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# **ZONING ORDINANCE**

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## ARTICLE 1. SHORT TITLE

# **Section 1.01 Short Title.**

This Ordinance shall be known as the "Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Wilsonville, Alabama," and the map herein referred to, identified by the title "Zoning Map of the Town of Wilsonville, Alabama," shall be further identified by the signature of the Mayor of Wilsonville and attested to by the Town Clerk. The Zoning Map of the Town of Wilsonville is hereby adopted and made a part of this Ordinance. Such map is filed with the Town Clerk of the Town of Wilsonville and will remain on file in the office of the said clerk. Upon the adoption of this Ordinance, said map shall show by endorsement thereon the date of such adoption.

### **ARTICLE 2. PURPOSE, METHOD and AUTHORITY**

# Section 2.01 Purpose.

The fundamental purpose of this Ordinance is to promote the public health, safety, morals and general welfare; to encourage the use of lands and natural resources in the Town of Wilsonville in accordance with their character and adaptability; to limit the improper use of land; to provide for the orderly development and growth of the Town of Wilsonville; to reduce hazards to life and property; to establish the location, size and the specific uses for which dwellings, buildings and other structures may hereafter be erected or altered and the minimum open spaces and sanitary, safety and protective measures that shall be required for such buildings, dwellings, and other structures; to avoid congestion on the public roads and streets; to provide safety in traffic and vehicular parking; to facilitate the development of an adequate system of transportation, education, recreation, sewage disposal, safe and sufficient water supply and other public requirements; to conserve life, property and natural resources and the expenditure of funds for public improvements and services to conform with the most advantageous uses of land, resources and properties, for the general good and benefit to the people of the Town of Wilsonville.

## Section 2.02. Methods.

For the purposes hereinbefore stated, the Town of Wilsonville is divided into districts of such number, shape and area, and of such common unity of purpose, adaptability or use, which are deemed most suitable to provide for the best general civic use, protect the common rights and interests within each district, preserve the general rights and interests of all, and to promote improved wholesome, sightly, harmonious and economic results in civil service, activities and operations; and by further regulations to limit the location, uses and occupancy of buildings, structures and land to be used for trade, industry, residence or other purposes, and also the location, height, bulk, occupancy and uses of buildings or other structures, including the ratio of lot occupancy and coverage, setback lines, sizes of yards, and other open spaces.

### Section 2.03. Authority.

A Planning Commission is hereby established. Such Commission shall function as provided by Title 11, Chapter 52 ("Planning, Zoning and Subdivisions"), Code of Alabama 1975 or as such may be amended, and it shall have all powers granted therein.

#### **ARTICLE 3. DEFINITIONS**

## Section 3.01. Generally.

For the purpose of this Ordinance, certain terms and words are hereby defined. All words shall have the customary dictionary meaning, unless specifically defined in these regulations. The present tense includes the future tense and the future tense includes the present tense. The singular includes the plural and the plural includes the singular. Lists of examples prefaced by "including the following," "such as," or other similar preface shall not be construed as exclusive and shall not preclude an interpretation of the list including other similar and non-mentioned examples.

Abutting. Having a common border with, or being separated from such common border by an alley or easement.

*Access*. A means of vehicular approach or entry to or exit from property. A curb cut is a structural change in the curb to permit access.

Accessory structure or use. A subordinate structure or a portion of the main structure, the use of which is incidental to the main use of the premises. An accessory use is one that is incidental to the main use of the premises.

Acre. A measure of land containing 43,560 square feet.

Addition. A structure added to the original structure at some time after the completion of or after a Certificate of Occupancy has been issued for the original structure.

Adjacent/adjoining. To be separated by common property lines, lot lines, or an alley.

*Administrator*. That person or his/her duly authorized representative, designated by the Town Council to administer the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Wilsonville and who is charged with certain responsibilities and duties by this Ordinance.

Alley. A public thoroughfare that affords only a secondary means of access to abutting property.

Alteration. Any change or rearrangement in the supporting members of an existing building such as bearing walls, columns, beams, girders, or interior partitions, as well as any change to doors or windows or any enlargement to a building or structure, whether horizontal or vertical or the moving of a building or structure from one location to another.

Apartment Building. See "Dwelling, Multiple."

*Applicant.* A person submitting an application for a permit, the development of property, a variance, a special exception use or the rezoning of the property.

Assisted Living Facility. A general term for a permanent building, portion of a building, or group of buildings (not including manufactured homes or trailers) used for adult congregate care in which room, board, meals, laundry, and assistance with personal care and other services are provided for not less than twenty-four hours in any week to a minimum of two ambulatory adults not related by blood or marriage to the owner and/or administrator, including independent living facilities and residential care facilities. Assisted living facilities shall be classified as set forth in the Alabama Administrative Code (AAC) 420-5-4.03.

