided, that the

934 deed of dedication shall commit sufficient common land so that the total site satisfies
935 the area requirements of this zoning ordinance for each unit. Moreover, the deed of
936 dedication shall provide to each lot the right to use the land required by this zoning
937 ordinance for parking (where parking is not on the lot of the dwelling unit), as well as
938 the right to use land dedicated to other common uses, and for easements for access to
939 public streets and other common areas.

940 **§6.3.5. District use standards**

941 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the RA8-18 district include:

942 A. [Reserved]

943 **§6.3.6. Site development standards**

944 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
945 otherwise specified below.

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§6.4. RA7-16, Multiple-family Apartment Dwelling District

§6.4.1. Purpose

[Reserved]

§6.4.2. Uses

Uses shall be as specified in §6.1.

§6.4.3. Density and dimensional standards

A. By-right

All development allowed by-right in the RA7-16 district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	Multiple-family Apartment Houses	All other uses
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)		
Lot area	7,500	100,000
Lot area per dwelling unit	1,800	--
Lot width, minimum average (feet)	75	200
Height		
Maximum (feet)	35	95
Maximum (stories)	3½	10
Lot coverage (percent)	--	50

B. Bulk coverage and placement

For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

C. Special exception

All development allowed by special exception in the RA7-16 district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise approved by the County Board.

Type of Standard	Multiple-family Apartment Houses	Low or Moderate Income Housing	All other uses
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)			
Lot area	100,000	See §12.3.7	100,000
Lot area per dwelling unit	1,000		--
Lot width, minimum average (feet)	200		200
Height			
Maximum (feet)	95	See §12.3.7	95
Maximum (stories)	10		10
Lot coverage (percent)	50		50

963 **D. Exceptions**

964 **1. Nonconforming lots**

965 Nonconforming lots may be occupied by any use permitted in this district where a lot
966 or plot has less width and less area limited by:

967 (a) Bounding streets; or

968 (b) Abutting streets and a zoning district boundary of an abutting ~~lesser~~ restricted
969 district.

970 **2. Lot coverage**

971 Within the site boundaries of any lot or parcel, the total amount of site covered by
972 buildings, parking and maneuvering space, driveways, sidewalks, roads and any other
973 accessory uses shall not exceed 50 percent.

974 **§6.4.4. District use standards**

975 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the RA7-16 district include:

976 A. [Reserved]

977 **§6.4.5. Site development standards**

978 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
979 otherwise specified below.

980 **A. Parking and loading requirements**

981 Parking and loading shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of §14.3.

982 B. [Reserved]

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984 **§6.5. RA6-15, Multiple-family Apartment Dwelling District**

985 **§6.5.1. Purpose**

986 [Reserved]

987 **§6.5.2. Uses**

988 Uses shall be as specified in §6.1.

989 **§6.5.3. Radnor Heights East Special District**

990 Properties in the area designated as the Radnor Heights East Special District on the General Land
991 Use Plan may be developed in accordance with the requirements of §9.4.

992 **§6.5.4. Fort Myer Heights North Special District**

993 Properties in the area designated as the Fort Myer Heights North Special District on the General
994 Land Use Plan may be developed in accordance with the requirements of §9.3.

995 **§6.5.5. Density and dimensional standards**

996 **A. By-right**

997 All development allowed by-right in the RA6-15 district shall comply with the following
998 standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family Dwellings	Two-family Dwellings		Multiple-family Apartment Houses	Townhouse Dwellings	All other uses
		Semi-detached Dwellings	Duplex			
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)						
Lot area	6,000	3,500	7,000	7,500	7,500	5,000
Lot area per dwelling unit	6,000	3,500	3,500	900	1,800 900 ¹	5,000
Lot width, minimum average (feet)						
Lot width	60	35	70	75	75	50
Lot width per dwelling unit	60	35	--	75	75	50
Height, maximum						
Maximum (feet)	35	35	35	60	60	35
Maximum (stories)	--	3½	3½	6	6	--
Floor area per dwelling unit, exclusive of basement or attic, minimum (sq. ft.)						
	--	750	750	--	--	--

999 **B. Bulk coverage and placement**

1000 For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

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¹ Incorrect in 2013 Ordinance. Restored from 1950 Ordinance.

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C. Special exception

All development allowed by special exception in the RA6-15 district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise approved by the County Board.

Type of Standard	Two-family Dwellings		Low or Moderate Income Housing	Townhouse, Semi-detached, and Existing One-family Dwellings	All other uses	
	Semi-detached	Duplex				
Site area, minimum (sq. ft.)	7,000	7,000	See §3.2	See §12.3.412.3.6	--	
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)						
Lot area	3,500	7,000				5,000
Lot area per dwelling unit	3,500	3,500				5,000
Lot width, minimum average (feet)						
Lot width	28	56				50
Lot width per dwelling unit	28	--				--
Height						
Maximum (feet)	35	35				35
Maximum (stories)	3 ½	3 ½				--
Floor area per dwelling unit, minimum, exclusive of basement or attic (sq. ft.)	750	750		--		

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D. Exceptions

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(a) “Revitalization Area” of the Fort Myer Heights North Special District

In the “Revitalization Area” of the Fort Myer Heights North Special District designated on the General Land Use Plan, building heights shall under no circumstances exceed 12 stories or 125 feet, exclusive of mechanical penthouses, if developed by site plan in a manner consistent with the design guidelines, heights plan and purposes of the Fort Myer Heights North Plan.

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(b) Radnor Heights East Special District

In areas designated as Radnor Heights East Special District on the General Land Use Plan, the following restrictions shall apply:

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(1) Chimneys, flagpoles and other similar items with a width, depth, or diameter of three feet or less may extend above the height limit, as long as they extend no more than five feet above the highest point of the main building roof.

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(2) ~~Penthouses or r~~rooftop structures for the housing of elevator mechanical equipment on townhouse dwellings may extend no more than 10 feet over the 60-foot height limit. ~~Penthouses or r~~rooftop structures for the housing of elevator mechanical equipment on multiple-family dwellings may extend no more than 16 feet above the highest point of the main building roof.

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(3) ~~Other Mechanical penthouses rooftop structures for the housing of stairways, tanks, ventilating fans or similar equipment required to operate and maintain the building~~ shall not extend more than 10 feet above the highest point of the main building roof. Parapet walls, skylights or similar

1029 structural features, exclusive of fire walls, shall not extend more than five
1030 feet above the highest point of the main building roof.

1031 (4) Mechanical pPenthouses or roof structures shall cover no more than five
1032 percent of the roof area on multiple-family dwellings and shall cover no more
1033 than 15 percent of the roof area on townhouse dwellings. No rooftop
1034 mechanical equipment or mechanical penthouse shall be located within five
1035 feet of any roof edge that runs along a street.

1036 (5) No mechanical penthouse or roof structure or any space above the height
1037 limit shall include additional floor space.

1038 (c) **Modification of height limit in the RA6-15 district**

1039 By site plan approval as specified for the RA4.8 district, dwellings may be
1040 increased to a height not to exceed either 12 stories or 125 feet, except in areas
1041 designated as Radnor Heights East Special District on the General Land Use Plan,
1042 where heights of buildings, exclusive of mechanical penthouses, shall be limited to
1043 60 feet as referenced in §6.5.6.B.1(b), above.

1044 **2. Lot size for townhouse groups**

1045 In the case of any subdivision of a group of townhouse dwellings, the lot size for each
1046 dwelling unit may be reduced to an area not less than 750 sq. ft., provided, that the
1047 deed of dedication shall commit sufficient common land so that the total site satisfies
1048 the area requirements of this zoning ordinance for each unit. Moreover, the deed of
1049 dedication shall provide to each lot the right to use the land required by this zoning
1050 ordinance for parking (where parking is not on the lot of the dwelling unit), as well as
1051 the right to use land dedicated to other common uses, and for easements for access to
1052 public streets and other common areas.

1053 **§6.5.6. District use standards**

1054 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the RA6-15 district include:

1055 **A. ApartmentsMultiple-family**

1056 By site plan approval, as specified in §15.5, the County Board may permit the inclusion of
1057 apartmentmultiple-family units in site plans on abutting properties or on properties which
1058 would abut except for the existence of a public street.

1059 **B. [Reserved]**

1060 **§6.5.7. Site development standards**

1061 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
1062 otherwise specified below.

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Article 7. Commercial/ Mixed Use (C) Districts

§7.1. Commercial/Mixed Use (C) Districts Use Tables

§7.1.1. General

The use tables of this section list all uses allowed within C districts, and is subject to the explanations set forth below. ~~No building or structure shall be erected, reconstructed, structurally altered, enlarged or moved, and no land or building shall be used or designed to be used for any purpose in the C districts other than is hereinafter permitted except as may be permitted by §16.5.~~¹

§7.1.2. Commercial/mixed use (C) districts principal use table

~~Table §7.1.2 lists the principal uses allowed within the C districts. The following use table summarizes the principal use regulations of the R districts.~~

~~A.~~ Key to types of uses

~~The permitted use table is subject to the explanation set forth below.~~

~~1.A.~~ Permitted uses

A "P" indicates that a use is permitted by-right and may be approved administratively in the respective general district subject to all other applicable requirements of this zoning ordinance, including the specific use standards in Article 12 and the site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14. ~~Subject to density and dimensional standards in the subject district or as approved by use permit or site plan, all uses permitted by-right may also be approved administratively in buildings controlled under use permit or site plan, except where expressly prohibited by use permit or site plan conditions for the subject property or where the subject property is expressly approved only for a specific use or uses.~~

~~2.B.~~ Use permit approval required

A "U" indicates a special exception use that may be allowed subject to approval of a use permit as provided in §15.5. ~~The Zoning Administrator may require a use permit for such use, whether the use is located in a building approved administratively or whether located in a building controlled by use permit or site plan.~~ Uses allowed by use permit are subject to all other applicable requirements of this zoning ordinance, including the specific use standards in Article 12 and the site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14.

~~3.C.~~ Site plan approval required

An "S" indicates a special exception use that may be allowed more flexibility in development form and density subject to site plan approval as provided in §15.6. Site plan uses are subject to all other applicable requirements of this zoning ordinance to the extent not modified through the site plan approval, including the specific use standards in Article 12 and the site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14.

¹ Moved to §1.3

D. Site plan and use permit approval required

A “C” indicates a special exception use that may be allowed subject to approval of a use permit as provided in §15.5, only in buildings controlled by site plan. Uses allowed by use permit are subject to all other applicable requirements of this zoning ordinance, including the specific use standards in Article 12 and the site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14.

4.E. Uses not allowed/permittted

A blank cell (one without a “P”, “U”, “S” or “C”) in the use table indicates that a use is not allowed in the respective district. Uses not listed may be allowed pursuant to the similar use determination procedure of §12.2.2. A blank cell in the use table indicates that a use is not allowed in the respective district. See also §12.2.1.

5.F. Use standards

The final “use standard” column on the use table contains references use standards that apply to the listed use types. The uses standards in Article 12 apply to more than one district. The “use standard” column on the use table (last column on the right) is a cross-reference to any specific use standard listed in Article 12, which apply to more than one district. Where use standards apply exclusively to a specific district(s), such standards are listed in the respective district(s) regulations.

6.G. Accessory and temporary uses

The regulations that apply to accessory and temporary uses are contained in §12.9 and §12.10, accessory uses (§12.8), and temporary uses (§12.9).

B.H. Use categories/classification

All of the use categories listed in the table below are described in §12.2. The second column of the use table lists some of the specific use types included within the respective use categories. The first column of the use table lists some of the specific uses allowed in the respective districts. Uses not listed may be allowed pursuant to the similar use determination procedure of §12.2.1.

Commentary:
 The Use Table is organized in to five major use groups:
 *Residential
 *Public, Civic and Institutional
 *Retail, Service and Commercial
 *Industrial
 *Other Uses

Each major use group is further divided into a series of use categories. The use category system is based on common functional, product or compatibility characteristics, thereby regulating uses in accordance with criteria directly relevant to the public interest. Sec. 14.1 provides a further description of use categories.

COMMERCIAL/MIXED USE (C) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE																						
Specific Use Types	RA4.8	R-C	RA-H	RA-H-3.2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS *	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2 *	C-TH *	C-3 *	C-R *	Use Standards		
	KEY: C = requires use permit and site plan approval; P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted																					
Residential Use Categories (See §12.2.3)																						
Household Living (See §12.2.3.A)	One-family detached Dwelling, one family	P	P		P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P		
	Duplexes Dwellings, two-family (duplexes and semidetached dwellings)	P	S		P	S												P				
	Semidetached Dwellings, two-family (duplexes and semidetached dwellings)	P	S		P	S												P				
	Dwellings, multiple family	§															§				P	
	Multiple-family Dwelling, multiple-family, development	P	S		P	S			S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S		P		P	§7.13.4.A	
	Dwellings, multiple-family and/or hotel development				§																	§7.5.4.A
	Apartment building								§													§7.10.4.A
	Apartment building									§												7.11.4.A
	Apartment buildings										§											7.12.4.A
	Apartment house and hotels				§																	
	Apartments														§							7.14.3.B
	Apartments			S																		7.3.4.A
	Apartments				§	P																
	Dwelling units																		P			
	Apartment houses, which may be of townhouse design				§																	
	Dwellings multiple-family when allowed by General Land Use Plan															§						
	Townhouses/Apartments or townhouse dwellings	P			P	S	P															
	Dwellings, townhouse, semidetached dwellings and existing one-family	S	S		S																	§12.3.4
	Residential, office, retail, hotel development							§														§7.8.4
	Residential																				§	
Group Living (See §12.2.3.B)	Dormitories/Private clubs, lodges, fraternities, sororities and dormitories	U	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	U	U	U	U	U		U		U	U	§12.3.3	
	Fraternity and sorority houses/Private clubs, lodges, fraternities, sororities and dormitories	U	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	U	U	U	U	U		U		U	U	§12.3.5	

COMMERCIAL/MIXED USE (C) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE																					
Specific Use Types	RA4.8	RC	RA-H	RA-H-3.2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS ¹	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2 ²	C-TH *	C-3 ³	C-R ⁴	Use Standards	
	KEY: C = requires use permit and site plan approval; P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted																				
Group homes, institutional homes and institutions of an educational or philanthropic nature; except those of a correctional nature	U	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	U	§12.3.6
Nursing homes, institutional uses including hospitals, nursing homes and group care facilities									S	S											§7.10.4.A
Institutional uses including hospitals, nursing homes and group care facilities										S											§11.1.1.A.1
Public, Civic and Institutional Use Categories (§12.2.4)																					
Colleges (§12.2.4.A)	Colleges and universities ¹ Institutional homes and institutions of an educational or philanthropic nature; except those of a correctional nature	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.3.8
	Hospitals and institutions of an educational, religious, charitable, or philanthropic nature, except those of a correctional nature																				
	Post-secondary education																				
	Schools and colleges and other public and private educational institutions, nursery schools, child care centers																				
Community Service (See §12.2.4.B)	Community buildings	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	
	Community centers, fire stations, and libraries	U	U	P	U	U		U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	
	Community swimming pools, clubs and grounds for games or sports, including community swimming pools	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.4.8
	Clubs and grounds for games or sports, including community swimming pools	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§11.1
	Libraries, community centers, fire stations, and libraries	U	U	P	U	U		U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	
	Museums and art galleries or studios, community centers, fire stations, and libraries	U	U	P	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U

¹ Added to MU-VS: should have been allowed due to 1950 Ordinance reference to C-2 uses.

COMMERCIAL/MIXED USE (C) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE																				
Specific Use Types	RA4.8	RC	RA-H	RA-H-3.2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS *	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2 *	C-TH *	C-3 *	C-R *	Use Standards
	Trade or commercial school, if not objectionable due to noise, odor, vibration or other similar causes.	S			S					S	S	S	S	P	S	S	P	P	P	S
Public buildings and properties of a cultural, recreational administrative or service type, including libraries, fire stations, museums, theaters, and art galleries.															U					
Public libraries, museums, and art galleries	U	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	
Publicly operated parks, playgrounds, recreational and community center buildings, playgrounds, parks, and athletic fields.															U					
Recreation centersPublicly operated recreation buildings, playgrounds, parks, and athletic fields.	U	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	§12.4.6
All day care usesSchools and colleges and other public and private educational institutions, nursery schools, child care centers	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.4.1
Day Care (See §12.2.4.C) Schools, private, elementary, middle and high, and kindergartens, nursery schools, child care centers, and other programs regulated by Chapter 52 of the Arlington County Code	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.4.3

COMMERCIAL/MIXED USE (C) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE																					
Specific Use Types	RA4.8	RC	RA-H	RA-H-3.2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS *	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2 *	C-TH *	C-3 *	C-R *	Use Standards	
	KEY: C = requires use permit and site plan approval; P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted																				
Governmental Facilities (See §12.2.4.D)	Fire and police stations; public service, including electric distributing substation, fire or police station, telephone exchange, and the like	U	U	P	U	U	P	U	U	U	U	U	P	U	U	P	P	P	U		
	Public buildings and properties of a cultural, recreational, administrative or service type, including libraries, fire stations, museums and art galleries														U						
	Community centers, fire stations, and libraries			P																	
	Public buildings and properties of a cultural, recreational administrative or service type, including libraries, fire stations, museums, theaters, and art galleries.														U						
Hospital (See §12.2.4.E)	Hospitals or sanitariums; except animal hospitals, clinics, and hospitals or sanitariums for contagious, mental or drug or liquor addict cases	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	S	S	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.4.7	
	Institutional uses including hospitals, nursing homes and group care facilities								S											§7.10.4.A	
	Institutional uses including hospitals, nursing homes and group care facilities									S										§1.1.1.A.1	
	Hospitals and institutions of an educational, religious, charitable, or philanthropic nature, except those of a correctional nature														U						
Parks and Open Space (See §12.2.4.F)	Cemeteries; airports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematories when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U		

COMMERCIAL/MIXED USE (C) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE																					
Specific Use Types	RA4.8	R-C	RA-H	RA-H-3.2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS *	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2 *	C-TH *	C-3 *	C-R *	Use Standards	
	Country clubs and golf courses; Airports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematories when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	U	U	U	U	U		U		U	U	
Parks, playgrounds and playfields; Clubs and grounds for games or sports, including community swimming pools	U	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	§11.1	
Clubs and grounds for games or sports, including community swimming pools																U					
Publicly operated parks, playgrounds, recreational and community center buildings, playgrounds, parks, and athletic fields.																U					
Airports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematories when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	U	U	U	U	U		U		U	U		
Passenger Terminals and Services (See §12.2.4.G) Bus, trolley, air, boat and rail passenger terminals; Public utilities and services; such as railroad, trolley, bus, air, or boat passenger stations; railroad offices, rights of way, and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, sidings and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchanges (but excluding service and storage yards)	U	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	U	U	U	U	U		U		U	U	§12.4.4	
Religious Institutions (See §12.2.4.H) Churches, mosques, synagogues, and temples and other places of worship, including parish houses and Sunday schools but excluding rescue missions or temporary revivals	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	

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Specific Use Types	RA4.8	R-C	RA-H	RA-H-3.2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS *	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2 *	C-TH *	C-3 *	C-R *	Use Standards	
	KEY: C = requires use permit and site plan approval; P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted																				
Wedding chapel													P			P		P			
Schools, private, elementary, middle and high, and kindergartens, nursery schools, child care centers, and other programs regulated by Chapter 52 of the Arlington County Code	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.4.1
Schools and colleges and other public and private educational institutions, nursery schools, child care centers															U						
Social Service Institutions (See §12.2.4.J)															U						
All major utilities Public service, including electric distributing substation, fire or police station, telephone exchange, and the like	U	U	U	U	U	U	P	U	U	U	U	U	U	P	U	U	P	P	U	U	§12.4.9
Public utilities and services; including but not limited to railroad, trolley, streetcar, bus, air, or boat passenger stations; bicycle share or rental stations; railroad offices, rights of way, and tracks; static transformer stations, transmission lines, and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchanges; provided, however, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the surrounding area															U						

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Specific Use Types	RA4.8	R-C	RA-H	RA-H-3.2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS *	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2 *	C-TH *	C-3 *	C-R *	Use Standards		
	KEY: C = requires use permit and site plan approval; P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted																					
Utilities, minor (See §12.2.4.K)	Bus shelters; bike share stations Public utilities and services; such as railroad, trolley, bus, air, or boat passenger stations; railroad offices, rights-of-way, and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, sidings and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchanges (but excluding service and storage yards)	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.6.8	
	Public utilities and services; including but not limited to railroad, trolley, streetcar, bus, air, or boat passenger stations; bicycle share or rental stations; railroad offices, rights-of-way, and tracks; static transformer stations, transmission lines, and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchanges; provided, however, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the surrounding area															U						
	All other minor utilities	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Retail, Service and Commercial Use Categories (See §12.2.5)																						
Food and Drinking Establishments (See Error! Reference source not found.)	Bakeries					P	P	P					P				P	P	P	P		
	Commercial uses including retail and service commercial uses								S												§7.10.4.A	
	Commercial uses, other, or as otherwise approved by the County Board.				S																§12.5.5	
	Commercial development											S									§1.1.1.A	
	Commercial development												S								§7.14.3.B	
	Commercial uses as permitted in C-1-R districts, or as otherwise approved by the County Board	S																			§12.5.5	
	Catering establishment, <u>small scale</u>	S	S	S			P	S	S	S	S	P	S	S	P	P	P	S				
	Food delivery services	C	C	C		U	U	C	C	C	C	U	C	C	U	C	U	U				
Nightclubs and restaurants providing live entertainments, including dance halls							U					U			U		U	U				

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Specific Use Types	RA4.8	R-C	RA-H	RA-H-3.2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS ¹	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2 ²	C-TH *	C-3 ²	C-R ²	Use Standards	
Residential, office, retail, hotel development							Ⓢ														§7.8.4
Restaurant, fast food																	Ⓢ				§12.5.24
Restaurants, general Restaurant, excluding the following types: restaurants with drive-through windows, restaurants for which less than 50 percent of the food is served to conventional restaurant tables at which customers sit to order and eat. Delivery of food and beverages to off-site locations is permitted when it involves less than 20 percent of the amount of the sales from these restaurants ¹	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ		P	P	P		S	Ⓢ	S	Ⓢ		Ⓢ	Ⓢ	P	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	P		§12.5.23
Restaurants, limited Restaurant (excluding restaurants with drive-through windows and dancing or entertainment). Delivery of food and beverages to off-site locations is permitted when it involves less than 30 percent of the amount of the sales from these restaurants.	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ			P	P		Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	P	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	P	P	P	P		§12.5.24
Restaurant providing live entertainment or dancing limited to customers, or restaurant associated with indoor or outdoor amusement facility																	Ⓢ				
Restaurants providing live entertainment and/or dancing ²						Ⓢ	Ⓢ						Ⓢ			Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ		
Restaurant									Ⓢ	Ⓢ											
Restaurant									Ⓢ												§1.1.1.A.1
Retail and service commercial		Ⓢ																			
Retail and service commercial uses when allowed by the General Land Use Plan														Ⓢ							§7.15.4.A
Retail stores or businesses							Ⓢ												Ⓢ		
Retail stores or businesses in addition to those permitted in C-1-R and C-1 district							P						P			P		P			
Commercial uses including retail and service commercial uses									Ⓢ												§7.10.4.A

¹ See "restaurants, limited"

² Live entertainment uses moved to accessory use table

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Specific Use Types	RA4.8	R-C	RA-H	RA-H-3.2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS ¹	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2 ²	C-TH *	C-3 ³	C-R ⁴	Use Standards	
	Commercial uses including retail and service-commercial uses											§									§11.1.1.A
Commercial uses including retail and service-commercial uses											§										§11.1.1.A
Retail															§					§	
Game/Amusement game arcades	C	C		C		U	U		C	C	C	C	U	C	C	U	U	U			
Movie or other theaters indoor theater or auditorium	§	§		§			P		§	§	§	§	P	§	§	P	P	P	P		
Theater											§										
Membership clubs and lodges Private clubs, lodges, fraternities, sororities and dormitories	U	U	U	U	U	U	U ¹	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U			U	U	§12.5.14
Private clubs, restaurants and similar-commercial service compatible with high value apartment buildings				§	§																
All other indoor entertainment uses Amusement enterprises, including a billiard or pool hall, boxing arena, games of skill, penny arcade, shooting gallery and the like	§	§		§			P		§	§	§	§	P	§	§	P	P	P	P	§	§12.5.2
Audio-visual production studio	C			C			U		C	C	C	C	U	C	C	U	C	U	C		
Business College operated as a commercial enterprise	§			§			P		§	§	§	§	P	§	§	P	P	P	P	§	
Financial services Banks or other financial institutions	§			§	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Commercial development												§									§11.1.1.A
Commercial development													§								§7.14.3.B
Offices							P	P					P		§	P		P	P		
Offices, federal, state and local Government, federal and state buildings used exclusively by the federal and state governments for public purposes; except penal and correctional institutions	U	§	U	U	U	P	P	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	P	U	U	
Offices or clinics, medical or dental Medical office or clinics	U	U	U	U	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	§12.5.17
Medical offices					P	P	P						P		§	P		P	P		
Medical or dental clinics															§		P		P		

¹ Should have been allowed in MU-VS, based on 1950 Ordinance by reference to R-20 via C-1-R, C-1 and C-2.

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Specific Use Types	RA4.8	RC	RA-H	RA-H-3.2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS ¹	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2 ²	C-TH *	C-3 ²	C-R ²	Use Standards
Medical or dental clinics and laboratories																	P		P	
Offices of doctors or physicians ¹															S					
Offices of medical doctors, physicians, dentists or psychologists in existing institutional structures converted to such use ²	U	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	U
Offices, business and professional		S				P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Offices, business and professional, including medical, legal, insurance, philanthropic, real estate, banking and other offices which, in the judgment of the zoning administrator, are of the same general character as those otherwise permitted.								P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				
Offices, principal of physicians or dentists			U	S																
Offices, principal, of physicians, surgeons or dentists, in existing apartment houses or residences converted to such use or in new buildings designed for such use	U	U	U	U																
Office													S							§7.14.3.B
Office buildings										S										§7.10.4.A
Office buildings										S										§1.1.1.A
Office commercial uses, when allowed by the General Land Use Plan														S						
Office development												S								§1.1.1.A
Office, without restriction on location within structures						P							P				P	P		
Office, retail and residential development at the densities set forth in §7.20.9																			S	

¹ In the 1950 Ordinance, "Offices of doctors or physicians" by site plan approval in C-O Crystal City conflicted with the by-right use in this district "offices, business and professional, including medical....". This conflict was carried over into the 2013 Ordinance. It is now being removed, retaining retaining the by-right use only, consistent with C-1-O, which was the basis for this district.

² For districts where this use was included only by reference to previous districts in the 1950 Ordinance, AND the use is also allowed without such restrictions (e.g. by-right), this use, requiring a use permit, is not being continued. These districts include: C-1-R, C-1, C-1-O, C-O-1.0, C-O-1.5, C-O-2.5

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Specific Use Types	RA4.8	RC	RA-H	RA-H-3.2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS *	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2 *	C-TH *	C-3 *	C-R *	Use Standards	
	Residential, office, retail, hotel development							§													§7.8.4
Bed and breakfasts	U	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.5.3
Hotels or motels, Apartment houses and hotels			S	§			§	§	§	§	§	§	§	§	§	§	P	P	P	P	§12.5.11
Hotel or tourist court							P						P				P	P	P	P	
Hotel												§									§7.13.4.A
Hotels								§													§7.10.4.A
Hotels							§								§						§7.14.3.B
Hotels													§								§7.14.4.A
Hotels									§												§1.1.1.A.1
Hotels, when allowed by the General Land Use Plan														§							
Hotels											§										§1.1.1.A.1
Dwellings, multiple family and/or hotel development				§																	§7.5.4.A
Residential, office, retail, hotel development							§														§7.8.4
All commercial parking, Public parking area of more than 50 spaces or of a lot area of more than 20,000 sq. ft.						U	P						U				U	U	U	U	§12.5.4
Public parking area of up to 20 spaces or of a lot area of up to 20,000 sq. ft., when located and developed as required in §14.3							P														
Public parking area of up to 50 spaces or of a lot area of up to 20,000 sq. ft., when located and developed as required in §14.3													P				P	P	P	P	
Public parking areas whether with or without improvements deferred, as regulated in §14.3.4.A						U															U
Billiard or pool halls							U														U
Bowling alley	C	C	C					C	C	C	C	U	C	C	U	U	U	U	U	C	
Driving ranges, Amusement facility such as an indoor or outdoor miniature golf course, an indoor or outdoor driving range, or an amusement game arcade																	U				

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Specific Use Types	RA4.8	R-C	RA-H	RA-H-3.2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS *	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2 *	C-TH *	C-3 *	C-R *	Use Standards	
	KEY: C = requires use permit and site plan approval; P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted																				
Recreation, Outdoor (See §12.2.5.F.2(b))	Miniature golf courses Amusement facility such as an indoor or outdoor miniature golf course, an indoor or outdoor driving range, or an amusement game arcade																			U	
	Skating rinks Indoor and outdoor skating rink	C	C	C			U		C	C	C	C	U	C	C	U	C	U	C		
	Indoor sSwimming pool	S	S	S			P		S	S	S	S	P	S	S	P	P	P	P		
	Tennis, racquet or handball courts Indoor and outdoor Tennis, racquet or handball court.	C	C	C			U	U		C	C	C	C	U	C	C	U	U	U	U	
	Indoor tennis, racquet or handball courts.																	U			
Recreation, Outdoor (See §12.2.5.F.2(b))	Driving ranges Amusement facility such as an indoor or outdoor miniature golf course, an indoor or outdoor driving range, or an amusement game arcade																			U	
	Miniature golf courses	C	C	C					C	C	C	C	U	C	C	U	U	U	U		
	Skating rinks Indoor and outdoor skating rinks.	C	C	C			U		C	C	C	C	U	C	C	U	C	U	C		
	Tennis, racquet or handball courts Indoor and outdoor tennis, racquet or handball courts.	C	C	C			U	U		C	C	C	C	U	C	C	U	C	U	U	
	Outdoor sSwimming pool	C	C	C					C	C	C	C	U	C	C	U	C	U	C		
	All other outdoor entertainment Outdoor commercial enterprises including games of skill and science	C	C	C			U	U		C	C	C	C	U	C	C	U	U	U	U	
Retail, Sales (See §12.2.5.G.2(a))	Antique shops						P	P					P			P	P	P	P		
	Automobile accessories and supplies, excluding installation						P	P					P			P		P	P		
	Art stores, including artwork, art supplies and framing materials						P	P					P			P		P	P		
	Art or antique shop																	P		P	
	Bakeries Bakery	S	S	S	P	P	P		S	S	S	S	P	S	S	P	P	P	P	§12.5.22	
	Book or stationary stores																	P			
	Book, stationary or card stores							P	P					P			P	P	P	P	
	Clothing or wearing apparel shops							P	P					P			P	P	P	P	
	Confectionery store																	P			
	Delicatessen						P	P	P					P			P		P	P	
Commercial uses as permitted in C-1-R districts, or as otherwise approved by the County Board	S																			§12.5.5	

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Specific Use Types	RA4.8	R-C	RA-H	RA-H-3.2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS ¹	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2 ²	C-TH *	C-3 ¹	C-R ¹	Use Standards
Commercial uses including retail and service-commercial uses									S											§7.10.4.A
Commercial uses including retail and service-commercial uses										S										§1.1.1.A
Commercial uses including retail and service-commercial uses											S									§1.1.1.A
Commercial uses, other, or as otherwise approved by the County Board				S																§12.5.5
Commercial development												S								§1.1.1.A
Commercial development													S							§7.14.3.B
Department store restricted to sites that are a minimum of five acres ¹						P													P	
Department store, without restriction on minimum site area as imposed in C-1 district							P						P				P		P	
Department stores																	P			
Department, furniture or household appliance store																			P	
Drug stores																			P	
Drug stores. Delivery of drug store items to off-site locations is permitted when it involves less than 20 percent of the amount of the sales from these stores.	S	S	S		P	P	P	S	S	S	S	S	P	S	S	P	P	P	P	§12.5.5
Dry goods or notion stores						P	P						P				P	P	P	
Film exchange ²																			P	
Film processing kiosks (photo service)						P	P						P				P	P	P	
Florist or gift shops	S	S	S		P	P		S	S	S	S	S	P	S	S	P	P	P	P	§12.5.8
Florist or gift shops																			P	
Grocery stores, convenience-Grocery, fruit or vegetable stores	S	S	S		P	P	P	S	S	S	S	S	P	S	S	P	P	P	P	§12.5.9
Grocery, fruit or vegetable store																			P	
Grocery stores, fruit or vegetable stores without restriction or maximum floor area	S	S	S		P	P		S	S	S	S	S	P	S	S	P	P	P	P	§12.5.10
Hardware, paint or appliance stores						P	P						P				P	P	P	

¹ Department store, in general, and restricted to sites of a minimum of 5 acres or more in C-1 and C-R districts, is superseded by large format retail, allowed by use permit in C-1, MU-VS, C-O-A, C-2, C-3 and C-R.

² Obsolete use

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Hobby or handcraft stores						P	P						P			P		P	P	
Home furnishings stores						P	P						P			P	P	P	P	
Ice cream or confectionery stores					P	P	P						P			P		P	P	
Interior decorating stores																				P
Jewelry stores						P	P						P			P	P	P	P	
Kiosks					U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.5.12
Meat market or delicatessen																	P			
Meat or fish markets, and delicatessens	S	S	S	P	P	P		S	S	S	S	P	S	S	P	P	P	P	P	§12.5.22
Large-format retail sales establishments						U	U						U			U		U	U	
Newsstands	S	S	S	P	P	P		S	S	S	S	P	S	S	P	P	P	P	P	§12.5.22
Nursery, flower or plant stores	S	S	S			P		S	S	S	S	P	S	S	P	P	P	P	S	§12.5.16
Nursery, flower or plant store, provided that all incidental equipment and supplies, including fertilizer and garden tools, are kept within a building or in designated areas outside which are adequately screened as approved by the zoning administrator																	P			
Open-air markets					U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.5.18
Optical stores						P	P						P			P		P	P	
Pet shops						P	P						P			P	P	P	P	
Pet shops, bird stores or taxidermists																				P
Residential, office, retail, hotel development							S													§7.8.4
Retail															S					S
Retail and service commercial		S																		
Retail and service commercial uses when allowed by the General Land Use Plan														S						§7.15.4.A
Retail stores or businesses							S										P			
Retail stores or businesses in addition to those permitted in C-1-R and C-1 district							P						P			P		P		
Secondhand or consignment shop						P	P						P			P		P	P	

¹ Added kiosks to C-TH. This is a change in policy. When kiosks were adopted, C-TH districts were overlooked because they were not part of the pyramid in the 1950 Ordinance.

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	Specific Use Types	RA4.8	RC	RA-H	RA-H-3.2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS *	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2 *	C-TH *	C-3 *	C-R *	Use Standards
	Secondhand stores, if conducted wholly within a completely enclosed building	S	S	S			P	P	S	S	S	S	S	P	S	S	P	U	P	P	§12.5.25
	Shoe store						P	P						P			P		P	P	
	Sporting goods store						P	P						P			P		P	P	
	Variety store						P	P						P			P		P	P	
	Video tape or record store						P	P						P			P		P	P	
	All other retail sales uses	S	S	S			P	S		S	S	S	S	P	S	S	P	P	P	P	§12.5.22
	Animal care facilities, veterinary clinics, animal hospitals	S	S	S				P		S	S	S	S	P	S	S	P	P	P	U	§12.5.2
	Animal hospitals or veterinary clinics within a fully enclosed structure																				
	Animal hospital or veterinary clinic																S				
	Animal hospitals within fully enclosed structures																				U
	Athletic or health clubs	S	S	S			U	U		S	S	S	S	P	S	S	P	U	P	U	§12.5.21
	Barbershop or beauty parlor	S	S	S		P	P	P		S	S	S	S	P	S	S	P	P	P	P	
	Branch banks or other financial institutions	S	S	S		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
	Offices, business and professional, including medical, legal, insurance, philanthropic, real estate, banking and other offices which, in the judgment of the zoning administrator, are of the same general character as those otherwise permitted.								P	P	P	P	P		P	P					
Retail, Personal Service (See §12.2.5.G.2(b))	Commercial uses as permitted in C-1-R districts, or as otherwise approved by the County Board	S																			§12.5.5
	Dry-cleaning drop-off stations or laundry establishment	S	S	S		P	P	P		S	S	S	S	P	S	S	P	P	P	P	§12.5.6
	Clothes cleaning or laundry establishment, including laundrette self-service type establishment																		P		
	Commercial uses including retail and service commercial uses									S											§7.10.4.A
	Commercial uses including retail and service commercial uses										S										§1.1.1.A
	Commercial uses including retail and service commercial uses											S									§1.1.1.A

COMMERCIAL/MIXED USE (C) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE																				
Specific Use Types	RA4.8	RC	RA-H	RA-H-3.2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS ¹	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2 ²	C-TH *	C-3 ²	C-R ²	Use Standards
Commercial uses, other, or as otherwise approved by the County Board				Ⓢ																§12.5.5
Commercial development												Ⓢ								§1.1.1.A
Commercial development													Ⓢ							§7.14.3.B
Dance studio	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ			U		Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	P	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	P	U	P	U	§12.5.21
Dry cleaners, laundry and Laundromat					P	P	P						P			P		P	P	§12.5.13
Laundromats Dry cleaners, laundry and Laundromat	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ		P	P	P	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	P	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	P	P	P	P	§12.5.13 §12.5.13
Photocopy, blueprint and quick-sign services Photo copy services	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ			P	P	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	P	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	P	P	P	P	
Private postal services Private postal service limited to a gross floor area of 1,200 sq. ft	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ			P	P	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	P	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	P	P	P	P	§12.5.19
Mortuaries and y-or funeral homes, including a cremation unit within a mortuary or funeral home ¹	S	S	S	S				C	C	C	C	U	C	C	U	U	U	U	U	§12.5.15
Pawnshop	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ					Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	P	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	P	P	P	Ⓢ	
Mortuary or funeral homes, including a cremation unit within a mortuary or funeral home in existing apartment houses or residences converted to such use or in new buildings designed for such use	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ	Ⓢ																§12.5.12
Mailing service, including bulk mailing							P						P			P		P		
Massage parlor and the like ²							U						U			U		U		
Music conservatory or music instruction							P						P			P	P	P	P	
Palmistry							P						P			P		P		
Photography studio						P	P						P			P	P	P	P	
Retail															Ⓢ				Ⓢ	
Retail and service commercial uses when allowed by the General Land Use Plan														Ⓢ						§7.15.4.A
Retail and service commercial		Ⓢ																		
Retail stores or businesses							Ⓢ										P			

¹ S in RA-H was shown in error in 2013 reformat (by reference to RA7-16, also shown in error), and is now proposed to be deleted, consistent with 1950 Ordinance.

² Delete – antiquated use

COMMERCIAL/MIXED USE (C) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE																				
Specific Use Types	RA4.8	R-C	RA-H	RA-H-3.2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS *	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2 *	C-TH *	C-3 *	C-R *	Use Standards
	KEY: C = requires use permit and site plan approval; P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted																			
Retail stores or businesses in addition to those permitted in C-1-R and C-1 district							P						P			P		P		
All other retail personal service uses	S	S	S		P	S		S	S	S	S	S	P	S	S	P	P	P	S	§12.5.21
Commercial uses including retail and service commercial uses									S											§7.10.4.A
Commercial uses including retail and service commercial uses										S										§1.1.1.A
Commercial uses including retail and service commercial uses											S									§1.1.1.A
Commercial uses, other, or as otherwise approved by the County Board				S																§12.5.5
Commercial uses as permitted in C-1-R districts, or as otherwise approved by the County Board	S																			§12.5.5
Commercial development												S								§1.1.1.A
Commercial development													S							§7.14.3.B
Locksmiths						P	P						P			P	P	P	P	
Tailors and milliners Tailor or dressmaker	S	S	S	P	P	P		S	S	S	S	S	P	S	S	P	P	P	P	
Shoe repair	S	S	S	P	P	P		S	S	S	S	S	P	S	S	P	P	P	P	
Repair shop (small appliance, television, radio)						P	P						P			P	P	P	P	
Retail																S			S	
Retail and service commercial uses when allowed by the General Land Use Plan														S						§7.15.4.A
Retail and service commercial		S																		
Retail stores or businesses								S									P			
Retail stores or businesses in addition to those permitted in C-1-R and C-1 district							P						P			P		P		
Upholstery shops, if conducted wholly within a completely enclosed building	S	S	S					S	S	S	S	S	P	S	S	P	P	P	S	§12.5.27
All other retail repair uses	S	S	S		P	P		S	S	S	S	S	P	S	S	P	P	P	S	
All self-service storage uses facility																	U			§12.5.26
Storage as principal use																				§12.5.25

COMMERCIAL/MIXED USE (C) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE																					
Specific Use Types	RA4.8	R-C	RA-H	RA-H-3.2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS *	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2	C-TH *	C-3	C-R *	Use Standards	
	KEY: C = requires use permit and site plan approval; P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted																				
Vehicle Sales and Service (See §12.2.5.1)	Car wash																U		U		
	Vehicle body shop, so long as such activities are conducted entirely within a building																U		U	§12.5.28	
	Vehicle sales, rental, or leasing facilities. Vehicle dealership, sales or rental lot, provided that the use is located on a site which is more than 20,000 sq. ft. in area. In addition, vehicle dealership, sales or rental lot that is located on a site 10,000 sq. ft. or smaller shall not be permitted.						U		C	C	C	C	U	C	C		U/P		U/P		§12.5.30
	Vehicle dealership, sales or rental lots located on sites of 20,000 sq. ft. or less but more than 10,000 sq. ft.																U		U		§12.5.19
	Vehicle service establishment, provided that any vehicle repairs and storage of merchandise and supplies shall be conducted wholly within a building, and that any lubrication or washing not conducted wholly within a building shall be permitted only if a masonry wall, seven feet in height, is erected and maintained between such uses and any adjoining R district						U		C	C	C	C	U	C	C		U		U	U	§12.5.29
	Vehicle service establishment, provided that any portion of the use except the sale of gasoline shall be conducted wholly within a building						U													U	
	All other vehicle sales and service uses																				
Industrial Use Categories (See §12.2.6)																					
Light Industrial Service (See §12.2.6.A)	Building, heating, plumbing or electrical contractors																			P	
	Carpet cleaning plants and rug cleaning establishments, excluding dyeing												U				U	U	U		

COMMERCIAL/MIXED USE (C) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE																					
Specific Use Types	RA4.8	RC	RA-H	RA-H-3.2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS ¹	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2 ²	C-TH *	C-3 ³	C-R ⁴	Use Standards	
	KEY: C = requires use permit and site plan approval; P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted																				
Contractors, off-site, storage and staging yards and sales or leasing trailers or pavilions ¹	U	U		U	U	U		U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	U	
Medical or dental laboratories medical or dental clinics and laboratories							P		S	S	S	S	P	S	S		P	P	P	P	
Printing, lithography or publishing and lithographing, small scale													P				P	P	P		
Sign making-painting shop, if conducted wholly within a completely enclosed building													P				P	P	P		§12.6.9
Manufacturing and Production (See §12.2.4.B)	Plumbing or sheet metal shops, if conducted wholly within a completely enclosed building																				
																	P		P		§12.6.6
All other manufacturing and production uses																					
Heavy Industrial (See §12.2.6.C)	All heavy industrial uses																				
Warehouse and Freight Movement (See §12.2.6.D)	All warehouse and freight movement uses																				
Waste-related Service (See §12.2.6.E)	Solid waste transfer																				
	U	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	
Recycling centers																					
Wholesale Trade (See §12.2.6.F)																			P		
	Wholesale merchandising broker, excluding wholesale storage																				
Other use categories (See §12.2.7)																					
Agriculture (See §12.2.7.A)	P	P		P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P		P	P	§12.7.1
Resource Extraction (See §12.2.7.B)	All resource extraction uses																				
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telecommunications equipment, unscreened																					

¹ Moved to short term use standards (12.10)

COMMERCIAL/MIXED USE (C) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE																					
Specific Use Types	RA4.8	R-C	RA-H	RA-H-3.2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS *	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2 *	C-TH *	C-3 *	C-R *	Use Standards	
	<p>KEY: C = requires use permit and site plan approval; P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted</p>																				
<p>Tele-communications Facilities (§12.2.7.C)</p> <p>All telecommunications facilities; Public utilities and services; such as railroad, trolley, bus, air, or boat passenger stations; railroad offices, rights-of-way, and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, sidings and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchanges (but excluding service and storage yards)</p>	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.6.8
<p>Public utilities and services; including but not limited to railroad, trolley, streetcar, bus, air, or boat passenger stations; bicycle share or rental stations; railroad offices, rights of way, and tracks; static transformer stations, transmission lines, and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchanges; provided, however, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the surrounding area</p>															U						
<p>Columbia Pike Neighborhoods Special Revitalization District Form Based Code Development as specified in §11.3</p>							P					P									
<p>Columbia Pike Special Revitalization District Form Based Code Development as specified in §11.2</p>						P		P				P				P		P			
<p>Outdoor fair, carnival, circus, trade show</p>																					U
<p>Unified commercial/mixed use development not within the Columbia Pike Special Revitalization District or the Lee Highway-Cherrydale Special Revitalization District as set forth in §10.2</p>																U		U			

COMMERCIAL/MIXED USE (C) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE																					
Specific Use Types	RA4.8	RC	RA-H	RA-H-3.2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS *	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2 *	C-TH *	C-3 *	C-R *	Use Standards	
	Unified commercial/mixed use development Uses in projects that are within the Clarendon Revitalization District and are part of a unified commercial/mixed use development as set forth in 10.2						U											U	U	U	U
Housing, low or moderate income per §14.6	U S	U S	U	U																	
Other uses which, in the judgment of the zoning administrator, are of the same general character as those listed in this subsection and will not be detrimental to the district in which located.							P						P				P	P	P		

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* Classes or instruction to children. if a use provides classes or instruction to children and, either 20 percent or more of the total number of students enrolled in classes and/or instruction are children under 18 years of age or the total number of children under 18 years of age enrolled in classes scheduled to be held at any one time is 10 or more, the use may only be established subject to obtaining a use permit as provided in §14.5, for each such use.¹

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¹ Moved to use standards

77 **§7.1.3. Commercial/mixed use (C) districts accessory use table**

78 Accessory uses in commercial/mixed use (C) districts shall include the following uses, activities
79 and structures:

COMMERCIAL/MIXED USE (C) DISTRICTS ACCESSORY USE TABLE

Use Types	RA4.8	R-C	RA-H	RA-H-3.2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS *	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2 *	C-TH *	C-3 *	C-R *	Use Standards
Accessory buildings, including a private garage, provided that a detached accessory building shall be located as required in §3.2	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P		P	P	
Accessory uses customarily incidental to permitted uses and accessory buildings, when located on the same lot, including automobile parking garage.															P					
Accessory uses and buildings customarily accessory to otherwise allowed uses.			P		P	P	P						P			P		P	P	
Accessory uses customarily incident to any of the permitted uses and accessory buildings, when located on the same lot, including automobile parking garage for the exclusive use of the patrons of the above offices								P	P	P	P	P		P						
Accessory uses, customarily incident to otherwise allowed uses	P	P		P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			P		P	P	
Commercial vehicle parking which has a gross vehicle weight of 16,000 pounds or less. ¹	P	P		P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P		P	P	§12.9.5
Commercial vehicle parking. In cases involving a grave hardship on the resident, and in accordance §12.8.2.C, and §14.6, parking of (i) a commercial vehicle which does not meet the locational requirements of this zoning ordinance, or (ii) more than one commercial vehicle ²	U	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	U	U	U	U	U		U		U	U	
Crematoriums Airports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematories when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U S	U	U S	U S	U	U		U	U	U	U	U	U	U		U		U	U	§12.9.6
Mortuary or funeral homes, including a cremation unit within a mortuary or funeral home in existing apartment houses or residences converted to such use or in new buildings designed for such use	S	S		S																§12.5-12
Convenience service areas		U	U S	U																§12.9.5
Drive-through windows Any use otherwise permitted in this district with a drive through window						U										U		U	U	

¹ Commercial vehicle parking was carried over from R and RA districts through 1950 Ordinance pyramid structure, but was not intended to be used in C districts, therefore it is proposed to be deleted.

² See 1 above.

COMMERCIAL/MIXED USE (C) DISTRICTS ACCESSORY USE TABLE

Use Types	RA4.8	R-C	RA-H	RA-H-3,2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS *	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2 *	C-TH *	C-3 *	C-R *	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted																				
Family day care homes (six to nine children)for six to nine children	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.9.9
Family day care homes (up to five children)for up to five children	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	§12.9.9
Garage, private parking garage for exclusive use of occupants			P																	
Home occupations	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Restaurants providing live entertainment and/or dancing						U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.9.12
Mortuaries and funeral homes Airports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematories when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	U	U	U	U	U		U	U	U	U	U	U	U		U		U	U	§12.9.13
Commercial uses including retail and service commercial uses									S											§7.10.4.A
Commercial uses including retail and service commercial uses										S										§1.1.1.A
Commercial uses including retail and service commercial uses											S									§1.1.1.A
Commercial uses, other, or as otherwise approved by the County Board				S																§12.5.5
Commercial uses as permitted in C-1-R districts, or as otherwise approved by the County Board	S																			§12.5.5
Commercial development												S								§1.1.1.A
Commercial development													S							§7.14.3.B
Retail															S				S	
Retail and service commercial uses when allowed by the General Land Use Plan														S						§7.15.4.A
Restaurant providing live entertainment or dancing limited to customers, or restaurant associated with indoor or outdoor amusement facility																	U			
Outdoor café associated with a restaurant on private property	P			P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	§12.9.14
Outdoor café associated with a restaurant on public right-of-way or easement for public use	U			U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	§12.9.14
Swimming pools, private	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P		P	P	§12.9.16
Trailer-Recreational vehicle or trailer parking	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P		P	P	§12.9.15
Telecommunications antennae, building and ground mounted Public utilities and services such as railroad, trolley, bus, air or boat passenger stations; right of way and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, siding and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchange (but excluding service and storage yards); provided, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is located	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	

COMMERCIAL/MIXED USE (C) DISTRICTS ACCESSORY USE TABLE

Use Types	RA4.8	R-C	RA-H	RA-H-3,2	C-1-R	C-1	MU-VS *	C-1-O	C-O-1.0	C-O-1.5	C-O-2.5	C-O	C-O-A	C-O ROSSLYN	C-O CRYSTAL CITY	C-2 *	C-TH *	C-3 *	C-R *	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted																				
Vehicle maintenance, routine	P	P		P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P		P	P	§12.9.17
Vehicle, unlicensed and/or inspected	P	P		P	P	P		P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P		P	P	§12.9.18

§7.2. RA4.8, Multiple-Family Dwelling District

§7.2.1. Purpose

The purpose of the RA4.8, Multiple-family District is to provide for multiple-family dwelling development at moderate densities and, under appropriate conditions, high-rise multiple-family dwelling redevelopment. To be eligible for this district, a site shall be designated "high-medium" residential or other comparable designation on the General Land Use Plan. Determination as to the actual types and densities of uses to be allowed will be based on the characteristics of individual sites in their neighborhood and on the need for community facilities, open and landscaped areas, circulation and utilities.

§7.2.2. Uses

Uses shall be as specified in §7.1. Density and dimensional standards

§7.2.3. Density and dimensional standards

A. By-right

Development allowed by-right in the RA4.8 district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family Dwelling	Two-family Dwellings		Apartments, Multiple-family Dwellings	Townhouse Dwellings	All other uses
		Semi-detached	Duplex			
Site area, minimum (sq. ft.)	6,000	7,000	7,000	7,500	7,500	5,000
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)						
Lot area	6,000	3,500	7,000	7,500	7,500	5,000
Lot area per dwelling unit	6,000	3,500	3,500	1,800	1,800	--
Lot width, minimum average (feet)						
Lot width	60	70	70	75	75	150
Lot width per dwelling unit	60	35	--	--	--	--
Height						
Maximum (feet)	35	35	35	35	35	35
Maximum (number of stories)	--	3 ½	3 ½	3 ½	3 ½	--
Floor area ratio	--	--	--	--	--	--
Floor area, minimum (sq. ft.)						
Floor area per dwelling unit, exclusive of basement or attic	--	750	750	--	--	--

1. Exception

(a) Large-scale housing projects

Large-scale housing projects having a site area of five acres or more, dwellings may be erected to a height not to exceed either six stories or 60 feet, provided said dwellings are located not nearer than 150 feet to any boundary line of the site on which the project is situated.

(b) Reserved

B. Special exception

Development allowed by special exception in the RA4.8 district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise approved by the County Board

Type of Standard	Two-family Dwellings		Low or Moderate Income Housing	Townhouse, Semi-detached, and Existing One-family Dwellings	Multiple-family, Apartment Houses, Commercial	All Retail Sales and Service and Food and Drinking Establishment uses	All other uses		
	Semi-detached	Duplex							
Site area, minimum (sq. ft.)	7,000	7,000	§12.3.7	See §12.3.4	30,000		5,000		
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)									
Lot area	3,500	7,000					30,000		5,000
Lot area per dwelling unit	3,500	3,500					--		--
Lot width, minimum average (feet)									
Lot width	56	56					150		150
Lot width per dwelling unit	28	--					--		--
Height									
Maximum (feet)	35	35					136		35
Maximum (number of stories)	3 ½	3 ½					--		--
Floor area ratio	--	--			3.24 <i>(including street level sales and service)¹</i>	0.5 <i>(street level only)</i>	--		
Floor area, minimum (sq. ft.)									
Floor area per dwelling unit, exclusive of basement or attic	750	750			--		--		

105 **C. Bulk coverage and placement**

106 For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

107 **D. Exceptions**

108 **1. Height**

109 By site plan approval, a building may have a maximum height of 136 feet, including
 110 mechanical penthouses and parapet walls, measured from the average elevation at the
 111 perimeter of the site.

112 **2. Minimum lot area and width**

113 The County Board may authorize application for rezoning to the RA-4.8 district where a
 114 lot or plot having less width or less area which is any part of a block surrounded by
 115 streets and/or buildings that generally comply with the provisions of this section.

116 **3. FloorGross floor area ratio**

117 The gross floorMaximum floor area, including any commercial uses permitted on a
 118 given site, shall be determined by multiplying the site area by 3.24. Any mechanical
 119 penthouse area in excess of that used for elevator, mechanical or maintenance
 120 equipment shall be counted as gross floor area.

121 **§7.2.4. District use standards**

122 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the RA4.8 district include:

123 A. [Reserved]

¹ This and 0.5 FAR limitation from use table.

124 **§7.2.5. Site development standards**

125 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
126 otherwise specified below.

127 **A. Parking**

128 As specified and regulated in §14.3, except that the following may be approved by site
129 plan:

- 130 **1.** Multiple-family dwelling: One off-street space per dwelling unit.
- 131 **2.** The parking provided under the provisions of subsection 1, above, shall be located
132 below grade or within the structure housing the use to which the parking is
133 appurtenant, except as may be allowed in an approved site plan.

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§7.3. R-C, Multiple-family Apartment- Dwelling and Commercial District

§7.3.1. Purpose

- A. The purpose of the R-C, Multiple-family Apartment- Dwelling and Commercial District is to encourage high-medium density residential development while also providing for a mixed-use transitional area between higher density development and lower density residential uses. This district is designed for use in Metro station areas as identified on the General Land Use Plan (GLUP), and primarily for sites any part of which is located:
 - 1. Within a 1/4 mile radius of a Metrorail station entrance and
 - 2. That are designated "high-medium residential mixed-use" on the GLUP.
- B. This district may also be considered for other locations in Metro station areas up a ½ mile radius of a Metrorail station entrance that are designated “high-medium residential mixed-use” or expressly identified as eligible for rezoning to this district or re-planning to “high-medium residential mixed-use” in adopted County plans.
- C. Determination as to the actual types and densities of uses to be allowed will be based on the characteristics of individual sites and on the need for community facilities, open space and landscaped areas, circulation and utilities.

§7.3.2. Uses

Uses shall be as specified in §7.1.

§7.3.3. Density and dimensional standards

A. By-right

Development allowed by-right in the R-C district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family Dwelling	Two-family Dwellings		Multiple-family Apartment Houses	Townhouse Dwellings	All other uses
		Semi-detached	Duplex			
Site area, minimum (sq. ft.)	6,000	7,000	7,000	7,500	7,500	5,000
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)						
Lot area	6,000	3,500	7,000	7,500	7,500	5,000
Lot area per dwelling unit	6,000	3,500	3,500	1,800	1,800	--
Lot width, minimum average (feet)						
Lot width	60	70	70	75	75	50
Lot width per dwelling unit	60	35	--	--	--	--
Height						
Maximum (feet)	35	35	35	35	35	35
Maximum (number of stories)	--	3 ½	3 ½	3 ½	3 ½	--
Floor area, minimum (sq. ft.)						
Floor area per dwelling unit, exclusive of basement or attic	--	750	750	--	--	--
Floor area ratio	--	--	--	--	--	--

160 **1. Exception**

161 **(a) Large-scale housing projects**

162 Large-scale housing projects having a site area of five acres or more, dwellings
 163 may be erected to a height not to exceed either six stories or 60 feet, provided
 164 said dwellings are located not nearer than 150 feet to any boundary line of the
 165 site on which the project is situated.

166 **B. Special exception**

167 Development allowed by special exception in the R-C district shall comply with the
 168 following standards, except as otherwise approved by the County Board.

Type of Standard	Two-family Dwellings		Low or Moderate Income Housing	Townhouse, Semi-detached, and Existing One-family Dwellings	Multiple-family Apartment Houses	All Retail and Food and Drinking Establishment uses	All other uses		
	Semi-detached	Duplex							
Site area, minimum (sq. ft.)	7,000	7,000	See §12.3.7	See §12.3.4	20,000		5,000		
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)									
Lot area	3,500	7,000					20,000		5,000
Lot area per dwelling unit	3,500	3,500					--		--
Lot width, minimum average (feet)									
Lot width	56	56					--		50
Lot width per dwelling unit	28	--					--		--
Height									
Maximum (feet)	35	35					65, including the <u>mechanical</u> penthouse		35
Maximum (number of stories)	3 ½	3 ½					--		--
Floor area, minimum (sq. ft.)									
Floor area per dwelling unit, exclusive of basement or attic	750	750			--	0.62 per square foot of multiple-family (first floor only)	--		
Floor area ratio	--	--			3.24 (including retail sales and service)		--		

169 **C. Bulk coverage and placement**

170 For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

171 **D. Exceptions**

172 **1. [Reserved]**

173 **§7.3.4. District use standardsSite plans**

174 ~~Use standards applicable to specific uses in the R-C district include~~The County Board may
 175 ~~approve site plans, as provided in §15.5, subject to the following:~~

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~~A.~~ **Apartments**

~~B.A.~~ **General**

1. The following uses ~~shall be permitted~~ may be approved at the rate of 0.62 square feet of gross floor area for each gross square foot of ~~apartment~~ multiple-family use proposed, provided that the total F.A.R. of the project does not exceed 3.24:
 - (a) Retail and service commercial uses which shall be restricted to the first floor of any structure.
 - (b) Offices, business and professional.
2. Such uses may be ~~permitted~~ approved at the rate not to exceed one square foot of gross floor area for each square foot of gross floor area of ~~apartment~~ multiple-family use and the total F.A.R. of the project may be permitted in an amount not to exceed 3.5 on sites which:
 - (a) Have a minimum area of 50,000 square feet;
 - (b) Have a minimum of 200 feet of continuous frontage on a principal arterial, ~~minor~~ minor arterial or local principal street as designated on the Arlington County Master Transportation Plan; and
 - (c) Are across a ~~principal~~ principal arterial, minor arterial or local principal street from a C-O-A district.
3. On sites which meet the criteria in §7.3.4.A.2, above, and which also include an entire block, such uses may be ~~permitted~~ approved at the rate not to exceed 1½ square feet of gross floor area for each square foot of gross floor area of ~~apartment~~ multiple-family use in the approved site plan and the total floor area ratio of the project may be permitted in the amount not to exceed 3:5.

~~C.B.~~ **Arterial or local principal street frontage requirement**

Any structure in which less than 50 percent of the gross floor area is ~~multiple-family~~ apartment use shall front on a principal arterial, minor arterial or local principal street as designated in the Arlington County Master Transportation Plan.

~~D.C.~~ **Height limit**

Under no circumstances shall the height of any building exceed 95 feet nor shall a ~~mechanical~~ penthouse extend more than 16 feet above the 95 foot height limit, except that in order to allow enclosure of elevator equipment needed to provide elevator access to roof areas, the ~~mechanical~~ penthouse height may be increased by up to eight additional feet. This additional height may only be used to allow the amount of structure necessary to enclose the elevator equipment.

~~E.D.~~ **Landscaping**

A minimum of 10 percent of the total site area is required to be landscaped open space in accordance with the requirements of §14.2 , Landscaping.

~~F.E.~~ **Automobile parking and loading space**

1. Parking spaces shall be provided as required in §14.3, provided, however, that as part of the site plan approval, the County Board may reduce this requirement to no less than one space for each unit.

- 217 2. One parking space for each 580 square feet of commercial or office space.
218 ~~3. Off street loading spaces for all permitted uses shall be provided as specified in §14.3.~~

219 **§7.3.5. Site development standards**

220 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
221 otherwise specified ~~below~~.

222 ~~A. Signs¹~~

223 ~~Signs as regulated in Article 13.~~

224 ~~B. Parking and loading~~

225 ~~1. Off street loading spaces for all permitted uses shall be provided as specified in §14.3~~

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¹ Redundant of above statement.

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§7.4. RA-H, Hotel District

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§7.4.1. Purpose

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[Reserved]

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§7.4.2. Uses

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Uses shall be as specified in §7.1.

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§7.4.3. Density and dimensional standards

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A. By-right

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Development allowed by-right in the RA-H district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

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Type of Standard	Multiple-family Apartment Houses	All other uses
Site area, minimum (sq. ft.)	7,500	100,000
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)		
Lot area	7,500	100,000
Lot area per dwelling unit	1,200	--
Lot width, minimum average (feet)		
Lot width	75	200
Lot width per dwelling unit	--	--
Height		
Maximum (feet)	35	95
Maximum (stories)	3½	10
Floor area, minimum (sq. ft.)		
Floor area per dwelling unit	--	--
Lot coverage, Maximum (percent)	--	50

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B. Special exception

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Development allowed by special exception in the RA-H district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise approved by the County Board.

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Type of Standard	Low or Moderate Income Housing	Multiple-family Apartment Houses and Hotels
Site area, minimum (sq. ft.)		100,000
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)		
Lot area		100,000
Lot area per dwelling unit		600
Lot area per guest room		600
Lot width, minimum average (feet)	See §3.2	
Lot width		200
Lot width per dwelling unit		--
Height		
Maximum (feet)		125
Maximum (stories)		12
Floor area, minimum (sq. ft.)		
Floor area per dwelling unit or sleeping room		--
Lot coverage, maximum (percent)		50

239 **1. Lot coverage**

240 Underground structures may cover the entire lot, provided that, within the site
241 boundaries of any lot or parcel, the total amount of the surface of the site, after
242 development, covered by buildings, parking, driveways, roads and any accessory
243 building, shall not exceed 50 percent.

244 **2.** [Reserved]

245 **C. Bulk coverage and placement**

246 For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

247 **§7.4.4. District use standards**

248 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the RA-H district include:

249 **A.** [RESERVED]

250 **§7.4.5. Site development standards**

251 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
252 otherwise specified below.

253 **A. Parking**

254 Parking shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of §14.3.

255 **B.** [\[Reserved\]](#)

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§7.5. RA-H-3.2, Multiple-Family Dwelling and Hotel District

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§7.5.1. Purpose

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The purpose of the RA-H-3.2, Multiple-family Dwelling and Hotel District is to provide for multiple-family dwelling development at moderate densities and, under appropriate conditions, high-rise hotel and/or multiple-family dwelling redevelopment within "Metro Transit Corridors" as determined by the County Board. Mixtures of use and densities shall be consistent with the General Land Use Plan or approved plans for the area. Determinations as to the actual types and densities of uses to be allowed will be based on the characteristics of individual sites in their neighborhood and on the need for community facilities, open and landscaped areas, circulation and utilities.

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§7.5.2. Uses

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Uses shall be as specified in §7.1.

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§7.5.3. Density and dimensional standards

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A. By-right

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Development allowed by-right in the RA-H-3.2 district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

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Type of Standard	One-family Dwelling	Two-family Dwellings		Apartments of Multiple-family Dwellings	Townhouse Dwellings	All other uses
		Semi-detached	Duplex			
Site area, minimum (sq. ft.)	6,000	7,000	7,000	7,500	7,500	5,000
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)						
Lot area	6,000	3,500	7,000	7,500	7,500	5,000
Lot area per unit	6,000	3,500	3,500	1,800	1,800	--
Lot width, minimum average (feet)						
Lot width	60	70	70	75	75	50
Lot width per dwelling unit	60	35	--	--	--	--
Height						
Maximum (feet)	35	35	35	35	35	35
Maximum (number of stories)	--	3 ½	3 ½	--	3 ½	--
Floor area ratio	--	--	--	--	--	--
Floor area, minimum (sq. ft.)						
Floor area per dwelling unit, exclusive of basement or attic	--	750	750	--	--	--

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275 **B. Special exception**
 276 Development allowed by special exception in the RA-H-3.2 district shall comply with the
 277 following standards, except as otherwise approved by the County Board.

Type of Standard	Two-family Dwellings		Low or Moderate Income Housing	Townhouse, Semi-detached, and Existing One-family Dwellings	Apartments or Multiple-family Dwellings	Hotels	Retail and Eating and Drinking Establishment uses	All other uses		
	Semi-detached	Duplex								
Site area, minimum (sq. ft.)	7,000	7,000	See §12.3.7	See §12.3.4	30,000	30,000		5,000		
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)										
Lot area	3,500	7,000					30,000	30,000	5,000	
Lot area per dwelling unit	3,500	3,500					--	--	--	
Lot width, minimum average (feet)										
Lot width	56	56					150	150	150	
Lot width per dwelling unit	28	--					--	--	--	
Height										
Maximum (feet)	35	35					180 including mechanical penthouse and parapet walls	180 including mechanical penthouse and parapet walls		35
Maximum (number of stories)	3 ½	3 ½					--	--		--
Floor area ratio										
	--	--			4.8 (including retail sales and service)	3.8 (including retail sales and service)	0.5 (street level only)	--		
Floor area, minimum (sq. ft.)										
Floor area per dwelling unit, exclusive of basement or attic	750	750			--	--		--		

278 **C. Bulk coverage and placement**
 279 For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

280 **D. Exceptions**
 281 **1. Large-scale housing projects**
 282 Large-scale housing projects having a site area of five acres or more, dwellings may be
 283 erected to a height not to exceed either six stories or 60 feet, provided said dwellings
 284 are located not nearer than 150 feet to any boundary line of the site on which the
 285 project is situated.
 286 **2. Lot area and width**
 287 The County Board may authorize application for rezoning to the RA-H-3.2 district where
 288 a lot or plot having less width or less area which is any part of a block surrounded by
 289 streets and/or buildings that generally comply with the provisions of this section.

290 **§7.5.4. District use standards**
 291 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the RA-H3.2 district include:

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~~A. Multiple-family dwellings and/or hotel development~~

- ~~1. Commercial uses may also be permitted provided that they are located at street level and do not exceed a 5/10 floor area ratio (F.A.R.).¹ No auto- or automobile-oriented uses such as vehicle service establishments, vehicle body shops, car washes, or vehicle dealership, sales or rental lots shall be permitted.²~~
2. Any mechanical penthouse area in excess of that used for elevator, mechanical or maintenance equipment shall be counted as gross floor area.

B. [Reserved]

§7.5.5. Site development standards

The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as otherwise specified below.

A. Parking

1. As specified and regulated in §14.3, except that the following may be approved by site plan:
 - (a) Multiple-family Dwelling: One off-street parking space per dwelling unit.
 - (b) Hotel: One off-street parking space for each guest room and dwelling unit.
 - (c) Commercial Uses: One off-street parking space for each 300 sq. ft. of gross floor area of commercial space provided.
2. The parking required above shall be located below grade or within the structure housing the use to which the parking is appurtenant, except as may be allowed in an approved site plan.

¹ Moved to §7.5.3.B
² Addressed by use classification system.

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§7.6. C-1-R, Restricted Local Commercial District

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§7.6.1. Purpose

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The purpose of this the C-1-R, Restricted Local Commercial District is to recognize existing pockets of commercial development in isolated locations throughout the county and to allow for continuation of these commercial areas primarily in personal service uses with limited opportunity for retail uses. The C-1-R district is intended for limited application throughout the county and generally should be restricted to areas which are currently developed in commercial uses but which, due to their isolated locations in predominantly residential areas, should be limited with respect to expansion of both permitted commercial uses and established district boundaries in order to minimize the impacts on surrounding residential development.

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§7.6.2. Uses

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Uses shall be as specified in §7.1.

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§7.6.3. Density and dimensional standards

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A. By-right

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Development allowed by-right in the C-1-R district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family dwelling	All other uses
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)		
Lot area	6,000	--
Lot area per dwelling unit	6,000	--
Lot width, minimum average (feet)	60	--
Height, maximum (feet)	35	35
Floor area ratio, maximum	--	0.6

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B. Bulk coverage and placement

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For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

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C. Exceptions

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§7.6.4. District use standards

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Use standards applicable to specific uses in the C-1-R district include:

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A. [Reserved]

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§7.6.5. Use limitations

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Uses allowed in the C-1-R district are permitted only under the following conditions:

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- A. No industry or manufacturing shall be permitted except the making of articles which are to be sold at retail on the premises; no killing of poultry or livestock; no wholesaling or jobbing shall be carried on; and no merchandise shall be stored other than that which is to be sold at retail at these establishments;
- B. All business shall be conducted wholly within an enclosed building, except as follows:

- 345 1. Uses permitted and conducted in kiosks in accordance with the requirements of
346 §12.5.12, may have outdoor displays of merchandise that extend no more than two
347 feet from the exterior wall of the kiosk and cover no more than 20 sq. ft.
- 348 C. All primary or incidental products and services shall be sold, at retail on the premises. This
349 provision does not apply to permitted drug stores and restaurants.
- 350 D. ~~Such uses, operations or products shall not adversely affect any contiguous district through~~
351 ~~the dissemination of odor, dust, smoke, fumes, noise, vibrations, creation of trash, garbage~~
352 ~~or litter of other similar causes.~~¹

353 **§7.6.6. Site development standards**

354 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
355 otherwise specified below.

356 **A. Landscaping**

357 10 percent of total site area is required to be landscaped open space in accordance with
358 the requirements of §14.2, Landscaping.

359 **B. Parking**

360 Parking shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of §14.3.

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¹ Enforced by other codes and regulations, including, but not limited to noise ordinance; care of property ordinance.

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§7.7. C-1, Local Commercial District

§7.7.1. Purpose

The purpose of the C-1, Local Commercial District is to provide locations for low intensity development where retail and personal service uses predominate and where there is also limited opportunity for office uses and business service uses. C-1 district should be located and developed as unified shopping centers consisting primarily of small individual shops of a linear or cluster design. Furthermore, development of C-1 district should result in commercial centers which are compatible with the surrounding development in terms of scale and character.

§7.7.2. Uses

Uses shall be as specified in §7.1.

§7.7.3. Density and dimensional standards

A. By-right

Development allowed by-right in the C-1 district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family dwelling	All other uses
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)		
Lot area	6,000	--
Lot area per dwelling unit	6,000	--
Lot width, minimum average (feet)	60	--
Height, maximum (feet)	35	35
Floor area ratio, maximum	--	1.0

B. Bulk coverage and placement

For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

§7.7.4. District use standards

Use standards applicable to specific uses in the C-1 district include:

- A. [Reserved]

§7.7.5. Use limitations

Allowed uses shall comply with the following conditions:

- A. No industry or manufacturing shall be permitted except the making of articles to be sold at retail on the premises, no killing of poultry or livestock and no wholesaling or jobbing shall be carried on, and no merchandise shall be stored other than that which is sold at retail at these establishments.
- B. All business shall be conducted wholly within an enclosed building, except as provided in the following:
 - 1. Outdoor cafes.
 - 2. ~~Vegetable and fruit stands~~ Short term uses permitted by §12.10.5.B.2.

- 391 ~~3.~~ Outdoor display and sale of fireworks shall be permitted for a period not to exceed 14
392 consecutive days and not more than one such period each year.¹
- 393 ~~4.~~ Outdoor display and sale of Christmas trees shall be permitted for a period not to
394 exceed 30 consecutive days each year.¹
- 395 ~~5.3.~~ Outdoor display and sale of flowers shall be permitted for a period not to exceed
396 seven consecutive days and not more than two such periods each year.¹
- 397 ~~6.4.~~ Outdoor activities sponsored by the county, nonprofit organizations and community
398 groups shall be permitted for a period not to exceed three consecutive days and not
399 more than four such periods each year.¹
- 400 ~~7.~~ Outdoor display and sale of general merchandise in connection with an established
401 retail business on the same lot shall be permitted and the parking requirement waived
402 for a period not to exceed three consecutive days and not more than four such periods
403 each year upon the approval of the zoning administrator whenever he finds that the
404 waiver will encourage and promote sound retail activity without disruption to the
405 community.²
- 406 ~~8.5.~~ Outdoor display and storage of goods that are customarily used outside such as
407 fertilizers, mulch, peat moss and garden tools shall be permitted by the holder of the
408 occupancy permit in designated areas as approved by the zoning administrator,
409 provided that the location does not impede pedestrian or vehicular movement on the
410 property.
- 411 ~~9.6.~~ Uses permitted and conducted in kiosks in accordance with the requirements of
412 §12.5.12, may have outdoor displays of merchandise that extend no more than two
413 feet from the exterior wall of the kiosk and cover no more than 20 sq. ft.
- 414 C. All primary or incidental products shall be sold at retail on the premises, except for those
415 sold in permitted kiosks, florist or gift shops, or restaurants.
- 416 D. ~~Such uses, operations or products shall not adversely affect any contiguous district through~~
417 ~~the dissemination of odor, dust, smoke, fumes, noise, vibration, creation of trash, garbage~~
418 ~~or litter or other similar causes.~~³

§7.7.6. Site development standards

The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as otherwise specified below.

A. Landscaping

10 percent of total site area is required to be landscaped open space in accordance with the requirements of §14.2, Landscaping.

B. Parking and loading

1. Automobile parking space is to be provided as required in §14.3.

¹ Moved to §12.10.5; proposed to be included in new provisions for short term use.

² Moved to §12.5.22 and included in use standard column for ~~relevant~~ relevant uses in C and M use tables in §7.1.2 and §8.1.2, respectively.

³ Enforced by other codes and regulations, including, but not limited to noise ordinance; care of property ordinance.

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2. Loading space to be provided as required in §14.3.

§7.8. MU-VS, Mixed Use –Virginia Square District

§7.8.1. Purpose

The purpose of the MU-VS, Mixed Use –Virginia Square District is to encourage coordinated mixed-use development of medium-density residential and office development within the area of the East End Special Coordinated Mixed Use District that is designated as Medium Density Mixed-Use on the General Land Use Plan in the Virginia Square Metro station Area. The goals of this district are to:

- A. Provide for residential development that meets the housing goals and policies of Arlington County as further set forth in the 2002 Virginia Square Sector Plan;
- B. Encourage quality residential, office and/or mixed use space;
- C. Provide for a tapering of heights between higher density residential development and lower density residential and commercial uses;
- D. Encourage the implementation of urban design, streetscape and open space plans and policies;
- E. Help achieve the policy objectives for increasing locally-oriented retail commercial services; and
- F. Achieve superior architecture and the best in urban design practice.

§7.8.2. Uses

Uses shall be as specified in §7.1.

§7.8.3. Density and dimensional standards

A. By-right

Development allowed by-right in the MU-VS district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	Hotels	All other uses
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)		
Lot area	--	--
Lot area per dwelling unit	--	--
Lot area per sleeping unit	600	--
Lot width, minimum average (feet)	--	--
Height, maximum (feet)	45	45
Floor area ratio, maximum	1.5	1.5

B. Special exception

See §7.8.4.

C. Bulk coverage and placement

For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

D. Exceptions

1. Building placement

Building placement, except for front yard setbacks, shall be as provided in §3.2.5.A for front yard setbacks, buildings fronting on public streets shall have a build-to line of 14

460 feet from the back of curb unless the zoning administrator determines that any
461 additional area between the sidewalk and the building face is built consistent with the
462 Streetscape, Landscaping, and Parking requirements of this subsection. The location of
463 the curb shall be determined by the Department of Environmental Services (DES) and
464 shown on the civil engineering plan submitted pursuant to §7.8.5.B.3, below, and the
465 location of the curb shall be consistent with the Virginia Square Sector Plan, the Master
466 Transportation Plan, and §7.8.5.B, below.

467 **§7.8.4. District use standards**

468 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the MU-VS district include:

469 [A. \[Reserved\]](#)

470 **§7.8.5. Site development standards**

471 [The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as](#)
472 [otherwise specified below.](#)

473 **A. Mix of residential, office, retail, hotel development**

474 By site plan approval pursuant to §15.6, the County Board may modify the regulations of
475 this district in a manner consistent with the following. Actual types and densities of uses to
476 be allowed pursuant to special exception site plan approval will be based on the extent to
477 which a proposed special exception site plan proposed for development or redevelopment
478 meets the standards of this section and accomplishes the policies, recommendations and
479 urban design guidelines contained in the 2002 Virginia Square Sector Plan, the East End
480 “Special Coordinated Mixed Use District” on the General Land Use Plan, and other plans
481 and policies established for the area by the County Board.

482 **1. Density**

483 Where the County Board finds that a development proposal furthers the goals
484 identified in the Virginia Square Sector Plan and the “Special Coordinated Mixed Use
485 District” designation on the General Land Use Plan, including the goals for affordable
486 housing, it may approve a density of up to 4.0 F.A.R. west of North Kansas Street and
487 may approve a density of up to 3.24 F.A.R. east of North Kansas Street. The County
488 Board may approve additional density up to a further 1.0 F.A.R. west of North Kansas
489 Street and may approve additional density up to a further 1.76 F.A.R. east of North
490 Kansas Street if it finds that:

- 491 **(a)** Additional affordable dwelling units are being provided to a degree that is at least
492 consistent with the goals set forth on the General Land Use Plan and in the
493 Virginia Square Sector Plan; and
- 494 **(b)** The development proposal offers important community benefits identified in
495 approved plans.
- 496 **(c)** Under no circumstances shall application of the provisions for additional density
497 be applied to permit a height of more than the building height limits set forth
498 below or a density greater than 5.0 F.A.R.

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2. Height, tapering and step-back

(a) Building heights shall taper down from Fairfax Drive to Wilson Boulevard. Under no circumstances shall the County Board approve a height of more than the following, unless as permitted in §7.8.5.A.2(b) and §7.8.5.A.2(c), below:

(1) Block 1

Bordered by Fairfax Drive, Wilson Boulevard, North Lincoln Street, and North Kansas Street:

- (i) Fronting Fairfax Drive – 13 stories, or 135 feet
- (ii) Fronting Wilson Boulevard – nine stories, or 95 feet

(2) Block 2

Bordered by Fairfax Drive, Wilson Boulevard, North Kansas Street, and North Kenmore Street:

- (i) Fronting Fairfax Drive – 10 stories, or 105 feet
- (ii) Fronting Wilson Boulevard – nine stories, or 95 feet

(3) Block 3

Bordered by Fairfax Drive, Wilson Boulevard, North Kenmore Street, and North Jackson Street:

- (i) Fronting Fairfax Drive – 10 stories, or 105 feet
- (ii) Fronting Wilson Boulevard – nine stories, or 95 feet

(4) Block 4

Bordered by North Jackson Street, Fairfax Drive /10th Street, and Wilson Boulevard fronting Fairfax Drive, 10th Street and Wilson Boulevard – seven stories, or 90 feet, except for mechanical penthouses and architectural embellishments.

(b) Mechanical penthouses may be permitted above the height limits described above, provided that they are set back from the building edge a distance equal to their height and the County Board finds that the design of the mechanical penthouse and surrounding roof area contributes positively to the design of the skyline of Virginia Square. Under no circumstances shall the height of a mechanical penthouse exceed 18 feet.

(c) Architectural embellishments on buildings within Block 4 and facing Fairfax Drive/10th Street or Wilson Boulevard may project above the primary roof line a maximum of 25 feet to emphasize the gateway location.

(d) Buildings along Fairfax Drive shall provide a step-back of no less than 15 feet from the building wall at a point that is above the third story but no higher than 45 feet, where the overall building height is 10 stories or more.

(e) Buildings along Wilson Boulevard shall provide a step-back of no less than 15 feet from the building wall, above the sixth story.

(f) Buildings shall be designed with ground floor retail space with a floor-to-ceiling height of at least 12 feet.

539 **3. Urban design guidelines**

540 Unless otherwise approved by the County Board, development subject to site plan
541 approval pursuant to §15.6 shall meet the urban design guidelines stated in the Virginia
542 Square Sector Plan and any other plans the County Board has adopted for this area,
543 including but not limited to, the guidelines for:

544 (a) Relationship of buildings to streets

545 (b) Building size and site area

546 (c) Open space

547 (d) Landscaping

548 (e) Streetscape

549 (f) Retail frontage

550 (g) Roofs and mechanical penthouses

551 (h) Internal block pedestrian/vehicular access

552 **4. Parking**

553 Unless modified by the County Board, parking requirements shall be as specified and
554 regulated in §14.3, and as below:

555 (a) The equivalent of one off-street parking space shall be provided for each dwelling
556 unit, subject to the provisions as specified in §7.8.5.A.4(d)(2), below.

557 (b) Office and retail parking may be approved at a rate of one off-street parking space
558 for each 580 sq. ft. of office and retail gross floor area. No parking shall be
559 required for retail and service-commercial uses for the first 5,000 sq. ft. of gross
560 floor area per main building except as described below in §7.8.5.A.4(d)(2). In
561 determining the parking requirement for a particular proposal, the County Board
562 may consider the adequacy of both a Shared Parking Management Plan (SPMP)
563 and a Transportation Demand Management Plan (TDMP) proposed for the
564 project.

565 (c) Hotel: 0.7 off-street parking space for each guest room.

566 (d) To ensure shared parking spaces for use by visitors, clients and retail patrons in
567 the Virginia Square Metro station Area, a SPMP shall be submitted as part of the
568 site plan application. The SPMP shall be developed pursuant to the following
569 guidelines:

570 (1) The allocation for short-term, high-turnover spaces for use by visitors to
571 retail establishments, residential and office establishments in a buildings
572 shall be based on the guidelines below and may be provided out of the total
573 overall building parking requirement, if appropriate provisions are made in
574 the SPMP for such shared use, on terms acceptable to the County Board at
575 the time of site plan approval.

576 (2) In commercial and mixed-use buildings (i.e., buildings with at least 50
577 percent non-residential uses by gross floor area (GFA)), or in residential
578 buildings (i.e. buildings with 50 percent or more GFA devoted to residential
579 uses) parking on the first level of a parking garage shall be provided as short-

580 term, high-turnover spaces for use by visitors to retail establishments,
581 residential and office establishments in the buildings and shall be determined
582 based upon the following minimum quantities:

- 583 (i) The quantity of parking spaces that are exempt for retail or service
584 commercial uses as described in §7.8.5.A.4(b), above;
- 585 (ii) All retail space parking required as a result of any ground floor retail or
586 office space provision in the design at a ratio of one space per 580 sq. ft.
587 of GFA;
- 588 (iii) 0.1 space per dwelling unit shall be provided as short-term, high
589 turnover parking; and
- 590 (iv) The remaining commercially-oriented parking provided in the building
591 shall be made available to the public on evenings and weekend hours.

592 (3) All of the short term, high turnover and visitor parking provided pursuant to
593 this §7.8.5.A.5(d) shall be located and signed in the garage in such a manner
594 as to optimize safe and friendly pedestrian access by its users to the retail
595 frontage and building cores it is intended to serve.

596 (4) Deviations from these guidelines may be approved by the County Board
597 upon a satisfactory demonstration of the rationale for such a request,
598 supported by such parking demand/transportation demand analyses and/or
599 design studies reflecting difficult site conditions and /or acceptable
600 alternative parking provision solutions.

601 **§7.8.5. Site development standards**

602 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
603 otherwise specified below.

604 **A.B. Streetscape**

- 605 1. The periphery of any site fronting on public rights-of-way shall be landscaped from face
606 of curb to face of building by the provision of curb, gutter, landscape strip, sidewalk,
607 and street lights according to the design standards described below in this subsection
608 and the landscaping standards in §14.2.
- 609 2. The zoning administrator may approve the use of a portion of the public right-of-way to
610 provide the area needed to fulfill the streetscape requirements, when that is consistent
611 with the requirements of this subsection and provides uniformity with adjacent
612 abutting sites.
- 613 3. A civil engineering plan shall be submitted to DES to show the existing and proposed
614 curb and gutter location. The alignment of the curb and gutter shall be as shown on
615 the civil engineering plan approved by the county manager, or his designee. If curb and
616 gutter does not presently exist, curb and gutter shall be constructed meeting DES
617 specifications and shall be constructed to tie in with adjacent-abutting curb and gutter,
618 or as specified by DES, to provide a continuous curb wall along each street in a uniform
619 manner.
- 620 4. If a building wall is located further from the back of curb than 14 feet, the site area
621 between the back of the sidewalk and the building wall shall be designed consistent
622 with the landscaping standards in §14.2 and shall not result in a depressed area below,

- 623 or a raised area above, the sidewalk elevation of more than three feet or for a length
624 that is more than 50 percent of the length of the corresponding property line.
- 625 **5.** Sidewalks shall be built from the back of curb to a minimum six feet clear width,
626 without obstructions, behind a five feet minimum width landscape strip with street
627 tree plantings
- 628 **6.** Street trees shall be planted as provided in §14.2.2, using species designated for
629 street tree use in the Virginia Square Sector Plan.
- 630 **7.** Sidewalks shall be constructed of pavers or concrete meeting DES specifications.
- 631 **8.** Any lighting installed on a property shall be pursuant to a lighting plan approved by the
632 zoning administrator to ensure that conflicts with overhead utilities, driveways, and
633 sidewalks are avoided. Use of the Carlyle-style street light is encouraged.
- 634 **9.** New building construction or expansion of existing structures or uses shall result in no
635 new utility poles, overhead wires or facilities on private property or public right-of-way.

B-C. Landscaping

- 636 Ten percent of each site shall be landscaped in accordance with the requirements of §14.2,
637 Landscaping, and any other plans or policies approved by the County Board for this area.
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- 639 **1.** The provisions of §14.2, including §14.2.2 and §14.2.4, shall be applicable to all uses
640 within the East End “Special Coordinated Mixed Use District.”
- 641 **2.** If surface parking lots are provided, the provisions of §14.2.4 shall apply to all parking
642 areas regardless of the number of parking spaces. Surface parking lots shall be
643 screened by evergreen hedges, at least 18 inches in height at the time of planting and
644 consistent with the Arlington Landscape Standards manual, or a 36- to 48-inch-high
645 brick, stone or concrete wall.

C-D. Parking

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- 647 **1.** Parking requirements shall be calculated as specified in §14.3, to the extent that the
648 requirements of §14.3 are not modified or otherwise specifically mentioned by this
649 subsection D, then those requirements shall apply.
- 650 **2.** However, to encourage and promote pedestrian-related commercial activity in the
651 Metro station areas, to provide relief for expanding, existing commercial uses, and to
652 promote the efficient use of parking spaces in the East End “Special Coordinated Mixed
653 Use District”, no parking shall be required for commercial uses for the first 5,000 sq. ft.
654 of floor area per main building, except that the following uses shall provide all parking
655 that is otherwise required: blueprinting or photostating; ~~business college~~; catering
656 establishment; feed or fuel store; frozen food lockers; ice storage house; indoor
657 swimming pools; ~~offices or clinics, medical or dental~~; ~~hospitals~~; ~~medical or dental clinics~~
658 ~~and laboratories~~; vehicle ~~dealership, sales or rental lots~~ ~~sales, rental or leasing facilities~~;
659 vehicle storage lots; music conservatory or music instruction; plumbing or sheet metal
660 shops; printing, lithographing or publishing; ~~major utilities, community service~~
661 ~~uses~~ ~~public service, including electric distribution substation, fire or police station,~~
662 ~~telephone exchange and the like~~; sign ~~making~~ ~~painting~~ shops; vehicle service
663 establishment; trade or commercial school.

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3. All restaurants within the “Special Coordinated Mixed Use District” may provide parking consistent with §14.3.6.A. If a restaurant use expands its operations to exceed what is defined in §14.3.6.A, parking shall be provided consistent with 2, 4, and 5 of this subsection.
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4. Up to 100 percent of any required parking may be provided off-site if the said parking spaces are located within a ¼-mile radius of the subject site and if a legally binding parking agreement meeting the standards of §14.3.6.B is provided to the zoning administrator.
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5. No development shall be exempt from parking requirements under this section, unless it meets the urban design requirements set forth in §7.8.3, §7.8.5.B , and §7.8.5.C. Development plans showing such urban design shall be submitted for approval by the zoning administrator prior to any development activity on the site.
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6. On-street parking shall be maximized on each street. To increase the quantity of on-street parking, the quantity of driveway openings shall be minimized and shall not exceed more than two per property frontage. Driveway openings shall be constructed consistent with the requirements of §14.3.

§7.9. C-1-O, Limited Commercial ~~Professional~~ Office Building District

§7.9.1. Purpose

The intent of the C-1-O, Limited Commercial ~~Professional~~ Office Building District is to provide areas for nonretail commercial uses such as offices and financial institutions in a low-intensity manner.

§7.9.2. Uses

Uses shall be as specified in §7.1.

§7.9.3. Density and dimensional standards

A. By-right

Development allowed by-right in the C-1-O district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family Dwellings	All Other Uses
Lot area, minimum (sq. ft.)	6,000	20,000
Lot width, average (feet)	60	100
Height, maximum (feet)	35	35
Floor area ratio, maximum		
Site area up to 9,999	--	0.40
Site area 10,000 to 19,999	--	0.50
Site area 20,000 and above	--	0.60

B. Bulk, coverage and placement

For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

C. Exceptions

1. The County Board may rezone a traditional lot(s) to the C-1-O district that does not meet minimum width and area requirements.
2. The County Board may rezone to the C-1-O district a lot which is located adjacent to ~~the a~~ C or M districts with more than 20,000 sq. ft. and designated for commercial or industrial use on the general land use plan subject to the floor area requirements listed above. Under no circumstances shall the lot being considered for rezoning have a lot area of less than 6,000 sq. ft.

§7.9.4. District use standards

Use standards applicable to specific uses in the C-1-O district include:

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§7.9.5. Use limitations

Building Type: All buildings erected under the provisions of this section shall have an exterior design so as to present the appearance of a residential structure. The basis for judging the exterior design shall be the degree to which the structure has the appearance of and complies with the bulk and placement requirements for residential buildings and structures in the vicinity of the site.

712 **§7.9.6. Site development standards**

713 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
714 otherwise specified below.

715 **A. Landscaping**

716 20 percent of total site area is required to be landscaped open space in accordance with
717 the requirements of §14.2, Landscaping.

718 **B. Parking and loading**

719 Parking and loading shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of §14.3.

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§7.10. C-O-1.0, ~~Commercial Office Building, Hotel and Apartment~~Mixed Use District

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§7.10.1. Purpose

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The purpose of the C-O-1.0, ~~Commercial Office Building, Hotel and Apartment District~~Mixed Use District is to provide for limited office building land use and, under appropriate conditions, office building, hotel, ~~apartment multiple-family~~, commercial and/or institutional redevelopment of older commercial areas. Appropriate mixtures of use and densities under the terms of this district are to be determined in accordance with the conditional use provisions of this zoning ordinance and shall be consistent with the General Land Use Plan or approved plans for the area. Determination as to the actual types and densities of uses to be allowed will be based on the characteristics of individual sites in their neighborhood and on the need for community facilities, open and landscaped areas, circulation and utilities.

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§7.10.2. Uses

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Uses shall be as specified in §7.1.

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§7.10.3. Density and dimensional standards

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Development allowed by-right in the C-O-1.0 district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family Dwellings	All Other Uses
Lot area, minimum (sq. ft.)	6,000	20,000
Lot width, minimum average (feet)	60	100
Height, maximum (feet)	35	35
Floor area ratio, maximum		
Site area up to 9,999	--	0.40
Site area 10,000 to 19,999	--	0.50
Site area 20,000 and above	--	0.60

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B. Special exception

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Development allowed by special exception in the C-O-1.0 district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise approved by the County Board.

Type of Standard	Institutional uses including hospitals, nursing homes and group care facilities	Office, Commercial	Apartment	Hotel	All other uses
Density, maximum (units/acre)	--	--	40	60	
Lot area, minimum (sq. ft.)	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Lot width, average (feet)	100	100	100	100	100
Height, maximum (stories)	--	5	6	6	35
Floor area ratio, maximum	1.0	1.0	--	--	
Site area up to 9,999, sq. ft.					0.4
Site area 10,000 to 19,999 sq. ft.					0.5
Site area 20,000 and above sq. ft.					0.6

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C. Bulk, coverage and placement

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For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

§7.10.4 DISTRICT USE STANDARDS

744 **D. Exceptions**

- 745 1. Stories shall be counted from the average elevation of the site. Mechanical equipment
746 placed on roof shall be enclosed or screened.
- 747 2. The County Board may authorize application for rezoning to the C-O-1.0 district where
748 a lot or plot having less width or less area which [sic] is any part of a block surrounded
749 by streets and/or buildings that generally comply with the provisions of this section.
- 750 3. [Hotel meeting rooms and restaurants may be permitted to exceed the above density](#)
751 [by site plan approval.](#)

752 **§7.10.4. District use standards**

753 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the C-O-1.0 district include:

754 **A. Office, commercial, institutional, apartment or hotel uses**

- 755 1. By site plan approval, any building or group of buildings may have ~~a mix of ed office,~~
756 ~~commercial, institutional, apartment or hotel~~ uses, but no part of any site shall be used
757 more than once in calculating its permitted density of use. ~~The amount of the site~~
758 ~~required for a given office, commercial and/or institutional floor area is determined by~~
759 ~~dividing the total amount of floor area for such uses by 1.0.¹ The balance of the site is~~
760 ~~available for hotel and/or apartment use.~~
- 761 ~~2. Hotel meeting rooms and restaurants may be permitted to exceed the above density~~
762 ~~by site plan approval.²~~

763 **§7.10.5. Site development standards**

764 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
765 otherwise specified below.

766 **A. Parking**

767 Parking shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of §14.3, except as provided
768 above in an approved site plan.

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¹ This statement is redundant to §7.10.3, and not necessary.

² This is not a use standards, but a density or dimensional standards. Moved to §7.10.3.D.3.

771 **§7.11. C-O-1.5, ~~Commercial Office Building, Hotel and Apartment~~**
 772 **Mixed Use District**

773 **§7.11.1. Purpose**

774 The purpose of the C-O-1.5, ~~Commercial Office Building, Hotel and Apartment~~Mixed Use District
 775 is to provide for limited office building land use and, under appropriate conditions, office
 776 building, hotel, multiple-family, commercial and/or institutional redevelopment of older
 777 commercial and industrial areas. Appropriate mixtures of use and densities under the terms of
 778 this district are to be determined in accordance with the special exception provisions of this
 779 zoning ordinance and shall be consistent with the General Land Use Plan or approved plans for
 780 the area. Determinations as to the actual types and densities of uses to be allowed will be based
 781 on the characteristics of individual sites in their neighborhood and on the need for community
 782 facilities, open and landscaped areas, circulation and utilities.

783 **§7.11.2. Uses**

784 Uses shall be as specified in §7.1.

785 **§7.11.3. Density and dimensional standards**

786 **A. By-right**

787 Development allowed by-right in the C-O-1.5 district shall comply with the following
 788 standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family Dwellings	All Other Uses
Lot area, minimum (sq. ft.)	6,000	20,000
Lot width, average (feet)	60	100
Height, maximum (feet)	35	35
Floor area ratio, maximum		
Site area up to 9,999	--	0.40
Site area 10,000 to 19,999	--	0.50
Site area 20,000 and above	--	0.60

789 **B. Special exception**

790 Development allowed by special exception in the C-O-1.5 district shall comply with the
 791 following standards, except as otherwise approved by the County Board.

Type of Standard	Institutional uses including hospitals, nursing homes and group care facilities	Office, Commercial	Multiple-family Apartment	Hotel	All other uses
Density, maximum (units/acre)	--	--	72	110	
Lot area, minimum (sq. ft.)	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Lot width, average (feet)	100	100	100	100	100
Height, maximum (feet)					35
Height, maximum (stories)					
Sites less than 20 acres	--	8	10	10	
Sites more than 20 acres	--	12-18	12-18	12-18	
Floor area ratio, maximum	1.5	1.5	--	--	
Site area up to 9,999, sq. ft.					0.4
Site area 10,000 to 19,999 sq. ft.					0.5
Site area 20,000 and above sq. ft.					0.6

792 **C. Bulk, coverage and placement**

793 For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

794 **D. Height**

795 **1.** On sites of less than 20 acres in area, no building, excluding mechanical penthouse
796 area, shall exceed eight stories for office buildings and 10 stories for multiple-family
797 and hotel buildings. Varied building heights will be encouraged, but the maximum
798 average height for such sites shall not exceed eight stories.

799 **2.** On sites of 20 acres or larger, varied building heights will be encouraged, but the
800 average height of all buildings shall not exceed 12 stories with no individual building
801 exceeding 18 stories except as provided in §15.5.7. No building which exceeds 12
802 stories for multiple-family or hotels or eight stories for offices shall be located within
803 200 feet of a residential district with a lower height limit. Average height in stories is
804 the quotient of the gross floor area of all uses divided by the sum of the arithmetic
805 means of the floor areas of each and every building that is part of the total site.
806 Parapet walls may be extended upward to screen a mechanical penthouse. This area
807 shall not be counted as a story but may be enclosed and in addition to those uses
808 meeting the definition of mechanical penthouse, may also be used for elevator,
809 mechanical and maintenance equipment, restaurants, meeting rooms, recreational
810 facilities and other ancillary uses. Area of a~~All other~~ uses other than the
811 mentioned uses within a mechanical penthouse ~~area~~ shall be counted as gross
812 floor area.

813 **E. Lot area and width**

814 The County Board may authorize application for rezoning to the C-O-1.5 District where a lot
815 or plot having less width or less area which [sic] is any part of a block surrounded by streets
816 and/or buildings that generally comply with the provisions of this section.

817 **F. Density**

818 Restaurants, theaters, hotel meeting rooms and community facilities and uses may be
819 permitted and may exceed the permitted densities by site plan approval, provided any
820 reduction in required parking shall follow special study of their related parking
821 requirements. ¹

822 **§7.11.4. District use standards**

823 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the C-O.1.5 district include:

824 **~~A.~~ Office, commercial, institutional, apartment or hotel uses**

- 825 **1.** By site plan approval, any building or group of buildings may have a mixed office,
826 commercial, institutional, apartment or hotel uses, of uses, but no part of any site shall
827 be used more than once in calculating its permitted density of use. The balance of the
828 site is available for hotel and/or apartment use.
- 829 **2.** ~~Restaurants, theaters, hotel meeting rooms and community facilities and uses may be~~
830 ~~permitted and may exceed the permitted densities by site plan approval, provided any~~

¹ Moved from §7.11.4

831 ~~reduction in required parking shall follow special study of their related parking~~
832 ~~requirements.~~¹

833 **§7.11.5. Site development standards**

834 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
835 otherwise specified below.

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¹ Moved to §7.11.3.F.

837 **§7.12. C-O-2.5, ~~Commercial Office Building, Hotel and~~**
838 **~~Apartment~~Mixed Use District**

839 **§7.12.1. Purpose**

840 The purpose of the C-O-2.5, ~~Commercial Office Building, Hotel and Apartment-Mixed Use~~ District
841 is to provide for limited office building land use and, under appropriate conditions high-rise
842 office building, hotel, commercial and/or ~~apartment~~multiple-family redevelopment within
843 "Metro Transit Corridors" as designated by the County Board. Appropriate mixtures of use and
844 densities under the terms of this district are to be determined in accordance with the
845 conditional use provisions of this zoning ordinance and shall be consistent with the General Land
846 Use Plan or approved plans for the area. Determinations as to the actual types and densities of
847 uses to be allowed will be based on the characteristics of individual sites in their neighborhood
848 and on the need for community facilities, open and landscaped areas, circulation and utilities.

849 **§7.12.2. Uses**

850 Uses shall be as specified in §7.1.

851 **§7.12.3. Density and dimensional standards**

852 **A. By-right**

853 Development permitted by-right in the C-O-2.5 district shall comply with the following
854 standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family Dwelling	All Other Uses
Lot area, minimum (sq. ft.)	6,000	20,000
Lot width (feet)	60	100
Height, maximum (feet)	35	35
Floor area ratio, maximum		
Site area up to 9,999	--	0.40
Site area 10,000 to 19,999	--	0.50
Site area 20,000 and above	--	0.60

855 **B. Special exception**

856 Development allowed by special exception in the C-O-1.0 district shall comply with the
857 following standards, except as otherwise approved by the County Board.

Type of Standard	Institutional uses including hospitals, nursing homes, and group care facilities	Office, Commercial	Multiple-familyApartment	Hotel	All other uses
Density, maximum (units/acre)	--	--	115	180	
Lot area, minimum (sq. ft.)	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Lot width, average (feet)	100	100	100	100	100
Height, maximum (stories), excluding mechanical penthouse	--	12	16	16	35
Floor area ratio, maximum	2.5	2.5	--	--	
Site area up to 9,999, sq. ft.					0.4
Site area 10,000 to 19,999 sq. ft.					0.5
Site area 20,000 and above sq. ft.					0.6

858 **C. Bulk, coverage and placement**

859 For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

860 **D. Exceptions**

861 **1. Height**

862 By site plan approval the following may be approved:

863 (a) Parapet walls may be extended upward to screen a mechanical penthouse. This
864 area shall not be counted as a story but may be enclosed and may also be used for
865 ~~elevator, mechanical and maintenance equipment~~, private clubs, auditoriums,
866 meeting rooms and restaurants.

867 (b) All permitted additional mechanical penthouse uses shall be limited to one floor.
868 Elevator service to the penthouse level may be considered in support of an
869 approved additional use in the mechanical penthouse ~~use~~.

870 **2. Lot area and width**

871 The County Board may authorize application for rezoning to the C-O-2.5 District where
872 a lot or plot having less width or less area ~~which [sic] that~~ is any part of a block
873 surrounded by streets and/or buildings that generally comply with the provisions of this
874 section.

875 **3. Density**

876 Hotel meeting rooms and restaurants may be permitted to exceed the above density
877 by site plan approval.¹

878 **§7.12.4. District use standards**

879 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the C-O-2.5 district include:

880 **A. Office, commercial uses including retail and service commercial uses,
881 apartment or hotel uses**

882 1. ~~By site plan approval, a~~Any building or group of buildings may have ~~a mix of uses mixed~~
883 ~~office, commercial uses including retail and service commercial uses, apartment or~~
884 ~~hotel uses, as follows~~, but no part of any site shall be used more than once in
885 calculating its permitted density of use.

886 2. ~~Hotel meeting rooms and restaurants may be permitted to exceed the above density~~
887 ~~by site plan approval.~~²

888 **§7.12.5. Site development standards**

889 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
890 otherwise specified below.

891 **A. Parking**

892 As specified and regulated in §14.3, except as provided above in an approved site plan.

¹ From §7.12.5

² This is not a use standard, but a density or dimensional standards. Moved to §7.12.3.D.3.

§7.13. C-O, Commercial Office Building, Hotel and Multiple-Family Dwelling Mixed Use District

§7.13.1. Purpose

The purpose of the C-O, Commercial Office Building, Hotel and Multiple-family Dwelling District is to provide for limited office building land use, and under appropriate conditions, to encourage rebuilding with high-rise office buildings, hotels, or multiple-family dwellings in the vicinity of Metrorail stations. Determination as to the appropriate mixtures of uses and densities shall be based on the General Land Use Plan designation or approved plans for the area, characteristics of individual sites and the need for community facilities, open space and landscaped area, circulation and utilities.

§7.13.2. Uses

Uses shall be as specified in §7.1.

§7.13.3. Density and dimensional standards

A. By-right

Development allowed by-right in the C-O district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family Dwellings	All Other Uses
Lot area, minimum (sq. ft.)	6,000	20,000
Lot width, minimum average (feet)	60	100
Height, maximum (feet)	35	35
Floor area ratio, maximum		
Site area up to 9,999	--	0.40
Site area 10,000 to 19,999	--	0.50
Site area 20,000 and above	--	0.60

B. Special exception

Development allowed by special exception in the C-O district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise approved by the County Board.

Type of Standard	Office, Commercial	Multiple-family Apartment	Hotel
Lot area, minimum (sq. ft.)	30,000	30,000	30,000
Lot width, average (feet)	125	125	125
Height, maximum, including <u>mechanical</u> penthouse and parapet walls (feet)	153	180	180
Floor area ratio, maximum	3.8	4.8	3.8

C. Bulk, coverage and placement

For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

D. Exceptions

1. Lot area and width

The County Board may authorize application for rezoning to the C-O district where a lot

917 or plot having less width or less area is part of a block surrounded by streets and/or
918 buildings that generally comply with the provisions of this section.

919 **§7.13.4. District use standards**

920 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the C-O district include:

921 **A. Office, hotel, multiple-family dwelling and commercial development**

922 ~~By site plan approval, a~~Any building or group of buildings may have ~~a mixed-office, multiple-~~
923 ~~family dwelling, commercial or hotel of~~ uses. No portion of the site shall be used more than
924 one time in computing the permitted density. All mechanical penthouse area in excess of
925 that used for elevator, mechanical, or maintenance equipment shall be counted as gross
926 floor area.

927 **§7.13.5. Site development standards**

928 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
929 otherwise specified below.

930 **A. Parking requirements**

- 931 **1.** As specified and regulated in §14.3, except that the following may be approved by site
932 plan:
- 933 **(a)** Office, Retail, Service Commercial Space: One off-street parking space for each
934 530 sq. ft. of gross floor area.
 - 935 **(b)** Multiple-family Dwelling: One off-street parking space for each dwelling unit.
 - 936 **(c)** Hotel: 0.7 off-street parking spaces for each guest room and dwelling unit.
- 937 **2.** The above required parking shall be located below grade or within the structure
938 housing the use to which the parking is appurtenant, except as may be allowed in an
939 approved site plan.

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§7.14.1 PURPOSE

941 **§7.14. C-O-A, ~~Commercial, Office and Apartment~~ Mixed Use District**

942 **§7.14.1. Purpose**

943 The purpose of the C-O-A, ~~Commercial, Office and Apartment~~ Mixed Use District is to encourage
 944 a coordinated mixed-use development of office, ~~apartment~~ multiple-family and hotel use in the
 945 vicinity of Metro-rail stations. To be eligible for the district, a site, or a major portion of a site,
 946 shall be located within an area designated for "coordinated mixed use development" on the
 947 General Land Use Plan. Determination as to the actual types and densities of uses to be allowed
 948 will be based on the characteristics of individual sites and on the need for community facilities,
 949 open space and landscaped areas, circulation and utilities.

950 **§7.14.2. Uses**

951 Uses shall be as specified in §7.1.

952 **§7.14.3. Density and dimensional standards**

953 **A. By-right**

954 Development allowed by-right in the C-O-A district shall comply with the following
 955 standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family Dwellings	Hotels	All Other Uses
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)			
Lot area	6,000	--	--
Lot area per dwelling unit	6,000	--	--
Lot area per sleeping or living unit		600	
Lot width, minimum average (feet)	60	--	--
Height, maximum (feet)	35	45	45

956 **B. Special exception**

957 **1. General**

958 The boundaries of this district shall be fixed by amendment of the zoning map at such
 959 time in the future as the district is applied to specific properties in the County.

960 **2. Height**

961 **(a)** Development allowed by special exception in the C-O-A district shall comply with
 962 the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	Office and Hotel	Multiple-family Apartment
Height, maximum (feet)		
Site area 19,999 or less	100	151
Site area 20,000 to 29,999	110	162
Site area 30,000 to 39,999	120	171
Site area 40,000 to 49,999	130	180
Site area 50,000 to 59,999	140	189
Site area 60,000 to 69,999	150	198
Site area 70,000 to 79,999	160	207
Site area 80,000 or more	170	216

- 963 (b) Site plans are required to be approved as provided for in §15.6, except that under
- 964 no circumstances shall the height of any building exceed the height limits
- 965 established in §7.14.3.B.2(a) by more than 30 feet.
- 966 (c) No building, nor the enlargement of any building, including mechanical penthouse
- 967 height and/or height of parapet walls, shall be hereafter erected to exceed the
- 968 above height.
- 969 (d) An apartment multiple-family structure shall be any building with a minimum of 30
- 970 percent of the gross floor area in apartment multiple-family use.

971 **3. Density**

- 972 (a) Office, apartment multiple-family, hotel and commercial development may be
- 973 approved at the following densities:

Site Area (sq. ft.)	Total Floor Area Ratio	Maximum Office Hotel and Commercial Floor
4,999 or less	1.0	.5
5,000	1.5	.75
10,000	2.0	1.0
15,000	2.5	1.25
20,000	3.0	1.5
30,000	3.5	1.75
40,000	4.0	2.0
50,000	4.5	2.25
60,000	5.0	2.50
70,000	5.5	2.75
80,000 or more	6.0	3.0

- 974 (b) On sites with more area than 5,000 sq. ft. and less area than 20,000 sq. ft. which
- 975 do not have the precise number of sq. ft. shown on the chart above, the F.A.R.
- 976 shall be the F.A.R. allowed for the next smaller site as shown on the chart plus
- 977 .0001 maximum total F.A.R. for each additional square foot of site area. The
- 978 maximum office, hotel, and commercial F.A.R. to be added for each square foot
- 979 shall be .00005. On sites with more than 20,000 sq. ft. and less area than 80,000
- 980 sq. ft. which do not have the precise number of sq. ft. shown on the chart above,
- 981 the F.A.R. shall be the F.A.R. allowed for the next smaller site shown on the chart
- 982 plus .00005 maximum total F.A.R. for each additional square foot of site area. The
- 983 maximum office, hotel, and commercial F.A.R. to be added for each square foot
- 984 shall be .000025.
- 985 (c) To encourage the development of multiple-family, an additional ½ F.A.R. may be
- 986 approved within any project that is at least 90 percent committed to
- 987 apartment multiple-family use. The additional ½ F.A.R. may be used for
- 988 apartment multiple-family, commercial or office use.
- 989 (d) The County Board may modify the mix of uses within a site plan to allow hotel use
- 990 to substitute for apartment multiple-family use. Provided, however, that such
- 991 modification will not result in more than 800,000 sq. ft. of hotel gross floor area
- 992 being substituted for apartment multiple-family use in the C-O-A district.
- 993 (e) Buildings in which the primary use is hotel shall have 50 percent of the gross floor
- 994 area located at street level in retail use except as otherwise approved by site plan

§7.14.4 DISTRICT USE STANDARDS

995 by the County Board. To the extent practical, retail uses shall front on the street
996 and be directly accessible therefrom except as otherwise approved by site plan by
997 the County Board.

998 **C. Bulk, coverage and placement**

999 For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

1000 **§7.14.4. District use standards**

1001 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the C-O-A district include:

1002 **A. Hotel**

1003 For hotel use, when subject to site plan approval, a transportation demand management
1004 plan shall be provided which addresses among other things retail and shared parking of
1005 motor vehicles including buses.

1006 **§7.14.5. Site development standards**

1007 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
1008 otherwise specified below.

1009 **A. Landscaping**

1010 A minimum of 10 percent of the total site area is required to be landscaped open space in
1011 accordance with the requirements of §14.2, Landscaping.

1012 **B. Parking and loading space**

- 1013 **1.** One off-street parking space shall be provided for each dwelling unit.
- 1014 **2.** One parking space for each 530 sq. ft. of commercial or office space, provided that one
1015 parking space for each 580 sq. ft. of commercial or office space shall be required in
1016 projects with associated [apartment multiple-family](#) use.
- 1017 **3.** One parking space for each hotel unit.
- 1018 **4.** Off-street loading spaces for all permitted uses shall be provided as specified in §14.3.

§7.15. C-O Rosslyn, ~~Commercial Office Building, Retail, Hotel and Multiple-Family Dwelling~~ Mixed Use Rosslyn District

§7.15.1. Purpose

The purpose of the C-O, Rosslyn, ~~Commercial Office Building, Retail, Hotel and Multiple family Dwelling~~ Mixed Use Rosslyn District is to encourage a mixed-use development of office, retail and service commercial, hotel and multiple-family dwelling uses within the Rosslyn Metro station Area and the area designated as the Rosslyn Coordinated Redevelopment District on the General Land Use Plan. When a lot is located in the area designated Rosslyn Coordinated Redevelopment District on the General Land Use Plan, site plans may be approved by the County Board. Determination as to the actual types and densities of uses to be allowed will be based on the characteristics of the site and its location, and on the extent to which the proposed site plan for development, redevelopment or rehabilitation of the site meets the standards of this section and accomplishes the policies and recommendations contained in the Rosslyn Station Area Plan Addendum and other plans and policies established for the area by the County Board. The goals of this district are to:

- A. Create premier office space suitable for regional and national headquarters of major corporations, institutions and international firms;
- B. Provide hotels that expand and enhance hotel services for Rosslyn and Arlington County businesses, residents, and visitors;
- C. Provide residential development that meets the housing goals and policies of Arlington County;
- D. Implement urban design, streetscape and open space plans and policies, including the central place, the esplanade and other public facilities;
- E. Achieve the policy objectives for increasing retail commercial services in the center of Rosslyn; and
- F. Achieve superior architecture and the best in urban design practice.

§7.15.2. Uses

Uses shall be as specified in §7.1 and special exception site plans as previously approved by the County Board, subject to all conditions of approval and any future amendments which the County Board may approve.

§7.15.3. Density and dimensional standards

A. By-right

Development allowed by-right in the C-O Rosslyn district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	Single-family Dwellings	All Other Uses
Lot area, minimum (sq. ft.)	6,000	20,000
Lot width (feet)	60	100
Height, maximum (feet)	35	35
Floor area ratio, maximum Site area up to 9,999	--	0.40

Type of Standard	Single-family Dwellings	All Other Uses
Site area 10,000 to 19,999	--	0.50
Site area 20,000 and above	--	0.60

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B. Special exception

Development allowed by special exception in the C-O district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise approved by the County Board.

Type of Standard	Office, Retail, Service Commercial	Multiple-family Dwellings	Hotel
Lot area, minimum (sq. ft.)	30,000	30,000	30,000
Lot width, average (feet)	125	125	125
Height, maximum, including penthouse and parapet walls (feet)	153	180	180
Floor area ratio, maximum	3.8	4.8	4.8

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C. Bulk, coverage and placement

For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

D. Exceptions

1. Density

No portion of the site shall be used more than one time in computing the permitted density. All mechanical penthouse area in excess of that used for elevator, mechanical, or maintenance equipment shall be counted as gross floor area.

2. Provision for additional density and height

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(a) In considering the approval of a site plan the County Board may permit additional density, above 3.8 floor area ratio (FAR) for office, retail and service commercial uses, above 4.8 F.A.R. for hotels and multiple-family dwellings, and above the existing density on a site when it is already greater than 3.8 F.A.R. for office, retail and service commercial uses, or above 4.8 F.A.R. for hotels and multiple-family dwellings, up to maximum of 10.0 F.A.R. and/or height up to a maximum of 300 feet. Increases in density and height may be approved when the County Board finds that the development proposal offers important community benefits identified in approved plans for the area and meets the other special exception criteria of the zoning ordinance. In considering such modification, the County Board may also consider characteristics of the site and the area as described in §15.5.7 and the plans and policies adopted for the area. Provisions of §15.5.9 for the approval of additional height and density shall not be applicable in the C-O Rosslyn district. Under no circumstances shall application of the modification of use provisions of §15.5.7 be applied to permit a density of more than 10.0 F.A.R. or a height of more than 300 feet except as described below.

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(b) To enable the county to provide for adequate streets the County Board may grant additional density (F.A.R.) within the height limit up to an amount that would be permitted if any area dedicated from the site for street purposes were permitted to be counted in calculating density.

1085 (c) To enable the county to achieve an enhanced Rosslyn skyline and other
1086 community amenities the County Board may grant additional height up to
1087 maximum of 490 feet above sea level for projects within Central Place (defined as
1088 the area bounded by 19th Street N., N. Lynn Street, Wilson Boulevard, and Fort
1089 Myer Drive). Development subject to site plan approval pursuant to §15.6 within
1090 Central Place may be approved when the County Board finds a project is generally
1091 consistent with the May 5, 2007 County Board Resolution on Urban Design
1092 Principles for Rosslyn Central Place, and additionally meets the standards of
1093 §15.5.5.

1094 **3. Lot area and width**

1095 The County Board may authorize application for rezoning to the C-O Rosslyn District
1096 where a lot or plot having less width or less area is part of a block surrounded by
1097 streets and/or buildings that generally comply with the provisions of this section.

1098 **§7.15.4. District use standards**

1099 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the C-O Roslyn district include:

1100 A. [Reserved]

1101 **§7.15.5. Site development standards**

1102 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
1103 otherwise specified below.

1104 **A. Retail and service commercial uses when allowed by the General Land Use**
1105 **Plan**

1106 In site plan projects, r Retail and service commercial uses, when allowed by the General
1107 Land Use Plan, shall be provided and located as described in the Rosslyn Station Area Plan
1108 Addendum. Primary retail and service commercial uses shall generally be located at the
1109 street level and on the streets identified for such uses in the Rosslyn Station Area Plan
1110 Addendum. Secondary retail and service commercial uses shall generally be located on
1111 levels other than the street level and off the street frontages or in areas designated for
1112 secondary retail and service commercial uses in the Rosslyn Station Area Plan Addendum.

1113 ~~**§7.15.5. Site development standards**~~

1114 ~~The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as~~
1115 ~~otherwise specified below.~~

1116 ~~**A.B. Landscaping**~~

1117 20 percent of total site area is required to be landscaped open space in accordance with
1118 the requirements of §14.2, Landscaping. The County Board may modify landscaping
1119 requirements by site plan approval when the County Board finds that the proposed site
1120 plan accomplishes the policies and recommendations contained in the Rosslyn Station Area
1121 Plan Addendum and other plans and policies established for the area by the County Board.

1122 ~~**B.C. Parking**~~

1123 **1.** Parking shall be regulated as specified and regulated in §14.3, and as specified below,
1124 except that the County Board may specify and modify parking regulations by site plan
1125 approval:

- 1126 (a) Dwelling unit
1127 One off-street parking space shall be provided for each dwelling unit.
- 1128 (b) Hotel
1129 0.7 off-street parking space for each guest room and dwelling unit.
- 1130 2. The parking provided shall be located below grade or within the structure housing the
1131 use to which the parking is appurtenant, except as may be allowed in an approved site
1132 plan.
- 1133 3. Off-street loading spaces for all permitted uses shall be provided as specified in §14.3.
- 1134 4. Transportation Demand Management plans shall be required to be approved as part of
1135 any site plan approval unless determined otherwise by the County Board. Office, retail
1136 and service commercial parking may be approved within a range between the rate of
1137 one off-street parking space for each 530 sq. ft. of office, retail and service commercial
1138 gross floor area and the rate of one off-street parking space for each 1,000 sq. ft. of
1139 office, retail and service commercial gross floor area depending on the adequacy of the
1140 Transportation Demand Management plan in addressing the need for parking. Short-
1141 term, convenient parking shall be provided for customers of commercial tenant
1142 retailers when the business premises are open to the public for business.

1143 **§7.15.6. Streetscape**

1144 Streetscapes, including curb, gutter, sidewalk, street light, street furniture, landscaping and
1145 other elements, shall be provided as contained in the Rosslyn Station Area Plan Addendum, and
1146 other plans and policies established for the area by the County Board.

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§7.16. C-O, Crystal City, Commercial Office Building, Retail, Hotel and Multiple-Family Dwelling Mixed Use Crystal City District

§7.16.1. Purpose

The purpose of the C-O, Crystal City, Mixed Use Crystal City District is to encourage mixed-use development of office, retail and service commercial, hotel and multiple-family dwelling uses within the area designated as the Crystal City Coordinated Redevelopment District on the General Land Use Plan. When a site is located in the area designated Crystal City Coordinated Redevelopment District on the General Land Use Plan, site plans may be approved by the County Board as set forth below. Determination of the actual types and densities of uses to be allowed will be based on the characteristics of sites and their locations, and on the extent to which the proposed redevelopment of the site is done in a way that ameliorates the impacts of the types and densities of uses, and provides features or amenities identified in the Crystal City Sector Plan and other plans and policies established for the area by the County Board, including without limitation site design incorporating co-location of land uses, adherence to recommended build-to lines, compliance with bulk-plane angles to provide for adequate sunlight to parks, tower separation and tower coverage goals for adequate light and relief, environmentally sustainable and energy-efficient building design, transportation and transit facilities, parks and other open space amenities, and creation of affordable housing. The goal of this zoning district is to permit development that:

- A. Advances the future vision of Crystal City established in the Sector Plan;
- B. Provides a mix of uses including office, residential, retail, cultural and civic within several defined neighborhood centers;
- C. Supports Crystal City’s revitalization and long-term economic sustainability;
- D. Facilitates gradual and coordinated redevelopment on each block;
- E. Supports, and is supported by, enhanced multimodal transportation access and connectivity; and
- F. Creates a high-quality public realm comprising the streets, squares, and other public areas envisioned in the Sector Plan.

§7.16.2. Uses

Uses shall be as specified in §7.1.

§7.16.3. Density and dimensional standards

A. By-right

Development allowed by-right in the C-O Crystal City district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	All Uses
Lot area, minimum (feet)	20,000
Lot width (feet)	100
Height, maximum (feet)	35
Floor area ratio, maximum	0.60

1183 **B. Special exception**
 1184 Development allowed by special exception in the C-O Crystal City district shall comply with
 1185 the following standards, except as otherwise approved by the County Board.

Type of Standard	All Uses
Lot area, minimum (feet)	--
Height, maximum (feet)	As specified in 7.16.8 or as otherwise approved by the County Board
Floor area ratio, maximum	As specified in 7.16.6 or as otherwise approved by the County Board

1186 **C. Bulk, coverage and placement**
 1187 For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

1188 **§7.16.4. Site development standards**

1189 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
 1190 otherwise specified below.

1191 **§7.16.5. Site plans**

1192 In considering the approval of a site plan within the area designated as the Crystal City
 1193 Coordinated Redevelopment District on the General Land Use Plan as well as on the Base
 1194 Density Map (§7.16.6), the County Board may approve additional density or other development
 1195 features where the project ameliorates the impact of those densities or other increases, and
 1196 provides features or amenities identified in the Crystal City Sector Plan and other plans and
 1197 policies established for the area by the County Board, including without limitation site design
 1198 incorporating co-location of land uses, adherence to recommended build-to lines, compliance
 1199 with bulk-plane angles to provide adequate sunlight to parks, tower separation and tower
 1200 coverage goals for adequate light and relief, environmentally sustainable and energy-efficient
 1201 building design, transportation and transit facilities, parks and other open space amenities, and
 1202 creation of affordable housing. The amount of additional density granted shall be based on the
 1203 extent to which the project meets the plans or provides such benefits, and does so within the
 1204 building form parameters established in this §7.16.5. Where identified below, maps are those
 1205 contained in this section.

1206 **A. Density regulations**

1207 The maximum permitted residential, hotel, office, retail and service commercial gross floor
 1208 area on a given site shall be the base densities shown on the Base Density Map (§7.16.6). In
 1209 considering the approval of a site plan, the County Board may approve additional density or
 1210 other development features permitted under the Sector Plan and by the provisions of this
 1211 §7.16.5 when the County Board finds incremental amounts of additional density should be
 1212 approved for the development proposal because it furthers the goals, policies, and
 1213 recommendations in the Crystal City Sector Plan and other plans and policies established
 1214 for the area by the County Board. The amount of additional density or other bonuses
 1215 granted shall be based on the extent to which the project meets the plans or provides such
 1216 benefits, and provided such density or bonuses can be accommodated within the other
 1217 building form parameters established in §7.16.5.

1218 **B. Area requirements**

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C. Use mix regulations

A site plan project shall include a mix of uses above the ground floor that does not preclude achieving the target mix for the block on which it is located as shown in the Land Use Map (§7.16.7). Pursuant to §15.6, this may be modified when the County Board finds that other goals of the Sector Plan are substantially met by the project.

D. Height regulations

1. Building heights shall comply with the Building Heights Map (§7.16.8), and may be approved as specified in this §7.16.5.D.1(a) and §7.16.5.D.1(b), below. The height limits shown on the map shall exclude mechanical penthouse and parapet walls. Under no circumstances may the County Board approve heights above those specified in the Building Heights Map, provided, however, that:

- (a)** For sites comprising buildings existing on December 10, 2011 with heights greater than specified on §7.16.8, the County Board may approve a building height greater than specified on §7.16.8, but under no circumstances exceeding the height of existing buildings; and
- (b)** Where dimensions of height zones are shown on §7.16.8, such dimensions may be modified by site plan approval, pursuant to §15.6, when the County Board finds that the need for such modification is generated by site-specific circumstances and is otherwise consistent with the goals and policies contained in the Crystal City Sector Plan.

2. All mechanical penthouse and parapet walls above the height limit shall comply with §3.1.6.B., provided, however, that on sites identified for architectural features shown on the Architectural Features Map (§7.16.9), mechanical penthouse and parapet heights shall not exceed 23 feet or 10 percent of the main building height, whichever is greater.

E. Bulk plane angle requirements

For sites identified with a frontage type of “A” through “H” per the legend on the Bulk Plane Angle Map (§7.16.10), buildings shall conform to the bulk plane angle requirements shown on that map. For sites that are subject to bulk plane angle conditions specified in §7.16.10, buildings shall follow the height regulations in §7.16.5.D., above, and shall also incorporate step-backs or sculpting in building form so as to fit within both the maximum building height and bulk plane angle requirements for the site. The bulk plane angle provisions specified above may be modified by the County Board, pursuant to §15.6, when it finds that a site plan maintains adequate sunlight to public open spaces across from frontages with bulk-plane angle requirements, such that the percentage of such public open space that is not in shadow between 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on the vernal or autumnal equinoxes is greater than 55 percent.

F. Building tower separation and coverage requirements

To ensure adequate light, air, and privacy, building tower separation and building tower coverage shall meet the following requirements:

1. A minimum horizontal separation of 60 feet between building towers above the fifth floor shall be provided. Pursuant to §15.6, this provision may be modified when the County Board finds that additional tower separation on the block will likely be achieved

1263 through future redevelopment, based upon the Crystal City Block Plan referenced in
1264 §7.16.5.J.

1265 **2.** Building tower coverage shall not exceed the allowable maximums as shown on the
1266 Tower Coverage Map (§7.16.11). Pursuant to §15.6, this requirement may be modified
1267 by the County Board when it finds that the building tower coverage depicted in the
1268 Crystal City Block Plan for the block complies with the maximums shown on §7.16.11.

1269 **G. Streetscape**

1270 All development subject to site plan approval pursuant to §15.6 shall provide streetscapes,
1271 including curb, gutter, sidewalk, street light, street furniture, street trees, landscaping and
1272 other elements that are consistent with the Crystal City Sector Plan, and other plans and
1273 policies established for the area by the County Board.

1274 **H. Parking**

1275 Notwithstanding any provisions in §14.3 that are different from those below, parking shall
1276 be regulated as specified below, unless otherwise modified by the County Board by site
1277 plan approval:

1278 **1. Multi-family residential**

1279 One and one-eighth parking spaces shall be provided for each of the first 200 dwelling
1280 units in any structure, and one space for each additional dwelling unit above 200.

1281 **2. Commercial, including office and retail**

1282 One parking space shall be provided for each 1,000 square feet of gross floor area.

1283 **3. Hotel**

1284 One-half parking space shall be provided for each guest room.

1285 **4. Additional parking requirement**

1286 All parking shall be located below grade or within the structure housing the use to
1287 which the parking is appurtenant. Where above-grade parking occurs in a structure
1288 along public open spaces or public arterial streets as identified in the County's Master
1289 Transportation Plan, such parking shall be lined with active programmed space. When
1290 occurring along other public streets or along alleys, such above-grade parking shall be
1291 treated at a minimum with enhanced architectural facades.

1292 **5. Loading spaces**

1293 The location of loading spaces for all permitted uses shall be determined by Site Plan
1294 approval.

1295 **I. Transportation demand management plans**

1296 In order to justify the parking requirements in §7.16.5.H, above, Transportation Demand
1297 Management (TDM) plans required by Administrative Regulation 4.1 for site plans shall
1298 demonstrate a reduction in vehicular trips and an increase in the use of other
1299 transportation options so as to reduce the need for parking on the site.

1300 **J. Crystal City block plans**

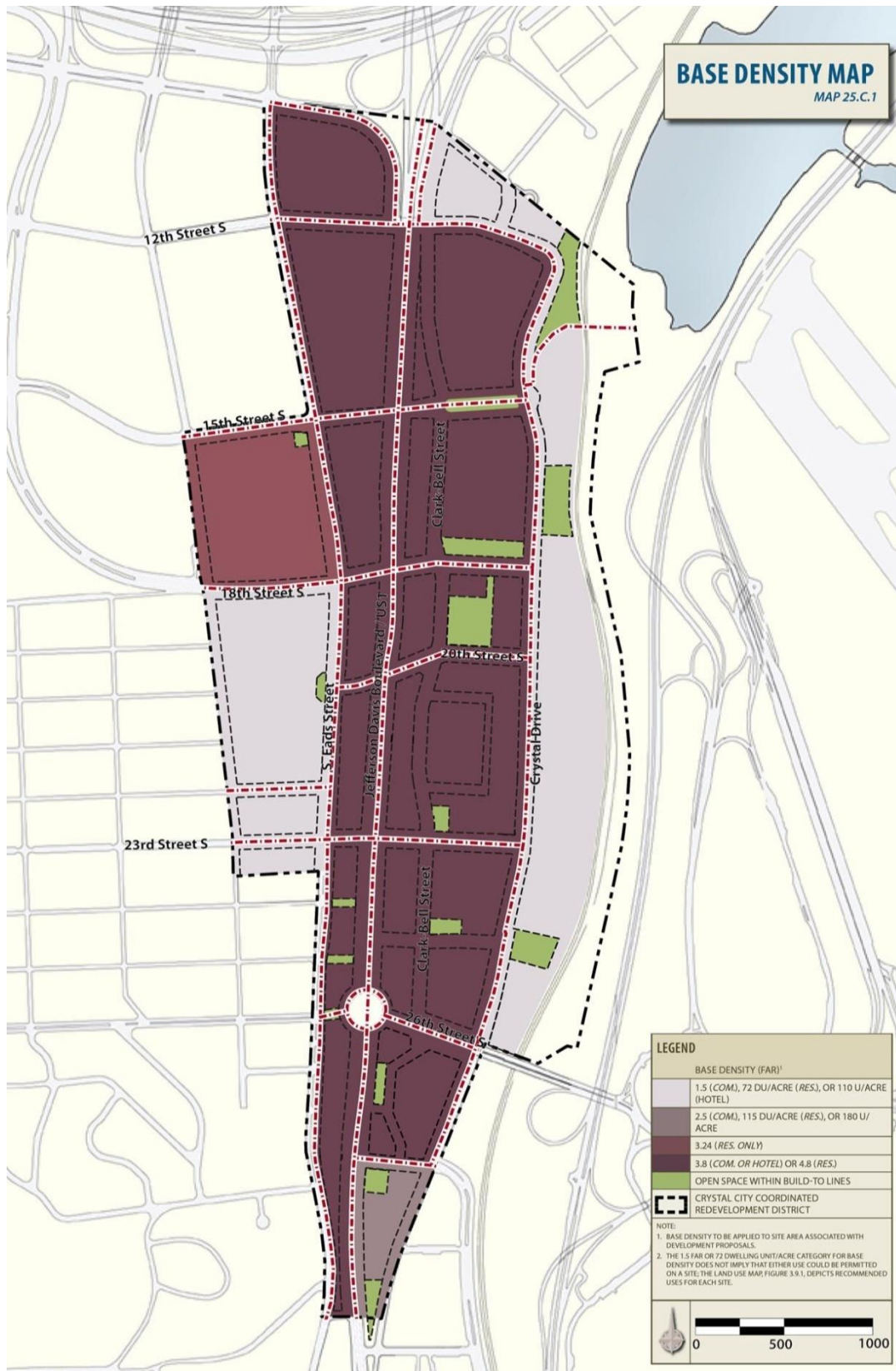
1301 Each site plan application for properties within the Crystal City Coordinated Redevelopment
1302 District and located east of Jefferson Davis Highway shall include, for review and adoption
1303 by the County Board, a Crystal City Block Plan (CCBP) for the block(s) on which the site plan
1304 is located. The CCBP shall serve as a general, guiding long-range plan for a specific block,

1305 supplemental to and in support of the guidance and vision already established in the
1306 Crystal City Sector Plan. The CCBP shall be submitted in accordance with the applicable
1307 County administrative regulations.

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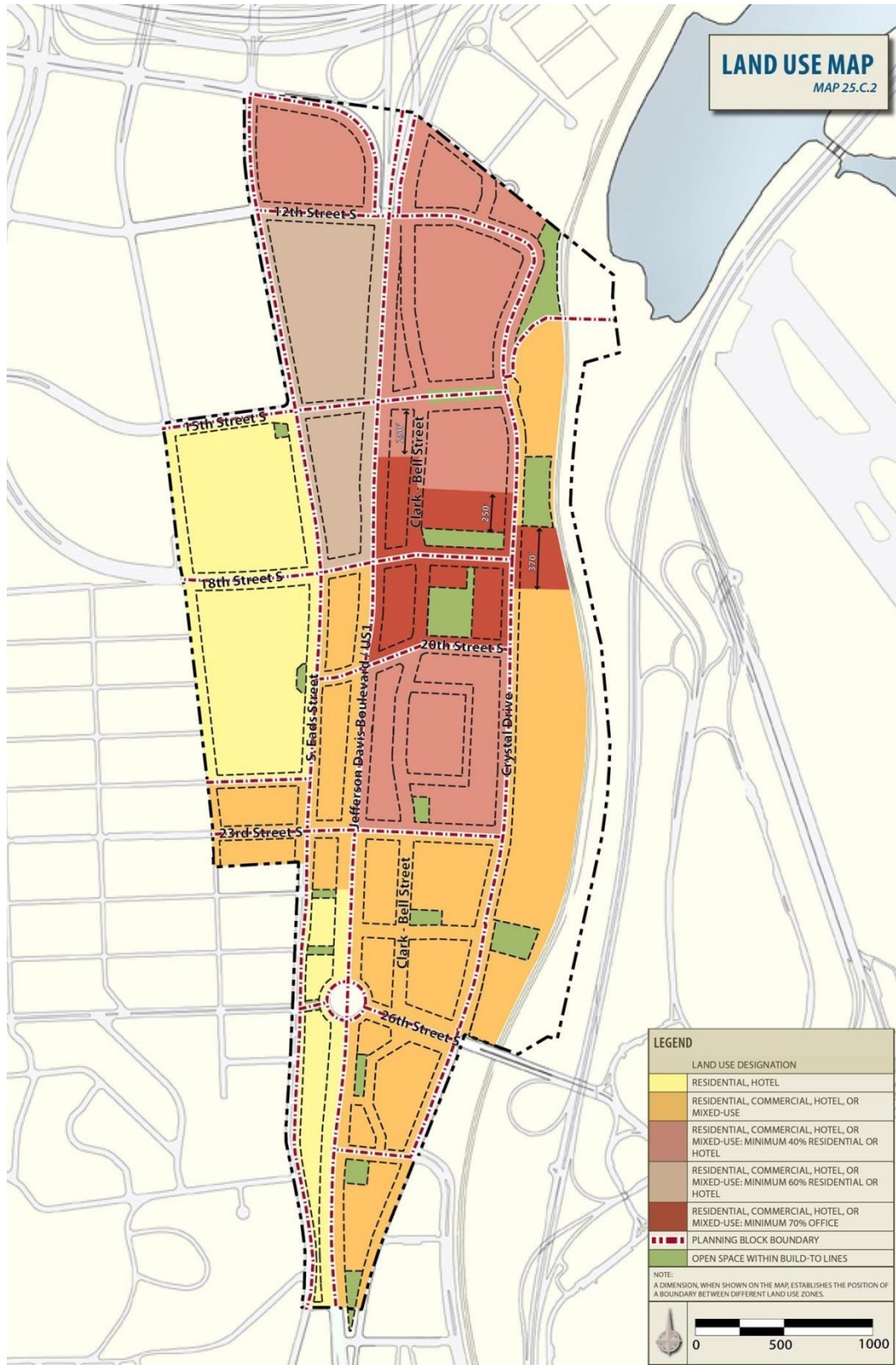
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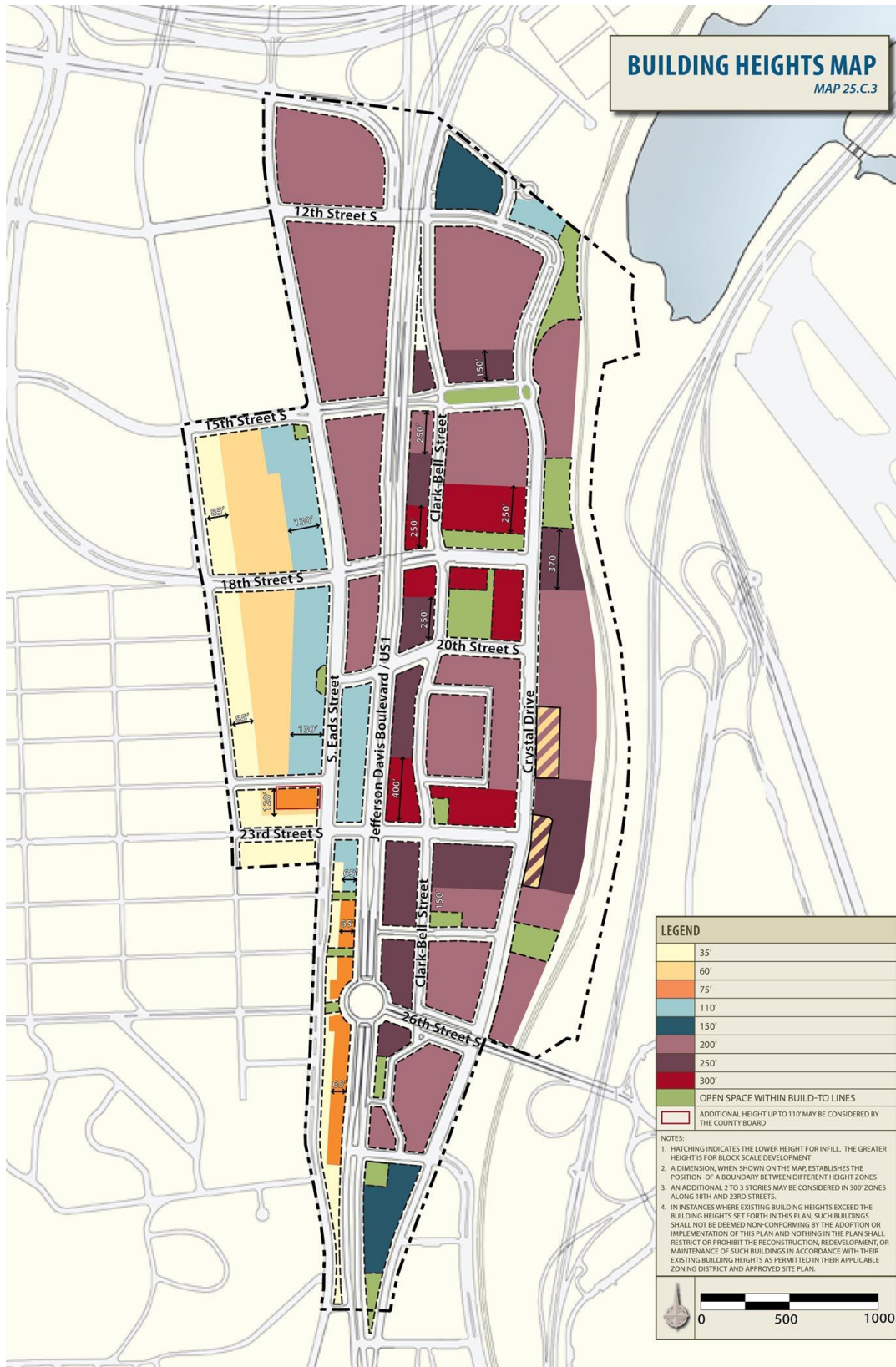
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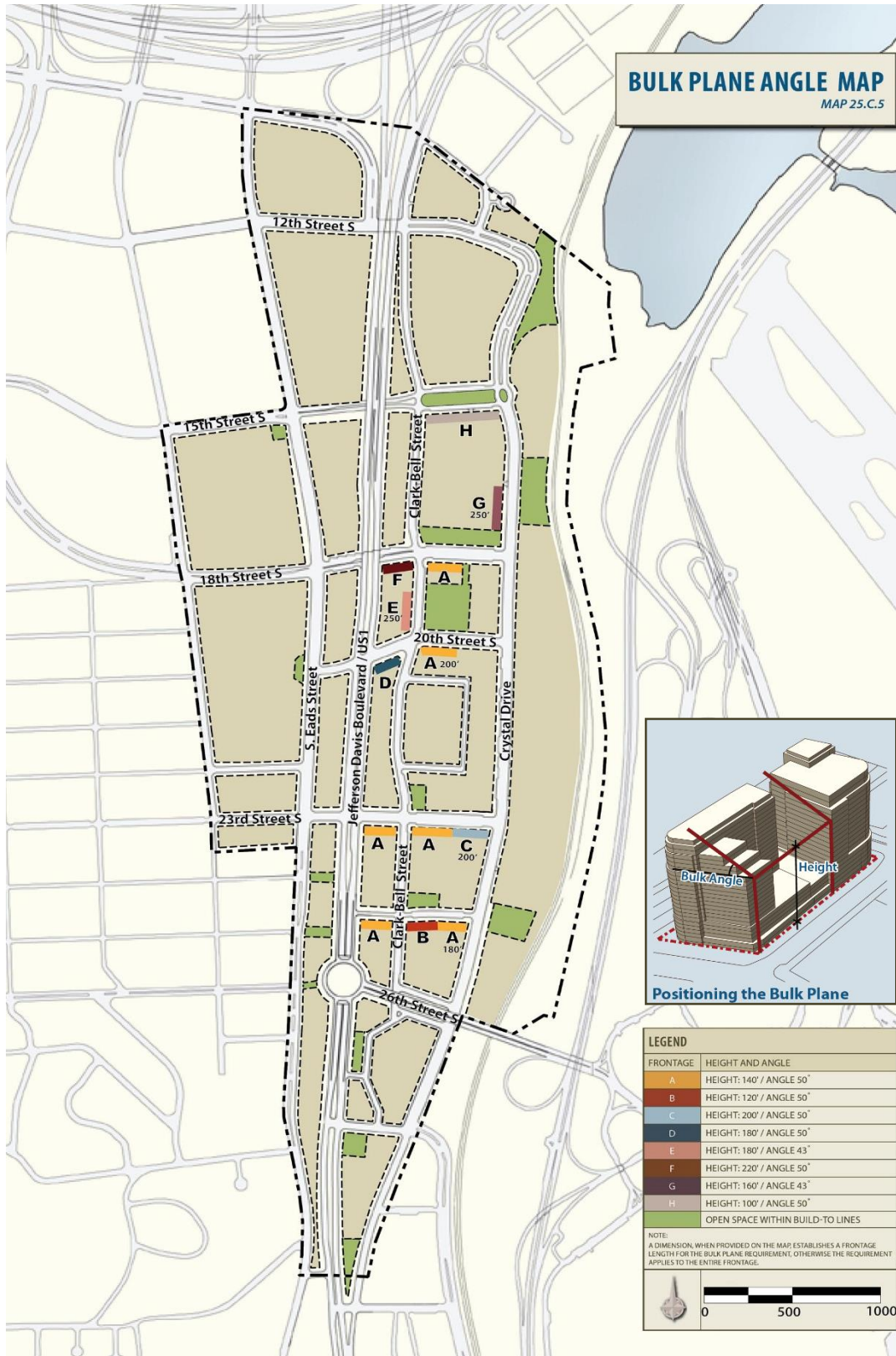
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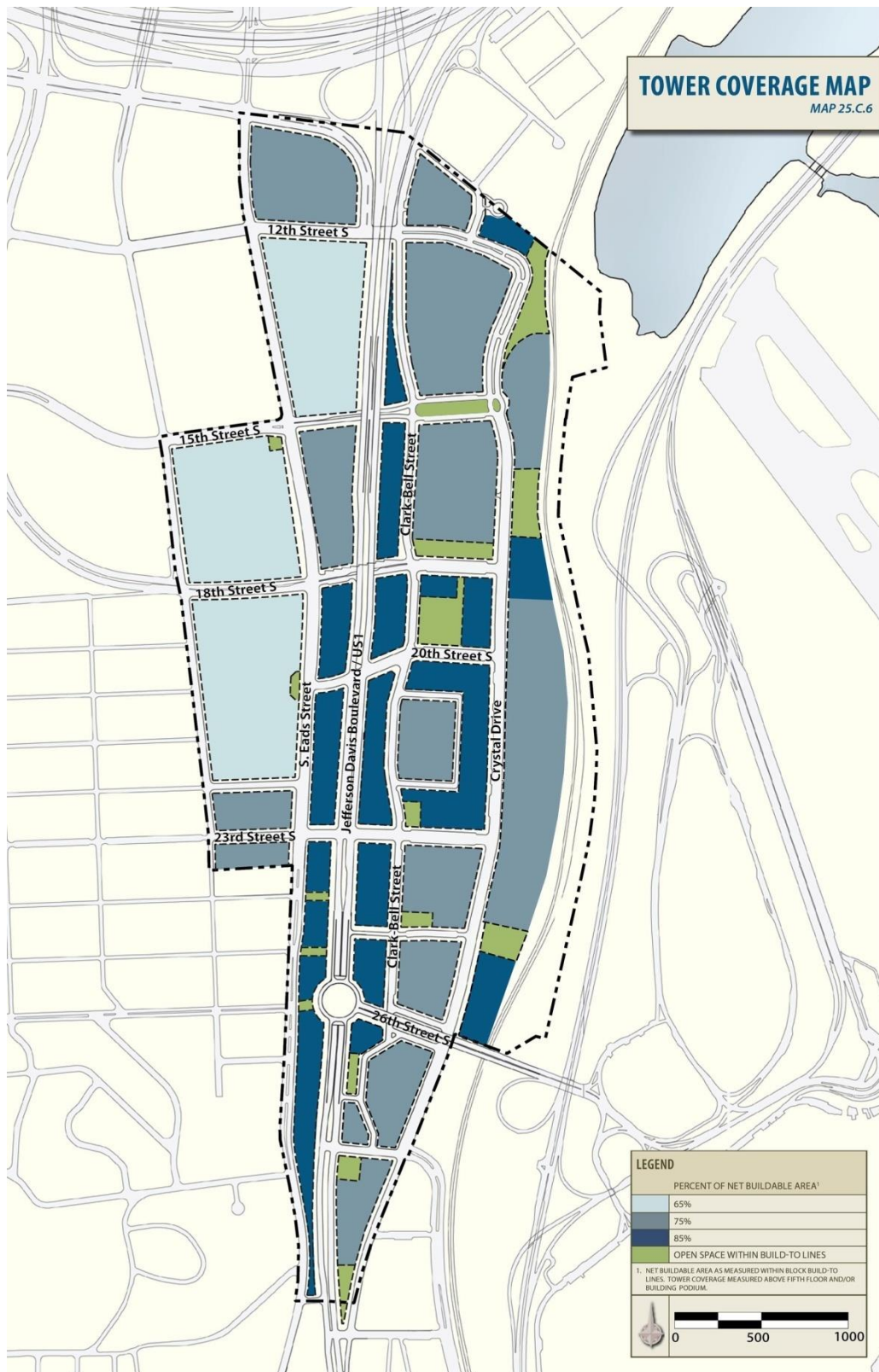


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§7.17. C-2, Service Commercial-Community Business District

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§7.17.1. Purpose

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The purpose of the C-2, Service Commercial-Community Business District is to provide locations for commercial development where the variety in retail, service and office uses is intended to serve a broad-based community. The C-2 district should be developed as linear commercial and be located primarily along principal arterial streets as designated in the Arlington County Master Transportation Plan. The C-2 district provides for an expanded range of uses, greater density and greater height than the C-1 district.

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§7.17.2. Uses

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Uses shall be as specified in §7.1.

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§7.17.3. Special Revitalization Districts

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See §9.1 for regulations applicable to Special Revitalization Districts on the General Land Use Plan.

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§7.17.4. Density and dimensional standards

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A. By-right

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Development allowed by-right in the C-2 district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family Dwellings	Hotels	All Other Uses
Lot area, minimum (sq. ft.)			
Lot area	6,000		--
Lot area per dwelling unit	6,000		--
Lot area per sleeping unit)	--	600	--
Lot width (feet)	60		--
Height, maximum (feet)	35	45	45
Floor area ratio, maximum	--	--	1.5

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B. Exceptions

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1. Lot area

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Buildings hereafter erected and used partly for dwelling and partly for commercial purposes, shall comply with the lot area requirements of the RA8-18 district.

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C. Bulk, coverage and placement

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For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

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§7.17.5. District use regulations

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Use standards applicable to specific uses in the C-2 district include:

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A. Cleaning and laundering establishments

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Steam exhausts for cleaning and laundering establishments shall be within said building.

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§7.17.6. Use limitations

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A. There shall be no manufacturing, compounding, processing or treatment of products other than that which is clearly incidental and essential to a retail store or business and where all

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1351 such products are sold at retail at these establishments, except as allowed for food delivery
1352 service.

1353 ~~B. Such uses, operations or products shall not adversely affect any contiguous district through~~
1354 ~~the dissemination of odor, dust, smoke, fumes, noise, vibrations, creation of trash, garbage~~
1355 ~~or litter, or other similar causes.¹~~

1356 **§7.17.7. -Site development standards**

1357 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
1358 otherwise specified below.

1359 **A. Landscaping**

1360 10 percent of total site area is required to be landscaped open space in accordance with
1361 the requirements of §14.2, Landscaping.

1362 **B. [\[Reserved\]](#)**

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¹ Enforced by other codes and regulations, including, but not limited to noise ordinance; care of property ordinance.

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§7.18. C-TH, Commercial Townhouse District

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§7.18.1. Purpose

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The purpose of the C-TH, Commercial Townhouse District is to encourage commercial development of structures with the physical characteristics of townhouses and to provide tapering of heights between higher density commercial development and lower density residential uses. The district is designed for use in the vicinity of the Metrorail stations and, to be eligible for the district, a site shall be located within an area designated "service commercial" or "general commercial" on the General Land Use Plan and zoned for general commercial uses.

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§7.18.2. Uses

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Uses shall be as specified in §7.1.

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§7.18.3. Density and dimensional standards

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A. General

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Development allowed by-right in the C-TH district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

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Type of Standard	One-family Dwelling	Two-family dwellings that share a lot line with RA, C or M districts		Hotel	Office, Commercial and Multi-family
		Semi-detached	Duplex		
Density, maximum (units/acre)	--	--	--	110	--
Site area, minimum (sq. ft.)	5,000	8,700	8,700	--	--
Lot, minimum (sq. ft.)					
Lot area	5,000	4,350	8,700	--	--
Lot area per dwelling unit	5,000	4,350	--	--	--
Lot width, minimum average (feet)					
Lot width	50	35	70	--	--
Lot width per dwelling unit	50			--	--
Height					
Maximum (feet)	35	35	35	55	55
Maximum (number of stories)	--			--	--
Floor area, minimum (sq. ft.)					
Floor area per dwelling unit	--	750	750	--	--

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B. Bulk, coverage and placement

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For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

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C. Exceptions

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1. Height

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(a) For properties which abut an R district that also is designated "low" residential (one through 10 units per acre) on the General Land Use Plan, building heights shall not exceed 45 feet, including mechanical penthouses, for the first 50 feet of property measured from the property line abutting the R district.

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1386 (b) ~~Mechanical p~~Penthouses shall be permitted above the 55 foot height limit,
1387 provided that they are set back a distance equal to their height from the building
1388 edge and shall not exceed 18 feet.

1389 **§7.18.4. District use standards**

1390 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the C-TH district include:

1391 ~~A. Self-service storage¹~~

1392 ~~In addition to complying with subsection A, above, in the C-TH district, self-service storage~~
1393 ~~facilities may be permitted subject to the following requirements:~~

1394 ~~1. The facility must be located in a multi-story structure;~~

1395 ~~2. That portion of the ground floor of the building in which the facility is located and~~
1396 ~~which fronts on public streets shall have retail or service-commercial uses. Retail or~~
1397 ~~service uses shall be a minimum of 60 percent of the gross floor area on the ground~~
1398 ~~floor level of any building which contains self-service storage facilities;~~

1399 ~~3. One parking space for each 8,000 square feet of gross floor area, or fraction thereof,~~
1400 ~~which is used for self-service storage facilities and which has direct access only from~~
1401 ~~within a building, and one additional space for each employee of the self-service~~
1402 ~~storage facility shall be provided;~~

1403 ~~4. A minimum of two covered and enclosed loading spaces for the first 100,000 square~~
1404 ~~feet of gross floor area of storage space, or fraction thereof, and one covered and~~
1405 ~~enclosed loading space for each additional 50,000 square feet shall be provided; and~~

1406 ~~5. The parking spaces required by §14.3, shall be located adjacent to the storage entrance~~
1407 ~~for drop-off and pick-up of goods being stored.~~

1408 ~~B.A.~~ [Reserved]

1409 **§7.18.5. Site development standards**

1410 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
1411 otherwise specified below.

1412 **A. Landscaping**

1413 10 percent of the total site is required to be landscaped open space in accordance with the
1414 requirements of §14.2, Landscaping.

1415 **B. Parking**

1416 1. One parking space for each 580 sq. ft. of gross floor area of commercial or office space.

1417 2. 1 1/2 parking spaces for each dwelling unit.

1418 3. One parking space for each hotel unit.

1419 4. Any parking area may include up to 15 percent of the parking spaces for compact car
1420 spaces.

¹ Moved to use standards Article 12.

1421 **§7.18.6. Streetscape**

- 1422 A. The periphery of any site fronting on public rights-of-way shall be landscaped by the
1423 provision of curb, gutter, sidewalk, street light, street furniture and other elements, from
1424 face of curb to face of building according to the streetscape standards set forth in the
1425 adopted sector plan for the area in which the site is located. Sites which are not located
1426 within sector plan areas shall provide streetscape improvements consistent with the
1427 Master Walkway Policy Plan:
- 1428 1. The zoning administrator may approve the use of a portion of the public right-of-way to
1429 provide the area needed to fulfill the streetscape requirements, when that is consistent
1430 with all of the adopted elements of the Ceomprehensive Pplan and provides uniformity
1431 with adjacent-abutting sites.
- 1432 2. In cases where an existing building is preserved and the sidewalk section is less than
1433 the standard, the zoning administrator may waive the required width of paved sidewalk
1434 area for an abutting property, in conjunction with development of that property, in
1435 order to achieve uniformity in the streetscape. The total required width of the
1436 walkway and streetscape area shall be maintained.
- 1437 B. All aerial utilities on and at the periphery of the site shall be put underground with
1438 redevelopment or new construction.
- 1439 C. Surface parking shall be allowed. Surface parking areas shall be screened from public plaza
1440 areas, public sidewalks, and adjacent-abutting residentially zoned properties by landscaping
1441 and a four-foot high brick wall, except that where parking areas abut an R district that also
1442 is designated "low" residential (one through 10 units per acre) on the General Land Use
1443 Plan the wall shall be a minimum height of six feet. When parking is provided at or above
1444 grade within a structure, a facade treatment shall be provided for the parking area which is
1445 consistent, in terms of materials, with the building facade.
- 1446 D. Trash collection and storage areas shall be provided inside the principal structure or in a
1447 designated area outside the structure which is screened by a brick wall or a masonry wall of
1448 similar material as the building and which is a minimum of six feet in height.

1449 **§7.18.7. Physical requirements**

1450 Buildings shall have exterior physical characteristics that are compatible with and generally
1451 similar to residential townhouses in bulk, placement, exterior materials and other external
1452 characteristics. Building facades should be of materials commonly used for residential
1453 structures such as brick, wood, stone, stucco or other natural finish materials.

1454 **§7.18.8. Proffers**

1455 See §15.3.4.

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1457 **§7.19. C-3, General Commercial District**

1458 **§7.19.1. Purpose**

1459 The purpose of the C-3, General Commercial District is to provide for the category of retail uses
 1460 found in the C-1 and C-2 districts and to provide for additional intensity of use, density and
 1461 height.

1462 **§7.19.2. Uses**

1463 Uses shall be as specified in §7.1.

1464 **§7.19.3. Columbia Pike Special Revitalization District**

1465 Properties that are located in the Columbia Pike Special Revitalization District may be developed
 1466 in accordance with §11.1, CP-FBC district. After such development all uses permitted in §11.1
 1467 shall be permitted on the property, subject to all regulations in §11.1.

1468 **§7.19.4. Clarendon Revitalization District**

1469 Properties in the Clarendon Revitalization District shall comply with the requirements of §9.2 or
 1470 §10.2.5.

1471 **§7.19.5. Density and dimensional standards**

1472 **A. By-right**

1473 Development allowed by-right in the C-3 district shall comply with the following standards,
 1474 except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family Dwellings	Hotel	All Other Uses
Lot area, minimum (sq. ft.)			
Lot area	6,000	--	--
Lot area per dwelling unit	6,000	--	--
Lot area per sleeping unit	--	600	--
Lot width (feet)	60		--
Height, maximum (feet)	35	75	75

1475 **B. Floor area**

1476 Maximum floor area in this district shall not exceed the number of square feet that results
 1477 from compliance with the requirements stated in the ordinance with no less than nine feet
 1478 between floors, except by site plan as provided in §9.2.2.D.

1479 **C. Exceptions**

1480 **1. Height**

1481 Additional height may be approved by site plan as provided in §9.2.2.D.

1482 **2. [Reserved]**

1483 **D. Bulk coverage and placement**

1484 For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

1485 **§7.19.6. Site development standards**

1486 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
 1487 otherwise specified below.

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A. Landscaping

10 percent of total site area is required to be landscaped open space in accordance with the requirements of §14.2, Landscaping, except by site plan as provided in §9.2.2.D:

- 1. For all property except within the “Clarendon Revitalization District” on the General Land Use Plan, with the approval of the zoning administrator, a portion of the public right-of-way may be used to meet this landscaping requirement if the streetscape improvements comply with adopted plans and provided that all aerial utilities on and at the periphery of the lot shall be undergrounded with new development or redevelopment.
- 2. For properties within the “Clarendon Revitalization District” on the General Land Use Plan, the provisions of §9.2.2.C may apply.

B. Parking

Parking shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of §14.3.

§7.19.7. Additional regulations

All utility service on a lot where new development or redevelopment is placed shall be placed underground.

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§7.20. C-R, Commercial Redevelopment District

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§7.20.1. Purpose

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The purpose of the C-R, Commercial Redevelopment District is to encourage medium density mixed use development; to recognize existing commercial rights; and to provide tapering of heights between higher density office development and lower density residential uses. The district is designed for use within one quarter mile of the Metrorail stations on property designated Medium Density Mixed Use on the General Land Use Plan.

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§7.20.2. Uses

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Uses shall be as specified in §7.1.

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~~§7.20.3. Columbia Pike Special Revitalization District Regulations.~~

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~~Properties that are located in the Columbia Pike Special Revitalization District may be developed in accordance with §11.1, CP FBC district. After such development all uses permitted in §11.1 shall be permitted on the property, subject to all regulations in §11.1.~~

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~~§7.20.4.~~ **§7.20.3. Density and dimensional standards**

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A. By-right

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Development by-right in the C-R district shall comply with the following standards, except as otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	One-family Dwellings	Other Residential	Hotel	All Other Uses
Lot area, minimum (sq. ft.)	6,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Lot area per sleeping or living unit			600	
Lot width, minimum (sq. ft.)	60	--		--
Height, maximum (feet)	35	55 (exclusive of <u>mechanical penthouses</u>)	55 (exclusive of <u>mechanical penthouse</u>)	55 (exclusive of <u>mechanical penthouses</u>)
Floor area ratio, maximum	--	4.0	3.0	3.0

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- When a structure is greater than 165 feet from a R or RA district, height may be increased by one foot for every three feet beyond 165 feet, up to a maximum height of 110 feet.
- For properties which front on a primary arterial and are also within 750 feet of a primary Metro entrance, building heights may be increased to 75 feet for the first 75 feet of property measured from the property line fronting on the primary arterial, even if the properties lie within 165 feet of an R or RA zoning district.
- All equipment above the roof line shall be screened from view by walls of equal height and similar materials, set back a distance equal to their height from the building edge and height limit line and shall not exceed 18 feet.
- Any building in the Clarendon Revitalization District which fronts on Wilson Boulevard, North Highland Street, or Clarendon Boulevard shall comply with the following height and placement provisions:

1536 (a) The front building wall of any development shall be placed against the back of the
1537 sidewalk as established by the Clarendon Streetscape Standards adopted by the
1538 County Board up to a height of at least 20 feet and no more than 30 feet above
1539 the sidewalk level. The building above this height shall be set back a minimum of
1540 20 feet from the back of sidewalk, unless otherwise approved by site plan.

1541 **C. Floor area**

- 1542 1. Consistent with the provisions of this section, the gross floor area permitted shall not
1543 exceed the site area multiplied by 3.0. An additional 1.0 F.A.R. is permitted for
1544 residential use.
- 1545 2. When a development preserves a building or building facade designated as a
1546 contributing building eligible for preservation in an adopted revitalization district, the
1547 office density may be increased by 0.25 F.A.R. when the preservation complies with the
1548 following standards:
- 1549 (a) The preservation retains a minimum 20 foot depth of the existing building or
1550 building facade;
- 1551 (b) The preservation retains the facades of all buildings identified as appropriate for
1552 preservation in the district which are included in the site and ~~located adjacent~~
1553 ~~to~~abutting each other within a single block frontage; and
- 1554 (c) The preservation retains and rehabilitates in a manner which complies with the
1555 standards set forth in §7.20.8.C.6, below; at a minimum, all facades fronting on
1556 existing public rights-of-way.

1557 **D. Coverage**

- 1558 No building or structure, including accessory buildings, and all areas for parking, driveways,
1559 maneuvering and loading space, unless specified under site plan approval in accordance
1560 with the standards set forth in §7.20.8.C, shall cover more than:
- 1561 1. 80 percent of the lot area on those portions of blocks that have a height limit of 75 or
1562 fewer feet.
- 1563 2. 65 percent of the lot area on those portions of blocks that have a height limit of more
1564 than 75 feet.
- 1565 3. When a development preserves a building or building facade designated as a
1566 contributing building eligible for preservation in an adopted revitalization district, and
1567 in accordance with the standards set forth in §7.20.8, the open space requirement may
1568 be reduced by the area of the first floor of the building being preserved.

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1571 **E. Special exception**

1572 Development by special exception in the C-R district shall comply with the following
 1573 standards, except as otherwise approved by the County Board.

Type of Standard	All Uses
Lot area, minimum (sq. ft.)	20,000
Lot width, minimum (sq. ft.)	--
Height, maximum (feet)	55
Floor area ratio	As Specified In §7.20.8.A

1574 **F. Bulk, coverage and placement**

1575 For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

1576 ~~§7.20.5~~ **§7.20.4. District use standards**

1577 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the C-R district include:

1578 A. [\[Reserved\]](#)

1579 ~~§7.20.6~~ **§7.20.5. Site development standards**

1580 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
 1581 otherwise specified below.

1582 **A. Parking requirements**

- 1583 1. One parking space for each 580 sq. ft. of gross floor area. The ratio of compact to full
 1584 size automobile spaces shall not exceed 15 percent for each. One parking space for
 1585 each dwelling unit.
- 1586 2. Surface parking shall not be allowed except for convenience retail, or service
 1587 commercial. Required parking for townhouse residential may be surface parking. Such
 1588 parking shall be screened from public plaza areas, public sidewalks, and ~~adjacent~~
 1589 ~~abutting~~ sites by landscaping and a four-foot masonry wall of similar materials as to the
 1590 principal structure. Parking for commercial uses shall not be located across the street
 1591 from or ~~adjacent abutting to~~ a "low" or "low medium" residential General Land Use Plan
 1592 designation.

1593 **B. Landscaping**

1594 15 percent of the total site is required to be landscaped open space in accordance with the
 1595 requirements of §14.2, Landscaping, and the Clarendon Streetscape Plan Standards.

1596 ~~§7.20.7~~ **§7.20.6. Streetscape**

- 1597 A. The periphery of any site fronting on public rights-of-way shall be landscaped by the
 1598 provision of curb, gutter, sidewalk, street light, street furniture and other elements, from
 1599 face-of-curb to face-of-building according to the adopted Clarendon Streetscape Plan
 1600 standards set forth in the "Urban Design Section" of the Clarendon Sector Plan; provided,
 1601 however, that with site plan approval as specified in §7.20.8.C, or with the approval of the
 1602 zoning administrator, a portion of the public right-of-way may be used to provide the area
 1603 needed to fulfill these requirements.
- 1604 B. All aerial utilities on and at the periphery of the site shall be placed underground with
 1605 redevelopment or new construction.

1606 ~~§7.20.8.~~ §7.20.7. **Physical requirements**

1607 Buildings across the street from or ~~adjacent-abutting~~to areas designated on the General Land
1608 Use Plan as "low" or "low medium" residential shall have an exterior appearance that is
1609 compatible with residential uses in bulk, coverage, and placement. In addition, other external
1610 characteristics such as building materials should be similar.

1611 ~~§7.20.9.~~ §7.20.8. **Site plans**

1612 The County Board may approve site plans, as specified in §15.6, and may vary the requirements
1613 of §7.20.3, §7.20.5.A, §7.20.5.B, §7.20.6, and §7.20.7. Under site plans, the following
1614 regulations shall apply unless modified by the County Board:

1615 **A. Floor area ratio**

- 1616 1. Except as modified by the County Board in accordance with §15.6. The following sets
1617 forth the maximum densities which may be approved:

Site Area (sq. ft.)	Total F.A.R.	Office F.A.R.
20,000-29,999	2.0	2.0
30,000-39,999	3.0	3.0
40,000 and above or full block	4.0	3.0

- 1618 2. In addition, to encourage appropriate consolidation of property for site plans (that
1619 include an entire block), an additional 0.25 F.A.R. office may be approved and the
1620 residential density may be reduced to 0.75 F.A.R.

1621 **B. Height**

1622 The by-right height and tapering requirements may be modified by the County Board in
1623 accordance with §15.6. In addition, when a site plan preserves a building which is
1624 designated as a contributing building eligible for preservation in an adopted revitalization
1625 district and in accordance with §7.20.3, the height and taper requirements set forth in
1626 §7.20.3 may be modified by the County Board. Under no circumstances shall the height of
1627 any building exceed 125 feet and under no circumstances shall a mechanical penthouse
1628 height extend more than 15 feet above the 125-foot height limit.

1629 **C. Urban design**

1630 All site plans must comply with the following design requirements unless otherwise
1631 approved by the County Board:

- 1632 1. The first floor of every office building shall contain retail space equal to 75 percent of
1633 the gross leasable floor area. This retail space shall have direct access through
1634 openings directly on the sidewalk.
- 1635 2. When the following retail uses are provided in any building, they may be counted at
1636 200 percent of their actual floor area to calculate their requirement for retail with the
1637 remaining area available for all retail uses allowed in C-2 and/or other office uses: art
1638 gallery, bakery, barber shop or beauty shop, bookstore, delicatessen, dry cleaner, drug
1639 store, food-grocery store, fruit or vegetable-convenience store, gourmet food store,
1640 hobby shop, ice cream or confectionery-store, meat or fish market, newsstand,
1641 restaurant, shoe repair, and tailor, milliners and dress-maker. In addition, when a
1642 development relocates an existing retail use from a site within the Clarendon
1643 Revitalization District, the retail use may be counted as 200 percent of its actual floor
1644 area to calculate the requirement for retail. In order to replace a use which qualifies to

1645 be counted at 200 percent of the actual floor area requirement with a use which does
1646 not qualify to be counted at 200 percent of the actual floor area requirement, a site
1647 plan amendment will be required.

1648 **3.** When a site plan is approved under these provisions, storage space equal to 50 percent
1649 of the retail gross floor area provided on the first floor may be provided in the
1650 basement and it shall not be required to be counted as floor area subject to the F.A.R.
1651 limitations of the district. This space shall be limited to storage and shall never be
1652 converted to any other use.

1653 **4.** All development proposals shall comply with the urban design standards set forth in
1654 the Clarendon Sector Plan.

1655 **5.** Open space shall comply with the requirements set forth in §7.20.3.D, except that by
1656 site plan approval the open space requirement may be reduced on a site when the site
1657 plan meets all other design standards set forth in the appropriate sector plan, if the
1658 developer satisfies the open space requirement by providing open space off-site in the
1659 Clarendon Revitalization District or in an ~~an abutting contiguous~~ area designated by the
1660 county as appropriate for open space as shown on the General Land Use Plan.

1661 **6.** When a development preserves an existing building or building facade, the
1662 rehabilitation and new development shall be compatible with the existing building in
1663 terms of material color and texture, size and orientation of doors and windows, and
1664 cornice lines.

1665 **D. Parking**

1666 Parking for any use covered by site plan shall be as set forth in §7.20.5.A, except as follows:

1667 **1.** When a building or building facade which has been identified as a contributing building
1668 eligible for preservation in an adopted revitalization district is preserved in accordance
1669 with the standards set forth in §7.20.3.C.2, the parking requirement may be reduced by
1670 an area equal to the gross floor area of the building being preserved for as many levels
1671 as the garage is constructed.

1672 **2.** Parking for retail uses shall comply with the requirements set forth in §7.20.5.A, except
1673 where §14.3 provides specific relief. The parking for retail uses shall be provided on
1674 the first level of the garage and shall be available for short-term parking during the
1675 hours which the retail uses are open unless sufficient surface parking has been allowed
1676 on the site.

1677 **3.** For buildings which include frontage on special retail streets as designated in any
1678 sector plan, surface parking spaces may be provided in accordance with the design
1679 standards set forth in the sector plan. The number of spaces required to be provided in
1680 the garage may then be reduced by the number of spaces which are provided on the
1681 surface. This parking may count toward the open space requirement.

Article 8. Industrial (M) Districts

§8.1. Industrial (M) Districts Use Tables

§8.1.1. General

The use tables of this section list all uses allowed within M districts, and is subject to the explanations set forth below. ~~No building or structure shall be erected, reconstructed, structurally altered, enlarged or moved, and no land or building shall be used or designed to be used for any purpose in the M districts other than is hereinafter permitted except as may be permitted by §16.5.~~¹

§8.1.2. Industrial (M) districts principal use table

~~Table §8.1.2 lists the principal uses allowed within the M districts. The following use table summarizes the principal use regulations of the M districts.~~

~~A.~~ Key to types of uses

~~The permitted use table is subject to the explanation set forth below.~~

~~1.A.~~ Permitted uses

A "P" indicates that a use is permitted by-right and may be approved administratively in the respective general district subject to all other applicable requirements of this zoning ordinance, including the specific use standards in Article 12 and the site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14. ~~Subject to density and dimensional standards in the subject district or as approved by use permit or site plan, all uses permitted by-right may also be approved administratively in buildings controlled under use permit or site plan, except where expressly prohibited by use permit or site plan conditions for the subject property or where the subject property is expressly approved only for a specific use or uses.~~

~~2.B.~~ Use permit approval required

A "U" indicates a special exception use that may be allowed subject to approval of a use permit as provided in §15.5. ~~The Zoning Administrator may require a use permit for such use, whether the use is located in a building approved administratively or whether located in a building controlled by use permit or site plan.~~ Uses allowed by use permit are subject to all other applicable requirements of this zoning ordinance, including the specific use standards in Article 12 and the site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14.

~~3.C.~~ Site plan approval required

An "S" indicates a special exception use that may be allowed more flexibility in development form and density subject to site plan approval as provided in §15.6. Site plan uses are subject to all other applicable requirements of this zoning ordinance to the extent not modified through the site plan approval, including the specific use standards in Article 12 and the site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14.

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4.D. Uses not ~~allowed~~permitted

~~A blank cell (one without a “P”, “U”, or “S”) in the use table indicates that a use is not allowed in the respective district. Uses not listed may be allowed pursuant to the similar use determination procedure of §12.2.2. A blank cell in the use table indicates that a use is not allowed in the respective district. See also §12.2.1.~~

5.E. Use standards

~~The final “use standard” column on the use table contains references use standards that apply to the listed use types. The uses standards in Article 12 apply to more than one district. The “use standard” column on the use table (last column on the right) is a cross-reference to any specific use standard listed in Article 12, which apply to more than one district.~~ Where use standards apply exclusively to a specific district(s), such standards are listed in the respective district(s) regulations.

6.F. Accessory and temporary uses

The regulations that apply to accessory and temporary uses are contained in §12.9 ~~and §12.10~~ ~~accessory uses (§12.8), and temporary uses (§12.9).~~

B.G. Use ~~categories~~classification

~~All of the use categories listed in the table below are described in §12.2. The second column of the use table lists some of the specific use types included within the respective use categories. The first column of the use table lists some of the specific uses allowed in the respective districts. Uses not listed may be allowed pursuant to the similar use determination procedure of §12.2.1.~~

Commentary:

The Use Table is organized in to five major use groups:

- *Residential
- *Public, Civic and Institutional
- *Retail, Service and Commercial
- *Industrial
- *Other Uses

Each major use group is further divided into a series of use categories. The use category system is based on common functional, product or compatibility characteristics, thereby regulating uses in accordance with criteria directly relevant to the public interest. Sec. 14.1 provides a further description of use categories.

INDUSTRIAL (M) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE					
Use Category	Specific Use Types	CM [*]	M-1 [*]	M-2 [*]	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted					
Residential Use Categories (See §12.2.3)					
Household Living (See §12.2.3.A)	All household living uses				
Group Living (See §12.2.3.B)	Group homes Institutional homes and institutions of an educational or philanthropic nature; except those of a correctional nature. An institutional home which has an approved use permit and which is a licensed home for adults under the Code of Virginia, may have up to 75 percent of the units with individual kitchens provided that there are central cooking and eating facilities which serve all the units in such a home	U	U	U	§12.3.6
	Dormitories Private clubs, lodges, fraternities, sororities and dormitories	U	U	U	§12.3.3
	Fraternity and sorority houses; Private clubs, lodges, fraternities, sororities and dormitories	U	U	U	§12.3.5

INDUSTRIAL (M) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE					
Use Category	Specific Use Types	CM-1	M-1	M-2	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted					
Public, Civic and Institutional Use Categories (§12.2.4)					
Colleges (§12.2.4.A)	All college uses, institutional homes and institutions of an educational or philanthropic nature; except those of a correctional nature. An institutional home which has an approved use permit and which is a licensed home for adults under the Code of Virginia, may have up to 75 percent of the units with individual kitchens provided that there are central cooking and eating facilities which serve all the units in such a home	U	U	U	
Community Service (See §12.2.4.B)	Community centers, community buildings	U	U	U	
	Community swimming pools, clubs and grounds for games or sports, including community swimming pools; provided any such use is not operated primarily for commercial gain, or for which any mechanical amusement equipment is operated incidental to such games or sports	U	U	U	
	Libraries, public libraries, museums, and art galleries	U	U	U	
	Public libraries, museums, and art galleries or studios	U	U	U	
	Recreation centers, publicly operated recreation buildings, playgrounds, parks, and athletic fields	U	U	U	§12.4.6
Day Care (See §12.2.4.C)	All day care uses	U	U	U	§12.4.1
	Schools, private, elementary, secondary, kindergarten and nursery	U	U	U	§12.4.3
Schools (See §12.2.4.I)	Schools, private, elementary, middle and high, secondary, kindergarten and nursery	U	U	U	§12.4.1
Governmental Facilities (See §12.2.4.D)	Public service, including electric distributing substation, fire or police station, telephone exchange, and the like	P	P	P	
Hospital (See §12.2.4.E)	Hospitals or sanitariums; except animal hospitals, clinics, and hospitals or sanitariums for contagious, mental or drug or liquor addict cases; provided, that any building so used shall be set back not less than 100 feet from any lot line or street line; and doctors' offices in buildings already being used exclusively as such pursuant to other zoning provisions or variances previously granted, and a one-time addition thereto, provided such addition does not exceed 25 percent of the existing total gross floor area of the building being so used	U	U	U	§12.4.2
Parks and Open Space (See §12.2.4.F)	Country clubs and golf courses, airports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematories when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	U	U	
	Clubs and grounds for games or sports, including community swimming pools; provided any such use is not operated primarily for commercial gain, or for which any mechanical amusement equipment is operated incidental to such games or sports	U	U	U	
	Parks, playgrounds and playfields, publicly operated recreation buildings, playgrounds, parks, and athletic fields	U	U	U	
Passenger Terminals and Services (See §12.2.4.G)	Airports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematories when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	U	U	
	Railroad, trolley, bus, air, or boat passenger stations, public utilities and services; such as railroad, trolley, bus, air, or boat passenger stations; railroad offices, rights-of-way, and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, sidings and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchanges (but excluding service and storage yards)	U	U	U	§12.4.10
Religious Institutions	Churches, mosques, synagogues, and temples and other places of worship, including parish houses and Sunday schools, but excluding rescue missions or temporary revivals	P	P	P	

INDUSTRIAL (M) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE					
Use Category	Specific Use Types	CM-1	M-1	M-2	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted					
(See §12.2.4.H)	Wedding chapels	P	P	P	
Social Service Institutions (See §12.2.4.J)	All social service institutions				
Utilities, major (See §12.2.4.K)	Public utility service yard or electrical receiving or transforming station	P	P	P	§12.6.5
	Railroads and railroad right-of-way and tracks Railroad lines		P	P	
	Wastewater treatment plants Publicly operated facilities for the processing, treatment, or reduction of refuse material or water carried waste		P	P	
	Public utilities and services; such as railroad, trolley, bus, air, or boat passenger stations; railroad offices, rights-of-way, and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, sidings and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchanges (but excluding service and storage yards)	U	U	U	§12.6.5
Utilities, minor (See §12.2.4.K)	Bus shelters; bike share stations Public utilities and services; such as railroad, trolley, bus, air, or boat passenger stations; railroad offices, rights-of-way, and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, sidings and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchanges (but excluding service and storage yards)	U	U	U	
	Wastewater pump station Publicly operated facilities for the processing, treatment, or reduction of refuse material or water carried waste		P	P	
	All other minor utilities Public service, including electric distributing substation, fire or police station, telephone exchange, and the like	P	P	P	
Retail, Service and Commercial Use Categories (See §12.2.5)					
Food and Drinking Establishments (See §12.2.5.B)	Food delivery services	U	U	U	
	Catering establishment, small scale	P	P	P	
	Restaurant, general excluding the following types: restaurants with drive-through windows, restaurants for which less than 50 percent of the food is served to conventional restaurant tables at which customers sit to order and eat. Delivery of food and beverages to off-site locations is permitted when it involves less than 20 percent of the amount of the sales from these restaurants	P	P	P	§12.5.23
	Restaurant, limited Restaurant, including outdoor cafes associated with such uses (excluding restaurants with drive-through windows and dancing or entertainment, except for those providing live entertainment). Delivery of food and beverages to off-site locations is permitted when it involves less than 30 percent of the amount of the sales from these restaurants.	P	P	P	§12.5.24
	Restaurants providing live entertainment and/or dancing ¹	U	U	U	
Entertainment (See §12.2.5.A)	Game Amusement game arcades	U	U	U	
	Nightclubs and restaurants providing live entertainments, including dance halls	U	U	U	
	Membership clubs and lodges Private clubs, lodges, fraternities, sororities and dormitories	U	U	U	§12.5.14
	All other entertainment uses Amusement enterprises, including a billiard or pool hall, boxing arena, games of skill, penny arcade, shooting gallery and the like, if conducted wholly within a completely enclosed building.	P	P	P	§12.5.7
Entertainment, Outdoor					

¹ Live entertainment moved to accessory use table

INDUSTRIAL (M) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE					
Use Category	Specific Use Types	CM-1	M-1	M-2	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted					
(See §12.2.5.A)					
Office (See §12.2.5.C)	Audio-visual production studio	U	U	U	
	Business e College operated as a commercial enterprise	P	P	P	§1.1.1
	Financial services Banks and other financial institutions	P	P	P	
	Office, business or professional , without restriction on location within structures.	P	P	P	
	Offices or clinics, medical or dental Medical office or clinics	P	P	P	
	Offices, federal, state and local Government facilities, federal and state buildings used exclusively by the federal and state governments for public purposes, except penal and correctional institutions	U P	U P	U P	
	Offices of medical doctors, physicians, dentists or psychologists may be permitted in existing institutional structures converted to such use	P	P	P	
Overnight Accommodations (See §12.2.5.D)	Hotels or motels or tourist court	P	P		
Parking, Commercial (See §12.2.5.E)	All commercial parkingPublic parking area of up to 50 spaces or of a lot area of up to 20,000 sq. ft., when located and developed as required in §14.3	P U	P U	P U	§12.5.4
	Public parking area of more than 50 spaces or of a lot area of more than 20,000 sq. ft.	U	U	U	
Recreation, indoor (See §12.2.5.F.2(a))	Bowling alley	U	U	U	
	Skating Indoor and outdoor skating rink	U	U	U	
	Indoor theater or auditorium	P	P	P	
	Indoor s Swimming pool	P	P	P	
	Tennis, racquet or handball courts Indoor and outdoor tennis, racquet or handball courts.	U	U	U	
	All other indoor recreation uses	U	U	U	
Recreation, outdoor (See §12.2.5.F.2(b))	Miniature golf courses	U	U	U	
	Outdoor s Swimming pools	U	U	U	
	Skating Indoor and outdoor skating rink	U	U	U	
	Tennis, racquet or handball courts Indoor and outdoor tennis, racquet or handball courts.	U	U	U	
Retail Sales (See §12.2.5.G.2(a))	Antique shops	P	P	P	
	Art stores, including artwork, art supplies and framing materials	P	P	P	
	Automobile accessories and supplies, excluding installation	P	P	P	
	Bakery	P	P	P	
	Book, stationary or card store	P	P	P	
	Film processing kiosk (photo service)	P	P	P	
	Optical stores	P	P	P	
	Clothing or wearing apparel shops	P	P	P	
	Delicatessen	P	P	P	
	Department store, without restriction on minimum site area as imposed in C-1 district	P	P	P	
	Drug store. Delivery of drug store items to off-site locations is permitted when it involves less than 20 percent of the amount of the sales from these stores.	P	P	P	§12.5.5
	Dry goods or notion stores	P	P	P	
Florist or gift shop, provided delivery of flowers to off-site locations is permitted when it involves less than 30 percent of the amount of the sales from these stores	P	P	P	§12.5.8	

INDUSTRIAL (M) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE					
Use Category	Specific Use Types	CM-1	M-1	M-2	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted					
Retail, Personal Service (See §12.2.5.G.2(b))	Grocery store, fruit or vegetable stores without restriction or maximum gross floor area. Delivery of groceries to off-site locations is permitted when it involves less than thirty (30) percent of the amount of the sales from these stores	P	P	P	§12.5.10
	Hardware, paint or appliance stores	P	P	P	
	Hobby or handcraft stores	P	P	P	
	Home furnishings stores	P	P	P	
	Ice cream or confectionery stores	P	P	P	
	Jewelry stores	P	P	P	
	Kiosks	U	U	U	§12.5.12
	Large-format retail sales establishments	U	U	U	
	Meat or fish market	P	P	P	
	Nursery, flower or plant store	P	P	P	§12.5.16
	Open air markets	U	U	U	§12.5.18
	All other retail sales uses	P	P	P	
	Newsstands	P	P	P	
	Pet shops	P	P	P	
	Retail stores or businesses in addition to those permitted in C-1-R and C-1 district	P	P	P	
	Shoe store	P	P	P	
	Secondhand or consignment shop	P	P	P	
	Sporting goods store	P	P	P	
	Variety store	P	P	P	
	Video tape or record store	P	P	P	
	Animal care facilities, veterinary clinics, animal hospitals Animal hospital or veterinary clinic within a fully enclosed structure	P	P	P	§12.5.2
	Veterinary or dog or cat hospitals, and kennels	P	P	P	§12.6.4
	Health clubs	P	P	P	
	Barbershop or beauty parlor	P	P	P	
	Banks and other financial institutions	P	P	P	
	Dry cleaning drop-off stations ers laundry and laundromat, provided that the equipment employed shall use synthetic, nonflammable solvent and have an aggregate maximum rated capacity of not more than 40 pounds and that not more than one truck or vehicle is employed for pickup and delivery. No cleaning establishment shall serve any other retail branches ¹	P	P	P	§12.5.6
	Dance studio	P	P	P	
	Laundromats Cleaning or laundry establishment	P	P	P	§12.5.13
	Locksmiths	P	P	P	
	Music conservatory or music instruction	P	P	P	
	Massage parlors² and the like	U	U	U	
	Mortuaries and/or funeral homes, including a cremation unit within a mortuary or funeral home	U	U	U	§12.5.15
Palmistry	P	P	P		
Pawnshops	P	P	P		
Photo copy services	P	P	P		
Photography studio	P	P	P		
Private postal service limited to a gross floor area of 1,200 sq. ft	P	P	P	§12.5.19	

¹ Moved to use standards “dry cleaning plants”

² Deleted (archaic use)

INDUSTRIAL (M) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE					
Use Category	Specific Use Types	CM-1	M-1	M-2	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted					
	All other retail personal service uses	P	P	P	§12.5.21
Retail, Repair (See §12.2.5.G.2(c))	Repair shop (small appliance, television, radio)	P	P	P	
	Tailors, Tailor or dressmaker	P	P	P	
	Upholstery shops, if conducted wholly within a completely enclosed building	P	P	P	§12.5.27
	All other retail repair uses Shoe repair	P	P	P	
Self-service Storage (See §12.2.5.H)	All self-storage uses Wholesale business, storage buildings and warehouses	P	P	P	§12.5.26
Vehicle Sales and Service (See §12.2.5.I)	Car wash	U	U	U	
	Vehicle body shop, and automobile assembling, tire retreading or recapping, battery manufacturing and the like.	P	P	P	§12.5.28
	Vehicle sales, rental, or leasing facilities Vehicle dealership, sales or rental lot on a site which is more than 20,000 sq. ft. in area, provided the area is developed as required in §14.3	P	P	P	§12.5.30
	Vehicle dealership, sales or rental lots located on sites of 20,000 sq. ft. or less but more than 10,000 sq. ft. in area, provided the area is developed as required in §14.3.	U	U	U	§12.5.27
	Vehicle service establishment, provided that any vehicle repairs and storage of merchandise and supplies shall be conducted wholly within a building, and that any lubrication or washing not conducted wholly within a building shall be permitted only if a masonry wall, seven feet in height, is erected and maintained between such uses and any adjoining residential district	U	U	U	§12.5.28
Industrial Use Categories (See §12.2.6)					
Light Industrial Service (See §12.2.6.A)	Contractors and others who perform services off-site, but store equipment and materials or perform fabrication or similar work on-site Contractor's equipment storage yard or plant, or rental of equipment commonly used by contractors	P	P	P	§11.1.1
	Carpet cleaning plants Laundry, cleaning and dyeing works, and carpet and rug cleaning	P	P	P	§12.6.4
	Contractors, off-site storage and staging yards and sales or leasing trailers or pavilions¹	U	U	U	§12.9.4
	Dry cleaning plants laundry and laundromat, provided that the equipment employed shall use synthetic, nonflammable solvent and have an aggregate maximum rated capacity of not more than 40 pounds and that not more than one truck or vehicle is employed for pickup and delivery. No cleaning establishment shall serve any other retail branches	P	P	P	§12.6.2
	Feed and fuel yard	P	P	P	§12.6.5
	Manufacture or assembly of consumer equipment, instruments (including musical instruments), appliances, precision items and other electrical items Assembly of electrical appliances, electronic instruments and devices, radios and phonographs, including electroplating the manufacture of small parts only, such as coils, condensers, transformers, crystal holders and the like	P	P	P	§12.6.4
	Medical or dental laboratories laboratory	P	P	P	
	Printing, publishing and lithography, small scale	P	P	P	
	Research, testing and development laboratories Laboratories; experimental, photo or motion picture, film or testing	P	P	P	§12.6.4
	Sign making painting shop	P	P	P	§12.6.9
Vehicle storage lots and towing services	P	P	P	§12.6.11	
Vehicle storage lots and towing services	P			§12.6.3	

¹ Moved to short term use standards (12.10)

§8.1.2 INDUSTRIAL (M) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE

INDUSTRIAL (M) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE					
Use Category	Specific Use Types	CM-1	M-1	M-2	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted					
	Welding, machine and tool repair shops Blacksmith shop and machine shop, excluding punch presses over 20 tons rate capacity, drop hammers and automatic screw machines	P	P	P	§12.6.4
	Woodworking, including cabinet makers and furniture manufacturing Carpenter or cabinet shop	P	P	P	§12.6.5
	Distribution plants, parcel delivery, ice and cold storage plant, bottling plant, and food commissary or large scale catering establishments	P	P	P	
	Draying, freighting or trucking yard or terminal	P	P	P	
	Foundry casting lightweight nonferrous metal not causing noxious fumes, and noise ¹	P	P	P	§12.6.3
	Manufacture and maintenance of electric and neon signs, billboards, commercial advertising structures, light sheet metal products, including heating and ventilating ducts and equipment, eornices, eaves and the like	P	P	P	§1.1.1
	Manufacture of musical instruments, toys, novelties and rubber and metal stamps	P	P	P	§1.1.1
	Manufacture of pottery and figurines or other similar ceramic products, using only previously pulverized clay, and kilns fired only by electricity or gas	P	P	P	§1.1.1
Manufacturing and Production (See §12.2.6.B)	Manufacture, compounding, assembling or treatment of articles or merchandise from the following previously prepared materials: bone, cellophane, canvas, cloth, cork, feathers, felt, fiber, fur, glass, hair, horn, leather, paper, plastics, precious or semiprecious metals or stones, shell, textile, tobacco, wood (excluding planning mill) yams and paint not employing a boiling process	P	P	P	§1.1.1
	Manufacture, compounding, processing, packaging or treatment of such products as bakery goods, candy, cosmetics, dairy products, drugs, perfumes, pharmaceuticals, perfumed toilet soap, toiletries and food products, except fish and meat products, sauerkraut, vinegar, yeast, and the rendering or refining of fats and oils	P	P	P	§1.1.1
	Manufacturing of fish and meat products, sauerkraut or vinegar				
	Sheet metal shops	P	P	P	§12.6.5
	Plumbing or sheet metal shops	P	P	P	§12.6.6
	Printing, publishing and lithography, large scale	P	P	P	
	Small boat building, except shipbuilding	P	P	P	§1.1.1
	Stone monument works employing not more than five persons	P	P	P	§12.6.10
	All other manufacturing and production uses	P	P	P	§12.6.4
	Heavy Industrial (See §12.2.6.C)	Asphalt processing and manufacture batching			U
Concrete batching operations and related accessory activities			U	P	
Wrecking and salvage yards Junkyard				U	§12.6.14
All other heavy industrial uses					
Warehouse and Freight Movement (See §12.2.6.D)	Mailing service, including bulk mailing	P	P	P	
	Wholesale business, storage or buildings and warehouses	P	P	P	§12.6.4
	All other warehouse and freight movement uses				
Waste-related Service (See §12.2.6.E)	Recycling centers	U	U	U	
	Separation and disposal facilities, including incinerators Publicly operated facilities for the processing, treatment, or reduction of refuse material or water-carried waste		P	P	
	Solid or liquid waste transfer Publicly operated facilities for the processing, treatment, or reduction of refuse material or water-carried waste		P	P	

¹ Standards moved to use standards in Article 12, minus noise and fumes.

INDUSTRIAL (M) DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE TABLE					
Use Category	Specific Use Types	CM-1	M-1	M-2	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted					
Wholesale Trade (See §12.2.6.F)	Storage or rental of machinery, equipment, heavy trucks, building supplies and lumber, special trade tools, welding supplies, machine parts, electrical supplies, janitorial supplies, restaurant equipment and store fixtures, Contractor's equipment storage yard or plant, or rental of equipment commonly used by contractors	P	P	P	§12.6.5
	Wholesale business, storage buildings and warehouses	P	P	P	§12.6.2
	Building material sales yards, including the sales of rock, sand, gravel and the like, as incidental part of the main business, but excluding concrete mixing	P	P	P	§12.6.1
	Retail lumber yards, including only incidental mill work	P	P	P	§12.6.8
	All other wholesale trade uses	P	P	P	§12.6.13
Other use categories (See §12.2.7)					
Agriculture (See §12.2.7.A)	All agricultural uses Farming, livestock and poultry raising, and all uses commonly classed as agricultural, with no restrictions as to the operation of such vehicles or machinery as are incidental to such uses, and with no restrictions as to the sale or marketing of products raised on the premises; provided, any livestock or poultry shall be kept in a building, structure or yard for the raising, housing or sale thereof which shall be located no less than 100 feet from any street or lot line; provided, further, that poultry shall not be allowed to roam at large	P	P	P	§12.7.1
Resource Extraction (See §12.2.7.B)	All resource extraction uses				
Tele-communications Facilities (§12.2.6.C)	All telecommunications facilities				
Unclassified (See §12.2.7.D)	Other uses which, in the judgment of the zoning administrator, are of the same general character as those listed in this subsection and will not be detrimental to the district in which located.	P	P	P	
<p>* Classes or instruction to children: if a use provides classes or instruction to children and, either 20 percent or more of the total number of students enrolled in classes and/or instruction are children under 18 years of age or the total number of children under 18 years of age enrolled in classes scheduled to be held at any one time is 10 or more, the use may only be established subject to obtaining a use permit as provided in §14.5, for each such use¹</p>					

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¹ Moved to use standards (12.5)

1751 **§8.1.3. Industrial (M) districts accessory use table**

1752 Accessory uses in Industrial (M) districts shall include the following uses, activities and
 1753 structures:

Use Types	CM*	M-1*	M-2*	Use Standards
KEY: P = allowed by-right; U = requires use permit approval; S = requires site plan approval; Blank cell = not permitted				
Accessory buildings, including a private garage, provided that a detached accessory building shall be located as required in §3.2	P	P		
Accessory uses and buildings customarily accessory to otherwise allowed uses.	P	P	P	
Accessory uses customarily incidental to any of the above uses and accessory buildings when located on the same lot.	P	P	P	
Commercial vehicle parking. In cases working a grave hardship on the resident, and in accordance §12.8.2.C, and §14.6, parking of (i) a commercial vehicle which does not meet the locational requirements of this zoning ordinance, or (ii) more than one commercial vehicle	P	P	P	
Caretaker residence Dwellings, caretakers or resident managers	P	P	P	§12.3.2
Commercial vehicle parking	P	P	P	§12.9.5
Crematories Crematoriums –Airports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematories when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	U	U	§12.9.6
Drive-through window. Any use otherwise permitted in this district with a drive through window	U	U	U	
Restaurants providing live entertainment and/or dancing¹	U	U	U	
Mortuaries and funeral homes Airports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematories when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	U	U	§12.9.13
Outdoor cafes Restaurant, including outdoor cafes associated with such uses (excluding restaurants with drive through windows and dancing or entertainment, except for those providing live entertainment). Delivery of food and beverages to off-site locations is permitted when it involves less than 30 percent of the amount of the sales from these restaurants. ¹	P U	P U	P U	§12.9.14
Outdoor cafes temporarily enclosed for up to 10 months per year¹	U	U	U	§12.9.14
Poultry- or rabbit-killing incidental to a retail business on the same premises¹	P	P	P	§12.6.4
Private garage Accessory buildings, including a private garage, provided that a detached accessory building shall be located as required in §3.2	P	P		
Swimming pools, private	P	P	P	§12.9.16
Trailer Recreational vehicle or trailer parking	P	P	P	§12.9.15
Vehicle maintenance, routine.	P	P	P	§12.9.17
Vehicle, unlicensed and/or inspected.	P	P	P	§12.9.18

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¹ Moved from principal use table; enclosure included in §12.9.14.

1756 **§8.2. CM, Limited Industrial District**

1757 **§8.2.1. Purpose**

1758 The purpose for the CM, Limited Industrial District is to provide areas for light manufacturing,
 1759 wholesale businesses and distribution centers and other uses inappropriate to residential or
 1760 service business areas.

1761 **§8.2.2. Uses**

1762 Uses shall be as specified in §8.1.

1763 **§8.2.3. Density and dimensional standards**

1764 **A. General**

1765 All development in the CM district shall comply with the following standards, except as
 1766 otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	Hotels	All Other Uses
Lot area, minimum (sq. ft.)		
Lot area per sleeping or guest unit	600	--
All other uses	--	--
Lot width (feet)		--
Height, maximum (feet)	--	45
Floor area ratio, maximum	--	1.5

1767 **B. Bulk, coverage and placement**

1768 For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

1769 **§8.2.4. District use standards**

1770 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the CM district include:

1771 **A. [\[Reserved\]](#)**

1772 **§8.2.5. Site development standards**

1773 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
 1774 otherwise specified below.

1775 **A. Landscaping**

1776 10 percent of total site area is required to be landscaped open space in accordance with
 1777 the requirements of §14.2, Landscaping.

1778 **B. Parking**

1779 Parking shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of §14.3.

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1781 **§8.3. M-1, Light Industrial District**

1782 **§8.3.1. Purpose**

1783 [Reserved]

1784 **§8.3.2. Uses**

1785 Uses shall be as specified in §8.1.

1786 **§8.3.3. Density and dimensional standards**

1787 **A. General**

1788 All development in the M-1 district shall comply with the following standards, except as
1789 otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	All Uses
Height, maximum (feet)	75
Floor area ratio, maximum	1.5

1790 **B. Bulk coverage and placement**

1791 For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

1792 **§8.3.4. District use standards**

1793 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the M-1 district include:

1794 A. [Reserved]

1795 **§8.3.5. Site development standards**

1796 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
1797 otherwise specified below.

1798 **A. Parking**

1799 Parking shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of §14.3.

1800 B. [Reserved]

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1802 **§8.4. M-2, Service Industrial District**

1803 **§8.4.1. Purpose**

1804 [Reserved]

1805 **§8.4.2. Uses**

1806 Uses shall be as specified in §8.1.

1807 **§8.4.3. Density and dimensional standards**

1808 **A. General**

1809 All development in the M-2 district shall comply with the following standards, except as
1810 otherwise expressly allowed or stated.

Type of Standard	All Uses
Height, maximum (feet)	75
Floor area ratio, maximum	1.5

1811 **B. Bulk, coverage and placement**

1812 For bulk, coverage and placement requirements not listed in this section see §3.2.

1813 **§8.4.4. District use standards**

1814 Use standards applicable to specific uses in the M-2 district include:

1815 **A. [Reserved]**

1816 ~~**B. Junkyards**~~¹

1817 ~~Junkyard may be allowed, subject to the following conditions:~~

1818 ~~1. No junkyard shall be located within 225 feet of an arterial highway~~

1819 ~~2. All junkyards shall be located on lots containing not less than 25,000 sq. ft.~~

1820 ~~3. All junkyards shall be surrounded by a wall seven feet high or of such additional height~~
1821 ~~as needed to provide suitable screening of the operation with due regard to~~
1822 ~~topography.~~

1823 ~~4. No material shall be reduced by fire, except when reduced in an approved incinerator.~~

1824 **Site development standards**

1825 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
1826 otherwise specified below.

1827 ~~**C. B. Parking**~~

1828 Parking shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of §14.3.

1829 ~~**D. C.**~~ [Reserved]

¹ Moved to §12.6.14

1830 **Article 9. Special Planning Area Regulations**

1831 **§9.1. Special Revitalization Districts**

1832 **§9.1.1. C-2 District**

1833 **A. Applicability**

1834 The provisions of this §9.1.1 shall apply only in the C-2 district.

1835 **B. General**

1836 By site plan approval under §15.6 use regulations for areas designated as "Special
1837 Revitalization Districts" on the General Land Use Plan may be modified under the following
1838 conditions, and an additional F.A.R. of .5 may be allowed under the following conditions
1839 applicable to such increases in density:

- 1840 **1.** Height limit: No building, nor the enlargement of any building, shall exceed the height
1841 standard in the revitalization area or six stories not including mechanical penthouses.
- 1842 **2.** Density: The ratio of the total gross floor area of all uses, excluding one- and two-
1843 family dwellings, to the total area of the site shall not exceed 1.5 to 1. A building which
1844 has solely residential use above the second floor level shall be permitted to have a
1845 residential F.A.R. of 1.5 and a first floor retail commercial use F.A.R. of up to .5. Under
1846 no circumstances shall the total F.A.R. of such a building exceed 2.0.
- 1847 **3.** The first floor of any office building shall be designed and used for retail commercial
1848 uses. A plan specifying the proposed retail commercial uses shall be developed and
1849 shall be consistent with the adopted plan for the "Special Revitalization District."
- 1850 **4.** Automobile parking space is to be provided as required in §14.3, except that parking
1851 may be reduced by site plan approval to no less than one off-street parking space per
1852 one dwelling unit and one off-street parking space for each 580 sq. ft. of the total office
1853 and retail gross floor area.
- 1854 **5.** Screening walls and/or landscaping consistent with the goals and standards of the
1855 adopted plan for the revitalization area shall be provided where a parking area abuts a
1856 street, sidewalk, alley, or other public right-of-way and where a parking area abuts R
1857 and RA districts.
- 1858 **6.** Streetscape improvements consistent with the standards of the adopted "Special
1859 Revitalization District" plan for the area shall be implemented on the periphery of the
1860 site fronting on public right-of-way.
- 1861 **7.** A coordinated sign plan shall be required. Standards for signs shall be those set forth in
1862 the adopted "Special Revitalization District" plan for the area.
- 1863 **8.** All aerial utilities in the public right-of-way at the periphery of the site and within the
1864 site shall be placed underground.

1866 **§9.2. Clarendon Revitalization District**

1867 **§9.2.1. Preservation of identified structures**

1868 When a proposal located in the Clarendon Revitalization District as designated on the General
1869 Land Use Plan preserves a structure identified for preservation in adopted policies for
1870 Clarendon, and the County Board finds that the structure is preserved in accordance with such
1871 adopted policies, then the County Board may approve an increase above the otherwise
1872 allowable density as follows:

1873 **A. Referral to Historical Affairs and Landmark Review Board**

1874 Prior to County Board approval, the county manager will send the project for review and
1875 comment by the Historical Affairs and Landmark Review Board at least 45 days in advance
1876 of a public hearing by the County Board, and the Review Board’s recommendation will be
1877 considered by the County Board. The County Board shall determine whether the project is
1878 consistent with the historic preservation objectives of the adopted policies.

1879 **B. Incentives**

- 1880 **1.** When an entire building is preserved, the project’s gross floor area may, by site plan
1881 approval, be increased by an amount of up to 500 percent of the first 10,000 sq. ft. of
1882 gross floor area preserved and up to 300 percent of any sq. ft. of gross floor area
1883 preserved beyond 10,000 sq. ft.
- 1884 **2.** When a building frontage or façade is preserved, the project’s gross floor area may be
1885 increased by an amount of up to 500 percent of the sq. ft. of gross floor area
1886 preserved. The sq. ft. of gross floor area preserved shall be calculated by multiplying
1887 the linear feet of building façade or frontage preserved by the depth of preservation.

1888 **C. Step-back requirements**

1889 Unless the County Board finds, in a particular case, that a lesser step-back or no step-back
1890 is more appropriate to ensure a contextually appropriate definition between a structure
1891 identified for preservation in the Clarendon Sector Plan and new buildings, the preservation
1892 of building frontages or facades shall provide a step-back of at least 20 feet for frontages
1893 and 10 feet for facades, immediately above the preserved portion of the project.

1894 **§9.2.2. C-3 district**

1895 **A. Applicability**

1896 The provisions of this section apply only in the C-3 district.

1897 **B. General requirements**

1898 In the Clarendon Revitalization District, as designated on the General Land Use Plan, the
1899 following additional provisions shall apply:

1900 **1. Treatment along major streets**

1901 Structures along Wilson Boulevard, Clarendon Boulevard, 10th Street North,
1902 Washington Boulevard, 13th Street North and Fairfax Drive (together referred to in this
1903 Article 9 as “major streets”) shall contain functioning entry doors at least every 50
1904 linear feet along the building façade.

1905 **2. Parking along major streets**

1906 Above-ground parking structures or surface parking within 120 feet of the center line

1907 of major streets shall be located behind a structure containing other uses for the entire
 1908 height of the parking structure, such that the parking or parking structure is not visible
 1909 from the frontage of the property along that street. Entrances and exits to parking lots
 1910 or parking structure on major streets shall be allowed only where the zoning
 1911 administrator determines that the only frontage(s) reasonably available for such
 1912 entrance or exit is on a Major Street. When a parking structure is accessed from a Non-
 1913 Major Street only, the zoning administrator may approve a decreased setback from a
 1914 Major Street where such decrease will allow for adequate space to access the parking
 1915 structure above the first floor.

1916 **3. Parking structures along non-major streets**

1917 Along non-major streets, except as alleys, North Ivy Street, 12th Street North and 10th
 1918 Road North, any parking structure’s ground floor shall be located behind a structure
 1919 containing other uses, such that the first-floor of the parking structure is not visible
 1920 from such street and its associated sidewalks. Any parking structure above the first
 1921 floor that is visible from a Non-Major Street shall have all openings screened along the
 1922 entire façade of such structure. Screening techniques may include the use of display
 1923 windows, decorative grillwork, decorative glass, decorative masonry or a combination
 1924 of these methods, or similar methods so as to ensure that vehicles within the structure
 1925 are screened from the view of cars and pedestrians along non-major streets and their
 1926 associated sidewalks. Interruptions to this screening method are allowed to
 1927 accommodate vehicular and/or pedestrian access. Parking structures along alleys and
 1928 along North Ivy Street, 12th Street North and 10th Road North are not required to be
 1929 placed behind other uses on the first floor. However, parking along these streets shall
 1930 be screened on all floors using the screening techniques listed above.

1931 **4. Surface parking along non-major streets**

1932 Surface parking shall be screened as required in §14.2.3.E, except that any surface
 1933 parking lot facing a public rights-of-way (where no structure containing a use is
 1934 between the right-of-way and the parking) shall incorporate a landscape strip as
 1935 specified in §14.2.3.E.1, such landscape strip shall be a minimum of five feet wide,
 1936 placed at the back of the required sidewalk along that right-of-way. In addition, any
 1937 such parking area shall be screened by a masonry wall of a minimum of 42 inches and
 1938 48 inches tall (measured as described in §14.2.3.E.2), which shall be placed along the
 1939 outer edge of the parking area, and which may extend no closer to the right-of-way
 1940 than the distance specified in §3.2.5.A.1(c). This wall shall be designed to partially
 1941 screen vehicles from pedestrian view from ~~adjacent~~ abutting sidewalks and to provide
 1942 separation between pedestrians, and parking areas. Reasonable interruptions to this
 1943 wall are allowed to accommodate vehicular access. Breaks in the masonry wall shall be
 1944 allowed for pedestrian access but each break shall be a maximum of 48 inches wide. In
 1945 addition, any vehicular access to a surface parking lot shall include sidewalks, a
 1946 minimum of four feet wide, along each side of the driveway to permit pedestrian
 1947 access from the street frontage into the parking lot.

1948 **C. Landscaping requirements**

- 1949 **1.** For properties within the “Clarendon Revitalization District” on the General Land Use
 1950 Plan, the following may apply:

- 1951 (a) Where a developer has entered into a binding commitment to construct
1952 streetscape improvements according to the county’s adopted plans and to place
1953 all aerial utilities on and at the periphery of the lot underground as part of new
1954 development or redevelopment, then the 10 percent landscaping requirement
1955 may be reduced to eight percent. The zoning administrator’s approval for such a
1956 reduction shall not waive the landscape strip required in §9.2.2.B.3; or
- 1957 (b) Where a developer has entered into a binding commitment to construct
1958 streetscape improvements according to the county’s adopted plans and to place
1959 all aerial utilities on and at the periphery of the lot underground as part of new
1960 development or redevelopment, the zoning administrator may approve use of a
1961 portion of the public right-of-way for that purpose. In such a case, the 10 percent
1962 landscaping requirement shall apply, without reduction, on private property; and
- 1963 (c) Where a developer dedicates land to the county in fee, with no other
1964 consideration, or in easement, in a form approved by the County Board, for a
1965 right-of-way called for in the Arlington County Master Transportation Plan within
1966 the area of the “Clarendon Revitalization District” on the General Land Use Plan,
1967 the zoning administrator may approve a reduction in the remaining landscape
1968 requirement by the same number of ~~sq. ft.~~square feet of land area as is dedicated
1969 to the county.

1970 **D. Site plans**

1971 In areas designated "Medium Density Mixed Use" and located within the Clarendon
1972 Revitalization District as designated on the General Land Use Plan, where the County Board
1973 finds that a development proposal furthers the goals, policies, and recommendations
1974 identified in the Clarendon Sector Plan, it may, in accordance with §15.6, modify the
1975 requirements of §7.19.5 and §14.3, by site plan. The following regulations shall apply
1976 unless otherwise modified by the County Board by site plan:

1977 **1. Density regulations**

- 1978 (a) The County Board may approve a density of up to 3.0 F.A.R. subject to the
1979 Maximum Number of Floors shown on the Maximum Height Limits Map (§9.2.5,
1980 Map 1).
- 1981 (b) As provided in the Clarendon Sector Plan, the County Board may approve optional
1982 increases in density above 3.0 F.A.R. pursuant to §15.6 by approving additional
1983 floors subject to the Maximum Height (feet) on the Maximum Heights Limits Map
1984 (§9.2.5, Map 1) and as described in subsection 4, below. Density approved
1985 pursuant to §15.5.7.~~§15.6.6.B~~ shall only be density transferred to or received
1986 from other sites within the Clarendon Revitalization District.

1987 **2. Area requirements**

1988 No minimum site area required.

1989 **3. Use mix regulations**

1990 The regulations of this subsection 3 shall apply to density of up to 3.0 F.A.R. as
1991 approved by the County Board. Any additional density shall not be subject to these
1992 restrictions:

- 1993 (a) For sites designated as “Prime Office Sites” on the Use Mix Map (§9.2.6, Map 2),
 1994 at least 60 percent of the density shall consist of commercial uses. For the
 1995 purpose of this calculation, hotel uses will be counted as non-commercial uses.
- 1996 (b) For sites designated “Residential, Commercial, Hotel, or Mixed Use – Minimum 20
 1997 percent Commercial” on the Use Mix Map (§9.2.6, Map 2), at least 20 percent of
 1998 the total density shall consist of commercial uses. For the purpose of this
 1999 calculation, hotel uses will be counted as commercial uses.
- 2000 (c) For all sites in the Clarendon Revitalization District not covered by §9.2.2.D.3(a)
 2001 and §9.2.2.D.3(b), residential, commercial, hotel, retail, or a combination of those
 2002 uses shall be permitted.
- 2003 (d) The following shall apply to all sites: ground floor retail that substantially complies
 2004 with the Frontage Type guidelines shall be provided where Retail Frontages are
 2005 designated on the Use Mix Map (§9.2.6, Map 2).

4. Height regulations

- 2006 Under no circumstances shall the County Board approve a site plan that exceeds the
 2007 following overall height maximums:
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- 2009 (a) No building, except for mechanical penthouses, shall be erected to exceed 55 feet
 2010 in height, except as provided below.
- 2011 (b) When a structure is farther than 165 feet from an R or RA district, the height may
 2012 be increased by one foot for every three feet beyond 165 feet, up to a maximum
 2013 height of 110 feet.
- 2014 (c) Where the Maximum Heights Limit Map (§9.2.5, Map 1) shows heights greater
 2015 than heights allowed in subsections (a) and (b), above, the County Board may
 2016 allow additional height up to the maximum height shown on the Maximum
 2017 Heights Limit Map (§9.2.5, Map 1) and may permit additional height for those
 2018 sites designated as “Receiving Sites for Additional Height” on the Receiving Sites
 2019 Map (§9.2.7, Map 3).

5. Coverage Requirements

- 2020 Lot coverage as calculated for the property that is the subject of the special exception
 2021 shall be no greater than 80 percent unless one of the following applies:
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- 2023 (a) When a development preserves a building designated for preservation according
 2024 to the Building Preservation Map (§9.2.8, Map 4), and in accordance with the
 2025 standards set forth in §9.2.2.D.8(b), the area of the footprint of the structure
 2026 being preserved may be excluded from the coverage calculation; and
- 2027 (b) Coverage may be increased by the amount of square footage of open space
 2028 provided off site in the “Clarendon Revitalization District” as designated on the
 2029 General Land Use Plan; and
- 2030 (c) Where new streets are provided and dedicated as designated in the Master
 2031 Transportation Plan, coverage may be increased for the area of the street from
 2032 face of curb to face of curb; and
- 2033 (d) Coverage may be increased on a site when the site plan meets other design
 2034 standards set forth in the Clarendon Sector Plan pursuant to §15.5.5.

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6. Building placement and streetscape

- (a) Any street frontage, including any new street as designated in the Master Transportation Plan, shall be improved with streetscapes consistent with the Streetscapes Map (§9.2.9, Map 5) and sidewalk design guidelines (§9.2.3, Table 1) unless otherwise approved. The clear walkway zone (an unobstructed area serving as circulation space for pedestrians) shall be maintained at a width no less than six feet.
- (b) New structures shall be built to the build-to line specified in the Build-To-Lines Map (§9.2.10, Map 6) and shall be built to the build-to line for at least 75 percent of the building line on each street frontage of the site. The location of the build-to line will be based upon street cross-sections shown in the Clarendon Sector Plan as follows: facades of new structures along a build-to line shall be composed as a simple plane (limited jogs less than 24 inches are considered a simple plane within this requirement) interrupted only by porches, stoops, bay windows, shop-fronts, balconies, other entries to the building, café seating, or for compatibility with a preserved structure.
- (c) All aerial utilities on and at the periphery of the site shall be placed underground with redevelopment or new construction.

7. Parking requirements

- (a) Except as set forth in subsections (1), (2), and (3) below, one parking space for each dwelling unit and one parking space for each 580 ~~sq. ft.~~ square feet of gross floor area not part of a dwelling unit, and 0.7 parking space for each guest room.
- (b) When buildings which have been identified as contributing buildings eligible for preservation in the Clarendon Sector Plan are preserved in accordance with the standards set forth in that Plan, the above parking requirement may be reduced as follows:
 - (1) If a building identified for full preservation is preserved, the number of parking spaces provided for the gross floor area preserved may equal the lesser of either the “Estimated Parking Spaces” specified in §9.2.4, Table 2, or the amount otherwise required.
 - (2) If a building identified for partial preservation is preserved, the number of parking spaces provided for the gross floor area preserved shall equal the number of “Estimated Parking Spaces” specified in §9.2.4, Table 2, prorated by the ratio between the floor area preserved and the floor area of the original building.
 - (3) If a building identified for partial preservation is preserved beyond that identified in the Clarendon Sector Plan, the County Board may further reduce parking requirements for the gross floor area preserved equal to the lesser of the pro-rated amount based on the ratio between the floor area preserved and the floor area of the original building or the amount otherwise required.
 - (4) The County Board may further reduce parking requirements for preserved structures where an applicant demonstrates that the number of parking

- 2077 spaces specified in §9.2.4 Table 2, is greater than the number of spaces
2078 owned by the preserved structure on December 31, 2006.
- 2079 (5) Parking for retail uses shall comply with the requirements set forth above, or
2080 the requirements of §14.3, whichever are less stringent.
- 2081 (6) The County Board may allow up to 100 percent of parking requirements to
2082 be met off-site for sites smaller than 20,000 ~~sq. ft.~~ square feet if the County
2083 Board determines that ~~on-site~~ on-site parking is not feasible due to site
2084 constraints, access limitation or other factors, and required parking can be
2085 provided within 1000 linear feet of the subject property with assurances that
2086 such parking will remain available for the duration of the approved plan.
- 2087 (c) Parking shall be provided as specified and regulated in §14.3, unless otherwise
2088 provided for in §9.1.3.A.7(a), above.
- 2089 (d) To ensure the availability of short term and shared parking for use by visitors,
2090 clients and retail patrons in the “Clarendon Revitalization District,” a parking
2091 management plan (PMP) shall be required and shall include provisions for shared
2092 parking consistent with recommendations in the Clarendon Sector Plan. The
2093 allocation of shared spaces may be provided out of the total building parking
2094 requirement if appropriate provisions are made in the PMP for such shared use,
2095 on terms acceptable to the County Board at the time of approval.

2096 8. Design requirements

- 2097 All site plans shall comply with the following design requirements unless otherwise
2098 approved by the County Board:
- 2099 (a) Buildings including, without limitation, facades and ground floor ceiling heights,
2100 shall be designed in a manner consistent with the frontage type guidelines set
2101 forth in the Clarendon Sector Plan, except for those buildings designated for full or
2102 partial preservation.
- 2103 (b) When a site includes a structure identified for preservation in the Clarendon
2104 Sector Plan, the structure shall be preserved in a manner consistent with the
2105 Clarendon Sector Plan, other regulations set forth in this district, and regulations
2106 set forth in §9.2.1. New development within the site shall be compatible with the
2107 existing structures in terms of material color and texture, size and fenestration of
2108 doors and windows, and cornice lines.
- 2109 (c) Off-street parking entrances/exits and loading areas are to be provided as
2110 required in §14.3, except that these areas will be located only in areas designated
2111 for Service frontages as designated on the Frontage Types Map (§9.2.11, Map 7).
2112 If a site does not include any site area designated for Service frontage, the County
2113 Board may approve an alternate location for service and/or parking
2114 entrances/exits that balances the following considerations:
- 2115 (1) Proposed location limits pedestrian and vehicle conflicts;
- 2116 (2) Project as designed maximizes the site’s potential for pedestrian street
2117 activation along major pedestrian routes; and
- 2118 (3) Project is designed to maximize consolidation of loading and/or vehicular
2119 entrances with other properties on the same block.

- 2120 (d) All equipment above the roofline shall be screened from view by walls of equal
2121 height and materials similar to the facades of the building, set back a distance at
2122 least equal to their height from the building edge and height limit line and shall
2123 not exceed 18 feet.
- 2124 (e) Where retail space is located on the ground floor, such space shall be designed
2125 and constructed with a Structural Clear Height (the space bounded by the top of
2126 one slab, or other structural portion of one floor, and the bottom of the next slab,
2127 or structural portion of a floor) of at least 15 feet, except where the County Board
2128 finds that such Structural Clear Height would adversely affect the historical
2129 aspects of a building designated for full or partial preservation.
- 2130 (f) When a building exceeds 60 feet in height, a single step-back of at least 20 feet
2131 shall be implemented beginning on the third, fourth or fifth floor, on frontages
2132 designated for step-backs on the Step-Backs Map (§9.2.12, Map 8), except as
2133 provided below.
- 2134 (1) The County Board may approve modifications to the depth of the step-back
2135 on sites smaller than 20,000 ~~sq.-ft.~~[square feet](#) if the County Board
2136 determines that a 20-foot step-back is not feasible due to the shape or
2137 configuration of the site.
- 2138 (2) For projects that achieve full building preservation and for which step-backs
2139 are otherwise required, the County Board may consider and approve
2140 alternative step-back designs, pursuant to §9.2.1.
- 2141 (3) All projects in the “Clarendon Revitalization District” that include façade or
2142 frontage preservation but not full building preservation, shall be stepped
2143 back at least 10 feet for a façade and 20 feet for a frontage, immediately
2144 above the preserved structure, unless modified by the County Board
2145 pursuant to §9.2.1.
- 2146 (g) Mezzanine space may be approved by the County Board when it finds that:
- 2147 (1) Mezzanine is incidental to a retail or restaurant use with which it is
2148 associated and will contribute to the marketability and viability of the retail
2149 or restaurant use; and
- 2150 (2) The mezzanine will not adversely affect transparency or fenestration as
2151 called for in the Clarendon Sector Plan or reduce the open space between
2152 the floor and the ceiling of the ground-floor space to less than 12 feet.
- 2153 (h) Mezzanines may be considered “incidental” if the square footage of mezzanine is
2154 no more than 2/3 of the square footage of the ground-floor retail and/or
2155 restaurant use to which it is incidental.
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§9.2.3. Table 1, Sidewalk design guidelines

Standard	Type			
	20'	18'	14'	12'
Total streetscape width	20'	18'	14'	12'
Clear walkway zone (minimum width although pinch points at a minimum of 6 ft. clear width will be permitted to accommodate building preservation and café space, however, at least 6' minimum clear width should abut ^{be adjacent to} preserved historic structures)	14' (may be reduced to 6' to accommodate café/shy zone)	12' (may be reduced to 6' to accommodate café/shy zone)	8' (may be reduced to 6' to accommodate café/shy zone)	6'
Tree and furniture zone (includes 8' brick band, soldier course between back of curb and tree pit, or other suitable material)	6'			
Café/Shy Zone	6'	6'	2'	see stoop/ landscape zone
Stoop/landscape zone	n/a			6' for urban residential frontage type
Paving material and concrete curb	concrete w/contemporary materials outside of clear walkway zone			Concrete
Tree pit size	5' x 12' minimum			
Continuous planting/utility strip	n/a			Permitted
Light fixture – Carlisle light (single pole or double pole)	double with 16' poles	double with 16' poles on main streets, single with 12' poles on secondary streets	single with 12' poles	single with 12' poles
Utilities (all underground and/or along rear lot line)	Yes			
Crosswalks	Thermoplastic markings (ladder)			
Street tree species	See Map 34			
Street tree spacing (average)	30' on center, coordinated with street light spacing, generally no closer than 12' from street trees			
Street tree size – major deciduous trees	4-6" caliper/16-30' tall at time of planting	4-6" caliper/16-30' tall at time of planting	4-6" caliper/16-30' tall at time of planting	4-6" caliper/16-30' tall at time of planting

Notes:

¹ See Rosslyn Ballston Corridor Streetscape Standards (updated 2004 or most recent update) for additional details and methods

² Streetscape exemptions may apply only to frontages directly ~~adjacent~~^{abutting} structures called for historic preservation; all other streetscape areas should be consistent with the streetscape standards.

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§9.2.4. Table 2, Parking Spaces Associated with Structures Recommended for Preservation

Block	Building(s)	Address	Estimated Parking Spaces	Approximate Parking Area (sq. ft.)
1	Meat Market Building	2719 Wilson Boulevard	27	6,500
1	Bike/Garden Shop Building	2727-31 Wilson Boulevard	5	1,300
2	NTB Building	2825 Wilson Boulevard	35	14,750
3	All Buildings	2901-25 Wilson Boulevard	40	12,000
8	All Buildings	3125-41 Wilson Boulevard	30	5,300
10	All Buildings	3165-95 Wilson Boulevard	12	4,200
12	All Buildings	3201-26 Washington Boulevard	6	1,150
18	Clarendon Citizens Hall Building	3211 Wilson Boulevard	5	2,400
19	Kirby Garage Building	3237 Wilson Boulevard	8	5,700
24	USPS	1020 N. Highland St	2	470
27	All Buildings	3016-28 Wilson Boulevard	0	0
30	Leadership Building	1101 N. Highland Street	0	0

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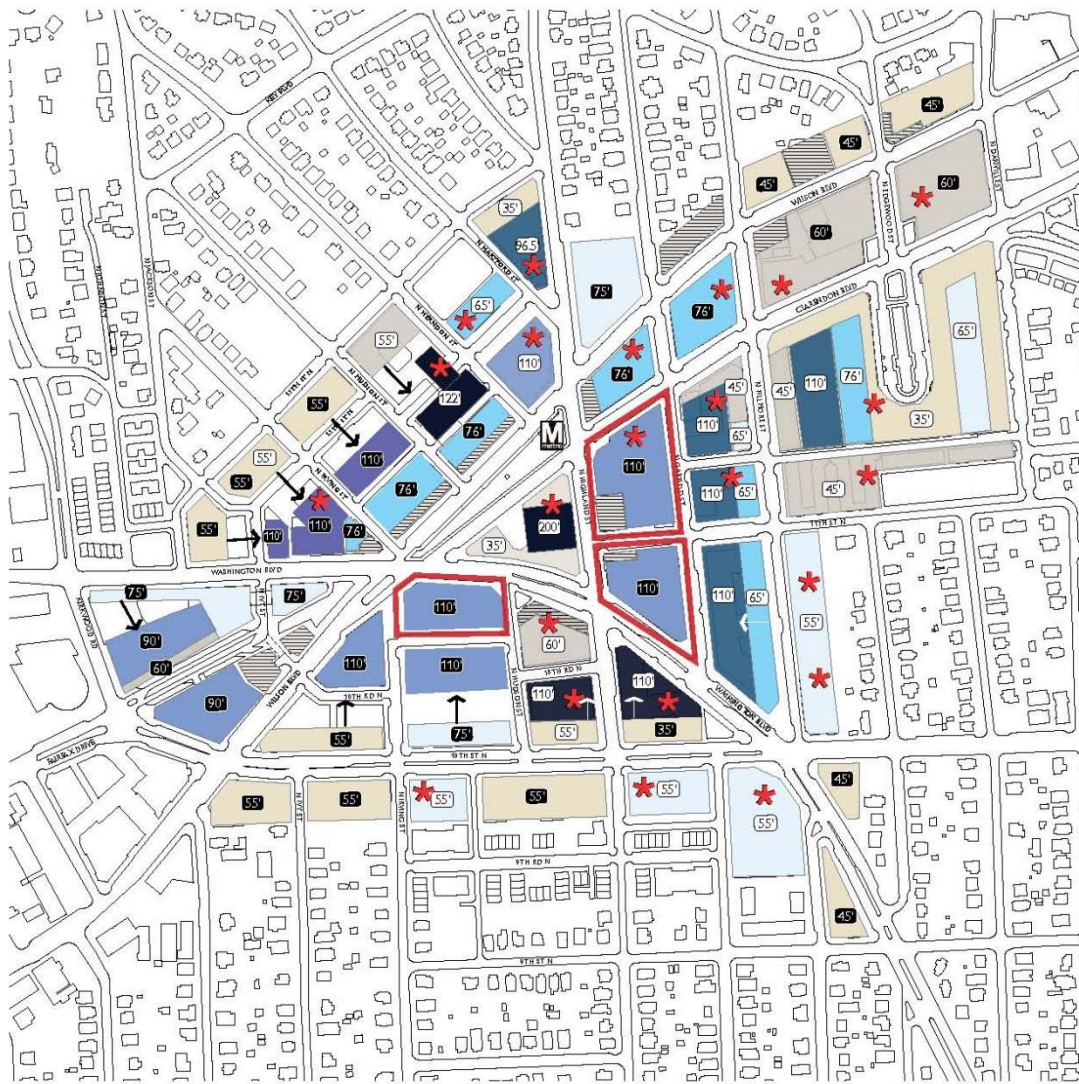
¹ Existing spaces as counted through 12/31/2006

² The existing estimated parking spaces may or may not conform with existing zoning. Where existing spaces are nonconforming, the existing approximate parking area may be used in determining the preferred number of spaces within a conforming parking layout as part of the proposed redevelopment. [Source: Field survey conducted by Arlington County DES]

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§9.2.5. Map 1, Maximum height limit



Maximum Height (Feet)



Existing Buildings



Proposed Buildings

Maximum Number of Floors



Preservation Structures - Existing
Heights are the Maximum
(Actual Heights Vary)



3 Floors



4 Floors



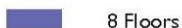
5 Floors



6 Floors



7 Floors



8 Floors



10 Floors



More than 10 Floors



Additional Height up to 128' may be
considered by the County Board in
exchange for community benefits.



Building heights, step-backs, and
tapers on blocks marked with
asterisks are controlled under
development projects approved
by the County Board and the
building height noted (feet) may
be approximate.



Taper Requirements (1:3 Ratio
beyond 165' from "R" or "RA"
Zoning line)

Notes:

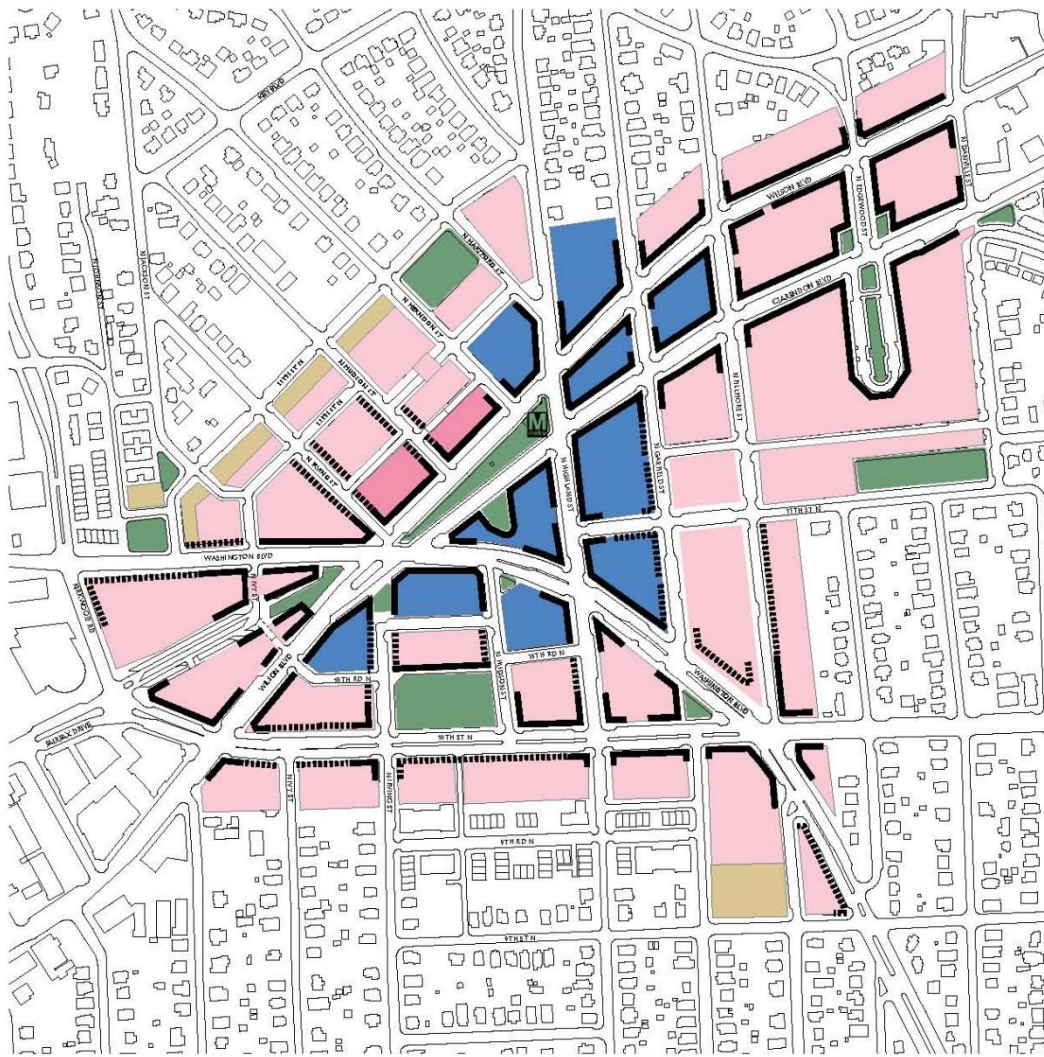
1. Unless otherwise indicated, numbers
shown on the height map indicate the
maximum height (feet) permitted.



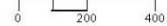
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§9.2.6. Map 2, Use mix



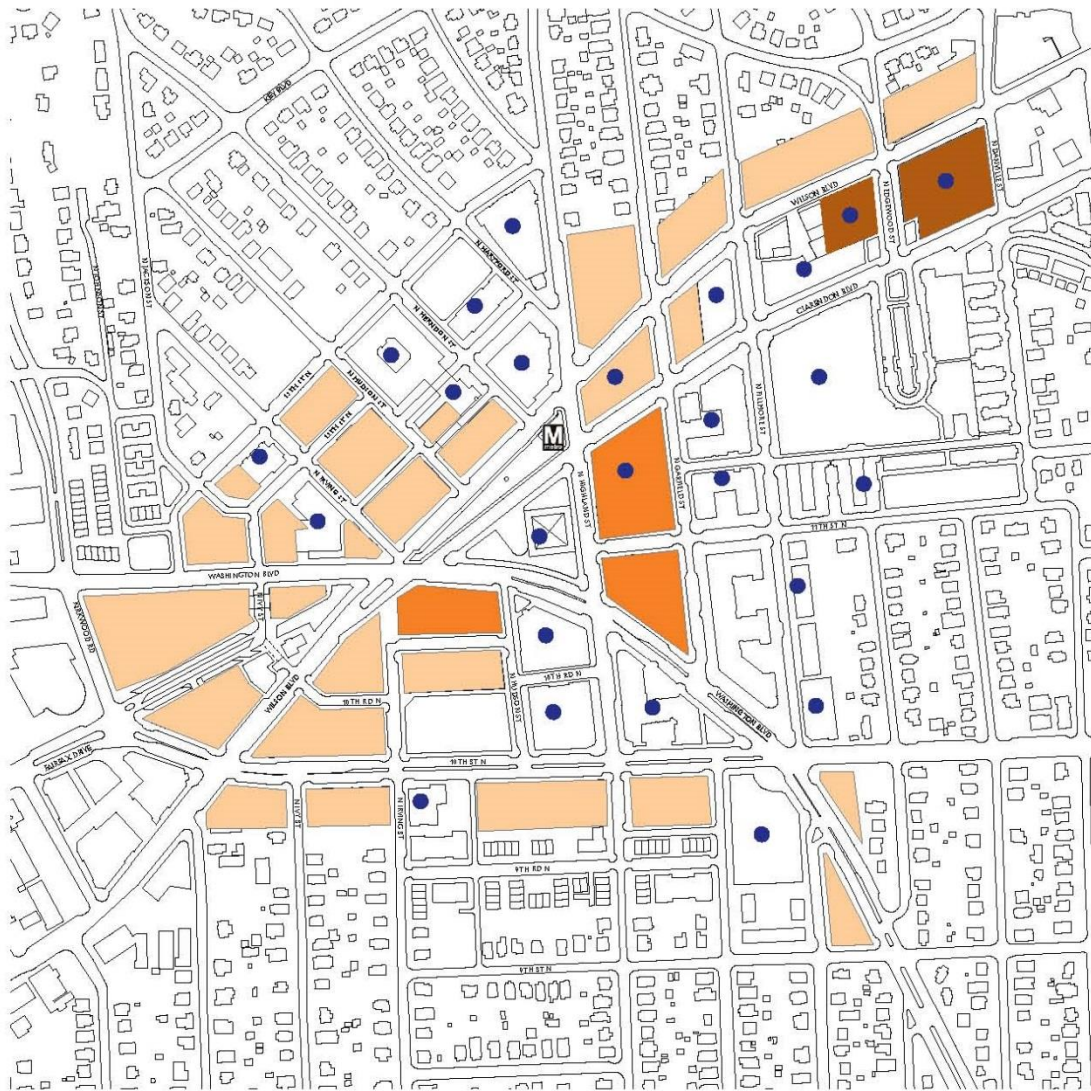
- Residential
- Residential, Commercial, Hotel, or Mixed Use
- Residential, Commercial, Hotel, or Mixed Use - Minimum 20% Commercial
- Residential, Commercial, Hotel, or Mixed Use - Prime Office - Minimum 60% Commercial
- Existing & Proposed Open Space
- Retail Frontages
- Retail and/or Personal/
Business Service Frontages



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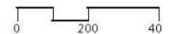
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§9.2.7. Map 3, Receiving sites



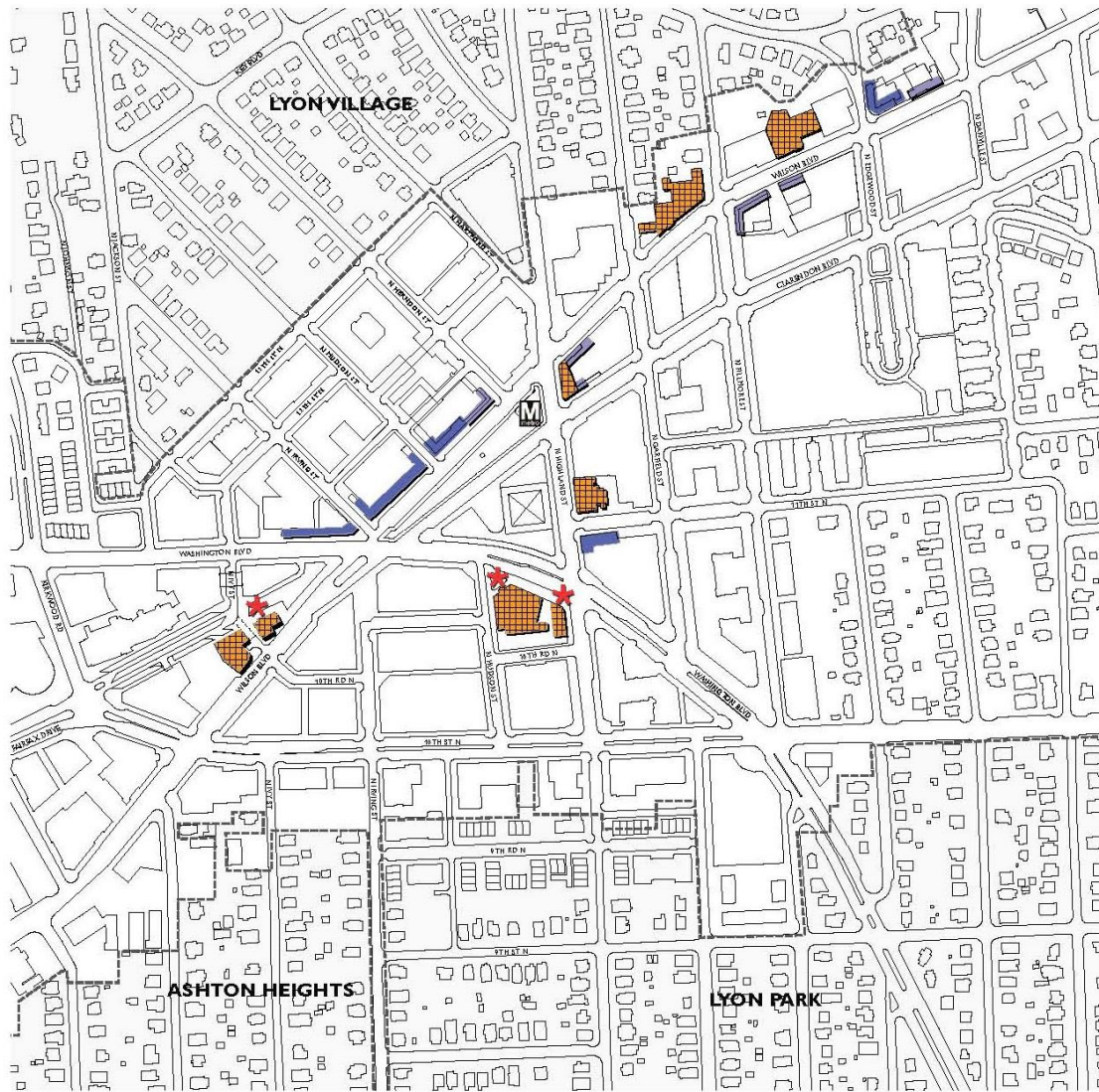
- Additional Density above GLUP may be approved by County Board; Maximum Building Height may not be exceeded
- Additional Height above Maximum Building Height and Additional Density above GLUP may be approved by County Board
- Additional Density above Existing Approved Site Plan Density may be approved by County Board; Maximum Building Height may not be exceeded
- Density controlled under development projects approved by the County Board

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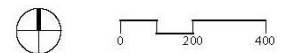
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§9.2.8. Map 4, Building preservation



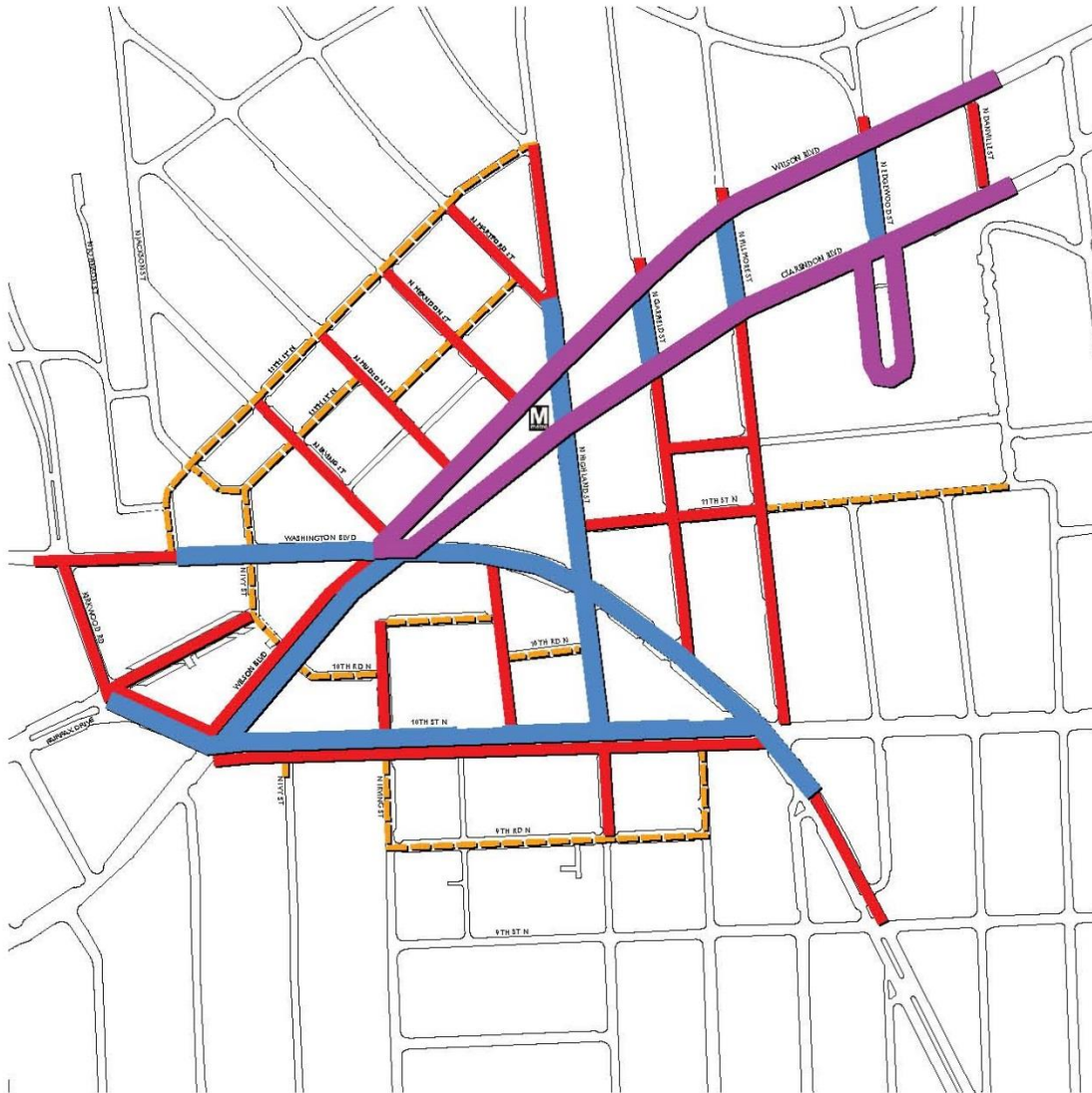
-  Full Building Preservation
-  Local Historic District
 - Joseph L. Fisher Post Office Building
 - Dan Kain Building
 - Former Clarendon Citizens Hall (Murky Coffee)
-  Building Frontage Preservation
-  Building Frontage or Facade Preservation
-  National Register Historic Districts
 - Lyon Village, May 2002
 - Ashton Heights, April 2003
 - Lyon Park, November 2003

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2170 §9.2.9. Map 5, Streetscapes

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Sidewalk Widths

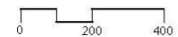
- 20'
- 18'
- 14'
- 12'

Notes: These widths indicate the anticipated dimensions from the curb face to the build-to line and include the various streetscape zones described in this chapter. Some modification to the streetscape condition, including widths, may be necessary adjacent to buildings, frontages, and facades recommended for preservation.

The streetscape for 9th Road would have a continuous landscape strip located at the back of curb.

See recommended street cross sections in Chapter 2 for any adjustments to the streetscape dimensions due to unique site conditions.

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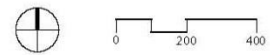
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§9.2.10. Map 6, Build-to lines



Note: Parking and loading should be located where build-to lines are not indicated.

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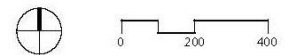
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§9.2.11. Map 7, Frontage types

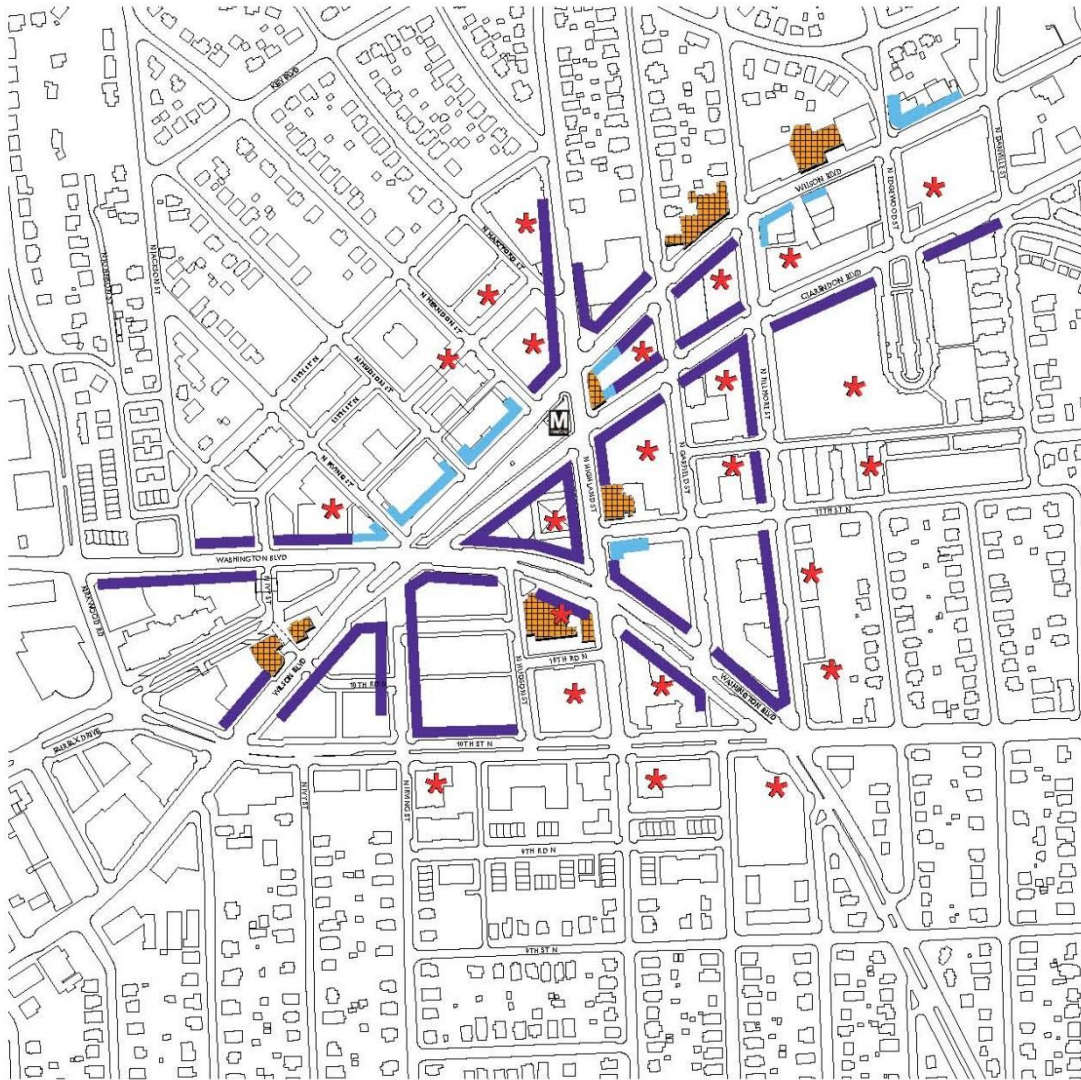


- Main Street
- 10th Street
- Side Street A
- Side Street B
- Urban Residential
- 9th Road Residential
- Service
- Alley


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2177 §9.2.12. Map 8, Step-backs



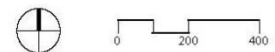
 Designated Frontages for Step-Backs when Building Heights Exceed 60 Feet
 - 20' Step-back at 3rd, 4th, or 5th floors

 Designated Frontages for Step-Backs achieved through Building Facade or Building Frontage Preservation

 Full Building Preservation

 Building heights, step-backs, and tapers on blocks marked with asterisks are controlled under development projects approved by the County Board and the building height noted (feet) may be approximate.

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2179 §9.3. Fort Myer Heights North Special District

2180 When a site within the area designated as the Fort Myer Heights North Special District on the General
 2181 Land Use Plan and within the RA8-18 or RA6-15 district is sought to be used in a manner consistent with
 2182 the purposes of the Fort Myer Heights North Plan, and subject to the provisions hereafter set forth then,
 2183 by special exception site plan approval pursuant to §15.6, development may be permitted at up to 3.24
 2184 F.A.R. in the “Revitalization Area” designated in the Plan. The County Board may approve site plans
 2185 within the “Revitalization Area” designated in the Plan where the goals recommended in the Plan for that
 2186 site are addressed, including, as applicable, the affordable housing contribution recommended in the
 2187 Plan, the historic buildings identified for preservation in the Plan, and such other buildings as the County
 2188 Board may identify as worthy of historic preservation, with their surrounding open spaces, the provision
 2189 of the public open spaces identified in the Plan, and the preservation of significant trees identified in the
 2190 Plan or their replacement in accordance with the county’s tree replacement guidelines.

2191 §9.3.1. Floor area ratio

2192 A site plan project in the “Revitalization Area” designated in the Plan may exceed 3.24 F.A.R.
 2193 with bonus density for achieving goals consistent with the intent of the Plan, such as LEED,
 2194 provided that development is consistent with the design guidelines, including building height
 2195 maximums, and where it furthers the purposes of the Plan.

2196 §9.3.2. Building height

2197 Building heights shall be consistent with the heights recommended in the Plan. Building heights
 2198 approved by site plan in the “Revitalization Area” designated in the Plan shall under no
 2199 circumstances exceed 12 stories or 125 feet, exclusive of mechanical penthouses. Mechanical
 2200 pPenthouses shall be minimized in terms of height, bulk and visual appearance and shall under
 2201 no circumstances exceed 16 feet.

2202 §9.3.3. Affordable dwelling units

2203 The County Board may approve a site plan project where the proposal designates 20 percent of
 2204 the G.F.A. that is above the General Land Use Plan maximum as affordable, in addition to
 2205 meeting the requirements of the county’s Affordable Dwelling Unit Ordinance as outlined in
 2206 §15.5.8 for the proposed G.F.A. within the General Land Use Plan maximum, except as set forth
 2207 in §9.2.E.5. Units shall be considered affordable where they are committed for a 30 year term,
 2208 are affordable at 60 percent or less of the area median income and meet minimum habitability
 2209 standards established by the county.

2210 §9.3.4. Neighborhood-serving retail and other service uses

2211 Neighborhood-serving retail and other service uses, such as a medical or dental doctor’s office,
 2212 neighborhood delicatessen, dry cleaning drop-off stationer, neighborhood-scale library branch
 2213 or small café and other uses as permitted and regulated in the C-1-R district may be approved
 2214 along Clarendon Boulevard, Fairfax Drive and at other primary intersections and/or locations
 2215 that experience significant pedestrian traffic should the County Board find they will not
 2216 adversely impact the neighborhood and will be otherwise appropriate.

2217 §9.3.5. Transfer of development rights

2218 A. The transfer of development rights in accordance with §15.5.7.B is permitted for historic
 2219 preservation, open space and affordable housing purposes for sending sites specifically
 2220 identified in the Plan and located in the “Conservation Area” designated in the Plan, subject

- 2221 to the following provisions. Additional sending sites that are located within the
2222 “conservation area” designated in the Plan may be approved by the County Board.
- 2223 1. For the purposes of calculating F.A.R. in the Fort Myer Heights North Special District, an
2224 average unit size of 1,000 ~~sq. ft.~~square feet shall be assumed.
 - 2225 2. The County Board may approve a transfer of development rights in the amount of up
2226 to three times the first 10,000 ~~sq. ft.~~square feet of a preserved historic building and up
2227 to two times the density of the remaining square footage in return for an easement to
2228 preserve the historic property in perpetuity, which easement includes an agreement to
2229 rehabilitate the property if the County Board determines that rehabilitation is
2230 necessary for preservation and to maintain it in good condition; and a commitment to
2231 maintain the open space surrounding the historic building in a manner consistent with
2232 the Plan.
 - 2233 3. If, in addition to meeting the preservation and rehabilitation requirements outlined
2234 above, 10 percent or more of the units in the subject building are proposed to be
2235 committed for a 30 year term affordable at 60 percent or less of the area median
2236 income and to meet minimum habitability standards established by the county, the
2237 County Board may approve a transfer of development rights in the amount of up to an
2238 additional two times the density of the first 10,000 ~~sq. ft.~~square feet of the preserved
2239 building and up to an additional one times the remaining density for a total of up to five
2240 times the density of the first 10,000 ~~sq. ft.~~square feet of the preserved building and up
2241 to three times the density of the remaining square footage. If additional units are
2242 committed as affordable, the County Board may increase proportionally the
2243 aforementioned multipliers at its discretion.
 - 2244 4. In order to achieve the goals of the Plan, it is preferred that density be transferred to
2245 sites within the “Revitalization Area” designated in the Plan, provided that
2246 development using such density is consistent with the design guidelines, including
2247 building height maximums, and the purposes of the Plan. Receiving sites will be
2248 expected to meet, ~~on-site~~on-site, the aforementioned affordable housing requirements
2249 for all sites developed per the site plan process, except that the County Board may
2250 modify the requirement that 20 percent of the G.F.A. over the General Land Use Plan
2251 maximum be designated as affordable for that portion of the density transferred from
2252 the “Conservation Area” designated in the Plan. The County Board may permit
2253 receiving sites located within the “Revitalization Area” designated in the Plan to exceed
2254 the Plan’s maximum density of 3.24 F.A.R. In such instances, receiving sites that meet
2255 or exceed 3.24 F.A.R. will not be subject to the provisions of the Special Affordable
2256 Housing Protection District regulations of the General Land Use Plan.
 - 2257 5. The County Board may also approve the transfer of density to sites located elsewhere
2258 in the county, with a preference for the Rosslyn or Courthouse Metro station Areas.
2259 Receiving sites located outside the Fort Myer Heights North Special District that meet
2260 or exceed 3.24 F.A.R. will remain subject to the provisions of the Special Affordable
2261 Housing Protection District regulations of the General Land Use Plan.
- 2262 B. The County Board may also approve the transfer of development rights in accordance with
2263 §15.5.7.B for historic preservation, open space preservation and affordable housing
2264 purposes for sending sites located in the “Revitalization Area” designated in the Plan. Sites
2265 located in the “Revitalization Area” designated in the Plan may transfer density to another

2266 site located within the “Revitalization Area” or to another site located outside the Fort
2267 Myer Heights North Special District. In such instances, the provisions of §9.3.5.A.2 through
2268 §9.3.5.A.5, above, will not apply.

2269 **§9.4. Radnor Heights East Special District**

2270 When a site within the area designated as the Radnor Heights East Special District on the General Land
2271 Use Plan is sought to be used in a manner inconsistent with the existing regulations for setback, yard,
2272 coverage or parking, the County Board, in its discretion, may allow exceptions to those regulations after
2273 application for site plan approval consistent with §15.6, in order to achieve a design which is appropriate
2274 for the site, project, and the surrounding area and meets the standards for special exception site plan
2275 approval set forth in §15.6. By site plan approval multiple-family dwellings may be permitted at densities
2276 up to 48 dwelling units per acre.

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Article 10. Unified Developments

§10.1. Unified Residential Developments

§10.1.1. Purposes and intent

The purposes and intent of this §10.1 is to:

- A. Provide for flexible, site-specific solutions for the development of one-family detached dwellings in certain districts;
- B. Implement the purposes of the general land use plan and the zoning ordinance;
- C. Promote the compatibility of one-family residential developments with surrounding neighborhoods by coordinating building forms, the bulk, scale and placement of new buildings, and the relationship between buildings and structures within the development and surrounding properties;
- D. Provide pedestrian connectivity; and
- E. Preserve natural land forms, irreplaceable historical features, and significant trees and foliage.

§10.1.2. Applicability

Unified Residential Developments shall be permitted subject to the following limitations.

District	Minimum Site Area (sq. ft.)	Frontage, Minimum (feet)
R-20	40,000	140
R-10	20,000	120
R-8	16,000	110
R-6	12,000	100
R-5 and R2-7	10,000	90

§10.1.3. Minimum requirements

Any unified residential development shall comply with the zoning requirements applicable to the site and the following requirements, unless the County Board, after it finds that such modifications will better accomplish the purposes and intent of §10.1.1, modifies some of those requirements by use permit, as permitted in §10.1.5:

A. Density

The maximum number of dwelling units shall be determined by the County Board, depending on the design and configuration of the development, up to a maximum number arrived at by dividing the site area, together with the area of any part of the site to be dedicated for public right-of-way, by the required minimum lot area of the district applicable to the site.

B. Minimum right-of-way width of internal streets

The streets which are located within the site and will be publicly dedicated shall have rights-of-way and pavement widths as specified in Chapter 23, Subdivisions, of the County Code. The minimum right-of-way width may be reduced to 40 feet and a pavement width to 30 feet, by use permit approval, if the County Board finds that such modifications will better accomplish the purposes and intent of §10.1.1 than would the development without

34 those modifications. Private streets shall be constructed to Arlington County standards and
35 shall be of sufficient width to serve the needs of the development.

36 **C. Maximum site coverage: 50 percent**

37 **D. Minimum parking requirement**

38 Two and one-half parking spaces per dwelling unit, at least one of which shall be off-street,
39 shall be provided.

40 **E. Accessory buildings**

41 Accessory buildings, such as garages or storage buildings, may be attached to other
42 accessory buildings along common lot lines by use permit approval.

43 **§10.1.4. Pipe-stem lots**

44 **A.** Pipe-stem lots may only be created as part of a unified residential development pursuant to
45 §10.1. Development on pipe-stem lots shall satisfy all applicable zoning and subdivision
46 requirements, including those for minimum lot area, setback and yards, coverage, parking
47 and building height, and all the following requirements, unless otherwise modified by use
48 permit:

49 **1.** In a “stem” portion of any pipe-stem lot: any side yard shall satisfy the requirements in
50 §3.2.6.A.2.

51 **2.** In the “pipe” section of any pipe-stem lot: any side yard shall be a minimum of 25 feet
52 in depth.

53 **B.** Where no dwelling unit has been constructed on a pipe-stem lot that was recorded before
54 March 18, 2003, a one-family dwelling unit may be constructed by-right in accordance with
55 all applicable zoning requirement. Modification of these requirements may only be made
56 by use permit approval pursuant to §15.5.

57 **§10.1.5. Modifications**

58 The County Board may modify the minimum site size, up to a maximum of 10 percent, upon a
59 finding that, after the proposed modification, the subject development will still accomplish the
60 purposes and intent of the zoning ordinance for unified residential development; the area and
61 width of individual lots; any required setback and yard dimensions; site coverage; the number
62 and dimensions of parking spaces; and the height of main buildings by use permit if it finds that
63 such modifications will better accomplish the purposes and intent of §10.1 than would the
64 development without those modifications. Reduction of the minimum site size or lot size shall
65 not result in any greater density than would otherwise be permitted by the ordinance provisions
66 for unified residential development.

67 **§10.1.6. Procedure for unified residential development**

68 **A.** Unified residential developments shall be permitted by use permit, as specified in §15.5.

69 **B.** An approved use permit for a unified residential development plan shall be modified or
70 amended as specified in §15.5.

71 **C.** A preliminary plat shall be submitted at the time of application showing lot areas, lot
72 dimensions, and buildable areas, consistent with all zoning and subdivision requirements.

§10.2. Unified Commercial/Mixed Use Development

§10.2.1. Purposes

- A. The purposes of this §10.2 are to:
1. Provide for flexible, site-specific solutions for the revitalization of existing shopping areas while preserving commercial service levels, including, in certain circumstances, new construction in C-2 and C-3 district to implement the purposes of the General Land Use Plan and zoning ordinance;
 2. Promote the compatibility of commercial developments within the commercial district and surrounding properties by coordinating building placement, orientation, scale, bulk, parking, signage, landscaping, streetscape, pedestrian facilities, and historical features where applicable;
 3. Provide for creative opportunities which encourage and retain local and small business; and
 4. Promote opportunities for affordable housing. Additionally, this §10.2 will provide for the construction of residential units within C-2 and C-3 district and within the Clarendon Revitalization District, also in C-1 and C-TH, as part of a mixed use development, according to specific guidelines.
- B. Where there is a sector plan or similar document that is at variance with or in conflict with these requirements the County Board can modify the requirements as set forth in §10.2.2 to achieve a development that is more consistent with such plans.

§10.2.2. Modifications

Any proposed unified commercial/mixed use development shall comply with the standards below in §10.2.3, §10.2.4 or §10.2.5, and with any zoning requirements that are consistent with those standards, unless through the use permit process, the County Board modifies such standards or requirements after finding that such modifications will better accomplish the purposes and intent of §10.2.1. Provided, however, that under no circumstances shall the County Board modify the standards in §10.2.3 that pertain to the amount of residential density, building height or density, and under no circumstances shall the County Board modify the standards in §10.2.5 that pertain to the maximum building height (exclusive of mechanical penthouses). Projects within the Nauck Village Center Special Revitalization District can be approved pursuant to the requirements of §10.2.4, below.

§10.2.3. Unified commercial/mixed use development not within Nauck Village Center, Columbia Pike or Lee Highway-Cherrydale Special Revitalization districts or within the Clarendon Revitalization district

The County Board may, by use permit approval, approve Unified Commercial/Mixed Use developments in the C-2 and C-3 districts where such a development is not within the Nauck Village Center Special Revitalization District, the Columbia Pike Special Revitalization District, the Lee Highway-Cherrydale Special Revitalization District or the Clarendon Revitalization District and where the development meets the following requirements:

A. Use

Unified commercial/mixed use developments shall not include residential dwelling units, unless a project contains a minimum of 0.4 F.A.R. of commercial or retail uses located on

115 the first (ground) floor. Commercial or retail uses above 0.4 F.A.R. may be located on any
 116 floor.

117 **B. Placement and orientation**

118 Buildings shall be sited to “build to” lines at the back of the sidewalk. At least 75 percent of
 119 a building’s façade must ~~abut~~be immediately adjacent to the back of the sidewalk along any
 120 street designed as an arterial in the Master Transportation Plan. Retail uses shall be
 121 oriented to streets designated as either principal arterials or minor arterials in the Arlington
 122 Count Master Transportation Plan. Where a development parcel is ~~abutting~~located
 123 ~~adjacent to~~ an R district, all buildings must be setback a minimum of 20 feet from the
 124 residential district.

125 **C. Streetscape**

126 The periphery of any site fronting on a public right-of-way shall be landscaped by the
 127 provision of curb, gutter, sidewalk, street light, street furniture, street trees and other
 128 elements, covering the entire area from face of curb to face of building. Sites within the
 129 area of an applicable Sector Plan, Station Area Plan or Special Revitalization District Plan
 130 shall have all streetscape improvements constructed in a manner consistent with such plan,
 131 except as otherwise specifically approved. Except as otherwise approved, sites outside
 132 such areas and located along streets designated as principal or minor arterial streets in the
 133 Arlington County Master Transportation Plan shall be constructed with a minimum 14 feet
 134 distance from face of curb to face of building and sidewalks of 10 feet minimum
 135 unobstructed width (such width shall not contain tree grates, light poles, or similar
 136 obstructions). Sites on all other street fronts shall include a minimum 10 foot distance
 137 from face of curb to face of building and 6 feet minimum sidewalk unobstructed width on
 138 all other street fronts. Outdoor restaurant seating may be allowed by the county manager,
 139 so long as a straight 6 feet minimum sidewalk unobstructed width is maintained.

140 **D. Parking and loading**

141 Surface and structure parking as well as all loading areas shall be placed to the rear or to
 142 the side of buildings. All surface parking and loading areas shall be screened from public
 143 areas, public sidewalks, and ~~adjacent~~abutting residentially zoned properties by landscaping
 144 and a four foot high solid wall; except that where parking areas abut an R district that is
 145 also designated “Low” residential on the General Land Use Plan, the wall shall be at a
 146 height of six feet. When parking is provided at or above grade within a structure, a façade
 147 treatment which is consistent (in terms of materials and design) with the building façade
 148 shall be provided for the parking areas. Parking structures shall be constructed so that
 149 commercial uses occupy the ground level floor on all street fronts. Automobile parking
 150 space is to be provided as required in §14.3, unless otherwise approved by the County
 151 Board.

152 **E. Trash collection and storage areas**

153 Trash collection and storage areas shall be provided inside the main building or in a
 154 designated area outside the structure. Any such designated area shall be screened by a
 155 solid wall of materials similar to those used in the construction of the main building and
 156 which is a minimum of six feet in height.

157 **F. Building height**

158 Building heights shall be limited to 45 feet. Mechanical pPenthouses may be permitted
 159 above the 45 feet height limit, provided that they are set back a distance equal to their

160 height from the building edge and that the mechanical penthouse height does not exceed
161 12 feet.

162 **G. First floor height**

163 Along any commercial frontage, where a building fronts on a street that is designated as
164 principal or minor arterial streets in the Arlington County Master Transportation Plan, the
165 First Floor shall have a minimum clear height of 12 feet for at least 75 percent of its gross
166 floor area.

167 **H. First floor fenestration**

168 Where a building fronts on a street that is designated as principal or minor arterial streets
169 in the Arlington County Master Transportation Plan, the First Floor shall have a façade
170 which is at least 70 percent transparent (i.e., 70 percent glass and 30 percent solid walls)
171 for the area of the façade that is between two feet and 10 feet above the adjacent-abutting
172 sidewalk. "Transparent" shall mean using glass or other exterior material offering a view
173 into an area of the commercial establishment space where human activity normally occurs
174 and shall not be satisfied by views into areas blocked by display cases, the rear of shelving,
175 interior walls, blinds, hallways or the like.

176 **I. Building entrances**

177 Where possible, primary building entrances shall be located on streets designated as
178 principal or minor arterial streets in the Arlington County Master Transportation Plan.
179 Secondary entrances and entrances to individual residential units may be placed on any
180 street type. Entrances on streets that are designated as arterials in the Master
181 Transportation Plan shall be placed no more than 100 feet apart. When possible, retail
182 entrances should be placed at street corners. Retail entrances shall have transparent
183 doors.

184 **J. Landscaping**

185 Any unified commercial/mixed use development which is proposed on a site of 20,000 sq.
186 ft.square feet of land area or less shall have a minimum landscaped area of 10 percent of
187 the total development site development project. Any development which is proposed on a
188 site with a land area greater than 20,000 sq.ft.square feet shall provide a minimum
189 landscaped area equivalent to 2,000 sq. ft. plus 20 percent of the land area in excess of
190 20,000 sq.ft.square feet

191 **K. Density**

- 192 **1.** Unified commercial/mixed use developments may include both residential units and
193 commercial uses up to a total F.A.R. of 2.0, where the developments contain a
194 minimum of 0.1 F.A.R. and maximum of 1.1 F.A.R. of residential uses.
- 195 **2.** Any development that contains only commercial uses may develop at a density of up to
196 1.5 F.A.R.

197 **§10.2.4. Unified commercial/mixed use development in Nauck Village Center Special** 198 **Revitalization District**

199 The County Board may, by use permit approval, approve unified commercial/mixed use
200 developments in the Nauck Village Center Special Revitalization District where a proposal meets
201 the following minimum requirements:

202 **A. Density and Use**
 203 Unified Commercial/Mixed use developments may include both residential units and
 204 commercial uses up to a total F.A.R. of 2.0, where the development fronts on a block face
 205 identified as “Retail Required” or “Retail Optional” within the Nauck Village Center Action
 206 Plan. On block faces specifying “Retail Required” within the Nauck Village Center Action
 207 Plan, the project must include retail uses totaling at least 0.4 F.A.R. located on the ground
 208 floor along the frontages shown in the Nauck Village Center Action Plan. Commercial or
 209 retail uses above 0.4 F.A.R. may be located on any floor. On block faces specifying “Retail
 210 Optional,” residential density of up to 1.5 F.A.R. shall be permitted provided the total F.A.R.
 211 for all uses on the site does not exceed 2.0. On block faces which are not identified as
 212 either “Retail Required” or “Retail Optional,” projects eligible for approval through this use
 213 permit process shall contain only residential uses, with allowances made for management
 214 and tenant amenity space, and shall be limited to 1.5 F.A.R., except as provided for in
 215 §10.2.4.L, below, relating to Affordable Housing.

216 **B. Placement and orientation**
 217 Buildings shall be sited to build-tos at the back of the sidewalk, which build-to shall be
 218 determined through use permit approval. At least 75 percent of a building’s façade must
 219 ~~be immediately adjacent abut to~~ the back of the sidewalk along any street designated as
 220 principal or minor arterial streets in the Arlington County Master Transportation Plan and
 221 along Shirlington road. Retail uses shall be oriented to the block face locations shown as
 222 “Retail required” or “Retail Optional” within the Nauck Village Center Action Plan, as
 223 relevant. Where a development parcel is ~~abutting located adjacent to~~ an R district, all
 224 buildings must be setback a minimum of 20 feet from the residential district.

225 **C. Streetscape**
 226 The periphery of any site fronting on a public right-of-way shall be landscaped by the
 227 provision of curb, gutter, sidewalk, street light, street furniture, street trees and other
 228 elements, covering the entire area from face of curb to face of building and conforming to
 229 the Streetspace and Streetscape Standards set forth in the Nauck Village Center Action Plan
 230 for the relevant block frontages. All streetscape improvements shall be constructed in a
 231 manner consistent with such plan, except as otherwise specifically approved. Outdoor
 232 restaurant seating may be allowed by the county manager, so long as a clear and
 233 unobstructed 6’ minimum sidewalk width is maintained.

234 **D. Parking and loading**
 235 Surface and structured parking as well as all loading areas shall be placed to the rear or to
 236 the side of buildings. However, structured parking above a level of ground floor retail may
 237 extend to the “build to” line, provided that it has façade treatments as further described
 238 below. All surface parking and loading areas shall be screened from public areas, public
 239 sidewalks, and ~~adjacent abutting~~ residentially zoned properties by landscaping and four
 240 foot high solid wall; except that where parking areas abut an R district that is also
 241 designated “Low” residential on the General Land Use Plan, the wall shall be at a height of
 242 six feet. When parking is provided at or above grade within a structure, a façade treatment
 243 which is consistent (in terms of materials and design) with the building facades of the larger
 244 structures of which it is a part shall be provided for the parking area. Automobile parking
 245 space is to be provided as required in §14.3 with the following exceptions:

- 246 1. Where a project has less than 8,000 [sq. ft. square feet](#) of retail space, at least one
 247 parking space shall be provided for each 500 [sq. ft. square feet](#) of retail space above the
 248 first 1,000 [sq. ft. square feet](#). No parking is required for the first 1,000 [sq. ft. square feet](#)
 249 of retail space in such projects.
- 250 2. Residential projects or portions of projects shall provide at least 1 1/8 parking spaces
 251 per residential unit.
- 252 3. When it finds that such approval will not have an adverse effect on the surrounding
 253 neighborhood and will contribute to a better overall transportation system in the area,
 254 the County Board may allow some or all of a project's parking requirement to be
 255 provided through the use of off-site committed parking, on-street parking, cash
 256 contributions for public parking purposes, or other similar mechanisms.

257 E. Trash collection and storage areas

258 Trash collection and storage areas shall be provided inside the main building or in a
 259 designated area outside the structure. Any such designated area shall be screened by a
 260 solid wall that is of materials similar to those used in the construction of the main building
 261 and at least six feet in height.

262 F. Building height

263 Building heights shall be limited to 45 feet. [Mechanical p](#)Penthouses may be permitted
 264 above the 45 feet height limit, provided that they are set back a distance equal to their
 265 height from the building edge and that the [mechanical](#) penthouse height does not exceed
 266 12 feet. The County Board may accommodate the various topographical conditions
 267 prevalent in Nauck by modifying the locations on a frontage from which building height is
 268 measured. However, such modifications shall not result in a building height of more than
 269 48 feet, arrived at through the calculation method required by the zoning ordinance,
 270 except as provided for in §10.2.4.G. Provided further that under no circumstances shall any
 271 portion of a structure located at the street frontage or build-to line, be taller than 45 feet
 272 from the adjoining curb grade, except as provided for in §10.2.4.G.

273 G. Number of stories

274 Notwithstanding the above provisions on Building Height at §10.2.4.F, projects north of
 275 22nd Street South shall not exceed three stories, with allowances made for half-story attics
 276 with eaves. Unified Commercial/Mixed Use development projects south of 24th Street
 277 South applying under these use permit provisions may include five stories, provided the
 278 total height of the building does not exceed 56 feet as measured from the adjoining curb
 279 grade along Shirlington Road.

280 H. Ground floor height

281 Along any frontage identified in the Nauck Village Center Action Plan as "Retail Required,"
 282 the Ground Floor of any building shall have a minimum clear height of 12 feet for at least
 283 75 percent of the gross floor area of the ground floor that is retail uses.

284 I. Ground floor fenestration

285 Along any frontage identified in the Nauck Village Center Action Plan as "Retail Required,"
 286 the Ground Floor shall have a façade which is at least 70 percent transparent (i.e., 70
 287 percent glass and 30 percent solid walls) for the area of the façade that is between two feet
 288 and 10 feet above the [adjacent abutting](#) sidewalk grade. "Transparent" shall mean using
 289 glass or other exterior material offering a view into an area of the commercial

290 ~~establishment space~~ where human activity normally occurs and shall not be satisfied by
291 views into areas blocked by display cases, the rear of shelving, interior walls, blinds,
292 hallways, or any other material that could block a view.

293 **J. Building entrances**

294 Where possible, primary building entrances for pedestrians and guests shall be located on
295 Shirlington Road. Secondary entrances and entrances to individual residential units may be
296 placed on any street type. Primary entrances shall be placed no more than 100 feet apart.
297 When possible, retail entrances should be placed at street corners. Retail entrances shall
298 have door that are at least 80 percent transparent.

299 **K. Landscaping**

300 Any development on a site of 20,000 ~~sq. ft. square feet~~ of land area or less shall have a
301 minimum landscaped area of 10 percent of the total ~~development site~~~~development~~
302 ~~project~~. Any development on a site with a land area greater than 20,000 ~~sq. ft. square feet~~
303 shall provide a minimum landscaped area equivalent to 2,000 ~~sq. ft. square feet~~ plus 20
304 percent of the land area in excess of 20,000 ~~sq. ft. square feet~~

305 **L. Affordable housing bonus**

306 For projects with at least 1.0 F.A.R. of housing, up to an additional 0.5 F.A.R. of density shall
307 be allowed if the project contains a total of 10 percent or more of its total housing units as
308 affordable dwelling units, pursuant to the definition of affordable dwelling units in use by
309 the county at the time of the application. However, under no circumstances may the total
310 F.A.R. of all uses on the site exceed 2.0.

311 **§10.2.5. Unified commercial/mixed use development in Clarendon Revitalization**
312 **District**

313 The County Board may, by use permit approval, approve unified commercial/mixed use
314 developments in areas designated “service commercial” on the general land use plan and that
315 are within the Clarendon Revitalization District, where a proposal meets the following
316 requirements or where the County Board modifies the following requirements by use permit:

317 **A. Density and use**

318 Unified commercial/mixed use developments shall include: residential, commercial, hotel
319 and/or retail uses up to a total F.A.R. of 1.5, except as provided for in §10.2.5.L, below; and
320 ground floor retail that substantially complies with the Frontage Type guidelines in the
321 Clarendon Sector Plan shall be provided where retail frontages are designated on the Use
322 Mix Map (§9.2.6, Map 2).

323 **B. Placement, orientation and massing**

324 New buildings shall be built to the back of the streetscape where build-to lines are shown
325 on the Build-To-Lines Map (§9.2.10, Map 6), for at least 75 percent of the build-to line on
326 each street frontage of the site. The location of the build-to Line will be based upon street
327 cross-sections shown in the Clarendon Sector Plan. Facades of new structures along a
328 build-to line shall be composed as a simple plane (limited jogs less than 24 inches are
329 considered a simple plane within this requirement) interrupted only by bay windows, shop-
330 fronts, other entries to the building, café seating, or for compatibility with a preserved
331 structure.

- 332 1. Where a building frontage or facade identified for preservation in the Clarendon Sector
333 Plan is preserved, a step-back of at least 20 feet for a frontage and 10 feet for a facade,
334 shall be provided immediately above the preserved portion of the project, unless the
335 County Board finds, in a particular case, that a lesser step-back or no step-back is more
336 appropriate to ensure a contextually appropriate definition between the preserved
337 structure and new buildings.
- 338 2. New buildings on parcels north of Wilson Boulevard and east of North Garfield Street
339 that abut an R district shall incorporate a setback of 25 feet from the abutting
340 residential district lot, and shall be limited to a maximum of three floors and 40 feet in
341 height; provided, however, that a portion of the building may be constructed up to 45
342 feet if step-backs of 25 feet each are provided at the 25 and 35 foot height limits facing
343 the residential district, unless the County Board finds, in a particular case, that an
344 alternative design that includes a lesser step-back or no step-back would provide
345 appropriate transition to the abutting low density residential properties. Except where
346 a build-to line is required pursuant to §10.2.5.B, above, all other new buildings that
347 abut an R district shall incorporate the aforementioned setback of 25 feet from the
348 abutting residential district lot and shall provide step-backs or other reductions from
349 the maximum height, as approved by the County Board in order to provide appropriate
350 height transition to the abutting low-density residential properties.
- 351 3. Where a parcel abuts an R or RA district, a masonry wall of a height of six feet, or such
352 other height as the County Board determines will reasonably protect residential
353 properties shall be provided at the property line.

354 C. Streetscape

355 Any street frontage, including any new street as designated in the Master Transportation
356 Plan, shall be improved with streetscapes consistent with the Streetscapes Map (§9.2.9,
357 Map 5) and sidewalk design guidelines (§9.2.3, Table 1). The clear walkway zone (an
358 unobstructed area serving as circulation space for pedestrians) shall be maintained at a
359 width no less than six feet. All streetscape improvements shall be constructed in a manner
360 consistent with such plan. All aerial utilities on and at the periphery of the site shall be
361 placed underground with redevelopment or new construction.

362 D. Parking and loading

- 363 1. The proposal shall include parking as permitted and regulated in §9.2.2.D.7.
- 364 2. Surface parking proposed along streets designated as Main Street or 10th Street
365 frontages on the Frontage Types Map (§9.2.11, Map 7), shall only be located behind a
366 structure containing other uses. In all other locations, if surface parking lots are
367 provided, the provisions of §14.3 shall apply regardless of the number of parking
368 spaces. Furthermore, surface parking shall be screened as required in §14.2.3.E except
369 that any surface parking lot facing a public right-of-way (where no structure containing
370 another use is between the right-of-way and the parking) shall comply with the
371 minimum streetscape requirements in §10.2.5.C, above, and in addition, any such
372 parking area is screened by a masonry wall between 42 inches and 48 inches tall
373 (measured as described in §14.2.3.E.2), and placed at the back of the required
374 streetscape. This wall shall be designed to partially screen vehicles from pedestrian
375 view from ~~adjacent~~ abutting sidewalks, to provide separation between pedestrians, and
376 parking areas and to continue the build-to line as required in §10.2.5.B, above.

377 Reasonable interruptions to this wall are allowed to accommodate vehicular access, as
 378 provided in §10.2.5.D.3, below. In addition, any vehicular access to a surface parking
 379 lot shall include sidewalks, a minimum of four feet wide, along each side of the
 380 driveway to permit pedestrian access from the street frontage into the parking lot.
 381 Additional breaks in the masonry wall shall be allowed to accommodate pedestrian
 382 access but each break shall be a maximum of 48 inches wide.

383 **3.** Parking entrances/exits and loading areas shall be provided as required in §14.3 except
 384 that these areas shall be located only in areas designated for “Service” frontages on the
 385 Frontage Types Map (§9.2.11, Map 7). If a site does not include any site area
 386 designated for Service frontage, the County Board may approve an alternate location
 387 for service and/or parking entrances/exits that balances the following considerations:

- 388 **(a)** Proposed location limits pedestrian and vehicle conflicts;
- 389 **(b)** Project as designed maximizes the site’s potential for pedestrian street activation
 390 along major pedestrian routes; and
- 391 **(c)** Project is designed to maximize consolidation of loading and/or vehicular
 392 entrances with other properties on the same block.

393 **E. Trash collection and storage areas**

394 Trash collection and storage areas shall be provided inside a main building or in a
 395 designated area screened by a solid wall made of materials similar to those used in the
 396 construction of the main building and that is at least six feet above the ground.

397 **F. Building height**

398 **1.** No building, except for mechanical penthouses ~~or rooftop structures for the housing of~~
 399 ~~elevator or other mechanical equipment~~, shall be erected to exceed the overall
 400 maximum height (feet) shown on the Maximum Height Limits Map (§9.2.5, Map 1).
 401 Under no circumstances shall the County Board approve a use permit for a building
 402 (exclusive of the mechanical penthouse) that exceeds the overall maximum height
 403 (feet) as shown on the Maximum Heights Limits Map.

404 **2.** The proposal shall comply with the Maximum Number of Floors shown on the
 405 Maximum Height Limits Map (§9.2.5, Map 1), except as provided for in §10.2.5.L,
 406 below.

407 **3.** All equipment above the roofline shall be screened from view by walls of equal height,
 408 and materials similar to the facades of the building, set back a distance at least equal to
 409 their height from the building edge and the height limit line and shall not exceed 12
 410 feet. No mechanical penthouse or rooftop structure or any space above the height
 411 limit shall include additional floor space.

412 **G. Ground floor height**

413 Ground floor space shall be designed and constructed with a structural clear height (the
 414 space bounded by the top of one slab, or other structural portion of one floor, and the
 415 bottom of the next slab, or structural portion of a floor) of at least 15 feet, except where
 416 the County Board finds that such structural clear height would adversely affect the
 417 historical aspects of a structure designated in the Clarendon Sector Plan for full or partial
 418 preservation.

419 **H. Ground floor transparency**

420 The Ground Floor of all buildings shall provide a minimum transparency consistent with the
421 Frontage Type, as designated on the Frontage Types Map (§9.2.11, Map 7). “Transparent”
422 shall mean using glass or other exterior material offering a view into an area of the
423 commercial ~~establishment space~~ where human activity normally occurs and shall not be
424 satisfied by views into areas blocked by display cases, the rear of shelving, interior walls,
425 blinds, hallways, or any other material that could block a view.

426 **I. Building entrances**

427 Functional entries that substantially comply with the Frontage Type guidelines set forth in
428 the Clarendon Sector Plan shall be provided, except where the County Board finds that
429 such entries would adversely affect the historical aspects of a structure designated in the
430 Clarendon Sector Plan for full or partial preservation.

431 **J. Landscaping**

- 432 **1.** Any unified commercial/mixed use development shall provide a minimum landscaped
433 area of 10 percent of the total ~~development site~~development project.
- 434 **2.** When a proposal preserves a building designated for preservation according to the
435 Building Preservation Map (§9.2.8, Map 4), and in accordance with the standards set
436 forth in §10.2.5.K, below, the area of the footprint of the structure being preserved
437 may be excluded from the required landscaped area requirements of §10.2.5.J.1,
438 above.

439 **K. Historic preservation**

440 When a site includes a structure identified for preservation in the Clarendon Sector Plan,
441 the structure shall be preserved in a manner consistent with the Clarendon Sector Plan,
442 other regulations set forth in the District, and the regulations set forth below in §10.2.5.L.3.
443 New development within the site shall be compatible with the existing structures in terms
444 of material, color, texture, size and fenestration of doors and windows, and cornice lines.

445 **L. Bonus density**

446 Subject to the maximum height limits in §10.2.5.F, the County Board may approve optional
447 increases in density above 1.5 F.A.R. by approving additional floors above the maximum
448 number of floors established in §10.2.5.F.2, below. Density approved pursuant to this
449 §10.2.5.L may be accommodated ~~on-site~~on-site or transferred to another site within
450 Clarendon, except as provided in §10.2.5.L.1(b).

451 **1. Affordable housing**

452 When a project includes affordable dwelling units (ADUs), pursuant to the definition of
453 ADUs in use by the county at the time of the application, or an equivalent cash
454 contribution, the County Board may permit up to an additional 1.5 F.A.R. of density, as
455 set forth below:

456 **(a) Residential rental projects**

457 For residential rental projects, ADUs shall be provided ~~on-site~~on-site as part of the
458 use permit project as a total of at least 10 percent of the gross square footage
459 (GFA) of the bonus density permitted under this §10.2.5.L.1 when the required 10
460 percent of the GFA is equal to 4,000 ~~sq-ft~~square feet or more.

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(b) All other projects

For all other projects, ADUs shall be provided ~~on-site~~on-site as a total of at least 10 percent of the gross square footage of the bonus density permitted under this §10.2.5.L.1, or the applicant shall make a cash contribution to the Affordable Housing Investment Fund of \$15 per square foot of the gross floor footage of the bonus density. The cash contribution will be indexed to the Consumer Price Index for Housing in the Washington-Baltimore MSA as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and shall be adjusted annually based on the January changes to such index for that year, beginning in January, 2010. Revised amounts apply only to use permit plans filed after the adjustment date. Amounts for the calculation of the cash option are established at the time the use permit application is filed. Bonus density permitted through a cash contribution shall be accommodated ~~on~~ siteon-site and shall not be available to transfer to another site.

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2. Sustainable design

For projects that provide green building design (LEED) and comply with established county policies for bonus density, the County Board may approve additional density by use permit approval in an amount equivalent to that identified in established policy for development subject to site plan approval pursuant to §15.6.

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3. Historic preservation

When the County Board finds that a structure identified for preservation in the Clarendon Sector Plan is preserved in accordance with §10.2.5.K, and when the County Board (after review and comment by the Historical Affairs and Landmarks Review Board at least 45 days in advance of a public hearing by the County Board, and upon consideration by the County Board of the HALRB’s recommendation), has determined that the project is consistent with the historic preservation objectives of the adopted polices, then the County Board may approve an increase above the otherwise allowable density as provided in §10.2.5.L.

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§10.2.6. Procedure for unified commercial/mixed use development approval

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- A. Unified commercial/mixed use developments shall be permitted by use permit approval, as specified in §15.5.
- B. An approved use permit for a commercial/mixed use development Plan may be modified or amended as specified in §15.5.

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§10.3. Residential Cluster Development

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§10.3.1. Purpose

The purpose of this §10.3 is to allow, by site plan approval, the clustering of one-family dwellings, in order to preserve, maintain and enhance the character of one-family residential neighborhoods. It is intended that such clustering shall result in the preservation of natural land form, irreplaceable historical features, trees and foliage, and permit the preservation of major common open site area without increasing the overall density of land use otherwise allowed for the site.

501 §10.3.2. Applicability

502 Residential cluster development may be approved on sites in the R-5, R-6, R-8, R-10 and R-20
503 districts in accordance with the requirements of this section.

504 §10.3.3. Uses

505 Residential cluster developments shall contain only one-family, semidetached, and townhouse
506 dwellings and associated open spaces, on a single site of at least one acre, but no more than two
507 acres.

508 §10.3.4. Modification of zoning requirements

- 509 **A.** Any residential cluster development shall comply with the zoning requirements applicable
510 to the site and the following requirements, unless the County Board, after finding that such
511 modifications will better accomplish the purposes and intent of §10.3.1, modifies some of
512 those requirements by site plan approval, as permitted in §10.3.4.B below.
- 513 **B.** The County Board may modify the minimum site size, up to a maximum of 10 percent,
514 upon a finding that, after the proposed modification, the subject development will still
515 accomplish the purposes and intent of the zoning ordinance for residential cluster
516 development; the area and width of individual lots; any required setback and yard
517 dimensions; site coverage; common open areas; the number and dimensions of parking
518 spaces; and the height of main buildings, by site plan, if it finds that such modifications will
519 better accomplish the purposes and intent of §10.3.1. Reduction of the minimum site size
520 or lot size shall not result in any greater density than would otherwise be permitted by the
521 ordinance provisions for residential cluster development.

522 §10.3.5. Density

523 The maximum number of dwelling units shall be determined by the County Board, depending on
524 the design and configuration of the development, up to a maximum number arrived at by
525 dividing the site area, together with the area of any parts of the site that have been dedicated
526 for public right-of-way, by the required minimum lot area of the district applicable to the site.

527 §10.3.6. Internal streets

- 528 **A.** Streets located within the site which are publicly dedicated shall have right-of-way and
529 pavement widths as specified in Chapter 23, Subdivisions, of the County Code. The
530 minimum right-of-way width may be reduced to 40 feet and a pavement width to 30 feet,
531 by site plan approval, if the County Board finds that such modifications will better
532 accomplish the purposes and intent of §10.3.1 than would the development without those
533 modifications. Private streets shall be constructed to Arlington County standards and shall
534 be of sufficient width to serve the needs of the development.
- 535 **B.** Publicly dedicated internal streets shall have a minimum right-of-way width of 50 feet and
536 a minimum pavement width of 36 feet. In special circumstances, by site plan approval, the
537 minimum right-of-way width may be reduced to 40 feet and the minimum pavement to 30
538 feet. Private streets shall be constructed to Arlington county standards and shall be of
539 sufficient width to serve the needs of the development.

540 **§10.3.7. Density and dimensional standards**

541 **A. Setbacks**

- 542 1. All buildings, including accessory buildings, shall have a minimum setback and/or yard
543 of 25 feet from all exterior boundaries of the site.
- 544 2. There shall be a minimum side yard for detached units of five feet.
- 545 3. There shall be a minimum rear yard of 15 feet for each dwelling unit.

546 **B. Coverage**

547 Every residential cluster development shall have a maximum coverage (building, right-of-
548 way, parking and drives) not exceeding 50 percent of the area of the site.

549 **§10.3.8. Procedure for residential cluster development approval**

550 Residential cluster developments shall be permitted by site plan approval, as specified in §15.6,
551 and as follows.

552 **A. Landscape and site improvement plan**

553 A preliminary landscape and site improvement plan shall be submitted with the site plan,
554 including a means for preserving historical landmarks and significant trees and foliage and
555 natural features on the site.

556 **B. Site plan amendment**

557 No site plan for a residential cluster development shall be modified or amended except as
558 provided for in §15.6; provided, however, that such minor modifications or amendments as
559 are made necessary by conditions of site plan approval or judged to be within the purpose
560 and intent of the site plan may be approved by the zoning administrator.

561 **§10.3.9. Site development standards**

562 The site development standards of Article 13 and Article 14 apply to all development, except as
563 otherwise specified in this section.

564 **A. Parking**

565 Not less than two and one-half parking spaces, at least one of which shall be off-street,
566 shall be provided ~~on-site~~on-site for each dwelling unit.

567 **B. Common open area**

- 568 1. The common open area gained by the clustering of dwelling units shall not be less than
569 specified in the table below:

District(s)	Area per Dwelling Unit (min. sq. ft.)
R-5 and R-6	1,000
R-8	2,000
R-10	2,500
R-20	10,000

- 570 2. Under no circumstances shall the common open area be provided by easement over
571 individual lots on which units are situated, or over streets or parking areas.

Article 11. Overlay and Special Purpose Form Based Code Districts

§11.1. CP-FBC, Columbia Pike Form Based Code District

§11.1.1. Purpose

The purpose of the CP-FBC, Columbia Pike Form Based Code District (Form Based Code) is to provide an alternative means of development that promotes mixed-use development where the variety in retail, service, residential and office uses is intended to serve a broad-based community. The CP-FBC district provides for an expanded range of uses, greater density and more flexibility than the other service commercial and apartment districts while promoting mixed-use development which conforms to principles of good urban form. Specific requirements have been adopted to encourage and regulate mixed-use development in accord with the Form Based Code, including height, and building and site design elements which help ensure the provision of the desirable components of good public spaces.

§11.1.2. 11.1.2. Applicability

Properties zoned according to the S-3A, RA8-18, RA14-26, RA7-16, RA6-15, C-1, C-2, C-3, C-O or C-O-1.0 districts and that are located in the Columbia Pike Special Revitalization District (CP-FBC district), as designated on the General Land Use Plan, shall be eligible to develop in accordance with the CP-FBC district requirements. After such development all uses permitted in §11.1.4 shall be permitted on the property, subject to all regulations in §11.1.

§11.1.3. Form Based Code

All development pursuant to this §11.1 shall be governed by the requirements of the Form Based Code as adopted by the Arlington County Board (Appendix A of the Zoning Ordinance).

§11.1.4. Uses

A. Key to types of uses

The use tables are subject to the explanation set forth below.

1. Permitted uses

A "P" indicates that a use is permitted by-right and may be approved administratively, provided that redevelopment of the subject property or properties involves an increase in total developed space of at least 50 percent; and the proposed redevelopment conforms to the Form Based Code as adopted by the County Board of Arlington County (see §11.1.3). Properties within the Columbia Pike Special Revitalization District, which have not been redeveloped using the Form Based Code, shall be governed by all use limitations in the underlying zoning district.

(a) On sites of greater than 40,000 [sq. ft. square feet](#) in area, such uses are not permitted unless a special exception use permit has been approved as set forth in §11.1.8, Administration, below.

(b) [Reserved]

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2. Use permit approval required

A “U” indicates a special exception use that may be established subject to obtaining a use permit as provided in §15.5, use permits, for each such use, and provided that the property has been redeveloped pursuant to the Form Based Code. [The Zoning Administrator may require a use permit for such use, whether the use is located in a building approved administratively or whether located in a building controlled by use permit.](#)

3. Uses not permitted

A blank cell in the use table indicates that a use is not allowed in the respective district. See also §12.2.1.

4. Use standards

The “use standard” column on the use table (last column on the right) is a cross-reference to any specific use standard listed in Article 12, which apply to more than one district. Where use standards apply exclusively to a specific district(s), such standards are listed in the respective district(s) regulations.

5. Accessory and temporary uses

The regulations that apply to accessory and temporary uses are contained in §12.9 [and](#) §12.10 [accessory uses \(§12.8\), and temporary uses \(§12.9\).](#)

B. Use classification

The first column of the use table lists some of the specific uses allowed in the respective districts. Uses not listed may be allowed pursuant to the similar use determination procedure of §12.2.1.

§11.1.5. Columbia Pike Form Based Code district principal use table

The following use table summarizes the principal use regulations of the CP-FBC district.

COLUMBIA PIKE FORM BASED CODE DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE			
	Specific Use Types	CP-FBC	Use Standards
Household Living (See §12.2.3.A)	One-family detached Dwelling, one-family	P	
	Multiple-family Dwelling, Apartment or townhouse	P	
	Townhouses Dwelling, Apartment or townhouse	P	
Group Living (See §12.2.3.B)	Boarding houses and rooming houses	U	§12.3.1
	Group Institutional homes and institutions of an educational or philanthropic nature	U	§12.3.6
	Dormitories Private clubs, lodges, fraternities, sororities and dormitories	U	§12.3.3
	Fraternity and sorority houses; Private clubs, lodges, fraternities, sororities and dormitories	U	§12.3.5
Public, Civic and Institutional Use Categories (§12.2.4)			
Colleges (§12.2.4.A)	Colleges and universities Institutional homes and institutions of an educational or philanthropic nature	U	§12.3.6
Community Service (See §12.2.4.B)	Community buildings	U	
	Community centers, fire stations, and libraries	P	
	Libraries Public libraries, museums, and art galleries	U	

§11.1.5 COLUMBIA PIKE FORM BASED CODE DISTRICT PRINCIPAL USE TABLE

COLUMBIA PIKE FORM BASED CODE DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE			
	Specific Use Types	CP-FBC	Use Standards
	Museums and art galleries or studios <u>Public libraries, museums, and art galleries</u>	U	
	<u>Publicly-operated recreation buildings, playgrounds, parks, and athletic fields</u>	U	
	Recreation centers <u>Publicly-operated recreation buildings, playgrounds, parks, and athletic fields</u>	U	0
Day Care (See §12.2.4.C)	<u>All day care uses Schools, private, elementary, middle and high, and kindergartens, nursery schools, child care centers, and other programs regulated by Chapter 52 of the Arlington County Code.</u>	U	§12.4.1
Governmental Facilities (See §12.2.4.D)	Detention and correctional facilities <u>Government buildings, federal and state. Buildings used exclusively by the federal and state governments for public purposes; except penal and correctional institutions</u>	U	
	<u>Fire and police stations Community centers, fire stations, and libraries</u>	P	
	<u>Public service, including electric distributing substation, fire or police station, telephone exchange, and the like</u>	P	
Hospital (See §12.2.4.E)	<u>Hospitals or sanitariums.</u>	P U	§1.1.1
Parks and Open Space (See §12.2.4.F)	Cemeteries Airports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematories when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	
	Country clubs and golf courses Airports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematories when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	
	<u>Parks, playgrounds and playfields Publicly-operated recreation buildings, playgrounds, parks, and athletic fields</u>	U	
	Clubs and grounds for games or sports	U	
Passenger Terminals and Services (See §12.2.4.G)	Airports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematories when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	
	<u>Bus, trolley, air, boat and rail passenger terminals Public utilities and services such as railroad, trolley, bus, air or boat passenger stations; right of way and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, siding and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchange (but excluding service and storage yards); provided, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is located</u>	P	
Religious Institutions (See §12.2.4.H)	<u>Churches, mosques, synagogues, and temples and other places of worship, including parish houses and Sunday schools, but excluding rescue missions or temporary revivals</u>	P	
Schools (See §12.2.4.I)	Schools, private, elementary, middle and high, and kindergartens, nursery schools, child care centers, and other programs regulated by Chapter 52 of the Arlington County Code.	U	§12.4.1
Social Service Institutions (See §12.2.4.J)	<u>All social service institutions</u>		
Utilities, major (See §12.2.4.K)	<u>All major utilities Public service, including electric distributing substation, fire or police station, telephone exchange, and the like</u>	P	

COLUMBIA PIKE FORM BASED CODE DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE			
	Specific Use Types	CP-FBC	Use Standards
	Public utilities and services such as railroad, trolley, bus, air or boat passenger stations; right of way and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, siding and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchange (but excluding service and storage yards); provided, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is located	P	
	Bus shelters; bike share stations Public utilities and services such as railroad, trolley, bus, air or boat passenger stations; right of way and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, siding and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchange (but excluding service and storage yards); provided, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is located	U	
Utilities, minor (See §12.2.4.K)	All minor utilities Public utilities and services such as railroad, trolley, bus, air or boat passenger stations; right of way and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, siding and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchange (but excluding service and storage yards); provided, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is located	P	
Retail, Service and Commercial Use Categories (See §12.2.5)			
	Catering establishment, <u>small scale</u>	P	
	Food delivery service	U	
Food and Drinking Establishments (See Error! Reference source not found.)	Restaurant, general	P	§12.5.23
	Restaurant, <u>limited</u> (excluding restaurants with drive-through windows and dancing or entertainment, except as provided for in §11.1.3.H and §11.1.3.L, above). Delivery of food and beverages to off-site locations is permitted when it involves less than 30 percent of the amount of the sales from these restaurants	P	§12.5.24
	Restaurant with drive through window¹	U	
	Retail stores or business in addition to those permitted in C-1-R and C-1 district	P	
Entertainment (See §12.2.5.A)	Indoor Theater or auditorium	P	
	Nightclubs and restaurants, providing live entertainment, including dance halls ²	U	
	Membership clubs and lodges Private clubs, lodges, fraternities, sororities and dormitories.	U	§12.5.14
	All other indoor entertainment Amusement enterprises, including a billiard or pool hall, boxing arena, games of skill, penny arcade, shooting gallery and the like, if conducted wholly within a completely enclosed building on the second level (above grade) or below	U	§12.5.7
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Office (See §12.2.5.C)	Audio-visual production studio	U	
	Business e College operated as a commercial enterprise	P	
	Bank or other f financial <u>services</u> institution	P	
	Offices, <u>business and professional</u> without restriction on location within structures along Main Street and/or Avenue frontage	P	
	Office, federal, state and local. Government buildings, federal and state. Buildings used exclusively by the federal and state governments for public purposes; except penal and correctional institutions	U	

¹ Moved to accessory use table

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§11.1.5 COLUMBIA PIKE FORM BASED CODE DISTRICT PRINCIPAL USE TABLE

COLUMBIA PIKE FORM BASED CODE DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE			
	Specific Use Types	CP-FBC	Use Standards
	Offices or clinics , medical or dental-	P U	§12.5.17
	Medical or dental clinics and laboratories	P	
	Offices of medical doctors, physicians, dentists or psychologists in existing institutional structures converted to such use. ¹	U	§1.1.1
	Offices, principal, of physicians, surgeons or dentists in existing apartment houses or residences converted to such use or in new buildings designed for such use.	U	
Overnight Accommodations (See §12.2.5.D)	Bed and breakfasts	U	§12.5.3
	Hotel or tourist court motel	P	
	Tourist homes	U	
Parking, Commercial (See §12.2.5.E)	All commercial parking uses		
	Public parking area or public parking garage when located and developed as required in the Form Based Code	P	
Recreation, Indoor (See §12.2.5.F.2(a))	Bowling alleys	U	
	Indoor s Swimming pool	P	
	Indoor and outdoor s Skating rink	P	
	All other indoor recreation Amusement enterprises, including a billiard or pool hall, boxing arena, games of skill, penny arcade, shooting gallery and the like, if conducted wholly within a completely enclosed building on the second level (above grade) or below	U	§12.5.20
Recreation, Outdoor (See §12.2.5.F.2(b))	Miniature golf course	U	
	Indoor and outdoor s Skating rink	P	
	Outdoor s Swimming pool	U	
Retail Sales (See §12.2.5.G.2(a))	antique shops	P	
	Automobile accessories and supplies, excluding installation	P	
	Book, stationery or card stores	P	
	Blueprinting or Photostatting	P	
	Clothing or wearing apparel shops	P	
	Department stores	P	
	Dry goods or notion stores	P	
	Film processing kiosks (photo service)	P	
	Florist or gift shops	P	§12.5.8§1.1.1
	Grocery, fruit or vegetable stores without restriction or maximum gross floor area	P	§12.5.10§12.5-43
	Hardware, paint or appliance stores	P	
	Hobby or handcraft store	P	
	Home furnishings stores	P	
	Jewelry stores	P	

¹ This use is permitted more broadly (in all structures) by right, above, therefore is being shown as allowed by-right.

COLUMBIA PIKE FORM BASED CODE DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE			
	Specific Use Types	CP-FBC	Use Standards
	Nursery, flower or plant store, provided that all incidental equipment and supplies, including fertilizer, empty cans and garden tools are kept within a building or in designated areas outside as approved by the zoning administrator, provided that the location does not impede pedestrian or vehicular movement on the property	P	§12.5.16
	Open-air markets	U	§12.5.18.
	All other retail sales uses	P	
	Optical stores	P	
	Pet shops	P	
	Retail stores or business in addition to those permitted in C-1-R and C-1 district	P	
	Secondhand or consignment shops	P	
	Shoe stores	P	
	Sporting goods stores	P	
	Variety stores	P	
	Video tape, DVD or record stores	P	
Retail, Personal Service (See §12.2.5.G.2(b))	Animal care facilities, veterinary clinics, animal hospitals Animal hospital or veterinary clinic within a fully enclosed structure	P	§12.5.2
	Bank or other financial institution	P	
	health clubs	P	
	Dry-cleaning drop-off station Cleaning or laundry establishment	P	§12.5.6
	Laundromat Cleaning or laundry establishment	P	§12.5.13
	Massage parlors and the like¹	U	
	Music conservatory or music instruction	P	
	Mortuaries or funeral homes, including a cremation unit within a mortuary or funeral home	U	§12.5.15
	Private postal service limited to a gross floor area of 1,200 sq. ft.	P	§12.5.19
	Retail stores or business in addition to those permitted in C-1-R and C-1 district	P	
	Dance studio	P	
	Photography studio	P	
	Palmistry	P	
	Pawnshops	P	
	All other personal service retail uses	P	§12.5.21
Retail, Repair-oriented (See §12.2.5.G.2(c))	Upholstery shops	P	§12.5.27
	Locksmith All retail repair uses	P	
	Retail stores or business in addition to those permitted in C-1-R and C-1 district	P	
Self-service Storage (See §12.2.5.H)	All self-service storage uses Public storage facilities	U	§12.5.26
	Storage as principal use²		
Vehicle Sales	Vehicle body shop, so long as such activities are conducted entirely within a building	U	§12.5.28

¹ Deleted (archaic use)

² Deleted. Was added in error during 2012 reformat, but should have been superseded by "public storage facilities."

§11.1.5 COLUMBIA PIKE FORM BASED CODE DISTRICT PRINCIPAL USE TABLE

COLUMBIA PIKE FORM BASED CODE DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE			
	Specific Use Types	CP-FBC	Use Standards
and Service (See §12.2.5.I)	Vehicle sales, rental or leasing facilities dealership, sales or rental lot, provided that the use complies with the standards identified in §12.5.28, and provided that indoor and/or outdoor display area(s) do not exceed 300 linear feet along Main Street or Avenue frontage. Vehicle dealerships, sales or rental lots are specifically prohibited on Neighborhood and Avenue Sites	P	§12.5.30
	Vehicle service establishment, provided that any vehicle repairs and storage of merchandise and supplies shall be conducted wholly within a building and that any lubrication or washing not conducted wholly within a building shall be permitted only if a masonry wall, seven feet in height, is erected and maintained between such uses and any adjoining residential district	U	§12.5.29
Industrial Use Categories (See §12.2.6)			
Light Industrial Service (See §12.2.6.A)	Carpet cleaning plants and rug cleaning establishments, excluding dyeing	U	
	Contractors¹, off site, storage and staging yards and sales or leasing trailers or pavilions	U	§12.9.4
	Medical or dental clinics and laboratories	P	
	Printing, lithographing or publishing	P	
	Sign making painting shops, if conducted wholly within a completely enclosed buildings	P	§12.6.9
	Recycling centers	U	
	Repair shop (small appliance, television, radio)	P	
Manufacturing and Production (See §12.2.4.B)	Plumbing or sheet metal shops, if conducted wholly within a completely enclosed building All other manufacturing and production uses	P	§12.6.6
Heavy Industrial (See §12.2.6.C)	All heavy industrial uses		
Warehouse and Freight Movement (See §12.2.6.D)	All warehouse and freight movement uses		
	Mailing service, including bulk mailing	P	
Waste-related Service (See §12.2.6.E)	All waste-related service uses		
Wholesale Trade (See §12.2.6.F)	All wholesale trade uses		
Other use categories (See §12.2.7)			
Agriculture (See §12.2.7.A)	All agricultural uses. Farming, livestock and poultry raising, and all uses commonly classed as agricultural	P	§12.7.1
Resource Extraction (See §12.2.7.B)	All resource extraction uses		

¹ Moved to short term use standards (12.10)

COLUMBIA PIKE FORM BASED CODE DISTRICTS PRINCIPAL USE			
	Specific Use Types	CP-FBC	Use Standards
Tele-communications Facilities (§12.2.6.C)	All telecommunications facilities Public utilities and services such as railroad, trolley, bus, air or boat passenger stations; right-of-way and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, siding and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchange (but excluding service and storage yards); provided, that the exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is located	U	
Unclassified (See §12.2.7.D)	All unclassified uses		

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~~* Classes or instruction to children. if a use provides classes or instruction to children and, either 20 percent or more of the total number of students enrolled in classes and/or instruction are children under 18 years of age or the total number of children under 18 years of age enrolled in classes scheduled to be held at any one time is 10 or more, the use may only be established subject to obtaining a use permit as provided in §14.5, for each such use.¹~~

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¹ Moved to use standards for retail, personal service uses(12.5)

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§11.1.6. Columbia Pike Form Based Code districts accessory use table

Accessory uses in Columbia Pike Form Based Code districts shall include the following uses, activities and structures.

COLUMBIA PIKE FORM BASED CODE DISTRICTS ACCESSORY USE TABLE		
Use Types	CP-FBC	Use Standards
Uses and buildings customarily accessory to the above uses. Other uses which, in the judgment of the zoning administrator, are of the same general character as those listed in this subsection and will not be detrimental to the district in which located.	P	
Commercial vehicle parking. Parking of one commercial vehicle which has a gross vehicle weight of 16,000 pounds or less and conforms to the requirements in §12.9.5	P	§12.9.4
Commercial vehicle parking. In cases working a grave hardship on the resident, and in accordance §12.9.5, and §14.6, parking of (i) a commercial vehicle which does not meet the locational requirements of this zoning ordinance, or (ii) more than one commercial vehicle.	U	
Crematoriums Crematoriums Airports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematories when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	§12.9.6
Drive-through facilities window. Any other use otherwise permitted in this district with a drive-through window, provided that the drive-through operation has no more than two lanes. Drive through access may not be from Main Street frontage	U	§12.9.7
Restaurant with drive through window¹	U	
Family day care homes (six to nine children) for six to nine children	U	§12.9.9
Family day care homes (up to five children) for up to five children	P	§12.9.9
Home occupations	P	§12.9.11
Live entertainment or dancing Nightclubs and restaurants, providing live entertainment, including dance halls	U	
Mortuaries and funeral homes Airports and aircraft landing fields; golf courses (except driving tees and miniature courses); cemeteries; and funeral homes and/or crematories when on the same premises as a cemetery of 10 or more acres	U	§12.9.13
Swimming pools, private	P	§12.9.16
Outdoor café associated with a restaurant on private property	P	§12.9.14
Outdoor café associated with a restaurant on public right-of-way or easement for public use	U	§12.9.14
Trailer Recreational vehicle or trailer parking	P	§12.9.15
Vehicle maintenance and minor repairs, routine	P	§12.9.17
Vehicle, unlicensed and/or uninspected.	P	§12.9.18

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§11.1.7. Use limitations

- A. There shall be no manufacturing, compounding, processing or treatment of products other than that which is clearly incidental and essential to a retail store or business and where all such products are sold at retail at these establishments.
- B. ~~Such uses, operations or products shall not adversely affect any contiguous district through the dissemination of odor, dust, smoke, fumes, noise, vibrations, creation of trash, garbage or litter, or other similar causes.~~²

¹ From principal use table

² Enforced by other codes and regulations, including, but not limited to noise ordinance; care of property ordinance.

- 647 C. Steam exhausts for cleaning and laundering establishments shall be fully contained within
648 the building that contains the cleaning and laundering establishment.

649 **§11.1.8. Administration**

650 **A. Eligible sites**

651 Only sites located within the Columbia Pike Special Revitalization District, as amended, are
652 eligible to use the Form Based Code.

653 **B. Review process**

- 654 1. Properties of 40,000 [sq. ft. square feet](#) in area or less that are located within the
655 Columbia Pike Special Revitalization District: Form Based Code proposals will be
656 reviewed administratively for conformance with the Code within 30 days of submission
657 of a complete proposal. Upon completion of such review, applicants will be notified as
658 to whether their submission is in compliance with the Form Based Code. Applicants
659 are required to provide a copy of the submission to the Columbia Pike Revitalization
660 Organization and all affected civic associations at the time of submission.
- 661 2. Once a proposal is determined to be in conformance with the Form Based Code, the
662 applicant may apply for construction permits, as provided for in §15.2, but only for
663 actions consistent with a proposal that has been determined to be in compliance with
664 the provisions of the Form Based Code.
- 665 3. Proposals that are determined to deviate from the Form Based Code requirements may
666 not proceed with development, but may submit a revised proposal for review, or may
667 seek approval of a use permit, as provided for in §15.5 and §11.1.8.C.
- 668 4. Properties larger than 40,000 [sq. ft. square feet](#) in area, and proposals that do not
669 conform with the Form Based Code may be approved only by special exception use
670 permit, as provided for in §15.5.
- 671 5. At the time of or prior to filing a special exception use permit application and any
672 related material, applicants must provide a copy of the submission to the Columbia
673 Pike Revitalization Organization and all affected civic associations. Applicants must
674 provide written notice to all affected and abutting property owners, as well as those
675 across the street from the subject site prior to the hearing as required by the Code of
676 Virginia.
- 677 6. Applications for Form Based Code development approval shall comply with applicable
678 portions of §15.6. Form Based Code use permit applications shall be filed no less than
679 55 days before the public hearings, which shall be the first regular meeting of the
680 County Board each month. The County Board, on its own motion, may establish a
681 different date for the public hearing.

682 **C. Standards for review of use permits**

683 **1. Proposals that do not conform to the Form Based Code**

- 684 (a) The County Board may modify the provisions of the Form Based Code upon a
685 finding that, after the proposed modification, the subject development will better
686 accomplish the purposes and intent of O than would the development without
687 those modifications and that the proposed uses will not:

- 688 **(1)** Affect adversely the health or safety of persons residing or working in the
689 neighborhood of the proposed use;
- 690 **(2)** Be detrimental to the public welfare or injurious to property or
691 improvements in the neighborhood; and
- 692 **(3)** Be in conflict with the purposes of the master plans of the county.
- 693 **(b)** Pursuant to a use permit application, the County Board may modify only the
694 following requirements of the Form Based Code. Provided, however, that after
695 such modifications, the County Board is still able to make the finding called for in
696 subsection 1(a), above.
- 697 **(1)** Height of first floor relative to fronting sidewalk elevation;
- 698 **(2)** RBLs for the location of new alleys or streets, for historic buildings and for
699 existing parking garages as of February 25, 2003;
- 700 **(3)** Breaks between buildings;
- 701 **(4)** Streetscape details; and
- 702 **(5)** Design issues related to the inclusion of existing or historic buildings or
703 mature trees.
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§11.2. CPN-FBC, Columbia Pike Neighborhoods Form Based Code District

§11.2.1. Purpose

A. The Columbia Pike Neighborhoods Form Based Code is intended to implement the purpose and goals of the Columbia Pike Neighborhoods Area Plan as described in Chapter 1 of that plan:

1. Foster a healthy, diverse community with a high quality of life;
2. Stabilize and strengthen residential neighborhoods and mixed-use commercial centers;
3. Promote creation and preservation of affordable housing and expand housing options;
4. Create a pedestrian-friendly and multi-modal corridor;
5. Preserve neighborhood character, historic buildings and tree canopy;
6. Enhance urban design and architecture; and
7. Incorporate sustainable building design.

B. The Columbia Pike Neighborhoods Form Based Code implements a primary element of the Columbia Pike Neighborhoods Area Plan vision to create transit and pedestrian-oriented development, which is dependent on three factors: density, diversity of uses, and design. This Code places greatest emphasis on design, or physical form, because of its importance in defining neighborhood character.

§11.2.2. Applicability

A. Properties zoned according to the R-6, R-5, R2-7, R15-30T, RA14-26, RA8-18, RA7-16, RA6-15, C1 or C-O districts and that are located in the Columbia Pike Neighborhoods Special Revitalization District, as designated on the General Land Use Plan, shall be eligible to develop in accordance with the Columbia Pike Neighborhoods Form Based Code district requirements. After such development all uses permitted in Appendix B of the Zoning Ordinance shall be permitted on the property, subject to all regulations in Appendix B.

B. The Columbia Pike Neighborhoods Special Revitalization District Form Based Code is an optional zoning tool and property owners retain the zoning rights under the existing zoning. A property owner who seeks to use the additional density and benefits available under this code shall be subject to requirements to provide additional features, design elements, uses, services, and/or amenities called for by this code, as part of the owner's development. Use of the Form Based Code is selected through the filing of an application for development under the Form Based Code.

§11.2.3. Form Based Code

All development pursuant to this §11.2 shall be governed by the requirements of the Neighborhoods Form Based Code as adopted by the Arlington County Board (Appendix B of the Zoning Ordinance).

742 §11.3. Historic Preservation Overlay District

743 §11.3.1. Purpose

744 The purpose of these regulations is to promote the health, safety, and general welfare of the
745 public through the identification, preservation, and enhancement of buildings, structures,
746 landscapes, settings, neighborhoods, places and features with special historical, cultural,
747 architectural and archaeological significance through the establishment of historic districts, and
748 through the protection of other significant properties. To achieve these general purposes, the
749 county seeks to take the following steps to preserve and protect buildings, structures and
750 properties that serve as important visible reminders of the historic, cultural, architectural, and
751 archaeological heritage of Arlington County, the Commonwealth of Virginia, or the United States
752 of America:

- 753 A. Promote local historic preservation efforts through the identification and protection of
754 historic resources throughout the county, and through the designation of local historic
755 districts;
- 756 B. Assure that, within Arlington County's historic districts, new structures, buildings, additions,
757 landscaping and related elements will be in harmony with their setting and environs;
- 758 C. Promote an enhanced quality of life within the county.
- 759 D. Maintain and improve property values by providing incentives for the upkeep,
760 rehabilitation and restoration of older structures and buildings in a safe and healthful
761 manner, and by encouraging desirable uses and forms of development that will lead to the
762 continuance, conservation and improvement of the county's historic, cultural and
763 architectural resources and institutions within their settings;
- 764 E. Encourage nomination of historic properties to the National Register of Historic Places and
765 the Virginia Landmarks Register; and
- 766 F. Promote tourism and enhance business and industry, through the protection of, and
767 education about, historic, cultural and archaeological resources.

768 §11.3.2. Historical Affairs and Landmark Review Board

769 A. Establishment and composition

770 1. Establishment

771 There is hereby created and established an historical affairs and landmark Review
772 Board which shall consist of no more than 15 members who are residents of the county
773 who have an interest, competence, or knowledge of historic preservation and who shall
774 be appointed by the County Board. The historical affairs and landmark Review Board
775 shall be the Architectural Review Board provided by Section 15.1-503.2 of the Code of
776 Virginia. The Historical Affairs and Landmark Review Board shall hereafter be referred
777 to as "the Review Board."

778 2. Composition

779 The County Board shall select the members of the Review Board that meet the criteria
780 set forth by the Virginia Department of Historic Resources Certified Local Government
781 (CLG) program. The County Board may consider including members from appropriate
782 community groups (i.e., the Arlington Historical Society).

783 **B. Terms of office**

- 784 **1.** The members of the Review Board shall serve overlapping terms of four years. Initially,
785 four members shall be appointed for a term of one year, four members shall be
786 appointed for a term of two years, four members shall be appointed for a term of three
787 years, and three members shall be appointed for a term of four years. Thereafter, all
788 appointments shall be made for a term of four years. Where the County Board
789 appoints fewer than 15 members, the number of appointees with each term length
790 shall be reduced proportionally.
- 791 **2.** Members may be reappointed for consecutive terms.
- 792 **3.** If a member representing a profession designated as a requirement by the CLG
793 program ceases to be a member of that profession, then that member will no longer be
794 a member of the Review Board. If a vacancy occurs for any reason, including those
795 noted above, then a new appointment shall be made by the County Board for the
796 remainder of the unexpired term.

797 **C. Organization; officers; rules; meetings**

- 798 **1.** The Review Board shall annually elect from its membership a chairman and vice-
799 chairman, at the first meeting held on or after December 1st in each calendar year, for
800 a one year term of office. In the event such a person is unable to serve for the full term
801 for any reason, a replacement shall be elected to serve for the remainder of the term.
- 802 **2.** The Review Board may establish any rules necessary for the orderly conduct of its
803 business.
- 804 **3.** All meetings of the Review Board shall be kept as public record to the extent required
805 by the Code of Virginia.

806 **D. Responsibilities**

807 The function of the Review Board shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, the
808 following activities:

809 **1. Recommendations**

- 810 **(a)** Recommend additional surveys of potential historic districts, and recommend
811 properties for designation as local historic districts, including recommending
812 Historic District Design Guidelines for such districts.
- 813 **(b)** Act in an advisory role on historic preservation and historical affairs to the County
814 Board, County Board appointed commissions and boards, and other groups.

815 **2. Final decisions**

- 816 **(a)** Approve, deny, or approve with conditions certificate of appropriateness
817 applications in accordance with the provisions of §15.8.
- 818 **(b)** Make such minor administrative amendments to the design guidelines as are
819 necessary for the orderly review of CoA applications in designated historic
820 districts. Any administrative amendment to existing design guidelines which
821 comply with the spirit of ~~this code~~[this zoning ordinance](#), and the intent of the
822 County Board in its approval of the underlying historic district design guidelines,
823 may be approved by the HALRB. Those amendments may include but would not
824 be restricted to the following; language on new building materials, construction

825 methods and technologies, updates to existing chapters and appendixes, revisions
826 meant to take into account new county policies and changes to other sections of
827 Code.

828 (c) Organize, develop, and execute educational programs focusing on Arlington's
829 heritage and local historic preservation efforts.

830 E. Other

831 1. Produce an annual report of the Review Board's activities.

832 2. Prepare, circulate, and approve text for local historic markers.

833 3. Provide the County Board with assistance in the naming of public facilities and advice
834 on other matters of historical value.

835 4. Undertake such other responsibilities as the County Board may direct to protect
836 historic properties.

837 §11.3.3. Certificate of appropriateness

838 See §15.8, for the certificate of appropriateness procedure.

839 §11.3.4. Establishment of Historic Districts

840 The Historic District (Overlay) is hereby established as an overlay district, ~~meaning that this~~
841 ~~district is overlaid upon other districts and the land so encumbered may be used in a manner~~
842 ~~permitted in the underlying district only if and to the extent such use also complies within the~~
843 ~~regulations contained herein.~~¹ Additionally:

844 A. Nominations for inclusion within an historic district shall be made by referral 845 to the Review Board

846 Nominations for inclusion within a historic district shall be made by referral to the Review
847 Board. The Review Board shall have reason to believe that at least two of the 11 qualifying
848 criteria are present prior to initiating its study of the nomination.

849 1. The owner of any property being considered for inclusion in a historic district shall be
850 informed of the nomination within 10 business days of the receipt of a request for
851 consideration via first class mail.

852 2. The Review Board shall base its decision upon studies, documentation and/or research,
853 and shall prepare or cause to be prepared, a report on the historic significance of the
854 proposed historic district.

855 3. The Review Board shall hold a public hearing to consider the historic district status
856 after due notice has been given to the owners of all properties to be included in such
857 district(s), and the civic association which includes the proposed district within its
858 boundaries.

859 4. The Review Board shall not recommend designation unless it finds that at least two of
860 the criteria, below, have been met. The Review Board retains the authority to not

¹ Moved to definitions.

§11.3.4 ESTABLISHMENT OF HISTORIC DISTRICTS

- 861 recommend designation even if the property does meet at least two of the following
862 criteria:
- 863 (a) The property is listed or is eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic
864 Places;
 - 865 (b) The property has character, interest, or value as part of the development,
866 heritage, or cultural characteristics of the county, state, or nation;
 - 867 (c) The property was the site of a significant local, state, or national event;
 - 868 (d) The property is associated with a person or persons who significantly contributed
869 to the development of the county, state, or nation;
 - 870 (e) The property embodies distinguishing characteristics of an architectural style
871 valuable for the study of a period, type, or method of construction;
 - 872 (f) The property is identified as the work of a master builder, architect, or landscape
873 architect;
 - 874 (g) The property embodies elements of design, detailing, materials, or craftsmanship
875 that render it structurally or architecturally significant;
 - 876 (h) The property has a distinctive location, or singular physical characteristics that
877 make it an established or familiar visual feature;
 - 878 (i) The property is a particularly fine or unique example of a utilitarian structure
879 representing a period or style in the commercial, industrial, or agricultural
880 development of the county, with a high level of historic integrity or architectural
881 significance;
 - 882 (j) The property has the potential to yield information important to the prehistory or
883 history of the county, state, or nation; or
 - 884 (k) The property is suitable for preservation or restoration.
- 885 5. If the Review Board recommends designation, then written copies of the Review
886 Board’s recommendation, including determinations of historical significance, and
887 recommendations concerning the area to be included in the proposed historic district,
888 shall be transmitted for review to the County Board.
- 889 6. If the Review Board recommends designation of a historic district, it will forward, with
890 such recommendation, proposed Historic District Design Guidelines for the district to
891 be considered for adoption by the County Board. Provided, however, that the Review
892 Board may recommend that the County Board consider designation of a historic district
893 without proposed design guidelines upon a finding that taking time to develop such
894 guidelines would present a substantial risk that historic resources proposed to be
895 preserved by the designation would be damaged or destroyed. Where design
896 guidelines are not proposed with a recommendation for designation, the Review Board
897 shall recommend design guidelines for approval by the County Board at the earliest
898 practicable date after designation.
- 899 (a) In the event that the Review Board does not recommend designation, the County
900 Board, upon its own motion, may initiate the designation review process.

- 901 B. The County Board shall act on the recommendations in accordance with the normal zoning
902 approval procedure as specified in the Code of Virginia. The designation of such a historic
903 district shall be shown as an overlay on the map referred to in §2.1.
- 904 C. Upon adoption of the ordinance, the owners and occupants of each designated historic
905 district shall be given written notification of such designation by the County Board.

906 **§11.3.5. General maintenance; ordinary maintenance allowed; public safety**

- 907 A. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent the ordinary maintenance or repair of
908 any exterior feature in a historic district which does not involve a change in design,
909 material, or outer appearance thereof.
- 910 B. Nothing in this section shall prevent the construction, reconstruction, alteration,
911 restoration or demolition of any such feature which the building official shall certify is
912 required to maintain and uphold public safety because of an unsafe or dangerous condition
913 that cannot otherwise be remedied and that is not the result, either directly or indirectly, of
914 the owner's negligence.
- 915 C. Neither the owner of nor the person in charge of a structure within a historic district shall
916 permit such structure to fall into a state of disrepair which may result in the deterioration
917 of any exterior appurtenance or architectural feature so as to produce or tend to produce a
918 detrimental effect upon the character of the district as a whole or in part, including but not
919 limited to:
- 920 1. The deterioration of exterior walls or other vertical supports.
- 921 2. The deterioration of roofs or other horizontal members.
- 922 3. The deterioration of exterior chimneys.
- 923 4. The deterioration or crumbling of exterior plaster or mortar.
- 924 5. The ineffective waterproofing of exterior walls, roofs and foundations including broken
925 windows or doors.
- 926 6. The deterioration of any feature so as to create or permit the creation of any
927 hazardous or unsafe, conditions or conditions.

928 **§11.3.6. Acquisition of historic easements**

- 929 The county may acquire, by purchase or donation or eminent domain, historic easements in any
930 area within its jurisdiction wherever and to the extent that the County Board determines that
931 the acquisition will be in the public interest and as permitted by Virginia Law.

932 **§11.3.7. Transfer of development rights (TDRS)**

- 933 The County Board may seek findings and recommendations from the Review Board on transfer
934 of development rights applications per §15.5.7.B.

935 **§11.3.8. Federal grants**

- 936 The County Board may, wherever practicable, make use of federal grants as provided in the
937 National Historic Preservation Act of 1966.

938 **§11.3.9. Regulations**

939 The County Board may from time to time promulgate, amend and rescind such regulations as it
940 may deem necessary to effectuate the purposes of these regulations.

941 **§11.3.10. Penalties**

942 Penalties shall be as provided in Article 17.

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Article 12. Use Standards

§12.1. Applicability

Uses allowed in this zoning ordinance shall be subject to the following special, use-specific provisions, except as permitted by site plan approval or otherwise specified in the respective districts or in the provisions of this article.

§12.2. Use Categoriesclassification

~~§12.2.1. Similar use interpretation~~

~~Other uses of the same general character as those listed in a particular district may be permitted in the mapped districts by the zoning administrator. Any use so determined shall be regarded as a listed use and a log of all said determinations shall be maintained as a part of the public records of the zoning administrator. In no instance, however, shall a use be permitted in a district when said use is first permitted in a classification which, in this zoning text, follows that for said district.~~

~~§12.2.2. Zoning administrator action~~

~~The zoning administrator may provide a written statement of the current mapped district of a property, the uses permitted in said district, and verification of compliance with this zoning ordinance.~~

~~§12.2.3.~~§12.2.1. General

A. Basis for classification

Use categories classify land uses and activities based on similar **operational**, product, or physical characteristics. Characteristics include the type and amount of activity, the type of customers or residents, **type of goods or services**, how goods or services are sold or delivered, likely impact on surrounding properties and site conditions. The use categories provide a systematic basis for assigning land uses to appropriate zoning districts.

B. Principal uses

Principal uses are assigned to the category that most closely corresponds to the nature of the principal use. The “characteristics” subsection of each use category describes the common characteristics of each principal use.

C. **Buildings with multiple principal uses**

When **a building contains more than one use (principal or accessory)**, each use is subject to all applicable **use standards and regulations**.

D. Accessory uses

Accessory uses are allowed in conjunction with principal uses **unless otherwise stated in the regulations or in the use tables**. Also, unless otherwise stated, accessory uses are subject to the same regulations as the principal use. Common accessory uses are listed as **examples in the use category descriptions**.

37 **E. Examples**

38 The “examples” subsection of each use category lists common examples of uses included in
39 the respective use category.

40 1. The names of these sample uses are generic. They are based on common meanings
41 and not on what a specific use may call itself. For example, a use that calls itself
42 “wholesale warehouse” but that sells mostly to consumers, is included in the retail
43 sales and service category rather than the wholesale sales category because the
44 operational characteristics of the use match the description of the retail sales and
45 service category.

46 2. The list of examples included in each category is not an exhaustive list of uses for each
47 category.

48 **F. Uses not included**

49 The “uses not included” section provides cross-references to uses that might first appear to
50 be included in a particular category, but which in fact, are not intended to be included in
51 that category, or are explicitly included in a different use category.

52 **§12.2.4. §12.2.2. Similar use interpretations**

53 **A. Authority**

54 If an application is submitted for a use not listed in the respective use tables, the zoning
55 administrator shall be authorized to make a similar use interpretation, based on a
56 consideration of the following factors:

57 1. The characteristics of the proposed use in relation to the stated characteristics
58 identified for each use category;

59 2. The amount of site area, floor space and equipment necessary for the use;

60 3. The frequency and nature of sales or transactions from the use;

61 4. The number of on-site employees necessary for the use;

62 5. Hours of operation;

63 6. Building and site arrangement;

64 7. Vehicles necessary for the use;

65 8. The number of vehicle trips generated by the use;

66 9. Signs;

67 10. How the use describes and/or markets itself; and

68 11. Other factors that the Zoning Administrator determines would affect the consistency of
69 the use with the regulations of this Ordinance and with the purposes of master plans in
70 the County.

71 **B. Use interpretation standards**

72 1. A proposed use that is not permitted in one zoning district, but is permitted either by-
73 right or by special exception elsewhere in the ordinance, shall not be permitted in the
74 one zoning district based on a similar use interpretation.

- 75 2. No use will be permitted in any zoning district based on a similar use interpretation
 76 unless the use complies with all applicable use standards and other requirements and
 77 standards of this ordinance.
- 78 3. No proposed use will be determined to be similar to a use listed in a proposed zoning
 79 district if the proposed use is more similar to uses allowed only in other zoning districts
 80 than it is to uses allowed in the proposed zoning district.
- 81 4. If the Zoning Administrator finds that a proposed use is not similar to any use
 82 permitted by this ordinance, then the Zoning Administrator shall find that the use is not
 83 permitted.

84 C. Effect of similar use interpretation

85 After a proposed use is determined, through a similar use interpretation made in
 86 compliance with this ordinance §12.2.2, to be similar to a use listed in this zoning
 87 ordinance, then the proposed use shall thereafter be permitted, in the same zoning
 88 districts and in the same manner as and subject to all use or other standards or regulations
 89 that govern the listed use. Where a proposed use is found to be similar to a listed use, and
 90 the listed use is allowed only by special exception, then the similar use interpretation shall
 91 authorize only the filing of a special exception application for that proposed use, and the
 92 actual establishment of the proposed use shall be subject to the preparation, filing,
 93 processing, and approving of all applications for permits or other approvals that may be
 94 required for the listed use to which the proposed use is similar.

95 §12.2.3. Residential use categories

96 A. Household living

97 1. Characteristics

98 Household Living is characterized by residential occupancy of a dwelling unit by a
 99 family. Tenancy is arranged on a month-to-month or longer basis. Uses where tenancy
 100 may be arranged for a shorter period are not considered residential; they are
 101 considered a form of transient lodging (see Retail, Service and Commercial Use
 102 Categories).

103 2. Examples

104 Examples of Household Living include one-family detached; one-family attached;
 105 duplexes; semidetached; townhouses; multiple-family buildings; retirement center
 106 multiple-family.

107 3. Accessory uses

108 Accessory uses include accessory dwellings; direct broadcast satellite dishes;
 109 family/caregiver suites; family day care homes; greenhouses and nurseries not engaged
 110 in retail trade; garden, guest house; personal; hobbies; home occupations; parking of
 111 occupants' registered vehicles; raising of pets; recreational activities; storage sheds;
 112 and swimming pools.

113 4. Uses not included

114 Bed and breakfast establishments (see Overnight Accommodations); boarding or
 115 rooming houses (see Group Living); extended-stay facilities (see Overnight
 116 Accommodations); group home(see Group Living); halfway house (see Social Service

Institutions); hotels or motels; inns; nursing or convalescent home (see Group Living); assisted living facility not having individual dwelling units (see Group Living).

B. Group living

1. Characteristics

Group Living is characterized by residential occupancy of a structure by a group of people, other than a family, typically providing communal kitchen/dining facilities and no kitchens in individual living units. The size of the group may be larger than a family. Tenancy is typically arranged on a monthly or longer basis.

2. Examples

Examples of group living include but are not limited to assisted living facilities, intermediate care, boarding houses, dormitories, fraternity and sorority houses, convents, group homes, monasteries, rooming houses, and nursing homes.

3. Accessory uses

Accessory uses include associated offices; garden, personal; hobbies; food preparation and dining facilities; laundry facilities and services; parking of vehicles for occupants and staff; and recreational facilities.

4. Uses not included

Adult day care (see Day Care); alternative or post-incarceration facilities; exclusive care and treatment for psychiatric, alcohol, or drug problems, where patients are residents (see Social Service Institutions); bed and breakfast establishments (See Overnight Accommodations); child care center (see Day Care); retirement center multiple-family, where individual units comply with the definition of a dwelling unit (see Household Living); extended-stay facilities, hotels or motels, inns (see Overnight Accommodations); family day care home (see Accessory Uses); residential occupancy of a dwelling unit by a family on a month-to-month or longer basis (see Household Living); time-shared interval ownership facility (see Overnight Accommodations); treatment centers, transient lodging or shelters (see Social Service Institutions).

§12.2.4. Public, civic and institutional use categories

A. Colleges

1. Characteristics

This category includes not-for-profit colleges and other institutions of higher learning that offer courses of general or specialized study leading to a degree or professional accreditation. Colleges are generally in campus-like settings, on multiple blocks or in multiple buildings.

2. Examples

Examples include community colleges, liberal arts colleges, nursing or medical schools not accessory to hospitals, seminaries, trade or commercial schools, and universities.

3. Accessory uses

Accessory uses include associated offices, housing for students, food service, laboratories, health and sports facilities, theaters, meeting areas, parking, maintenance facilities and support commercial.

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4. Uses not included

Business, driving, fitness/wellness, trade and other commercial schools (see Office).

B. Community service

1. Characteristics

Community services are uses of a public, nonprofit, or charitable nature generally providing a local service to people of the community, neighborhood or a specific segment of the community. Generally, they provide the service on-site or have employees at the site on a regular basis. The service is ongoing, not just for special events. Community services or facilities that have membership provisions are open to the general population of the community or neighborhood and/or the general public, to join at any time, (for instance, any senior citizen could join a senior center). Such uses may provide special counseling, education, or training of a public, nonprofit or charitable nature.

2. Examples

Examples of Community Service include community centers; libraries; museums and art galleries or studios; cultural exhibits; philanthropic institutions; recreation centers; senior centers; swimming pools; and youth club facilities.

3. Accessory uses

Accessory uses include associated offices; caretaker residence; food preparation and dining facilities; health, arts and crafts, child care and therapy areas; indoor or outdoor recreation and athletic facilities; limited retail sales; meeting areas; and parking.

4. Uses not included

Animal care facilities, veterinary clinics, animal hospitals (see Retail, Personal Service); athletic or health clubs (see Retail, Personal Service); churches, mosques, synagogues, or temples (see Religious Institutions); counseling in an office setting (see Office); membership clubs and lodges (see Entertainment); public parks (see Parks and Open Areas); repair garages, storage or repair yards or warehouses (see Light Industrial Service); soup kitchen (see Social Service Institutions); treatment centers, transient lodging or shelters for the homeless (see Social Service Institutions).

C. Day care

1. Characteristics

Day care uses provide care, protection, and supervision for children or adults on a regular basis away from their primary residence for less than 24 hours each day.

2. Examples

Examples of day care include adult day care programs, child care centers, after-school or extended day programs, nursery schools and preschools.

3. Accessory uses

Accessory uses include associated offices; food preparation and dining facilities; health, arts and crafts and therapy areas; indoor or outdoor recreation facilities; and parking.

4. Uses not included

Counseling in an office setting (see Office); family day care for fewer than nine persons (see Accessory Use); on-site schools or facilities operated in connection with a business

200 or other principal use where children are cared for while parents or guardians are
201 occupied on the premises (see Accessory Use).

202 **D. Government facilities**

203 **1. Characteristics**

204 Government facilities include storage, maintenance and other facilities for the
205 operation of local, state, or federal government.

206 **2. Examples**

207 Examples of government facilities include detention or correctional centers; emergency
208 medical and ambulance stations; fire and police stations; post offices; maintenance and
209 repair garages, storage areas and yards and warehouses; and public transit facilities.

210 **3. Accessory uses**

211 Associated helicopter landing facilities, auditorium and meeting rooms, cafeterias, day
212 care, holding cells, infirmaries, limited fueling facilities, off-street parking, satellite
213 offices, storage, and telecommunications antennae.

214 **4. Uses not included**

215 Schools (see Schools); local, state, or federal offices (see Offices); park-and-ride
216 facilities (see commercial parking) parks and recreational facilities (see Parks and Open
217 Areas); utilities including bus shelters; bike share stations (see Utilities); waste-related
218 service (see Waste-related Service).

219 **E. Hospital**

220 **1. Characteristics**

221 Hospitals include uses providing medical or surgical care to patients and may offer
222 overnight care.

223 **2. Examples**

224 Examples of hospitals include blood plasma donation centers; hospitals; sanitariums;
225 and medical centers.

226 **3. Accessory uses**

227 Accessory uses include associated helicopter landing facilities; meeting rooms;
228 cafeterias; telecommunications; child care; infirmaries; out-patient clinics; parking;
229 satellite offices; laboratories; teaching facilities; maintenance facilities and housing
230 facilities for staff or trainees.

231 **4. Uses not included**

232 Exclusive care and treatment for psychiatric, alcohol, or drug problems, where patients
233 are residents (see Social Service Institutions); nursing and medical schools not
234 accessory to a hospital (see Schools); and urgent care or emergency medical offices
235 (Retail, Personal Service), and parks and open space.

236 **F. Parks and open space**

237 **1. Characteristics**

238 Parks and open space includes uses focusing on natural areas consisting mostly of
239 vegetation, and passive or active outdoor recreation areas, having few buildings, and
240 typically of a public or nonprofit nature.

241 **2. Examples**

242 [Examples of parks and open space include botanical gardens; cemeteries and](#)
 243 [mausoleums; community gardens; country clubs and golf courses; mini-parks;](#)
 244 [memorial parks; forest and nature preserves; neighborhood parks; parks and play](#)
 245 [fields; reservoirs; squares, plazas or greens; and tot lots and playgrounds.](#)

246 **3. Accessory uses**

247 [Accessory uses include boat docks and launching ramps; boat houses; basketball](#)
 248 [courts; clubhouses, with or without restaurants; concessions; maintenance facilities;](#)
 249 [parking; play equipment; recreational trails; caretaker residence; swimming pools; and](#)
 250 [tennis, racquet and handball courts.](#)

251 **4. Uses not included**

252 [Athletic or health clubs \(see Retail, Personal-service\); crematoriums \(see Light](#)
 253 [Industrial Service, or accessory uses to Retail, Personal Service\); golf driving ranges and](#)
 254 [miniature golf facilities \(see Recreation\); membership clubs and lodges \(see](#)
 255 [Entertainment\); recreation centers \(See Community Service\); water park \(see](#)
 256 [Recreation\); water towers, tanks and standpipes \(see Utilities\).](#)

257 **G. Passenger terminals and services**258 **1. Characteristics**

259 [Facilities for the takeoff and landing of airplanes and helicopters and terminals for taxi,](#)
 260 [rail or bus service.](#)

261 **2. Examples**

262 [Examples include airports and landing strips; bus, trolley, air, boat and rail passenger](#)
 263 [terminals; heliports; and taxi dispatch center.](#)

264 **3. Accessory uses**

265 [Accessory uses include associated offices; concessions; freight handling areas; fueling](#)
 266 [facilities; limited retail; maintenance facilities; and parking.](#)

267 **4. Uses not included**

268 [Private helicopter landing facilities that are accessory to another use \(see Medical](#)
 269 [Facilities or Government Facilities\); public transit facilities, including bus shelters, bike](#)
 270 [share stations \(see minor utilities\), and park-and-ride facilities \(see commercial](#)
 271 [parking\).](#)

272 **H. Religious institutions**273 **1. Characteristics**

274 [Places of assembly that provide meeting areas for religious practice.](#)

275 **2. Examples**

276 [Examples of religious institutions include churches, mosques, synagogues, and](#)
 277 [temples..](#)

278 **3. Accessory uses**

279 [Accessory uses include associated offices; food services and dining areas; meeting](#)
 280 [room/classroom for meetings or classes not held on a daily basis; parking; on-site child](#)
 281 [care, schools or facilities where children are cared for while parents or guardians are](#)

282 occupied on the premises or a site-sponsored special event, but not on a daily basis;
283 and staff residences located on-site.

284 **4. Uses not included**

285 Athletic or health clubs (see Retail Sales and Service, Personal-service Oriented);
286 schools (see Schools); preschools, child care centers, nursery schools, latch-key
287 programs, intermediate childcare, or adult day care programs (see Day Care); rescue
288 missions (see Social Service Institutions); revivals, temporary (see temporary use
289 standards); senior centers (see Community Service); and social service facilities (see
290 Social Service Institutions); soup kitchen (see Social Service Institutions); and treatment
291 centers, transient lodging or shelters for the homeless (see Social Service Institutions).

292 **I. Schools**

293 **1. Characteristics**

294 Public and private (including charter or religious) schools at the primary, elementary,
295 middle, junior high, or high school level that provide basic academic education.

296 **2. Examples**

297 Examples of schools include boarding schools; elementary schools; high schools;
298 middle schools; military academies; and private schools.

299 **3. Accessory uses**

300 Adult continuing education programs; associated offices; auditoriums; before- and
301 after-school child care; cafeterias; child care; food services; health facilities; housing for
302 students and faculty; laboratories; libraries; maintenance facilities; meeting areas;
303 parking; play areas; recreational and sports facilities; support commercial (a college-
304 operated bookstore, for example); and theaters.

305 **4. Uses not included**

306 Business, driving, fitness/wellness, trade and other commercial schools (see Office);
307 dance, art, music studios or classes (see Retail Sales and Service); preschools or nursery
308 schools (see Day Care); and community colleges, liberal arts colleges, seminaries and
309 universities (see Colleges).

310 **J. Social service institutions**

311 **1. Characteristics**

312 Uses that primarily provide treatment of those with psychiatric, alcohol, or drug
313 problems, and transient housing or shelters related to social service programs.

314 **2. Examples**

315 Examples of social service institutions include alternative- or post-incarceration
316 facilities; counseling, occupational therapy services; exclusive care and treatment for
317 psychiatric, alcohol, or drug problems, where patients are residents; halfway houses;
318 neighborhood resource centers; rehabilitative clinics; rescue missions; social service
319 facilities, including soup kitchens, transient lodging or shelter for the homeless; and
320 treatment centers.

321 **3. Accessory uses**

322 Accessory uses include adult educational facility; ancillary indoor storage; associated
323 office; day care; food services and dining area; meeting room; parking; and staff

324 [residences located on-site.](#)

325 **4. Uses not included**

326 [Assisted living facility \(see Group Living\); cemetery, columbarium, mausoleum,](#)
 327 [memorial park \(see Parks and Open Areas\); schools \(see Schools\); philanthropic](#)
 328 [institution \(see Community Service\); Retirement living facility with individual self-](#)
 329 [contained dwelling units \(see Household Living\).](#)

330 **K. Utilities**

331 **1. Characteristics**

332 [Public or private infrastructure serving a limited area with no on-site personnel \(minor](#)
 333 [utility\) or the general community and **may have** on-site personnel \(major utility\).](#)

334 **2. Examples**

335 **(a) Minor**

336 [Examples of minor utilities include lift stations; public transit facilities, including](#)
 337 [bus shelters, bike share stations; stormwater retention and detention facilities;](#)
 338 [traction power stations; and water and wastewater pump stations.](#)

339 **(b) Major**

340 [Examples of major utilities include electrical generating plants and substations;](#)
 341 [electrical transmission facilities; incinerators; stormwater pumping station;](#)
 342 [telephone exchanges; television and radio broadcasting transmitters; static](#)
 343 [transformer stations; commercial and public utility radio towers; **water and**](#)
 344 [wastewater treatment plants; water storage facilities; railroads and railroad right-](#)
 345 [of-way and tracks.](#)

346 **3. Accessory uses**

347 [Accessory uses include control, monitoring, data or transmission equipment; parking;](#)
 348 [cell antennae; storage; and security measures, such as fences.](#)

349 **4. Uses not included**

350 [Governmental uses \(see Governmental Facilities\); maintenance or repair yards and](#)
 351 [buildings \(see Light Industrial Service\); park-and-ride facilities \(**see commercial parking**\);](#)
 352 [railroad car barns, yards, sidings and shops \(see Heavy Industrial\); reservoir \(see Parks](#)
 353 [and Open Areas\); telecommunications towers and facilities \(see Telecommunications](#)
 354 [Towers and Facilities\); TV and radio studios; and utility offices \(see Office\);](#)

355 **§12.2.5. Retail, service and commercial use categories**

356 **A. Entertainment**

357 **1. Characteristics**

358 [Generally commercial uses, varying in size, providing daily or regularly scheduled](#)
 359 [entertainment-oriented activities.](#)

360 **2. Examples**

361 [Examples of entertainment uses include adult entertainment establishment; game](#)
 362 [arcades; dance halls; movie or other theaters; and membership clubs and lodges.](#)

- 363 **3. Accessory uses**
- 364 Associated offices; concessions; food preparation and dining areas; maintenance
- 365 facilities; parking; and restaurants.
- 366 **4. Use not included**
- 367 Botanical gardens; nature preserves; golf courses or country clubs (see Parks and Open
- 368 Areas).

369 **B. Food and Drinking Establishments**

- 370 **1. Characteristics**
- 371 Establishments that prepare and sell food for on- or off-premise consumption.
- 372 **2. Examples**
- 373 Examples of **Food and Drinking Establishments** include bakery; catering establishments,
- 374 small scale; coffee shops; fast food; outdoor vendors with permanent facilities; food
- 375 delivery establishments; restaurant, general; restaurant, limited; and yogurt, ice cream
- 376 or other specialty food shops.
- 377 **3. Accessory uses**
- 378 Accessory uses include decks and patios for outdoor seating; drive-through facilities;
- 379 live music; hookah bars; off-street customer and employee parking; outdoor cafés or
- 380 service areas, and valet parking facilities.
- 381 **4. Uses not included**
- 382 Large-scale catering (see Light Industrial Service).

383 **C. Office**

- 384 **1. Characteristics**
- 385 Activities conducted in an office setting and generally focusing on business,
- 386 government, professional, medical, or financial services.
- 387 **2. Examples**
- 388 Examples of offices include advertising offices; business management consulting;
- 389 college or university operated as a commercial enterprise; counseling in an office
- 390 setting; day labor employment agency; data processing; financial services, such as
- 391 lenders, investment or brokerage houses, collection agencies, or real estate and
- 392 insurance agents; government; professional services such as lawyers, accountants,
- 393 bookkeepers, engineers, or architects; medical or dental offices or clinics, including
- 394 doctors, physicians, dentists, psychologists or similar practitioners of medical or healing
- 395 arts for humans and licensed for such practice by the state; sales office;- travel agency;
- 396 television and radio studios; and utility offices.
- 397 **3. Accessory uses**
- 398 Accessory uses include cafeterias; child care; health facilities; meeting rooms; parking;
- 399 on-site child care, schools or facilities where children are cared for while parents or
- 400 guardians are occupied on the premises; other amenities primarily for the use of on-
- 401 site employees; small retail operations for on-site workers (with limited external
- 402 signage); small retail operations for on-site workers (with limited external signage);
- 403 small personal service operations for on-site workers (with limited external signage);
- 404 telecommunications facilities; and technical libraries.

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4. Uses not included

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Branch banks (see Retail Sales and Service, Personal-service); contractors and others

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who perform services off-site, but store equipment and materials or perform

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fabrication or similar work on-site (see Light Industrial Service); mailing or stenographic

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services (see Light Industrial Service); mail-order houses (see Wholesale Trade); offices

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that are part of and located with a principal use in another category (see Accessory

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Uses); research, testing and development laboratories (Light industrial service); urgent

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care or emergency medical offices (see Retail Sales and Service, Personal-services

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D. Overnight accommodations

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1. Characteristics

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Residential units arranged for short term stays of less than 30 days for rent or lease.

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2. Examples

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Examples of overnight accommodations include bed and breakfast establishments;

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condominium hotels; dwelling rentals; recreational vehicle parks and campgrounds;

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extended-stay facilities; hotels and motels; resort hotels and inns; and time-shared

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interval ownership facility.

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3. Accessory uses

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Accessory uses include associated offices; food preparation and dining facilities;

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laundry facilities; limited storage; meeting facilities; parking; and swimming pools and

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other recreational facilities

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4. Uses not included

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Transient lodging or shelters for the homeless (see Social Service Institutions).

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E. Parking, commercial

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1. Characteristics

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Facilities that provide parking not accessory to a specific use for which a fee may or

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may not be charged.

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2. Examples

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Examples of commercial parking include mixed parking lots (partially accessory to a

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specific use, partly to rent for others); public transit park-and-ride facilities; and short-

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and long-term fee parking facilities.

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3. Accessory uses

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Accessory uses include parking facilities that are accessory to a principal use, but that

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charge the public to park for occasional events nearby (see Accessory Use); sales or

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servicing of vehicles (see Vehicle Sales and Service).

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4. Uses not included

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Parking facilities accessory to other permitted uses.

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F. Recreation

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1. Characteristics

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Generally commercial uses, varying in size, providing daily or regularly scheduled

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recreation activities. Such activities may take place outdoors (outdoor recreation) or

446 within a number of structures (indoor recreation).

447 **2. Examples**

448 **(a) Indoor recreation**

449 Examples of indoor recreation uses include indoor recreation activities such as
450 billiard or pool halls, bowling alleys, tennis and racquetball courts and firing ranges
451 conducted within an enclosed building.

452 **(b) Outdoor recreation**

453 Examples of outdoor recreation uses include amusement parks; batting cages; dog
454 or horse tracks; fairgrounds; golf driving ranges, miniature golf facilities; riding
455 academies or boarding stables; stadiums and arenas; tennis and racquetball
456 courts; and water parks.

457 **3. Accessory uses**

458 Associated offices; concessions; food preparation and dining areas; maintenance
459 facilities; parking; and restaurants.

460 **4. Use not included**

461 Botanical gardens; nature preserves; golf courses or country clubs (see Parks and Open
462 Areas).

463 **G. Retail**

464 **1. Characteristics**

465 Companies or individuals involved in the sale, lease, or rental of new or used products,
466 or providing personal or repair services to the general public.

467 **2. Examples**

468 **(a) Sales**

469 Examples of sales retail sales and service include kiosks, second-hand stores; open
470 air markets; farm stands; and stores selling, leasing or renting consumer, home
471 and business goods including alcoholic beverages; appliances; art and antiques;
472 art supplies; auto supplies; baked goods; bicycles; books, stationary, cards;
473 cameras; carpet and floor coverings; crafts; clothing; computers; convenience
474 goods; dry goods; electronic equipment; fabric; flowers; furniture; garden
475 supplies; groceries; hardware; home improvements; household products; jewelry;
476 liquor; meat, fish, produce, beverages and/or specialty foods; medical supplies;
477 musical instruments; pet food and/or pets; pharmaceuticals; picture frames;
478 office supplies and equipment; plants; printed material; sporting goods;
479 stationery; tobacco and related products; and vehicle parts.

480 **(b) Personal service**

481 Examples of personal service retail include animal care facilities, veterinary clinics,
482 animal hospitals; animal grooming; athletic or health clubs; branch banks; bike
483 shops; body art studios; business services; dance, art, fitness/wellness, gymnastic
484 or music studios or classes; doggie day care; dry-cleaning drop-off stations; hair,
485 nail, tanning, day spa and personal care services; laundromats; mortuaries and
486 funeral homes; music conservatory or music instruction; pawnshops; photocopy,
487 blueprint and quick-sign services; photographic studios; psychics and mediums;

488 [private postal services; security services; taxidermists; urgent care or emergency](#)
 489 [medical offices; and technical equipment and support services.](#)

490 **(c) Repair-oriented**

491 [Examples of repair-oriented retail sales and service include locksmiths; repair of](#)
 492 [appliances, bicycles, canvas products, clocks, computers, guns, jewelry, musical](#)
 493 [instruments, office equipment, radios, shoes, televisions and watches; tailors and](#)
 494 [milliners; and upholsterers.](#)

495 **3. Accessory uses**

496 [Accessory uses include associated offices; crematorium; food preparation and dining](#)
 497 [areas; manufacture or repackaging of goods for on-site sale; parking; parking](#)
 498 [lot/sidewalk sales; production services; and storage of goods.](#)

499 **4. Uses not included**

500 [Adult entertainment; large-scale catering \(see Light Industrial Service\); laundry and dry-](#)
 501 [cleaning plants \(see Light Industrial Service\); lumber yards and other building material](#)
 502 [sales that sell primarily to contractors and do not have a retail orientation \(see](#)
 503 [Wholesale Trade\); office or clinic, medical and dental \(see Office\); repair and service of](#)
 504 [motor vehicles, motorcycles, recreational vehicles, boats, and light and medium trucks](#)
 505 [\(see Vehicle Sales and Service\); restaurants \(see Food and Drinking Establishments\);](#)
 506 [sale or rental of machinery, equipment, heavy trucks, building supplies and lumber,](#)
 507 [special trade tools, welding supplies, machine parts, electrical supplies, janitorial](#)
 508 [supplies, restaurant equipment and store fixtures \(see Wholesale Trade\).](#)

509 **H. Self-service storage**

510 **1. Characteristics**

511 [Facilities providing separate storage areas for personal or business use designed to](#)
 512 [allow private access by the tenant for storing or removing personal property.](#)

513 **2. Examples**

514 [Typical uses include mini-warehouses; and self-storage warehouses.](#)

515 **3. Accessory uses**

516 [Accessory uses include leasing offices; outside storage of boats and campers; and single](#)
 517 [residential unit for security purposes.](#)

518 **4. Uses not included**

519 [Rental of light or medium trucks \(see Vehicle Sales and Service\); storage areas used as](#)
 520 [manufacturing uses \(see Light Industrial Services\); storage areas used for sales, service](#)
 521 [and repair operations \(see Retail Sales and Service\); transfer and storage businesses](#)
 522 [where there are no individual storage areas or where employees are the primary](#)
 523 [movers of the goods to be stored or transferred \(see Warehouse and Freight](#)
 524 [Movement\)](#)

525 **I. Vehicle sales and service**

526 **1. Characteristics**

527 [Direct sales of and service to passenger vehicles, light and medium trucks and other](#)
 528 [consumer motor vehicles such as motorcycles, boats and recreational vehicles.](#)

529 **2. Examples**

530 Examples of vehicles sales and service include fuel stations; body shops, auto paint
531 shops, upholstery shops; auto detailing, auto repair, battery sales and installation, quick
532 lubrication facilities, tire sales and mounting, car washes; vehicle sales, rental, or
533 leasing facilities, including passenger vehicles, motorcycles, light and medium trucks,
534 boats and other recreational vehicles.

535 **3. Accessory uses**

536 Accessory uses include associated offices; parking; sales of parts; towing vehicle
537 fueling; and vehicle storage.

538 **4. Uses not included**

539 Refueling facilities for fleet vehicles that belong to a specific use (see Accessory Use);
540 retail sales of farm equipment and machinery and earth moving and heavy
541 construction equipment (see Heavy Industrial); vehicle parts sales as a principal use
542 (see Retail); vehicle storage lots and towing services as a principal use (see Light
543 Industrial Service).

544 **§12.2.6. Industrial use categories**

545 **A. Light industrial service**

546 **1. Characteristics**

547 Firms are engaged in the repair or servicing of industrial, business, or consumer
548 machinery, equipment, products, or by-products. Firms that service consumer goods
549 do so mainly by providing centralized services for separate retail outlets. Contractors
550 and building maintenance services and similar uses perform services off-site. Few
551 customers, especially the general public, come to the site.

552 **2. Examples**

553 Examples of light industrial service include agricultural implement sales/service;
554 building, heating, plumbing or electrical contractors; building maintenance facilities
555 and services; catering establishments, large scale; contractors and others who perform
556 services off-site, but store equipment and materials or perform fabrication or similar
557 work on-site; carpet cleaning plants; clothing or textile manufacturing; commercial
558 bakeries; crematoriums; dry cleaning plants; exterminators; mailing and stenographic
559 services; manufacture or assembly of consumer equipment, instruments (including
560 musical instruments), precision items and other electrical items; manufacture or
561 production of artwork and toys; medical or dental laboratories; photo-finishing
562 laboratories; printing, publishing and lithography, small scale; production of artwork
563 and toys; research, testing and development laboratories; sign making; storage areas
564 used as manufacturing uses; maintenance or repair yards and buildings; truck stop or
565 truck plaza; vehicle and equipment maintenance facilities; vehicle storage lots and
566 towing services; welding, machine and tool repair shops; woodworking, including
567 cabinet makers and furniture manufacturing.

568 **3. Accessory uses**

569 Accessory uses include cafeterias; child care; employee recreational facilities; offices;
570 parking; on-site repair facilities; single residential unit for security purposes; and
571 storage.

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4. Uses not included

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Manufacture and production of goods from composting organic material (see Waste-related Service); and catering establishments, small-scale (see Food and Drinking Establishments); manufacture and maintenance of electric and neon signs, billboards, or commercial advertising structures (see Manufacturing and Production); plumbing or sheet metal shop (see Manufacturing and Production).

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B. Manufacturing and production

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Manufacturing and production firms are involved in the manufacturing, processing, fabrication, packaging, or assembly of goods. Natural, man-made, raw, secondary, or partially completed materials may be used. Products may be finished or semi-finished and are generally made for the wholesale market, for transfer to other plants, or to order for firms or consumers. Goods are generally not displayed or sold on-site, but if so, they are a subordinate part of sales. Relatively few customers come to the manufacturing site.

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Bakery, large scale; boatworks, small; catering establishment, large-scale; food and related products processing; food processing and packing; lumber mills; manufacture or production of chemical, rubber, leather, clay (previously pulverized only), bone, plastic, stone, or glass materials or products; manufacture or assembly of appliances, heating or ventilating ducts and equipment, machinery, or vehicles; manufacture and maintenance of electric and neon signs, billboards, or commercial advertising structures; manufacture, production or fabrication of metals or metal products including enameling and galvanizing, manufactured housing unit production and fabrication; monument works; ornamental iron work shop; printing, publishing and lithography, large scale; pulp and paper mills and other wood products manufacturing; research laboratory, including but not limited to pure research, product development, pilot plants and research manufacturing facilities; weaving or production of textiles or apparel.

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3. Uses not included

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Manufacturing of goods to be sold primarily on-site and to the general public (See Retail Sales and Service); manufacture and production of goods from composting organic material (See Waste-Related Uses); rendering or refining of fats and oils (see Heavy Industrial); shipbuilding (See Heavy Industrial); sign making (see Light Industrial).

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C. Heavy industrial

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1. Characteristics

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Firms involved in research and development activities without light fabrication and assembly operations; limited industrial/manufacturing activities. The uses emphasize industrial businesses and sale of heavier equipment. Factory production and industrial yards are located here. Sales to the general public are limited.

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Any use that is potentially dangerous, noxious or offensive to neighboring uses in the district or those who pass on public ways by reason of smoke, odor, noise, glare, fumes, gas, vibration, threat of fire or explosion, emission of particulate matter, interference

616 with radio, television reception, radiation or any other likely cause; animal processing,
617 packing, treating, and storage; concrete **batching and** asphalt **processing and**
618 **manufacture**; livestock or poultry slaughtering; processing of food and related product;
619 production of chemical, rubber, leather, clay, bone, paper, pulp, plastic, stone, or glass
620 materials or products; production or fabrication of metals or metal products including
621 enameling and galvanizing; sawmill; bulk storage of flammable liquids; stockyards and
622 other animal concentrations; earth moving and heavy construction equipment;
623 manufacturing of acid, acetylene, cement lime, gypsum or plaster-of-Paris, chlorine,
624 corrosive acid or fertilizer, insecticides, disinfectants, fertilizer poisons, explosives, glue,
625 paint, lacquer, varnish, petroleum products, coal products, plastic and synthetic resins
626 and radioactive materials; distillation of bones; explosives manufacture or storage; fat
627 or oil rendering or refining; **shipbuilding**; smelting of ores; oil refining; railroad car
628 barns, yards, sidings and shops; and wholesale storage of petroleum products.

629 **3. Accessory uses**

630 Accessory uses include cafeterias; drainage structures; offices; parking; product repair;
631 repackaging of goods; and warehouses.

632 **4. Uses not included**

633 Animal waste processing (see Waste-related Service); repair and service of motor
634 vehicles, motorcycles, RVs, boats, and light and medium trucks (see Vehicle Sales and
635 Service); stores selling, leasing, or renting consumer, home and business goods (see
636 Retail Sales and Service).

637 **D. Warehouse and freight movement**

638 **1. Characteristics**

639 Firms involved in the storage or movement of goods for themselves or other firms.
640 Goods are generally delivered to other firms or the final consumer with little on-site
641 sales activity to customers.

642 **2. Examples**

643 Examples of warehouse and freight movement include cold storage plants, including
644 frozen food lockers; household moving and general freight storage; parcel services;
645 separate warehouses used by retail stores such as furniture and appliance stores;
646 stockpiling of sand, gravel, or other aggregate materials; and transfer and storage
647 businesses, where there are no individual storage areas or where employees are the
648 primary movers of the goods to be stored or transferred.

649 **3. Accessory uses**

650 Accessory uses include cafeterias; child care; employee recreational facilities; offices;
651 parking; outdoor storage yard; single residential unit for security purposes; and truck
652 fleet parking and maintenance areas.

653 **4. Uses not included**

654 Mini-warehouses, multi-story enclosed storage facilities or storage garages (see self-
655 service storage); solid or liquid waste transfer or composting (see Waste-related
656 Service).

657 **E. Waste-related service**

658 **1. Characteristics**

659 Characterized by uses that receive solid or liquid wastes from others for transfer to
660 another location and uses that collect sanitary wastes or that manufacture or produce
661 goods or energy from the composting of organic material.

662 **2. Examples**

663 Examples of waste-related service include animal waste processing; landfill;
664 manufacture and production of goods from composting organic material; recycling
665 centers; solid or liquid waste transfer; separation and disposal facilities, including
666 incinerators; and wrecking or salvage yard.

667 **3. Accessory uses**

668 Accessory uses include offices, parking, on-site refueling and repair, recycling of
669 materials, and repackaging and shipment of by-products.

670 **4. Uses not included**

671 Stockpiling of sand, gravel, or other aggregate materials (See Warehouse and Freight
672 Movement).

673 **F. Wholesale trade**

674 **1. Characteristics**

675 Firms involved in the sale, lease, or rent of products primarily intended for industrial,
676 institutional, agricultural, or commercial businesses. The uses emphasize on-site sales
677 or order-taking and often include display areas. Businesses may or may not be open to
678 the general public, but sales to the general public are limited. Products may be picked
679 up on-site or delivered to the customer.

680 **2. Examples**

681 Examples of wholesale trade include lumber yards and other building material sales
682 that sell primarily to contractors and do not have a retail orientation; beverage
683 distribution facilities; mail-order houses; sale or rental of machinery, equipment, heavy
684 trucks, building supplies and lumber, special trade tools, welding supplies, machine
685 parts, electrical supplies, janitorial supplies, restaurant equipment and store fixtures;
686 wholesale of food, clothing, auto parts and building hardware.

687 **3. Accessory uses**

688 Accessory uses include cafeterias, child care, minor fabrication services, offices,
689 parking, product repair, repackaging of goods, single residential unit for security
690 purposes, and warehouses.

691 **4. Uses not included**

692 Stores selling, leasing, or renting consumer, home and business goods (see Retail Sales
693 and Service); warehouse and freight movement uses (see Warehouse and Freight
694 Movement).

695 §12.2.7. Other use categories

696 A. Agriculture

697 1. Characteristics

698 Characterized by uses that create or preserve areas intended primarily for the raising of
699 animals and crops, conservation, and the secondary industries associated with
700 agricultural production.

701 2. Examples

702 Animal boarding, outdoor; animal raising including horses, hogs, cows, sheep, goats,
703 and swine, poultry, rabbits, and other small animals; apiculture, aquaculture, dairying,
704 personal or commercial animal breeding and development; community garden;
705 greenhouse or nursery; floriculture, horticulture, pasturage, row and field crops,
706 viticulture, sod farm, silviculture; livestock auction; milk processing plant; packing
707 house for fruits or vegetables; plant nursery; and poultry slaughtering and dressing.

708 3. Accessory uses

709 Aircraft landing strip or helicopter landing facility (private); ancillary indoor storage;
710 associated offices; auction ring; barns, garages, sheds, silos, stables (noncommercial);
711 dock or pier (noncommercial); home occupations; housing for ranch or farm labor; sale
712 of agricultural products; and u-pick facilities.

713 4. Uses not included

714 Animal waste processing (see Waste-related Service); borrow pit, mining (see resource
715 extraction); citrus concentrate plant, commercial feed lot, livestock slaughtering,
716 processing of food and related products (see Heavy Industrial); commercial hunting or
717 fishing camp, dude ranch (see Recreation, Outdoor); garden center (see Retail Sales
718 and Service); riding academy or public stable (see Recreation, Outdoor); and recyclable
719 construction material storage, solid or liquid waste transfer or composting, (see Waste-
720 related Service); and railroad right-of-way, new (see Utilities).

721 B. Resource extraction

722 1. Characteristics

723 Characterized by uses that extract minerals and other solids and liquids from land.

724 2. Examples

725 Examples include mining; extraction of phosphate or minerals; and extraction of sand
726 or gravel, borrow pit.

727 3. Accessory uses

728 Accessory uses include ancillary indoor storage; associated offices; equipment storage;
729 resource processing; and stockpiling of sand, gravel, or other aggregate materials.

730 4. Uses not included

731 Concrete batching and asphalt processing and manufacture (see Heavy Industrial);
732 recyclable construction material storage (see Waste-related Service); solid or liquid
733 waste transfer or composting (see Waste-related Service).

734 **C. Telecommunications facilities**735 **1. Characteristics**

736 Telecommunications facilities are signal distribution systems used or operated by a
 737 telecommunications carrier under a license from the FCC consisting of a combination
 738 of improvements and equipment including (i) one or more antennas, (ii) a supporting
 739 structure and the hardware by which antennas are attached; (iii) equipment housing;
 740 and (iv) accessory building and equipment such as signal transmission cables and
 741 miscellaneous hardware.

742 **2. Accessory uses**

743 Accessory uses may include transmitter facility buildings.

744 **3. Examples**

745 Examples include, attached telecommunications equipment, broadcast towers; point-
 746 to-point microwave towers; telecommunications support towers.

747 **4. Uses not included**

748 Amateur radio facilities that are owned and operated by a federally-licensed amateur
 749 radio station operator and receive-only antennas (see¹e Accessory Uses); radio and
 750 television studios (see Office category); direct broadcast satellite dishes (see Household
 751 Living).

752 **D. Unclassified**

753 Unclassified uses are uses that cannot reasonably be categorized as currently adopted
 754 according to the comprehensive use classification system of this section because the use is
 755 qualified by special or unique standards or procedures not normally associated the use or
 756 its characteristic.

757 **§12.3. Residential Use Standards**758 **§12.3.1. Boarding or rooming houses**

759 -Individual guest rooms may not contain kitchens.

760 **§12.2.5. §12.3.2. Caretaker residence Dwelling for caretaker or resident manager**

761 One dwelling unit for a caretaker or resident manager serving a storage or warehouse complex
 762 within the district may be permitted, provided that such dwelling unit is developed as an integral
 763 part of the storage or warehouse complex on the site and that the complex contains a minimum
 764 of 35,000 sq. ft. square feet of gross floor area.

765 **§12.3.3. Dormitories**

766 Dormitories shall not be operated primarily for commercial gain.²

¹ Moved from definitions.

² From use table

~~§12.2.6. Dwellings, two-family (semidetached and duplex dwellings) on sites that share a lot line with RA, C, or M Districts~~

~~Two-family dwellings (semidetached and duplex dwellings), on sites that share a lot line with RA, C, or M Districts, shall be located no more than 100 feet from the shared lot line, or on sites that are located on principal or minor arterial streets as designated in the Arlington County Master Transportation Plan provided that the dwellings front on the arterial street, except on corner lots where no more than one unit may front on the local street.¹~~

~~§12.2.7. Dwellings, multiple-family²~~

~~A. Applicability~~

~~This provision shall apply to all multiple-family dwellings now in existence or which come into existence after the enactment of this provision; provided, however, it shall not apply to those multiple-family dwellings in existence on the date this provision is enacted which are located in districts for which the zoning regulations, in effect on the enactment date, permit hotels as a matter of right, that is, without obtaining a site plan or use permit.~~

~~B.~~

~~The purpose of this general regulation is to provide a limitation on conversion and it should not be construed as providing any authority to use land for hotel purposes or any authority to convert any existing use to hotel unless the district regulations applicable to the land specifically provide authority to use land for hotel purposes.~~

~~C. Change of use~~

~~After the issuance of a building permit for a multiple-family dwelling in any district, no unit in any structure built for a multiple-family dwelling use shall be converted to hotel use, unless the applicant obtains site plan approval pursuant to §15.6. Such site plans shall not be approved unless the board concludes, after taking into account the following factors and those factors contained in §15.6, that such conversion will improve the public health, safety, convenience and welfare of the inhabitants of the county, considering:~~

- ~~1. The need for housing in the county;~~
- ~~2. The effect of the conversion on the tax, employment or other economic bases of the county; and~~
- ~~3. Development trends in the area of the county in which the apartment structure is located.~~

~~§12.2.8. §12.3.4. Dwelling units, townhouse, and semidetached and existing one-family~~

~~Townhouse and semidetached dwelling units and existing one-family dwelling units may be allowed at densities up to those allowed under the General Land Use Plan designation then applicable to the site, but not to exceed the density specified for the respective districts below.~~

¹ Moved to 5.7.4 and 5.8.4 (R-5 and R15-30T)

² This provision, adopted in May 1981, is proposed to be deleted.

Zoning District	RA14-26 RA-4.8 RC RA-H-3.2	RA8-18	RA6-15
Density, Maximum (units/acre)	14	22	29

- 804 A. Existing one-family dwelling units shall be allowed only as appropriate and integral parts of
- 805 the design of the proposed townhouse development.
- 806 B. No more than one-seventh or two of the dwelling units, whichever is greater, shall be
- 807 semidetached.
- 808 ~~C. Parking spaces shall be provided as required in §14.3.~~¹
- 809 ~~D.C.~~ The County Board may, in its discretion, approve variations in setback, yard, lot size,
- 810 coverage, and parking requirements to achieve a design appropriate for the site and
- 811 project.

~~§12.2.9.~~ **§12.3.5. Fraternities and sororities houses**

Fraternity and sorority houses shall not be operated primarily for commercial gain.

~~§12.2.10.~~ **§12.3.6. Group Institutional homes, except those of a correctional nature**

~~Group Institutional~~ homes, ~~except those of a correctional nature, that have an approved use permit and which is that are~~ a licensed homes for adults under the Code of Virginia, may have up to 75 percent of the units with individual kitchens provided that there are central cooking and eating facilities ~~that which~~ serve all the units in such a home.

~~§12.2.11.~~ **§12.3.7. Low and moderate income housing**

A. Site plan options

When a site with an area of more than 20,000 square feet, or with 10 or more existing dwelling units, is sought to be used in a manner inconsistent with existing regulations for height, setback, yard, coverage, or parking, or is sought to be developed using additional residential density, the County Board may allow exceptions, after application for a site plan approval consistent with §15.6, in order to achieve a design ~~which is~~ appropriate for the site, project, and the surrounding area. The County Board may approve additional height and density based on the provision of low or moderate income housing as provided in §15.6.8. The County Board, in its discretion, may modify regulations on height, setback, yard, coverage, or parking requirements and may approve up to a 25 percent increase in residential density above the density shown in §12.3.7.A.1 below, for a project that provides low or moderate-income housing as regulated in §15.5.9, provided that:

- 1. Under no circumstances shall the County Board approve a building with a height greater than that shown in the table below unless approved as specifically provided in §15.5.9.

¹ Redundant

General District	Height, Maximum (feet)	Density, Maximum (units per acre) <u>Up to 25 percent above may be approved</u>
RA14-26 RA7-16 RA4.8 R-C RA-H RA-H-3.2	60	3024
RA8-18 RA6-15	60	4536
RA6-15	70	4860

835 2. Parking for new dwelling units shall be provided as required in §14.3. However, the
 836 number of parking spaces per existing dwelling unit preserved shall be no less than the
 837 number of parking spaces per dwelling unit on the site at the time of application.

838 **B. Use permit options**

839 1. When a building is proposed to be used for the purpose of providing low or moderate
 840 income housing, and the land, buildings or structures on the site do not conform to the
 841 regulations of this Zoning Ordinance, the County Board may, by use permit approval
 842 pursuant to §15.4, approve additions to or enlargement of building(s) on the property,
 843 and modification of regulations on setback, yard, coverage, parking, and/or density.
 844 Provided, however, that no use permit shall be approved unless the proposal includes a
 845 low or moderate income housing plan that furthers the County Board adopted Goals
 846 and Targets for Affordable Housing and a request for designation as a Voluntary
 847 Coordinated Housing Preservation and Development District (VCHPDD) by the County
 848 Board. Provided further that, under no circumstances shall the County Board approve
 849 a use permit to allow:

850 (a) The greater of either 1) the height permitted in the table below; or 2) the height
 851 already legally existing on the site at the time of application; or

Eligible District(s)	Height, Maximum (feet)
RA14-26 RA4.8 R-C RA-H-3.2	35 feet or 3½ stories, or height already legally existing on the site at the time of application, whichever is greater
RA8-18	40 feet or 4 stories or height already legally existing on the site at the time of application, whichever is greater
RA7-16 RA-H	95 feet or 10 stories, or height already legally existing on the site at time of application, whichever is greater
RA6-15	60 feet or 6 stories, or height already legally existing on the site at the time of application, whichever is greater

852 (b) Additional density beyond the number of units already legally existing on the site
 853 at the time of application.

854 2. When a site with an area of 20,000 square feet or less is sought to be used in a manner
 855 inconsistent with existing regulations for height, setback, yard, coverage, or parking,
 856 the County Board may allow exceptions, after application for a use permit as provided
 857 for in §15.4, in order to achieve a design which is appropriate for the site, project, and
 858 the surrounding area, provided the site has been designated a Voluntary Coordinated
 859 Housing Preservation and Development District (VCHPDD) by the County Board.

860 Existing multiple-family dwellings may be permitted to increase density up to the
 861 maximum density shown in the table below where provision is made for low or
 862 moderate income housing, and where a low or moderate income housing plan has
 863 been submitted as part of a use permit application. The County Board, in its discretion,
 864 may, in approving the use permit, modify regulations on height, setback, yard,
 865 coverage, or parking, provided that:

866 (a) In no event shall the County Board approve a building with a height greater than
 867 that shown in the table below;

Eligible District(s)	Height, Maximum (ft.)	Density, Maximum (units per acre)
RA14-26 RA4.8 R-C RA-H-3.2	45	24
RA8-18 RA7-16 RA-H	50	36
RA6-15	70	36

868 (b) Parking for new dwelling units shall be provided as required in §14.3. However,
 869 the number of parking spaces per dwelling units preserved shall be no less than
 870 the number of parking spaces per dwelling unit on the site at the time of
 871 application.

§12.3. §12.4. Public and Civic Use Standards

~~§12.3.1. Clubs and grounds for games or sports, including community swimming pools~~
~~Clubs and grounds for games or sports, including community swimming pools; provided any such use is not operated primarily for commercial gain, or for which any mechanical amusement equipment is operated incidental to such games or sports.~~

~~§12.3.2. §12.4.1. Day care uses Child care centers, preschools, nursery schools, parent’s day-out programs and cooperative playgroup programs~~
~~All day care uses child care center, preschools, nursery schools, parent’s day out programs and cooperative playgroup programs shall be licensed pursuant to Chapter 52 of the Arlington County Code.~~

~~§12.3.3. §12.4.2. Hospitals or sanitariums~~
~~Hospitals may be allowed in R districts, such that a~~Any building so used shall be set back not less than 100 feet from any lot line or street line; and doctors’ offices in buildings already being used exclusively as such pursuant to other zoning provisions or variances previously granted, and a one-time addition thereto provided such addition does not exceed 25 percent of the existing total gross floor area of the ~~buidling~~building being so used.

~~§12.3.4. §12.4.3. Publicly-owned parking areas~~
 Publicly-owned parking areas shall be allowed subject to the following conditions:
 A. The parking areas shall be developed in accordance with the requirements of §14.3;
 B. No parking shall be located within 25 feet of the boundary of an R district;

892 C. The parking area shall have frontage on a street designated as a local principal, minor
893 arterial, principal arterial, or controlled access facility as designated in the Arlington County
894 Master Transportation Plan.

895 ~~§12.3.5.~~**§12.4.4. Passenger terminals and services**

896 ~~Passenger terminals may be allowed provided~~ the exterior appearance of any building ~~permitted~~
897 ~~under this paragraph~~ shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is
898 located.¹

899 ~~§12.3.6.~~**§12.4.5. Railroad, trolley, bus, air or boat passenger stations**

900 ~~The~~ exterior appearance of any building permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping
901 with the character of the neighborhood in which it is located.

902 **§12.4.6. Recreation centers**

903 ~~Recreation centers shall not be operated primarily for commercial gain.~~²

904 ~~§12.3.7.~~**§12.4.7. Schools, elementary, middle and high**

- 905 A. A transportation demand management plan shall be submitted with use permit
906 applications for elementary, middle and high schools.
- 907 B. Any school operating and accredited by the state board of education prior to August 8,
908 1992 may continue to operate without obtaining a use permit as required in §15.5.

909 ~~§12.3.8.~~**§12.4.8. Swimming pools, community, semi-public and commercial**

910 All community, semi-public and commercial swimming pools shall comply with the following
911 requirements:

912 **A. Fencing**

913 The fencing or protection shall be as specified by the Arlington County Swimming Pool
914 Codes, but no less than six feet in height.

915 **B. Lighting**

916 Where lighting is provided, all lights shall be arranged and hooded as to confine all direct
917 light rays entirely within the boundary lines of the swimming pool property.

918 **C. Location**

919 No pool facility, building, structure, concession or other recreational use or space, except
920 parking areas, shall be permitted in any required setback or yard area nor shall any such
921 facility be permitted closer than 100 feet to the center line of any street in an R district or
922 abutting property line in an R district. Community pool parking areas shall not be located
923 closer to the front street line or front site boundary than the building line ~~setback~~
924 established in the district in which the site is located.

925 **D. Refreshments**

926 Refreshments shall be allowed only as an incidental part of a swimming pool development
927 and shall be operated solely for convenience. Refreshments shall be available only during

¹ From use table and edited as shown.

² From use table and edited as shown.

928 the hours and the season when the pool is open for operation. No advertising signs shall
929 be permitted.

930 (See also §12.8.2.M, private swimming pools)

931 ~~§12.3.9.~~§12.4.9. **Utilities, major**

932 The exterior appearance of any building associated with major utilities shall be in keeping with
933 the character of the neighborhood in which it is located.

934 ~~§12.3.10.~~§12.4.10. **Utilities, ~~minor and services,~~ public**

935 ~~Utilities and services, public; such as railroad, trolley, bus, air, or boat passenger stations;~~
936 ~~railroad offices, rights-of-way, and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards,~~
937 ~~sidings and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and~~
938 ~~public utility radio towers, telephone exchanges (but excluding service and storage yards);~~
939 ~~provided, however, that the The exterior appearance of any building associated with minor~~
940 ~~utilities permitted under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the~~
941 neighborhood in which it is located.¹

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943 ~~§12.4.~~§12.5. **Commercial/Mixed Use Standards**

944 ~~§12.4.1.~~§12.5.1. **Adult book stores**

- 945 A. An establishment having at any point in time for sale or viewing for payment, at least 20
946 percent of its books, magazines, newspapers, photographs, or other similar articles sexually
947 oriented is defined as an "adult book store" and must have a use permit regardless of the
948 district in which it is located.
- 949 B. The requirement for a use permit shall apply to all such adult book stores existing after the
950 effective date of this section, and to all such establishments existing on the effective date
951 to the extent possible under the United States and Virginia Constitutions and under the
952 statutes of Virginia.
- 953 C. A sexually oriented article is defined as a book, magazine, picture, newspaper, photograph
954 or similar article which, when taken as whole, appeals to and is intended to appeal to, the
955 prurient interest of a purchaser or viewer by means of one or more of the following:
- 956 1. Representation or description of ultimate sex acts, normal or perverted, actual or
957 simulated.
 - 958 2. Representations or descriptions of masturbation or excretory functions.
 - 959 3. Lewd exhibition of the genitals.
- 960 D. In calculating the total number of books, magazines, newspapers, pictures, photographs or
961 other similar articles which are in an establishment at any point in time, only those which
962 are actually and regularly sold or viewed for payment at prices comparable to those
963 charged for the sexually oriented articles shall be included. The 20 percent limit shall apply

¹ From use table, and edited as shown.

964 to each type of sexually oriented article, i.e., if an establishment has sexually oriented
965 magazines, the number of such magazines shall not exceed 20 percent of all magazines
966 unless permitted by use permit.

967 E. Nothing in this section shall be construed to permit the purveying of obscene materials
968 prohibited by any criminal law.

969 ~~§12.4.2. Amusement enterprises~~

970 ~~Amusement enterprises shall be conducted wholly within a completely enclosed building.~~

971 §12.5.2. Animal care facilities, veterinary clinics, animal hospitals

972 ~~A. In the CM district, all activities shall be conducted wholly within a completely enclosed~~
973 ~~building, except for on-site parking of delivery vehicles which are incidental thereto.~~

974 ~~A.~~ In all other zoning districts, animal hospitals and veterinary clinics may be allowed,
975 provided all ~~such uses all~~ related activities are conducted wholly within a completely
976 enclosed building.¹

977 ~~§12.4.3.~~ §12.5.3. Bed and breakfasts

978 Bed and Breakfasts may be permitted with the following limitations:

979 A. Any bed and breakfast must have a use permit, as specified in §15.5.

980 B. Bed and breakfasts shall comply with all applicable requirements of county and state codes.

981 ~~C.~~ A bed and breakfast shall be operated by a resident owner.

982 ~~C.D.~~ The operator of a bed and breakfast shall obtain a certificate of occupancy for that purpose
983 before the operation of the bed and breakfast commences.

984 ~~E.~~ Guests may stay in a bed and breakfast for no more than 14 consecutive days per stay.

985 ~~D.F.~~ Each bed and breakfast shall maintain an accurate record of each guest and the duration of
986 his stay. The record may be reviewed by the county upon notice.

987 ~~G.~~ Bed and breakfasts shall neither contain a restaurant or banquet facility nor provide meal
988 service other than breakfast.

989 ~~E.H.~~ No cooking facilities shall be provided for use by guests of a bed and breakfast.²

990 ~~F.I.~~ Only one nonresident employee at any time shall be permitted to work on the premises of
991 a bed and breakfast.

992 ~~G.J.~~ Bed and breakfasts shall be located only on minor arterial streets or principal arterial
993 streets as designated in the Arlington County Master Transportation Plan.

994 ~~H.K.~~ Bed and breakfasts must be located on lots that meet or exceed the minimum lot area
995 requirement for the district in which the lot is located.

996 ~~I.L.~~ A minimum of one on site on site parking space per guestroom in a bed and breakfast shall
997 be provided in addition to the parking space(s) required for the principal residence. The

¹ From use table and edited as shown.

² C, E and H moved from definition.

998 ~~County Board may modify this requirement by use permit~~ Parking shall be provided as
 999 required in §14.3.7.A.¹

1000 ~~J.M.~~ The exterior of the one-family in which the bed and breakfast is operated shall maintain its
 1001 one-family dwelling character.

1002 To assist the county in determining whether a bed and breakfast will maintain its
 1003 residential character and will meet the standards for use permit approval set forth in
 1004 §15.4.3, any use permit application for a bed and breakfast must be accompanied by a plan
 1005 showing the type and location of proposed parking, landscaping and exterior lighting.

1006 §12.5.4. Commercial parking²

1007 Parking lots shall be allowed as follows:

1008 A. C-1 and C-R districts

1009 Permitted by use permit, with or without improvements deferred as regulated in §14.3.4.A

1010 B. C-O-A, C-2, C-TH, C-3, CM, M-1, and M-2 districts

1011 1. Permitted by right: Up to 50 spaces or lot area of 20,000 square feet

1012 2. Permitted by use permit: More than 50 spaces or lot area of 20,000 square feet

1013 C. MU-VS district

1014 1. Permitted by right: Up to 20 spaces or lot area of 20,000 square feet.

1015 ~~4.~~ Parking lots of more than 20 spaces are prohibited.

1016 2.

1017 §12.5.5. Drug stores

1018 A. Delivery of products to off-site locations is permitted when it involves less than 20 percent
 1019 of the amount of sales.³

1020 B. Outdoor display and sales of general merchandise is permitted in C and M districts, only as
 1021 provided in §12.5.22.

1022 ~~§12.4.4. Commercial uses, other~~

1023 ~~Commercial uses, other, provided that they are located at street level and do not exceed a 0.5~~
 1024 ~~Floor Area Ratio (F.A.R.). No drive-in type uses such as drive-in banks or drive-in restaurants or~~
 1025 ~~automobile-oriented uses such as vehicle service establishments, vehicle body shops, car washes~~
 1026 ~~or vehicle dealership, sales or rental lots shall be permitted.⁴~~

1027 ~~§12.4.5.~~ §12.5.6. Dry cleaning drop-off stations, laundry and laundromats

1028 The equipment employed shall ~~use synthetic, nonflammable solvent and~~ have an aggregate
 1029 maximum rated capacity of not more than 40 pounds and ~~that not no~~ more than one truck or

¹ Moved to 14.3.7

² From use table

³ From use table

⁴ Moved to appropriate density and dimensional standards for the respective districts for which this use applies (RA4.8, RA-H-3.2)

1030 vehicle ~~shall be~~ is employed for pickup and delivery. ~~No cleaning establishment shall serve any~~
1031 ~~other retail branches.~~

1032 ~~§12.4.6.~~ **§12.5.7. Entertainment uses**

1033 ~~Entertainment uses shall be~~ conducted wholly within a completely enclosed building

1034 ~~§12.4.7.~~ **§12.5.8. Florist or gift shop**

1035 **A.** Delivery of flowers to off-site locations is permitted when it involves less than 30 percent of
1036 the amount of the sales from these stores.

1037 **B.** ~~Outdoor display and sales of general merchandise is permitted in C and M districts, only as~~
1038 ~~provided in §12.5.22.~~

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1040 ~~§12.4.8.~~ **§12.5.9. Grocery stores, convenience, ~~fruit or vegetable stores~~**

1041 **A.** Convenience grocery, fruit or vegetable stores shall be limited to a gross floor area of 2,600
1042 ~~sq. ft. square feet.~~

1043 **B.** ~~Outdoor display and sales of general merchandise is permitted in C and M districts, only as~~
1044 ~~provided in §12.5.22.~~

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1046 ~~§12.4.9.~~ **§12.5.10. Grocery stores, ~~fruit or vegetable stores without restriction or~~**
1047 ~~maximum gross floor area~~

1048 **A.** Delivery of groceries to off-site locations is permitted when it involves less than 30 percent
1049 of the amount of the sales from these stores.

1050 **A.B.** ~~Outdoor display and sales of general merchandise is permitted in C and M districts, only as~~
1051 ~~provided in §12.5.22.~~

1052 ~~§12.4.10.~~ **§12.5.11. Hotels or motels**

1053 **A.** ~~A hotel~~ Hotels and motels shall have a lot area of not less than 600 sq. ft. square feet for
1054 each individual sleeping or living unit, unless otherwise specified in the underlying district.

1055 **B.** Each guest room shall be not less than 240 square feet.¹

1056 ~~§12.4.11.~~ **§12.5.12. Kiosks**

1057 **A. Purpose**

1058 These regulations are intended to provide for flexible, site-specific opportunities to
1059 encourage and enliven pedestrian activity within the streetscape and provide for an
1060 eclectic mix of small businesses and community information in certain commercial districts.
1061 The placement of kiosks should promote public use and enjoyment of the open area and
1062 should complement permitted uses in the surrounding area.

¹ From definition.

1063 **A.B. Use Kiosk use**

1064 Kiosks may be occupied by uses such as news or magazine stands, takeout food stands,
 1065 candy stands, flower stands, information booths, ticket sales or other similar uses as
 1066 determined by the zoning administrator.

1067 **B.C. Placement Kiosk placement**

- 1068 **1.** Kiosks, as defined in Article 18, and any directly associated merchandise on display
 1069 within the kiosk or within two feet from said kiosk, may be permitted, on privately
 1070 owned property, within the required setback or within parks, public rights- of-way or
 1071 easements for public use subject to regulations set forth herein and upon approval of a
 1072 use permit as provided for in §15.5.
- 1073 **2.** One kiosk shall be permitted for every 5,000 ~~sq. ft.~~ square feet of publicly accessible,
 1074 contiguous open area ~~adjacent-abutting~~ to a sidewalk or street right-of-way (e.g. plaza);
 1075 however, this shall not preclude the clustering of two or more kiosks within a larger
 1076 open area.
- 1077 **3.** Kiosk placement shall not impede or be located within any pedestrian circulation path.
 1078 Kiosks, and any directly associated merchandise, must allow at least 10 feet of the
 1079 sidewalk (public rights of way or easements) to remain clear for pedestrian traffic.
- 1080 **4.** No kiosk or any directly associated merchandise may be placed with 10 feet from any
 1081 crosswalk, intersection, entrance to a building, Metro entrance, bus stop, or a taxi
 1082 stand.
- 1083 **5.** No kiosk may be placed within the visual clearance area as defined in §3.2.6.A.4.
- 1084 **6.** Any area occupied by a kiosk shall not be used in the calculation of floor area ratio.¹

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1086 **C.D. Operation Kiosk operation**

- 1087 **1.** Kiosks must be in operation and provide service a minimum of 275 days per year and a
 1088 minimum of eight hours on each day between the hours 6:30 a.m. and 10:00 p.m.
- 1089 **2.** Kiosks shall be exempt from any parking requirement.
- 1090 **3.** Kiosks shall be operated by a licensed vendor under the provisions of Chapter 30,
 1091 Peddlers, Vendors and Canvassers, of the Arlington County Code.

1092 **D.E. Review Procedures for approval of a kiosk**

- 1093 **1.** Kiosks that comply with the provisions of the sections and are allowed in the applicable
 1094 district may be permitted upon determination by the County Board that:
- 1095 **(a)** A party has been identified who is responsible for maintenance and upkeep of the
 1096 kiosk;
- 1097 **(b)** As located, the kiosk will not obstruct visual or physical access to and throughout
 1098 the streetscape and will not create a distraction or other danger to vehicular
 1099 traffic; and

¹ Moved from definitions

- 1100 (c) The kiosk is in accordance with the requirements set forth in this §12.5.12 (see
1101 subsections 1, 2, and 3(a) and 3(b).
- 1102 2. All applications for the placement of kiosks shall include a detailed plan(s) showing
1103 location and design of the kiosk indicating compliance with the provisions of the
1104 sections. The plan(s), at a scale of 1 inch=25 feet, shall include, at a minimum, the
1105 following:
- 1106 (a) Vicinity map with major streets labeled;
- 1107 (b) Verification, by means of survey, that there are no conflicts between the proposed
1108 kiosk, street trees and utilities;
- 1109 (c) Location and dimensions between the proposed kiosk and any traffic signal poles
1110 and control cabinets, utility meters, fire hydrants, standpipes, utility lines and any
1111 and all easements;
- 1112 (d) Topography at two foot intervals, and the finished first floor elevation of the kiosk.
- 1113 (e) Details of proposed furnishings for the plaza areas, including but not limited to
1114 dimensions, size, style(s), materials(s), finish(es), and manufacturer(s) of the kiosk,
1115 seating, trash receptacles, and any other landscape elements or structures.
- 1116 (f) Proposed sign elements and the transparency of the structure;
- 1117 (g) If no restroom facility for employee use is provided within the kiosk, proof of
1118 available restroom facilities for employee use, within 500 feet of the kiosk
1119 structure, during kiosk business hours; and
- 1120 (h) If food items are to be served from the kiosk, documentation of review and
1121 approval by the Arlington County Department of Human Services—Environmental
1122 Health Bureau.
- 1123 3. The zoning administrator/county manager shall provide notice of the application(s) to
1124 the affected civic association, county public-private partnership and/or business
1125 improvement district (BID). The County Board may approve the placement of a kiosk
1126 for a period of 10 years unless earlier revoked as provided below, and upon application,
1127 the use permit may be renewed by the County Board. However, in the event the use is
1128 abandoned or discontinued for a period of two years, the structure shall be removed.
- 1129 4. Failure to comply with the provisions of this §12.5.12 will result in revocation of the
1130 kiosk use. Termination of the kiosk use shall be effective after:
- 1131 (a) A finding by the zoning administrator of violation;
- 1132 (b) Notice with 30 day opportunity to correct the violation; and
- 1133 (c) A finding by the zoning administrator after 30 days that evidence has not been
1134 provided that the violation has been corrected.
- 1135 5. The County Board may, in accordance with §15.5, use permits, modify the placement
1136 and/or the hours of operation of the kiosk which do not meet the regulations as set
1137 forth in §12.5.12.B and §12.5.12.C. The County Board, in any such approval, shall find
1138 that, after the proposed modification(s), the subject kiosk will still accomplish the
1139 purposes and intent of the zoning ordinance for kiosks.

1140 ~~§12.4.12-§12.5.13. Dry cleaners, laundry and Llaundromats~~

1141 The equipment employed shall ~~use synthetic, nonflammable solvent and~~ have an aggregate
 1142 maximum rated capacity of not more than 40 pounds and ~~that~~ not more than one truck or
 1143 vehicle ~~shall beis~~ employed for pickup and delivery. ~~No cleaning establishment shall serve any~~
 1144 ~~other retail branches.~~¹

1145 ~~§12.4.13-§12.5.14. Membership clubs and lodgesClubs, private~~

1146 ~~Membership clubs and lodges~~ Such use shall not be operated primarily for commercial gain.²

1147 ~~§12.4.14-§12.5.15. Mortuar~~ies y-or~~and funeral homes, including a cremation unit~~
1148 ~~within a mortuary or funeral home~~

1149 A. ~~In RA districts and RA4.8, R-C, and RA-H-3.2 districts, Mm~~ortuaries ~~andor~~ funeral homes,
 1150 ~~including a cremation unit within a mortuary or funeral home~~ may be allowed ~~permitted~~ in
 1151 existing ~~multiple-family buildings apartment houses~~ or residences converted to such use or
 1152 in new buildings designed for such use; provided, that all such new buildings shall have the
 1153 exterior appearance of a residential structure.

1154 B. ~~Cremation units may be included within mortuaries and funeral homes.~~

1155 ~~§12.4.15-§12.5.16. NurseriesNursery, flower or plant stores~~

1156 All incidental equipment and supplies, including fertilizer and garden tools shall be kept within a
 1157 building or in designated areas outside which are adequately screened as approved by the
 1158 zoning administrator.

1159 ~~§12.4.16. Offices of doctors, physicians, dentists or psychologists~~

1160 ~~Offices of doctors, physicians, dentists or psychologists, provided that the basis for judging the~~
 1161 ~~merits of any given site plan shall be the degree to which the structure has the appearance of,~~
 1162 ~~and complies with the bulk and placement requirements for, a single-family residence.~~

1163 ~~§12.4.17. Offices, principal, of physicians, surgeons or dentists~~

1164 ~~Principal office of a physician, surgeon or dentist, provided such use is conducted within a~~
 1165 ~~dwelling and the residential character of such dwelling is not changed.~~

1166 ~~§12.4.18. Offices of doctors in buildings already used exclusively as such~~

1167 ~~Doctors' offices in buildings already being used exclusively as such pursuant to other zoning~~
 1168 ~~provisions or variances previously granted, and a one-time addition thereto, provided such~~
 1169 ~~addition does not exceed 25 percent of the existing total gross floor area of the building being so~~
 1170 ~~used.~~³

¹ From 12.5.6 (dry cleaners, laundry and laundromat), and edited as shown

² From use table and edited as shown.

³ Offices of physicians, surgeons, dentists, or psychologists on transitional sites which abut C-2, CM or M districts (12.5.20) and offices principal, of physicians, surgeons or dentists (12.5.21) have been moved to 12.8, transitional use standards;

~~§12.4.19.~~ §12.5.17. Offices or clinics, medical or dental ~~Offices of medical doctors, physicians, dentists or psychologists in existing institutional structures~~

A. Existing institutional structures ~~Offices of medical doctors, physicians, dentists (existing institutional structures)~~

1. Medical and dental offices ~~Offices of medical doctors, physicians, dentists or psychologists~~ may be permitted in R-6, R-5, R15-30T, R-7, RA districts, RA4.8, R-C, RA-H and RA-H-3.2 and CP-FBC districts, in existing institutional structures converted to such use subject to securing a use permit as provided for in §15.5; and provided further, that said sites meet the following criteria:

- (a) A minimum site area of 50,000 sq. ft.; and
 - (b) Located on a primary or secondary arterial thoroughfare.
2. The principal basis for judging the merits of any given use permit shall be the degree to which the proposed use and development provide for the reuse of an institutional structure which does not conflict with other uses in the district and which causes no greater adverse effects on the property and improvements in the neighborhood than the previous institutional use.

B. Multiple family and other residential buildings

In RA districts as specified in §6.1.2, and in RA4.8, R-C, RA-H, RA-H-3.2 and CP-FBC districts, medical and dental offices and clinics may be located in existing multiple family and other residential buildings, provided such buildings ~~Existing apartment houses or residences converted to such use or in new buildings designed for such use; provided, that all such new buildings shall~~ have the exterior appearance of a residential structure.

C. New buildings

1. In RA districts as specified in §6.1.2, and in RA4.8, R-C, RA-H and RA-H-3.2 districts, medical and dental offices and clinics may be located in ~~Existing apartment houses or residences converted to such use or in~~ new buildings designed for such use; provided such buildings, ~~that all such new buildings shall~~ have the exterior appearance of a residential structure.
2. In all other C districts and in M districts, as specified in §7.1.2, medical and dental offices and clinics are allowed subject to the density and dimensional standards for the subject district.

~~§12.4.20.~~ §12.5.18. Open-air markets

Open-air markets, which shall be subject to conditions approved by the County Board at the time of use permit approval including but not limited to conditions governing customer and vendor parking, landscaping, maintenance, impact on neighboring residential areas, management of trash, management of noise, times and days of the week of operation, including the number of vendors that would be permitted under the use permit. In addition, any open-air market shall meet the following requirements:

- A. No open-air market shall be located within 1,000 feet of another open-air market. However, the County Board may modify this requirement as part of the use permit review

1213 process, if it finds that the location of the open-air market in proximity to other market(s)
1214 will not have a substantial adverse impact on surrounding neighborhoods;

1215 B. No open-air market shall be located within 100 feet of the boundary of an R district.
1216 However, the County Board may modify this requirement as part of the use permit review
1217 process if it finds that the location of the open-air market in proximity to an R district will
1218 not have a substantial adverse impact on surrounding neighborhoods; and

1219 An application for a use permit for an open-air market shall include a parking plan that is
1220 drawn to scale, showing the number and location of customer and vendor parking spaces.
1221 Customer and vendor parking identified as available for market use shall be sufficient to
1222 not have a substantial adverse impact on the surrounding neighborhoods. ¹

1223 ~~§12.4.21.~~ §12.5.19. Private postal services

1224 Private postal services shall be limited to 1200 square feet.²

1225 §12.5.20. Recreation uses, indoor

1226 A. Within the CP-FBC district, indoor recreation uses shall be conducted wholly within a
1227 completely enclosed building on the second level (above grade) or below.³
1228

1229 §12.5.21. Retail, personal service uses

1230 ~~* Classes or instruction to children. if a use~~ For any use that provides classes or instruction to
1231 children and, either 20 percent or more of the total number of students enrolled in classes
1232 and/or instruction are children under 18 years of age or the total number of children under 18
1233 years of age enrolled in classes scheduled to be held at any one time is 10 or more, the use may
1234 only be established subject to obtaining a use permit as provided in §14.5, for each such use.⁴

1235 §12.5.22. Retail, sales uses, outdoor display⁵

1236 A. Outdoor display and sales of general merchandise ~~in connection with~~ associated with an
1237 established retail ~~sales business~~ businesses on the same lot, ~~shall be permitted~~ may be
1238 allowed in C and M districts, and the parking requirement waived for a period not to
1239 exceed up to three consecutive days, and not more than four such periods each year,
1240 subject to the following:

1241 1. Such use shall be allowed upon the approval of the zoning administrator, provided that
1242 the location does not impede pedestrian or ~~vehicular~~ vehicular movement on the
1243 property.

1244 2. Additional permits and standards required for outdoor display and sales may include,
1245 but not be limited to permits, encroachments or other approvals for any structure or
1246 activity in a public right-of way.

¹ Outdoor cafes moved to accessory use standards (12.9)

² From use table

³ From CP-FBC use table (amusement enterprises)

⁴ Moved from (*) in C use table, and edited as shown.

⁵ Moved from C-1 use limitations in §7.7.5, and edited as shown.

- 1247 3. Where outdoor display and sales is expressly allowed, prohibited or limited by use
- 1248 permit or site plan condition, that condition will govern outdoor display and sales.

1249 §12.5.23. Restaurant, general

1250 Delivery of food and beverages to off-site locations is permitted when it involves less than 30
1251 percent of the amount of the sales from these restaurants, subject to approval of a use permit
1252 pursuant to the requirements of §15.6.6.¹

1253 §12.5.24. Restaurants, limited

1254 Less than 50 percent of the food is served to conventional restaurant tables at which customers
1255 sit to order and eat. Delivery of food and beverages to off-site locations is permitted when it
1256 involves less than 20 percent of the amount of the sales from these restaurants.²

1257 §12.5.25. Secondhand stores

1258 Secondhand stores may be allowed provided all activities are conducted wholly within a
1259 completely enclosed building.³

1260 ~~§12.4.22~~ §12.5.26. Self-service storage

1261 A. General⁴

- 1262 1. Self-service storage facilities shall include two or more individual units of 500 square
1263 feet or less, each of which is rented solely to store household goods and personal
1264 effects as defined in Virginia Code Section 58.1-3504, tangible personal property
1265 employed in a trade or business as defined in Virginia Code Section 58.1-3503.A.17,
1266 and inventory of stock on hand as that term is used in Virginia Code Section 58.1-
1267 3510.A.

- 1268 2. Within the area recorded as a self-service storage facility, any activity other than rental
1269 of storage units and pick up and deposit of goods being stored is prohibited, including
1270 the storage of motor vehicles and motorized boats, and the storage of radioactive
1271 materials, explosives, and flammable or hazardous materials or chemicals.

1272 B. C-TH district⁵

1273 In addition to complying with §12.5.26.A, above, in the C-TH district, self-service storage
1274 facilities may be permitted subject to the following requirements:

- 1275 1. The facility must be located in a multi-story structure;
- 1276 2. That portion of the ground floor of the building in which the facility is located and
1277 which fronts on public streets shall have retail or service commercial uses. Retail or
1278 service uses shall be a minimum of 60 percent of the gross floor area on the ground
1279 floor level of any building which contains self-service storage facilities;

¹ Moved from C use table
² Moved from C use table
³ From use table.
⁴ From definitions.
⁵ From C-TH district (7.18.4)

1280 3. One parking space for each 8,000 square feet of gross floor area, or fraction thereof,
 1281 which is used for self-service storage facilities and which has direct access only from
 1282 within a building, and one additional space for each employee of the self-service
 1283 storage facility shall be provided;

1284 4. A minimum of two covered and enclosed loading spaces for the first 100,000 square
 1285 feet of gross floor area of storage space, or fraction thereof, and one covered and
 1286 enclosed loading space for each additional 50,000 square feet shall be provided; and

1287 5. The parking spaces required by §14.3, shall be located adjacent in an area near to the
 1288 storage entrance for drop-off and pick-up of goods being stored.

1289 **B. ~~Storage as a principal use prohibited~~**

1290 ~~The principal use of the main building in any district zoned for residential or commercial~~
 1291 ~~purposes shall not be storage, except under the specific provisions for special~~
 1292 ~~exceptions in §7.18.4.A, C-TH districts, and except that storage incidental to the~~
 1293 ~~principal use of the main building is permitted, subject to any specific regulation of~~
 1294 ~~storage provided in the applicable district regulations.~~

1295 ~~§12.4.23. §12.5.27. Upholstery shops~~

1296 ~~All upholstery shop activities shall be conducted wholly within a completely enclosed building.~~

1297 **§12.5.28. Vehicle body shop¹**

1298 A. In C-2, C-3 and CP-FBC districts, all activities shall be conducted wholly within a completely
 1299 enclosed building.

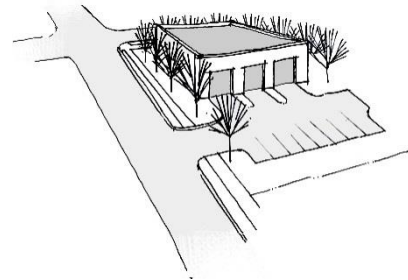
1300 B. In the CM district, all activities shall be conducted wholly within a completely enclosed
 1301 building, except for on-site parking of delivery vehicles which are incidental thereto.

1302 ~~§12.4.24. §12.5.29. Vehicle Fuel stations service establishments, including full-~~
 1303 ~~service, mini-service and self-service²~~

1304 A. Gasoline pumps shall be erected at least 10 feet behind the building restriction line.

1305 B. In C-1 districts, any portion of the use except the sale of gasoline shall be conducted wholly
 1306 within a building.

1307 ~~C. In all other C districts in which the use is allowed, and~~
 1308 ~~in all M districts, any vehicle repairs and storage of~~
 1309 ~~merchandise and supplies shall be conducted wholly~~
 1310 ~~within a building; and that any lubrication or washing~~
 1311 ~~not conducted wholly within a building shall be~~
 1312 ~~permitted only if a masonry wall, seven feet in height,~~
 1313 ~~is erected and maintained between such uses and any~~
 1314 ~~adjoining R district.~~



¹ Moved from respective use tables
² B and C from use table.

1315 §12.4.25-§12.5.30. Vehicle dealership, sales, and rental and leasing facilities lots¹

1316 Vehicle ~~dealership, sales and rental~~sales, rental and leasing facilities lots shall comply with the
1317 following standards as well as any use permit conditions or requirements:

1318 **A. Minimum site area**

1319 **1.** In C-1 and C-O-A districts, minimum site area shall be 20,000 square feet.

1320 **4-2.** In C-2, C-3 and all M districts, such uses may be permitted subject to use permit
1321 approval as provided in §15.4 on sites with a minimum of 10,000 square feet, but less
1322 than 20,000 square feet; and by-right on sites with a minimum of 20,000 square feet.

1323 **B.** In the CP-FBC district, indoor and/or outdoor display area(s) shall not exceed 300 linear feet
1324 along Main Street or Avenue frontage. Vehicle sales, rental or leasing facilities are
1325 specifically prohibited on Neighborhood and ~~Avenue~~ Local Sites.²

1326 **C.** Delivery of automobiles shall be limited to the hours between 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m.,
1327 Monday through Saturday only. A plan shall be agreed upon with the police department
1328 for time and place of the delivery of automobiles and this plan shall be submitted to the
1329 zoning administrator.

1330 **D.** All incidental repair services shall occur within the service bay facility. No vehicle parts and
1331 repair tools shall be stored or displayed outside the repair facility.

1332 **D-E.** Any lubrication or washing not conducted wholly within a building shall be permitted only if
1333 a masonry wall, seven feet in height, is erected and maintained between such uses and any
1334 adjoining R district.³

1335 **E-F.** Vehicles placed in the custody of the persons conducting the motor vehicle use shall be
1336 kept on the premises of the motor vehicle use in compliance with the parking plan
1337 approved by the zoning administrator consistent with the zoning ordinance and shall not be
1338 tested or parked on streets that are designated as local principal or local minor streets in
1339 the Arlington County Master Transportation Plan.

1340 **F-G.** Lighting on the property shall be directed and shielded so as not to affect adversely,
1341 through the dissemination of light rays, any R or RA district that is ~~contiguous-abutting to~~ or
1342 across a street, alley, sidewalk or other public right-of-way from the use.

1343 **G-H.** The property shall be developed as required in §14.2, Landscaping, and §14.3, Automobile
1344 Parking, Standing and Loading Space. A screening wall or solid wood fence with a minimum
1345 height of four feet shall be provided where a parking area for the storage or display of
1346 vehicles, including customer parking, abuts any street, sidewalk, alley or other public right-
1347 of-way, or separating the site from R or RA district.

1348 **H-I.** Parking areas shall be arranged and used so that vehicles which are parked, displayed and
1349 stored on the property do not overhang or protrude outside the prescribed limits of the
1350 parking area into the required setback or onto the public right-of-way.

¹ A and B from use table; CP-FBC prohibitions corrected to "local"

² Proposed amendment to correct adopted conflict.

³ From C use table

- 1351 ~~H.J.~~ All trash receptacles located outside the building shall be screened from public view by a
1352 brick wall or solid wood fence on three sides which is a minimum of six feet in height.
- 1353 ~~J.K.~~ Use of a public address system or loudspeaker shall comply with the standards and
1354 regulations in Chapter 15, Noise Control Ordinance, or the Arlington County Code, except
1355 that use of such system shall not be permitted after 9:00 p.m., daily.
- 1356 ~~K.L.~~ Submission requirements: New vehicle ~~sales, rental or leasing facilities dealerships, sales or~~
1357 ~~rental lots~~, or existing vehicle ~~sales, rental or leasing facilities dealerships, sales or rental lots~~
1358 that are required to obtain a certificate of occupancy shall submit the following to the
1359 zoning administrator:
- 1360 1. Parking lot layout plan, showing parking spaces, buildings, and landscaped area, drawn
1361 to scale, and certified by a surveyor or engineer;
 - 1362 2. Lot calculation table showing the total site area, and the size and location of each area
1363 occupied by vehicle display space, customer parking, employee parking, office, and
1364 landscaping and buffer.
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§12.6. Industrial Use Standards

§12.6.1. Building material sales yards¹

Building material sales yards shall be permitted provided:

- 1370 A. Sales of rock, sand, gravel and the like, may be allowed only as incidental to the main
1371 business;
- 1372 B. Concrete mixing shall be prohibited; and
- 1373 C. When in the CM district, all activities shall be conducted wholly within a completely
1374 enclosed building or within an area enclosed on all sides with a solid wall or uniformly
1375 painted board fence, not less than six feet in height.

§12.6.2. ~~Dry cleaners, laundry and laundromats~~ Dry-cleaning plants

Dry-cleaning plants may be permitted provided that equipment employed shall use synthetic, nonflammable solvent and have an aggregate maximum rated capacity of not more than 40 pounds and that not more than one truck or vehicle is employed for pickup and delivery. No cleaning establishment shall serve any other retail branches.²

§12.6.3. Foundries

- 1382 A. Foundries shall be allowed, provided they are limited to casting lightweight nonferrous
1383 metal, ~~not causing noxious fumes, and noise~~³
- 1384 ~~L.B.~~ When in the CM district, foundries shall be conducted wholly within a completely enclosed
1385 building, except for on-site parking of delivery vehicles which are incidental thereto.

¹ From M use table and C from 12.6.4, already previously associated with this use

² Moved from commercial use standards (12.5.6) and edited as shown

³ From use table, and edited as shown; B is existing use standard, from 12.6.4, which was previously already associated with this use.

1386 §12.4.26. §12.6.4. Indoor-only uses

1387 Such uses, when in the CM district, shall be conducted wholly within a completely enclosed
1388 building, except for on-site parking of delivery vehicles which are incidental thereto.

1389 §12.4.27. §12.6.5. Indoor-only or screened uses

1390 Such uses, when in the CM district, shall be conducted wholly within a completely enclosed
1391 building or within an area enclosed on all sides with a solid wall or uniformly painted board
1392 fence, not less than six feet in height.

1393 §12.4.28. §12.6.6. Plumbing or sheet metal shops¹

- 1394 A. In C-2, C-3 and CP-FBC districts, all activities shall be conducted wholly within a completely
1395 enclosed building.
- 1396 A. Such uses, when in the CM district, shall be conducted wholly within a completely enclosed
1397 building, except for on-site parking of delivery vehicles which are incidental thereto.

1398 §12.4.29. §12.6.7. Railroad, trolley, bus, air, or boat passenger stations²

1399 The exterior appearance of any railroad, trolley, bus, air, or boat passenger stations permitted
1400 under this paragraph shall be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood in which it is
1401 located.

1402 §12.6.8. Retail lumber yards

- 1403 Retail lumber yards shall be permitted provided:
- 1404 A. Any milling of lumber shall be incidental to the main business³; and
- 1405 A.B. When in the CM district, all activities shall be conducted wholly within a completely
1406 enclosed building or within an area enclosed on all sides with a solid wall or uniformly
1407 painted board fence, not less than six feet in height.

1408 §12.4.30. §12.6.9. Sign makingpainting shops

1409 Sign making or painting shops shall be allowed, provided all~~A~~ activities shall be conducted
1410 wholly within a ~~completely n~~-enclosed ~~building~~structure.

1411 §12.6.10. Stone monument works⁴

- 1412 A. Stone monument works shall not employ more than five persons; and
- 1413 A. When in the CM district, stone monument works shall be conducted wholly within a
1414 completely enclosed building, except for on-site parking of delivery vehicles which are
1415 incidental thereto.

¹ Moved from respective use tables
² From use table
³ From use table
⁴ From use table

1416 ~~§12.4.31. Trade or commercial schools~~

1417 ~~A.B. Trade or commercial schools shall not be objectionable due to noise, odor, vibration or~~
1418 ~~other similar causes.¹~~

1419 ~~§12.4.32. §12.6.11. Vehicle storage lots and towing services~~

1420 Vehicle storage lots and towing services are allowed, provided that:

1421 A. ~~That s~~Such area is Located and developed as required in §14.3; ~~and~~

1422 B. In CM districts, such use shall be conducted wholly within a completely enclosed building or
1423 within an area enclosed on all sides with a solid wall or uniformly painted board fence, not
1424 less than six feet in height; and²

1425 C. In M-1 and M-2 districts, Thatany incidental repair of automobiles or trailers ~~is~~shall be
1426 conducted and confined wholly within a building;

1427 ~~§12.4.33. §12.6.12. Welding, machine and tool repair shops~~

1428 Welding, machine and tool repair shops are allowed, provided:

1429 A. ~~excluding p~~unch presses over 20 tons rate capacity, drop hammers and automatic screw
1430 machines shall be prohibited; and³

1431 B. All operations and storage are kept wholly within a completely enclosed building.

1432 ~~§12.4.34. §12.6.13. Wholesale trade~~

1433 All wholesale trade uses shall be conducted wholly within a completely enclosed building or
1434 within an area enclosed on all sides with a solid wall or uniformly painted board fence, not less
1435 than six feet in height.

1436 ~~§12.4.35. §12.6.14. Wrecking and salvage yards⁴~~

1437 Wrecking and salvage~~junkyard~~ may be allowed, subject to the following conditions:

1438 A. No junkyard-wrecking and salvage yard shall be located within 225 feet of an arterial
1439 highway.

1440 B. All junkyards-wrecking and salvage yards shall be located on lots containing not less than
1441 25,000 sq. ft. square feet

1442 C. All wrecking and salvage yards~~junkyards~~ shall be surrounded by a wall seven feet high or of
1443 such additional height as needed to provide suitable screening of the operation with due
1444 regard to topography.

1445 D. No material shall be reduced by fire, except when reduced in an approved incinerator.

¹ Moved to commercial use standards (12.5)

² From use standards "indoor-only or screened uses"

³ From M use table

⁴ From 8.4.4 and edited as shown.

§12.5. §12.7. Other Use Standards

§12.5.1. §12.7.1. Agriculture Farming, livestock and poultry raising, and all uses commonly classed as agricultural

~~Agricultural uses may be allowed~~ Farming, livestock and poultry raising, and all uses commonly classed as agricultural, with no restrictions as to the operation of such vehicles or machinery as are incident to such uses, and with no restrictions as to the sale or marketing of products raised on the premises; provided, any livestock or poultry shall be kept in a building, structure or yard for the raising, housing or sale thereof which shall be located no less than 100 feet from any street or lot line; provided, further, that poultry shall not be allowed to roam at large.

§12.5.2. Publicly-owned structures

~~To permit the productive use of existing publicly owned structures on a temporary basis, when the board determines it to be advisable to have such structures available for possible public use at the end of the period of temporary use, the County Board may permit commercial use of an existing structure on a transitional site in conjunction with and primarily for the purpose of providing services to an existing adjacent use for a period not to exceed 15 years subject to the provision of parking as required in §14.3; such uses may be permitted notwithstanding the fact that not more than 25 percent of the area of the existing structure is located outside the portion of the site within which transitional uses are permitted.~~

§12.8. TRANSITIONAL USE STANDARDS

§12.5.3. §12.8.1. General

A. Applicability

~~Transitional uses may be located on only transitional sites and in accordance with any applicable transitional use standards as specified below.~~

§12.5.4. §12.8.2. Hospitals on transitional sites ~~Medical and dental clinics on transitional sites abutting C-2, CM or M districts~~

On transitional sites abutting C-2, CM or M districts, ~~offices of physicians, surgeons, dentists, or psychologists, and medical or dental clinics~~ **medical and dental hospitals and clinics shall be allowed**, provided that the principal bases for judging the merits of any given site plan shall be:

- A. The degree to which the proposed development complies with the bulk, placement and coverage requirements of and has the appearance of an apartment building permitted in the apartment district in which it is located;
- B. The compatibility of the proposed development with existing and anticipated uses in the general neighborhood; and
- C. Compliance with adopted plans for the development of the area.

§12.8.3. Offices or clinics, medical or dental on transitional sites ~~Offices, principal, of physicians, surgeons or dentists~~

A. By-right

~~Principal offices of physicians, surgeons or dentists uses shall be permitted in~~ **Medical and dental clinics and offices may be allowed** in existing one-family detached dwellings **in R and**

§12.8.4 OFFICES OR CLINICS, MEDICAL OR DENTAL ON TRANSITIONAL SITES ABUTTING C-2, CM OR M DISTRICTS OFFICES OF PHYSICIANS, SURGEONS, DENTISTS, OR PSYCHOLOGISTS ON TRANSITIONAL SITES WHICH ABUT C-2, CM OR M DISTRICTS

1485 RA14-26, RA8-18 and RA6-15 districts, provided the residential character of such dwelling is
1486 not changed.

1487 B. By site plan approval, medical and dental clinics and offices may be allowed in R-6, R-5,
1488 R15-30T, R2-7, RA14-26, RA8-18 and RA6-15 districts, provided:

1489 1. Offices of doctors, physicians, dentists or psychologists, provided that tThe basis for
1490 judging the merits of any given site plan shall be the degree to which the structure has
1491 the appearance of, and complies with the bulk and placement requirements for, and
1492 has the exterior appearance of, a single-family residence.¹

1493 Existing apartment houses or residences converted to such use or in new buildings
1494 designed for such use; provided, that all such new buildings shall have the exterior
1495 appearance of a residential structure.²

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1497 §12.8.4. Offices or clinics, medical or dental on transitional sites abutting C-2, CM or
1498 M districts Offices of physicians, surgeons, dentists, or psychologists on
1499 transitional sites which abut C-2, CM or M districts

1500 On transitional sites which abut C-2, CM or M districts, medical offices of physicians, surgeons,
1501 dentists, or psychologists may be allowed provided that the principal bases for judging the
1502 merits of any given site plan shall be:

1503 D.A. The degree to which the proposed development complies with the bulk, placement and
1504 coverage requirements of and has the appearance of an apartment building permitted in
1505 the apartment district in which it is located;

1506 E.B. The compatibility of the proposed development with existing and anticipated uses in the
1507 general neighborhood; and

1508 F.C. Compliance with adopted plans for the development of the area.

1509 §12.5.5-§12.8.5. Transitional parking areasTransitional parking areas

1510 A. Transitional parking areas shall be in accordance with the applicable requirements of §14.2
1511 and §14.3.

1512 B. ~~In transitional parking areas, n~~No activity or use shall be conducted on transitional parking
1513 areas except the parking of customer or employee automobiles and ~~uses as specifically~~
1514 ~~permitted in the district.~~

1515 C. The use of such areas for parking shall not be deemed to include any sales or servicing
1516 ~~whatsoever.~~³

1517 B.D. Transitional parking areas shall not be used to satisfy the provisions of parking required by
1518 this zoning ordinance.⁴

¹ From 12.5.13

² From 12.5.21

³ B and C sentences are moved from §14.3.3.F.

⁴ From definitions.

~~§12.6.~~ **§12.9. Accessory Use Standards**

§12.9.1. General

Accessory buildings and uses shall comply with all standards in the district for the principal use, except as expressly set forth below.

A. Accessory buildings and uses shall be clearly incidental and subordinate to permitted principal uses. An accessory use shall be allowed **only** when an **allowed** principal use **exists for which such accessory use is allowed** (see §12.2, Use Categories).

~~A.B.~~ Accessory buildings and uses shall be located on the same lot as the permitted use or building, **except as otherwise allowed through an approved site plan.**

C. Accessory buildings shall comply with **all placement and dimensional standards for the subject district and as provided in** §3.2.

D. Accessory buildings and uses shall **be consistent with** with the character of the **principal use or main building served.**

E. Accessory buildings and uses shall not be of a nature likely to attract visitors in larger numbers than would normally be expected in association with the principal use, where applicable.

F. An accessory use shall contribute to the comfort, convenience or necessity of occupants of the primary use served.

G. An accessory use shall be located within the same **zoning** district as the principal use, **except as otherwise allowed through an approved site plan.**

H. Tractor trailers and **portable storage devices** are prohibited for use as storage or buildings, **except as permitted on an active construction site or by permit for short term use.** (See also §12.10)

~~§12.6.2.~~ **§12.9.2. Accessory dwellings**

Accessory dwellings are allowed by permit within or attached to one-family dwellings provided they comply with the following:

A. Accessory dwellings are permitted on lots containing one-family dwellings in all R districts (does not include the RA districts), subject to issuance of a permit by the zoning administrator.

B. Accessory dwellings are permitted only on lots that meet the following criteria:

1. Subject to a minimum lot width of 50 feet, the lot conforms to all zoning regulations for the district in which the lot is located, including the minimum lot area for recordation of newly created lots in the district.

2. On a lot containing a structure with legal nonconforming conditions, including side and rear yards, setbacks and coverage, any modifications to the structure to create the accessory dwelling shall conform to all zoning regulations for the district in which the lot is located.

3. An accessory dwelling shall not be permitted on a lot with a family/caregiver suite.

C. Not more than one accessory dwelling shall be permitted on a lot.

- 1558 D. The gross floor area of an accessory dwelling shall not exceed 50 percent of the gross floor
1559 area of the main dwelling (or a third of the combined gross floor area), up to a maximum of
1560 750 ~~sq. ft.~~[square feet](#); except, if the gross floor area of the main dwelling is 1,000 ~~sq.~~
1561 ~~ft.~~[square feet](#) or less, the accessory dwelling shall not exceed 80 percent of the gross floor
1562 area of the main dwelling up to a maximum of 500 ~~sq. ft.~~[square feet](#) For the purposes of
1563 this section, gross floor area shall be calculated to include all floor area within the inside
1564 perimeter of the exterior walls, including basement, corridors, stairways, closets and
1565 interior walls.
- 1566 E. A valid certificate of occupancy shall have been issued for the accessory dwelling.
- 1567 F. Before approval of a building permit, the owner shall record a covenant on the property in
1568 a form acceptable to the zoning administrator, which identifies the accessory dwelling use
1569 and that it is subject to the restrictions imposed by the zoning ordinance.
- 1570 G. The following shall be filed with the zoning administrator with the application for an
1571 accessory dwelling permit:
- 1572 1. A floor plan of the accessory dwelling that also identifies its relationship to the rest of
1573 the dwelling and that provides such further details as may be required by the zoning
1574 administrator.
 - 1575 2. No accessory dwelling shall have a separate entrance on the same side of the main
1576 dwelling as the main entrance of the main dwelling.
 - 1577 3. On a corner lot, no accessory dwelling shall have its entrance visible from the street.
 - 1578 4. No accessory dwelling with an entrance above the first floor shall have exterior stairs to
1579 that entrance visible from the street.
 - 1580 5. A certified plat of the lot.
- 1581 H. If a parking survey conducted by the county determines that the block on which the main
1582 dwelling is located is more than 65 percent parked and there is ~~on-site~~[on-site](#), existing
1583 before issuance of the accessory dwelling permit:
- 1584 1. Exactly one standard-size space, then such a space shall be maintained; or
 - 1585 2. Two or more standard-size spaces that are not tandem, then at least two such spaces
1586 shall be maintained; or
 - 1587 3. No standard-sized parking spaces, then at least one ~~on-site~~[on-site](#) parking space shall
1588 be provided. The owner shall be responsible for providing evidence of creation of the
1589 additional parking space to the zoning administrator. All new parking spaces shall be
1590 constructed to meet all applicable requirements in §14.2 and §14.3 (including
1591 coverage); and
 - 1592 4. In any other case, at least two standard-sized parking spaces shall be maintained, at
1593 least one of which must provide direct vehicular access.
 - 1594 5. For the purposes of this section, a standard-sized space shall be as defined in §14.3.3.C
1595 and shall be exclusive of sidewalk area.
- 1596 I. **Conditions of approval**
- 1597 1. No more than two persons shall occupy the accessory dwelling.

- 1598 2. The owner shall occupy one of the dwelling units and for approval of an initial
1599 accessory dwelling, shall have occupied one of the dwelling units for a minimum of one
1600 year immediately prior to approval of the accessory dwelling unit.
- 1601 3. Before a certificate of occupancy is issued for the accessory dwelling, the owner shall
1602 file an affidavit of compliance with the zoning administrator in a form acceptable to the
1603 zoning administrator attesting to compliance with the conditions of this section, and
1604 shall do so annually thereafter, as well as when a new occupant(s) occupies the
1605 accessory dwelling and when any structural modifications are made to the accessory
1606 dwelling.
- 1607 4. The owner shall permit annual inspections of the accessory dwelling by the zoning
1608 administrator or his designee upon reasonable notice to ensure compliance with the
1609 conditions of this section.
- 1610 5. The owner shall cooperate with the zoning administrator and his designee in ensuring
1611 compliance with conditions of this section and in the investigation of complaints of
1612 violations of this section.
- 1613 6. The owner shall advise all tenants of the accessory dwelling of the annual inspection
1614 requirement and obligation to cooperate with the zoning administrator in ensuring
1615 compliance with the conditions of this section.
- 1616 7. Accessory uses shall not be permitted in the accessory dwelling except home
1617 occupations as permitted and regulated in §12.9.11.
- 1618 J. Failure to comply with the conditions in §12.9.2 will result in revocation of an accessory
1619 dwelling permit and of the certificate of occupancy for the accessory dwelling by the zoning
1620 administrator. Revocation of the accessory dwelling permit and revocation of the
1621 certificate of occupancy shall be effective after:
- 1622 1. A finding by the zoning administrator of violation;
- 1623 2. Notice with 30 day opportunity to correct the violation; and
- 1624 3. A finding by the zoning administrator after 30 days that the violation has not been
1625 corrected.
- 1626 4. Notwithstanding §12.9.2.J, if more than three violations of the provisions of §12.9.2 are
1627 found to exist by the zoning administrator within a one-year period, the permit may be
1628 revoked.
- 1629 K. The zoning administrator may approve not more than 28 permits for accessory dwellings in
1630 any one calendar year, excluding accessory dwelling permits approved under the provisions
1631 of this section to conform existing units created prior to January 1, 2009 to the
1632 requirements of this section.

1633 §12.6.3. §12.9.3. Amateur radio antennas

1634 Amateur radio antennas shall not exceed 75 feet in height above the ground level. In addition,
1635 they shall comply with all of the following requirements:

- 1636 A. No amateur radio antenna, or support structure therefore shall be located in a front yard,
1637 or within 25 feet from any street setback line or within 10 feet from any side or rear
1638 property line.

1639 B. Amateur radio antennas shall be located only in side or rear yards. In a district that does
1640 not require a rear yard, the antenna may be placed on a building's main roof, but not on
1641 the mechanical penthouse of the building. Amateur radio antennas are permitted to be
1642 placed in the side yard, only when they are attached to the existing main structures.

1643 ~~§12.6.4.~~ **§12.9.4. Commercial vehicle parking**

- 1644 A. The following commercial vehicles shall not be parked in any R or RA district:
- 1645 1. Any tractor truck, trailer, semitrailer, garbage truck, dump truck, cement truck, or
1646 similar vehicles or equipment with any gross vehicle weight; or any commercial vehicle
1647 with a gross vehicle weight of more than 16,000 pounds, regardless of the location of
1648 its parking space on the premises, except while loading or unloading, or being used in
1649 construction, or performing services such as repair or installation of equipment, all of
1650 which are accessory to the dwelling units on the premises.
- 1651 2. Any commercial vehicle which is not owned, leased, or operated by the occupant of the
1652 dwelling unit at which it is parked, regardless of its weight.
- 1653 B. Parking of no more than one commercial vehicle of the eat type described below shall be
1654 permitted by-right in R or RA districts:
- 1655 1. One commercial vehicle with a gross vehicle weight of 10,000 pounds or less may be
1656 parked behind the rear line of a main building or, in the case of a parcel used for multi-
1657 family residential purposes, in a private parking area; or
- 1658 2. One commercial vehicle with a gross vehicle weight of 10,000 pounds or more but no
1659 more than 16,000 pounds may be parked in a fully enclosed building on any parcel in
1660 an R or RA district.
- 1661 C. In cases working a grave hardship on the resident, and subject to use permit approval in
1662 accordance with §15.4, the County Board may modify the number of commercial vehicles
1663 permitted to be parked in R or RA districts or where they may be parked. Under no
1664 circumstances shall commercial vehicles as described in §12.9.4.A.1 be permitted in R or RA
1665 districts, whether by use permit or otherwise.
- 1666 D. Location of a parking space for the commercial vehicle shall meet the requirements of
1667 §12.9.4.A or §12.9.4.B unless those location requirements are modified by use permit, in
1668 accordance with §12.9.4.C and §15.4.

1669 ~~§12.6.5. Parking of one commercial vehicle which has a gross vehicle weight of~~
1670 ~~16,000 pounds or less and conforms to the requirements in §12.8.5¹~~

- 1671 ~~A. Location of a parking space for the commercial vehicle shall meet the requirements~~
1672 ~~§12.8.5.B. Those location requirements may be modified by use permit in the R and RA~~
1673 ~~districts, in accordance with §15.5.~~
- 1674 ~~B. In cases working a grave hardship on the resident, and in accordance with §12.8.10.A,~~
1675 ~~§12.8.5, and §15.6, parking of (i) a commercial vehicle which does not meet the locational~~
1676 ~~requirements of this zoning ordinance, or (ii) more than one commercial vehicle.~~

¹ This standard is redundant to §12.9.4

1677 ~~§12.6.6.~~ §12.9.5. Convenience service areas

1678 In a singular ~~apartment~~multiple-family building containing over 200 units, one small portion of
1679 the total floor area may be used ~~only~~ as a service exclusively for persons living therein, provided:

- 1680 A. There are no window displays or advertisements;
- 1681 B. There is no entrance to shops except from inside the building;
- 1682 C. There is no sign advertising such shop or service that shall be visible from outside the
1683 building;
- 1684 D. Commodities or services offered shall be limited to only those under the general
1685 classification of groceries, drugs, beauty shop and valet service;
- 1686 E. There are no deliveries made from the shop outside of the building or project; and
- 1687 F. No ~~more than~~over one percent of the total gross floor area is used for such purposes,
1688 including the storage of merchandise; such use shall be confined to the ground floor or
1689 basement levels.

1690 ~~§12.6.7.~~ §12.9.6. Crematoriums

1691 Accessory crematoriums shall be allowed as follows:

- 1692 A. Accessory to cemeteries of 10 or more acres (except not in P districts), subject to use
1693 permit approval;¹ and
- 1694 B. Accessory to a funeral home, subject to approval of a funeral home where allowed as a
1695 principal use. ²

1696 §12.9.7. Drive-through facilities

1697 ~~B.A.~~ Drive-through ~~facilities~~operation in the CP-FBC district shall ~~has~~have no more than two
1698 lanes, and drive-through access shall ~~may~~ not be from Main Street frontage.³

1699 ~~§12.6.8.~~ §12.9.8. Family/caregiver suites

1700 Family/caregiver suites may be allowed, subject to approval by the zoning administrator
1701 consistent with the following conditions:

- 1702 A. Not more than one family/caregiver suite shall be permitted in a dwelling;
- 1703 B. The gross floor area of the suite shall not exceed 500 square feet;
- 1704 C. The suite shall have interior access to the rest of the dwelling;
- 1705 D. The suite shall not have separate utility service (i.e., electric meter and water meter);
- 1706 E. A floor plan of the suite that also identifies its relationship to the rest of the dwelling shall
1707 be filed with the zoning administrator;
- 1708 F. The property owner shall record a covenant on the property which identifies the suite use
1709 and the restrictions imposed by this ordinance;

¹ From use tables (airports and aircraft landing fields use)

² From use table

³ From CP-FBC use table

1710 **G.** The dwelling in which the suite is located shall have only one main entrance and no new
 1711 entrance shall be permitted on the same side of the structure as the existing main entrance
 1712 of the dwelling;

1713 **G.H.** The suite shall be designed so that it can function as an integral part of the principal
 1714 dwelling although the occupants may live independently of each other.¹

1715 **H.I.** There shall be only one address for the property;

1716 **H.J.** A family/caregiver suite shall not be permitted in a dwelling in which an accessory dwelling
 1717 is located; and

1718 **J.K.** A written statement identifying the person who will provide the care and the kind of care
 1719 that will be given must be filed in the office of the zoning administrator as to an unrelated
 1720 resident of the family/caregiver suite.

1721 **§12.6.9. §12.9.9. Family day care homes**

1722 **A.** Every family day care home shall have a certificate of occupancy for both the residential
 1723 dwelling and for the family day care home that property use as required in §15.3.

1724 **B.** Every family day care home shall be licensed pursuant to Chapter 59 of the Arlington
 1725 County Code.

1726 **§12.6.10. §12.9.10. Guest house**

1727 Guest houses are permitted only when accessory to one-family detached dwellings, and meeting
 1728 the following standards:

1729 **A.** Guest houses may be used for temporary guests of the occupants of the premises; such
 1730 quarters shall have no kitchen facilities and shall not be rented or otherwise used as a
 1731 separate dwelling.

1732 **A.B.** Guest houses shall meet all relevant regulations for the subject zoning district.

1733 **§12.6.11. §12.9.11. Home occupation**

1734 Home occupations are permitted in dwelling units subject to R, RA and C district regulations
 1735 when such use is clearly subordinate or incidental to the principal use of the premises for
 1736 dwelling purposes and as follows:

1737 **A.** Home occupations which are conducted as limited by subsection 3, below, and which have
 1738 the general character of the following uses are permitted:

1739 **1.** Artist, photographer, sculptor.

1740 **2.** Author, composer, editor, translator, writer.

1741 **3.** Contractor or service business, provided that all requirements of this section are met as
 1742 well as the following additional requirements:

1743 **(a)** Not more than one commercial vehicle, as defined in Article 18, shall be parked on
 1744 the property and then only in accordance with applicable regulations of §12.9.4.

¹ From definition

- 1745 (b) No contracting equipment or materials shall be stored on the premises, except in
1746 a commercial vehicle used for transporting said equipment and materials between
1747 jobs, and no loading or unloading shall be done on or in the vicinity of the
1748 premises.
- 1749 (c) The dwelling is not an accessory dwelling.
- 1750 4. ~~Tailors, milliners, seamstresses, dressmakers and upholsterers~~Dressmaker, seamstress
1751 and tailor.
- 1752 5. Home crafts such as lapidary work, macramé, model making and weaving,
- 1753 6. Office of an ordained minister of religion.
- 1754 7. Office of an accountant, architect, bookkeeper, broker, clerical service, computer
1755 programmer, consultant, dentist, doctor, engineer, instructor in the arts and crafts,
1756 insurance agent, land surveyor, landscape architect, lawyer, musician, ~~physician~~, real
1757 estate broker or telephone service.
- 1758 8. Office of a salesman, sales representative or manufacturers' representative.
- 1759 9. Repair services, such as musical instruments, watches and clocks, small household
1760 appliances, and toys or models.
- 1761 B. Home occupations not permitted include those with the general characteristics of the
1762 following:
- 1763 1. Amusement or dance parlors;
- 1764 2. Animal care facilities, veterinary clinics, animal hospitals and grooming services
- 1765 ~~2-3.~~ 3. Antique shops;
- 1766 4. Barber shops or beauty salons;
- 1767 5. Boarding houses or rooming houses;
- 1768 6. Chapels;
- 1769 ~~3-7.~~ 7. Funeral homes ~~or chapels~~;
- 1770 4-8. Gift shops;
- 1771 9. Hospitals
- 1772 ~~5-10.~~ 10. Kennels or other boarding of animals.
- 1773 11. Medical or dental offices or clinics, ~~hospitals~~;
- 1774 ~~6-12.~~ 12. Nursing homes;
- 1775 ~~7-13.~~ 13. Motor vehicle repair or sales;
- 1776 ~~8-14.~~ 14. Nursery schools;
- 1777 ~~9-15.~~ 15. Repair or testing of internal combustion engines;
- 1778 ~~10-16.~~ 16. Restaurants or tearooms;
- 1779 ~~11-17.~~ 17. ~~Tourist homes, boarding houses, rooming houses; or~~
- 1780 ~~12-18.~~ 18. ~~Veterinary clinic or animal hospital.~~

- 1781 C. Home occupation uses shall be subject to the following limitations. All limitations apply
1782 together. No limitation shall be interpreted as relaxing another limitation.
- 1783 1. Home occupation operators shall apply for and enter into an agreement with the
1784 zoning administrator certifying that they will comply with the requirements for a home
1785 occupation in the zoning ordinance. The zoning administrator shall approve the
1786 agreement only upon finding that the home occupation will comply with the zoning
1787 ordinance and that it will be clearly subordinate to the principal use of the premises for
1788 dwelling purposes.
- 1789 2. There shall be no evidence on the exterior of the premises or visible from the exterior
1790 of the premises that the property is used in any way other than for a dwelling.
- 1791 3. There shall be no signs.
- 1792 4. There shall be no outside display, storage, or sale of merchandise or equipment.
- 1793 ~~5. There shall be no audible noise, detectable vibration or odor beyond the confines of
1794 the subject dwelling or accessory building, including transmittal through vertical or
1795 horizontal party walls.¹~~
- 1796 6-5. Only one person, at any time, who is not a bona fide resident of the dwelling, may
1797 be employed or perform work on the premises. In addition, a disabled resident may
1798 employ assistance from one person at a time who is not a resident and whose
1799 assistance is limited to overcoming the effect of the disability. A written statement
1800 identifying the person who will give the assistance, the kind of assistance that will be
1801 given and the time the person will be in the dwelling must be filed in the office of the
1802 zoning administrator as to each person permitted to be employed as an assistant to a
1803 disabled person before that person may be employed in the dwelling. If the dwelling is
1804 an accessory dwelling, persons who are not bona fide residents of the dwelling may not
1805 be employed or perform work on the premises except one non-resident employee may
1806 be employed or perform work on the premises providing assistance to a disabled
1807 resident, as above.
- 1808 7-6. Instruction of students (including delivery of materials clearly incidental to training)
1809 and service to clients or customers shall be limited to 12 persons per day but under no
1810 circumstances more than four persons at any one time.
- 1811 8-7. The total floor area on any premises to be used for home occupation(s) shall not
1812 exceed a figure calculated by taking 25 percent of the total floor area of the principal
1813 dwelling on the premises, excluding attached garages provided, however, that under
1814 no circumstances shall more than 10 percent of the total floor area of the principal
1815 dwelling be used for specified storage of stock-in-trade. The storage of hazardous
1816 materials is prohibited.
- 1817 9-8. There shall be no stocks-in-trade displayed or sold on the premises, except for those
1818 produced at the premises.
- 1819 10-9. Each application for a home occupation agreement shall be accompanied by a
1820 sketch of all existing and proposed new parking spaces. Existing parking spaces, unless

¹ Deleted. Addressed through other regulations, including but not limited to noise ordinance.

1821 illegal, shall be permitted to remain. All new parking spaces shall comply with all
1822 applicable requirements in §14.2 and §14.3. No vehicles shall be parked or stored in
1823 any other spaces unless they comply with all provisions of the zoning ordinance.

1824 **11.10.** The lot or property on which the home occupation is conducted shall not have
1825 any parking space added to it during the time the home occupation is being conducted;
1826 nor shall any parking space be used that was not customarily used prior to that time.
1827 The application for approval shall show a sketch of the parking spaces customarily in
1828 use at the time of application and agree that parking shall not be increased during the
1829 period the approval is in effect. During the period the approval is in effect, no motor
1830 vehicle shall be parked at any place on the lot or property not represented as a parking
1831 space on the sketch attached to the application.

1832 **11.** No equipment may be used on the premises other than that which is usual for purely
1833 domestic or hobby purposes, or what is usual for a small business, professional, or
1834 medical office.

1835 **§12.9.12. Live entertainment or dancing**

1836 Live entertainment or dancing may be allowed accessory to otherwise allowed restaurants,
1837 subject to approval of a use permit pursuant to §15.4.

1838 **§12.9.13. Mortuaries and funeral homes**

1839 Accessory mortuaries and funeral homes may be allowed in cemeteries of 10 or more acres
1840 (except not in P districts).¹

1841 ~~§12.6.12.~~ **§12.9.14. Outdoor cafés**

1842 ~~In this ordinance, outdoor cafes are permitted only~~ may be allowed only as accessory to
1843 otherwise allowed restaurants, where they are associated with a restaurant and therefore are
1844 permitted as accessory uses only. Where outdoor cafes are permitted, they shall be allowed
1845 subject to the following requirements unless otherwise modified by site plan pursuant to §15.5:

1846 **A. Outside of public rights-of-way or easements for public use**

1847 For outdoor cafes not located within public rights-of-way or easements for public use:

- 1848 **1.** An outdoor cafe, including any canopy or cover associated with such a café, shall be
1849 permitted within the required setback.
- 1850 **2.** Except as may be required by site plan or use permit condition, outdoor cafes are not
1851 required to be closed during a season and may be open any day during the year.
1852 Outdoor cafes shall not be enclosed, except as specified elsewhere in the ordinance,
1853 and all fixtures and furnishings in the outdoor café including, but not limited to, tables,
1854 chairs, bar, server stations and sources of heat shall be portable and not affixed to the
1855 ground, building or other permanent structures. Permanent railings or fences may be
1856 permitted only where and to the extent that the building code requires an affixed fence
1857 for safety purposes.

¹ From use table (see original airports use)

- 1858 3. As accessory uses, outdoor cafes shall have fewer seats than the indoor portion of the
1859 restaurant, and the hours of operation of an outdoor café shall not extend past the
1860 normal operating hours of the main use, the restaurant.
- 1861 4. Outdoor cafes located in side or rear yards ~~adjacent to~~ abutting or across an alley from
1862 an “R” or “RA” District shall not operate before 9:00 am or after 11:00 pm.
- 1863 5. Unless otherwise required by the County Board, outdoor cafes shall be exempt from
1864 any parking requirement.
- 1865 6. No sound or audio or video entertainment, including but not limited to television or
1866 radio playing of music and/or sports events, may be piped into, or played so as to be
1867 visible or audible from the outdoor café area before 9 am or after 11 pm on Fridays
1868 and Saturdays and before 9 am or after 10 pm on Sundays through Thursdays.

1869 **B. Within public rights-of-way or easements for public use**

1870 Outdoor cafes may be permitted within public rights-of-way or easements for public use if a
1871 use permit is obtained as provided for in §15.4.

1872 **C. In M districts¹**

1873 In addition to the provisions of A and B, outdoor cafes in M districts may be enclosed up to
1874 ten months per year, subject to use permit approval as provided in §15.4.

1875 ~~§12.6.13-§12.9.15.~~ **Recreational Vehicle or Trailer parking**

1876 The parking of a trailer in any district is hereby prohibited; except that one trailer may be parked
1877 or stored in an approved enclosed garage or accessory building; provided, that no living quarters
1878 shall be maintained, or any business practiced, in the trailer while such trailer is parked or
1879 stored. ~~An unoccupied travel or recreational vehicle trailer~~ of less than 30 feet in length and
1880 less than eight feet in width, including a pick-up coach, a utility trailer or tent trailer as is
1881 commonly used for camping and a mobile trailer which is propelled by its own power, shall be
1882 parked to the rear of the front line of the main building.

1883 ~~§12.6.14-§12.9.16.~~ **Swimming pools, private**

1884 Private, accessory swimming pools shall comply with the following requirements:

1885 **A. Fencing**

1886 The fencing or protection shall be as specified by the Arlington County Swimming Pool
1887 Codes, but no less than six feet in height.

1888 **B. Lighting**

1889 Where lighting is provided, all lights shall be arranged and hooded as to confine all direct
1890 light rays entirely within the boundary lines of the swimming pool property.

1891 (See also §12.4.8, community, semi-public and commercial swimming pools)

1892 ~~§12.6.15-§12.9.17.~~ **Vehicle maintenance and minor repairs, routine**

1893 Routine maintenance and minor repair of motor vehicles which can be completed in 24 hours,
1894 including by way of illustration and not limitation, the replacement or changing of oil and other

¹ From M use table.

- 1895 fluids (e.g., transmission, brake, water), batteries, tires, light bulbs, spark plugs, points, air filters,
1896 and radiator hoses, subject to the following conditions:
- 1897 A. The motor vehicle must be owned or leased by an occupant of the premises;
 - 1898 B. Maintenance and repair activity is permitted on weekdays only from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
1899 and weekends and holidays only from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; and
 - 1900 C. Commercial maintenance and repair activity is prohibited.

1901 ~~§12.6.16.~~ §12.9.18. **Vehicle, unlicensed and/or uninspected**

1902 A maximum of one operable unlicensed and/or uninspected vehicle may be kept on the
1903 premises, provided said vehicle is parked to the rear of the front line of the main building.
1904 Inoperative vehicles or additional unlicensed and/or uninspected vehicles are permitted on the
1905 premises, provided said vehicles are located within a fully enclosed building.

1906 ~~§12.7.~~ §12.10. **Temporary Short Term Use Standards**

1907 §12.7.1. §12.10.1. Purpose and intent

1908 There are certain uses that may be permissible on a short term basis subject to the controls,
1909 limitations and regulations of this section. The following sections provide the criteria used by
1910 the zoning administrator in reviewing short term use applications.

1911 §12.10.2. General standards

1912 No short term use shall be allowed unless the applicant demonstrates compliance with these
1913 standards to the satisfaction of the zoning administrator. The zoning administrator may impose
1914 conditions on the proposed use to ensure compliance with these standards or other applicable
1915 provisions of law. The zoning administrator may revoke a permit for short term use if the use is
1916 not in compliance with these and all other applicable standards, and conditions of the permit.

- 1917 A. No short term use shall be allowed unless a permit for short term use is approved pursuant
1918 to the provisions of §15.10, except as specifically exempted in the use standards for the
1919 subject use.
- 1920 B. Short term uses shall obtain a certificate of occupancy as required by §15.2.
- 1921 C. Short term uses shall be subject to the applicable standards for the specific use in this
1922 §12.10
- 1923 D. Short term uses shall be allowed only for the specific time frame identified on the permit
1924 for short term use.
- 1925 E. No short term use shall reduce required parking spaces for any use on the lot or
1926 development project below the number of spaces required for such use(s).
- 1927 F. Short term uses shall not create hazardous conditions for vehicular or pedestrian traffic, or
1928 result in traffic in excess of the capacity of streets serving the use.
- 1929 G. Adequate refuse management, security, emergency services and similar necessary facilities
1930 and services shall be available for the short term use, and all necessary sanitary facilities
1931 shall be approved by the appropriate health agency.
- 1932 H. The site shall be suitable for the proposed use, considering flood hazard, drainage, soils and
1933 other conditions which may constitute a danger to life, health or safety.

- 1934 I. Lighting for nighttime outdoor operations shall be shielded so as not to create glare into
 1935 residential areas or streets.
- 1936 J. The density and dimensional standards of Article 3 shall apply to all short term uses except
 1937 as otherwise stated or as otherwise allowed in an approved site plan or use permit;
- 1938 A.K. Short term uses shall comply with all applicable state and federal regulations; building code
 1939 requirements and other County codes, including any applicable administrative
 1940 requirements and policies.

§12.7.2-§12.10.3. Contractors' storage and staging yards, off-site

- 1942 Off-site contractors' storage and staging yards, and sales or leasing trailers or pavilions,
 1943 associated with allowed new construction, may be allowed subject to the approval of a use
 1944 permit as provided in §15.4, in all zoning districts:
- 1945 A. In reasonable proximity to such allowed construction; Subject to the approval of a use
 1946 permit, off-site contractors' storage and staging yards and sales or leasing trailers or
 1947 pavilions associated with and in reasonable proximity to new construction shall be allowed
 1948 in all zoning districts, except the CO Crystal City, MU_VS, C TH, RA7 16 and RA H districts.
- 1949 B. ForSuch use shall be limited to a maximum of three years, or as otherwise approved by the
 1950 County Board; and
- 1951 C. No application on the same lot shall be considered by the County Board within a period of
 1952 two years following the discontinuance of such use.
- 1953 B.D. No permit for short term use shall be required.

§12.10.4. Construction equipment, fences and offices

- 1955 A. Upon application, the Zoning Administrator may permit, under his/her discretion,
 1956 placement within required yards, of construction trailers; covered walkways required by
 1957 building code; cranes, mobile concrete mixers and other similar equipment needed for
 1958 construction; and dumpsters and on-site sanitary facilities and other similar facilities,
 1959 subject to the following:
- 1960 1. A building permit shall have been issued for the subject property;
- 1961 2. No such building, structure or equipment shall be located in the vision obstruction area
 1962 or tree protection area;
- 1963 3. All such buildings, structures or equipment shall be removed prior to issuance of the
 1964 first certificate of occupancy for tenant occupancy, unless otherwise required by
 1965 building code or other local, state or federal provisions;
- 1966 4. The Zoning Administrator may require that placement of such buildings, structures or
 1967 equipment be shown on an approved grading plan, plat or landscape plan;
- 1968 —B. Fences shall be allowed where and to the extent required by building code, provided,
 1969 however, that where a development project abuts an R or RA district and the limits of
 1970 disturbance of such development project is within five feet of the common lot line, a
 1971 construction fence of a minimum of six feet in height shall be required along the limits of
 1972 disturbance; the zoning administrator may waive this requirement if it is demonstrated that
 1973 such fence would be impractical due to physical or topographical limitations. Fences shall

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be removed at the time of issuance of the final certificate of occupancy, or as otherwise required by building code.

§12.10.5. Indoor and outdoor events and activities in vacant buildings or properties

In order to promote activity and vibrancy in the County’s mixed-use and commercial areas, indoor and outdoor short term events or activities in vacant buildings, vacant floors or portions thereof, or vacant ground floor spaces in buildings, or on outdoor spaces (which may or may not be vacant), may be allowed in C and M districts, and outdoor events and activities may additionally be allowed in P districts, as follows:

A. Applicability

- 1. The buildings or building space used for indoor events shall be approved for retail, service and commercial use(s) as provided in §12.2.5 or industrial use(s) as provided in §12.2.6;
- 2. The entrance to the building shall be on a street designated as a principal or minor arterial in the Arlington County Master Transportation Plan.
- 3. A permit for short term use shall not be required for any use consistent with all provisions of the subject zoning district and all relevant site plan or use permit conditions for the subject property, and for such use, provisions of this §12.10.5 shall not apply.

B. Uses

Notwithstanding use type limitations in use permit or site plan conditions:

- 1. Allowed indoor uses shall be those allowed in the subject zoning district, and shall include indoor markets at which groups of individual sellers offer new or used goods for sale;
- 2. Allowed outdoor events and activities shall include:
 - (a) Art galleries, carnivals, circuses, festivals, fairs, dog or horse shows, outdoor retail sales events that are not associated with an established retail business on the premises, and seasonal stands for the sale of Christmas trees, pumpkins, flowers, fireworks, fruits and vegetables and the like, not associated with an established retail business on the premises, and other uses, which in the judgment of the Zoning Administrator, are of the same general character;
 - (b) Outdoor cafes associated with a use with an approved Certificate of Occupancy for a restaurant located within 2,000 feet of the short term use, shall be allowed for one consecutive day.

C. Frequency and length of events

- 1. Short term events and activities in any individual building or on any individual property shall be allowed for a total of 90 days per year. Provided, however, that community service uses, as provided in §12.2.4.B, that have been operating in compliance with all applicable standards, may be renewed for an additional 90 days, up to three times (for a maximum of 360 days total).

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D. Signs

- 1. Subject to §13.7, all signs for which no permit is required shall be allowed for indoor and outdoor events, for up to one week prior to the public opening of the event and during the time period for which the certificate of occupancy is issued, notwithstanding comprehensive sign plan provisions for the subject property.
- 2. All other signs that are allowed by Article 13 and consistent with any comprehensive sign plan for the property shall be allowed.

E. Additional provisions for outdoor events

Outdoor events shall be subject to the following additional standards:

- 1. Temporary buildings or structures allowed for outdoor events shall include tents, shipping containers, and other similar temporary structures, subject to bulk, coverage and placement provisions in §3.2, and subject to all by-right height limitations in the subject zoning district.
- 2. All outdoor spaces subject to the permit for short term use shall be restored to prior conditions or to conditions otherwise required by the site plan or use permit controlling the subject property, upon conclusion of the approved time period for short term use.

§12.10.6. Pop-up parks

Pop-up parks may be allowed on vacant properties in C and M districts, and on unbuilt portions of properties governed under site plan or use permit, for up to three years and subject to renewal at the end of three years if the use has been operating in compliance with all applicable standards, as follows:

- A. Pop-up parks shall be open to the general public.
- B. Other short term uses within pop-up parks shall be subject to the provisions of §12.10.5; and may also include open air markets where such use is allowed and subject to all provisions of the approved use permit for the open-air market.

§12.10.7. Portable storage devices

Portable storage devices, of a maximum of 8½ feet in height and width and 18 feet in length, for storage of household and other goods that in the judgment of the Zoning Administrator, are of the same general character, are permitted in R districts for up to 90 [or 180] consecutive days, one time per year, subject to the following standards:

- A. Portable storage devices shall be placed no closer than five feet to any lot line.
- B. No permit for short term use shall be required.
- C. Portable storage devices that meet all requirements of §3.2 shall not be subject to the 90 [or 180] day limitation.

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§12.7.3. §12.10.8. Public, civic and institutional building uses¹

~~Short term~~~~Secondary~~ uses of buildings approved for public, civic and institutional uses, as provided in §12.2.4, may be allowed as follows:

~~A. churches, schools, public buildings and public properties, including the d~~Daily or hourly rental of classrooms, meeting rooms, auditoriums, multilevel parking structures and recreational facilities to profit or nonprofit entities may be allowed as follows:

~~1. to profit or nonprofit entities of classrooms, meeting rooms, auditoriums, multilevel parking structures and recreational facilities~~ For uses of a cultural, educational, recreational or public service nature; ~~and-~~

~~1.2.~~ The Zoning Administrator may approve commercial uses ~~The zoning administrator may approve, for periods not to exceed seven (7) consecutive days, commercial uses~~ incidental to and ~~not in~~consistent with the purposes in §12.10.8.A.1 ~~the above, for periods not to exceed seven consecutive days. when he finds that such uses will not disrupt the surrounding community~~

~~B. On transitional sites in S-3A and P-S districts, Publicly owned structures. To~~ permit the productive use of existing publicly ~~-owned structures on a temporary basis,~~ when the County Board determines it to be advisable to continue to have such structures available for ~~possible~~ public use following the expiration of the short term use ~~at the end of the period of temporary use,~~ the County Board may approve ~~permit short term~~ commercial use of an existing publicly-owned structure on a transitional site, subject to the following:

~~1.~~ The proposed use shall be subject to approval of a use permit as provided in §15.4 ~~and~~ the provision of parking as required in §14.3;

~~2.~~ The proposed short term use shall be ~~in conjunction with and primarily~~ for the purpose of providing services to an existing adjacent abutting use for a period not to exceed 15 years;

~~2.~~ Short term use of the transitional site such uses may be permitted ~~approved~~ notwithstanding the fact that up to not more than 25 percent of the area of the existing structure is located outside the portion of the site within which transitional uses are permitted ~~allowed~~.

¹ A was moved from public use table (S-3A and P-S districts) and applied broadly across all zoning districts here, and edited as shown; B was moved from transitional use table and edited as shown.

Article 13. Signs

§13.1. Purpose

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- A. To protect the safety and welfare of the public by minimizing hazards and distractions to pedestrian and vehicular traffic;
 - B. To regulate the location of signs to prevent the distraction of drivers on public streets while providing adequate information and assistance to pedestrians and information to drivers while they remain in their cars but out of active traffic;
 - C. To avoid unnecessary visual clutter and to avoid the unregulated construction, placement and display of signs that are or may become a public nuisance;
 - D. To provide a means of way-finding in the community, thus improving the pedestrian experience, walkability of the community, usability of transit, and reducing traffic confusion and congestion;
 - E. To provide one of the implementation tools for the ~~Arlington County~~ Comprehensive Plan by establishing sign regulations that are consistent with development and growth goals of the General Land Use Plan (a key element of the Comprehensive Plan), which calls for concentrating high density residential, commercial and office development within designated Metro Station Areas, while preserving and enhancing existing one-family and ~~apartment~~multiple-family neighborhoods and neighborhood retail areas;
 - F. To allow signs as accessory and incidental uses to the primary residential, commercial, industrial and related uses in the County;
 - G. To encourage the effective use of signs as a means of communication for businesses, organizations and individuals in Arlington County;
 - H. To balance the sign needs in the intensely urban parts of the County with the desires and concerns of residents in lower density areas;
 - I. To further economic development by providing for adequate business identification, advertising, and communication;
 - J. To prohibit signs of such excessive size and number that they obscure one another to the detriment of the economic and social well-being of the County and its residents, property owners and visitors;
 - K. To provide incentives to screen the clutter of large construction sites from public view;
 - L. To differentiate from other signs the small placards, labels and displays that provide warnings, instructions and the like, in sizes and locations that do not add to clutter and that are unlikely to distract drivers;
 - M. To minimize adverse effects of signs on nearby property;
 - N. To prohibit most signs with commercial messages in residential districts, while allowing those messages that relate to commercial activities lawfully conducted on individual properties within such districts; and
 - O. To provide broadly for the expression of individual opinions through the use of signs on private property.

2122 **§13.2. Applicability**

2123 **§13.2.1. Generally**

2124 This Article 13 shall apply to all signs, as defined herein, that are erected, placed, painted or
2125 otherwise used in Arlington County. No sign shall be erected, placed, painted or otherwise used
2126 unless expressly allowed under this Article 13.

2127 **§13.2.2. Other standards and other permits required**

2128 Other provisions of Arlington County ordinances or state or federal law may apply to some signs.
2129 Anyone installing or modifying a sign must comply with applicable provisions of this Article 13 as
2130 well as with all applicable standards and permit requirements of other laws or ordinances. Such
2131 additional permits and standards may include but are not necessarily limited to:

- 2132 A. Electrical permits for any type of electrified or lighted sign; and
- 2133 B. Permits, encroachments or other approvals for any sign placed in a right-of-way.

2134 **§13.2.3. Signs and similar devices to which ordinance not applicable**

2135 The following displays, graphics or elements of larger products are less likely than typical
2136 advertising signs to undermine the stated purposes of this Article 13 and are not subject to
2137 further regulation under this Article 13.

SIGNS AND SIMILAR DEVICES TO WHICH ORDINANCE NOT APPLICABLE

A. Signs inside buildings

Any sign located entirely inside a building and not legible from property other than the property on which the sign is located. Signs inside buildings that are legible from property other than that on which the sign is located shall be regulated as signs under this Article 13.



B. Signs on certain vehicles

Any sign on a currently licensed vehicle that is used in the normal course of operation of an establishment for transportation. Signs on vehicles that are regularly parked in front of or near an establishment and not regularly used for transportation shall be considered freestanding signs and shall be regulated as such under this Article 13.



SIGNS AND SIMILAR DEVICES TO WHICH ORDINANCE NOT APPLICABLE

C. Murals or works of art

A mural or work of visual art that otherwise meets the definition of "sign" in this Article 13 but that conforms with either of the following standards shall not be subject to regulation under this Article 13:

1. Art that is installed or located in accordance with the Arlington County Public Art Policy; or
2. Art that meets all of the following criteria:
 - (a) Is located on the wall of a building in any district, but not in R districts or RA14-26, RA8-18, RA7-16 or RA6-15; and
 - (b) Includes no text legible from a public roadway; and
 - (c) Includes no logo or trademarked symbol; and
 - (d) Includes no specific commercial product, although it may include such generic products as automobiles, furniture, soft drinks or other items where the brand is not apparent; and
 - (e) Includes no picture, symbol or device of any kind that relates to a commercial business, product or service offered on the premises where the wall is located.



D. Architectural lighting and embellishments and lighting of rooflines

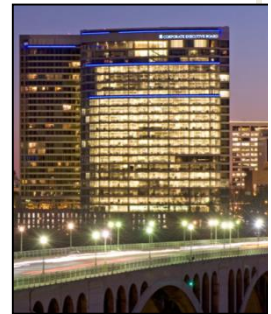
1. Architectural lighting and embellishments

The following shall be allowed and shall not be considered signs only if they are shown on a site plan approved by the County Board under §15.6 and neither contain nor include any word, logo or trademarked symbol:

- (a) Tubes or strips of lights that outline a building or a part thereof;
- (b) Lighting that highlights parts of a building that does not otherwise include a sign as defined in Article 18; and/or
- (c) Architectural embellishments such as special rooflines, parapets, building extensions or accessories.

2. Lighting of rooflines

In Metro Corridors as designated on the General Land Use Plan, the County Board may approve by special exception the lighting of roof lines of buildings at heights greater than 75 feet.



E. Signs carried by persons

Devices or objects resembling a sign while carried by a person, whether such device or thing includes commercial or noncommercial messages or both. Such devices or objects may be regulated by other parts of the Arlington County Code.



F. Product displays

Outdoor display of products where allowed under other provisions of this zoning ordinance and other sections of the County Code. Products and the labels thereon in permitted outdoor displays shall not be regulated under this Article 13. This Article 13 shall, however, apply to any sign, banner, pennant, or other attention-attracting device affixed to a product displayed outdoors. For example, the label "Chevrolet" on an automobile or "John Deere" on a tractor in a display shall not be considered a sign for purposes of this Article 13, but a separate sign attached to such a product shall be considered a sign and subject to regulation.



SIGNS AND SIMILAR DEVICES TO WHICH ORDINANCE NOT APPLICABLE

G. Information on vending machines and similar devices

Signs on vending machines used for the sale of products if they do not flash and if they are either not legible from any property other than the property on which the sign is located; or if they consist entirely of letters, numerals or symbols that identify the products sold in the vending machine. All other signs on vending machines shall be regulated under this Article 13.



H. Information on news racks

Signs on news racks and similar machines and devices used for the sale or dispensing of products if they do not flash and if they are either not legible from any property other than the property on which the sign is located; or if they consist entirely of letters, numerals or symbols that are less than four inches in height. All other signs on such devices shall be regulated under this Article 13.



I. Signs at polling places

Unlighted temporary political campaign signs erected on the day before or the day of an election, or a nominating caucus for a political party registered in the Commonwealth of Virginia on the lot of the officially designated polling place for a period not to exceed 24 hours. Each sign may be no larger than four and one-half sq.-ft.square feet in area.



J. Certain signs in historic areas

This Article 13 shall not apply to signs to which 0 is applicable.

2138 §13.2.4. Strict construction of applicability

2139 The provisions on applicability shall be strictly construed. If there is any doubt or dispute about
2140 whether the sign regulations are applicable to a display, graphic or other device, it shall be
2141 considered a sign subject to regulation under this Article 13.

2142 §13.3. Modifications

2143 §13.3.1. Special exceptions

2144 A. The standards in this Article 13 may be modified only as set forth in this §13.3, by approval
2145 of a comprehensive sign plan through the use permit process in §15.5, or for properties
2146 that are the subject of a special exception site plan, through the site plan approval process
2147 in §15.6. In addition to the applicable standards in §15.5, the County Board may approve
2148 modifications to standards in this Article 13 where it finds that the modification of
2149 regulations is in keeping with the character of the neighborhood and will not adversely
2150 impact the neighborhood in which the sign is located, as follows:

2151 1. Under no circumstances shall the County Board approve:

- 2152 (a) A sign type or characteristic explicitly prohibited in §13.4, except as set forth in
2153 subsection (c), below;
- 2154 (b) Sign luminance exceeding maximum standards in §13.11.2;
- 2155 (c) Modification of hours of sign illumination unless expressly permitted in §13.11.3;
- 2156 (d) A sign type not listed as an allowed sign type for the district in which the property
2157 is located;
- 2158 (e) More aggregate sign area than is allowed by §13.14.2.D; or
- 2159 (f) Modification of sign area or placement for signs placed above a height of 40 feet
2160 as set forth in §13.7.1.E.2 or §13.7.1.G except where expressly permitted below.
- 2161 2. For those signs included in aggregate sign area on properties subject to §13.6 or §13.7,
2162 the County Board may:
- 2163 (a) Reallocate sign area among sign types. The County Board may approve an
2164 increase in the maximum permitted sign area identified for the subject sign type
2165 for one sign per building, if it also finds that:
- 2166 (1) The aggregate sign area for the building or project does not exceed the area
2167 allocated by §13.14.2.D; and
- 2168 (2) The reallocation of sign area and/or lighting of the sign does not adversely
2169 impact a ~~butting adjacent~~ residential properties or residential properties across
2170 the street from the subject property.
- 2171 (b) Modify placement standards for signs, including standards for signs placed above
2172 a height of 40 feet only as set forth in §13.7.1.G.4, where topography or lot
2173 configuration significantly limits placement or effectiveness of signs(s) on the
2174 subject building or property, such that:
- 2175 (1) The location of the building, main building entrance or tenant entrance is not
2176 visible to pedestrian traffic; or
- 2177 (2) The surrounding street network or other transportation options limit visibility
2178 of signs placed in permitted locations; or
- 2179 (3) The building has frontage on a plaza or other pedestrian pathway where
2180 signs are not otherwise allowed.
- 2181 (c) The County Board may modify regulations to approve innovative elements of signs
2182 that conform to the following Ordinance requirements: automatic changeable
2183 copy elements as set forth in §13.12; distance from R, RA14-26, RA8-18, RA7-16
2184 and RA6-15 districts; direction the sign faces; number of signs; maximum sign size
2185 and height; and total aggregate sign area.
- 2186 (d) Where the County Board finds that a sign is i) substantially blocked from view of
2187 properties within one mile of the sign that are zoned R, RA14-26, RA8-18, RA7-16
2188 and RA6-15 and used for residential purposes; ii) compatible with the
2189 architectural style of the building on which it is located in scale, design and color;
2190 and iii) compatible with other signs on the building; then, subject to such
2191 conditions as the County Board may impose to ensure that the sign functions
2192 without glare or disturbance to nearby uses, which conditions may include but

2193 shall not be limited to reduced luminance levels, reduction in sign area, and
2194 reduced hours of illumination, the County Board may modify regulations in this
2195 Article 13 as follows:

2196 (1) The County Board may allow illumination of a sign placed above a height of
2197 40 feet where not otherwise allowed by the standards set forth in
2198 §13.7.1.G.7; and

2199 (2) Except where expressly prohibited, the County Board may modify hours of
2200 illumination set forth in §13.12.2 for a sign placed above a height of 40 feet.

2201 3. Where the Historical Affairs and Landmarks Review Board determines that no sign can
2202 meet both the standards for approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness and be in
2203 compliance with this Article 13, then the County Board may approve a sign that does
2204 not comply with this Article 13, but meets the standards for a Certificate of
2205 Appropriateness.

2206 B. For treatment of signs allowed by a site plan or comprehensive sign plan approved by
2207 Special Exception before July 24, 2012, see §13.17.3.D.

2208 **§13.3.2. No variances**

2209 The standards in this Article 13 are not subject to variance under §15.7.3.

2210 **§13.4. Signs Prohibited in All Districts**

2211 The following types of signs and sign characteristics are prohibited and shall not be permitted by variance
2212 or special exception (see §13.3):

2213 A. Any sign which is not accessory or incidental to the existing or otherwise approved lawful
2214 use of the property on which it is located;

2215 B. Any portable sign except those sidewalk signs expressly allowed under §13.7.10;

2216 C. Balloons or other devices that are not specifically permitted elsewhere in this Article 13 and
2217 that are located or designed to attract attention to goods or services;

2218 D. Signs attached to, painted on or otherwise affixed to any rock, tree or other natural
2219 feature;

2220 E. Any sign erected or painted upon a standpipe, or fire escape, except the manufacturer's or
2221 installer's ID plate, which shall not be legible from a distance of more than three feet;

2222 F. Any sign painted on or attached to a fence, except:

2223 1. Certain freestanding signs as expressly allowed by this Article 13;

2224 2. Signs on fences or other screening devices at construction sites, as allowed by
2225 §13.15.6; and

2226 3. Signs that contain no commercial message and that are smaller than two ~~sq. ft.~~ square
2227 feet in R, RA-615, RA7-16, RA8-18 and RA14-26 districts and smaller than four ~~sq.~~
2228 ft. square feet in all other districts;

2229 4. Temporary banners as permitted by §13.9.5;

2230 G. Signs projected onto walls, fences or other surfaces;

- 2231 H. Searchlights and other projections into the sky;
- 2232 I. Signs for which a separate structure is mounted on a roof or parapet;
- 2233 J. Sign structures which do not support a sign, including otherwise permitted or
2234 nonconforming sign structures, after the sign has been removed for a period of 30 days;
- 2235 K. Any sign that falsely presents or implies the need or requirement of stopping or caution or
2236 the existence of danger or that is a copy or imitation of or that for any reason is likely to be
2237 confused with any sign displayed or authorized by a public authority;
- 2238 L. Any sign that violates any provision of any law of the Commonwealth of Virginia or the
2239 United States relating to outdoor advertising;
- 2240 M. Any sign that violates any provision of the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code;
- 2241 N. Any sign or device to attract attention, whether or not it has written message content, of
2242 which all or any part moves by any means, including fluttering, rotating or otherwise
2243 moving devices, or set in motion by movement of the atmosphere including, but not
2244 limited to, pennants, propellers, discs, balloons, and similar devices. This prohibition does
2245 not apply to:
- 2246 1. Flags otherwise allowed under this Article 13;
- 2247 2. Automatic changeable copy signs that conform with §13.12.2; or
- 2248 3. Banners where allowed by this Article 13, provided that such banners are firmly affixed
2249 at all corners to mitigate movement or flapping in the breeze.
- 2250 O. Any flashing sign or device displaying flashing or intermittent lights or lights of changing
2251 degrees of intensity; this prohibition does not apply to:
- 2252 1. Devices that automatically reduce the intensity or brightness of the sign at night and
2253 that increase it during the day; or
- 2254 2. Automatic changeable copy signs that conform with §13.12.2;
- 2255 P. Sign lighting that does not conform to the standards of §13.11;
- 2256 Q. Signs that produce sound, cause interference with radio, telephone, television or other
2257 communication transmissions; produce or reflect motion pictures; emit visible smoke,
2258 vapor, particles, or odor; and
- 2259 R. Reflective signs or signs that produce light of such brightness as to constitute a hazard or
2260 nuisance to any person, building or property other than the person, building or property to
2261 which the sign may be related, as determined by the zoning administrator.
- 2262 S. Any sign advertising any commercial activity, product, or service not on the lot on which
2263 the sign is placed or not in a location that is part of the same approved comprehensive sign
2264 plan or site plan.
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§13.5. Signs in R Districts and for One- and Two-Family Dwellings in All Districts

§13.5.1. General

A. Signs allowed

The sign types listed and described in this §13.5 are allowed on private property in one-family R districts (excluding R-C districts) and for one- and two-family uses in all districts, subject to all permit requirements, standards and conditions set forth for each sign type.

B. Lighting

Signs allowed under this §13.5 shall not be separately lighted unless the standard in the general standards table says “yes” or “see standards” next to the “separately lighted?” query. The fact that a sign may be partly or wholly illuminated by a porch light; other light serving another purpose; or a light designed to make street addresses visible in accordance with County regulation shall not be considered “separately lighted.”

C. Changeable copy

Signs allowed in these districts shall not include automatic changeable copy elements unless the standard in the general standards table says “yes” next to the “automatic changeable copy?” query. §13.12 contains standards that apply to all automatic changeable copy signs under this Article 13.

SIGNS ALLOWED IN R DISTRICTS AND FOR ONE-FAMILY AND TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS

§13.5.2. Flags

A. Defined

A piece of cloth or other material used as a noncommercial symbol, standard, or signal, such as the flag of a local, state, or national government or private noncommercial organization.

B. General standards

Maximum number of poles	3
Maximum height of poles	35 ft.
Maximum flags per pole	2
Maximum flag size	60 sq. ft.
Maximum total flag area	180 sq. ft.
Permit required?	No
Separate lighting?	Yes
Automatic changeable copy	No
Commercial messages?	No



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§13.5.3. Freestanding and temporary signs

A. Defined

A sign that is affixed to the ground, or to a wall that is not part of a building, or to a fence; freestanding signs include but are not necessarily limited to signs mounted on monument-style foundations, on poles, or on fences or other approved accessory structures.

B. General standards

Maximum size	6.5 sq. ft.
Maximum height	5 feet
Number	1 permanent; unlimited temporary
Permit required?	No
Separate lighting?	No
Automatic changeable copy	No
Commercial messages?	See other standards below

C. Other standards

1. One permanent freestanding sign is permitted and may contain only a noncommercial message.
2. Any number of temporary signs with noncommercial messages are permitted.
3. Up to three temporary signs with commercial messages are permitted at one time. The only commercial messages permitted are messages related to:
 - (a) Commercial activity lawfully conducted on the premises other than home occupations pursuant to §12.9.11, including the lawful, occasional sale of personal property (such as through a garage sale or a yard sale). Such signs shall be removed within 24 hours after the end of the sale or conclusion of commercial activity; or
 - (b) Sale, rental or lease of the premises. Such signs shall be removed no later than the date on which the deed, lease or other document representing the transaction is completed.



§13.5.4. Incidental signs

A. Defined

A sign that provides information or directions that are necessary for the physical use of the site, including but not limited to signs that provide warnings, parking rules or way-finding information.

B. General standards

Maximum size (wall)	1.5 sq. ft.
Maximum size (freestanding)	1.5 sq. ft.
Maximum height (freestanding)	4 ft.
Number allowed	Unlimited
Permit required?	No
Separate lighting?	No
Automatic changeable copy	No
Commercial messages?	No



§13.5.5. Signs for ~~institutional~~public, civic and institutional uses (optional)

An ~~institutional~~public, civic or institutional use (excluding day care and utility uses) may choose to have its signs regulated under the sign regulations applicable to other uses in the same district as the ~~institutional~~public, civic and institutional use or under the regulations set forth in §13.8. An ~~institutional~~public, civic and institutional use that intends to exercise that option must declare its intent on its comprehensive sign plan (if any) or by separate letter submitted on its first application for a sign permit. No ~~institutional~~public, civic and institutional use may “mix and match” signs allowed for ~~institutional~~public, civic and institutional uses and signs allowed for other uses in the same district.



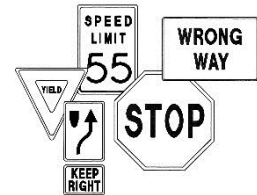
§13.5.6. Traffic-control signs

A. Defined

A sign used for traffic control and conforming with national or state standards for the design and installation of such signs.

B. General Standards

Maximum size	As set forth in MUTCD
Maximum height	As set forth in MUTCD
Number allowed	As needed
Permit required?	No
Separate lighting?	As set forth in MUTCD
Automatic changeable copy	As set forth in MUTCD
Commercial messages?	No



C. Other standards

1. Traffic control signs are allowed only in areas required by MUTCD and/or shown on an approved site plan;
2. Traffic control signs (including lighting) must conform with the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD); no other sizes are allowed and no separate lighting is allowed except as specified by those standard design sources.

§13.6. Signs in RA ~~Districts 14-26, RA8-18, RA7-16, RA6-15~~ and for Townhouses ~~Uses in any Zoning District~~

§13.6.1. General

A. Signs allowed

The sign types listed and described in this §13.6 are allowed on private property in the RA14-26, RA8-18, RA7-16, and RA6-15 districts, and on townhouse properties in all districts, subject to all permit requirements, standards and conditions set forth for each sign type.

B. Lighting

Signs allowed under this §13.6 shall not be separately lighted unless the standard in the general standards table says “yes” or “see standards” next to the “separately lighted?” query. The fact that a sign may be partly or wholly illuminated by a porch light or other light serving another purpose shall not be considered “separately lighted.”

C. Changeable copy

Signs allowed under this §13.6 shall not include automatic changeable copy elements unless the standard in the general standards table says “yes” next to the “automatic

2301 changeable copy?" query. See §13.12 for standards that apply to all automatic changeable
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SIGNS ALLOWED IN RA14-26, RA8-18, RA7-16 AND RA6-15 DISTRICTS AND FOR TOWNHOUSE USES

§13.6.2. Awning or canopy signs

A. Defined

Awning sign: A sign that is painted on or affixed to the surface of an awning.

Canopy sign: A sign that is painted on or affixed to the flat vertical surface of or sits on top of a canopy.

B. General standards

Maximum number	1 per building per street frontage if no freestanding sign(s) or wall sign
Maximum size	24 sq. ft.
Permit required?	Yes
Separate lighting?	Yes
Commercial messages?	No
Automatic changeable copy?	No
Included in aggregate sign area?	Yes

C. Other standards

The purpose of this section is to provide regulations for signs on awnings or canopies. This section does not govern the installation of awnings, canopies and other appurtenances; installation, design and dimensions of the awning or canopy are determined by applicable provisions of this zoning ordinance and/or from an approved site plan and/or other applicable County ordinance regulation or requirement.



§13.6.3. Banners

Banners are allowed in these districts only during period of construction and leasing; see §13.15, Temporary signs for construction and sale/leasing.



§13.6.4. Flags	
A. Defined	
A piece of cloth or other material used as a noncommercial symbol, standard, or signal, such as the flag of a local, state, or national government or private noncommercial organization.	
B. General standards	
Maximum number of poles	3
Maximum height of poles	35 ft.
Maximum flags per pole	2
Maximum flag size	60 sq. ft.
Maximum total flag area	180 sq. ft.
Permit required?	No
Separate lighting?	Yes
Automatic changeable copy?	No
Included in aggregate sign area?	No
C. Other standards	
Flagpoles shall be located as shown on an approved site plan; if there is no approved site plan for the property and no site plan is required, flagpoles shall be located within 30 feet of the principal entrance to the main building.	



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§13.6.1 GENERAL

§13.6.5. Freestanding signs

A. Defined

A sign that is affixed to the ground or a wall that is not part of a building, or a fence; freestanding signs include but are not necessarily limited to signs mounted on monument-style foundations, on poles, or on fences or other approved accessory structures.

B. General standards

Maximum size at pedestrian entrance	6.5 sq. ft.
Maximum size at driveway or vehicular entrance	12 sq. ft.
Maximum height at pedestrian entrance	5 ft.
Maximum height at driveway or vehicular entrance	8 ft.
Number allowed	1 per driveway or vehicular entrance; plus 1 per postal street address or 1 per 20 dwelling units, whichever is fewer
Minimum setback	3 ft. from back of sidewalk; 5 ft from any other property line
Permit required?	Yes
Separate lighting?	Yes
Automatic changeable copy?	No
Commercial messages?	See standards below
Included in aggregate sign area?	Yes

C. Other standards

1. For townhouse uses, freestanding signs are permitted only in R, RA14-26, RA8-18, RA7-16 and RA6-15 districts.
2. The primary purpose of these signs is to provide address and way-finding information. Up to 10 percent of the allowed area of the sign may be used to provide contact information on management and/or sales or leasing agents.



§13.6.6. Incidental signs

A. Defined

A sign that provides information or directions that are necessary for the physical use of the site, including but not limited to signs that provide warnings, parking rules or way-finding information.

B. General standards

Maximum size (wall)	4 sq. ft.
Maximum size (freestanding)	4 sq. ft.
Maximum height (freestanding)	4 ft.
Number allowed	Unlimited
Permit required?	No
Separate lighting?	No
Automatic changeable copy?	No
Commercial messages?	No
Included in aggregate sign area?	No



§13.6.7. Signs for institutional public, civic and institutional uses (optional)

An institutional public, civic and institutional use (excluding day care and utility uses) may choose to have its signs regulated under the sign regulations applicable to other uses in the same district as the institutional public, civic and institutional use or under the regulations set forth in §13.8. An institutional public, civic and institutional use that intends to exercise that option must declare its intent on its comprehensive sign plan (if any) or by separate letter submitted on its first application for a sign permit. No institutional public, civic and institutional use may “mix and match” signs allowed for institutional public, civic and institutional uses and signs allowed for other uses in the same district.



§13.6.8. Temporary signs

A. Defined

A sign that may easily be moved or removed and that can feasibly be displayed for a limited period of time in any one location.

B. General standards

Maximum size	6.5 sq. ft.
Maximum height	5 feet
Number	3 per townhouse dwelling
Permit required?	No
Separate lighting?	No
Automatic changeable copy?	No
Commercial messages?	Yes

C. Other standards

Temporary signs allowed by this subsection §13.6.8 are allowed only for individual townhouse dwellings that are not advertised by any other commercial sign allowed by this Article 13. The only commercial messages permitted are those related to:

1. Commercial activity lawfully conducted on the premises, including the lawful, occasional sale of personal property (such as through a garage sale or a yard sale). Such signs shall be removed within 24 hours after the end of the sale or conclusion of commercial activity; or
2. Sale, rental or lease of the premises. Such signs shall be removed no later than the date on which the deed, lease or other document representing the transaction is completed.

§13.6.9. Traffic-control signs

A. Defined

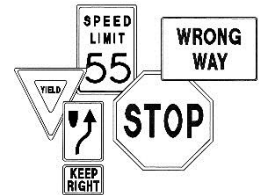
A sign used for traffic control and conforming with national or state standards for the design and installation of such signs.

B. General standards

Maximum size	As set forth in MUTCD
Maximum height	As set forth in MUTCD
Number allowed	As needed
Permit required?	No
Separate lighting?	As set forth in MUTCD
Automatic changeable copy?	As set forth in MUTCD
Commercial messages?	No
Included in aggregate sign area?	No

C. Other standards

1. Traffic control signs are allowed only where required by MUTCD and/or shown on an approved site plan; and



2. Traffic control signs (including lighting) must conform with the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD); no other sizes are allowed and no separate lighting is allowed except as specified by those standard design sources.

§13.6.10. Wall signs

A. Defined

Any sign that is affixed directly to or suspended from a wall, marquee, mansard wall, or parapet wall of a building, with the exposed face of the sign in a plane approximately parallel to and projecting no more than 18 inches from the face of the wall. A wall sign may be either of one-piece construction or of individual connected or related letters or symbols.

B. General standards

Maximum size	24 sq. ft.
Number allowed	1 per building if no awning sign, canopy sign or freestanding sign(s)
Permit required?	Yes
Separate lighting?	Yes
Automatic changeable copy?	No
Commercial messages?	See standards below
Included in aggregate sign area?	Yes

C. Other standards

A wall sign may contain a commercial message related to an activity lawfully conducted on the premises including the sale, lease or rental of the property or any unit or part thereof.



§13.6.11. Window signs

A. Defined

Any permanent or temporary sign, including any decal, that is legible from the outside, including plazas, public streets, and parking lots, and that is placed on the outside or inside face of a window or mounted within two feet of the inside face of the window.

B. General standards

Maximum size	6.5 sq. ft.
Number allowed	Unlimited temporary signs in windows only of residential dwelling units
Permit required?	No
Separate lighting?	No
Automatic changeable copy?	No
Commercial messages?	No
Included in aggregate sign area?	No

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§13.7. Signs in C and M Districts (excluding One- and Two-Family and Townhouse Uses)

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§13.7.1. General

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A. Signs allowed

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The sign types listed and described in this §13.7 are allowed on private property in C districts, M districts, and mixed use (RA4.8, R-C, RA-H, RA-H-3.2, MU-VS) districts, except for one- and two-family and townhouse uses, subject to the permit requirements, standards and conditions set forth for each sign type.

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B. Lighting

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Signs allowed under §13.7 shall not be separately lighted unless the standard in the table says “yes” or “see standards” next to the “separately lighted?” query. The fact that a sign may be partly or wholly illuminated by a porch light or other light serving another purpose shall not be considered “separately lighted.”

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C. Changeable copy

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Signs allowed under this §13.7 shall not include automatic changeable copy elements unless the standard in the table says “yes” next to the “automatic changeable copy?” query. See §13.12 for standards that apply to all automatic changeable copy signs under this Article 13.

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D. Aggregate sign area allowed

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The maximum aggregate sign area allowed for a single building, or combination of buildings, is the larger of:

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1. One square foot of sign area per linear foot of building frontage; or

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2. For a building with one or more establishments with at least one exterior public entrance and less than 60 feet of frontage, 60 sq. ft. for each such establishment plus one square foot per linear foot of building frontage, excluding any frontage occupied by those establishments.

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E. Additional sign area for specified uses

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1. In addition to other signs on a development project, the county manager may place, or cause to be placed wall or freestanding signs at the garage entry to a public parking facility. Such signs shall:

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(a) Be limited to noncommercial messages that show parking availability within the public parking facility and shall be no larger than 60 sq. ft;

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(b) Be allowed in addition to otherwise allowed aggregate sign area;

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(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of §13.12.2, be allowed to include up to 12 sq. ft. of automatic changeable copy elements for each sign; and

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(d) Be of such design as the county manager may determine.

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2. Any building that meets the following criteria may install up to a maximum of two additional wall or projecting signs, with a permit, subject to the standards listed below. Such signs shall be allowed in addition to otherwise allocated aggregate sign area, but shall be separate from, and not combined with signs included in aggregate sign area, and under no circumstances shall more than two signs per building be placed above a height of 40 feet.

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(a) The building is not located in an S-3A, S-D, R, RA14-26, RA8-18, RA7-16, RA6-15, C-1, C-2, C-1-O, C-O-1.0 or C-1-R district

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(b) The building is more than 70 feet in height; and

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(c) The building, above the ground floor, is devoted primarily to office, commercial, public or at least 50 percent to hotel uses.

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(d) The maximum area of each additional sign is limited as follows:

Height of Building	Maximum Sign Area (sq. ft.)
70 ft. – 100 ft.	0.6 x building width at height of sign
101 ft. – 200 ft.	1.0 x building width at height of sign
>201 ft.	1.5 x building width at height of sign

2354 **F. Placement standards for signs below a height of 40 feet**

- 2355 1. No signs shall be permitted on that part of the side or rear wall of a building within 100
 2356 feet of any R or RA14-26, RA8-18, RA7-16, RA6-15 district except, where a tenant’s
 2357 primary entrance is located on a side or rear wall of a building, the tenant’s sign that
 2358 otherwise would be allowed on the front wall of the building may be erected on the
 2359 wall where the primary entrance is located.
- 2360 2. No sign shall extend above the height of the actual roofline of the building, measured
 2361 from the actual roofline in the case of a flat roof or from the eaves line in the case of a
 2362 hip or gable roof; except, on a building that is 24 feet or less in height, up to 20 percent
 2363 of the sign area may extend up to 1.5 feet above the roofline.

2364 **G. Placement standards for signs above a height of 40 feet**

2365 In order to protect the viewshed for properties in residential districts
 2366 that face commercial areas of the County, the following provisions
 2367 are set forth in order to limit visibility of signs placed above a height
 2368 of 40 feet.



- 2369 1. Under no circumstances shall more than two signs per building
 2370 be placed above a height of 40 feet. However, under no
 2371 circumstances shall more than one sign be placed above a height
 2372 of 40 feet on any building façade directly facing Line B on map
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- 2374 2. No sign shall be placed above a height of 40 feet in a C-1, C-2, C-1-O, C-O-1.0 or C-1-R
 2375 district.
- 2376 3. Under no circumstances shall any sign in the C-O Rosslyn district be permitted above a
 2377 maximum height of 50 feet on any building located within Central Place that is
 2378 approved with additional density and height by application of either §7.15.3.D.2(a) or
 2379 §7.15.3.D.2(c).
- 2380 4. Horizontally oriented signs shall fit within a sign band that is no
 2381 more than six feet in height, provided, however, that up to 20
 2382 percent of the sign may be no more than nine feet in height. The
 2383 designated sign band shall be placed within the 20 feet of the
 2384 building façade below the main roofline or other roofline of the
 2385 building below the main roofline for a building where there are
 2386 multiple rooflines.
- 2387 5. No sign shall extend above the height of the actual roofline of the
 2388 building, measured from the actual roofline in the case of a flat
 2389 roof or from the eaves line in the case of a hip or gable roof.
- 2390 6. No sign placed above a height of 40 feet shall have any automatic changeable copy
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- 2392 7. All signs placed above a height of 40 feet may be illuminated only by internal lighting
 2393 and hours of illumination shall be as set forth in §13.11.3.
- 2394 8. Signs placed above a height of 40 feet may be placed on building facades perpendicular
 2395 to or facing away from the line identified as Line A on Map 34-1, but shall not be placed
 2396 on facades facing Line A (a façade shall be considered to be facing Line A if it is less
 2397 than 90 degrees from parallel). Provided, however, that such signs may be placed on
 2398 building facades ~~immediately adjacent-abutting to~~ streets parallel to Line A, including
 2399 but not limited to, Wilson Blvd., Clarendon Blvd., Fairfax Dr., S. Randolph St., S. Quincy
 2400 St. and Campbell Ave, if the building façade is not within 200 feet of an R or RA14-26,
 2401 RA8-18, RA7-16 or RA6-15 district, and the applicant demonstrates that view of the
 2402 sign is substantially blocked from the aforementioned districts by a building or other
 2403 obstruction of equal or greater height to the height of the sign. Placement of such
 2404 signs may be allowed by the County Board as set forth in §13.3.1.A.2(d).

SIGNS ALLOWED IN C, M AND MIXED-USE (RA4.8, R-C, RA-H, RA-H-3.2, MU-VS) DISTRICTS

§13.7.2. Arcade signs

A. Defined
 A sign that is suspended underneath an awning, canopy, marquee, overhang, or other structural element of a building that forms a covered passageway for pedestrians.

B. General standards

Maximum number	1 per public entrance under canopy
Maximum size	1.5 sq. ft.
Minimum clearance above sidewalk	8 ft.
Permit required?	Yes
Separate lighting?	Yes
Commercial messages?	Yes
Automatic changeable copy?	No
Included in aggregate sign area?	Yes

C. Other standards
 Allowed only where multiple establishments share a common canopy ceiling over a sidewalk.



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§13.7.3. Awning or canopy signs

A. Defined

Awning signs: A sign that is painted on or affixed to the surface of an awning.

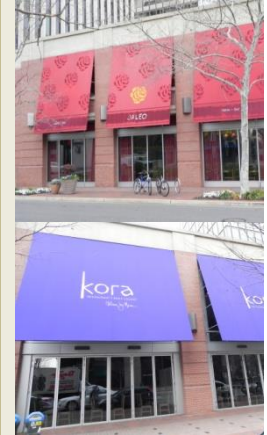
Canopy sign: A sign that is affixed to the flat vertical surface of or sits on top of a canopy.

B. General standards

Maximum number	1 per awning or canopy; for awnings or canopies longer than 8 linear feet, 1 per 8 ft. of linear awning or canopy
Maximum size	60 sq. ft. without a comprehensive sign plan; no limit other than aggregate sign area with a comprehensive sign plan
Permit required?	Yes
Separate lighting?	Yes
Commercial messages?	Yes
Automatic changeable copy?	No
Included in aggregate sign area?	Yes

C. Other standards

The purpose of this section is to provide regulations for signs on awnings or canopies; installation, design and dimensions of the awning or canopy are determined by applicable provisions of this zoning ordinance and/or from an approved site plan and/or other applicable County ordinance regulation or requirement.



§13.7.4. Banners

A. Defined

A sign of any kind applied to fabric or other flexible, durable material. Flags as defined herein shall not be considered banners.

B. General standards

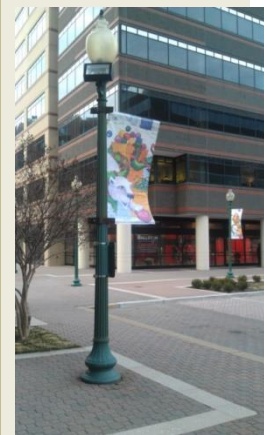
Maximum number	2 per pole, as approved on comprehensive sign plan
Maximum size	6 sq. ft. on each side; may be 2-sided
Minimum clearance above sidewalk	8'6"
Permit required?	Yes, single permit may cover multiple banners
Separate lighting?	No
Commercial messages?	No
Automatic changeable copy?	No
Included in aggregate sign area?	No

C. Other standards

1. Banners in this subsection §13.7.4 are allowed only for property included in an approved comprehensive sign plan and only in accordance with the provisions of the approved plan;
2. Banners in this subsection §13.7.4 are allowed only on poles. Such poles shall be:
 - (a) approved on or consistent with a County-approved site engineering plan for the project;
 - (b) installed primarily for other purposes, such as site lighting;
 - (c) located in a parking lot, along a private street or on private property along a public or private plaza or courtyard;
 - (d) Two banners shall be allowed on a pole only if the two banners are of the same size and are mounted at the same height; and
 - (e) Banners on poles must be attached at all corners such that they do not move or flap.

D. Other permits or approvals

Banners on poles under this subsection §13.7.4 will be allowed only with the express consent of the owner(s) of the underlying real property and the pole(s).



§13.7.5. Directory signs

A. Defined
 A map and/or sign at a building or project with multiple uses that identifies uses or activities conducted [on-site](#) and approved as part of a comprehensive sign plan; or a sign located on the wall of a building near a public entrance to the building.

B. General standards

Maximum size	Wall: 6 sq. ft.; freestanding 12 sq. ft.
Maximum height	Freestanding: 7 ft.
Number allowed	Wall: 1 per building; freestanding: 1 per every two buildings in a multi-building project
Permit required?	Yes
Separate lighting?	Yes
Automatic changeable copy?	Yes, with frequency of change of copy less than once per 24 hours
Commercial messages?	Yes
Included in aggregate sign area?	No

- C. Other standards**
1. Directory signs are allowed only for buildings or projects with approved comprehensive sign plans and only in locations shown on the approved plan.
 2. No part of a directory sign except the word “directory” or “map” or something similar shall be legible from a distance of more than six feet.
 3. Directory signs that change only through manipulation by the user shall be deemed not to be automatic changeable copy signs and shall not be subject to the limitations in §13.12.2.A.



§13.7.6. Flags

A. Defined
 A piece of cloth or other material used as a noncommercial symbol, standard, or signal, such as the flag of a local, state, or national government or private noncommercial organization.

B. General standards

Maximum number of poles	3
Maximum height of pole	35 ft.
Maximum flags per pole	2
Maximum flag size	60 sq. ft.
Maximum total flag area	180 sq. ft.
Permit required?	No
Separate lighting?	Yes
Automatic changeable copy?	No
Commercial messages?	No
Included in aggregate sign area?	No



§13.7.1 GENERAL

C. Other standards

Flagpoles shall be located as shown on an approved site plan; if there is no approved site plan for the property and no site plan is required, flagpoles shall be located within 30 feet of the principal entrance to the main building.

§13.7.7. Freestanding signs

A. Defined

A sign that is affixed to the ground, or to a wall that is not part of a building, or to a fence; freestanding signs include but are not necessarily limited to signs mounted on monument-style foundations, on poles, or on fences or other approved accessory structures.

B. General Standards

Maximum size	60 sq. ft. per side; may be 2-sided
Maximum height	15 ft.
Number allowed	1 except as provided below
Permit required?	Yes
Minimum setback	10 ft. from back of sidewalk
Separate lighting?	Yes
Automatic changeable copy?	Yes, subject to standards of §13.12
Commercial messages?	Yes
Included in aggregate sign area?	Yes

C. Uses for which allowed

Freestanding signs are allowed for only the following uses:

1. Outdoor sales lot or other lot, the use of which involves no main building and consists primarily of the use of land;
2. Unified shopping center; and
3. Vehicle service establishment (replaces a wall sign).

D. Other standards

1. For a unified shopping center, one additional freestanding identification sign may be approved if both freestanding signs are incorporated into screening or retaining walls or planter boxes or are mounted on a brick base with a maximum height of three feet and a maximum overall base and sign height of 15 feet, and the total sign area of both freestanding signs does not exceed 60 sq. ft.
2. For vehicle service establishments and vehicle, a group of fuel pumps may have additional signs not exceeding an aggregate area of 12 sq. ft. for each pump island.
3. For uses listed in subsection C, above, located on a corner lot or on a lot with frontage on two or more streets, one additional freestanding sign may be approved with the same dimensions as the first sign.
4. Where two or more freestanding signs are allowed on a site, the sign placed on the side street shall not be located within 200 feet of property zoned R or RA14-26, RA8-18, RA7-16, RA6-15.
5. For a permitted drive-through window accessory to any use, one freestanding or wall mounted menu board or other instructional or informational device related to the drive-through window shall be permitted, up to a maximum of 12 sq. ft. in size, so long as the only words, numerals, symbol or pictures on such device that are legible from any property other than the property on which the drive-through window is located shall include no commercial message, but shall simply identify the device as a "menu," "directory," "instructions," "information" or something similar. If such a menu board or other device is larger than four sq. ft. or it is electrified, it shall require a permit.



§13.7.8. Incidental signs

1. Defined

Signs that provide information or directions that are necessary for the physical use of the site, including but not limited to signs that provide warnings, parking rules or way-finding information.

2. General standards

Maximum size (wall)	4 sq. ft.
Maximum size (freestanding)	3 sq. ft. per side, may be 2-sided
Maximum height (freestanding)	4 ft.
Number allowed	As needed
Permit required?	No
Separate lighting?	No
Automatic changeable copy?	No
Commercial messages?	Limited; see standards below
Included in aggregate sign area?	No

B. Other standards

1. One incidental sign per 1st or 2nd floor occupant may contain a commercial message.
2. Freestanding signs may be placed only on the perimeter of a parking lot and may be no less than 25 feet apart.
3. Wall or projecting signs of a maximum of 6.5 sq. ft., with no dimension exceeding 4 sq. ft., that meet all other standards in subsection E.2, above, and all standards prescribed in the diagram below may be installed on public parking facilities. Compliance with these standards shall be determined by the zoning administrator, based on factors that include but are not limited to: location; color; size; shape and lettering, as shown in the diagram at left.



§13.7.9. Signs for ~~institutional~~public, civic and institutional uses (optional)

An ~~institutional~~public, civic and institutional use (excluding day care and utility uses) may choose to have its signs regulated under the sign regulations applicable to other uses in the same district as the ~~institutional~~public, civic and institutional use or under the regulations set forth in §13.8. An ~~institutional~~public, civic and institutional use that intends to exercise that option must declare its intent on its comprehensive sign plan (if any) or by separate letter submitted on its first application for a sign permit. No ~~institutional~~public, civic and institutional use may “mix and match” signs allowed for ~~institutional~~public, civic and institutional uses and signs allowed for other uses in the same district.



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§13.7.10. Projecting signs

A. Defined

Any sign that is attached in a plane approximately perpendicular to the surface of a building or other structure.

B. General standards

Maximum size	20 sq. ft.
Maximum projection	42 inches
Minimum vertical clearance	10 ft. above finished grade
Permit required?	Yes
Separate lighting?	Yes
Automatic changeable copy?	Yes, subject to standards of §13.12
Commercial messages?	Yes
Included in aggregate sign area?	Yes
Maximum height to top of sign	40 feet, except a maximum of two wall or projecting signs per building may be placed above a height of 40 feet, subject to the standards in §13.7.1.B.

C. Other permits

A projecting sign may require a separate encroachment agreement or permit from the County, subject to established standards.

D. Relationship to wall signs

A sign that projects 18 inches or less from the wall is considered a wall sign; see §13.7.15.



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§13.7.11. Sidewalk signs

A. Defined

A temporary, self-supporting sign made of durable material and located on the sidewalk in front of a use for which such a sign is allowed.

B. General standards

Maximum size	7 sq. ft. per side (may be two-sided)
Maximum height	3.5 ft.
Number allowed	One per public entrance directly from sidewalk into establishment
Permit required?	No
Separate lighting?	No
Changeable copy?	No
Commercial messages?	Yes, related to establishment for which sign is allowed
Included in aggregate sign area?	No

C. Other standards

1. Temporary sidewalk signs shall be permitted only for establishments (but not for home occupations);
2. No more than one temporary sidewalk sign is permitted for each public entrance to an establishment. For purposes of this §13.7.10, a parking garage is an establishment and a public entrance includes a vehicular entrance;
3. If an establishment has more than one public entrance and two of the public entrances face the same street and are located within 200 feet or less of each other, then a sign shall be allowed for only one of the public entrances;
4. Such signs may be placed on sidewalk only during hours the establishment is open;
5. Temporary sidewalk signs shall be permitted only on sidewalks where there is an existing minimum six-foot clear walkway (an unobstructed areas serving as circulation space for pedestrians). In order to provide adequate clearance for pedestrians and persons with visual and mobility disabilities, such signs shall not be placed within any required clear walkway for the site, and shall be located either entirely within two feet of the building face, or within the landscape and utility zone such that there is at least one foot between the sign and the edge of the curb (on sidewalks where there is no landscaping, sidewalk signs may be placed within four feet of the edge of the curb if such placement maintains the clear walkway required in this subparagraph and maintains at least one foot between the sign and the edge of the curb);
6. Temporary sidewalk signs shall not be placed in tree pits that are not covered with hard grates;
7. Such signs shall be self-supporting, either with legs or supports that are continuous with the plane of the sign face; or with a solid base no wider than the sign width, protruding no more than 12 inches from the plane of the sign face, and separated by no more than six inches from the bottom of the sign face; and
8. Any sign found by the zoning administrator to be unsafe or to present a hazard or to impair a required clear walkway, shall be removed immediately.



§13.7.12. Temporary signs

A. Defined

Any sign that may easily be moved or removed and that can feasibly be displayed for a limited period of time in any one location.

B. Standards

1. Where the vacancy rate of a building exceeds 33 percent, as determined by the county manager or his or her designee based on a comprehensive database of commercial real estate information, and if the building has had a certificate of occupancy for more than one year, and the building cannot accommodate a sign due to placement of windows, architectural features, and the like, then a temporary freestanding sign may be permitted subject to review by the zoning administrator to determine whether the location and design of the freestanding sign will meet all requirements of this zoning ordinance. The sign shall be no larger than 20 sq. ft. in area and no higher than 18 feet in height. The sign shall be removed immediately upon the vacancy rate of the building falling below 33 percent, but in any event, within 6 months after the date of approval of such sign by the zoning administrator.
2. For other temporary signs allowed in these districts, see window signs (§13.7.15) and temporary signs for construction and sale/leasing (§13.15).

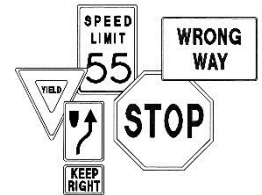
§13.7.13. Traffic control signs

A. Defined

A sign used for traffic control and conforming with national or state standards for the design and installation of such signs.

B. General standards

Maximum size	As set forth in MUTCD
Maximum height	As set forth in MUTCD
Number allowed	As needed
Permit required?	No
Separate lighting?	As set forth in MUTCD
Automatic changeable copy?	As set forth in MUTCD
Commercial messages?	No
Included in aggregate sign area?	No



C. Other standards

1. Traffic control signs are allowed only where required by MUTCD and/or shown on an approved site plan;
2. Traffic control signs (including lighting) must conform with the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices; no other sizes are allowed and no separate lighting is allowed except as specified by those standard design sources.

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§13.7.14. Umbrella signs

A. Defined

A sign painted on or affixed to the surface of an umbrella.

B. General standards

Maximum size	Up to 4 sq. ft. on any individual umbrella
Permit required?	No
Automatic changeable copy?	No
Commercial messages?	Yes, related to the dining facility or products served there, or noncommercial messages
Included in aggregate sign area?	No



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§13.7.15. Wall signs

A. Defined

Any sign that is affixed directly to or suspended from a building wall, marquee, mansard wall, or parapet wall of a building, with the exposed face of the sign in a plane approximately parallel to and projecting no more than 18 inches from the face of the wall. A wall sign may be either of one-piece construction or of individual connected or related letters or symbols.

B. General standards

Permit required?	Yes
Separate lighting?	Yes
Automatic changeable copy?	Yes, subject to standards of §13.12
Commercial messages?	Yes
Included in aggregate sign area?	Yes
Maximum height to top of sign	40 feet, except a maximum of two wall or projecting signs per building may be placed above a height of 40 feet, subject to the standards in §13.7.1.G.



C. Dimensional Standards

1. For a property or building for which there is not an approved comprehensive sign plan, the following dimensional standards apply to wall signs:

Maximum size per sign	60 sq. ft.; see additional limitations below
Maximum sign area per occupant	The larger of 60 sq. ft. or one sq. ft. of sign per <u>linear</u> foot of building frontage; see also additional signs below
Maximum number	3 per establishment located on 1st or 2nd floor; see also additional signs below
Additional signs	1 additional sign not exceeding 6 sq. ft. to identify secondary entrances to a building
	1 additional side or rear sign not exceeding 30 sq. ft. on the side or rear wall of a commercial building which abuts a public street or a parking lot associated with the commercial building, for buildings located on corner lots or lots abutting streets at both the front and rear, or for buildings served by an abutting parking lot of no less than 60 feet in width located to the side or rear of the main building
Maximum height to top of sign	40 feet





2. For a building or property for which there is an approved comprehensive sign plan, the only dimensional limitation or limitation on total number of signs per occupant is the maximum aggregate sign area (see §13.18.1.A), as allocated under the approved comprehensive sign plan.

D. Other standards

Up to 50 sq. ft. of wall signs placed inside of a public parking garage, two feet or more from and mounted approximately perpendicular to the façade on which the vehicular entrance to the garage is located shall not be counted as part of aggregate sign area.

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§13.7.16. Window signs															
<p>A. Defined Any permanent or temporary sign, including any decal, that is legible from the outside, including plazas, public streets, and parking lots, and that is placed on the outside or inside face of a window or mounted within two feet of the inside face of the window.</p>															
<p>B. General standards</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Maximum total area per sign</td> <td>80 sq. ft. or 20 percent of window area, whichever is less</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Number allowed</td> <td>Unlimited</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Permit required?</td> <td>No</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Separate lighting?</td> <td>Yes</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Automatic changeable copy?</td> <td>No</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Commercial messages?</td> <td>Yes; see standards below for window signs in residential dwelling units</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Included in aggregate sign area?</td> <td>No</td> </tr> </table>		Maximum total area per sign	80 sq. ft. or 20 percent of window area, whichever is less	Number allowed	Unlimited	Permit required?	No	Separate lighting?	Yes	Automatic changeable copy?	No	Commercial messages?	Yes; see standards below for window signs in residential dwelling units	Included in aggregate sign area?	No
Maximum total area per sign	80 sq. ft. or 20 percent of window area, whichever is less														
Number allowed	Unlimited														
Permit required?	No														
Separate lighting?	Yes														
Automatic changeable copy?	No														
Commercial messages?	Yes; see standards below for window signs in residential dwelling units														
Included in aggregate sign area?	No														
<p>C. Other standards</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Any establishment located on the first or second floor of a building shall be allowed window signs. An unlimited number of temporary window signs with noncommercial messages only, up to 6.5 sq. ft. per sign is permitted in the windows only of residential dwelling units. 															

2412 **§13.8. Signs for InstitutionalPublic, civic and institutional Uses**

2413 **§13.8.1. General**

2414 Any ~~institutional~~public, civic and institutional use in any district may have the following signs:

2415 **A. Choice of standards**

2416 A ~~an institutional~~public, civic or institutional use (~~excluding day care and utility uses~~) may
 2417 choose to have its signs regulated under the sign regulations applicable to other uses in the
 2418 same district as the ~~institutional~~public, civic and institutional use. An ~~institutional~~public,
 2419 ~~civic and institutional~~ use that intends to exercise that option must declare its intent on its
 2420 comprehensive sign plan (if any) or by separate letter submitted on its first application for a
 2421 sign permit. No ~~institutional~~public, civic and institutional use may “mix and match” signs
 2422 allowed for ~~institutional~~public, civic and institutional uses and signs allowed for other uses
 2423 in the same district.

2424 **B. Miscellaneous signs**

2425 Regardless of which election a ~~an institutional~~public, civic and institutional use makes
 2426 pursuant to §13.8.1.A, the ~~institutional~~public, civic and institutional use is allowed the
 2427 following additional signs subject to all standards allowed for such signs in the same
 2428 district:

- 2429 1. Flags;
- 2430 2. Incidental signs; and
- 2431 3. Traffic control signs.

SIGNS FOR ~~INSTITUTIONAL~~PUBLIC, CIVIC AND INSTITUTIONAL USES

§13.8.2. Banners

A. Defined

A sign applied to cloth or fabric or other flexible, durable material. Flags as defined herein shall not be considered banners.

B. General standards

Maximum number	1 per main building; or in the case of public parks without a main building, 1 per main entrance
Maximum size	40 sq. ft.
Permit required?	Yes
Separate lighting?	No
Commercial messages?	No
Automatic changeable copy?	No

C. Other standards

1. Banners shall be firmly affixed at all four corners to prevent movement.
2. Banners allowed under this §13.8.2 shall be temporary and shall be permitted up to fourteen days before and two days after an event, or a maximum of sixteen days.



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§13.8.3. Freestanding signs

A. Defined

A sign that is affixed to the ground, or to a wall or to a fence (to the extent allowed by this Article 13) and not to a building; freestanding signs include but are not necessarily limited to signs mounted on monument-style foundations, on poles, or on fences or other approved accessory structures.

B. General standards

Maximum total sign area	30 sq. ft., except as provided in C.4 below
Maximum height	5 ft.
Number allowed	2
Minimum setback	5 feet from back of sidewalk
Permit required?	Yes
Separate lighting?	Yes
Automatic changeable copy?	Yes
Commercial messages?	No

C. Other standards

1. Freestanding signs shall not be located any closer than ten feet from the edge of the street or thoroughfare to which said sign is directed, nor within the visual clearance area defined by §3.2.6.A.4.
2. Freestanding signs shall be allowed only for ~~institutional~~public, civic and institutional uses in stand-alone buildings, not for ~~institutional~~public, civic and institutional uses in mixed-use buildings.
3. Freestanding signs for any ~~institutional~~public, civic and institutional use may alternatively be installed as wall, canopy or awning signs with the same total sign area and dimensions.
4. Additional signs for schools:
 - (a) Additional signs not legible from any public street right-of-way are permitted without permits for schools. All such signs shall contain only noncommercial messages.
 - (b) In schools, one scoreboard with no commercial messages, for each athletic field, up to a maximum of 150 sq. ft. Notwithstanding the provisions of §13.12, such scoreboards shall be allowed automatic changeable copy elements of up to 25 percent of the scoreboard. A scoreboard as permitted by this subsection (b) shall not be considered a large media screen.¹



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¹ From definitions

§13.9.1 SIGNS ALLOWED IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY

§13.8.4. Temporary Signs

A. Defined

Any sign that may easily be moved or removed and that can feasibly be displayed for a limited period of time in any one location.

B. General standards

Maximum size	7 sq. ft.
Maximum height	4 ft.
Number allowed	No limit
Permit required?	No
Separate lighting?	No
Automatic changeable copy?	No
Commercial messages?	No

C. Other standards

1. Temporary signs allowed by this section shall be removed within 45 days of installation or within seven days of the end of any event to which they refer, whichever may first occur.
2. Temporary signs allowed by this section shall be firmly affixed to the ground or to a structure to prevent movement.

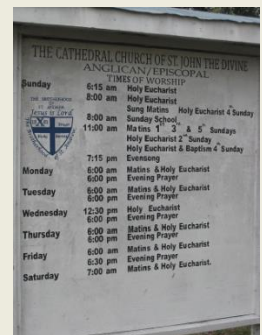
§13.8.5. Wall Signs

A. Defined

Any sign that is affixed directly to or suspended from a building wall, marquee, mansard wall, or parapet wall of a building, with the exposed face of the sign in a plane approximately parallel to the face of the wall. A wall sign may be either of one-piece construction or of individual connected or related letters or symbols.

B. General standards

Maximum size	4 sq. ft.
Number allowed	1 per public entrance
Permit required?	No
Separate lighting?	Yes
Automatic changeable copy?	No
Commercial messages?	No



(a) Signs allowed in public districts (S-3A, S-D, P-S), on public property in any district and in the public right-of-way

§13.9. Signs Allowed in Public Districts, on Public Property in Any District and Signs in the Public Right-of-Way

§13.9.1. Signs allowed in the public right-of-way

The following signs shall be allowed in the public right-of-way in Arlington County. Signs specified in this §13.8 shall be placed only by public authority or with specific permission of public authority. Only the signs specified in this Article 13 are allowed in the public right-of-way and no other private signs are allowed there, except as specified in §13.10.

- A. Signs installed by employees or officials of Arlington County, or a state or federal agency in the course of their governmental duties and bearing no commercial message, including without limitation, signs conforming to the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices or Arlington Way Finding Standards;
- B. Signs required by a state or federal statute or County ordinance;

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- 2447 C. Signs installed by public utilities in their rights-of-way or on their facilities and bearing no
2448 commercial message other than a message that is necessary to identify the use;
- 2449 D. Signs installed by a transit company with a franchise or other
2450 right to operate in Arlington County, where such signs are
2451 installed along its routes and relate to current or general
2452 schedules or other information about the transit route;
- 2453 E. Signs attached to privately owned appurtenances or fixtures
2454 in the public right-of-way where such appurtenances or
2455 fixtures and the signs for them are allowed by the terms of a
2456 permit, encroachment or agreement issued or approved by the County; such signs shall
2457 include no commercial messages other than a message necessary to identify the use.
- 2458 F. Temporary signs or banners approved by the County as part
2459 of and incident to a special event permit and placed across
2460 the right-of-way in locations established by the County; such
2461 signs shall be limited to messages related to the special event
2462 and its sponsors and shall be removed within five business
2463 days after the end of such event.
- 2464 G. Sidewalk signs subject to the standards and conditions in
2465 §13.7.10.
- 2466 H. Signs giving the place name of a neighborhood established as
2467 a distinctive area by custom and usage recognized
2468 throughout the county and/or direction to the location of
2469 public facilities in the neighborhood may be displayed in such
2470 neighborhood or community or at not more than four
2471 entrances thereto:
 - 2472 1. No such sign shall exceed an overall height of eight feet
2473 nor have an area exceeding 20 square feet;
 - 2474 2. The overall area of the sign structure shall not exceed 100 ~~sq. ft.~~ [square feet](#); and
 - 2475 3. The signs shall be made from durable materials and be of a design that harmonizes
2476 with the surrounding structures and natural features and give notice without creating
2477 harm to traffic safety by either its placement, bulk, or visual characteristics.
- 2478 I. Such signs shall be installed by the County; where such signs are to be placed on private
2479 property, it is the responsibility of the association or persons requesting such signs to
2480 provide to the County authorization in a form acceptable to the County.
- 2481 J. Subject to approval by the county manager or his or her designee, not-for-profit civic
2482 associations may attach to a sign permitted under this §13.9, one temporary sign of up to 6
2483 inches in height and 30 inches in width, with noncommercial messages only. The county
2484 manager may approve such temporary signs on a first-come, first-served basis for a period
2485 of up to five days before and two days after an event sponsored by the civic association for
2486 the neighborhood identified by the sign. The temporary sign shall be of durable materials
2487 and shall be attached to the top of the sign or hung from the bottom of the sign.



§13.9.2 BANNER SYSTEMS ALLOWED

2488 **§13.9.2. Banner systems allowed**

2489 The County Board may authorize the county manager to place, and
2490 upon such authorization, the county manager may place or cause to be
2491 placed, banners or banner systems in the public right-of-way in areas
2492 where sector, area or revitalization plans have been adopted by the
2493 County Board; or on Arlington School Board or joint Arlington County
2494 Board-Arlington School Board properties and/or streets **contiguous to**
2495 **abutting** such properties. Such banners or banner systems shall be
2496 authorized only after findings by the County Board that the proposed
2497 banners would not adversely affect traffic safety to a significant degree
2498 and that the proposed banners would not result in clutter that would
2499 adversely affect the appearance or character of the surrounding
2500 neighborhood. The County Board ordinance will determine specific
2501 designs, size, locations and physical characteristics of the banners for a designated area;
2502 standards relating to maintenance, removal and replacement; and the length of time for which
2503 the banners may be displayed. The messages on these banners shall be government speech,
2504 determined by the County Board or, if authorized by the **County** Board, by the county manager.



2505 **§13.9.3. Signs allowed in public districts and on publicly-owned property in any**
2506 **district**

2507 The signs in this subsection §13.9.3 are allowed in S-3A, S-D and P-P districts and on Arlington
2508 County Board or Arlington County School Board property in any district or on parks or other
2509 public property controlled by Arlington County , subject to the permit requirements, standards
2510 and conditions set forth for each sign type.

2511 **A. Lighting**

2512 Signs allowed under this subsection §13.9.3 shall not be separately lighted unless the
2513 standard in the table says “yes” or “see standards” next to the “separately lighted?” query.
2514 The fact that a sign may be partly or wholly illuminated by light serving another purpose
2515 shall not be considered “separately lighted.”

2516 **B. Changeable copy**

2517 Signs allowed under §13.9.3 shall not include **automatic** changeable copy elements unless
2518 the standard in the table says “yes” next to the “automatic changeable copy?” query. See
2519 §13.12 for standards that apply to all automatic changeable copy signs under this Article
2520 13.

2521 **C. Aggregate sign area allowed**

2522 The maximum aggregate sign area allowed for a property, single building or combination of
2523 buildings, is either:

- 2524 **1.** One square foot of sign area per linear foot of building frontage; or
- 2525 **2.** The sum of area of the allowed signs, as set forth in §13.9.5 (temporary banners),
2526 §13.9.6 (permanent banners), §13.9.7 (directory signs); §13.9.8 (flags); §13.9.9
2527 (freestanding signs); §13.9.10 (incidental signs); §13.9.12 (temporary signs); §13.9.13
2528 (traffic control signs); and §13.9.14 (umbrella signs).

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D. Additional sign area for specified uses

Any building in a P-S district that is more than 70 feet in height may install up to two additional signs above a height of 40 feet, meeting the following standards.

1. Illumination standards shall be as set forth in §13.11.
2. Maximum area of each additional sign shall be limited as follows:

Height of building	Maximum sign area (sq. ft.)
70 ft. – 100 ft.	0.6 x bldg. width at height of sign
101 ft. – 200 ft.	1.0 x bldg. width at height of sign
>201 ft.	1.5 x bldg. width at height of sign

3. In order to protect the viewshed for properties in residential districts that face commercial areas of the County, the following provisions are set forth in order to limit visibility of signs placed above a height of 40 feet:
 - (a) Horizontally oriented signs shall fit within a sign band that is no more than six feet in height, provided, however, that up to 20 percent of the sign may be no more than nine feet in height. The designated sign band shall be placed within the 20 feet of the building façade below the main roofline or other roofline of the building below the main roofline for a building where there are multiple rooflines;
 - (b) Vertically oriented signs shall be placed such that the top of the sign is above a height of 40 feet.
 - (c) No sign placed above a height of 40 feet shall have any automatic changeable copy element.
 - (d) All signs placed above a height of 40 feet may be illuminated only by internal lighting and hours of illumination shall be as set forth in §13.11.3.
 - (e) Lighted signs placed above a height of 40 feet may be placed on building facades perpendicular to or facing away from the line identified as Line A on Map 34-1, but shall not be placed on facades facing Line A (a façade shall be considered to be facing Line A if it is less than 90 degrees from parallel). Provided, however, that lighted signs may be placed on building facades ~~immediately adjacent to~~ ~~abutting~~ streets parallel to Line A if the building façade is not within 200 feet of an R or RA14-26, RA8-18, RA7-16 or RA6-15 district, and the applicant demonstrates that view of the sign is substantially blocked from the aforementioned districts by a building or other structure of equal or greater height to the height of the sign.

SIGNS ALLOWED IN PUBLIC DISTRICTS OR ON OTHER PROPERTY OWNED BY THE ARLINGTON COUNTY BOARD OR ARLINGTON SCHOOL BOARD

§13.9.4. Awning or canopy signs

A. Defined

Awning sign: A sign that is painted on or affixed to the surface of an awning; or

Canopy sign: A sign that is affixed to the flat vertical surface of or sits on top of a canopy.

B. General standards

Maximum number	1 per awning or canopy; for awnings or canopies longer than 8 linear feet, 1 per 8 ft. of linear awning or canopy
Maximum size	60 sq. ft. without a comprehensive sign plan; no limit other than aggregate sign area with a comprehensive sign plan
Permit required?	Yes
Separate lighting?	Yes
Commercial messages?	Yes
Automatic changeable copy?	No
Included in aggregate sign area?	Yes

C. Other standards

The purpose of this section is to provide regulations for signs on awnings or canopies; installation, design and dimensions of the awning or canopy are determined by applicable provisions of this zoning ordinance and/or from an approved site plan and/or other applicable County ordinance regulation or requirement.



§13.9.5. Banners, temporary

A. Defined

A sign applied to cloth or fabric or other flexible, durable material. Flags as defined herein shall not be considered banners.

B. General standards

Maximum number	1 per main building; or where there is no main building, 1 per main entrance
Maximum size	40 sq. ft.
Permit required?	Yes
Separate lighting?	No
Commercial messages?	No
Automatic changeable copy?	No

C. Other standards

1. Banners shall be firmly affixed at all four corners to prevent movement.
2. Banners allowed under this subsection §13.9.5 shall be temporary and shall be permitted up to fourteen days before and two days after an event, or a maximum of sixteen days.
3. Banners allowed under this subsection §13.9.5 may be affixed to a fence.



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§13.9.6. Banners, permanent

A. Defined

A sign of any kind applied to fabric or other flexible, durable material. Flags as defined herein shall not be considered banners.

B. General standards

Maximum number	2 per pole, in locations as approved on comprehensive sign plan
Maximum size	6 sq. ft. on each side; may be 2-sided
Minimum clearance above sidewalk	8'6"
Permit required?	Yes, single permit may cover multiple banners
Separate lighting?	No
Commercial messages?	No
Automatic changeable copy?	No
Included in aggregate sign area?	No

C. Other standards

Banners in this §13.9.6 are allowed only on poles. Such poles shall be:

1. Approved on or consistent with a County-approved site engineering plan for the project;
 - (a) Installed primarily for other purposes, such as site lighting; and
 - (b) Located in a parking lot, along a private street or on private property along a public or private plaza or courtyard;
 - (c) Two banners shall be allowed on a pole only if the two banners are of the same size and are mounted at the same height;
2. Banners on poles must be attached at all corners such that they do not move or flap.
3. Other permits or approvals
 - (a) Banners on poles under this §13.9.6 will be allowed only with the express consent of the owner(s) of the underlying real property and the pole(s).



§13.9.7. Directory signs

A. Defined

A map and/or sign at a building or project with multiple uses that identifies uses or activities conducted [on-site/on-site](#) and approved as part of a comprehensive sign plan; or a sign located on the wall of a building near a public entrance to the building.

B. General standards

Maximum size	Wall: 6 sq. ft.; freestanding 12 sq. ft.
Maximum height	Freestanding: 7 ft.
Number allowed	Wall: 1 per building; freestanding: 1 per every two buildings in a multi-building project
Permit required?	Yes
Separate lighting?	Yes
Automatic changeable copy?	Yes, with frequency of change of copy less than once per 24 hours
Commercial messages?	Yes
Included in aggregate sign area?	No



§13.9.3 SIGNS ALLOWED IN PUBLIC DISTRICTS AND ON PUBLICLY-OWNED PROPERTY IN ANY DISTRICT

C. Other standards

1. No part of a directory sign except the word “directory” or “map” or something similar shall be legible from a distance of more than 6 feet.
2. Directory signs that change only through manipulation by the user shall be deemed not to be automatic changeable copy signs and shall not be subject to the limitations in §13.12.2.A.

§13.9.8. Flags

A. Defined

A piece of cloth or other material used as a noncommercial symbol, standard, or signal, such as the flag of a local, state, or national government or private noncommercial organization.

B. General standards

Maximum number of poles	3
Maximum height of pole	45 ft.
Maximum flags per pole	2
Maximum flag size	60 sq. ft.
Maximum total flag area	180 sq. ft.
Permit required?	No
Separate lighting?	Yes
Automatic changeable copy?	No
Commercial messages?	No
Included in aggregate sign area?	No



C. Other standards

Flagpoles shall be located as shown on an approved site plan; if there is no approved site plan for the property and no site plan is required, flagpoles shall be located within 30 feet of the principal entrance to the main building.

§13.9.9. Freestanding signs

A. Defined

A sign that is affixed to the ground, or to a wall that is not part of a building, or to a fence; freestanding signs include but are not necessarily limited to signs mounted on monument-style foundations, on poles, or on fences or other approved accessory structures.

B. General Standards

Maximum size	60 sq. ft. per side; may be 2-sided
Maximum height	15 ft.
Number allowed	1 for each entrance, except as provided below
Permit required?	Yes
Minimum setback	10 ft. from back of sidewalk 5 ft. from other property lines
Separate lighting?	Yes
Automatic changeable copy?	Yes, subject to standards of §13.12
Commercial messages?	Yes
Included in aggregate sign area?	Yes



C. Other standards

Signs allowed by this subsection §13.9.9 may alternatively be installed as wall, canopy or awning signs with the same total sign area and dimensions.

D. Additional signs not included in aggregate sign area

1. Signs that relate to the use of the property, provided that such signs shall not be legible from any public right-of-way outside of the property and such signs shall bear no commercial message except one that relates to a lawful commercial activity permitted within the property;
2. Signs for concessionaires and for sponsors of events for which a permit has been issued by the County and which are inside stadiums or arenas or at or adjacent to abutting ball fields or other such facilities. Signs within an outdoor facility, if such facility is located 200 feet or more from the nearest right-of-way, shall be deemed not to be legible from such right-of-way even if they may be visible from some locations outside the facility;
3. Scoreboards for each athletic field in schools and parks, with no commercial messages, except as permitted by specific agreement with the County. Notwithstanding the provisions of §13.12, scoreboards shall be allowed automatic changeable copy elements of up to 25 percent of the scoreboard. A scoreboard as permitted by this subsection 3 shall not be considered a large media screen.¹

§13.9.10. Incidental signs

A. Defined

Signs that provide information or directions that are necessary for the physical use of the site, including but not limited to signs that provide warnings, parking rules or way-finding information.

B. General standards

Maximum size (wall)	4 sq. ft.
Maximum size (freestanding)	3 sq. ft. per side, may be 2-sided
Maximum height (freestanding)	4 ft.
Number allowed	As needed
Permit required?	No
Separate lighting?	No
Automatic changeable copy?	No
Commercial messages?	Limited; see standards below
Included in aggregate sign area?	No

C. Other standards

1. Freestanding signs may be placed only on the perimeter of a parking lot and may be no less than 25 feet apart.
2. Wall or projecting signs of a maximum of 6.5 sq. ft., with no dimension exceeding 4 sq. ft., that meet all other standards in subsection 2, above, and all standards prescribed in the diagram below may be installed on public parking facilities. Compliance with these standards shall be determined by the zoning administrator, based on factors that include but are not limited to: location; color; size; shape and lettering, as shown in the diagram to the right.



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¹ From definitions.

§13.9.11. Projecting signs

A. Defined

Any sign that is attached in a plane approximately perpendicular to the surface of a building or other structure.

B. General standards

Maximum size	20 sq. ft.
Maximum projection	42 inches
Minimum vertical clearance	10 ft. above finished grade
Permit required?	Yes
Separate lighting?	Yes
Automatic changeable copy?	Yes, subject to standards of §13.12.
Commercial messages?	Yes
Included in aggregate sign area?	Yes
Maximum height to top of sign	40 feet, except a maximum of two wall or projecting signs per building may be placed above a height of 40 feet, subject to the standards in §13.7.1.G.

C. Other permits

A projecting sign may require a separate encroachment agreement or permit from the County, subject to established standards.

D. Relationship to wall signs

A sign that projects 18 inches or less from the wall is considered a wall sign; see §13.7.15.

§13.9.12. Temporary signs

A. Defined

Any sign that may easily be moved or removed and that can feasibly be displayed for a limited period of time in any one location.

B. General standards

Maximum size	7 sq. ft.
Maximum height	4 ft.
Number allowed	No limit
Permit required?	No
Separate lighting?	No
Automatic changeable copy?	No
Commercial messages?	No

C. Other standards

1. Temporary signs allowed by this section shall be removed within 45 days of installation or within seven days of the end of any event to which they refer, whichever may first occur
2. Temporary signs allowed by this section shall be firmly affixed to the ground or to a structure to prevent movement.

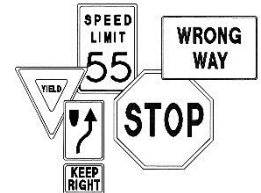
§13.9.13. Traffic control signs

A. Defined

A sign used for traffic control and conforming with national or state standards for the design and installation of such signs.

B. General standards

Maximum size	As set forth in MUTCD
Maximum height	As set forth in MUTCD
Number allowed	As needed
Permit required?	No
Separate lighting?	As set forth in MUTCD
Automatic changeable copy?	As set forth in MUTCD
Commercial messages?	No
Included in aggregate sign area?	No



C. Other standards

1. Traffic control signs are allowed only where required by MUTCD and/or shown on an approved site plan; and
2. Traffic control signs (including lighting) must conform with the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices; no other sizes are allowed and no separate lighting is allowed except as specified by those standard design sources.

§13.9.14. Umbrella signs

A. Defined

A sign painted on or affixed to the surface of an umbrella.

B. General standards

Maximum size	Up to 4 sq. ft. on any individual umbrella
Permit required?	No
Automatic changeable copy?	No
Commercial messages?	Yes, related to the dining facility or products served there, or noncommercial messages
Included in aggregate sign area?	No



§13.9.15. Wall signs

A. Defined

Any sign that is affixed directly to or suspended from a building wall, marquee, mansard wall, or parapet wall of a building, with the exposed face of the sign in a plane approximately parallel to and projecting no more than 18 inches from the face of the wall. A wall sign may be either of one-piece construction or of individual connected or related letters or symbols.

B. General standards

Permit required?	Yes
Separate lighting?	Yes
Automatic changeable copy?	Yes, subject to standards of §13.12
Commercial messages?	Yes
Included in aggregate sign area?	Yes
Maximum height to top of sign	40 feet, except as provided below

C. Other standards

1. Up to 50 sq. ft. of wall signs placed inside of a public parking garage, two feet or more from and mounted approximately perpendicular to the façade on which the vehicular entrance to the garage is located shall not be counted as part of aggregate sign area.
2. Up to a maximum of two signs in P-S districts may be placed above a height of 40 feet subject to the placement standards set forth in §13.9.3.D.3 and the illumination standards set forth in §13.11.2.



§13.9.16. Window signs

A. Defined

Any permanent or temporary sign, including any decal, that is legible from the outside, including plazas, public streets, and parking lots, and that is placed on the outside or inside face of a window or mounted within two feet of the inside face of the window.

B. General standards

Maximum total area per sign	80 sq. ft. or 20 percent of window area, whichever is less
Number allowed	Unlimited
Permit required?	No
Separate lighting?	Yes
Automatic changeable copy?	No
Commercial messages?	Yes; see standards below for window signs in residential dwelling units
Included in aggregate sign area?	No

C. Other standards

1. Window signs shall be permitted on the first or second floor.
2. An unlimited number of temporary window signs with noncommercial messages only, up to 6.5 sq. ft. per sign, are permitted in the windows only of residential dwelling units.



2560 **§13.10. Temporary Signs by Private Parties in Public Right-Of-Way**

2561 Temporary signs installed in the public right-of-way by private parties shall be allowed only as follows. To
 2562 the extent that the Virginia Department of Transportation controls placement of signs or other objects in
 2563 a right-of-way, the applicable regulations of that agency shall supersede this Article 13.

2564 **§13.10.1. Lighting and structure**

2565 Such signs shall be temporary freestanding signs, shall not be lighted and shall be affixed to the
 2566 ground such that they will not easily be removed by wind or other natural forces.

2567 **§13.10.2. Location**

2568 A. Such signs may be placed only on that portion of the public right-of-way ~~adjacent~~
 2569 ~~to~~abutting a street, road, highway or sidewalk but not on landscaped beautification areas,
 2570 traffic circles or control devices or signs, or any paved portion of a pedestrian refuge area,
 2571 nor shall such signs be placed on or ~~adjacent-abutting to~~ any other public lands such as
 2572 school sites, recreation fields, parks, and parkways.

2573 B. Nothing in this provision shall be construed to authorize the posting of signs upon utility
 2574 poles, or in any place or manner prohibited by the provisions of this Article 13.

2575 **§13.10.3. Identification**

2576 Each such sign shall bear clear identification and contact phone number of the establishment,
 2577 person or other entity placing the sign or causing it to be placed; any sign that lacks such
 2578 identification shall be considered a violation of this provision, regardless of whether it conforms
 2579 with the other requirements of this provision. The person or other entity named on the sign
 2580 shall be responsible for placement of such sign in accordance with this Article 13.

2581 **§13.10.4. Directional commercial temporary signs**

2582 A. The only commercial messages permitted on such signs are those with directions to the
 2583 location of a commercial activity lawfully conducted within an R-district or RA14-26, RA8-
 2584 18, RA7-16, or RA6-15 district and within one-half mile of the site of the sign, as set forth
 2585 below.

2586 B. Such signs shall be allowed provided no signs are placed pursuant to subsection §13.10.5,
 2587 below.

Maximum number	To limit clutter, no more than one sign may be placed for any commercial activity, candidate, political issue or ticket or other entity at any street intersection
Maximum size	1.5 sq. ft.
Maximum height	3 ft.
Timing	From sundown on Friday to sundown on Sundays and from sundown the night before a legal holiday to sundown on that holiday
Location	Within ½ mile of the activity, in the landscape and utility strip or median at an intersection, subject to §13.10.2.A.

2588 **§13.10.5. Noncommercial temporary signs**

2589 Temporary signs with noncommercial messages may be displayed as set forth in either
2590 subsection A or B, below, but not both. All such signs shall include the date of placement and
2591 the name and phone number of the person or group responsible for posting the sign.

2592 **A. Political signs**

2593 Such signs shall be allowed provided no signs are placed pursuant to subsection §13.10.4,
2594 above, or §13.10.5.B, below.

Maximum number	To limit clutter, no more than 2 signs shall be placed for any candidate, political issue or ticket or other entity in any median strip.
Maximum size	4.5 sq. ft.
Maximum height	4 ft.
Timing	Up to 31 consecutive days before an election or party nominating caucus called by: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A duly constituted governmental body, including all primaries; or 2. A political party registered in the Commonwealth of Virginia, which signs shall be removed within five days after the election or nominating caucus to which they pertain
Location	In the median, subject to the limitations in §13.10.2.A.

2595 **B. Seven-day signs**

2596 Such signs shall be allowed provided no signs are placed pursuant to §13.10.4 or subsection
2597 §13.10.5, above.

Maximum number	To limit clutter, no more than one sign shall be placed at any street intersection for any event, person, group, candidate, political issue or ticket or other entity strip.
Maximum size	4.5 sq. ft.
Maximum height	4 ft.
Timing	For up to a maximum of 7 days
Location	In the landscape and utility strip or median at an intersection, subject to the limitations in §13.10.2.A

2598 **§13.10.6. Other signs**

2599 If any sign other than those allowed by this Article 13 and/or by an encroachment ordinance or
2600 permit granted by Arlington County is placed in, on or over the public right-of-way, it shall be
2601 deemed abandoned and may be removed and disposed of by the County without notice or
2602 other process. Removal of the sign by the County will not eliminate the violation that occurred
2603 from the placement of the sign; the County may separately pursue available penalties and
2604 remedies for such violation.

2605 **§13.11. Sign Illumination Standards for Lighted Signs**

2606 **§13.11.1. General**

2607 Unless otherwise expressly prohibited, signs may be lighted from within the letter or message
2608 area or by a light projected on the sign that is shielded in such a manner so as to light only the
2609 face of the sign, or in the case of a flag, or the area in which a flag waves or drapes in the case of
2610 a flag. Except on automatic changeable copy signs allowed in accordance with this §13.11, light
2611 sources for signs shall not be visible from street level.

2612 **§13.11.2. Maximum allowable luminance**

2613 **A. All signs except visible light source types (neon and automatic changeable**
 2614 **copy)**

2615 ~~Maximum~~The maximum luminance for any type of sign, except visible light source types
 2616 (neon and automatic changeable copy signs), shall not exceed the limits set forth below.
 2617 The entire sign and any part thereof must comply with the maximum limit.

Zoning District and Locations	Maximum Allowable Luminance (cd/m ²)
R, RA14-26, RA8-18, RA7-16, RA6-15 and S-3A districts	50
Signs placed above a height of 40 feet that are directly facing and within 100 feet of a residential building in any district	150
C-1-R, C-1, C-1-O, C-O-1.0 and C-2 districts	200
Signs placed above a height of 40 feet and directly facing Line B on Map 34.1, defining the monumental core, George Washington Parkway or Arlington Cemetery	
Signs placed above a height of 40 feet that are directly facing and within more than 100 feet but less than 200 feet of a multifamily residential building in any district	
Signs placed below a height of 40 feet in any district and placed within 200 feet and directly facing an R, RA14-26, RA8-18, RA7-16 or RA6-15 district	
All other districts and locations	350

2618 **B. Neon signs**

2619 ~~Maximum~~The maximum luminance of a neon sign shall not exceed the limits set forth
 2620 below.

Zoning District	Maximum Allowable Luminance (cd/m ²)
R, RA14-26, RA8-18, RA7-16, RA6-15 and S-3A districts	Not permitted
C-1-R, C-1, C-1-O, C-O-1.0 and C-2 districts	1000
All other districts	2000

2621 **C. Automatic changeable copy signs**

2622 ~~Maximum~~The maximum luminance of automatic changeable copy signs shall not exceed
 2623 the limits set forth below.

Zoning District	Maximum Allowable Luminance (cd/m ²)	
	During Daylight Hours	During Nighttime Hours
R, RA14-26, RA8-18, RA7-16, RA6-15 and S-3A districts	2000	50
C-1-R, C-1, C-1-O, C-O-1.0 and C-2 districts		200
All other zoning districts		350

2624 **D. Large Media Screens**

2625 ~~Maximum~~The maximum luminance of large media screens shall not exceed the limits set
 2626 forth below:

Location	Maximum Allowable Luminance (cd/m ²)	
	During Daylight Hours	During Nighttime Hours
Where allowed by §13.12.4	5000	500

2627 **§13.11.3. Hours of illumination**

- 2628 A. No sign placed at a height of more than 40 feet shall be lighted between midnight and 8
2629 am;
- 2630 B. Signs placed at a height of more than 40 feet that are directly facing and within 200 feet of
2631 a multifamily residential building in any district shall not be lighted between 10 pm and 8
2632 am and under no circumstances shall hours of illumination for these signs be modified by
2633 the County Board; and
- 2634 C. No sign placed at a height of more than 40 feet and directly facing Line B on map 34-1 shall
2635 be lighted between 10 pm and 8 am. Under no circumstances shall hours of illumination
2636 for these signs be modified by the County Board.

2637 **§13.11.4. Indirect lighted signs**

2638 Indirect lighting for signs shall be fully shielded to direct all light toward the sign surface,
2639 shielding it from the sky and from surrounding uses or buildings.

2640 **§13.11.5. Level control**

2641 Lighting for a sign that is installed or modified after July 24, 2012 shall include an easily
2642 accessible dimming controller to allow immediate corrections where violations of the levels
2643 established by this §13.11 are exceeded.

2644 **§13.11.6. Near residential districts and uses**

2645 No sign located within 200 feet and directly facing an R or RA14-26, RA8-18, RA7-16, RA6-15
2646 district shall contain any automatic changeable copy elements.

2647 **§13.12. Flashing, Moving and Changeable Copy Signs**

2648 **§13.12.1. General rule**

2649 Signs that move, flash or simulate movement are prohibited except automatic changeable copy
2650 signs as allowed under this §13.12 and large media screens that meet the standards in 13.12.4
2651 below.

2652 **§13.12.2. Size and time limits**

2653 The following limitations shall apply to the aggregate area of the automatic changeable copy
2654 portion of the sign; the overall area of the sign is regulated by other provisions of this Article 13.
2655 The message or image on the sign shall change no more than one time per minute, except
2656 where changes in a sign occur automatically to reflect changes in temperature, availability of
2657 parking spaces, or arrival of transit vehicles:

- 2658 A. An automatic changeable copy sign on which the message changes or is designed to
2659 change more than once every 24 hours may not exceed 4 sq. ft. in size;
- 2660 B. An automatic changeable copy sign on which a sign on which the message changes or is
2661 designed to change no more than once every 24 hours (as averaged over a 10-day period)
2662 shall not exceed 12 sq. ft. in size.

2663 §13.12.3. Rules for changeable copy signs

2664 Automatic changeable copy signs shall be allowed only for sign types and in districts where
 2665 automatic changeable copy sign allowed by general standards. Automatic changeable copy
 2666 signs shall be subject to the following additional restrictions:

- 2667 **A.** There shall be no effects of movement, flashing, or similar effects in the individual images.
- 2668 **B.** Changes of image shall be substantially instantaneous as seen by the human eye and shall
 2669 not use fading, rolling, window shading, dissolving or similar effects as part of the change;
 2670 provided, however, that signs reflecting the arrival of transit vehicles that have letters no
 2671 more than 2 inches tall may scroll.
- 2672 **C.** Light emitting diodes and similar lighting are permitted for automatic changeable copy
 2673 signs.
- 2674 **D.** In automatic changeable copy signs shall use automatic level controls to reduce light levels
 2675 at night and under cloudy or other darkened conditions, in accordance with the following
 2676 standards.
- 2677 **1.** All automatic changeable copy signs shall have ambient light monitors that allow
 2678 automatic adjustment of the brightness level of the sign based on ambient light
 2679 conditions.
- 2680 **2.** Maximum luminance for automatic changeable copy signs shall not exceed the limits in
 2681 §13.11.2.C.

2682 §13.12.4. Large media screens

2683 In order to promote public health, safety and welfare by providing opportunities to disseminate
 2684 emergency broadcast information and public service messages; to promote economic
 2685 development; and to create a convenient, attractive and harmonious community in accordance
 2686 with the vision for public spaces identified in master plans in the County and with the vision in
 2687 adopted sector or small area plans for the subject area, the County Board may approve on
 2688 buildings governed by site plan as specified in §15.5 or on buildings governed by use permit in P-
 2689 S districts, and subject to other conditions as the County Board may require, large media signs.

- 2690 **A.** Large media screens that do not otherwise meet the standards of §13.12, may be
 2691 approved when the County Board finds that the large media screen:
- 2692 **1.** Is oriented for viewing by pedestrians at an appropriate height below 40 feet;
- 2693 **2.** Is placed in a location consistent with the vision in County master plans and adopted
 2694 design guidelines for the area to which it is oriented, where pedestrian activity is
 2695 desired, and that the presence of the large media screen in that location will contribute
 2696 positively to the pedestrian experience and further realization of that vision;
- 2697 **3.** Does not unreasonably interfere with or create a distraction that poses a hazard to
 2698 drivers' operation of a motor vehicle on streets ~~adjacent to~~ abutting or fronting the
 2699 building on and/or plaza in which the sign is placed; and
- 2700 **4.** Is located not closer than 2000 feet from another approved large media screen, or in a
 2701 location where it is visible from another large media screen; and
- 2702 **5.** Does not unreasonably impact the monumental core of the District of Columbia or
 2703 other sites of historic or national interest.

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B. Approval standards

Under no circumstances shall the County Board approve a large media screen that does not meet all of the following standards:

1. Location and siting

- (a) Large media screens shall be allowed only:
 - (1) In P-S districts; or
 - (2) In commercial/mixed-use (C) districts within one-quarter mile of a metro station, major bus transfer station or street car station:
- (b) Large media screens shall be wall signs, and may be placed only on commercial or public buildings;
- (c) Proximity to residential districts and uses
 - (1) The video screen of a large media screen shall not be placed within 200 feet of the common lot line of an R or RA district, and shall be designed to not be visible from an R or RA district;
 - (2) A large media screen shall not be located within 600 feet of any residential dwelling unless the applicant demonstrates that the video screen will not have substantial visual impact on any dwelling unit within 600 feet of the large media screen;
- (d) Large media screens in parks and plazas:
 - (1) A large media screen designed to be viewed from a park or plaza shall be allowed only on elevations of buildings that immediately abut the park or plaza, or that are not separated from the park or plaza by streets identified as other principal or minor arterial streets on the Master Transportation Plan.
 - (2) A large media screen in a park or plaza shall face inward into the park or plaza such that it is designed to be viewed by persons using the park or plaza as opposed to persons outside of the park or plaza;
- (e) A large media screen shall function as an element separate from the building, such that the architectural design of the building is not derived primarily from the large media screen nor does it depend on the presence of the large media screen for architectural merit; and the media screen shall not substitute for fenestration on the building;
- (f) No large media screen shall be designed to be viewed from within a restaurant or outdoor café or placed in windows of a restaurant;

2. Sign area

No large media screen shall be larger than 750 sq. ft.

3. Messages

Commercial messages shall not be permitted on any large media screen.

2742 **4. Lighting and sound**

2743 (a) The sign shall meet all standards for lighted signs as set forth in §13.11 and shall
 2744 incorporate automatic level controls to reduce light levels at night and under
 2745 cloudy or other darkened conditions by inclusion of an ambient light monitor that
 2746 allows automatic adjustment of the brightness level of the sign based on ambient
 2747 light conditions;

2748 (b) Sound shall be permitted only when showing movies, art displays or other live
 2749 programming (such as concerts and special events of a national and/or
 2750 community interest) associated with a scheduled Special Event open to the public,
 2751 as permitted in §13.12.4.G, below. Volume level of the large media screen during
 2752 such events shall be in accordance with the noise ordinance.

2753 C. Large media screens shall not be subject to aggregate sign area limitations in the zoning
 2754 ordinance, and may be approved by the County Board independently of a Comprehensive
 2755 Sign Plan;

2756 D. Large media screens located in parks or plazas that are publicly-owned or have a public
 2757 access easement and are a minimum of 12,000 square feet in size, may be used for special
 2758 events associated with a special event permit issued by the County, and for special events
 2759 sponsored by the County;

2760 E. The zoning administrator may approve a large media screen located in a park that is
 2761 publicly-owned or has a public access easement, where such sign meets all standards in
 2762 §13.12.4.B, provided the sign is located such that the face of the sign is not visible from any
 2763 street or residence on the perimeter of the park;

2764 F. Operation of any approved large media screen shall be commenced within one year from
 2765 the date of County Board approval, or the approval becomes null and void.

2766 G. All wall-mounted large media screens approved and installed in the approved location as of
 2767 [date of adoption] shall be deemed to have been approved under this §13.12.4, but shall
 2768 be required to operate in compliance with all conditions that govern size, location, sound
 2769 and operation of the large media screen under which they were initially approved, and with
 2770 all provisions for lighting in §13.12.4.B.4(a), above. Such signs may be replaced consistent
 2771 with this §13.12.4.G and any amendments to the original approval that were approved
 2772 prior to December 17, 2013.

2773 H. A scoreboard as permitted by §13.8.3.C.4(b) or §13.9.9.D.3 shall not be considered a large
 2774 media screen.¹

2775 **§13.12.5. Malfunction or failure**

2776 Any automatic changeable copy sign that malfunctions, fails, or ceases to operate in its usual or
 2777 normal programmed manner, thereby causing motion, movement, flashing or any other similar
 2778 effects, shall be repaired or disconnected within 24 hours by the owner or operator of such sign.

¹ From definitions.

2779 **§13.13. Sign Permits**

2780 See §15.8~~§15.9~~.

2781 **§13.14. Comprehensive Sign Plans Approved After July 24, 2012**

2782 A comprehensive sign plan shall include all signs for a development project. Once approved, a
2783 comprehensive sign plan becomes the governing document for signs on a development project, and
2784 permits will be issued only for signs shown on the comprehensive sign plan.

2785 **§13.14.1. Applicability**

- 2786 **A.** A comprehensive sign plan is optional and may be approved for premises subject to §13.6
2787 or §13.7;
- 2788 **B.** A comprehensive sign plan approved by the County Board prior to July 1, 2013 shall remain
2789 in effect unless replaced by a new comprehensive sign plan filed by the owners and
2790 approved in accordance with the provisions of this §13.14, or unless an election is made
2791 under §13.17.3.D.1 to have signs permitted without a comprehensive sign plan; and
- 2792 **C.** The requirements of an approved comprehensive sign plan shall apply to all property,
2793 buildings, uses and establishments within the development project.

2794 **§13.14.2. Required plan elements**

2795 The comprehensive sign plan shall provide the following information related to all proposed
2796 signs that require a permit and that are included in aggregate sign area:

2797 **A. Location**

2798 Identification of sign locations on buildings or property, including showing:

- 2799 **1.** Setbacks from property or right-of-way lines;
- 2800 **2.** Depth of projection;
- 2801 **3.** Height above grade; and
- 2802 **4.** For projecting signs, clearance below.

2803 **B. Materials and illumination**

2804 Description of the type of sign and sign materials, including:

- 2805 **1.** Construction materials; and
- 2806 **2.** Proposed lighting, if any.

2807 **C. Size**

- 2808 **1.** Itemization of sign size and/or size of any defined sign band area at identified locations;
2809 and
- 2810 **2.** Total sign area per frontage, per sign type and overall for the project;

2811 **D. Allocation of sign area**

- 2812 **1.** Aggregate sign area for all signs in a comprehensive sign plan shall be the larger of:
- 2813 **(a)** One square foot of sign per linear foot of building frontage; or

2814 (b) For a building with at least one exterior public entrance and one or more
2815 establishments with less than 60 feet of frontage, 60 sq. ft. for each such
2816 establishment plus one square foot per linear foot of building frontage excluding
2817 any frontage not occupied by those establishments.

2818 2. Subject to size, location, and setback standards specified in §13.6 or §13.7 for the
2819 applicable district , the applicant for a comprehensive sign plan may allocate permitted
2820 aggregate sign area among the walls of various buildings and, to the extent allowed by
2821 §13.6 or §13.7, among freestanding signs, to favor one tenant or series of tenants,
2822 provided the comprehensive sign plan identifies available sign area and sign type for
2823 each tenant.

2824 **§13.14.3. Additional signs**

2825 Premises subject to §13.7 with the comprehensive sign plan shall be allowed the following
2826 additional signs provided that the locations and designs of the signs are shown on an approved
2827 comprehensive sign plan:

- 2828 A. Banners as permitted in §13.7.4; and
- 2829 B. Directory signs as permitted in §13.7.5.

2830 **§13.15. Temporary Signs for Construction and Sale/Leasing**

2831 The following additional signs are permitted with permits to advertise construction or the availability of
2832 property or space other than at one-family and two-family dwellings:

2833 **§13.15.1. Additional Purposes**

2834 To address the substantial amount of new construction, redevelopment and remodeling of
2835 buildings within the County, the following purposes, supplementing those set forth in §13.1
2836 support the adoption of special provisions for signs for construction projects, new buildings and
2837 empty spaces in existing projects:

- 2838 A. The County must provide services even to partially occupied buildings;
- 2839 B. Promoting occupancy of new buildings in the County encourages economic development
2840 by enlarging the tax base;
- 2841 C. The cost of media advertising is too expensive for all but the largest projects;
- 2842 D. Many potential occupants for a new or remodeled project are likely to pass by the site
2843 during the period of construction; and
- 2844 E. [On-site](#) advertising is a particularly effective, as well as affordable, means of
2845 advertising and helping to ensure occupancy of these projects and promoting future
2846 business, thus encouraging economic development within the County.

2847 **§13.15.2. Messages**

2848 Signs allowed under this §13.15 may bear any commercial message related to the project under
2849 construction, sale, lease or rental of any part of the project, and/or its future occupants and/or
2850 any noncommercial message.

2851 **§13.15.3. New building generally**

- 2852 A. Any new building or any building that has been substantially vacant during a remodeling
2853 process may have, in addition to other signs permitted by this
2854 Article 13, either:
- 2855 1. Signs on construction fencing as set forth in §13.15.6; or
 - 2856 2. A total of 120 sq. ft. of banners as set forth in §13.15.4; or
 - 2857 3. Freestanding signs that do not exceed 15 feet in height as
2858 set forth in §13.15.5.



- 2859 B. Such signs shall be removed by the first of the following to occur: one year after the
2860 issuance of the shell and core permit; or the sale or lease of the building or property or, for
2861 a multi-occupant property, the sale or lease of 80 percent of the gross leasable area of the
2862 building.

2863 **§13.15.4. Banners on new or remodeled building**

- 2864 A. The banner shall be no larger than the 120 sq. ft. per main building on a lot;
- 2865 B. Any banner shall be firmly affixed at all corners to prevent its movement with air currents;
2866 and
- 2867 1. After issuance of a certificate of occupancy and before installation of an allowed
2868 permanent freestanding or wall sign; such a banner shall be removed upon the
2869 installation of the permanent sign or the expiration of six months from the date of
2870 installation of the banner, whichever first occurs.
 - 2871 2. For a “grand opening” of a new establishment or an establishment with a substantial
2872 change in ownership or control; such a banner may be displayed for a period of not
2873 more than 30 days.
- 2874 C. If the banner is within 200 feet and facing an R district, the highest part of the banner shall
2875 not be more than 40 feet above the finished grade as shown on the approved site plan.
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2877 **§13.15.5. Freestanding sign for new or remodeled building**

- 2878 A. The freestanding sign shall be no larger than the 120 sq. ft. per
- 2879 main building on the lot; and
- 2880 B. The freestanding sign shall be no more than 15 feet in height.



2883 **§13.15.6. Construction fencing**

2884 For new construction, remodeling or other modifications during
 2885 which there is no occupancy of the building and for which fencing
 2886 of the construction site is provided, screening attached to the fence
 2887 may bear images of the proposed project along with commercial
 2888 messages related to the sale, rental leasing or construction of the
 2889 project, provided that text and numbers shall occupy no more than
 2890 the larger of the following area:



- 2891 A. 120 sq. ft. on each street frontage; or
- 2892 B. 20 percent of the area of the screening on a construction fence along each street frontage.

2893 **§13.15.7. Other buildings**

- 2894 A. For any spaces for which window signs are allowed, window
 2895 signs conforming with §13.7.16 may be used to advertise the
 2896 availability of the space for sale, rent or lease; If the owner or
 2897 occupant of a vacant space chooses to cover the entire ground-
 2898 floor window(s) of such space, the size limit shall apply only to
 2899 the portion of the covering that contains the message, using the
 2900 same method of measurement used to measure signs under
 2901 §13.18.1.
- 2902 B. Any permanent sign allowed by §13.6 or §13.7, identified as included in aggregate sign
 2903 area, and placed below a height of 40 feet, may bear commercial messages related to the
 2904 availability of space in a building or project, or be wholly or partly covered with a banner
 2905 advertising the availability of space, provided that the size of the banner shall not exceed
 2906 the size of the permitted sign and provided that the banner shall be firmly affixed at all four
 2907 corners to prevent it moving with air currents.



2908 **§13.16. General Provisions**

2909 **§13.16.1. Substitution of message**

2910 Any sign allowed under this Article 13 or a predecessor ordinance, by special exception, or by
 2911 variance, may contain, in lieu of any other message or copy, any lawful noncommercial message
 2912 that does not direct attention to a business operated for profit, or to a product, commodity, or
 2913 service for sale or lease, or to any other commercial interest or activity, so long as said sign
 2914 complies with the size, height, area, and other requirements of this zoning ordinance.

2915 **§13.16.2. Sign removal**

2916 Every sign pertaining to a particular use shall be deemed to be accessory to that use, and if such
2917 use ceases, shall be removed not more than six months thereafter.

2918 **§13.16.3. Sign maintenance, replacement and repair**

2919 No sign shall be enlarged, extended, reconstructed, or structurally altered in a way that extends
2920 the useful life of the sign unless it is made to comply with all applicable requirements of this
2921 Article 13. This is not intended to prohibit routine maintenance, including repainting or re-
2922 facing, of a sign.

2923 **§13.16.4. Abandonment**

2924 If signs are discontinued for more than two years and then not continued in the existing
2925 structural condition, they shall be made to comply with all applicable requirements of this

2926 **§13.17. Nonconforming Signs**

2927 **§13.17.1. Applicability**

2928 Nonconforming signs are signs that met all ordinance requirements at the time of installation or
2929 placement but which, due to ordinance changes, do not comply with current requirements.

2930 **§13.17.2. Signs in historic districts**

2931 Notwithstanding the “applicability” provisions of §13.2, this Article 13 shall have no effect on
2932 any sign permitted at the time of placement within a historic district designated by the County
2933 Board. Such signs shall be considered conforming signs and may be modified or replaced in
2934 accordance with the terms of this Article 13 applicable to conforming signs and in accordance
2935 with the terms of 0.

2936 **§13.17.3. Changes to nonconforming signs**

- 2937 **A.** No nonconforming sign shall be modified except in accordance with the following
2938 standards and conditions:
 - 2939 **1.** No nonconforming sign shall be modified in any manner that would increase the
2940 degree of its nonconformity, increase its size, or prolong its useful life. Replacing any
2941 part of the support structure of the sign shall be considered as prolonging its useful life;
2942 and
 - 2943 **2.** No nonconforming sign which has been removed or has become dilapidated or
2944 damaged to the extent that repair of the sign requires replacement of any part of its
2945 support structure shall be replaced, except that this sentence shall not prevent the
2946 issuance of a permit for a conforming sign to replace the former nonconforming sign at
2947 the same location as the former nonconforming sign; and
 - 2948 **3.** Any nonconformity that relates to the luminance level of a sign shall be corrected and
2949 brought into conformity by January 1, 2023.
- 2950 **B.** No permit for an additional sign shall be issued for any premises on which there are
2951 nonconforming signs, provided, however, that where the only nonconformity relates to
2952 luminance level, and the additional permit is sought prior to January 1, 2023, then
2953 additional permit(s) may be issued in spite of the nonconformity.

- 2954 C. The zoning administrator may approve the replacement of a nonconforming sign with a
2955 sign that does not fully conform with the terms of this zoning ordinance if the
2956 Administrator finds that:
- 2957 1. The replacement sign would achieve a substantial reduction in the degree of
2958 nonconformity of the sign;
 - 2959 2. The replacement sign would fully conform with all provisions of this Article 13 related
2960 to lighting, motion and changeable copy;
 - 2961 3. If located within 250 feet of an R district or RA14-26, RA8-18, RA7-16, RA6-15 district,
2962 the replacement sign would fully conform with the height limitations of this Article 13;
 - 2963 4. The replacement sign would fully conform with the visual clearance area requirements
2964 of §3.2.5.A.4.; and
 - 2965 (a) There are no other nonconforming signs on the same lot or building; or
 - 2966 (b) Any other nonconforming signs on the same lot or building will be brought into
2967 full conformance with this Article 13 as a condition of approval of the replacement
2968 sign.
- 2969 D. Where a comprehensive sign plan was approved prior to July 24, 2012, the approval for
2970 signs allowed by such comprehensive sign plan shall continue in effect, and such signs shall
2971 be treated as conforming to this ordinance, subject to the following:
- 2972 1. All signs placed on the property subject to the comprehensive sign plan shall conform
2973 in all respects to the approved comprehensive sign plan and any conditions of such
2974 approval, except as to luminance level, which shall be subject to §13.17.3.A.3.
 - 2975 2. A property owner or person in charge may elect to place only signs permitted under
2976 this Article 13 instead of signs allowed by the approved comprehensive sign plan, or
2977 instead of seeking approval of a comprehensive sign plan as required by a site plan
2978 condition, provided that:
 - 2979 (a) An application is submitted to the zoning administrator for an administrative
2980 change;
 - 2981 (b) The zoning administrator finds that all signs on the property comply with this
2982 Article 13; and
 - 2983 (c) The applicant provides evidence of consent to the administrative change from all
2984 owners of property that is subject to the comprehensive sign plan.
 - 2985 (d) No sign that is either specifically prohibited by a condition in an approved site plan
2986 or comprehensive sign plan for the subject property, or that expressly requires
2987 County Board approval, shall be approved by the zoning administrator.
 - 2988 3. The zoning administrator may approve amendments to comprehensive sign plans that
2989 permit substitution of one or more comprehensive sign plan approved signs with signs
2990 of no greater size or number, that fully comply with the requirements of Article 13.

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§13.18. Definitions and Interpretations ¹

§13.18.1. Measurements

A. Aggregate sign area

The aggregate sign area is the total area of all signs of a sign type, for which “yes” is included in the “included in aggregate sign area” line in §13.6 or §13.7, whichever is applicable for the property on which the sign is located.

B. Sign area, individual signs

1. General

Sign area shall be the area of the rectangle if the sign is rectangular; or if the sign is not rectangular, the smallest convex polygon that contains the entire sign, excluding those architectural embellishments and supports on which no advertising material or lighting is displayed.

2. Three-dimensional

The sign area of a three-dimensional or irregularly-shaped sign shall be the area of the convex polygon that will contain the entire sign when viewed in any dimension. If the size of such a polygon varies depending on the perspective of the sign viewed, the largest such polygon shall be used as the sign area. If the sign projects more than two feet from the wall, the sign area shall be two times the area measured by such polygon, to reflect the fact that the sign has a visual effect similar to a two-faced sign.

3. Outline lighting

Any exposed tubing or lighting used to outline a sign shall be included in computation of sign area.

4. Signs painted on wall

Where a sign is painted on a wall or other surface, the sign area shall include the entire area of the background color(s) of the sign that differentiate it from the general color of the wall or other surface.

5. Signs on awnings

Where a sign appears on an awning, notwithstanding the size or color of the awning itself, the sign area shall be measured as set forth in §13.18.1.A, above.

6. Projecting or double-faced signs

For projecting or double-faced signs, the sign area shall be the area of one display face where the interior angle formed by the faces is 90 degrees or less. Otherwise the sign area shall include the area of all sign faces.

7. Window signs

The size of a window shall be the area of glass surrounded by structural portions of the building. For window signs, the sign area shall be calculated as set forth in §13.18.1.A, above, as a percentage of the area of the window, where dividers (mullions) of more than five inches shall not be counted as window area.

¹ Interpretations? How does this section provide for the interpretation of zoning provisions? Seems like a misnomer.

3029 **C. Sign height**

3030 **1.** The height of a freestanding sign shall be the difference in height between the
3031 elevation of the finished grade level beneath the sign and the elevation of the
3032 uppermost extremity of the sign or sign structure, whichever is higher.

3033 **2.** The height of a sign attached to a building shall be the difference in height between the
3034 elevation of the finished grade level beneath the sign and the elevation of the
3035 uppermost extremity of the sign or sign structure, whichever is higher.

3036 **§13.18.2. Sign-related definitions**

3037 See §1.1.

Article 14. Site Development Standards

§14.1. Maintenance of Common Area

§14.1.1. Applicability

Whenever a subdivision (including any division of interests whether covered by the subdivision ordinance or not) is created which contains any common area which will be conveyed to a homeowners' association, a council of co-owners or similar entity, the owner of the subdivided property shall create and record among the county land records,

§14.1.2. Requirements

- A. Prior to the conveyance of any lot in the subdivision, a covenant which shall provide for the following:
1. That the entity which owns the common area shall be responsible for its maintenance.
 2. That in the event the entity fails to maintain the common area in accordance with the county-approved landscape plan for the subdivision or applicable state and county statutes and ordinances, the county shall have the right to enter upon the common area for the purposes of bringing it into compliance with the landscape plan, the statutes or ordinances.
 3. That a pro rata share of the costs incurred by the county pursuant to subsection 2, above, shall constitute a lien on each lot within the subdivision.
 4. A recitation that the covenant shall run with the real property within the subdivision and be binding on all parties having any right, title or interest in any lot therein.
- B. All covenants required under this section shall be approved by the county attorney prior to recordation.

§14.2. Landscaping

§14.2.1. Purpose

The purpose of this section is to provide landscaping in order to better control and ameliorate problems of air and noise pollution, afford wind protection, help moderate temperature extremes, to increase property values and attract prosperous business activities into the county and to make the county a healthier and more aesthetically pleasing place to live, shop and work. It is the further intent of this section to provide minimum standards for the selection of plant materials to ensure their survival.

§14.2.2. Landscape plans and plant materials

A. Applicability

All properties requiring site landscaping must submit with the application for a building permit a landscape plan demonstrating compliance with the standards set forth below.

B. Site landscaping requirements

1. Street trees: All properties requiring site landscaping shall include major deciduous trees at the minimum rate of one for every 35 feet along any property line abutting

3075 public right-of-way. The requirement may be satisfied by planting trees within the
3076 public right-of-way at a location to be designated by the zoning administrator or,
3077 alternatively, such trees shall be planted ~~on-site~~on-site within the front yard setback.

3078 2. No ~~on-site~~on-site landscaped area shall be less than five feet wide or eight feet long,
3079 except that this provision shall not apply to areas covered by easements for public
3080 purposes.

3081 3. A minimum of 25 percent of the landscaped area shall be covered by shrub spread at
3082 maturity.

3083 C. Landscape plans standards

3084 The landscape plan must show:

3085 1. Topography of site before and after landscaping.

3086 2. Location and size of all existing plant materials.

3087 3. Existing vegetation to be retained.

3088 4. Devices by which existing plant material shall be protected from damage during land
3089 alteration or land development activities. All disturbed areas not otherwise treated
3090 shall be seeded and/or sodded.

3091 5. Location, type, size, spacing and number of proposed trees, shrubs, and ground covers.

3092 6. Property lines, match lines, easements, limit of contract, building overhangs, paved
3093 areas, fences, walls and utilities.

3094 7. A legend, plant list, key, a scale drawn to a minimum of one inch to 30 feet, north
3095 arrow and planting detail.

3096 D. Planting materials standards

3097 1. Deciduous trees with an ultimate height of 36 feet or greater to be planted shall be a
3098 minimum two-inch caliper and 10 feet in height at time of planting.

3099 2. Deciduous trees with an ultimate height of 35 feet or less to be planted shall be a
3100 minimum of one and one-half-inch caliper at the time of planting, and eight feet in
3101 height at time of planting.

3102 3. Evergreen trees with an ultimate height of 26 feet or greater shall have a minimum
3103 height of five feet at time of planting.

3104 4. Evergreen trees with an ultimate height of 25 feet or less shall have a minimum height
3105 of two feet at time of planting.

3106 5. Caliper, as used herein, is the diameter in inches of the tree as measured six inches
3107 above ground level for trees up to and including those trees measuring four inches in
3108 caliper. Trees with a caliper greater than four inches shall be measured 12 inches
3109 above ground level.

3110 6. Spreading shrubs, deciduous or evergreen, to be planted shall be a minimum 15 inches
3111 in diameter.

3112 7. Upright shrubs to be planted shall be a minimum of 24 inches in height.

- 3113 8. All trees, shrubs, vines or groundcover, shall be living species. No artificial plant
3114 material may be used to fulfill the requirements of this section.
- 3115 9. All plant materials must be:
- 3116 (a) Normally developed and typically representative of species and/or variety stated;
- 3117 (b) Stock well-branched and healthy; and
- 3118 (c) In accordance with the American Association of Nurserymen's American Standard
3119 for Nursery Stock.
- 3120 10. A list of trees and shrubs to be used by developers to plan landscaping in compliance
3121 with this subsection shall be available at the office of the zoning administrator.
- 3122 11. Trees that vary from this list may be used subject to the approval of the zoning
3123 administrator.

3124 **§14.2.3. Maintenance**

3125 The owner of the property, or his designated agent, shall be responsible for the proper care and
3126 maintenance, and replacement if necessary, of all landscape materials in a healthy and growing
3127 condition.

3128 **§14.2.4. ~~Parking area landscaping~~ ~~Additional landscaping requirements for parking~~**
3129 **~~areas, public and private~~**

3130 **A. Applicability**

3131 The provisions of this subsection shall apply to all parking areas, including public and
3132 private areas, designed for 20 or more spaces except the provision of §14.2.3.E.2., which
3133 shall be applicable regardless of the number of parking spaces.

3134 **B. Landscape plans requirements**

- 3135 1. No parking area of 20 or more spaces shall be constructed or enlarged until a
3136 landscape plan for that parking area has been approved by the zoning administrator.
- 3137 2. Landscape plans shall be drawn according to the standards set forth in §14.2.2.C.
- 3138 3. Landscape plans shall show dimensions and distances, clearly delineate the existing and
3139 proposed parking spaces, or other vehicular use area, access aisles, driveways, and the
3140 location, size and description of all landscape materials.

3141 **C. Parking lot landscaping design criteria**

- 3142 1. All end islands of parking rows and all areas not otherwise used for ingress, egress,
3143 aisles or parking must be landscaped.
- 3144 2. The interior space of any planting area shall be no less than nine square feet. and not
3145 narrower than two feet across its center.
- 3146 3. The primary landscaping materials used in parking lots shall be deciduous trees which
3147 are capable of providing shade at maturity. Shrubbery, hedges and other live plant
3148 materials are to be used to complement the tree landscaping. Effective use of berms
3149 and existing topography is also encouraged as a component of the landscape plan.
- 3150 4. All interior planting areas shall be protected from vehicle intrusion by a permanent
3151 barrier not less than four nor more than eight inches high.

3152 5. In those instances where plant material exists on a parking lot site prior to its
3153 development, such landscape material may be used if approved as meeting the
3154 landscaping requirements of this subsection.

3155 **D. Planting materials**

3156 All plant materials shall conform to the standards set forth in §14.2.2.D.

3157 **E. Screening requirements**

3158 **1. Parking areas**

3159 The following regulations apply in all districts to all uses, including ~~vehicle~~
3160 ~~dealership~~vehicle sales, rental or leasing facility, sales or rental lots and vehicle storage
3161 lots:

3162 (a) A landscaped strip a minimum of five feet wide shall be provided where a parking
3163 area abuts streets, sidewalks, street right-of-way and alleys separating C districts
3164 from R, RA, and S-3A districts. Deciduous trees shall be spaced every 25 linear
3165 feet, to be measured along the property line, in the planting areas with a
3166 minimum of three evergreen shrubs, planted on center, which attain a minimum
3167 height of three feet at maturity, planted between.

3168 (b) Except between abutting RA zoned lots or where topography achieves the same
3169 effect, any part of a parking area located closer than 50 feet to a side or rear lot
3170 line of a lot in an R or RA district or where such parking extends into an R or RA
3171 district as a permitted transitional use, a minimum of a five-foot wide landscaped
3172 strip with a wall or fence shall be required. The wall or fence shall be placed
3173 within 10 feet of, and generally parallel to, the boundary of the parking area and
3174 the R or RA lots. The landscaped strip may be placed on either side of the wall or
3175 fence. Such wall or fence shall consist of durable material so arranged that direct
3176 light cannot penetrate the face thereof. Such wall or fence shall have a minimum
3177 height of six feet above the finished surface of the area that it bounds, measured
3178 at the wheel bumper, where such exists, and of six feet above the ground surface
3179 of the side exposed to abutting properties. The height of the wall or fence shall
3180 be reduced to four feet when located in the required setback. In parking areas
3181 with less than 20 spaces, the five-foot landscaped strip may be deleted; however,
3182 in all cases the wall or fence shall be required.

3183 (c) A landscaped strip five feet wide shall be provided where C properties abut R, RA,
3184 and S-3A properties.

3185 (d) Planting which is required for screening may be considered as partial or complete
3186 fulfillment of the site landscaping requirement.

3187 **E.F. Maintenance**

3188 The owner of the property, or his designated agent, shall be responsible for the proper care
3189 and maintenance, and replacement if necessary, of all landscape materials in a healthy and
3190 growing condition.

3191 **§14.3. Parking and Loading**

3192 **§14.3.1. Policy**

3193 Virtually every land use in the county now requires, and in the foreseeable future will require,
3194 access by motor vehicles. For the purposes of reducing and avoiding congestion of streets and
3195 providing a more suitable living and working environment, it is hereby declared to be the policy
3196 of the county that:

- 3197 A. For every land use hereafter established, there shall be provided sufficient space for access
3198 by, and for the off-street standing and parking of, all motor vehicles that may be expected
3199 to come to the establishment-premises at any time under normal conditions for any
3200 purpose, whether as patrons, customers, purveyors, guests, employees or otherwise.
- 3201 B. The responsibility for providing the space required by this zoning ordinance shall be that of
3202 whoever establishes the use to which it is appurtenant, except in business districts in which
3203 the County Board has declared, by resolution, that permanent parking space (but not
3204 loading space) has been provided on a community rather than an individual basis and that
3205 such space for such business district, within designated boundaries, shall be prorated
3206 against the requirements of this article.
- 3207 C. The requirements as to off-street parking space and off-street loading space set forth in
3208 this zoning ordinance are adopted in pursuance of the foregoing policy. Except as may be
3209 allowed by site plan or use permit approval, said requirements shall be deemed to be
3210 minimum requirements.

3211 **§14.3.2. Reduction of parking, standing or loading areas**

3212 No parking area, parking space, standing space or loading space which existed at the time this
3213 zoning ordinance became effective or which subsequent thereto is provided shall thereafter be
3214 relinquished or reduced in any manner below the requirements established in this zoning
3215 ordinance except as may be permitted by §16.5.

3216 **§14.3.3. General requirements**

3217 The requirements set forth in this article with respect to the location or improvement of parking,
3218 standing and loading space shall apply to all such space that is provided for any use, whether
3219 said space is provided in accordance with the requirements of this zoning ordinance, or said
3220 space is voluntarily provided. Parking, standing and loading space shall comply with the
3221 following regulations:

3222 **A. Use and parking on same lot**

3223 Off-street parking and off-street loading space appurtenant to any use permitted in any R
3224 or RA districts shall be provided on the same parcel of land occupied by the use to which
3225 said space is appurtenant or on common areas in the same subdivision.

3226 **B. Off-site parking**

3227 **1. R and RA district**

3228 All off-street parking space appurtenant to any use other than a use permitted in any R
3229 or RA district shall be on the same parcel of land with the use to which it is appurtenant
3230 or on common areas in the same subdivision; provided, however, that where there are
3231 practical difficulties in the way of such location of parking space or if the public safety
3232 or the public convenience, or both, would be better served by the location thereof

3233 other than on the same parcel of land with the use to which it is appurtenant, the
 3234 zoning administrator, acting on a specific application, shall authorize such alternative
 3235 location of required parking space as will adequately serve the public interest, subject
 3236 to the following conditions:

- 3237 (a) Such space shall be located on land in the same ownership as that of the land on
 3238 which is located the use to which such space is appurtenant or, in the case of
 3239 parking for certain restaurants, shall conform to the requirements in §14.3.6.
- 3240 (b) A pedestrian entrance to such space shall be located within a distance of 600 feet,
 3241 by the shortest route of effective pedestrian access, entrance to entrance.
- 3242 (c) Such space shall be conveniently usable without causing unreasonable:
 - 3243 (1) Hazard to pedestrians.
 - 3244 (2) Hazard to vehicular traffic.
 - 3245 (3) Traffic congestion.
 - 3246 (4) Interference with safe and convenient access to other parking areas in the
 3247 vicinity.
 - 3248 (5) Detriment to the appropriate use of business property in the vicinity.
 - 3249 (6) Detriment to any residential neighborhood.

3250 **2. S3-A and PS districts**

3251 Off-site parking, off-site incidental to a use permitted in an SP, R or RA district may be
 3252 permitted in the S3-A and P-S districts subject to use permit approval as provided in
 3253 §15.4; provided that, unless located on publicly-owned land, such parking area shall be
 3254 on land in the same fee ownership as the land on which the appurtenant use is
 3255 located.¹

3256 **C. Dimensional requirements ~~Minimum dimensions for o~~**

3257 **3-1. Off-street parking spaces and off-street parking aisles**

3258 In calculating any required parking area, other than for one- and two-family dwellings,
 3259 the following minimum dimensions shall be required:

Parking Angle (degrees)	Stall Width (feet)	Depth of Stalls Perpendicular to Aisle (feet)	One-way Aisle Width (feet)	Two-way Aisle Width (feet)
Full Size Automobile Spaces				
45	8.5	17.5	12.0	Not permitted
60	8.5	19.5	16.0	Not permitted
90	8.5	18.0	23.0	23.0
Parallel	22.0	8.0	12.0	23.0
Compact Car Spaces				
45	8	16.0	12.0	Not permitted
60	8	16.7	15.0	Not permitted
90	8	15.0	21.0	21.0
Parallel	20.0	8.0	10.0	20.0

¹ Moved from P accessory use table (Parking, off-site) and edited as shown.

Parking Angle (degrees)	Stall Width (feet)	Depth of Stalls Perpendicular to Aisle (feet)	One-way Aisle Width (feet)	Two-way Aisle Width (feet)
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NOTE: In the event of a row of nine foot wide stalls is opposite to a row of seven and one-half-foot wide stalls, the aisle size required for nine-foot stalls shall apply.

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2. Standing space

~~One off street space no loess than nine by 20 feet with a vertical clearance of not less than seven feet~~ Each required standing space shall be no less than nine by 20 feet and shall have a minimum vertical clearance of no less than seven feet.¹

3. Loading space

Each required loading space shall be ~~not~~ less than 12 feet wide, 25 feet long, and shall ~~have~~ having a minimum vertical clearance of no less than 14 feet.²

~~C.D.~~ Vehicle access

Access and maneuvering space shall be provided in accordance with §14.3.3.C and shall permit the parking and removal of a vehicle without moving other vehicles.

~~D.E.~~ Parking in setbacks

In all R, RA, C-1 and C-1-O districts, except for one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses in R districts, no parking or required curb or wall shall encroach on the exterior 10 feet of a setback area and such area shall be landscaped and properly maintained at all times.

~~E.~~ Transitional parking use restrictions

~~In transitional parking areas, no activity or use shall be conducted on the area except the parking of customer or employee automobiles and uses as specifically permitted in the district. The use of such areas for parking shall not be deemed to include any sales or servicing whatsoever.~~³

F. Compact car spaces

Any parking area may include up to 15 percent of the parking spaces for compact cars. In parking areas for office uses containing more than 100 spaces, up to 15 percent of the spaces may be compact spaces. The spaces shall be grouped together and visibly marked for "compact cars only." Aisle size shall not be reduced unless an entire aisle is providing access and maneuvering space for only compact cars. No compact parking spaces are permitted for hospitals or hospital-related medical and health care facilities, medical offices, ~~physician, surgeon or dentist offices,~~ nursing homes, convalescent homes and intermediate care facilities, and related housing for the elderly. ~~In addition, no e~~Compact parking spaces are not permitted for retail sales and service uses, ~~or for and~~ required guest and visitor parking.

G. Use of private parking areas

1. No parking spaces located in a private parking area in R or RA districts except in the RA-H district shall be used by any persons other than persons engaging in the use for

¹ From definitions, with amendments as shown.
² From definitions, with amendments as shown
³ Moved to §12.8.5.

3294 which the parking is provided such as occupants of the premises, their visitors and
3295 employees at the site, except as expressly provided in §14.3.3.G.2 and §14.3.7 below.

3296 2. For ~~places of worship~~religious institutions, lodges, or community swimming pools not
3297 operated primarily for commercial gain:

3298 (a) Parking spaces that are accessory to those uses may be used by off-site users to
3299 park noncommercial vehicles, when such use does not exceed either 10 percent
3300 of the total number of spaces or 12 parking spaces, whichever is less; and

3301 (b) Parking spaces that are accessory to those uses may be used by off-site users to
3302 park non-commercial vehicles, when such use is for no more than four days per 90
3303 day period; and

3304 (c) The County Board may, by use permit approval, as specified in §15.5, permit the
3305 use of parking spaces accessory to those uses to be leased or used under a verbal
3306 or written contractual agreement with off-site users to park non-commercial
3307 vehicles, when such use exceeds the parameters set forth in §14.3.3.G.1 and
3308 §14.3.3.G.2, above. Such use permit may be approved where the County Board
3309 finds that such use promotes the effective use of the county's limited parking
3310 facilities, reduces traffic congestion, and does not create adverse impacts on the
3311 ~~adjacent abutting streets~~, neighborhoods, or neighborhoods across the street,
3312 ~~and streets~~, and will not result in parking being unavailable for the primary use of
3313 the site on which the parking is provided. The County Board may, through such
3314 use permit approval, allow spaces that are required by this zoning ordinance to be
3315 provided for the place of worship or lodge to also be used for other purposes
3316 pursuant to such use permit, if the findings above are made.

3317 3. Parking spaces in C, C-O, M, RA-H or R-C districts located in a private parking area,
3318 which are provided in addition to those required by this zoning ordinance to serve the
3319 premises, may be used by persons other than persons engaging in the use for which
3320 the parking is provided.

3321 4. Parking spaces in C, C-O, M, RA-H or R-C districts which are required by this zoning
3322 ordinance may be used by persons other than persons engaging in uses on the site,
3323 provided that said spaces shall be made available at all times to persons engaging in
3324 uses on the site at least at the same rates as to persons not engaging in uses on the
3325 site, and provided that there is no demand for said spaces by persons engaging in uses
3326 on the site.

3327 H. Access to parking spaces

3328 1. Except for one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses in R districts, street rights-of-
3329 way shall not be used for maneuvering or direct ingress, or egress to off-street parking
3330 spaces.

3331 2. Alleys which are improved to county standards may be used for maneuvering or direct
3332 ingress and egress to off-street parking spaces if the required aisle width is provided.

3333 I. Location of parking spaces

3334 1. In any districts, parking spaces for one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses may
3335 encroach on the exterior 10 feet of a setback area, provided that they are located on a
3336 driveway with an existing or approved curb cut, and they have the minimum

3337 dimensions for full size automobile spaces as are required in §14.3.3.C. Parking spaces
3338 shall be designed and used so that the automobiles parked on driveways shall not
3339 encroach into the public rights-of-way. The setback area used for parking shall be
3340 landscaped and properly maintained at all times. The ground surface of the parking
3341 space shall be paved with a durable, dust-free and hard material, such as bituminous
3342 hot mix or Portland cement concrete or some comparable material, or shall be
3343 surfaced with an alternate material, suitable for passage by automobiles, which does
3344 not result in excessively dusty or muddy conditions at or around the parking area, as
3345 approved by the zoning administrator.

3346 2. Tandem parking spaces may be allowed for off-street parking spaces for one- or two-
3347 family dwellings or townhouses, provided that they comply with §14.3.3.J.

3348 **J. Conversion of parking, standing or loading spaces**

3349 No parking areas, parking spaces, standing spaces or loading spaces required by this zoning
3350 ordinance shall be converted to any other use, which other uses include, without limitation,
3351 living space, storage, home occupation or other uses.

3352 **K. Management of parking spaces by the homeowner's association**

3353 Whenever a subdivision is created which contains any common area that will be used for
3354 parking and conveyed to a homeowners' association or similar entity, the owner of the
3355 subdivided property shall record a covenant in the land records of the ~~Ceircuit Ceourt of~~
3356 ~~Arlington County~~ which provides that the homeowners' association or similar entity shall be
3357 responsible for the management of the common area parking spaces in its subdivision,
3358 including the following:

3359 1. Maintenance of the required number of parking spaces in common areas in the
3360 subdivision, allocation of common area parking spaces to each property owner in the
3361 subdivision, or to visitor use, as required by this zoning ordinance; locations of all
3362 required common area parking spaces according to approved plans on file with the
3363 zoning office;

3364 2. Ratio of compact to full-size common area parking spaces;

3365 3. Striping; landscaping;

3366 4. Lighting; and

3367 5. Installation of any signs on common area parking spaces.

3368 **L. Encroachment into parking spaces**

3369 No encroachment into parking spaces that reduces the parking spaces' width, length or
3370 height clearance shall be permitted unless otherwise allowed by the zoning administrator.

3371 **§14.3.4. Required improvements**

3372 Every parcel of land hereafter used as a private or public standing or parking area, other than
3373 parking required for one-and two-family dwellings, a loading space, a vehicle ~~sales, rental or~~
3374 ~~leasing facility~~ ~~dealership, sales or rental lot~~ or a vehicle storage lot (referred to in this section as
3375 "parking area") shall be provided with safe and convenient access to a street and shall be
3376 improved in accordance with the following requirements:

3377 **A. Paving**

3378 The ground surface shall be paved with a durable, dust-free and hard material, such as
3379 bituminous hot mix or Portland cement concrete or some comparable material subject to
3380 approval of the zoning administrator. Such paving shall be maintained for safe and
3381 convenient use at all times.

3382 **1. Plans and timing**

3383 Engineering and grading plans shall be submitted to the Department of Environmental
3384 Services, showing property lines, existing and proposed contours, proposed points of
3385 ingress and egress, curbing, sidewalks, lighting fixtures, drainage structures, collection
3386 booths and such other information as may relate to the construction of the parking
3387 area.

3388 **(a) Deferral for up to one year**

3389 When a developer is required to improve a new or existing parking area in
3390 accordance with the provisions of this §14.3.4, the owner of the property may
3391 request, in writing, that such improvements be deferred for a period not to
3392 exceed one year, subject to the zoning administrator's approval of a temporary
3393 surfacing material, provided that the alternate material does not result in
3394 excessively dusty or muddy conditions at and around the parking area and
3395 guarantees for such improvements are proffered in writing and recorded in the
3396 land records in the office of the clerk of the court of Arlington County.

3397 **(b) Deferral for up to six years**

3398 Improvements required for a new or existing public parking area, in accordance
3399 with the provisions, below, may be deferred for a period not to exceed six years
3400 from the date of the approved parking lot occupancy permit. No extension or
3401 renewal beyond the six-year period shall be permitted for any parking area. The
3402 deferral of required improvements shall be subject to the following and approved
3403 by the zoning administrator:

- 3404 **(1)** The ground surface shall be improved in accordance with §14.3.4.A.
- 3405 **(2)** Internal drainage of significant surface water shall be controlled by curbing
3406 or contours and shall be discharged to a suitable storm sewer system or to a
3407 positive outfall area.
- 3408 **(3)** Sidewalks shall be constructed to walkway standards, up to a maximum of
3409 eight feet in width, if ~~adjacent-abutting~~ curb and gutter improvements are in
3410 place. Where curb and gutter improvements are not in place temporary
3411 asphalt sidewalks of a minimum of four feet in width shall be provided
3412 ~~adjacent to~~abutting the parking.
- 3413 **(4)** Minimum horizontal illumination lighting standard of one footcandle shall be
3414 provided throughout the parking area. Lights used to illuminate any parking
3415 area shall be so arranged and shielded so as to confine all direct light rays
3416 entirely within the boundary lines of the parking area.
- 3417 **(5)** Wheel stops four feet from the edge of the parking area shall be provided to
3418 prevent vehicles from overhanging the public right-of-way and ~~adjacent~~
3419 abutting properties.

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3420 (6) For parking areas closer than 50 feet to a side or rear lot line of a lot in an R
3421 or RA district, a six-foot solid wall or fence shall be required and placed
3422 within 10 feet of, and generally parallel to, the boundary of the parking area
3423 and the R or RA lots.

3424 (7) Driveway openings through the curb shall not exceed 30 feet in width
3425 measured at the edge of the street easement or right-of-way.

3426 (8) Provisions shall be made to organize parking to provide adequate aisle
3427 clearance and entrance and exit accessibility, according to acceptable
3428 engineering practice.

3429 (9) Areas not used for access or parking shall be planted in grass or other
3430 appropriate ground cover.

3431 **B. Curbs and delineation**

3432 Fixed and permanent wheel bumpers or curbs of concrete or some comparable material at
3433 least four inches high, together with metal safety rails where specified by the zoning
3434 administrator, shall be installed for each parking area at least four feet within the
3435 prescribed limits of the parking area. The space created between the wheel bumper or
3436 curb and the required landscaped area may be either paved or covered with pervious
3437 materials; no plants may be used in this area that grow higher than six inches. Where the
3438 parking is so designated that the vehicle overhang does not protrude outside the
3439 prescribed limits of the area, such curbs may be placed at the outside limits of the area.
3440 Parking spaces shall be delineated and periodically restored to maintain a clear
3441 identification of separate parking stalls.

3442 **C. Curb cuts**

3443 Driveway openings through the curb shall not exceed 30 feet in width measured at the
3444 edge of the street easement or right-of-way.

3445 **D. Landscaping and screening**

3446 For landscaping and screening of parking areas, refer to §14.2, Landscaping, for regulations.
3447 See also §14.3.4.A.1(b)(6).

3448 **E. Lighting**

3449 Lights used to illuminate any parking area shall be so arranged and shielded as to confine all
3450 direct light rays entirely within the boundary lines of such area.

3451 **F. Plans**

3452 An application for a building permit for a parking area shall include plans in duplicate
3453 covering all the foregoing requirements which shall be approved by the zoning
3454 administrator before work is commenced.

3455 **§14.3.5. Required off-street parking and standing space**

3456 Parking or standing spaces shall be provided for each use, as permitted in its respective
3457 classification, in not less than the amounts set forth herein for every building, or addition
3458 thereto, and for all uses of land hereafter established or expanded:

3459 **A. Use of parking or standing space**

3460 Parking or standing space required by this zoning ordinance shall be used only for those
3461 purposes. Any other use of said space, including any repair work or servicing of any kind,

3462 shall be deemed to constitute a separate commercial use of said space in violation of the
3463 provisions of this zoning ordinance.

3464 **B. Computation**

3465 For the purpose of computing required off-street standing, parking or loading space in
3466 relation to floor area, the gross floor area shall be used. When computing parking space
3467 requirements on the basis of the number of occupants, practitioners, or employees, the
3468 total maximum number of said occupants on the premises at any one time shall be used.
3469 When application of the requirements would result in a fractional space, any such fraction
3470 shall be counted as one space. If there is any uncertainty with respect to the amount of
3471 parking space required by the provisions of this zoning ordinance as a result of any
3472 indefiniteness as to the proposed use of a building or of land, the maximum requirement
3473 for the general type of use that is involved shall govern.

3474 **§14.3.6. Parking in Metro station areas**

3475 **A. Uses exempted from parking requirements**

3476 To encourage and promote pedestrian-related commercial activity in Metro station areas,
3477 no parking shall be required for the uses listed below where the major portion of the use is
3478 located within 1,000 feet of a Metrorail station entrance. No floor area granted a
3479 reduction under the provisions of this subsection shall be converted to any other use unless
3480 parking is provided for the space in accordance with the requirements of this zoning
3481 ordinance, notwithstanding any other provisions of this zoning ordinance, including
3482 §15.6.6.A.

3483 **1. Restaurants**

- 3484 (a) Restaurants operating only between 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. (no floor area
3485 restriction).
- 3486 (b) Restaurants ~~which~~ operating ~~between~~ 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. and which have
3487 fewer than 200 seats.
- 3488 (c) Restaurants ~~which~~ operating ~~between~~ 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. shall provide
3489 parking spaces in accordance with the requirements in §14.3.2, §14.3.4, and
3490 §14.3.5, for the number of seats that exceeds 200 seats.

3491 For purpose of this subsection, the number of seats shall be the number of seats
3492 allowed by the certificate of occupancy for the restaurant.

3493 **2. Retail and service-commercial uses**

3494 Retail and service-commercial uses for the first 5,000 sq. ft. of floor area per main
3495 building, except the following uses which shall not be granted the exemption
3496 blueprinting or photostating; ~~business college~~; catering establishment, large scale; feed
3497 or fuel store; frozen food lockers; ice storage house; indoor swimming pools; medical
3498 or dental offices, clinics and laboratories; vehicle sales, rental or leasing facilities
3499 ~~dealership, sales or rental lots~~; vehicle storage lots; music conservatory or music
3500 instruction; plumbing or sheet metal shops; printing, lithographing or publishing; public
3501 service, including electric distribution substation, fire or police station, telephone
3502 exchange and the like; sign making painting shop; ~~tire shop~~; trade or commercial
3503 school; vehicle service establishment.

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3. Grocery stores

Grocery stores ~~that, which~~ are not the principal use on a site, for the first 15,000 ~~sq.~~ ft. square feet.

B. Special administrative provisions for meeting parking requirements for restaurants

Between 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., restaurants shall provide parking spaces as provided in §14.3.6.A. To encourage and promote pedestrian-related commercial activity in Metro station areas and to promote the efficient use of parking spaces, the required parking spaces for restaurants, the major portions of which are located within 1,000 feet of a Metro station entrance, may be provided by the restaurant obtaining a legally binding agreement to use off-site parking spaces, under any ownership, that are not required by any other use; or ~~on-site~~on-site or off-site parking spaces that are required for another use that is not open for business between 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.; provided that the zoning administrator approves such agreement and location of required parking spaces. Use of parking spaces to meet the zoning requirements shall be subject to the following conditions:

1. Such parking spaces shall be located in commercial or industrial districts.
2. Such parking spaces shall conform to the requirements in §14.3.3, §14.3.4, and §14.3.7.
3. A pedestrian entrance to such parking spaces shall be located within a distance of 600 feet from the restaurant entrance by the shortest route of effective pedestrian access.
4. Such parking spaces shall be conveniently usable for patrons of the restaurant without causing unreasonable:
 - (a) Hazard to pedestrians.
 - (b) Hazard to vehicular traffic.
 - (c) Traffic congestion.
 - (d) Interference with safe and convenient access to other parking areas in the vicinity.
 - (e) Detriment to the appropriate use of business property in the vicinity.
 - (f) Detriment to any residential neighborhood.
5. The applicant shall file one copy of a notarized, legally binding agreement for the use of said parking spaces with the zoning administrator for review and approval when any restaurant parking requirement is met through said agreement. Approval by the zoning administrator of said agreement shall be subject to the following conditions:
 - (a) The name, address, and legal authorization of each signatory to execute the agreement shall be shown on the agreement.
 - (b) An agreement for the use of parking spaces shall be for not less than 20 years or shall coincide with the full period of the term of the lease, including options, for use of the land or building for the restaurant, whichever is shorter.
 - (c) Verification satisfactory to the zoning administrator that the use for which such parking spaces are required is not open for business between 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. shall be provided by the applicant.

- 3545 (d) A certified survey plat depicting the parking spaces shall be attached to the
3546 agreement. The plat shall accurately show the following:
- 3547 (1) The precise locations of the restaurant and the parking spaces.
- 3548 (2) The distance between the restaurant and the parking spaces by the shortest
3549 route of effective pedestrian access.
- 3550 (3) The location, dimensions, access aisles, driveways, entrances, and exits of the
3551 parking spaces.
- 3552 (4) Any other information required by the general regulations of this section.
- 3553 6. Once the notarized copy of said agreement is approved and the parking spaces
3554 described on the agreement are certified to comply with all applicable provisions of
3555 this zoning ordinance by the zoning administrator, the zoning administrator shall credit
3556 such parking spaces toward the parking requirement of the restaurant and shall issue
3557 the certificate of occupancy to the restaurant. The applicant shall immediately notify
3558 the zoning administrator either before any amendment to or upon termination of the
3559 agreement.
- 3560 (a) If the validity of any agreement for the use of said parking spaces submitted in
3561 compliance with this subsection expires or the agreement for any reason becomes
3562 null and void, the certificate of occupancy issued under this subsection shall be
3563 automatically suspended for the number of seats affected by said nullification,
3564 effective as of the date of such expiration or nullification. The restaurant shall
3565 cease operation of said number of seats and shall not resume until such time as a
3566 replacement agreement for the use of said parking spaces, approved by the
3567 zoning administrator, is made and the requirements of this subsection are
3568 satisfied. The applicant shall obtain an amended certificate of occupancy for the
3569 seats that are not affected by said voiding.
- 3570 (b) In the event a certificate of occupancy is suspended as provided in §14.3.6.B.6(a),
3571 above, if the applicant applies for a use permit for a modification of parking
3572 requirements for the restaurant as described in §14.3.6.C, the restaurant shall be
3573 allowed to continue operation for a maximum period of 90 days or until such time
3574 as the County Board renders a decision on the use permit request, whichever is
3575 shorter.
- 3576 7. Acceptance by the zoning administrator of any agreement for the use of parking spaces
3577 shall in no way obligate the county to enforce the provisions of said agreement, nor
3578 shall it render the county liable for any damages, injury, or loss resulting from the
3579 implementation of the provisions of the agreement.
- 3580 8. The applicant shall negotiate the renewal of any agreement for the use of said parking
3581 spaces prior to its expiration and provide copies of such supplemental agreement to
3582 the zoning administrator in the form and manner specified by this subsection.

3583 **C. Modification of parking requirements for restaurants by use permit**

- 3584 1. To encourage and promote pedestrian-related commercial activity in Metro station
3585 areas and to promote efficient use of parking spaces, the parking requirements for
3586 restaurants, the major portions of which are located within 1,000 feet of a Metro
3587 station entrance, may be modified by use permit. Such modification may include, but

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3588 shall not be limited to, modification of the number of ~~on-site~~ on-site or off-site parking
 3589 spaces required for the number of seats in the restaurant, and the distance between
 3590 the restaurant and the proposed off-site parking spaces. In granting such use permit,
 3591 the County Board may consider, among other things, the following factors:

- 3592 (a) Hours of operation of the restaurant.
- 3593 (b) The modes of transportation which are conveniently available to patrons of the
 3594 restaurant.
- 3595 (c) Management practices of the restaurant to reduce parking needs by patrons and
 3596 employees.
- 3597 (d) Whether parking spaces which are available for a restaurant are, as determined by
 3598 the County Board, conveniently usable by patrons of the restaurant without
 3599 causing unreasonable:
 - 3600 (1) Hazard to pedestrians.
 - 3601 (2) Hazard to vehicular traffic.
 - 3602 (3) Traffic congestion.
 - 3603 (4) Interference with safe and convenient access to other parking areas in the
 3604 vicinity.
 - 3605 (5) Detriment to the appropriate use of business property in the vicinity.
 - 3606 (6) Detriment to any residential neighborhood.

3607 **D. Modification of parking requirements for office and commercial uses**

3608 The parking requirement for office and commercial uses may be reduced by 10 percent if a
 3609 direct connection which is not greater than 500 feet in length and which provides shelter
 3610 from the elements is provided from the structure housing the use to which the parking is
 3611 appurtenant to a Metro Transit Station.

3612 **§14.3.7. Required parking and standing space**

- 3613 A. Parking shall be provided for all uses in accordance with the following standards unless
 3614 specified otherwise in this or other sections of this zoning ordinance:

Use Types		Minimum Parking Requirement (spaces)	Additional Requirements
Residential and housing uses			
One- and two-family dwellings	Not fronting on cul-de-sac	1 per dwelling unit	Constructed and maintained in accordance with §14.3.3.
	Fronting on cul-de-sac	2 per dwelling unit	Improved in accordance with §14.3.4.A. Constructed and maintained in accordance with §14.3.3.
Townhouses and stacked one-family dwellings		2 per dwelling unit, and 1/5 additional parking spaces per dwelling unit for visitors	Additional parking spaces for visitors shall be located in a clearly marked and designated common area available to all visitors. Provided, however, that visitor parking spaces may be included within the required two parking spaces per dwelling unit when at least 50 percent of parking spaces needed to meet the requirement are located in a common area and are available for either residents or visitors.

Use Types	Minimum Parking Requirement (spaces)	Additional Requirements
		-Constructed and maintained in accordance with §14.3.3.
Dwellings, other than one- and two-family	1 & 1/8 for each of the first 200 dwelling units in any structure	Plus 1 for each additional dwelling unit Constructed and maintained in accordance with §14.3.3.
Establishments with sleeping accommodations other than dwellings, including tourist courts, boarding or rooming houses, tourist homes, lodging or rooming houses, hotel or motels motels and motor hotels	1 per dwelling unit or guest room	--
<u>Bed and Breakfasts</u>	<u>1 per guest room¹</u> <u>A minimum of one on site on-site parking space per guestroom in a bed and breakfast shall be provided in addition to the parking space(s) required for the principal residence. The County Board may modify this requirement by use permit</u>	<u>Plus parking space(s) required for the principal residence. The County Board may modify parking requirements for bed and breakfasts by use permit.</u>
Conditional and Community Public, Civic and Institutional -Service uses		
<u>Churches, mosques, synagogues, and temples</u> sanctuaries	1 per each 5 sanctuary seats	Notwithstanding other sections of this zoning ordinance, required parking for churches may be located on a parking lot which is accessory to another principal use which is not open or operating on the days of the week on which the church sanctuaries are regularly used if said lot is either located within 600 feet by the shortest route of effective pedestrian access, or within 3/4 of one mile by the shortest route of effective vehicular access, and regular and frequent shuttle bus service is provided between the lot and the church during any hours when the use for which the lot is provided is not open and operating and the lot is open to persons attending meetings at the church.
<u>Colleges and Universities²</u>	<u>As determined by the County Board</u>	--
Community swimming pools	1 per each 40 sq. ft. of pool area	--
Golf courses	40 per each standard 9 holes	--
Hospitals, rest homes, nursing homes, sanitariums, convalescent homes & institutions	1 per 4 beds	Plus 1 space for each 2 employees (other than staff doctors), plus 1 space for each doctor assigned to the staff.
Intermediate care facilities	1 per each 3 dwelling units	Plus 1 per 3 employees, plus 1 per doctor
Libraries, <u>museums and art galleries or studios, and museums, private and public</u>	1 per each 500 sq. ft. of floor area	--
Public assembly establishments & club buildings	Excluding church sanctuaries <u>religious institutions, golf clubs and community centers</u> buildings	1 per each 3 seats or other accommodations or other accommodations for attendants or participants
Schools	Nursery	Computed on the basis of one accommodation for each attendant or participant
	High	Plus 1 space for each 10 fixed seats, or other vantage accommodation for spectators, for public assembly;

¹ Moved from Bed and Breakfast use standards (§12.5.3)

² Moved from "schools" below

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Use Types		Minimum Parking Requirement (spaces)	Additional Requirements
	Higher education	As determined by the County Board ¹	plus 1 per 50 sq. ft. of floor area for auditoriums, multipurpose rooms, gymnasium or other facilities used for public assembly but having no fixed seating arrangement specified
Schools	Elementary and middle	1 per each 7.5 students of design capacity for employee parking	Plus 1 space for each 40 students of design capacity for visitor parking
Retail and service commercial uses			
Retail and service commercial uses other than those specified below		1 per each 250 sq. ft. of floor area on the first floor of a building	Plus 1 per each 300 sq. ft. of floor area located elsewhere in the building
Bowling alley		4 per each alley	--
Car wash		20 standing spaces for waiting vehicles for each wash rack	Plus 1 per each two employees.
Drive-in Drive-through banking & similar "drive-in drive-through" service establishments		5 standing spaces for each teller or customer window	--
Furniture & appliance stores, furniture repair shops		1 per each 400 sq. ft. of floor area	--
Greenhouses and nurseries		One space for each 400 sq. ft. of floor area, plus such space as may be determined to be necessary as set forth above	--
Athletic or health clubs and other fitness facilities		1 per 50 sq. ft. of gross floor area	--
Indoor or outdoor amusement recreation or entertainment facilities other than those specifically listed in this §14.3.7		1 per 300 sq. ft. of indoor floor area or outdoor area used for recreation or entertainment amusement purposes	--
Vehicle sales, rental, or leasing facilities Motor vehicle sales		1 customer and 1 employee parking space for each 1,200 sq. ft. of area, whether or not said area is enclosed.	--
Offices or clinics, medical or dental of physicians, surgeons and dentists		1 per each 150 sq. ft. for first 5,000 sq. ft. in each building	Plus 1 per each 200 sq. ft. for next 10,000 sq. ft.; Plus 1 per each 250 sq. feet for area in excess of 15,000 sq. ft.
Other office buildings		1 per each 250 sq. ft. of floor area on the first floor	Plus 1 per 300 sq. ft. of floor area located in the basement or on the 2nd through 5th floors, plus 1 per 400 sq. ft. of floor area located above the fifth floor
Restaurants		1 per each 6 seats (in addition to all parking space provided for service to patrons while seated in automobiles).	--
Tennis, racquet and handball courts		3 per court	--
Theaters, auditoriums and other commercial places of public assembly		1 per each 3 seats or other accommodations, for attendants, employees or participants	--
Undertaking establishments, funeral parlors, mortuaries and mortuary of funeral homes		1 per 50 sq. ft. of chapel or parlor floor area, provided that there shall be no less than 20 spaces	--
Vehicle service establishments and vehicle body shops		3 standing spaces for each wash rack, lubrication rack, repair bay or similar facility for the servicing or repair of vehicles, not including said rack or bay as a space	Plus 1 per each employee.

¹ Moved to "colleges and universities" see above

Use Types	Minimum Parking Requirement (spaces)	Additional Requirements	
Warehouse and freight movement, wholesale trade and manufacturing and production uses			
Uses consisting of manufacture, processing assembly, storage, warehousing, wholesale	Excluding wholesale associated with retail uses, and distribution of products.	1 per 1,000 sq. ft. of floor area, or 1one space for each 2 employees, whichever is the greater	--
Uses where at least 90 percent of the total floor area is available to the general public for the storage of items none of which is used for its intended purpose during the period that it is on the premises and is not associated with any office, retail, industrial or other business activity conducted on the premises	1 per each 3,000 sq. ft. of gross floor area excluding residential floor area	Plus1 for the resident manager; Plus 1 per each 2 employees	

- 3615 **B.** For uses not listed heretofore in this schedule of parking requirements, by the
 3616 interpretation of the zoning administrator, spaces shall be provided on the same basis as
 3617 required for the most similar listed use.
- 3618 **C.** ~~The County Board may, through Use Permit approval pursuant to Section §15.4, modify the~~
 3619 ~~conditional and Community Service uses and retail and service uses~~ regulations set forth in
 3620 §14.3.7, as follows:
- 3621 **1.** ~~or m~~ Modify regulations to permit off-site parking to be used for ~~public and private~~
 3622 elementary, middle and high schools and for uses associated with ~~public and private~~
 3623 noncommercial recreational and community center buildings and grounds, where the
 3624 County Board finds that:
- 3625 **(a)** Such modifications will preserve or create recreational facilities such as playing
 3626 fields, open space, playgrounds, and the like, that will reduce impervious surfaces,
 3627 minimize grading and preserve existing trees, and
- 3628 **(b)** A transportation demand management plan submitted by the applicant
 3629 demonstrates that the potential adverse impacts of parking demand and any
 3630 potential disruption of parking patterns within affected neighborhoods that could
 3631 result from the modification will be mitigated by utilizing available on-street
 3632 parking ~~contiguous-abutting to~~ the site, and through the implementation of
 3633 measures such as, but not limited to:
- 3634 **(1)** Utilizing, by written agreement with another party in terms acceptable to
 3635 the County, off-street parking spaces at a site owned or controlled by that
 3636 same party; and/or
- 3637 **(2)** Utilizing a managed or shared parking program at times when parking
 3638 demand is highest; and/or
- 3639 **(3)** Implementing Transportation Demand Management (TDM) strategies for the
 3640 use, and/or demonstrating that transit or other transportation options exist
 3641 that may offset parking demand.
- 3642 **2.** Modify regulations to permit off-site parking to be used to meet required parking for
 3643 day care uses as provided in §12.2.4.C, where the off-site parking spaces at a site
 3644 located near the day care use, owned or controlled by another party, are committed

3645 through written agreement with that party in terms acceptable to the County, and
3646 where the County Board finds that the off-site parking will not result in parking being
3647 unavailable for the primary use of the site on which the parking is provided and will be
3648 conveniently usable without causing unreasonable:

3649 (a) Hazard to pedestrians;

3650 (b) Hazard to vehicular traffic;

3651 (c) Traffic congestion;

3652 (d) Interference with safe and convenient access to other parking areas in the vicinity;

3653 (e) Detriment to the appropriate use of business property in the vicinity; or

3654 (f) Detriment to any residential neighborhood.

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3656 **§14.3.8. Off-street loading**

3657 Off-street loading spaces shall be provided for each use, as permitted in its respective
3658 classification, in not less than the amounts set forth below for every building, or addition
3659 thereto, and for all uses of land established or expanded:

3660 **A. All conditional uses**

3661 Sufficient space to provide on the lot for the use, as determined by the County Board, as
3662 set forth above.

3663 **B. Multiple-family uses**

3664 More than 50 units, one loading space for each 200 units or fraction thereof.

3665 **C. Over 6,000 sq. ft. of space for offices and personal services establishments,**
3666 **including prescription filling, out-patient clinics and schools, not adaptable**
3667 **for the use of retail purposes**

3668 One loading space.

3669 **D. Over 3,000 sq. ft. of floor area designed or adaptable for retail business**
3670 **purposes**

3671 One loading space; one additional space for more than 15,000 sq. ft.; one additional space
3672 for more than 50,000 sq. ft.; and one additional space for each 100,000 sq. ft. of such floor
3673 area.

3674 **E. For all wholesale and manufacturing uses**

3675 One loading space; one additional space for more than 15,000 sq. ft. of floor area and one
3676 additional space for each 50,000 sq. ft. of such floor area.

3677 **§14.4. Outdoor Lighting**

3678 **§14.4.1. General**

3679 Exterior lighting of the premises of residential uses other than single-family detached dwellings
3680 and for commercial or office uses shall be reasonably designed to provide for the safety of the
3681 tenants and clientele in their use of the parking lot, walkways and entrance areas.

3682 **§14.4.2. Parking areas and walkways**

3683 Parking areas and walkways which provide direct access from the entrance areas of the dwelling
3684 units or office or commercial uses to the common parking areas shall be illuminated by an
3685 average lighting standard per the "Illuminating Engineering Society of North America, Fifth
3686 Edition", providing not less than one footcandle of light at the surface during the hours of
3687 darkness. Walkways which provide direct access from the entrance areas of the dwelling units
3688 to service or recreational facilities shall be illuminated by an average lighting standard per the
3689 "Illuminating Engineering Society of North America, Fifth Edition," providing not less than one
3690 footcandle of light at the surface during the hours of darkness that the facilities are available to
3691 the tenants. Parking areas for commercial uses need not be illuminated when the businesses
3692 are closed.

3693 **§14.5. Aircraft Landing Approach Area**

3694 No building meeting Federal Aviation Administration criteria for notice (§77.9 Construction or alteration
3695 requiring notice) shall be erected, constructed, reconstructed, structurally altered, enlarged or moved per
3696 the requirements in 14 Code of Federal Regulations, part 77 pursuant to 49 U.S.C, Section 44718 as
3697 amended, unless the zoning administrator shall have received a letter of clearance from the Federal
3698 Aviation Agency.

3699 **§14.6. ~~Storage and~~ Outdoor Storage and Display**

3700 **§14.6.1. Merchandise in setbacks**

3701 No merchandise shall be displayed nor business conducted between the back of the curb and
3702 the building setback line unless directly associated with kiosk operations and located within the
3703 kiosk or within two feet from the exterior wall of the kiosk. (For kiosk standards see §12.5.12)

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Article 15. Administration and Procedures

§15.1. Common Procedures

§15.1.1. General

- A. Procedures common to two or more applications are included in this section.
- B. No excavation shall be commenced; no wall, structure, premises or land shall be used; no wall, building or structure or part thereof shall be built, constructed or altered; nor shall any building be moved; nor shall any regulated sign be erected, repaired or repainted until application has been made and the proper approval or permit has been obtained from the zoning administrator.¹
- C. Other provisions of Arlington County ordinances or state or federal law may apply to some permits and procedures. Applicants must comply with applicable provisions of this zoning ordinance as well as with all applicable standards and permit requirements of other laws or ordinances. Such additional permits and standards may include but are not necessarily limited to:
1. Electrical permits;
 2. Permits, encroachments or other approvals for any structure placed in a right-of-way.

§15.1.2. Building permits²

- A. All applications for building permits shall be accompanied by accurate plot plans in triplicate drawn to scale, showing the actual shape and dimensions of the lot to be built upon, the exact sizes and locations on the lot of the structures and accessory structures then existing, and the lines within which the proposed building or structure shall be erected or altered, the existing and intended use of such structure or part thereof, the number of dwelling or housing units the building is designed to accommodate, and such other information with regard to the lot and neighboring lots as may be necessary to determine and provide for the enforcement of this zoning ordinance.
- B. In order to determine whether or not a permit should be issued under this section, the zoning administrator in appropriate cases, may require that the application for a building permit be accompanied by a topographic survey of the lot showing existing and proposed grades.

~~§15.1.2.~~ §15.1.3. Advertising (public notification)

- A. All required advertising will be done in accordance with applicable law.
- B. Notice of any application for zoning amendment, variance and use permit or site plan, shall be given by posting one placard on the property for which said application has been filed

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3786 and posting the surrounding area with no less than four placards showing the designation
3787 of the property together with the time and place of hearing.

3788 §15.1.3. §15.1.4. Proof of ownership

3789 A. Every applicant for an amendment, variance, use permit, use permit amendment, site plan
3790 approval or site plan amendment, including a petitioner whose request was authorized on
3791 the County Board's own motion, shall file with his application a complete disclosure of the
3792 equitable ownership of the real estate to be affected including, in the case of corporate
3793 ownership, the names of stockholders, officers and directors, and in any case the names
3794 and addresses of all of the parties in interest, provided that the requirement of listing
3795 names of stockholders, officers and directors shall not apply to a corporation whose stock
3796 is traded on a national or local stock exchange and having more than 500 shareholders.

3797 A.B. This §15.1.4 shall not apply to sign permits, which shall be allowed as provided in §15.8; or
3798 to permits for short term use, which shall be allowed as provided in §15.10.

3799 §15.1.4. §15.1.5. Fees

3800 **A. Fees**

- 3801 1. The County Board shall adopt a schedule of fees to be paid upon the filing of each
3802 application, permit and inspection required by this zoning ordinance.
- 3803 2. Each application or other request for any permit, inspection or subdivision plat
3804 submitted for review for compliance with this zoning ordinance or site plan or use
3805 permit conditions shall be accompanied by a fee in accordance with the schedule
3806 adopted by the County Board.

3807 **B. Refunds**

- 3808 1. Refunds of Filing fees to applicants who have paid fees shall be provided upon written
3809 request to the zoning administrator, only under the following circumstances and in the
3810 amounts stated for the types of permits referenced below:
- 3811 (a) Fifty percent of the amount of filing fees paid shall be refunded to the applicant
3812 upon written withdrawal of site plan applications or site plan amendment
3813 applications (other than administrative changes) within 90 days after submittal of
3814 such application and prior to any public meeting of the Planning Commission or
3815 committee thereof which meeting has the site plan application on its agenda;
- 3816 (b) Fifty percent of the amount of filing fees paid shall be refunded to the applicant
3817 upon written withdrawal of use permit applications (other than use permits
3818 including new construction) prior to publication of notice of public hearing on
3819 such application;
- 3820 (c) Fifty percent of the amount of filing fees paid shall be refunded to the applicant
3821 upon written withdrawal within of the following applications within 30 days after
3822 submittal of the subject application, and prior to commencement of review by any
3823 County staff person of such application:
- 3824 (1) Applications for use permits involving new construction;
- 3825 (2) Applications for administratively-reviewed Form Based Code developments;

- 3826 (3) Applications for Board of Zoning Appeals use permits;
- 3827 (4) Variance applications;
- 3828 (d) Seventy-five percent of the amount of the filing fees paid shall be refunded to the
- 3829 applicant or reduced for the following applications if the subject application is
- 3830 withdrawn prior to commencement of review by any County staff person:
- 3831 (1) Applications for administrative change;
- 3832 (2) All other permit applications not otherwise specifically referenced in this
- 3833 §15.1.4.
- 3834 (e) All filing fees paid shall be refunded to the applicant upon written withdrawal of
- 3835 any application for a certificate of occupancy prior to any visit by the County to
- 3836 the subject property for the purpose of inspection;
- 3837 2. All filing fees paid shall be refunded to the applicant for applications administratively
- 3838 withdrawn by the zoning administrator after a finding that the application was
- 3839 accepted in error.

3840 ~~§15.1.5.~~ §15.1.6. **Special submittals for use permit and site plan**

3841 **A. Applicability**

3842 Every applicant who files an application for a site plan approval or a use permit, as defined

3843 in Article 15, shall provide a completed LEED Scorecard or other comparable reporting

3844 mechanism that is acceptable to the county manager as part of the site plan or use permit

3845 application.

3846 **B. General**

3847 The applicant shall analyze the LEED credits for various components of sustainable design

3848 and describe how and/or why each credit can or cannot be achieved.

3849 **C. Other information**

3850 The applicant shall also submit the following information with the application:

- 3851 1. Plot and location map at a scale of one inch equals 25 feet;
- 3852 2. Topographic map at a scale of one inch equals 25 feet with, at a minimum, two-foot
- 3853 contour intervals, showing existing and proposed grades;
- 3854 3. Amount impervious area ~~on-site~~on-site: existing and proposed;
- 3855 4. Location and description of major trees six inches or greater caliper measured four feet
- 3856 above grade;
- 3857 5. Description of the project and potential activities within the project; and
- 3858 6. Potential methods of minimizing adverse impacts, including their feasibility.

3859 ~~§15.1.6.~~ §15.1.7. **Interpretation and general administration**

- 3860 A. Other uses of the same general character as those listed in a particular classification may
- 3861 be permitted in the mapped districts of that classification by the zoning administrator. Any
- 3862 use so determined shall be regarded as a listed use and a log of all said determinations shall
- 3863 be maintained as a part of the public records of the zoning administrator. In no instance,

3864 however, shall a use be permitted in a district when said use is first permitted in a
3865 classification which, in this zoning text, follows that for said district.

3866 **B.** The zoning administrator may provide a written statement of the current classification of a
3867 property, the uses permitted in said classification, and verification of compliance with the
3868 Zoning Ordinance.
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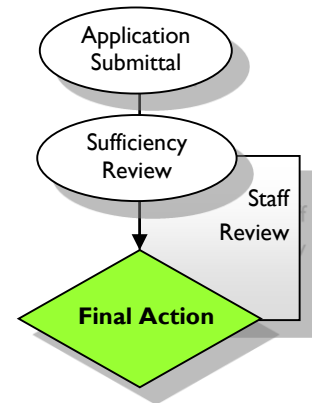
3871 **§15.1.7.— Applicability**

3872 No excavation shall be commenced; no wall, structure, premises or land shall be used; no wall,
3873 building or structure or part thereof shall be built, constructed or altered; nor shall any building
3874 be moved; nor shall any regulated sign be erected, repaired or repainted until application has
3875 been made and the proper approval or permit has been obtained from the zoning administrator.

3876 **§15.1.8.— Application requirements**

3877 A.— All applications for building permits shall be accompanied by accurate plot plans in
3878 triplicate drawn to scale, showing the actual shape and dimensions of the lot to be built
3879 upon, the exact sizes and locations on the lot of the structures and accessory structures
3880 then existing, and the lines within which the proposed building or structure shall be erected
3881 or altered, the existing and intended use of such structure or
3882 part thereof, the number of dwelling or housing units the
3883 building is designed to accommodate, and such other
3884 information with regard to the lot and neighboring lots as may
3885 be necessary to determine and provide for the enforcement of
3886 this zoning ordinance.

3887 B.— In order to determine whether or not a permit should be
3888 issued under this section, the zoning administrator in
3889 appropriate cases, may require that the application for a
3890 building permit be accompanied by a topographic survey of the
3891 lot showing existing and proposed grades.



3892 **§15.1.9.— Information required**

3893 Every applicant for a site plan approval shall file with his application information as defined in
3894 §15.1.4.

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¹ This section eliminated. 15.2.1 Applicability moved to 15.1.B; 15.2.2 permits moved to 15.1.2 and renamed "building permits"; 15.2.3 deleted – redundant from requirement in 15.6

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§15.2. Certificates of Occupancy

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§15.2.1. General

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Every certificate of occupancy shall state that the building or the proposed use of a building or land complies with all provisions of law and of county ordinances and regulations. No occupancy, or change of occupancy, use or change of use of any land or building shall take place until a certificate of occupancy shall have been issued by the zoning administrator. This provision shall include a new building, an existing building which has been altered, a change in ownership of buildings other than one- or two-family dwellings, a conversion to condominiums or cooperatives, the use of vacant land, a change in the use of land or of a building, ~~or~~ change in a nonconforming use, and short term uses. Said certificate shall be issued within 10 days after a written request for the same has been made to the zoning administrator, provided it has been determined that such occupancy, use, erection or alteration of such building or land or part thereof has been completed in conformity with the provisions of this zoning ordinance.

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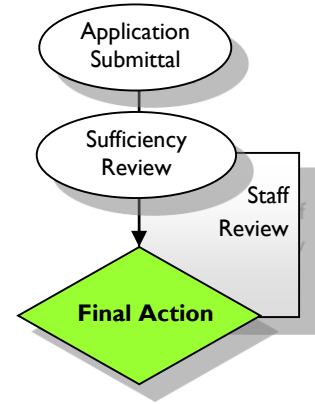
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§15.2.2. Fees Certificates of occupancy types

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A. Type i. Flat fees

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Swimming pools; parking lots; ~~motor vehicle dealerships: new, used and rentals vehicle sales, rental or leasing facilities~~; accessory dwellings; uses not elsewhere specified.

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B. Type ii. Residential, commercial, office, hotel and industrial buildings

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1. Master certificate of occupancy

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A master certificate of occupancy (M.C.O.) shall be required for the entire building and site work. Except for certificates for shell and core and partial occupancy, as defined in subsections 2 and 3, below, no other certificate of occupancy is required if the M.C.O. can be approved and issued prior to any occupancy of the building. A request for a certificate for partial occupancy of a building may be made after the filing of the applications for the M.C.O. and the certificates of occupancy described in subsection 2, below, have been issued, if applicable.

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2. Shell and core certificate for elevator buildings

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Prior to any approval of a request for a certificate for partial occupancy of any new elevator building or a multiple-family dwelling with elevator(s) converting to condominiums or a cooperative, the owner shall have filed a request for a master certificate of occupancy and shall have been issued a certificate of occupancy for the shell and core of the building. No shell and core certificate of occupancy shall be issued until the building support systems such as the fire alarm system, elevators, restrooms, ventilating system and exit-ways have been inspected and approved.

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3. Certificate for partial occupancy

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A request for a certificate for partial occupancy of a multiple-family dwelling or hotel and tenant space for an office, commercial or industrial building may be made; however, no certificate for partial occupancy shall be issued unless the space is approved for occupancy and the master certificate of occupancy or the shell and core

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3939 certificates of occupancy for the building have been issued.

3940 **C. Type iii. Parking structures**

3941 Parking structures not associated with other uses.

3942 **D. Type iv. Activities and short-term activities of nonprofit organizations**

3943 County owned, operated and/or sponsored facilities and activities and short-term activities
3944 of nonprofit organizations

3945 **E. Type v. Family day care homes**

3946 Family day care homes for one to nine children.

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3948 **§15.3. Map and Text Amendments**

3949 **§15.3.1. General**

3950 The County Board may, from time to time on its own motion or on petition of the owner or
3951 owners of property, after public notice and hearing, amend the requirements and districts
3952 herein established. All changes and amendments shall be referred to the county Planning
3953 Commission.

3954 **§15.3.2. Review procedure**

3955 Every application by a property owner or contract owner for an
3956 amendment shall be filed in writing with the zoning administrator
3957 120 days before the public hearings; however, the County Board
3958 may, on its own motion, schedule hearings for a date which is less
3959 than 120 days from the date of filing of the application. When a
3960 completed zoning amendment application is filed concurrently with
3961 a completed site plan or major site plan amendment application, the
3962 zoning administrator shall notify, as required in Administrative
3963 Regulation 4.1, the applicant that the public hearing for the
3964 amendments will be concurrent with the hearing on the associated
3965 site plan or site plan amendment. The date of filing of a complete
3966 application shall be determined as set forth in §15.6, based on
3967 whether the requirements of §15.6, have been met. Public hearings
3968 for changes and amendments ~~which that~~ are proposed by the
3969 County Board on its own motion for any property within the county
3970 may be held by the County Board at any meeting of the County
3971 Board. Applications for rezoning of county property shall be filed
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3973 action unless the county manager has caused an application to be
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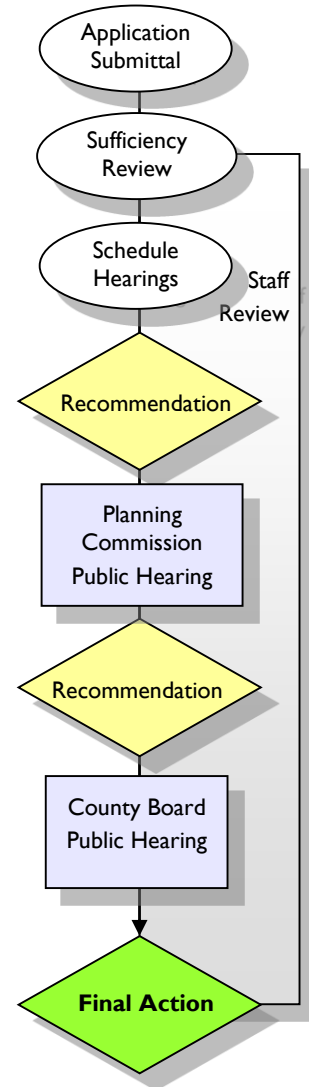
3975 **§15.3.3. Time lapse between similar applications**

3976 No application for any change of zoning of the same lot shall be
3977 considered by the County Board within a period of 360 days from its
3978 last consideration by the County Board. This provision, however,
3979 shall not impair the right of the County Board to propose a change
3980 of zoning on its own motion.

3981 **§15.3.4. Proffers**

3982 **A. Purpose and authority**

3983 1. In order to encourage and facilitate the provision of
3984 community facilities, including but not limited to space for a libraries, fire station
3985 or police stations, public schools facilities, post office facilities, community recreation
3986 or health centers, nursing homes, convalescent homes, intermediate care facilities and
3987 other housing facilities providing assisted living for the elderly, while maintaining
3988 existing land use policies, the County Board may accept a limited proffer for such
3989 facilities pursuant to Section 15.1-491 of the Virginia Code which restricts future
3990 development of the subject property to the proffered development when the proffer



3991 provides that if the subject property is not developed in accordance with the proffer
3992 within the time specified, then the owner, applicant and successors or assigns stipulate
3993 that the subject property may be rezoned to the previous zoning district, or to a
3994 category stated in the proffer and accepted by the County Board, and that the
3995 conditions for such rezoning shall be deemed to exist.

3996 **2.** In order to facilitate the orderly development of sites with a site area of 50,000 sq. ft.
3997 or greater when an application has been filed and the site is being considered for
3998 rezoning to C-TH (§7.18), the County Board may accept a proffer meeting the
3999 requirements of Section 15.1-491 of the Virginia Code for a plan of development
4000 limited to a definition of the characteristics of the physical development of the site
4001 including, as illustration and not limitation, the height, number of stories and gross
4002 floor area of proposed buildings, and the exterior architectural design, including
4003 materials, the design of windows, doors and roofs, and the location of garage, loading
4004 and service access. Such proffers may restrict future development of the property to
4005 the proffered development and provide that if the subject property is not developed in
4006 accordance with the proffer within the time specified, then the owner, applicant and
4007 successors or assigns stipulate that the subject property may be rezoned to the
4008 previous zoning district, or to a category stated in the proffer and accepted by the
4009 County Board, and that the conditions for such rezoning shall be deemed to exist.

4010 **B. County manager action**

4011 The county manager shall promulgate regulations for proffering conditions like those
4012 described in §15.3.4.A above. Such regulations shall conform to the requirements of
4013 Section 15.1-491 of the Virginia Code. (Ord. No. 87-13, 5-2-87; Ord. No. 89-26, 11-18-89)

4014 **§15.3.5. Amendment modifications**

4015 Any amendment or amendments adopted by the County Board may be modified from the form
4016 in which they were advertised within the limits necessary to relate properly such amendment or
4017 amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and zoning ordinance.

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4019 **§15.4. USE PERMITS**

4020 **§15.4.1. Applicability**

4021 Use permits may be approved by the County Board for any of the special exceptions or
4022 conditional uses for which a use permit is required by the provisions of this zoning ordinance.

4023 **§15.4.2. Application requirements**

4024 A. Written application for a use permit shall be filed with the zoning administrator.
4025 Applications for unified residential development approval shall comply with applicable
4026 portion of Administrative Regulation 4.11, unified residential
4027 development use permit approval procedure, as amended. The
4028 time of the hearing shall be the first regular meeting of each
4029 month, except the County Board may establish, on its own
4030 motion, another time for the use permit hearing, which hearing
4031 may be at any County Board meeting.

4032 B. Every applicant for a use permit which would allow the
4033 construction of a new structures shall file with his application
4034 information as defined in §15.1.4.

4035 C. Every applicant for a use permit which would allow the
4036 construction of: (1) a new structure; or (2) a parking area for more
4037 than ten automobiles, shall file with his application information as
4038 defined in §15.1.6.

4039 **§15.4.3. Required findings**

4040 The County Board shall find that after a duly advertised hearing that
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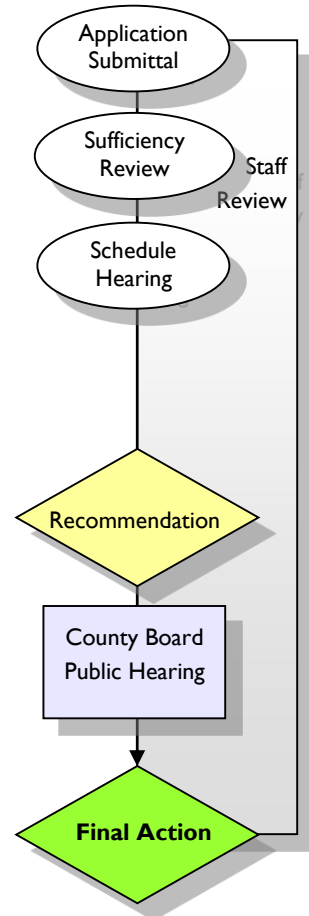
- 4042 A. Affect adversely the health or safety of persons residing or
4043 working in the neighborhood of the proposed use;
- 4044 B. Be detrimental to the public welfare or injurious to property or
4045 improvements in the neighborhood; and
- 4046 C. Be in conflict with the purposes of the master plans of the county.

4047 **§15.4.4. Approval conditions**

4048 In granting any use permit the County Board shall designate such
4049 conditions in connection therewith as will, in its opinion, assure that the use will conform to the
4050 foregoing requirements and that such use will continue to do so.

4051 **§15.4.5. Period of validity**

4052 Construction or operation shall be commenced within one year of date of issuance or the use
4053 permit becomes void; provided, however, that in granting a use permit the County Board may
4054 extend this period to up to three years upon its determination that additional time may be
4055 needed to commence construction or operation. If after a use permit has been used and the
4056 use for which the use permit was obtained is discontinued for more than one year, the use
4057 permit becomes void.



4058 **§15.4.6. Time lapse between similar applications**

4059 No application for a use permit for the same lot shall be considered by the County Board within
4060 a period of 360 days from its last consideration. This provision, however, shall not impair the
4061 right of the County Board to propose a use permit on its own motion.

4062 **§15.4.7. Administrative change**

4063 The zoning administrator may approve minor modifications to approved use permits which
4064 comply with the spirit of ~~this code~~[this zoning ordinance](#), the intent of the County Board in its
4065 approval of the use permit and the general purpose of the Comprehensive Plan for the
4066 development of the area.

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§15.5. Site Plans Approval

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A use requiring site plan approval is a special exception use subject to the regulations in this section. Every applicant for site plan approval shall file with his application a proposed site plan in compliance with Administrative Regulation 4.1, site plan approval, as amended.

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§15.5.2. Application requirements

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Every application for a site plan approval or a major site plan amendment shall be filed in writing with the zoning administrator a minimum of 120 days before the public hearing; however, the County Board may, on its own motion, schedule hearings for a date which is less than 120 days from the date of filing the application.

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§15.5.3. Scheduling

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When a completed site plan or major site plan amendment is filed, the zoning administrator shall notify, as required in Administrative Regulation 4.1, the applicant of the scheduled date of the public hearing for the site plan or major site plan amendment, which date will be up to 180 days after filing. The date of filing of a complete application shall be determined as set forth in Administrative Regulation 4.1, based on whether the requirements of Administrative Regulation 4.1, have been met. Public hearings for site plans and major site plan amendments shall be the first regularly scheduled County Board meeting of each month, except the County Board may establish, on its own motion, another County Board meeting for the hearing. Public hearings for minor site plan amendments shall be as required for use permits under §15.5. Major site plan amendments, minor site plan amendments, and administrative changes shall be defined as follows:

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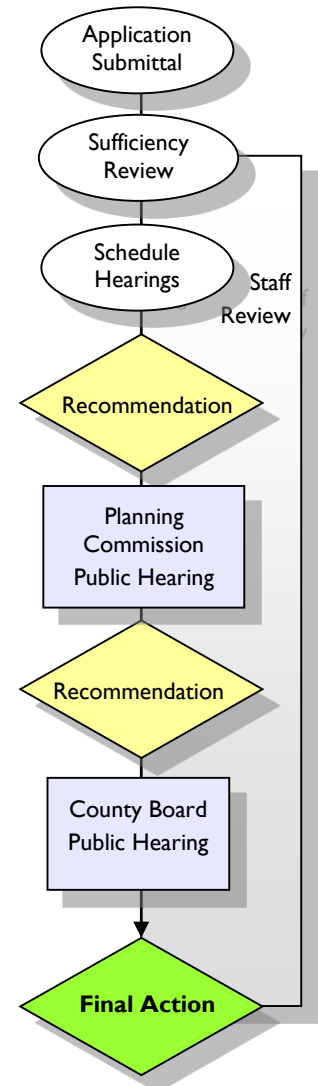
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Any modification of the approved site plan which meets one or more of the following criteria:

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1. Principal use of the building would change in more than five percent of the total floor area of the building.
2. Density would change by more than five percent of the total floor area of the building.
3. Building height would change by more than 12 feet.
4. Gross floor area of the first floor would change in more than 20 percent of the area of the first floor.
5. Change in the site area which is used to calculate density.
6. Any change which the zoning administrator determines is similar in significance to the above stated changes.



4110 **B. Minor amendment**

4111 Any modification of the approved plan which is not considered a major amendment and
 4112 which cannot be approved administratively is a minor amendment. The subdivision of land
 4113 involved in an approved site plan is a minor amendment, except, that if the following
 4114 criteria are met, such subdivision may be approved as an administrative change by the
 4115 zoning administrator:

- 4116 1. Density allocation is consistent with the zoning and approved site plan;
- 4117 2. Parking is consistent with the zoning and the approved site plan;
- 4118 3. Public improvements are consistent with the zoning and approved site plan; and
- 4119 4. Clear evidence exists that all conditions of the approved site plan have been met or are
 4120 bonded in a manner acceptable to the county manager.

4121 **C. Administrative change**

4122 Any minor modification of the approved site plan which complies with the spirit of ~~this~~
 4123 ~~code~~[this zoning ordinance](#), the intent of the County Board in its approval of the site plan,
 4124 and the general purpose of the ~~comprehensive~~[Comprehensive Plan](#) for the development
 4125 of the area. Administrative changes may be approved by the zoning administrator.

4126 **§15.5.4. Information required**

4127 Every applicant for a site plan approval shall file with his application information as defined in
 4128 §15.1.4.

4129 **§15.5.5. Action by County Board**

4130 The County Board shall approve and accept a site plan if the ~~County B~~oard shall find that the
 4131 improvement and development proposed by the site plan:

- 4132 A. Substantially complies with the character of master plans, officially approved neighborhood
 4133 or area development plans, and with the uses permitted and use regulations of the district
 4134 as set forth in this zoning ordinance or as the same may be modified by the County Board
 4135 as provided herein;
- 4136 B. Functionally relates to other structures permitted in the district and will not be injurious or
 4137 detrimental to the property or improvements in the neighborhood; and
- 4138 C. Is so designed and located that the public health, safety and welfare will be promoted and
 4139 protected.

4140 **§15.5.6. Conditions of approval**

4141 In approving and accepting a site plan, the County Board may designate such conditions in
 4142 connection therewith as will, in its opinion, assure that the improvement and development will
 4143 conform to the foregoing requirements or modifications thereof, including but not limited to
 4144 provisions for protection of ~~adjacent-abutting~~[property, and including property across the street](#),
 4145 the expiration of said site plan approval after a specified period of time, access and design for
 4146 off-street parking and loading, and provisions of space for community facilities; e.g., recreation
 4147 and open space, library and fire facilities, utilities, etc.

4148 **§15.5.7. Modifications and transfers**

4149 **A. Uses and regulations modified**

4150 The County Board may, in appropriate cases, modify the uses permitted and use
4151 regulations in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the district taking into
4152 consideration the following:

- 4153 1. Provisions made for open space and other environmental amenities;
- 4154 2. Grade, direction and intensity of traffic on ~~adjacent~~ streets in the area;
- 4155 3. Relationship to ~~adjacent~~ existing or permitted uses and buildings abutting or across the
4156 street from the subject property;
- 4157 4. Particular dimensions, grade and orientation of the site;
- 4158 5. Particular construction problems and techniques; and
- 4159 6. The other provisions of §15.6.

4160 **B. Transfer of development rights**

4161 In approving and accepting a site plan, the County Board may, subject to such conditions as
4162 the County Board may approve, permit the dedication of density or other rights to develop,
4163 as determined by the County Board, from one or more parcels that are not the subject of a
4164 particular site plan application to one or more parcels of property that are the subject of
4165 that same site plan application for purposes of, among others, open space, historic
4166 preservation, affordable housing, community recreation, and/or community facilities. In
4167 considering the approval of such dedication, the County Board shall consider the
4168 appropriateness of the dedicated density or other development rights at the proposed
4169 location, and whether the dedication is consistent with this zoning ordinance, approved
4170 land use policies and plans, and the public health, safety and welfare generally.

4171 **§15.5.8. Affordable dwelling units for increased density within General Land Use Plan**

4172 **A. Applicability**

- 4173 1. In exchange for approval by the County Board of a site plan containing density equal to
4174 or greater than 1.0 F.A.R., affordable dwelling units (ADUs), or optional contributions to
4175 support ADUs in lieu thereof, shall be required in accordance with the following
4176 provisions of this subsection.
- 4177 2. The following provisions apply to site plan applications that are consistent with the
4178 General Land Use Plan (GLUP). The provisions also apply to site plan applications that
4179 include a rezoning application resulting in a use that was not permitted by-right under
4180 the prior zoning category provided that the newly permitted use is included within the
4181 existing GLUP designation for the site.
- 4182 3. Site plan amendment applications that result in the demolition and rebuilding of a site
4183 plan project shall be subject to the requirements hereof at the time of redevelopment.
4184 The applicable requirements shall apply only to density that is replaced or rebuilt and
4185 any increased density. They shall not apply to rehabilitation or renovation of
4186 development subject to site plan approval pursuant to §15.6.

- 4187 **B. Exception**
- 4188 Site plans containing less than 1.0 F.A.R. shall be exempt from the ADU requirements
- 4189 hereof.
- 4190 **C. Options for meeting ADU requirements**
- 4191 Once a site plan has been approved, the site plan applicant must select one of the following
- 4192 options for meeting the ADU requirements:
- 4193 **1. ~~On-site~~On-site units**
- 4194 Unless a different option is selected by the applicant, ADUs shall be provided ~~on-site~~[on-site](#)
- 4195 [site](#) as part of the site plan project, the total gross square footage of which shall be 5
- 4196 percent of the GFA above 1.0 F.A.R.; or
- 4197 **2. Off-site nearby**
- 4198 ADUs shall be provided off-site near the site plan project, the total gross square
- 4199 footage of which ADUs shall be 7.5 percent of the GFA of the site plan project above
- 4200 1.0 F.A.R. For purposes of this subsection, near the site shall mean as follows: if the
- 4201 site plan project is in a Metro station Area, the off-site units shall be within 0.5 miles
- 4202 from any Metro station; if the site plan project is not in a Metro station Area, the off-
- 4203 site units shall be within 0.5 miles of the project; or
- 4204 **3. Off-site elsewhere**
- 4205 ADUs shall be provided in locations in the county other than the locations provided for
- 4206 subsections §14.6.1.C.1 and §14.6.1.C.2, above, the total gross square footage of which
- 4207 ADUs shall be 10 percent of the GFA of the site plan project above 1.0 F.A.R.; or
- 4208 **4. Cash contribution**
- 4209 **(a)** The applicant shall make a cash contribution to the Affordable Housing
- 4210 Investment Fund calculated as follows for each of the described tiers;
- 4211 **(1)** \$1.50 per square foot of GFA for first 1.0 F.A.R.
- 4212 **(2)** \$4.00 per square foot of GFA from 1.0 F.A.R. to 3.0 F.A.R. for residential
- 4213 projects and \$4.00 per square foot of all GFA above 1.0 F.A.R. in commercial
- 4214 projects (including hotel and retail).
- 4215 **(3)** \$8.00 per square foot of GFA above 3.0 F.A.R. for residential projects.
- 4216 **(4)** For mixed-use projects, cash contributions shall be calculated by applying the
- 4217 proportionate amount of commercial and residential GFA to each tier.
- 4218 **(b)** The cash contribution will be indexed to Consumer Price Index for Housing in the
- 4219 Washington-Baltimore MSA as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and
- 4220 adjusted annually, beginning January 2007. Revised amounts apply only to site
- 4221 plans filed after the adjustment date. Amounts for the calculation of the cash
- 4222 option are established at the time the site plan application is filed.
- 4223 **D. County manager action**
- 4224 The applicant’s plan for meeting the ADU requirements ~~on-site~~[on-site](#) or off-site must be
- 4225 confirmed or approved by the county manager or his designee, and all necessary
- 4226 documents executed, prior to the issuance of the first certificate of occupancy. The county
- 4227 manager or his designee will act on approval request within 30 days.

4228 **E. Provision for off-site ADUs**
 4229 An applicant may submit a proposal for off-site ADUs that deviates from the requirements
 4230 above. Such proposals shall be reviewed by the housing commission which, after a public
 4231 hearing on the proposal, shall make a report of its review to the county manager. After the
 4232 housing commission’s consideration of the alternative plan, the county manager, or his
 4233 designee, may approve or reject it administratively. In the event that the plan is rejected,
 4234 the applicant may request that the County Board consider the alternative as a site plan
 4235 amendment.

4236 **F. Substitution of ADUs**
 4237 On sites where the County Board has determined that there are other competing public
 4238 priorities identified in county plans, studies, policies, or other documents that are
 4239 addressed by the site plan application, the County Board may, at the time of site plan
 4240 approval, approve the total or partial substitution of the ADUs required hereunder.

4241 **G. Term**
 4242 ADUs shall be committed for a 30-year term, affordable at 60 percent of the area median
 4243 income. ADUs must meet minimum habitability standards established by the county.

4244 **H. Proposals for change of GLUP designation**
 4245 Site plan applications that include an application to change the GLUP designation of the site
 4246 may be subject to an affordable housing requirement in addition to the above ADU
 4247 requirement. Such affordable housing requirements shall be addressed separately in the
 4248 process of the County Board’s consideration of the approval of the site plan.

4249 **I. Proposals for elimination of existing affordable housing**
 4250 Site plan applications that result in the elimination of existing affordable housing will
 4251 address replacement of the housing in the process of the County Board’s consideration of
 4252 the approval of the site plan.

4253 **J. Conflicts**
 4254 In the event of conflict between the provisions of this §15.6 and any other, provisions of
 4255 this section shall control.

4256 **§15.5.9. Affordable dwelling units for height and density above General Land Use**
 4257 **Plan**

4258 **A. Affordable housing-residential**
 4259 **1.** In considering the approval of a site plan including apartmentsmultiple-family, the
 4260 County Board may permit additional height and density as set forth below, providing
 4261 the County Board determines that a variety of housing units and design would result
 4262 thereby. Consideration of such design may include, but not be limited to, the provision
 4263 of family housing units, housing for the elderly, housing for households of low or
 4264 moderate income and such variety of design as provided by townhouse or terraced
 4265 construction in association with the high-rise development. The County Board may
 4266 approve additional height and/or residential density for low or moderate income
 4267 housing only where a proposed site plan project is in compliance with all of the
 4268 requirements specified below.

- 4269 2. The application includes a low or moderate income housing plan that includes the
 4270 following information and any other items that are determined by the County Board to
 4271 be pertinent for that particular site plan:
- 4272 (a) Number of total housing units provided under the site plan.
- 4273 (b) Number of total housing units in the additional housing density.
- 4274 (c) Number of low or moderate income housing units provided under the proposed
 4275 site plan.
- 4276 (d) Income levels of targeted families for low or moderate income housing units.
- 4277 (e) The proposed rents and guarantee of limits on future rent increases or sales
 4278 prices and the proposed affordability thereof for low or moderate income housing
 4279 units.
- 4280 (f) Marketing plan for the low or moderate income housing units.
- 4281 (g) Location of low or moderate income housing units.
- 4282 (h) Sizes of low or moderate income housing units.
- 4283 (i) Bedroom counts of low or moderate income housing units.
- 4284 (j) Amenities provided for low or moderate income households.
- 4285 (k) Statement of consistency with County Board adopted housing policy, goals,
 4286 principles and relevant staff guidelines for the use of additional housing density.
- 4287 **3. Modification of building height**
- 4288 (a) In RA districts, except RA-H, RA4.8, and RA-H-3.2 districts, building heights shall
 4289 not be modified under this §15.5.9.A.3, except that where a project provides low
 4290 or moderate income housing, the County Board may approve a greater height, in
 4291 order to achieve tapering, where the proposed project is ~~adjacent-abutting or~~
 4292 across the street from ~~to~~ a property for which the district regulations or the
 4293 General Land Use Plan designation allow, by site plan, a height greater than the
 4294 proposed height.
- 4295 (b) In C-2, C-3, and C-R districts, building heights shall not be modified under this
 4296 §15.5.9.A.3.
- 4297 (c) Additional building heights approved under this §15.5.9.A.3 shall not exceed six
 4298 stories or 60 feet, whichever is smaller, above the height permitted in the district
 4299 regulations.
- 4300 **4. Guarantees**
- 4301 That adequate guarantees exist as to the continued availability of such units to
 4302 households of low or moderate income for a minimum of 30 years, or for such other
 4303 time period as may be approved by the County Board.
- 4304 **5. New units approved by County Board**
- 4305 New low or moderate income housing units may be constructed either ~~on-site~~on-site
 4306 or at appropriate off-site locations approved by the County Board or may be provided
 4307 by means of in-lieu tax relief/rent supplement payments at levels approved by the
 4308 County Board. Such low or moderate income housing, which may be either new or

§15.5.10 MODIFICATION OF APPROVED SITE PLAN

4309 existing construction, may also be provided on abutting sites or on sites which abut
4310 except for the existence of a public street.

4311 **B. Affordable housing-office**

4312 In considering the approval of a site plan, the County Board may permit additional office
4313 density above the amount allowed by site plan in the district regulations, not to exceed
4314 0.25 F.A.R. on the site, providing the County Board judges that low or moderate-income
4315 housing being provided under the site plan is sufficient to justify the amount of the
4316 additional density allowed. Under no circumstances shall this bonus exceed 10 percent of
4317 the total gross floor area permitted without bonus under the site plan, nor shall additional
4318 height be allowed.

4319 **C. Community facilities**

4320 In considering the approval of an office, motel, or ~~apartment~~multiple-family site plan, the
4321 County Board may permit additional height, not to exceed three stories, and /or additional
4322 density, not to exceed 0.25 floor area ratio (F.A.R.) in an office structure, or 10 percent in a
4323 motel or ~~apartment~~multiple-family structure, providing the County Board judges that a
4324 contribution to required community facilities has been provided. Consideration of such
4325 facilities may include, but not be limited to, the provision of space for a library, fire ~~or~~
4326 ~~polices~~ station, public school facility, public transit facility, or a community recreation or
4327 health center. Such community facilities may be provided at appropriate off-site locations.

4328 **D. Limitations on incentives**

4329 Under no circumstances shall any combination of the above incentives be interpreted to
4330 allow additional height in excess of a maximum of six stories, or additional residential
4331 density in excess of 25 percent, or additional .25 F.A.R. of office density above that
4332 permitted by the applicable district.

4333 **§15.5.10. Modification of approved site plan**

4334 After a site plan has been approved and accepted by the County Board, amendments to the site
4335 plan which are consistent with the general purpose and intent of the district may be considered.
4336 Deviation from an approved site plan, site plan amendment or administrative change without
4337 the written approval of the zoning administrator or specific action by the County Board shall, at
4338 the discretion of the County Board, void the plan and the County Board may require the
4339 applicant to resubmit a new site plan for consideration by the County Board.

4340 **§15.5.11. Clarendon Revitalization District**

4341 See §9.2for information on density increases in the Clarendon Revitalization District.

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§15.6. Board of Zoning Appeals; Appeals and Variances

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§15.6.1. Board of Zoning Appeals

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There shall be a Board of Zoning Appeals as provided for and having the powers, functions and responsibilities as described in the Code of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

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§15.6.2. Appeals

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Every appeal from a determination of the zoning administrator and every application for a variance shall be filed in writing with the zoning administrator.

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§15.6.3. Hearing date

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The time of the public hearing is determined by the Board of Zoning Appeals.

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§15.6.4. Variances

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In addition to the above,

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A. The Board of Zoning Appeals shall have authority to grant, upon such conditions and safeguards as it may determine, such variances from the ordinance as may be in harmony with its general purpose and intent, so that the spirit of this zoning ordinance shall be observed, public safety and welfare secured, and substantial justice done.

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B. The Board of Zoning Appeals may permit the continuance of a nonconforming use in a conforming building for periods of three years beyond the three-year limitation contained in §16.3.1.B, if ~~it the board~~ finds that:

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1. Said nonconforming use is not detrimental to, and does not affect adversely, ~~adjacent~~ property abutting or across the street, by reason of the nature of the use, generation of traffic, parking, lighting, noise and similar factors;

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2. No commercial display, lighting, advertising and wholesale or retail merchandising is carried on in connection with the conduct of said nonconforming use; and

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3. Such discontinuance shall work practical difficulty and undue hardship upon the owner of said building.

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§15.6.5. Time limits

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If any variance or use permit granted by the Board of Zoning Appeals is not acted upon and put into effect within one year after the date of such grant, then the variance shall be null and void and of no force and effect.

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§15.6.6. Use permits

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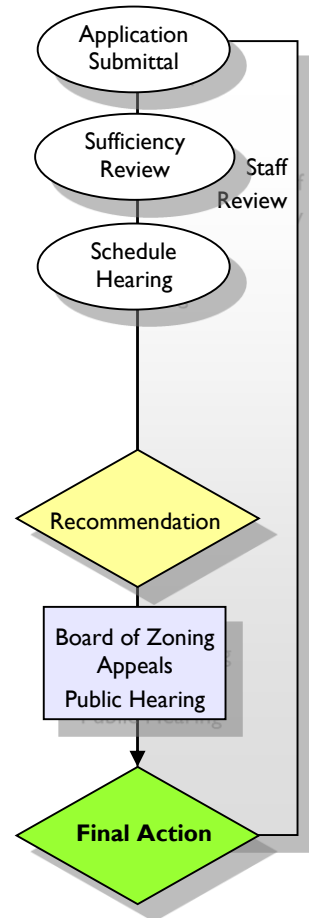
A. Authority

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The Board of Zoning Appeals may approve use permits that allow modifications of placement requirement for structures on lots in the R-20, R-10, R-8, R-6, R-5, and R2-7 district where there is no option in this zoning ordinance to allow modification of

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4382 requirements by the County Board, such as special exception use permits described in
4383 §15.5 or site plans described in §15.6.

4384 **B. Conditions of approval**

4385 The Board of Zoning Appeals may impose conditions on the use permit that it deems
4386 necessary in the public interest, including limiting duration of the use permit.

4387 **§15.6.7. Required findings**

4388 The Board of Zoning Appeals shall not approve a use permit unless it finds that the proposal will
4389 not:

- 4390 **A.** Affect adversely the health or safety of persons residing in the neighborhood;
- 4391 **B.** Be detrimental to the public welfare or injurious to property or improvements in the
4392 neighborhood; and
- 4393 **C.** Be in conflict with the purposes of the master plans and land use and zoning related
4394 policies of the county.

4395 **§15.6.8. Approval criteria**

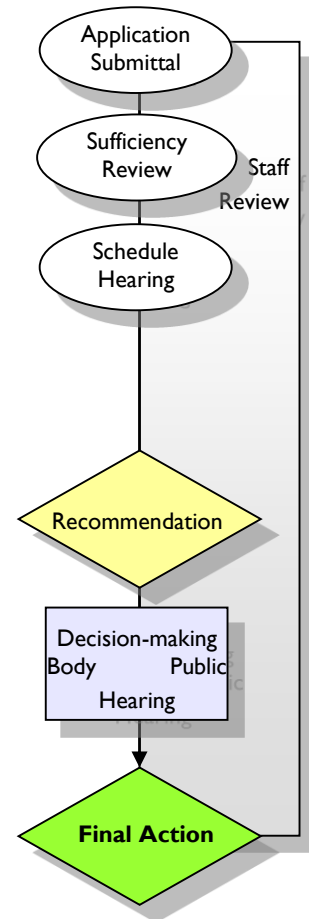
4396 In determining whether the proposal will be detrimental to the public welfare, injurious to
4397 property or improvements in the neighborhood or will adversely affect the health or safety of
4398 persons residing in the neighborhood, the Board of Zoning Appeals shall consider whether the
4399 modification will promote compatibility of development with the surrounding neighborhood
4400 because the structure's overall footprint size and placement are similar to the structures on the
4401 properties surrounding the lot in question; and whether the modification will help preserve
4402 natural land form, historical features and/or significant trees and foliage.

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§15.7. Certificate of Appropriateness (CoA)

§15.7.1. Applicability

- A. After the designation of an historic district, no exterior portion of any building or other structure (including walls, fences, light fixtures, steps and pavement, or other appurtenant features) nor above ground utility structure nor any type of outdoor advertising sign shall be erected, altered, restored, moved or demolished within such district until after an application for a certificate of appropriateness (CoA) has been submitted to and approved, in accordance with §15.8.5 below, by the Review Board or its designee, or, on appeal from a decision of Review Board , by the County Board as being architecturally or historically compatible with the historic district, buildings, or structures therein.
- B. The CoA must be issued by the Review Board or its designee, or, on appeal, by the County Board prior to the issuance of a building permit (or other permit granted for purposes of constructing or altering structures).
- C. A CoA shall be required regardless of whether or not a building permit is required.



§15.7.2. Required findings

The Review Board may authorize county staff to issue certificates of appropriateness that meet certain standards. Staff may administratively issue CoA where the Review Board has specified:

- A. The properties eligible for designee action;
- B. The specific category of modifications for which the designee may grant a CoA; and
- C. The standards the designee must use in deciding whether to issue the CoA.

§15.7.3. Scope of review

The Review Board or, on appeal, the County Board shall not consider interior arrangement and shall take no action under this subsection except for the purpose of preventing the construction, reconstruction, alteration, restoration, moving or demolition of buildings, structures, appurtenant fixtures, outdoor advertising signs or natural features in the historic district which would be incongruous with the historical aspects of the district.

§15.7.4. Setback modification permitted

As part of the certificate of appropriateness review process, the Review Board may find that the proposed setback for buildings and structures is consistent with the existing streetscape and historic district guidelines even though such setback is inconsistent with the requirements of the underlying zoning district. When the Review Board makes this finding, the zoning administrator shall grant a modification to the underlying setbacks, unless such modification violates visual clearance requirements from §3.2.6.A.4.

4446 **§15.7.5. Time limitations**

4447 Any CoA issued pursuant to the sections shall expire 12 months from the date of approval if the
4448 authorized work has not commenced if a building permit is not required. If a building permit is
4449 required, it must be diligently pursued by the applicant after the CoA approval.

4450 **§15.7.6. Application requirements**

4451 All applications for certificates of appropriateness shall be submitted on forms specified by the
4452 county. When an initial determination has been made that the application is complete, then the
4453 application shall be forwarded to the Review Board. The Review Board may request additional
4454 information if needed.

4455 **§15.7.7. Advertising**

4456 Prior to action on a CoA, the Review Board or, on appeal to the County Board as provided by
4457 subsection C, below, the County Board shall give the applicant and other persons an opportunity
4458 to be heard after the following notice has been given:

- 4459 **A.** A notice of the public hearing shall be published 10 days prior to the hearing date in a
4460 newspaper having general circulation in the county;
- 4461 **B.** Notice shall be sent by first class mail to owner(s) of the property which will be the subject
4462 of the hearing and owner(s) of abutting property and property immediately across the
4463 street from the affected property, including any property which lies in an adjoining
4464 jurisdiction, at least 10 days prior to the public hearing;
- 4465 **C.** The civic association representing the neighborhood where the affected property is located
4466 shall be notified in writing at least seven days prior to the public hearing;
- 4467 **D.** One placard containing the public hearing notice shall be posted on the affected property
4468 and no fewer than four placards shall be posted in the surrounding neighborhood at least
4469 seven days prior to the public hearing. If any setback modifications are requested as part
4470 of the CoA, that information should be included in all notices.

4471 **§15.7.8. Signs requiring a CoA**

4472 For all signs for which a Certificate of Appropriateness is required, the Historical Affairs and
4473 Landmark Review Board shall approve a Certificate of Appropriateness for a sign or modification
4474 of a sign in an historic district only if it finds that:

- 4475 **A.** The size, scale and design of the sign shall be compatible with the size, scale and design of
4476 the property, building or site upon which it is to be located;
- 4477 **B.** The materials used in the sign shall be compatible with the period and style of the property,
4478 building or site;
- 4479 **C.** The lighting of the sign shall be consistent with the period and style of the property,
4480 building, site or district, as applicable;
- 4481 **D.** The location of the sign shall not obscure any significant architectural features of the
4482 building or site; and
- 4483 **E.** Installation of the sign shall not irreparably damage any cornice, ornament or similar
4484 architectural detail and shall be the least damaging method feasible for the property,
4485 building or site.

§15.7.9. Design guidelines

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- 4487 **A.** The Review Board shall utilize the historic district design guidelines relevant to the specific
4488 historic district under consideration in their review of any application for alterations to an
4489 exterior feature and make a decision in accordance therewith. The design guidelines will
4490 guide and inform the decisions of the Review Board with regard to these exterior
4491 alterations. The design guidelines are for the benefit of the applicant as well as the Review
4492 Board. Historic district design guidelines shall be adopted and amended by the County
4493 Board, with such minor administrative amendments or updates as may be approved by the
4494 Review Board.
- 4495 **B.** The design guidelines shall also describe which modifications, if any, can be
4496 administratively approved by its designee, and shall provide specific standards for such
4497 approval.
- 4498 **C.** All design guidelines established, adopted, or amended by either the County Board or the
4499 Review Board on or before May 22, 2010 shall be in full force and effect, as though
4500 adopted by the County Board in a manner consistent with this zoning ordinance, until such
4501 time as the County Board, or the Review Board in the case of minor administrative
4502 amendments or updates, acts to amend them.
- 4503 **D.** Design guidelines shall not be created, amended, or updated except after a public hearing.
- 4504 **E.** For districts without approved design guidelines, The Secretary of the Interior's Standards
4505 for Rehabilitation, The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic
4506 Properties with Guidelines for the Treatment of Cultural Landscapes, or The Secretary of
4507 the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Archaeology Documentation shall be used to
4508 guide the CoA review process as amended.

§15.7.10. Appeals

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- 4510 **A.** If the Review Board makes the findings called for in §15.7.2, or, after an appeal as provided
4511 in §15.8.9.C, the County Board determines that the proposed construction, reconstruction,
4512 alteration, moving or demolition is appropriate, it shall forthwith approve such application
4513 and shall issue to the applicant a CoA.
- 4514 **B.** If the Review Board or, after an appeal as provided in §15.8.9.C, the County Board
4515 determines that a CoA should not be issued, it shall forthwith notify the applicant of such
4516 determination, furnishing him a copy of the reasons therefore and the recommendations, if
4517 any, as appearing in the records of the Review Board.
- 4518 **C.** Any person or persons jointly or severally aggrieved by any final decision of the Review
4519 Board, may, within 30 days after the final decision, have the right of appeal to the County
4520 Board of Arlington County by filing a petition which shall stay the decision of the Review
4521 Board pending the outcome of the appeal, provided that such a petition shall not stay a
4522 decision which denies the right to raze or demolish a historic landmark, building or
4523 structure. The County Board may reverse or modify, in whole or in part, any decision it
4524 finds upon review to be contrary to law or that is arbitrary and constitutes an abuse of
4525 discretion, or it may affirm the decision of the Review Board. The County Board may also
4526 reverse or modify the decision of the Review Board where the decision is based upon
4527 elements of the design guidelines that were amended solely by the Review Board after May
4528 22, 2010 and the County Board finds that those elements are not consistent with the

4529 purpose and intent of the County Board adopted design guidelines, or of the historic
4530 district designation.

4531 D. Any person or persons jointly or severally aggrieved by any final decision of the County
4532 Board may within 30 days after the final decision have the right to appeal to the ~~C~~ircuit
4533 ~~C~~ourt of Arlington County by filing a petition at law which shall stay the decision of the
4534 County Board pending the outcome of the appeal, provided that such a petition shall not
4535 stay a decision which denies the right to raze or demolish a historic building or structure
4536 within a historic district. The ~~C~~ircuit ~~C~~ourt may reverse or modify, in whole or in part, any
4537 decision it finds upon review to be contrary to law or that is arbitrary and constitutes an
4538 abuse of discretion, or it may affirm the decision of the ~~C~~ounty B~~o~~ard.

4539 **§15.7.11. Right to demolish or raze**

4540 A. In addition to the right of appeal, the property owner shall have a right to demolish or raze
4541 such building or structure in a historic district provided that:

- 4542 1. The owner has applied to the Review Board for such right and on appeal been denied
4543 such right by the County Board;
- 4544 2. The owner has, for the period of time set forth below at a price reasonably related to
4545 fair market value, made a bona fide offer to sell such building or structure and the land
4546 pertaining to it to the county or to any person, firm, corporation, government or
4547 government agency, political subdivision or agency, which give reasonable assurance
4548 that it is willing to preserve and restore the landmark, building or structure and the
4549 land pertaining to it; and
- 4550 3. No bona fide contract, binding on all parties to it, shall have been executed for the sale
4551 of any such landmark, building or structure and the land pertaining to it, prior to the
4552 expiration of the period of time set forth below.

4553 B. No such offer to sell may be made more than one year after a final decision of the County
4554 Board but no appeal to the ~~C~~ircuit ~~C~~ourt from a decision of the County Board shall stay or
4555 otherwise impair the right of such owner to offer for sale. After one year has passed from
4556 any such final decision (which has not been appealed or has been affirmed) of the County
4557 Board, the owner may renew his request to the Review Board for approval of a razing or
4558 demolition of the historic building or structure.

4559 C. The time schedule for offers to sell shall be as follows:

Offering Price	Months
Less than \$25,000	3
\$25,000 or more and less than \$40,000	4
\$40,000 or more and less than \$55,000	5
\$55,000 or more and less than \$75,000	6
\$75,000 or more and less than \$90,000	7
\$90,000 or more	12

4560 D. Before making a bona fide offer to sell as provided for in this section, an owner shall first
4561 file a statement with the county manager. The statement shall identify the property, state
4562 the offering price, reference the property’s Multiple Listing Service (MLS) identification
4563 number, or similar identifying information from a listing in an equivalent, comparable, real
4564 estate database system, the date the offer of sale is to begin and name and address of the
4565 listing real estate agent, if any. The statement shall provide assurances that the building or

4566 structure shall be maintained during the period of offering for sale. No time period set
 4567 forth in the time schedule contained in §15.8.10.C shall begin to run until said statement
 4568 has been filed. Within five days of receipt of a statement, copies of the statement shall be
 4569 delivered to the Review Board members. If at any time the offering price of the property
 4570 increases, the owner shall re-file the statement with the county manager.

4571 E. During this period, the county may negotiate with the owner or person in charge of the
 4572 historic district and other parties in an effort to find a means of preserving the property.

4573 F. During this period, or at any time prior thereto following notice to the owner and where
 4574 such action is reasonably necessary or appropriate for the continued preservation of the
 4575 property, the County Board may enter into negotiations with the owner for the acquisition
 4576 by gift, purchase, exchange or otherwise of the property or any interest therein.

4577 **§15.7.12. Question as to price**

4578 The fact that a building or structure has been offered for sale at a price reasonably related to fair
 4579 market value (FMV) may be questioned, provided that a petition in writing is filed with the
 4580 county manager within 15 days after the offer of sale has begun. The petition may be filed by
 4581 the Review Board, or a petition in writing signed by at least five persons owning real estate in
 4582 the vicinity of the property offered for sale. Alternatively, the county manager may do the same
 4583 within the same time frame. The county manager retains the discretion to accept or reject the
 4584 aforementioned petitions as grounds for initiating an appraisal process. Within 15 business days
 4585 after the filing of a petition questioning the reasonableness of the sale price offered, the county
 4586 and the owner shall each give written notice to the other setting forth the name and address of
 4587 an appraiser licensed to perform appraisals in the Commonwealth of Virginia (appraiser),
 4588 selected by such party, who has agreed to act in such capacity to determine whether the
 4589 offering price of the property is reasonably related to the FMV of the property. If either party
 4590 shall fail to select an appraiser aforesaid, and such failure shall continue for a period of 10
 4591 business days after receipt of written notice from the other party, then the FMV shall be
 4592 determined by the appraiser selected by the other party. When the appraiser(s) have been
 4593 selected, then each appraiser shall thereupon independently make his/her determination of
 4594 whether the offering price of the property is reasonably related to the FMV of the property
 4595 within 21 days. If the two appraisers' disagree significantly as to their determinations of the
 4596 FMV of the property, then the two appraisers shall appoint a third appraiser within 10 business
 4597 days after the second of the two determinations described above has been rendered. The third
 4598 appraiser shall independently make his/her determination of whether the offering price of the
 4599 property is reasonably related to the FMV of the property within 30 days after his/her
 4600 appointment. Each party shall pay for the cost of its appraiser and one-half of the cost of the
 4601 third appraiser. The opinion of any two of the three appraisers shall be final and binding. In the
 4602 event the opinion is to the effect that the offer to sell the building or structure is at a price
 4603 reasonably related to its FMV, the owner may continue to offer the property for sale pursuant to
 4604 §15.8.10 through §15.8.10.C. In the event the opinion is to the effect that the offer to sell the
 4605 building or structure is not at a price reasonably related to its FMV, the date of the offer to sell
 4606 first established pursuant to §15.8.9.B shall be void and the owner, if he wishes to take
 4607 advantage of the right provided in said section, must re-file the notice provided for above.
 4608 Notwithstanding an adverse opinion by the appraisers if an owner has entered into a binding
 4609 contract as provided in §15.8.10.A.3 prior to the date the appraisers have filed their report with
 4610 the county manager, the price shall be deemed reasonably related to the FMV, for the purposes
 4611 of this contract.

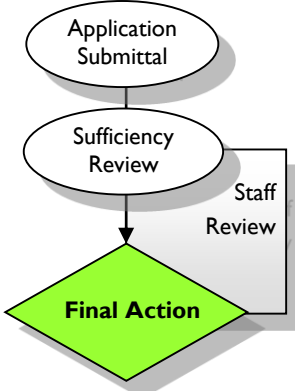
4612 **§15.8. Sign Permits**

4613 **§15.8.1. Applicability**

- 4614 A. A sign permit shall be obtained from the zoning administrator before any sign requiring a
4615 permit is erected, placed or installed (see §13.5, §13.6, §13.7, §13.8, §13.10 and §13.16 to
4616 determine which signs require permits).
- 4617 B. An application for a sign permit shall be signed by the applicant or an officer or member
4618 thereof, and shall include evidence of consent to the application by the owner of the
4619 building or property on which the sign is proposed for installation; and if the project is the
4620 subject of a comprehensive sign plan, the owner of the project or property manager
4621 responsible for the project.

4622 **§15.8.2. Application**

- 4623 A. Every application for a sign permit shall be accompanied by plans showing the area of the
4624 sign, the size, and design proposed; the method of lighting, if any, showing that lighting
4625 mechanisms are hidden to the extent practicable; and the exact location proposed for the
4626 sign. If the sign will be placed on premises for which there is an approved comprehensive
4627 sign plan, the application shall refer to the Plan and identify how the
4628 proposed sign conforms with the Plan.
- 4629 B. An application for a sign permit for a sign placed above a height of 40
4630 feet that will be lighted shall include a certification by an engineer or
4631 other qualified professional licensed or practicing in Virginia that the
4632 installed sign will conform with the luminance standards and other
4633 limitations on illumination set forth in §13.11.2. If a dimmed setting
4634 is used to meet the compliance limit, the dimmed setting meeting
4635 the compliance limit shall be measured, recorded and reported to
4636 the County prior to installation. The setting of the dimming
4637 controller itself may be reconfirmed after installation.
- 4638 C. An application for a sign permit for a sign with automatic changeable
4639 copy elements shall include a certification by an engineer or other qualified professional
4640 licensed or practicing in Virginia that the installed sign will conform with the luminance
4641 standards and other limitations on illumination and operation set forth in §13.11.2 and
4642 §13.12.
- 4643 D. An incomplete application for a sign permit shall be returned to the applicant within one
4644 business day of its filing with notations or a checklist identifying what items are missing
4645 from the application. If the certifications required by §15.8.2.B and §15.8.2.C, above, are
4646 not provided by a Professional Engineer licensed in Virginia, the zoning administrator may
4647 find that the application is incomplete and require that it be resubmitted with the required
4648 certifications by a Professional Engineer.
- 4649 E. A complete application for a permanent sign shall be approved or rejected within five work
4650 days. Upon request, a statement of the reasons for denial of a sign permit shall be provided
4651 within 30 days after rejection.
- 4652 F. A complete application for a temporary sign that requires a permit shall be approved or
4653 rejected within one business day of the receipt of a sign permit application. If the permit is



4654 denied, the reason for the denial will be given orally, with a written reason provided within
4655 five days, if requested.
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§15.9. Density Credit for Public Dedications

§15.9.1. Public dedication

When a parcel or portion thereof is needed by the county for a public purpose, including but not limited to public street right-of-way, and there are no encumbrances, title restrictions, or survey exceptions, to such parcel or portion thereof, which the County Board determines would restrict, adversely affect, or interfere with the use of the lot for public purposes, density credit may be granted by the County Board in conjunction with one of the following:

- A. County Board approval of a rezoning or special exception and a dedication or conveyance of a parcel or portion thereof for public purposes is part of such approval; or
- B. County Board approval of a density credit, upon recommendation of the county manager, when the County Board finds that the dedication of conveyance of a parcel or portion thereof for public purposes will contribute to the implementation of County Board approved plans, including by way of illustration and not limitation Sector Plans, Revitalization Plans, Business and Community Conservation Projects, Transportation Plans and Neighborhood Conservation Plans.

§15.9.2. Approval criteria

Density credit determinations shall be based upon the following:

- A. The parcel or portion thereof to be dedicated or conveyed for public purposes is found by the County Board to be suitable in location, size, shape, condition and topography for such public purposes and the County Board finds that there are no encumbrances, title restrictions, or survey exceptions which would interfere with its use for such purpose or any other; and
- B. The parcel or portion thereof to be dedicated or conveyed is in accordance with the [county's Comprehensive Plan](#). Where such proposed public use requires approval under Section 15.2-2232 of the Code of Virginia, such approval shall be obtained prior to the granting of credit under this section; and
- C. The parcel or portion thereof for which density credit is granted will be [based on the square footage of land area dedicated or conveyed, and shall be](#) dedicated or conveyed to the County Board without monetary or other compensation except the granting of density credit.¹

§15.9.3. Plat required

Prior to a dedication or conveyance for public purposes, a plat showing the parcel or portion thereof to be dedicated or conveyed to the County Board for public purposes, the lot or site to which the density credit is to be granted and the appropriate appurtenant density allocation shall be submitted to and approved by the county manager, or his designee. Such plat, and a deed or other legally enforceable instrument acceptable to the county manager and accomplishing an irrevocable dedication or conveyance to the county for public purposes, shall be provided before any density credit may come into existence. Thereafter, any reallocation of such density credit shall require the submission to and approval by the county manager, or his

¹ From definitions ("density credit")

4696 designee, of a plat showing the elements listed above. In the event of such reallocation density
4697 credit shall be reallocated in a manner proportional to the original allocation of density.

4698 **§15.9.4. Costs**

4699 All costs of implementation of the approved density credit, including any necessary subdivision,
4700 recording fees, or other costs, shall be borne by the owner of the lot or site to which the density
4701 credit is appurtenant. Any property owner asserting that a density credit applies to his property
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§15.10. Permits for short term use

§15.10.1. Applicability

Short term uses occurring on property outside of the public right-of-way shall obtain a permit for short term use from the zoning administrator that outlines conditions of operations so as to protect the public, health, safety and welfare subject to the standards of §12.10, Short Term Use Standards.

§15.10.2. Application requirements

- A. Applications for permits for short term use shall be sufficient for processing when it contains all of the information necessary to decide whether or not the development as proposed will comply with the approval criteria of §15.10.4, and with the applicable standards of §12.10. The burden of demonstrating that the application complies with approval criteria is the applicant's.
- B. Each application is unique and, therefore, more or less information may be required according to the needs of the particular case. The applicant shall rely on the zoning administrator as to whether more or less information should be submitted.
- C. Concurrent with an application for a permit for short term use, the applicant shall submit a plat of the property showing the proposed short term use for review and approval
- D. Each application for a permit for short term use shall include evidence of consent to the application by the owner of the building or property on which the short term use is proposed.

§15.10.3. Action by zoning administrator

After receiving a complete application, the zoning administrator shall have up to 30 days to review and approve or deny the application.

§15.10.4. Approval criteria

Applications for permits for short term use shall be reviewed for compliance with the requirements of §12.10.

§15.10.5. Conditions of approval

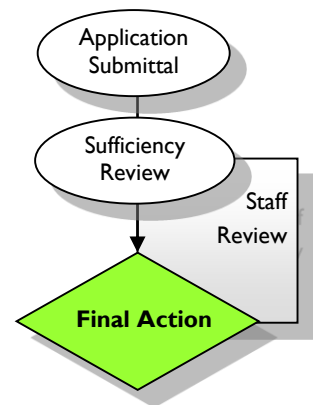
Short term use applications and plans, as approved, are incorporated into any permit issued, and except as otherwise provided herein, all subsequent development and/or use shall occur strictly in accordance with such approved application and documents.

§15.10.6. Action following approval

A permit for short term use will be issued by the zoning administrator for all approved applications.

§15.10.7. Revocation of permit

A permit for short term use shall be revoked if the zoning administrator finds that the terms of the permit have been violated or that there is a hazard to the public health, safety and welfare.



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Article 16. Nonconformities

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§16.1. Nonconforming Lots

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§16.1.1. Lots in R districts

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In the R-20, R-10, R-8, R-6, and R-5 districts, where a lot has less width and less area than required in the subject district and was recorded under one ownership ~~at the time of the adoption of this ordinance~~ [on or before July 15, 1950], such lot may be occupied by any use permitted in the respective districts.

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§16.2. Nonconforming Buildings and Structures

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§16.2.1. Applicability

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The provisions of this section shall apply to all nonconforming buildings and structures except as otherwise expressly stated in this zoning ordinance.

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§16.2.2. Qualification of nonconforming one-family dwellings

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A. Existing nonconforming one-family dwellings and accessory buildings or structures shall be permitted to be added to or expanded, provided that the addition or expansion complies with all current provisions of this zoning ordinance. The provisions of this section shall not preclude construction, within applicable height limits, of an addition over an existing one-family dwelling encroaching on a required setback or yard area provided there is no more of an encroachment into the required setback or yard than that of the existing wall below it, and providing that new construction may not take place over encroaching garages or porches.

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B. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in this Ordinance, existing nonconforming one- and two-family dwellings, and nonconforming accessory buildings and structures located in the R-20, R-10, R-8, R-6, R-5 and R2-7 districts shall be permitted to make interior repairs and alterations, whether structural or non-structural, provided the repair or alteration is wholly contained within the existing exterior walls of the dwelling, building or structure.

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C. Existing main and accessory buildings or structures shall be permitted to be rebuilt within the building footprint and height and stories as they existed prior to damage or destruction if structures are damaged or destroyed by fire, wind, earthquake or other force majeure, and if construction commences within two years from the date of such damage or destruction. However, if the nonconforming building or structure is in an area under a federal disaster declaration and the building has been damaged or destroyed as a direct result of conditions that gave rise to the declaration, then the owner shall have an additional two (2) years within which to complete the repairs, rebuilding, or replacement. As used herein, "force majeure" shall mean any natural disaster or phenomena, including a hurricane, tornado, storm, flood, high water, wind-driven water, tidal wave, earthquake or fire caused by lightning or wildfire or other accidental fire (accidental fire shall not include arson committed under Va. Code Ann. §§18.2-77 or 18.2-80).

4782 **§16.2.3. Maintenance permitted**

4783 Nonconforming buildings or structures may be maintained, except as otherwise provided in this
4784 section.

4785 **§16.2.4. Repairs, alterations**

4786 Repairs and alterations may be made to a nonconforming building or structure; provided, that
4787 no structural alteration (~~as structural alternation is defined in the United States Building Code, as~~
4788 ~~it may be amended from time to time~~) shall be made except those required by law or ordinance,
4789 or as provided by §16.2.2. Repairs and alterations to a nonconforming dwelling, building or
4790 structure not otherwise permitted under this Zoning Ordinance are prohibited, unless approved
4791 under a use permit or variance pursuant to sections §15.6.4 and §15.6.6.

4792 **§16.2.5. Additions, enlargements, moving**

4793 This §16.2.5 applies to all buildings except one-family dwellings located in the R-5, R-6, R-8, R-10,
4794 and R-20 district.

- 4795 **A.** A nonconforming building or structure shall not be added to or expanded in any manner
4796 unless such building or structure, including such additions and expansions, is made to
4797 conform to all the regulations of the district in which it is located.
- 4798 **B.** A building or structure which does not comply with the height or lot area regulations shall
4799 not be added to or expanded in any manner unless such addition or expansion conforms to
4800 all the regulations of the district in which it is located; provided, that the total aggregate
4801 floor area included in all such separate additions and expansions does not exceed 50
4802 percent of the floor area contained in the existing building or structure, as of July 15, 1950.
- 4803 **C.** A building or structure lacking sufficient automobile parking space in connection therewith
4804 as required in §14.3 may be altered or expanded, provided additional automobile parking
4805 space is supplied to meet, for the entire building, requirements of §14.3.
- 4806 **D.** No nonconforming building or structure shall be moved in whole or in part to any other
4807 location on the lot unless every portion of such building or structure is made to conform to
4808 all the regulations of the district in which it is located.

4809 **§16.2.6. Restoration of damaged building**

4810 A nonconforming residential or commercial building or structure which is damaged or destroyed
4811 by fire, flood, wind, earthquake or other calamity or force majeure or the public enemy may be
4812 repaired, rebuilt, or replaced to eliminate the nonconforming features or reduce the
4813 nonconformity to the extent possible, without the need to obtain a variance as provided in
4814 §15.6.4 or use permit as provided in §15.5, and the occupancy or use of such building, structure
4815 or part thereof, which existed at the time of such damage or destruction, may be continued or
4816 resumed. If such building is damaged or destroyed to the extent of more than fifty (50) percent
4817 of the building's value and cannot be repaired, rebuilt or replaced except to restore it to the
4818 original nonconforming condition, the owner may restore it to the original nonconforming
4819 condition. Unless such building or structure is repaired rebuilt or replaced within two years of
4820 the date of the natural disaster or other force majeure, such building shall only be repaired
4821 rebuilt or replaced in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance. However, if the
4822 nonconforming building or structure is in an area under a federal disaster declaration and the
4823 building has been damaged or destroyed as a direct result of conditions that gave rise to the
4824 declaration, then the owner shall have an additional two (2) years within which to complete the

4825 repairs, rebuilding, or replacement. As used herein, “force majeure” shall mean any natural
 4826 disaster or phenomena, including a hurricane, tornado, storm, flood, high water, wind-driven
 4827 water, tidal wave, earthquake or fire caused by lightning or wildfire or other accidental fire
 4828 (accidental fire shall not include arson committed under Va. Code Ann. §§18.2-77 or 18.2-80).

4829 **§16.3. Nonconforming Uses**

4830 **§16.3.1. Buildings**

4831 **A. Continuation and change of use**

4832 Except as otherwise provided in this section:

- 4833 **1.** The nonconforming use of a building or structure, existing at the time this zoning
 4834 ordinance became effective, may be continued, provided that;
 - 4835 **(a)** The use of a nonconforming building or structure is not changed except to a use
 4836 of the same or more restricted classification; and
 - 4837 **(b)** The use of a nonconforming building or structure that has previously been
 4838 changed to a use of a more restricted classification is not thereafter changed to a
 4839 use of a less restricted classification; and
 - 4840 **(c)** The nonconforming use of buildings or structures that is continued only so long as
 4841 the then existing or a more restricted use continues and such use is not
 4842 discontinued for more than two years.

4843 **B. Expansion prohibited; discontinuance**

4844 A nonconforming use of a conforming building or structure (i.e., commercial use in a
 4845 dwelling, etc.) shall not be expanded or extended into any other portion of such
 4846 conforming building or structure, nor changed except to a conforming use. If such a
 4847 nonconforming use or portion thereof is discontinued or changed to a conforming use, any
 4848 future use of such building, structure or portion thereof shall be in conformity with the
 4849 regulations of the district in which such building or structure is located.

4850 **§16.3.2. Nonconforming use of land**

4851 The nonconforming use of land (where no main building is involved), existing at the time this
 4852 zoning ordinance or its successor, became effective, may be continued, provided:

- 4853 **A.** That no such nonconforming use of land shall in any way be expanded or extended either
 4854 on the same or adjoining property.
- 4855 **B.** That no such nonconforming use of land or any portion thereof is discontinued or changed,
 4856 and if so, that any future use of such land shall be in conformity with the provisions of this
 4857 zoning ordinance.
- 4858 **C.** That any sign, billboard, commercial advertising structure or statuary, which is lawfully
 4859 existing and maintained at the time this zoning ordinance became effective, may be
 4860 continued although such use does not conform with the provisions hereof.

4861 **§16.3.3. Townhouse projects within the Fort Myer Heights North Special District**

4862 Townhouse projects within the Fort Myer Heights North Special District for which building
 4863 permit applications have been submitted to the Inspection Services Division on or before April

4864 15, 2005 shall be allowed under the provision of this ordinance as it existed on or prior to April
4865 15, 2005.

§16.4. Nonconforming Due to Reclassification

4867 The foregoing provisions of this section shall also apply to buildings, structures, land or uses which
4868 hereafter become nonconforming due to any reclassification of districts under this zoning ordinance or
4869 any subsequent change in the regulations of this zoning ordinance. Provided, however, that where a
4870 period of years is specified in this section for the removal of nonconforming buildings, structures or uses,
4871 said period shall be computed from the date of such reclassification or change.

§16.5. Nonconforming Due to Public Acquisition of Land

§16.5.1. Purposes and findings

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- 4874 A. When, due to acquisition by the county of a portion of a lot for public purposes, either:
- 4875 1. The use of the land, the lot, or a building or structure no longer complies with the
4876 requirements of this zoning ordinance; or
- 4877 2. An existing nonconforming use, ~~or~~ building or structure becomes further noncompliant
4878 with the requirements of this zoning ordinance; then,
- 4879 B. Upon a finding by the County Board that the acquisition of the property will be in the public
4880 interest and that the noncompliant conditions caused by the acquisition will not be of
4881 substantial detriment to ~~adjacent abutting~~ property and the character of the district will
4882 not be changed, then, subject to such conditions as the County Board may approve, the
4883 provisions of §1.3, §3.1.8.B.1, §3.2.2.B, §3.2.3.B, §3.2.4.B, and §14.3.2. ~~§3.2~~¹ shall not apply
4884 to the acquisition and the lot, use, building or structure rendered noncompliant by the
4885 acquisition shall be treated as a nonconforming use or nonconforming building pursuant to
4886 the provisions of this Article 16.

§16.5.2. Limitation

4887 The foregoing provisions shall apply only to the noncompliant conditions caused by acquisition
4888 by the county, and under no circumstances shall the foregoing provisions be construed to confer
4889 nonconforming status on any condition that was not created or furthered by acquisition by the
4890 county.
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§16.6. Condominium and Cooperative Conversion

§16.6.1. Nonconforming land, buildings or structures

4893 Whenever any land, buildings or structures or the use thereof are proposed to be converted to
4894 condominiums or cooperatives and such land, buildings or structures do not conform to the
4895 regulations of this zoning ordinance, then before such proposed conversion may take place, a
4896 special exception use permit pursuant to §15.5 shall be obtained unless a variance of the
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¹ Correction from May 2013 reformat. Inserted references reflect provisions referenced in the 1950 Ordinance. Edits in 16.5.1.A.2 are to make the provision consistent with the language in 16.5.1.A.1, such that there is parallel construction for circumstances of public acquisition that both create or further a nonconforming condition.

4898 requirements of zoning or land use regulations which may be granted by the Board of Zoning
4899 Appeals pursuant to Chapter 11 of Title 15.1 of the Code of Virginia is, in fact, granted.

4900 **§16.6.2. Special exception or variance**

4901 A request for such a special exception or variance filed after July 1, 1982 shall be granted if the
4902 applicant can demonstrate that the continuance of any existing nonconformities, as proposed by
4903 the conversion, is not likely to affect adversely the property or ~~adjacent~~abutting properties, the
4904 intention of the ~~C~~omprehensive ~~P~~lan, or the public welfare or safety.

Article 17. Violations, Enforcement and Penalties

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§17.1. Violations

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4907 A. Any building erected or improvements constructed contrary to any of the provisions of this
4908 zoning ordinance and any use of any building or land which is conducted, operated or
4909 maintained in a manner that is not in compliance with any of the provisions of the
4910 ordinance or in a manner not in compliance with any permit, detailed statement or plan
4911 approved under the provisions of this zoning ordinance shall be and the same is hereby
4912 declared to be unlawful.

4913 B. It shall constitute a violation of this zoning ordinance for any person, firm or corporation,
4914 either owner, agent or occupant, to do any of the things for which a permit is required by
4915 this zoning ordinance without having first obtained the said permit; and any permit issued
4916 upon a false statement of any fact which is material to the issuance thereof shall be void.
4917 Whenever the fact of such false statement shall be established to the satisfaction of the
4918 zoning administrator, he shall forthwith revoke the same, by notice in writing to be
4919 delivered to the holder of the void permit upon the premises where the violation has
4920 occurred, or, if such holder be not found there, by posting the said notice of revocation in
4921 some conspicuous place upon the said premises. Any such person, firm or corporation who
4922 shall proceed thereafter with such work or use without having obtained a new permit in
4923 accordance with this zoning ordinance shall be deemed guilty of violation thereof.

4924 C. It shall constitute a violation of this zoning ordinance for any person, firm or corporation,
4925 either owner, agent or occupant, to disobey, neglect or refuse to comply with or resist the
4926 enforcement of any of the provisions of this zoning ordinance. Each day upon which the
4927 said violation shall continue shall constitute a separate violation.

§17.2. Enforcement

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4929 A. This zoning ordinance shall be enforced by the zoning administrator. No building or other
4930 structure shall be erected, reconstructed, enlarged, moved or structurally altered without
4931 an appropriate permit therefore, and no structure shall be used, and the use of any land or
4932 building shall not be changed, without a certificate of occupancy therefore approved or
4933 issued by the zoning administrator. The zoning administrator shall under no circumstances
4934 approve or grant a permit or certificate of occupancy for the construction, alteration, use
4935 or change of use of any building or land if the building or land as proposed to be
4936 constructed, altered or used would be in violation of this zoning ordinance.

4937 B. If the zoning administrator finds that any of the provisions of this zoning ordinance are
4938 being violated, he shall notify in writing the person responsible for such violation, indicating
4939 the nature of the violation and ordering the action necessary to correct it. He shall take
4940 any other action authorized by law to ensure compliance with, or to prevent violation of, its
4941 provisions.

§17.3. Civil Penalties

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4943 A. Except in case of the violation of any provisions of this zoning ordinance listed in §17.3.3,
4944 any violation of the provisions of this zoning ordinance shall be deemed a civil violation

4945 and, upon an admission of liability or finding of liability, the owner, lessee, tenant or agent
 4946 shall be subject to a civil penalty of \$200 for the first violation. Any person who continues
 4947 to violate such provision of this zoning ordinance after the imposition of the first penalty,
 4948 shall be subject to a civil penalty of not more than \$500, or such lesser amount so that the
 4949 total amount of fines imposed will not exceed a total of \$5,000 arising out of the same set
 4950 of facts, for each subsequent violation. No person shall be cited for a violation more than
 4951 once in any 10 day period, and no person shall be fined more than a total of \$5,000 for all
 4952 violations arising out of the same set of facts.

4953 **B.** Civil penalties shall be assessed only after a written violation notice has been issued to the
 4954 owner shown in the property tax records, which violation notice has provided a reasonable
 4955 period of time to correct, or in instances where corrective measures will take time to
 4956 complete, to commence and diligently pursue correction of the violation. Except for good
 4957 cause shown, a reasonable period of time shall be a minimum of 10 days. Civil penalties
 4958 shall be imposed by the issuance of a civil summons/ticket by the zoning administrator or
 4959 deputy. Any person served with a summons/ticket shall be informed of his/her right to
 4960 stand trial and of his/her responsibility to request within 30 days, said trial in General
 4961 District Court. Any person may waive his/her right to trial by appearing in person or by mail
 4962 and executing a Waiver of Trial and Admission of Liability and paying the fine to the
 4963 Treasurer of Arlington County, Virginia. Aggrieved persons also have the right to appeal the
 4964 violation Notice to the Board of Zoning Appeals within 30 days of the date of the violation
 4965 notice. An aggrieved person may elect instead, at his/her option, to appeal a
 4966 ticket/summons to the Board of Zoning Appeals within 30 days of issuance, or within 10
 4967 days for those violations listed in §17.3.C, below. In the event a person served with a
 4968 violation notice and/or summons/ticket has, within 30 days of the date of violation notice
 4969 and/or summons/ticket, or within 10 days for those violations listed in §17.3.C, neither:

- 4970 **1.** Requested a hearing date in General District Court; nor
- 4971 **2.** Admitted liability and paid the fine; nor
- 4972 **3.** Filed an appeal of the violation notice with the Board of Zoning Appeals, then the
 4973 determination of a violation shall be final and not subject to further appeal.

4974 **C.** As provided for in the Code of Virginia the following violations shall have the right to appeal
 4975 a violation notice within 10 days of the date of issuance:

- 4976 **1.** Parking of commercial trucks in residential districts.
- 4977 **2.** Maximum occupancy limitation of a residential dwelling unit.

4978 **D.** The demolition, razing or moving of a building or structure which is located in a historic
 4979 overlay district without the prior approval of the Historical Affairs and Landmark Review
 4980 Board (Review Board) and/or the County Board as provided in §15.7 shall be punishable by
 4981 civil penalty.

- 4982 **1.** Such penalty shall not exceed twice the market value of the property as determined by
 4983 the assessed value of the property at the time of destruction or removal of the building
 4984 or structure, and shall include the value of any structure and the value of the real
 4985 property upon which any such structure was located.

- 4986 **2.** Enforcement under the sections shall be by bringing an action in the name of the
 4987 county in Circuit Court by the county attorney, upon request of the zoning

4988 administrator, and such action shall be brought against the party or parties deemed
4989 responsible for such violation.

4990 3. The remedies provided for in the sections are not exclusive and shall be in addition to
4991 any other remedies provided by law.

§17.4. Criminal Penalties

4993 It shall be unlawful and constitute a misdemeanor for any person, firm, corporation, owner, agent or
4994 occupant to violate any of the provisions of this zoning ordinance, referenced in §17.4.A. It shall
4995 furthermore, be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to cause or, with knowledge, permit such
4996 action to be taken upon such person’s, firm’s or corporation’s behalf. For violations involving signs,
4997 where a sign bears a name, phone number, address, website or other identifying information, there shall
4998 be a rebuttable presumption that the person or entity bearing that name or controlling that phone
4999 number, address or website was responsible for placing or installing the sign. Any person, firm,
5000 corporation, owner, agent or occupant who is convicted of a violation of any of the provisions of this
5001 zoning ordinance shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$1,000. If the violation is
5002 uncorrected at the time of conviction, the court shall order the violator to abate or remedy the violation
5003 in compliance with this zoning ordinance within a time period established by the court. Failure to remove
5004 or abate a zoning violation within the specified time period shall constitute a separate misdemeanor
5005 offense punishable by a fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$1,000, and any such failure during any
5006 succeeding 10 day period shall constitute a separate misdemeanor offense for each 10 day period
5007 punishable by a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$1,500.

5008 A. The following violations that shall be treated as criminal penalties are:

5009 1. Any sign posted on public property or in public rights-of-way in contravention of this
5010 zoning ordinance;

5011 2. Any land development activity without applicable permit;

5012 3. Any violation of the provisions of the ordinance that results in physical harm or injury
5013 to any person.

5014 B. When civil penalties total \$5,000 or more, the violation may be prosecuted as a criminal
5015 misdemeanor, as provided within the Code of Virginia. Treatment as criminal penalties
5016 shall not preclude the zoning administrator from pursuing injunctive action.

5017 C. The zoning administrator or his/her agent shall have all necessary authority to present
5018 sworn testimony to a magistrate or court of competent jurisdiction and if such sworn
5019 testimony establishes probable cause that a zoning ordinance violation has occurred,
5020 request that the magistrate or court grant the zoning administrator or his/her agent an
5021 inspection warrant to enable the zoning administrator or his/her agent to enter the
5022 property and/or building for the purpose of determining whether violations of this zoning
5023 ordinance exist. The zoning administrator or his/her agent shall make a reasonable effort
5024 to obtain consent from the owner or tenant of the property and/or building prior to
5025 pursuing the issuance of an inspection warrant.

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Article 18. Definitions

§18.1. Word Usage

The word "used" includes "designed, intended or arranged to be used" and vice versa; words used in the present tense include the future; words used in the singular number include the plural number and vice versa; the word "building" includes the word "structure"; the word "dwelling" includes the word "residence"; the word "lot" includes the word "plot"; and the word "shall" is mandatory and not directory.

§18.2. General Terms Defined

For the purposes of this zoning ordinance certain terms and words used herein shall be defined and interpreted as follows. ⁻¹

Abut or abutting: To physically touch or border upon; or to share a common property line or border. Unless otherwise expressly stated, this definition does not include lots or parcels on the opposite side of a street.

Accessory building. Same as "building, accessory."

Accessory dwelling. Same as "dwelling, accessory."

Adult entertainment. Live performances by topless and/or bottomless dancers, strippers or similar entertainers, characterized by the display or exposure of anatomical areas that are customarily covered in public.

Adult use. 1) A use, whether private or open to the public, that features adult entertainment; or 2) Any use, which, as its primary business, offers for sale any book, publication or film that depicts nudity, or sexual conduct or that offers sexually-oriented services, including but not limited to bath houses, massage parlors, wrestling parlors.

Actual height of the building. The term "actual height of the building" as used in said regulations with respect to the location of signs shall not be deemed to include any part of the building that consists of a sign structure or that is erected for the primary purpose of displaying a sign.

Aggregate sign area. The total area of all signs of a sign type, for which "yes" is included in the "included in aggregate sign area," line in §13.6 or §13.7, whichever is applicable for the property on which the sign is located.

Airport or aircraft landing field. Any landing area, runway or other facility designed, used or intended to be used, either publicly or privately, by any person or persons for the landing and taking off of aircraft, including passenger terminals, and all necessary-associated taxiways, aircraft storage and tie-down areas, hangars and other necessary buildings and open spaces.

Alley. A public thoroughfare less than 30 feet wide that is usually used as a secondary means of vehicular access to abutting lots and not intended for general traffic circulation.

¹ All definitions shown with double-underline were moved from 18.2 sign definitions and inserted alphabetically into general definitions.

- 35 Animal care facility. A place where animals are cared for, such as a veterinary care facility or animal
36 grooming facility, but not including businesses that meet the definition of kennel.
- 37 Apartment. A room or group of rooms used as a dwelling unit for one family, with facilities for preparing
38 food therein. Same as See also "dwelling unit."
- 39 Apartment house. Same as "dwelling, multiple-family."
- 40 Application. An application is a document submitted to the county in an effort to obtain permission
41 under this zoning ordinance to proceed with a particular action. Examples of such actions
42 include, but are not limited to: site plan, use permit, variance, appeals, administrative changes,
43 and the like. Applications may include requests for buildability letters, zoning determinations,
44 second sink letters, accessory dwellings, family suites, etc.
- 45 Arcade sign. A sign that is suspended underneath an awning, canopy, marquee, overhang, or other
46 structural element of a building that forms a covered passageway for pedestrians. See §13.7.2.¹
- 47 Areaway. A sunken area affording access, air, or light to a basement door.
- 48 Art gallery or studio. Where objects of art are displayed for viewing, created (including the teaching of
49 both painting and sculpting, or similar activities), or displayed for sale.
- 50 Assisted living facility. A ~~housing development~~ building or group of buildings designed for limited care
51 and assistance of ambulatory persons, with spouses or companions when applicable, but not
52 including any facility licensed as a nursing home or health care facility by the state. A facility
53 providing assisted living care but also licensed by the state as a nursing home or other health care
54 facility shall be considered a nursing home under the zoning ordinance.
- 55 Automotive wrecking. The dismantling or wrecking of used vehicles or trailers, or the storage, sale or
56 dumping of dismantled, partially dismantled, obsolete or wrecked vehicles or their parts.
- 57 Awning or canopy. An awning or canopy ~~shall~~ includes any structure made of fabric or other durable
58 material, metal or a frame attached to a building, and projecting therefrom, and ~~may be possibly~~
59 carried by frames supported at grade level.
- 60 Awning sign. A sign that is painted on or affixed to the surface of an awning.
- 61 Balcony. A cantilevered platform projecting from the wall of a building, with a railing along its outer edge,
62 often with access to the building from a door or window.
- 63 Banner. A sign of any kind applied to fabric or other flexible, durable material. Flags as defined herein
64 shall not be considered banners. (See §13.6.3, §13.7.4, §13.8.2, §13.9.2, §13.15.4).
- 65 Basement. A story partly or wholly underground. For purposes of height measurement, a basement shall
66 be counted as a story where more than 1/2 of its height is above the average level of the
67 adjoining ground.
- 68 Bed and breakfast. A one-family dwelling containing five or fewer guest rooms available for overnight
69 accommodations which are rented at a daily rate and where meals are served only to guests. A
70 one-family dwelling with five or fewer guestrooms available as overnight accommodations for
71 compensation to guests for no more than 14 consecutive days per stay. A bed and breakfast has

¹ Moved from sign definitions

72 ~~no cooking facilities for use by the guests and is operated by a resident owner.~~¹ (See also
73 §12.5.3.)

74 ~~Board. The Board of Zoning Appeals.~~

75 Boarding house ~~or rooming house.~~ A building other than a hotel or motel or bed and breakfast, where for
76 compensation on a daily, weekly or monthly basis, lodging or both lodging and meals are
77 provided. ~~A building where, for compensation, meals or lodging and meals, are provided for~~
78 ~~three or more, but not exceeding nine guests.~~ ~~Compensation may be paid daily, weekly or~~
79 ~~monthly.~~

80 Breezeway. An enclosed or unenclosed roofed passageway connecting two buildings or parts of a
81 building.

82 Buildable area. ~~See §3.1.1.B. The area of a lot within which a structure can be placed and remaining after~~
83 ~~the minimum yard and open space requirements of this zoning ordinance have been met, less~~
84 ~~any area needed to meet the minimum requirements for streets, sidewalks or other similar public~~
85 ~~improvements.~~

86 Building. An enclosed structure anchored to its foundations and having exterior or party walls and a roof,
87 designed for the shelter of persons, animals or property. When divided by walls without
88 openings, each portion or section of such building shall be regarded as a separate building.

89 Building code. The Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code, as it may be amended from time to time.

90 Building Tower Coverage. The gross floor area of the largest single floor above the fifth floor of a building
91 expressed as a percentage of a site's buildable area. When applied across multiple buildings, the
92 numerator shall be the total arrived at by adding together the areas, for each building, of the
93 largest single floor above the fifth floor.

94 Building Tower Separation. The space between the portions of two buildings as measured above the fifth
95 floor, expressed as the shortest horizontal dimension between the exterior building facades.

96 Bulk Plane Angle. An imaginary inclined plane rising over a lot, that begins at a specified height along a
97 build-to line and slopes back at a specified angle from horizontal over the lot, and which when
98 required, together with other bulk, coverage, and placement requirements for a specific district,
99 delineates the maximum bulk of any improvement which may be constructed on the lot. (See
100 also Reference "Positioning the Bulk Plane" illustration in Map §7.16.10)

101 Building, accessory. A detached subordinate building, the use of which is clearly incidental to that of the
102 main building or to the use of the land. (See also §12.8)

103 ~~Building, community. A building for social, educational and recreational activities of a neighborhood or~~
104 ~~community, provided any such use is not operated primarily for commercial gain.~~

105 Building group. Two or more buildings, including multiple dwellings, grouped upon a lot and held under
106 single ownership, such as universities, hospitals and institutions.

107 Building line. A line which delineates a required minimum yard of the lot. (See also §3.1.1.B. "setback
108 area" and "buildable area.")

¹ Moved to use standards.

109 Building, main. A building in which is conducted the principal u-se of the lot on which it is situated.

110 Building official. The building official for the County, appointed by the county manager, pursuant to the
111 Code of Virginia, to administer the building code.

112 Build-to line. See §3.1.2.

113 By right. May be approved administratively in the respective zoning district subject to all other applicable
114 requirements of this zoning ordinance, including the specific use standards in Article 12 and site
115 development standards of Article 13 and Article 14.

116 Canopy sign. A sign that is painted on or affixed to the flat vertical surface of or sits on top of a canopy.

117 Campground. Land used for occupancy by tents or recreational vehicles for temporary or transient living
118 purposes. Same as "Tourist camp."

119 ~~Camp, trailer. Same as "campground."~~

120 Caretaker residence. A dwelling unit used exclusively by the owner, manager or operator of a principal
121 permitted use that is located on the same lot or parcel as the principal use.

122 Certificate of appropriateness (CoA). See also §15.7. A certificate issued by the Historical Affairs and
123 Landmark Review Board, or its designee, or on appeal, the County Board, authorizing alteration,
124 construction, relocation, restoration, grading, or demolition of any building, sign, appurtenance,
125 structure, object, parcel of land or building located within a locally designated historic district
126 and, separately, properties governed by the Columbia Pike Form Based Code Ordinance.

127 Changeable copy sign. A sign that includes characters, letters, or illustrations that can be changed or
128 rearranged by mechanical, electronic or manual means without altering the face or surface of the
129 sign.

130 Changeable copy sign, automatic. A sign that includes characters, letters, or illustrations that can be
131 changed or rearranged by electronic or electro-mechanical means.

132 Child care center. Any facility, but not including family day care homes, operated for the purpose of
133 providing care, protection, and guidance to a group of children separated from their parents or
134 guardians during only part of the 24 hour day, ~~and that complies with the requirements of~~
135 ~~Chapter 52 of the Arlington County Code.~~¹ ~~Every child care center shall have a use permit as~~
136 ~~required in §15.5.~~

137 Circuit Court. The circuit court of Arlington County.

138 ~~Clinic, dental. A dental care facility devoted primarily to the diagnosis and treatment of the sick or~~
139 ~~injured.~~

140 Clinic, medical or dental. Same as medical or dental office.

141 College and university. An educational institution or other institution of higher learning that offer courses
142 of general or specialized study leading to a degree.

143 Commercial message. A sign, wording, logo, or other representation that, directly or indirectly, names,
144 advertises, or calls attention to a business, product, service or other commercial activity.²

¹ Moved to use standards 12.4.3

² Moved from sign definitions

145 Commercial vehicle. The following vehicles: (a) Any vehicle with a gross vehicle weight of 10,000 pounds
146 or more; (b) Any vehicle designed to carry in excess of 16 passengers, including the driver; (c) Any
147 vehicle designed primarily to tow, transport, or carry motor vehicles; (d) Any vehicle operated or
148 used for rent or for hire for the transportation of passengers or as a property carrier for
149 compensation, other than taxicabs; (e) Any vehicle or trailer designed to sell food or merchandise
150 directly from the vehicle or trailer itself; and (f) Any tractor truck or semitrailer; provided,
151 however, the following shall not be considered commercial vehicles:

152 (1) Any vehicle owned by the United States Government, or the Commonwealth of Virginia, or a
153 political subdivision thereof and used solely for government purposes;

154 (2) Any farm tractor when located on property used for agricultural purposes;

155 (3) Any ~~motor home or camping trailer~~ recreational vehicle when used by an individual solely for
156 personal recreational purposes and not for hire; and

157 (3) Any vehicle used exclusively for the transportation of persons to and from a school or building
158 whose principal uses require an occupancy permit to house meeting rooms such as community
159 meeting buildings, lodges, and places of worship/religious institutions, or activities related to the
160 school or the use requiring such occupancy permit. Terms used in this definition, which are
161 defined in Virginia Code § 46.2-100, shall have the meanings set forth in that Section.

162 Commercial vehicles shall be parked in accordance with §12.8.2.C, unless a use permit is obtained
163 in accordance with §15.5.

164 ~~Commission. shall mean the County Planning Commission of Arlington County, Virginia.~~

165 Comprehensive Plan. The Comprehensive Plan of Arlington County, Virginia, as it may be amended from
166 time to time.

167 Convenience service area. See §12.9.5.

168 Comprehensive sign plan. A plan showing the size, location, materials, structure and placement of all
169 signs for which a permit is required that are associated with a development project.

170 Court. ~~See §3.1.3. An open, unoccupied space, other than a yard, on the same lot with a building or~~
171 ~~group of buildings and which is bounded on two or more sides by such building or buildings.~~

172 Court, inner. ~~See §3.1.3. A court other than an outer court. The length of an inner court is the minimum~~
173 ~~horizontal dimension measured parallel to its longest side. The width of an inner court is the~~
174 ~~minimum horizontal dimension measured at right angles to its length.~~

175 Court, outer. ~~See §3.1.3. A court the full width of which opens onto a required yard, or street or alley.~~
176 ~~The width of an outer court is the minimum horizontal dimension measured in the same general~~
177 ~~direction as the yard, street or alley upon which the court opens. The depth of an outer court is~~
178 ~~the minimum horizontal dimension measured at right angles to its width.~~

179 Cul-de-sac. A local street with only one outlet and having an appropriate terminal for reversal of traffic
180 movement.

181 Curb grade. The elevation of the established curb in front of the building measured at the center of such
182 front. Where no curb grade has been established, the highway engineer shall establish such curb
183 grade or its equivalent for the purpose of the ordinance.

184 Deck. A flat unenclosed platform that is supported by posts.

185 Density credit. An amount of density assigned to a lot or site as permitted in §15.9. ~~Such density credit~~
186 ~~shall be based on the square footage of land area dedicated or conveyed, without other~~
187 ~~compensation, to the County Board for public purposes.~~¹ ~~Such density shall be~~ expressed as a
188 number of ~~sq. ft.~~ square feet of land area that may be used to calculate additional gross floor area
189 permitted on a lot or site when multiplied by the floor area ratio or units per acre permitted by
190 this zoning ordinance in the district for the lot or site.

191 Design capacity. The number of students a school is designed to accommodate, calculated by the same
192 formula used to calculate capacity for elementary, middle or high schools, respectively, shown in
193 the latest Capital Improvement Plan adopted by the Arlington County School Board as referenced
194 by Capital Improvement Plan adopted by the County Board at the time of application.

195 Development project. ~~A~~ Property that is the subject of approval for development.²

196 Directly facing. A sign shall not be considered to be directly facing another area if there is another
197 building or other obstruction of a height equal or greater to the height of the sign between the
198 sign and the facing area.

199 Dormer. An element of a building that projects from a pitched roof. A dormer may have a window or
200 louver for light or ventilation, and may be of a shed, gable or other design.

201 Dormitory. A residence, not operated for commercial gain, for groups who are associated with an
202 organization such as a school or a university, a religious order, a health care program or a
203 nonprofit, charitable, benevolent, educational or governmental agency providing shelter for
204 needy persons or persons who are objects-recipients of the agency's charitable, benevolent,
205 educational or governmental activity;~~;~~ which institution customarily provides housing quarters
206 with a single kitchen and living area for the group and may include groups residing with one or
207 more resident counselor(s) or other staff person(s). ~~Said residence shall not be operated~~
208 ~~primarily for commercial gain.~~

209 Duplex. Two attached dwelling units in a single structure on a single lot with dwelling units situated
210 either wholly or partially over or under the other dwelling unit. The building has all exterior
211 characteristics of a one-family attached dwelling, having a single front entrance or one front and
212 one side entrance on the first floor; provided an outside, enclosed stairway located parallel and
213 abutting the rear of the dwelling shall be permitted for direct access to the second floor level. ~~A~~
214 ~~two-family dwelling with one dwelling unit above the other, having a single front entrance or one~~
215 ~~front and one side entrance on the first floor level and all exterior characteristics of a one-family~~
216 ~~dwelling; provided an outside, enclosed stairway located parallel and adjacent to the rear of the~~
217 ~~dwelling shall be permitted for direct access to the second floor level.~~

218 Dwelling, accessory. A complete independent dwelling unit, with kitchen and bath, designed, arranged,
219 used, or intended for occupancy by not more than two persons for living purposes and meeting
220 the standards of §12.9.2.

221 Dwelling or dwelling unit. A building or portion thereof designed exclusively for residential occupancy,
222 including ~~one family, two family and multiple family dwellings, but not including hotels, boarding~~

¹ Moved to 15.10.2.C

² Moved from §1.1 (sign definitions) and edited as shown.

- 223 ~~houses and rooming houses~~ One-family detached; Semidetached; Duplex; Townhouse; Multiple-
224 family building.
- 225 ~~Dwelling unit. One or more rooms designed, arranged, used or intended for occupancy by one family for~~
226 ~~living purposes and having: (a) Separate cooking facilities for the exclusive use of the occupants;~~
227 ~~or (b) Any separate entrance thereto either by an exterior door serving said rooms exclusively or~~
228 ~~by a common hall, stair or entry way.~~
- 229 Dwelling, duplex. See duplex. ~~A two family dwelling with one dwelling unit above the other, having a~~
230 ~~single front entrance or one front and one side entrance on the first floor level and all exterior~~
231 ~~characteristics of a one family dwelling; provided an outside, enclosed stairway located parallel~~
232 ~~and adjacent to the rear of the dwelling shall be permitted for direct access to the second floor~~
233 ~~level.~~
- 234 Dwelling, multiple-family. See Multiple-family. ~~A building or portion thereof, designed for occupancy by~~
235 ~~three or more families living independently of each other.~~
- 236 Dwelling, one-family. See One-family detached. ~~or single family. A detached building designed~~
237 ~~exclusively for occupancy by one family.~~¹
- 238 Dwelling, semidetached. See semidetached. ~~A two family dwelling with one dwelling unit beside the~~
239 ~~other, separated by a common party wall without openings.~~
- 240 Dwelling, townhouse. See Townhouse. ~~One of a series of three or more attached similar dwelling units~~
241 ~~separated by common party walls without openings extending from basement to roof.~~
- 242 Dwelling, two-family. Two-family dwellings include semidetached and duplex dwellings. ~~A building~~
243 ~~designed exclusively for occupancy by two families living independently of each other, including a~~
244 ~~duplex or a semidetached dwelling.~~
- 245 ~~Educational institution. A college or university giving general academic instruction equivalent to the~~
246 ~~standards prescribed by the state board of education.~~
- 247 Emergency services. Any service offered by any person, firm or corporation reasonably necessary to
248 preserve the health, safety and property ~~values~~ of individuals or the community at large.
- 249 Enclosed. Any roofed-over structure or attachment to a structure is enclosed if sides (other than the side
250 or sides where a structure is attached to a main building) are more than 40 percent covered
251 ~~by enclosed with~~ any material other than customary wire or mesh screening.
- 252 Establishment. A business or organization of any kind offering goods or services to the public; this
253 definition includes non-profit organizations.
- 254 Exterior Features. Exterior features ~~shall~~ include the architectural style, general design and general
255 arrangement of the entire exterior envelope of a building structure, site, or object, including the
256 kind and texture of the building material and the type and style of all windows, doors, light
257 fixtures, signs, and other appurtenant fixtures, and other natural features. In the case of signs,
258 "Exterior Features" shall be construed to mean the style, material, size and location of all such
259 signs.

¹ Term updated and re-alphabetized (see "one-family")

260 Family: (a) An individual, or two or more persons related by blood, marriage or adoption, or under
261 approved foster care;~~or~~
262 (b) A group of not more than four persons (including servants) whether or not related by blood or
263 marriage living together and sharing living areas in a dwelling unit; or
264 (c) A group of up to eight ~~persons with mental illness, intellectual disability or developmental~~
265 ~~disability mentally ill, mentally retarded or developmentally disabled persons~~ who are residing
266 with one or more resident counselor(s) or other staff person(s) in a facility which is licensed by
267 the Department of ~~Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services~~Behavioral
268 Health and Developmental Services of the Commonwealth of Virginia. For the purposes of this
269 zoning ordinance, mental illness and developmental disability shall not include current illegal use
270 of or addiction to a controlled substance as defined in Section 54.1-3401 of the Code of Virginia
271 or its successor;~~or-~~
272 (d) A group of up to eight aged, infirm or disabled persons who are residing with one or more
273 resident counselor(s) or other staff person(s) in a facility licensed by the Virginia Department of
274 Social Services of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

275 Family day care home. Any dwelling unit where nine or fewer children not related by blood, adoption, or
276 marriage to the person who resides in and maintains the home are received for care, protection,
277 and guidance during only part of the 24 hour day, on a regular basis, for a minimum of 10 hours
278 per week, and that complies with the requirements of Chapter 59 of the Arlington County Code.
279 ~~Every family day care home shall have a certificate of occupancy for that property as required in~~
280 ~~§15.3.~~¹

281 Family/caregiver suite. Not more than two rooms plus a bathroom and "efficiency" kitchen in a dwelling
282 that are designed, arranged, used or intended for occupancy by either not more than two
283 persons who are related by blood or marriage to the principal occupant of the dwelling or no
284 more than two persons who may be unrelated to the principal occupant of the dwelling, at least
285 one of whom provides care for one or more children of the principal occupant of the dwelling or
286 care for or assistance to one or more elder(s) or person(s) with disabilities who are occupant(s) of
287 the main dwelling.~~The suite shall be designed so that it can function as an integral part of the~~
288 ~~dwelling although the occupants may live independently of each other.~~²

289 Flag. A piece of cloth or other material used as a noncommercial symbol, standard, or signal, such as the
290 flag of a local, state, or national government or private noncommercial organization. See §13.5.2,
291 §13.6.4, §13.7.6 and §13.9.8.

292 Flashing sign. A sign that incorporates the use of varying intensities or colors of light to attract attention;
293 a changeable copy sign that conforms with §13.12.2 shall not be considered a flashing sign; a sign
294 shall not be considered flashing because it uses automated or human-operated technology to
295 vary the light level to adjust to the ambient light level at different times of day.

296 Floor area ratio. See §3.1.5.

297 Food catering service. ~~The activity of providing~~A business establishment that provides food or beverages
298 or both, along with the necessary accessories for serving these products for social, institutional or

¹ Moved to use standards (12.9)
² Moved to use standards (12.9)

- 299 business events at sites off the business establishment's premises. Food or beverages prepared
300 for ordinary in-home meals or for individual resident or guest consumption is not “catering” but,
301 and when delivered, it is a would be a “food delivery service.”
- 302 Food delivery service. The preparation of Any establishment which prepares food and beverages to fill
303 orders from off the site where the order is taken for delivery to off-site locations for customers as
304 prepared and delivered.
- 305 Freestanding sign. A sign that is affixed to the ground, to a wall that is not part of a building, or to a
306 fence; freestanding signs include but are not necessarily limited to signs mounted on monument-
307 style foundations, on poles, or on fences or other approved accessory structures. See §13.5.3,
308 §13.6.5, §13.7.7 and §13.9.9.
- 309 Frontage. All the property fronting on one side of a street between the two nearest intersecting streets,
310 or other natural barriers.
- 311 Grade, existing. The ground level or elevation at the outside of a building or elsewhere on a lot prior to
312 any grading or construction, as submitted to the Zoning Office on a grading plan certified by a
313 licensed surveyor, or where a grading plan is not required, as shown on the accepted elevation
314 drawings.
- 315 Grade, finished. The ground level or elevation at the outside of a building or elsewhere on a lot after
316 grading or construction, as shown on a grading plan certified by a licensed surveyor, or where a
317 grading plan is not required, as submitted to the Zoning Office on the accepted elevation
318 drawings. In the case of a sign, finished grade shall be the elevation of the ground at the site of
319 the sign or at the main entrance to the main building on the site, whichever is lower.¹
- 320 Gross floor area. See §3.1.1.C.
- 321 Gross parking area. The sum of the ground surface area actually used for parking spaces and the area of
322 the horizontal surface of the ~~several~~ floor(s) of a building, measured from the exterior faces of
323 exterior walls, devoted to off-street parking, loading and maneuvering space including all
324 corridors, air shafts, elevators, stairwells and toilets incidental thereto, but not including area
325 devoted to permitted and accessory uses other than parking and loading.
- 326 ~~Group~~Institutional home. A residential facility in which more than eight individuals with mental illness,
327 intellectual disability or developmental disability reside, with one or more resident counselors or
328 other staff persons; provided that, for purposes of this definition and the use of the term within
329 the zoning ordinance, “mental illness or developmental disability” shall not include current illegal
330 use of or addiction to a controlled substance as defined in Va. Code § 54.1-3401; all as provided
331 in Va. Code §15.2-2291.A. A place for the care, including day care, of dependent children and
332 persons needing assistance in the activities of normal daily living because of age or disability.
- 333 Guest. Any non-family member who is invited to occupy a dwelling unit or accessory building by the
334 occupying family, without compensation, for not more than 30 days in any one calendar year.
335 This definition shall not apply to hotel or motel or guest room as defined in this zoning ordinance.
- 336 Guest house. See §12.9.10.

¹ Last sentence moved from sign definitions.

337 Guest room. A room with its own entrance, or with direct access to a common corridor, constituting one
338 hotel or motel unit, that is ~~which is~~ designed or intended for occupancy by one or more guests,
339 ~~but in which no whether or not~~ provision is made for cooking, and not including rooms that are
340 part of dormitories ~~for sleeping purposes~~. Each guest room shall be not less than 240 sq. ft¹
341 ~~Every guest room having direct access to a common corridor, shall constitute one hotel or motel~~
342 ~~unit.~~

343 Height, building. See §3.2.2.

344 Historic district. A landmark, building, structure, property, land or area ~~in which historic events occurred~~
345 ~~or having special public value because of notable architecture, archaeology, or other features~~
346 ~~relating to the cultural or artistic heritage of the community, and~~ that is included within an
347 overlay district as established by ordinance adopted by the County Board in accordance with
348 §11.2. Such overlay district shall not have boundaries that extend farther than the property line
349 of the land pertaining to such district.

350 Historic district design guidelines. Those guidelines adopted by the County Board, pursuant to §11.3, and
351 intended to guide and inform the decisions of the Historical Affairs and Landmark Review Board
352 with regard to alterations to the exterior features of a locally designated historic district.

353 Historic landmark. ~~Historic landmarks shall be. It~~ those properties listed on the Virginia Landmarks
354 Register, as established by the Virginia Board of Historic Resources, and those properties
355 established as historic landmarks as such by the County Board on its own motion.

356 Home occupation. An ~~occupation conducted as an~~ accessory use conducted pursuant to §12.9.11, in or
357 from a residential dwelling or its accessory building by person(s) whose principal residence is on
358 the premises, ~~which has no more effect on adjacent property than normal residential use.~~ Home
359 occupations include those uses as permitted and regulated in See also §12.9.12.

360 Hotel or motel. A building designed for transient occupancy containing ten or more guest rooms or
361 suites, providing living, sleeping and toilet facilities. Individual cooking facilities, a general
362 kitchen or a common dining room may be provided. Any building or group of buildings,
363 containing 10 or more guest rooms, and/or dwelling units which are intended, used, or designed
364 to be rented, let, or hired out for compensation by automobile tourists or other transients,
365 whether such compensation be paid directly or indirectly. This shall include motels, motor
366 hotels, tourist courts, motor lodges, and the like. Daily or weekly rental of units or any sign on
367 the premises making reference to other than monthly rates shall be considered prima facie
368 evidence that a building containing 10 or more guest rooms and/or dwelling units is a hotel and
369 subject to all hotel restrictions and ordinances.

370 Hotel unit. Same as "guest room".

371 Incidental sign. A sign that provides information or directions that are necessary for the physical use of
372 the site, including but not limited to signs that provide warnings, parking rules or way-finding
373 information. See §13.5.4, §13.6.6, §13.7.8 and §13.9.10.

374 Inoperative vehicle. Any motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer which is not in
375 operating condition, or which for a period of 90 days or longer has been partially or totally
376 disassembled by the removal of tires and wheels, the engine, or other essential parts required for

¹ Moved to use standards for "hotel or motel"

377 operation of the vehicle. An inoperative vehicle shall also be considered a vehicle with an
378 observable condition which indicates a state such that it is economically impractical to make such
379 vehicle operative within a reasonable period of time, or which constitutes a health, fire or safety
380 hazard. . .

381 Junk. Worn-out and discarded material in general that may be turned into some use; odds and ends; old
382 iron or other metal, glass, paper, cordage, old bathroom fixtures, old rubber and old rubber
383 articles, or other waste or discarded material which may be treated or prepared so as to be useful
384 again in some form; rubbish of any kind, including but not limited to old rope, chairs, iron,
385 copper, parts of machinery, bottles, paper, rags; and parts of used automobiles having only a
386 salvage value.

387 ~~Junkyard. Any land or open structure used for the collection, keeping, storage or abandonment of junk,
388 or inoperative vehicles, whether or not the items are available for sale or trade.~~

389 Kennel. Any lot or premises on which four or more dogs, more than four months of age, are kept.

390 Kiosk. A free-standing structure which is: one-story, and that is neither ~~(no~~ more than 10 feet to the
391 eaves in height); nor greater than 150 sq. ft. square feet in area; and constructed predominantly
392 of materials such as glass, wood, plastic, metal or fabric. ~~Any area occupied by a kiosk shall not
393 be used in the calculation of floor area ratio.¹~~

394 Landing. A platform between stairs or at the foot or head of stairs.

395 Landscaped beautification area. An area within the public right-of-way that is substantially landscaped
396 with flowers and/or other plantings. Areas of the public right-of-way landscaped with only trees
397 and/or grass shall not be considered landscaped beautification areas.

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399 Large-format ~~retailsales~~ establishment. A building for which one certificate of occupancy is to be sought
400 or issued and that either occupies 50,000 square feet or more on any one level or provides 200 or
401 more parking spaces dedicated to one principal land use; ~~including any building used for~~ ~~—This~~
402 ~~definition shall include uses where the primary activity is~~ the sale of any combination of food,
403 merchandise, and/or personal and business services (personal and business services include
404 banks, dry cleaning drop-off stations~~ers~~, ticket agencies, hair salons, shoe repair, watch repair,
405 photo copying, fitness centers, and other uses that are similar in character, as determined by the
406 zoning administrator) for use or consumption by a purchaser. A large-format retail sales
407 establishment shall not be deemed to include ~~“vehicle sales, rental, or leasing facilities, vehicle~~
408 ~~dealership, sales, or rental lot”~~ or ~~“vehicle service establishment”~~.

409 Large media screen: A wall-mounted automatic changeable copy sign larger than 12 sq. ft. square feet
410 that displays, on a video screen, either still, scrolling or moving images, including video, media
411 broadcasts and animation. Such images may be changed remotely through electronic means and
412 utilizes a series of grid lights, including cathode ray, light emitting diode display, plasma screen,
413 liquid crystal display, fiber optic, or other electronic media or technology, and meets the
414 requirements of §13.12.4. ~~A scoreboard as permitted by §13.8.3.C.4(b) or §13.9.9.D.3 shall not~~
415 ~~be considered a large media screen.²~~

¹ Moved to §12.5.12.C.6

² Moved from sign definitions and amended as shown. Strikethrough text moved to 13.8.3.C.4(b) and 13.9.9.D.3

416 Legible. A legible message is a message that can be read during daylight hours by a person between five
417 feet two inches and six feet tall, standing in the nearest public right-of-way, with eyesight
418 adequate to obtain a current Virginia driver's license.¹

419 Limited access highway. A highway especially designed for through traffic over which abutters have no
420 easement or right of light, air or access to by reason of the fact that their property abuts upon
421 such limited access highway.

422 Linear foot of building frontage. A straight line measured from one end of the wall most nearly parallel
423 to the public right-of-way to the other end of the same wall of the portion of the building façade
424 facing a public street or facing a street with a public access easement. Neither articulations nor
425 off-sets in the wall shall increase the length of the linear foot of building frontage.

426 Live Entertainment. Any entertainment involving performances, or delivery of entertainment by one or
427 more persons, including but not limited to: musical ensembles, solo performers, deejays,
428 karaoke, comics/comedians, theatrical acts (when performed in a venue other than a theater)
429 and dancing. Live entertainment does not include piped-in background music, where no "live"
430 person is actively involved in the playing of the music.²

431 Loading space. See §14.3.3.C_ Any off-street place available for the loading or unloading of goods ³,~~not~~
432 less than 12 feet wide, 25 feet long, and having a minimum vertical clearance of 14 feet, and
433 having direct usable access to a street or alley.

434 Lot. ~~See §3.1.1.A.1. A designated parcel, tract or area of land having its principal frontage upon a street or~~
435 ~~a place permitted under the subdivisions ordinance and established by plat or subdivision. —.~~

436 Lot area, minimum. See §3.1.1.A.3.

437 Lot, corner. A lot, or portion thereof, not greater than 100 feet in width and situated at the intersection
438 of two or more streets, having an angle of intersection of not more than 135 degrees.

439 Lot, interior. A lot other than a corner lot.

440 Lot, pipe-stem. A residential lot that has a "pipe" portion, which complies with the minimum
441 requirements for frontage, lot area, lot width, lot depth, and building placement in the zoning
442 and subdivision ordinances, and that has a narrower "stem" portion, which does not meet the lot
443 width requirement but provides the required frontage and access to a generally larger and more
444 buildable "pipe" portion of the lot.

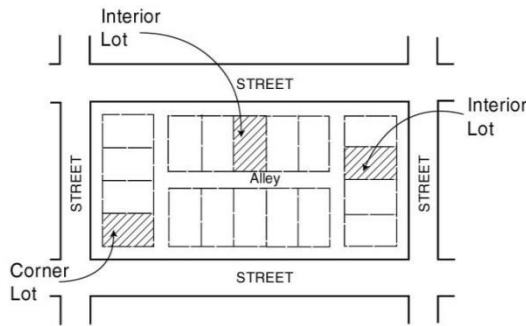
445 Lot, through. An interior lot having frontage on two parallel or approximately parallel streets.

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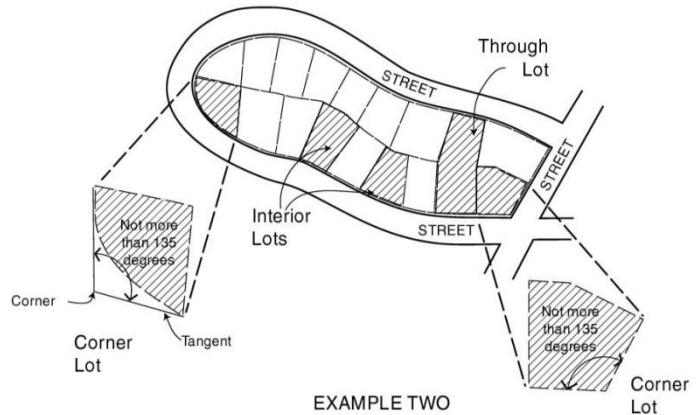
² From November 1, 2010 Zoning Administrator determination: <http://building.arlingtonva.us/resource/advice-live-entertainment/>

³ Moved to 14.3.3.C

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EXAMPLE ONE



EXAMPLE TWO

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448 Lot coverage. See §3.1.4.A and §3.2.5.

449 Lot depth. See §3.1.7.

450 Lot frontage. Where a front lot line runs along a straight line along the street right-of-way line, lot
 451 frontage shall be the front lot line. Where the front lot line includes an angle or curve along the
 452 street right-of-way line, the lot frontage shall be a straight line connecting the points where the
 453 two side lot lines meet the street right-of-way line.

454 Lot line. A line of record bounding a lot which divides one lot from another lot or from a public or private
 455 street or any other public or private space.

456 Lot line, front. The ~~eat~~ lot line, or combination of line segments, fronting a street or the legally required
 457 access to the lot. On a corner lot, it is the shortest of those lot lines ~~that which~~ front a street.
 458 Where a corner lot has equal frontage on two or more streets, the front lot line ~~is will be~~ the lot
 459 line on that street on which the greatest number of lots front within the block.

460 Lot line, rear. The ~~eat~~ lot line ~~which is~~ most distant from, and most nearly parallel ~~with~~ to, the front lot line
 461 lot frontage. In addition, the rear lot line shall comply with the following requirements: i) If the
 462 lot line that is most distant from the front lot line is a different line from the lot line that is most
 463 nearly parallel to the front lot line, then the rear lot line shall be the line whose use results in a
 464 greater lot depth. Where two lot lines are equidistant from and equally parallel to the lot
 465 frontage, then the point where those two lines intersect shall be used in place of the rear lot line
 466 midpoint to measure lot depth. ii) Where two lines are equally distant from and equally parallel
 467 to the lot frontage, both lines shall be used to establish the rear yard.

468 Lot line, side. Any lot line other than a front or rear lot line. Where two or more side lot lines are
 469 adjoining, they shall be treated as segments of an entire side lot line.

470 Lot, split. A residential lot that is created under §3.2.4.C.1 ~~§10.1.4~~, Split-Lot Residential Development.

471 Lot, transitional. See "transitional site."

472 Lot width, minimum. See §3.1.8.

473 Low or moderate income. Income at or below 60 percent of median household income for rental housing
 474 units, and at or below 80 percent of median household income for home ownership program. As
 475 used herein, median household income shall be defined as determined from time-to-time for the
 476 Washington Metropolitan Statistical Area by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban
 477 Development.

478 Main building footprint. See §3.1.4.A

479 Main building footprint coverage: §3.1.4.A.

480 Mechanical penthouse. A roof structure for the housing of elevators, stairways, tanks,
481 ventilating fans or similar equipment required to operate and maintain a building.¹

482 Median strip. A portion of the median that is surrounded by a continuous curb, or where no curb exists,
483 is bordered by a curb cut, street, street intersection, sidewalk, utility or planting strip.

484 Mixed use building. A building constructed to
485 accommodate more than one use
486 category, as identified in §12.2, such
487 as, but not limited to, ground floor
488 retail and upper-story residential or
489 office uses, or lower-story hotel and
490 upper-story residential uses.



491 Membership club or lodge. Any organization that is organized and operated solely for a social,
492 recreational, patriotic or fraternal purpose that is not open to the general public, but is open only
493 to the members of the organization and their bona fide guests. Membership club or lodge does
494 not include adult uses as defined in this section.

495 Motel. Same as hotel or motel.

496 Multiple-family. A building or portion thereof,
497 designed for occupancy by three or
498 more families living independently of
499 each other.



500 Nonconformity. See Article 16.

501 Nonconforming building. A building or structure or portion thereof lawfully existing at the time this
502 zoning ordinance became effective, ~~that~~which was designed, erected or structurally altered for a
503 use that doesn't conform to the use regulations of the district in which it is located.

504 Nonconforming sign. A sign that met all ordinance requirements at the time of installation or placement
505 but which, due to ordinance changes, does not comply with current requirements.

506 Nonconforming use. A use ~~that~~which lawfully occupied a building or land at the time this zoning
507 ordinance became effective and which does not conform with the use regulations of the district
508 in which it is located.

509 Nursing home. A facility licensed by the state as a health care facility for chronic or convalescent patients
510 or the aged or infirm in which three or more persons are received, kept or provided with food,
511 shelter and care, but not including hospitals, medical clinics or similar institutions devoted
512 primarily to the diagnosis and treatment of the sick or injured.

513 Nursery school. Any place, however designated, operated for the purpose of providing training,
514 guidance, education, or care for six or more children under six years of age, during any part of the

¹ Moved from 3.1.6.B.1 and various other locations throughout the Ordinance where this embedded definition is included.

515 day ~~other than from~~between 6:00 ~~ap.~~a.m. ~~and to~~ 6:00 ~~pa.~~p.m., including kindergartens, but not
516 including family day care homes.

517 Office building. A building designed for or used as the offices of professional, commercial, religious,
518 private, public or semi-public persons or organizations, and where provided that no goods, wares,
519 or merchandise ~~are~~shall be prepared or sold on the premises.

520 Office, government. Federal, state, or county offices, administrative, clerical or public services.

521 Office, medical or dental. A use providing outpatient consultation, diagnosis, therapeutic, preventative,
522 or corrective personal treatment services by doctors, dentists, or similar practitioners of medical
523 and healing arts for humans, licensed for such practice by the state. The term includes outpatient
524 clinics and outpatient emergency centers, but not overnight care or ambulance receiving
525 facilities.

526 One-family detached. A residential building containing one dwelling unit
527 designed for one family and located on a single lot with required
528 yards on all four sides.



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531 ~~On-site~~On-site. Located on the property that is the subject of an application for development.

532 Open-air market. An outdoor market held on a regular basis, and at which groups of individual sellers
533 offer goods, new or used, for sale to the public. Open-air market shall not include garage sales
534 not held on a regular basis, outdoor display or sales associated with retail establishments that are
535 principally located in indoor facilities, or ~~motor vehicle dealerships~~vehicle sales, rental or leasing
536 facilities. See also §12.5.18

537 Outdoor café: An area that contains portable seating and tables, intended solely for the consumption of
538 food and beverages that are also included in the standard menu of the restaurant, outside the
539 exterior walls of a restaurant (excluding rooftops).

540 Outlot. A unit of land not usable as a building site and ~~substandard to~~not meeting the requirements of
541 this zoning ordinance.

542 Overlay district. Overlay districts are “overlaid” upon other districts and the land so encumbered may be
543 used in a manner permitted in the underlying district only if and to the extent such use also
544 complies within the regulations contained therein.¹

545 Parking area, private. An off-street area of land, or space within a building, that is used for the parking of
546 motor vehicles used by persons at a site in order to use the land for the purposes for which the
547 parking is provided. Any parking required by this zoning ordinance shall be ~~considered to~~
548 ~~be provided within~~ a private parking area, except that any parking in C or M district in excess of
549 that required by this zoning ordinance shall be considered to be a public parking area.

550 Parking area, public. An open off-street area of land or space within a building, other than a private
551 parking area, used for the parking of motor vehicles which is available for general public use.

¹ Moved from 11.2.4 and edited as shown.

552 Parking area, transitional. An off-street area of land which is a transitional site and which is used as a
553 private surface parking area, ~~but not for the provisions of parking required by this zoning~~
554 ~~ordinance.~~¹

555 Parking space. An off-street place: (1) Available and useable for the parking of one motor vehicle; (2)
556 With a vertical clearance of not less than seven feet; and (3) Having usable access to a street or
557 alley.

558 Patio. A flat, unenclosed platform that rests on the ground.

559 Person in charge. The owner of a property or improvements thereon, as shown on the land records of
560 the clerk of the ~~C-circuit Ceourt of Arlington County~~, and/or any other person having the ability to
561 manage or control the property or improvements, including a mortgagee or vendee in
562 possession, assignee of rents, receiver, executor, trustee, lessee, agent or any other person
563 directly or indirectly in control of an improvement or improvement parcel.

564 Public parking facility. As used in Article 13, a public parking facility is a garage that provides parking for
565 members of the general public, at a minimum, after business from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
566 Monday through Friday and either all weekend or for at least 8 hours, in total, between 8:00 a.m.
567 and 6:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

568 Pop-up park. A short term use of land for open space and/or recreational purposes available to access by
569 the general public. See §12.10.

570 Porch. An unenclosed platform with columns or piers supporting a roof.

571 Portable sign. A durable sign not permanently affixed to the ground or to a building and designed to be
572 easily relocated; portable signs are not necessarily temporary signs for purposes of Article 13.

573 Projecting sign. A sign that is attached in a plane approximately perpendicular to the surface of a building
574 or other structure. See §13.9.11.

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576 ~~Principal office. A place of work, which is normally independent from place of residence, that is routinely~~
577 ~~occupied during scheduled working hours by the practitioner, including employees, for the~~
578 ~~purpose of meeting with clients and customers, display of merchandise, and sale of goods and~~
579 ~~services.~~

580 Recreational vehicle trailer. A vehicle or vehicle trailer designed as temporary living quarters for
581 recreational, camping or travel use that has a body width less than eight feet and a body length of
582 less than 30 feet. Recreational vehicles may have their own power, or be designed to be drawn or
583 mounted on an automotive vehicle. Recreational vehicle shall include motor homes, travel
584 trailers, truck campers, camping trailers, converted buses, house boats or other similar units that
585 meet the dimensions stated above as determined by the Administrator. A recreational vehicle
586 may or may not include an individual toilet and bath. A residence, house car, camp car or street
587 car or any unit enclosing habitable space, which is or was designed to be mobile, which is used, or
588 may be used for residential, commercial, hauling or storage purposes or as an accessory building,
589 including the following only when used for a dwelling: a travel or recreation trailer of less than 30

¹ Moved to use standards (12.8.17)

590 feet in length and less than eight feet in width, including a pickup coach, a utility trailer or tent
591 trailer as is commonly used for camping and a mobile trailer which is propelled by its own power.

592 Recycling center. A place open to the public used for the processing, collection and transfer of recyclable
593 materials. Typical recyclable materials include glass, paper, plastic, cans, or other source-
594 separated, nonputrescible materials; other **recyclable** materials may include leaves, wood chips,
595 fill dirt, and other similar materials.

596 (a) A place open to the public for the drop-off, collection, and interim storage prior to off-site
597 processing and recycling of newspapers, corrugated papers, glass bottles, metal cans, plastic
598 products, and other similar materials, and for associated parking spaces; and

599 (b) A place open to the public for the pick-up of leaves, wood chips, fill dirt, and other similar
600 materials, and to Arlington County agencies for the collection and interim storage of these
601 materials.

602 Remnant. See "outlot."

603 Restaurant. An establishment whose principal business is the sale of food and/or beverages using non-
604 disposable plates, containers and non-disposable eating utensils, to customers in a ready to
605 consume state, and whose principal method of operation includes one or both of the following
606 characteristics:

607 (1) Customers, normally provided with an individual menu, are served their foods and beverages
608 by a restaurant employee at the same table or counter at which food and beverages are
609 consumed; and/or

610 (2) A cafeteria-type operation where food and beverages generally are **provided at a counter**
611 consumed **at a table** within the restaurant building.

612 Any establishment which provides the sale of food and beverages in a state ready for
613 consumption on the premises by customers at conventional tables, booths or counters within the
614 establishment.

615 ~~Restaurant carry-out. Any restaurant which provides food and beverages primarily for consumption off~~
616 ~~the premises.~~

617 Restaurant, drive-through. Any restaurant establishment which is constructed to sell, or which sells food
618 and beverages to customers who are in a motor vehicle. See also "restaurant, fast food".

619 Restaurant, fast food. A restaurant where the principal business is the sale of food and/or beverages in a
620 ready-to-consume state for consumption **and** whose principal method of operation is
621 characterized by the service of food and/or beverages in disposable containers, **to be consumed**
622 either (1) Within the restaurant building; (2) Within a motor vehicle on the premises; or (3) Off-
623 premises as carry-out orders, **including** drive-through facilities. (See also §12.9.7)

624 Retail. See §12.2.5.G.

625 Review Board. The Historical Affairs and Landmark Review Board.

626 ~~Rooming house. Any building or portion thereof which contains guest rooms which are designed or~~
627 ~~intended to be used, let or hired out for occupancy by, or which are occupied by three or more,~~

628 ~~but not exceeding nine individuals for compensation, whether the compensation be paid directly~~
629 ~~or indirectly. Compensation may be paid daily, weekly or monthly.~~¹

630 School, elementary, middle and high. An institution ~~which~~that offers instructions in the several branches
631 of learning and study required to be taught in the public schools by the ~~Education Code of the~~
632 ~~State Commonwealth~~ of Virginia.

633 ~~School of higher instruction. A college or university giving general academic instructions according to~~
634 ~~standards equivalent to those prescribed by the State Board of Education of the State of Virginia.~~
635 ~~See "educational institution."~~²

636 Self-service storage facility. ~~See §12.5.26. A facility which consists of two or more individual units of 500~~
637 ~~sq. ft. or less, each of which is rented solely to store household goods and personal effects as~~
638 ~~defined in Virginia Code Section 58.1-3504, tangible personal property employed in a trade or~~
639 ~~business as defined in Virginia Code Section 58.1-3503.A.17, and inventory of stock on hand as~~
640 ~~that term is used in Virginia Code Section 58.1-3510.A. Within the area recorded as a self-service~~
641 ~~storage facility, any activity other than rental of storage units and pick up and deposit of goods~~
642 ~~being stored is prohibited, including the storage of motor vehicles and motorized boats, and the~~
643 ~~storage of radioactive materials, explosives, and flammable or hazardous materials or chemicals.~~

644 Semidetached. A residential building with two
645 attached dwelling units located on two
646 lots that share a common wall along the
647 lot line and where each dwelling unit has
648 its own external entrance. A two-family
649 dwelling with one dwelling unit beside
650 the other, separated by a common party
651 wall without openings.



652 Separately illuminated. A sign is separately illuminated if it has any internal or surface lighting or if any
653 form of lighting directed at the sign serves no other purpose.

654 Setback. See §3.1.9 and §3.2.6.A.

655 Setback line. Either:

656 (a) a line parallel to the street line at a distance therefrom, equal to the required depth of the
657 front yard; or

658 (b) the setback required from any lot line which defines the buildable area of the lot. See
659 "building line."

660 Sign. Any word, numeral, figure, design, trademark, flag, pennant, twirler, light, display, banner, balloon
661 or other device of any kind which, whether singly or in any combination, is used to direct,
662 identify, or inform the public while viewing the same from outdoors.

663 Sign lighting, direct. A direct lighted sign shall mean a sign lighted internally or on the surface of the sign
664 itself.

¹ Same as, and combined with, "boarding house"

² New term and definition "colleges and universities"

665 Sign lighting, indirect. An indirect lighted sign shall mean a sign that is lighted from a source separate
666 from the sign.

667 Sidewalk sign. A temporary, self-supporting sign made of durable material and located on the sidewalk in
668 front of a use for which such a sign is allowed. See §13.7.10.

669 Stairs. A series of steps, or multiple series of steps that may be connected by landings.

670 Standing space. See §14.3.3.C.2. ~~One An~~ off-street parking space ~~no less than nine by 20 feet with a~~
671 ~~vertical clearance of not less than seven feet~~ for the temporary waiting in line of one automobile
672 for service or delivery of goods to the automobile or its occupants at another place on the
673 premises. ¹

674 Step. A stair unit that consists of one tread (walking surface) and one riser.

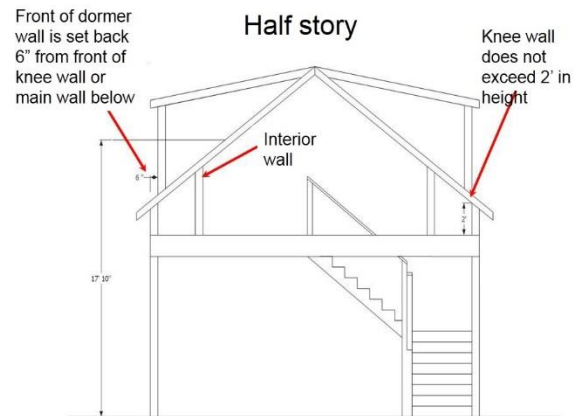
675 Step-back. An area of ~~the a~~ façade above the first floor, of a building or structure that is located a set
676 distance further back from the façade or story below it.

677 Stoop. A raised platform that serves as an entrance to a building, may be roofed, has no supporting posts
678 and is not enclosed.

679 Stormwater planter. A structure designed to include a soil filter and vegetation such that it meets the
680 Virginia Stormwater Design Specifications and furthers the purposes of the stormwater
681 management requirements of the Arlington County Code.

682 Story. That portion of a building included between the surface of any floor and the surface of the next
683 floor above it; or, if there be no floor above it, then the space between such floor and the ceiling
684 next above it.

685 Story, half. A story under a gable, hip or gambrel
686 roof, the wall plates of which, on at least
687 two opposite exterior walls, are not
688 more than two feet above the floor of
689 such story and if the roof has a dormer,
690 the dormer wall is set back at least six
691 inches from the front of the wall or main
692 wall below and the width of the dormer
693 is less than 50 percent of the width of
694 the roof.



695
696 Street. A public thoroughfare, 30 feet or more wide, including any public interest in land (e.g., fee or
697 easement) for street purposes. The side lines of such road, easement, or other right-of-way shall
698 be the street right-of-way line. This shall be the case even where fee title to land abutting
699 adjacent to a street extends into the road, street easement, or other street right-of-way.

700 Street width. The horizontal distance between the side lines of a street, measured at right angles to the
701 side lines.

¹ Moved dimensions to article 14.

702 Structure. Anything constructed or erected ~~which that~~ requires location on the ground or attached to
703 something having a location on the ground.

704 Structural alteration, ~~structural~~. Any change ~~which that~~ would tend to prolong the life of the supporting
705 members of a building or a structure, such as bearing walls, columns, beams or girders.

706 Swimming pools, commercial. An artificial pool of water, including auxiliary structures, dressing and
707 locker rooms, toilets, showers and other areas that are operated for gain, including hotel pools.

708 Swimming pools, community ~~nonprofit~~. ~~Swimming pools, community nonprofit, as used in this zoning~~
709 ~~ordinance shall mean an~~ An artificial pool ~~including of water and may include such~~ auxiliary
710 structures as dressing and locker rooms, toilets, showers, as well as other areas and enclosures
711 that are intended for the use of the members and their guests using the pool, and which is
712 operated by a community, nonprofit group, but ~~shall~~ not includinge private swimming pools ~~with~~
713 ~~auxiliary structures and equipment at private residences intended only for the use of the owner~~
714 ~~and guests~~.

715 Swimming pools, private. An artificial pool of water located on the same lot as a one-family residence
716 ~~and intended~~ only for the use of the occupants and guests ~~for private and noncommercial use by~~
717 ~~persons residing therein and their guests only~~.

718 ~~Tourist camp. Land used or intended to be used, let or rented for occupancy by campers traveling by~~
719 ~~automobile or otherwise, or for occupancy by or of trailers, tents or moveable or temporary~~
720 ~~dwelling, rooms or sleeping quarters of any kind; the parking or supporting by a foundation of~~
721 ~~two or more trailers will be termed a tourist camp.~~

722 ~~Tourist home. A dwelling in which room or board or both are offered to the traveling public for~~
723 ~~compensation, with on-site management, not more than nine rooms in said dwelling being used~~
724 ~~for said purposes, with no individual cooking facilities, available to transient guests, in~~
725 ~~contradistinction to a boarding house or rooming house.~~¹

726 Temporary sign. Any sign that may easily be moved or removed and that can feasibly be displayed for a
727 limited period of time in any one location.

728 Trade or commercial school. A use providing education or training in business, commerce, language, or
729 other similar activity or occupational pursuit, that neither meets the definition of home
730 occupation, college and university, nor fits within the educational institutions or office use
731 category.

732 Traffic control sign. A sign used for traffic control and conforming with national or state standards for the
733 design and installation of such signs.

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¹ Tourist home and tourist camp – deleted (obsolete)

735 Townhouse. One of a series of three or more
736 attached similar dwelling units, located on
737 separately-owned lots or on a single lot,
738 separated by common party walls without
739 openings extending from basement to roof,
740 and where each unit has its own external
741 entrance.



742 ~~Trailer camp. Same as "tourist camp."~~

743 Transitional site. See §12.8. A lot or part thereof located in an R, S-3A or an RA district and lying within a
744 distance of 200 feet from the boundary of any C or M district when such lot or part thereof: (a)
745 ~~Lies contiguous to~~ is abutting such boundary but not across any part of a street therefrom; and
746 (b) ~~is not contiguous~~ Does not abut at more than one lot line, ~~to~~ a side lot line in an R, S-3A or RA
747 district.

748 Trellis. A vertical frame supported only by posts placed in a single plane, supporting open latticework and
749 used as a screen or a support for growing vines or plants.

750 Umbrella sign. A sign painted on or affixed to the surface of an umbrella.

751 Upholstery shop. A use providing upholstery or upholstery repairs.

752 Use or use type. The purpose or activity for which land, or any structure thereon, ~~or a building~~ is
753 arranged, designed or intended, or for which ~~either land or a building~~ it is ~~or may be~~ occupied or
754 maintained.

755 Use, principal. The use conducted a primary activity upon the lot on which it is located.

756 Use, short term. A use established for a fixed period of time with the intent to discontinue the use upon
757 the expiration of the time.

758 Use, transitional-use. A use permitted only on ~~any~~ transitional site under the regulations for the district
759 ~~but and~~ not permitted elsewhere in the district except on transitional sites, and subject to all
760 other regulations for the district.

761 Vehicle body shop. Any premises where vehicle body work; straightening of body parts; painting;
762 welding; upholstery or other similar work is performed on vehicles. Vehicle service
763 establishment uses may be permitted as part of a vehicle body shop, however, vehicle body shop
764 shall not be deemed to include vehicle ~~dealership, sales or rental lots~~ sales, rental or leasing
765 facilities, vehicle storage lots or automotive wrecking.

766 Vehicle ~~sales, rental or leasing facility~~ dealership, sales or rental lot. ~~Any land or building where two or~~
767 ~~more vehicles of any kind that are in operating condition are: (a) offered for sale or rent; (b)~~
768 ~~displayed for sale or rent; or (c) stored prior to sale or rent.~~ A facility for the sale, rental or
769 display prior to sale or rental of two or more automobiles, noncommercial trucks, motorcycles,
770 recreational vehicles, or boats, including incidental storage, maintenance, and servicing. Typical
771 uses include new and used car dealerships, motorcycle dealerships, and boat, trailer, or
772 recreational vehicle dealerships.

773 Vehicle service establishment. Any premises where the following or other similar activities are
774 conducted:

775 (a) sales of vehicle fuel and oil at retail direct to the customer;

776 (b) tire sales, servicing and repair, but not recapping or regrooving;

777 (c) routine vehicle maintenance, including but not limited to greasing, lubrication, and radiator
778 flushing, and replacement of parts, including but not limited to spark plugs, mufflers, windshield
779 wipers and the like, and sales of related vehicle parts;

780 (d) mechanical and electrical repairs, including but not limited to servicing and replacement of
781 motors, drive trains, and related parts, as well as vehicle air conditioning, and sales of related
782 vehicle parts; emissions and safety inspections;

783 (e) after-market installation and sale of items such as vehicle audio or security systems, but not
784 body work;

785 (f) sales of beverages, snack foods, and other retail merchandise as an accessory use. The area
786 devoted to retail merchandise sales shall not exceed 400 sq. ft. of gross floor area, which shall
787 include the cashier's area and space used for the display of sale items, to include cooler space,
788 but not to include storage areas. Vehicle service establishment uses shall not include vehicle
789 body shop; vehicle ~~dealership, sales or rental lots~~ sales, rental or leasing facilities; vehicle storage
790 lots; or automotive wrecking.

791 Vehicle storage lot. Any land or building where two or more wrecked, abandoned, ~~or~~ impounded or new
792 vehicles of any kind are stored prior to repair, disposal, claim or sale, but does not include the
793 repair, wrecking, dismantling or salvaging of said vehicles or their parts.

794 Veterinary clinic. A type of animal care facility where animals are provided with preventative care and/or
795 treated for illness or disease, that does not meet the definition of kennel.

796 Wall sign. Any sign that is affixed directly to or suspended from a wall, marquee, mansard wall, or
797 parapet wall of a building, with the exposed face of the sign in a plane approximately parallel to
798 and projecting no more than 18 inches from the face of the wall. A wall sign may be either of one-
799 piece construction or of individual connected or related letters or symbols. See §13.6.10,
800 §13.8.5, and §13.9.15.

801 Window sign. Any permanent or temporary sign, including any decal, that is legible from the outside,
802 including plazas, public streets, and parking lots, and that is placed on the outside or inside face
803 of a window or mounted within two feet of the inside face of the window. See §13.6.11,
804 §13.7.16 and §13.9.16.

805 Window well. A sunken area affording access, air, or light to a basement window.

806 Wrecking or salvage yard~~Automotive wrecking~~. The dismantling or wrecking of used vehicles or trailers,
807 or the storage, sale or dumping of junk and/or dismantled, partially dismantled, obsolete or
808 wrecked vehicles or their parts, ~~used for the collection, keeping, storage or abandonment of junk,~~
809 ~~or inoperative vehicles, whether or not the items are available for sale or trade.~~

810 Yard. ~~See §3.1.9. An open space, other than a court, on a lot, which space: (a) either, (1) lies between a~~
811 ~~lot line and a building, a building group, or a use not involving a building, or (2) on a vacant lot lies~~
812 ~~contiguous to a lot line and has a uniform depth or width, as the case may be, equal to the~~
813 ~~minimum depth or width of yard required under the regulations for the district in which is~~
814 ~~situated the lot on which such yard is located; and (b) is unoccupied and unobstructed from the~~
815 ~~ground upward except for certain features specified in §3.2.5. The depth or width of a yard, as~~
816 ~~the case may be, shall be measured from the nearest point of the building, building group or use~~
817 ~~not involving a building to the nearest point of the lot line bounding the yard.—(See also §3.1.10)~~

818 Yard, front. ~~See §3.1.9. A yard extending across the full width of the lot and lying contiguous to the front~~
819 ~~lot line.~~

820 Yard, rear. [See §3.1.9. A yard extending the full width of the lot and lying contiguous to the rear lot line.](#)

821 Yard, side. [See §3.1.9. A yard lying contiguous to a side lot line and extending from the front yard to the](#)
822 [rear yard, or in the absence of either of such yards, to the front or rear lot line.](#)

823 Yard, required. The open space required between a lot line and the buildable area of a lot, within which
824 no structure shall be located except as provided in this zoning ordinance. [See also “setback”.](#)

825 Zoning administrator. The person appointed by the county manager to enforce and carry out duties as
826 set out in this zoning ordinance. The zoning administrator may appoint deputies and assistants as
827 are authorized from time to time by the county manager.

828 ~~§18.3. Sign-Related Terms Defined~~

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830 ~~Aggregate sign area. The total area of all signs of a sign type, for which “yes” is included in the “included~~
831 ~~in aggregate sign area,” line in §13.6 or §13.7, whichever is applicable for the property on which~~
832 ~~the sign is located.~~

833 ~~Arcade sign. A sign that is suspended underneath an awning, canopy, marquee, overhang, or other~~
834 ~~structural element of a building that forms a covered passageway for pedestrians. See §13.7.2.~~

835 ~~Awning sign. A sign that is painted on or affixed to the surface of an awning.~~

836 ~~Banner. A sign of any kind applied to fabric or other flexible, durable material. Flags as defined herein~~
837 ~~shall not be considered banners. (See §13.6.3, §13.7.4, §13.8.2, §13.9.2, §13.15.4)~~

838 ~~Building frontage. A straight line measured from one end of the wall most nearly parallel to the public~~
839 ~~right-of-way to the other end of the same wall of the portion of the building façade facing a~~
840 ~~public street or facing a street with a public access easement. Neither articulations nor off-sets in~~
841 ~~the wall shall increase the length of the building frontage.~~

842 ~~Canopy sign. A sign that is painted on or affixed to the flat vertical surface of or sits on top of a canopy.~~

843 ~~Changeable copy sign. A sign that includes characters, letters, or illustrations that can be changed or~~
844 ~~rearranged by mechanical, electronic or manual means without altering the face or surface of the~~
845 ~~sign.~~

846 ~~Changeable copy sign, automatic. A sign that includes characters, letters, or illustrations that can be~~
847 ~~changed or rearranged by electronic or electro-mechanical means.~~

848 ~~Commercial message. A sign, wording, logo, or other representation that, directly or indirectly, names,~~
849 ~~advertises, or calls attention to a business, product service or other commercial activity.~~

850 ~~Comprehensive sign plan. A plan showing the size, location, materials, structure and placement of all~~
851 ~~signs for which a permit is required that are associated with a development project.~~

852 ~~Development project. A property that is the subject of approval for development.²~~

¹ All sign-related terms moved to 18.1 and inserted alphabetically into general terms.

² Moved to §18.2 (general definitions)

853 ~~Directly facing. A sign shall not be considered to be directly facing another area if there is another~~
854 ~~building or other obstruction of a height equal or greater to the height of the sign between the~~
855 ~~sign and the facing area.~~

856 ~~Establishment. A business or organization of any kind offering goods or services to the public; this~~
857 ~~definition includes non-profit organizations.~~

858 ~~Freestanding sign. A sign that is affixed to the ground, to a wall that is not part of a building, or to a~~
859 ~~fence; freestanding signs include but are not necessarily limited to signs mounted on monument~~
860 ~~style foundations, on poles, or on fences or other approved accessory structures. See §13.5.3,~~
861 ~~§13.6.5, §13.7.7 and §13.9.9.~~

862 ~~Flag. A piece of cloth or other material used as a noncommercial symbol, standard, or signal, such as the~~
863 ~~flag of a local, state, or national government or private noncommercial organization. See §13.5.2,~~
864 ~~§13.6.4, §13.7.6 and §13.9.8.~~

865 ~~Flashing sign. A sign that incorporates the use of varying intensities or colors of light to attract attention;~~
866 ~~a changeable copy sign that conforms with §13.12.2 shall not be considered a flashing sign; a sign~~
867 ~~shall not be considered flashing because it uses automated or human-operated technology to~~
868 ~~vary the light level to adjust to the ambient light level at different times of day.~~

869 ~~Grade, finished. See §18.2¹~~

870 ~~Incidental sign. A sign that provides information or directions that are necessary for the physical use of~~
871 ~~the site, including but not limited to signs that provide warnings, parking rules or way finding~~
872 ~~information. See §13.5.4, §13.6.6, §13.7.8 and §13.9.10.~~

873 ~~Institutional use. A school (non-profit), house of worship, community center, hospital, institutional home,~~
874 ~~or other public or semi-public use.²~~

875 ~~Landscaped beautification area. An area within the public right-of-way that is substantially landscaped~~
876 ~~with flowers and/or other plantings. Areas of the public right-of-way landscaped with only trees~~
877 ~~and/or grass shall not be considered landscaped beautification areas.~~

878 ~~Large media screen: A wall-mounted automatic changeable copy sign larger than 12 sq. ft. that displays,~~
879 ~~on a video screen, either still, scrolling or moving images, including video, media broadcasts and~~
880 ~~animation. Such images may be changed remotely through electronic means and utilizes a series~~
881 ~~of grid lights, including cathode ray, light-emitting diode display, plasma screen, liquid crystal~~
882 ~~display, fiber optic, or other electronic media or technology, and meets the requirements of~~
883 ~~§13.12.4. A scoreboard as permitted by §13.8.3.C.4(b) or §13.9.9.D.3 shall not be considered a~~
884 ~~large media screen.~~

885 ~~Legible. A legible message is a message that can be read during daylight hours by a person between five~~
886 ~~feet two inches and six inch tall, standing in the nearest public right-of-way, with eyesight~~
887 ~~adequate to obtain a current Virginia driver's license.~~

888 ~~Median strip. A portion of the median that is surrounded by a continuous curb, or where no curb exists,~~
889 ~~is bordered by a curb cut, street, street intersection, sidewalk, utility or planting strip.~~

¹ Moved to 18.2

² Deleted term; replaced with use classification system for "public, civic and institutional uses"

- 890 ~~Nonconforming sign. A sign that met all ordinance requirements at the time of installation or placement~~
891 ~~but which, due to ordinance changes, does not comply with current requirements.~~
- 892 ~~Portable sign. A durable sign not permanently affixed to the ground or to a building and designed to be~~
893 ~~easily relocated; portable signs are not necessarily temporary signs for purposes of Article 13.~~
- 894 ~~Projecting sign. A sign that is attached in a plane approximately perpendicular to the surface of a building~~
895 ~~or other structure. See §13.9.11.~~
- 896 ~~Public parking facility. As used in Article 13, a public parking facility is a garage that provides parking for~~
897 ~~members of the general public, at a minimum, after business from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.~~
898 ~~Monday through Friday and either all weekend or for at least 8 hours, in total, between 8:00 a.m.~~
899 ~~and 6:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.~~
- 900 ~~Separately illuminated. A sign is separately illuminated if it has any internal or surface lighting or if any~~
901 ~~form of lighting directed at the sign serves no other purpose.~~
- 902 ~~Sidewalk sign. A temporary, self-supporting sign made of durable material and located on the sidewalk in~~
903 ~~front of a use for which such a sign is allowed. See §13.7.10.~~
- 904 ~~Sign. Any word, numeral, figure, design, trademark, flag, pennant, twirler, light, display, banner, balloon~~
905 ~~or other device of any kind which, whether singly or in any combination, is used to direct,~~
906 ~~identify, or inform the public while viewing the same from outdoors.~~
- 907 ~~Sign lighting, direct. A direct lighted sign shall mean a sign lighted internally or on the surface of the sign~~
908 ~~itself.~~
- 909 ~~Sign lighting, indirect. An indirect lighted sign shall mean a sign that is lighted from a source separate~~
910 ~~from the sign.~~
- 911 ~~Temporary sign. Any sign that may easily be moved or removed and that can feasibly be displayed for a~~
912 ~~limited period of time in any one location.~~
- 913 ~~Traffic control sign. A sign used for traffic control and conforming with national or state standards for the~~
914 ~~design and installation of such signs.~~
- 915 ~~Umbrella sign. A sign painted on or affixed to the surface of an umbrella.~~
- 916 ~~Wall sign. Any sign that is affixed directly to or suspended from a wall, marquee, mansard wall, or~~
917 ~~parapet wall of a building, with the exposed face of the sign in a plane approximately parallel to~~
918 ~~and projecting no more than 18 inches from the face of the wall. A wall sign may be either of one-~~
919 ~~piece construction or of individual connected or related letters or symbols. See §13.6.10,~~
920 ~~§13.8.5, and §13.9.15.~~
- 921 ~~Window sign. Any permanent or temporary sign, including any decal, that is legible from the outside,~~
922 ~~including plazas, public streets, and parking lots, and that is placed on the outside or inside face~~
923 ~~of a window or mounted within two feet of the inside face of the window. See §13.6.11,~~
924 ~~§13.7.16 and §13.9.16.~~
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Note:

- Specific use types within each category will be alphabetized
- Use standard references will be updated accordingly based on edits in Article 12 of the Zoning Ordinance

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Appendix A: Columbia Pike Special Revitalization District Form Based Code

III. The Regulating Plans

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B. Rules for the Regulating Plan and New Development Plans

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5. RETAIL

Generally, retail is required on the GROUND STORY of MAIN STREET SITES and, to a lesser degree, on LOCAL SITES. The inclusion of retail enlivens the STREET and creates a purpose for being there.

Unless otherwise noted, retail is an inclusive phrase that encompasses consumer comparison goods (general merchandise, apparel, furnishings and other types of similar merchandise commonly referred to as GAFO categories in the retail industry-convenience goods, food/delis, gifts, drugstore items, personal care, cards/stationery), personal business services, professional offices, restaurants, grocery stores, and hotel, theater, and other uses that provide visual interest and create active street life. Other uses, which in the judgment of the Zoning Administrator are of the same general character as those listed below and will not be detrimental to the district in which it is to be located, may be allowed.

- Primary Retail Uses: Generally, uses that provide entertainment or leisure activities, promote high walk-in customer counts, or are shopping destinations.
- Secondary Retail Uses: Generally, uses that provide personal or business services

<u>Use Category</u>	<u>Specific Use Types</u>	<u>Permitted (P) or Use Permit (U)</u>	<u>Primary (1) or Secondary (2)</u>	<u>Use Standards</u>
Primary Retail				
Retail, Service and Commercial Use Categories				
<u>Entertainment</u>	Indoor theatres	P	1	
	Amusements All other entertainment uses	U	1	
<u>Food and Drinking Establishments (see §12.2.5.A)</u>	Restaurant, general	P	1	<u>§12.5.23</u>
	Restaurant, limited Bakery	P	1	<u>§12.5.24</u>
	Coffee shop	P		
	Catering establishment, small scale	P	2	
	Food delivery service	U	2	
<u>Recreation (see §12.2.5.B)</u>	Bowling alley	U	1	
	Miniature golf courses	U	2	
	Amusements All other indoor recreation uses	U	1	
<u>Office (see §12.2.5.C)</u>	Audio-visual production studio	U	2	
	Business College operated as a commercial enterprise	U	1	
	Office or clinic, medical or dental offices, clinics or laboratories	P	2	<u>§12.5.17</u>
<u>Retail, Sales (see §12.2.5.F.2(a))</u>	Art or antique shop, including art work, art supplies and framing materials	P	1	
	Clothing shop	P	1	
	Delicatessen	P	1	
	Book, stationery, or card store	P	1	
	Department, furniture, home furnishings, or household appliance store	P	1	
	Drugstore	P	1	<u>§12.5.5.</u> <u>§12.5.22</u>
	Dry goods or notion store	P	1	
	DVD/Video tape or record store	P	1	
	Electronics store	P	1	
	Florist or gift shop	P	1	
	Hardware, paint, or appliance store	P	1	
	Hobby or handcraft store	P	1	
	Ice cream or confectionery store	P	1	
Interior decorating store (with incidental interior service)	P	1		

<u>Use Category</u>	<u>Specific Use Types</u>	<u>Permitted (P) or Use Permit (U)</u>	<u>Primary (1) or Secondary (2)</u>	<u>Use Standards</u>
	Jewelry store	P	±	
	Leather goods/luggage	P	±	
	Meat or fish market	P	±	
	Newsstand	P	±	
	Nursery, flower, or plant store	P	±	
	Grocery, fruit, or vegetable store	P	1	<u>§12.5.10</u> <u>§12.5.22</u>
	<u>All other retail sales uses</u>	P	1	<u>§12.5.22</u>
<u>Retail, Personal-Service (see §12.2.5.F.2(b))</u>	Day Spa	P	±	
	Animal care facilities, Animal hospital or veterinary clinics, animal hospitals within a fully enclosed structure	P	2	<u>§12.5.2</u>
	Mortuary or funeral home	U	2	<u>§12.5.15</u>
	Pawnshop	P	2	
	All other personal service retail uses Bank or other financial institution (including check cashing)	P	2	<u>§12.5.21</u>
	Automobile rental (retail functions only no auto servicing) or automobile accessories and supplies(excluding installation)	P	±	
	Barbershop or beauty salon	P	±	
	Blueprinting, photostatting, or photo copy service	P	±	
	Clothes cleaning or laundry establishment	P	±	
	Dance studio	P	±	
	Employment agencies	P	±	
	Film processing or film exchange	P	±	
	Health club	P	±	
	Insurance sales	P	±	
	Music conservatory or music instruction	P	±	
	Palmistry	P	±	
	Photo studio	P	±	
	Private postal service	P	±	
	Tax service	P	±	
	Office (such as real estate broker, travel agency, medical, etc.)	P	±	

<u>Use Category</u>	<u>Specific Use Types</u>	<u>Permitted (P) or Use Permit (U)</u>	<u>Primary (1) or Secondary (2)</u>	<u>Use Standards</u>
<u>Retail, Repair</u> (see §12.2.5.F.2(C))	<u>All retail repair uses</u>	P	2	
	Tailor or dressmaker	P	2	
	Locksmith	P	2	
	Shoe or small appliance repair shop	P	2	
<u>Self-service storage uses</u> (see §12.2.5.G)	Self- <u>service</u> storage facilities	U	1	§12.5.26
	<u>All other self-service storage uses</u>			
<u>Vehicle Sales and Service</u> (see §12.2.5.H)	Vehicle service establishment	U	2	§12.5.29
	<u>Other other vehicle sales and service uses</u>			
<u>Industrial Use Categories</u>				
<u>Light Industrial Service</u> (see §12.2.6.A)	Carpet and rug cleaning (excluding dyeing)	U	2	
	Medical or dental offices, clinics or laboratories	P	2	
	Sign painting shop	P	2	§12.6.9
	Printing, lithographing, or publishing	P	2	
	Upholstery shop	U	2	§12.5.27
	<u>All other light industrial uses</u>			
<u>Accessory Uses</u>				
Live entertainment Nightclubs and restaurants with live entertainment/dancing		U	1	§12.9.12
Drive-through facilities (restaurants only) Restaurant with drive-through window		U	1	§12.9.7
<p>*The following uses are permitted with Special Exception Use Permit If any of the aforementioned uses provide classes or instruction to children and, either twenty (20) percent or more of the total number of students enrolled in classes and/or instruction are children under eighteen (18) years of age or the total number of children under eighteen (18) years of age enrolled in classes scheduled to be held at any one time is ten (10) or more, the use may only be established subject to obtaining a use permit.</p>				
<p>*The following uses are permitted with Special Exception Use Permit If any of the aforementioned uses provide classes or instruction to children and, either twenty (20) percent or more of the total number of students enrolled in classes and/or instruction are children under eighteen (18) years of age or the total number of children under eighteen (18) years of age enrolled in classes scheduled to be held at any one time is ten (10) or more, the use may only be established subject to obtaining a use permit.</p>				

APPENDIX B

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Part 9. Building Use Standards

901. Building Use Table

The following uses are permitted in the *Columbia Pike Neighborhoods Special Revitalization District* as specified further in the Building Envelope Standards.

When specific Use Standards are referenced below, they may be found in the *Arlington County Zoning Ordinance*.

<u>USE CATEGORY</u>	<u>SPECIFIC USE TYPES</u>	PERMITTED (P) or USE PERMIT (U); ACCESSORY USE (A)	USE STANDARD
RESIDENTIAL			
<u>Household Living</u> (see §12.2.3.A)	<u>One</u> 1-family <u>detached</u>	P	
	<u>Two</u> 2-family <u>detached</u>	P	
	Townhouse	P	§12.3.2
	<u>Multiple</u> -family	P	
<u>Group Living</u> (see §12.2.3.B)	Boardinghouses and rooming houses	U	
	Private clubs, lodges, fraternities, sororities and D ormitories	U	§12.3.35-4
	Private clubs, lodges, f raternities and ; sororities and dormitories	U	§12.5.43.5
	<u>Group homes</u> institutional homes and institutions of an educational or philanthropic nature; except those of a correctional nature	U	§12.3.65
	Private-Membership clubs and ; lodges, fraternities, sororities and dormitories	U	§12.5.154
<u>Overnight</u> k Accommodations (see §12.2.5.D)	Bed and breakfasts	U	§12.5.3
<u>Offices</u> (see §12.2.5.C)	Offices or clinics, medical or dental, principal, of physicians, surgeons or dentists in existing apartment houses or residences converted to such use or in new buildings designed for such use	U	§12.5.1722
<u>Accessory Uses</u>	Accessory unit	P-A	
	Accessory unit, English Basement	P-A	
	Family day care homes for six to nine children	U-A	
	Family day care homes for up to five children	P-A	
	Home occupations	P-A	§12.9.118.7
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USE CATEGORY	SPECIFIC USE TYPES	PERMITTED (P) or USE PERMIT (U); ACCESSORY USE (A)	USE STANDARD
<u>Colleges</u> (see §12.2.4.A)	Schools and <u>Colleges and universities</u> other public and private educational institutions, nursery schools, child care centers	U	
<u>Community Service</u> (see §12.2.4.B)	Recreational and <u>Community center buildings</u>	U	
	Libraries	U	
	Museums and art galleries <u>or studios</u>	U	
	Public buildings of a cultural, recreational administrative or service type	U	
<u>Day Care</u> (see §12.2.4.C)	All day care uses Schools and colleges and other public and private educational institutions, nursery schools, child care centers	U	
<u>Government Facilities</u> (see §12.2.4.D)	Bus shelters; bike share stations Transit centers	U	
	Fire or police stations	U	
<u>Passenger Terminals and Services</u> (see §12.2.4.G)	Railroad, trolley, bus, air or boat passenger stations Transit centers	U	<u>§12.4.5</u>
<u>Religious Institutions</u> (see §12.2.5.H)	Churches, mosques, synagogues, and temples and other places of worship, including parish houses and Sunday schools, but excluding rescue missions or temporary revivals	P	
<u>Schools</u> (see §12.2.5.I)	Schools, elementary, middle and high and colleges and other public and private educational institutions, nursery schools, child care centers		<u>§12.4.7</u>
<u>Entertainment, Indoor</u> (see §12.2.5.B)	Indoor theater or auditorium	P	
<u>Office</u> (see §12.2.5.C)	Government, Offices, F-federal, state and local government buildings used exclusively by federal, state, and local governments for public purposes; except penal and correctional institutions	U	
GROUND STORY COMMERCE			

<u>USE CATEGORY</u>	<u>SPECIFIC USE TYPES</u>	PERMITTED (P) or USE PERMIT (U); ACCESSORY USE (A)	USE STANDARD
<u>Passenger Terminals and Services</u> (see §12.2.4.G)	<u>Railroad, trolley, bus, air or boat passenger stations</u> Public utilities and services; such as railroad, trolley, bus, air, or boat passenger stations; railroad offices, rights of way, and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, sidings and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchanges (but excluding service and storage yards)	U	§12.4.56.8
<u>Utilities, minor</u> (see §12.2.4.K)	<u>All major utilities</u> Public utilities and services; such as railroad, trolley, bus, air, or boat passenger stations; railroad offices, rights of way, and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, sidings and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchanges (but excluding service and storage yards)	U	§12.4.9.6.8
	<u>All minor utilities</u> Public utilities and services; such as railroad, trolley, bus, air, or boat passenger stations; railroad offices, rights of way, and tracks (but excluding car barns, garages, railroad yards, sidings and shops); static transformer stations, transmission lines and towers, commercial and public utility radio towers, telephone exchanges (but excluding service and storage yards)	<u>PU</u>	§12.4.106.8
<u>Food and Drinking Establishments</u> (see §12.2.5.A)	<u>Catering establishment, small scale</u>	P	
	<u>All other food and drinking establishment uses</u> (see RETAIL)		
<u>Office</u> (see §12.2.5.C)	Audio-visual production studio	U	
<u>Retail, personal service</u> (see §12.2.5.F.2(b))	<u>Animal care facilities, veterinary clinics, and animal hospitals</u> or veterinary clinic within a fully enclosed structure	P	§12.5.2
	<u>Banks</u> or other financial institutions	P	
	<u>Dry cleaning, drop off stations</u> ers laundry and Laundromat	P	§12.5.6
	<u>Dry cleaners laundry and Laundromats</u>	P	§12.5.136
	<u>Mailing service, including bulk mailing</u>	P	
	<u>Printing, publishing and lithographing</u> or publishing	P	
	<u>Private postal service</u> limited to a gross floor area of 1,200 sq. ft.	P	§12.5.19

<u>USE CATEGORY</u>	<u>SPECIFIC USE TYPES</u>	PERMITTED (P) or USE PERMIT (U); ACCESSORY USE (A)	USE STANDARD
	<u>All other personal service retail uses (see UPPER STORY AND GROUND STORY COMMERCE)</u>		<u>§12.5.21</u>
<u>Light industrial</u> (see §12.2.6.A)	<u>Sign making/painting shop, if conducted wholly within a completely enclosed building</u>	P	<u>§12.6.9</u>
	<u>Upholstery shop, if conducted wholly within a completely enclosed building</u>	U	§12.5.276.7
	<u>Carpet and rug cleaning plants establishments, excluding dyeing</u>	U	
<u>Telecommunications Facilities</u> (see §12.2.6.C)	<u>All telecommunications towers and facilities equipment, unscreened</u>	U	
UPPER STORY COMMERCE			
<u>Colleges</u> (see §12.2.4.A)	<u>Trade or commercial school, if not objectionable due to noise, odor, vibration or other similar causes</u>	P	<u>12.6.6</u>
<u>Offices</u> (see §12.2.5.C)	<u>Offices or clinics, medical or dental</u>	P	<u>§12.5.22</u>
	<u>Offices</u>	P	
	<u>Offices of medical doctors, physicians, dentists or psychologists in existing institutional structures converted to such use</u>	U	<u>12.5.22</u>
	<u>Offices, business and professional</u>	P	
	<u>Business College operated as a commercial enterprise</u>	P	
<u>Retail, Personal Service</u> (see §12.2.5.F.2(b))	<u>Massage parlor and the like</u>	U	
	<u>All personal service retail uses (see UPPER STORY AND GROUND STORY COMMERCE)</u>		<u>§12.5.21</u>
<u>Light Industrial Service</u> (see §12.2.6.A)	<u>Medical or dental clinics and laboratories</u>	P	
	<u>Garage, private parking garage for exclusive use of occupants</u>	P	
UPPER STORY AND GROUND STORY COMMERCE			
<u>Religious Institutions</u> (see §12.2.4.H)	<u>Wedding chapel</u>	P	
<u>Overnight Accommodations</u> (see §12.2.5.D)	<u>Hotel</u>	P	<u>§12.5.117-10.4.A;</u> <u>7.13.4.A;</u> <u>7.11.4.A; 7.12.4.A</u>
	<u>All other overnight accommodation uses</u>		
<u>Parking, Commercial</u> (see §12.2.5.E)	<u>Public parking area or public parking garage when located and developed as required in the Form Based Code</u>	P	

USE CATEGORY	SPECIFIC USE TYPES	PERMITTED (P) or USE PERMIT (U); ACCESSORY USE (A)	USE STANDARD
<u>Recreation, Indoor</u> (see §12.2.5.B)	Indoor and outdoor s Skating rink	P	
	Indoor and outdoor t Tennis, racquet or handball courts	U	
	Indoor s Swimming pool	P	
<u>Recreation, Outdoor</u> (see §12.2.5.B)	Indoor and outdoor s Skating rink	P	
	Indoor and outdoor t Tennis, racquet or handball courts	U	
<u>Retail, Sales</u> (see §12.2.5.F.2(a))	Interior decorating stores	P	
<u>Retail, Personal Service</u> (see §12.2.5.F.2(a))	All retail, personal service uses Health clubs	P	<u>§12.5.21</u>
	Dance studio	P	
	Music conservatory or music instruction	P	
<u>Retail, Repair</u> (see §12.2.5.F.2(c))	All repair retail uses Locksmith	P	
	Repair shop (small appliance, television, radio)	P	
	Shoe repair	P	
	Tailor or dressmaker	P	
<u>Accessory Uses</u>	Swimming pools, private	P-A	<u>§12.9.168.9</u>
RETAIL			
<u>Food and Drinking Establishments</u> (see §12.2.5.A)	Restaurants, limited Bakery	P	<u>§12.5.24</u>
	Food delivery services	U	
	Restaurant, fast food	U	
	Restaurants, general	P	<u>§12.5.23</u>
<u>Recreation, Indoor</u> (see §12.2.5.B)	Billiard or pool halls	U	
	Bowling alleys	U	
<u>Retail, Sales</u> (see §12.2.5.F.2(a))	Grocery, convenience grocery, fruit or vegetable stores	P	§12.5.109 <u>§12.5.22</u>
	Grocery, fruit or vegetable store without restriction or maximum gross floor area	P	12.5.10
	Kiosks	U	<u>§12.5.12</u>
	Nursery, flower or plant stores	P	<u>§12.5.16</u> <u>§12.5.22</u>
	Open-air markets	U	§12.5.1823
	Florist or gift shops	P	<u>§12.5.87</u> <u>§12.5.22</u>
	All other retail sales uses Art or antique shop	P	<u>§12.5.22</u>
	Art store, including art work, art supplies and framing materials	P	
	Automobile accessories and supplies, excluding installation	P	
	Bakery	P	
	Book or stationary stores	P	
	Clothing or wearing apparel shops	P	
Delicatessen	P		

<u>USE CATEGORY</u>	<u>SPECIFIC USE TYPES</u>	<u>PERMITTED (P) or USE PERMIT (U); ACCESSORY USE (A)</u>	<u>USE STANDARD</u>
	Department, furniture or household appliance store	P	
	Drugstores	P	<u>§12.5.5.</u> <u>§12.5.22</u>
	Dry goods or notion stores	P	
	Hardware, paint or appliance stores	P	
	Hobby or handcraft store	P	
	Home furnishings stores	P	
	Ice cream or confectionery store	P	
	Jewelry store	P	
	Meat or fish market	P	
	Newsstand	P	
	Optical stores	P	
	Pet shops, bird stores or taxidermists	P	
	Secondhand store, if conducted wholly within a completely enclosed building	P	
	Shoe store	P	
	Sporting goods store	P	
	Variety store	P	
	Video tape, DVD or record store	P	
<u>Retail, Personal Service</u> <u>(see §12.2.5.F.2(b))</u>	All personal service retail uses	P	<u>§12.5.19</u>
	Barbershop or beauty parlor	P	
	Blueprinting or photostating	P	
	Film exchange	P	
	Palmistry	P	
	Pawnshop	P	
	Photo copy services	P	
	Photography studio	P	
	Pet shops, bird stores or taxidermists	P	
<u>Accessory Uses</u>	Live entertainment Nightclubs and restaurants providing live entertainments, including dance halls	U	<u>§12.9.12</u>
	Outdoor café associated with a restaurant on public right-of-way or easement for public use	U	<u>§12.5.1424</u>