*Basement.* A story having a part but not more than one half of its height below grade. A basement is counted as a story for the purpose of height regulations.

Bank or Financial Service. A business engaged in providing banking or financial services to the general public, such as a bank, savings and loan association, credit union, finance company, and similar businesses.

Bed and Breakfast Inn. A private owner-occupied residence providing accommodations for a charge to the public with no more than six (6) guest rooms for rent. Breakfast may be provided to the guests only. Bed and Breakfast establishments are exempt from the Rules of Construction and Maintenance and Operation of Hotels and the Rules for Food Service Sanitation.

Bedroom. A room marketed, designed or otherwise intended to function primarily for sleeping.

*Berm.* A grass covered landscaped mound of earth, either man-made or natural, with a slope of one third or less on both sides of the mound which is used to screen certain activities.

*Block.* A tract or parcel of land entirely surrounded by public streets other than alleys.

*Bufferyard.* A unit of land, together with a specified amount of planting thereon, and any structures which may be required between land uses to eliminate or minimize conflicts between them.

Building Line Or Building Setback Line. A line generally parallel to the street right of way line at a distance equal to the depth of the front yard required for the zone district in which the lot is located.

Business or Professional Office. A place where the administrative affairs of a business or profession is conducted, such as the office of a law firm, real estate agency, insurance agency, architect, secretarial services, the administrative Administrator of business or industry, and the like.

*Building*. Any structure having a roof supported by columns or walls designed or built for the support, enclosure, shelter, or protection of persons, animals, chattels, or property of any kind.

*Building, Height of.* The vertical distance from the grade to the highest point of the coping of a flat roof or to the deck line of a mansard roof, or to the average height between eaves and ridge for gable, hip and gambrel roofs.

Car Wash. A commercial establishment engaged in washing or cleaning automobiles and light vehicles.

*Child Day Care Center*. Any child-care facility receiving more than 12 children for daytime care during all or part of a day.

*Child Day Care Home.* A child-care facility, which is a family home, in a residential zoning district and which receives not more than six children for care during the day.

Child Group Day Care Home. A child care facility which is a family home in an A-1 Zoning District and which receives at least seven but no more than 12 children for care during part of the day where there are at least two adults present and supervising the activities.

*Club, Private.* A building or portion thereof or premises owned or operated by a corporation, association, person or persons for a social, educational, or recreational purpose, but not primarily for profit or to render a service which is customarily carried on as a business.

Community Center. Buildings arranged for community gathering for social, cultural or community services purposes, including museums, galleries, community meeting rooms, community recreation centers, libraries, YMCAs, YWCAs, and similar uses.

Community Service Club. Buildings arranged for the gathering of private club members and their guests, including social club, professional association, fraternal lodge, union hall, civic association, and similar uses.

Convenience Store. A one story, retail store containing less than 3,000 square feet of gross floor area that is designed and stocked to sell primarily food, beverages, and other household supplies to customers who purchase only a relatively few items (in contrast to a supermarket), including not more than four motor vehicle fuel service islands.

Conditional Use. A use that, because of special requirements or characteristics, may be allowed in a particular zone district only after the review of the planning commission and the approval of the Town Council that may impose such conditions as necessary to ensure compatibility with other uses permitted in the same zoning category or the surrounding vicinity.

*Condominium.* A form of property ownership providing for individual ownership of space in a structure together with an individual interest in the land or other parts of the structure in common with other owners.

Continuing Care Retirement Community. A licensed housing development that is planned, designed, and operated to provide a full range of accommodations and services for elderly adults, including independent living, congregate residential housing, medical care, and other support services. These facilities are generally designed utilizing a campus concept, and may offer rental as well as ownership options. CCRCs may also accommodate adult day-care facilities within the community, provided sufficient land area for any additional structures and parking requirements is available.

Core. Areas designated by the Town of Wilsonville Comprehensive Plan, A Place to Call Home, as Downtown and Marina Village to function as activity hubs of residential, commercial and office uses for the community.

*Development.* The construction, reconstruction, conversion, structural alteration, relocation or enlargement of any buildings; any use or change in use of any buildings or land; any extension of any use of land or any clearing, grading, or other movement of land, for which review and approval may be required pursuant to this or other Town ordinances.

*Distribution Warehouse.* A place of business engaged in warehousing, wholesaling, or retail distribution services within a building.

*District.* A section or sections of the Town of Wilsonville for which the zoning regulations governing the use of buildings and premises, the height of buildings, the size of yards, and the intensity of use are uniform.

Domestic Violence Shelter. A facility operated by a public of non-profit entity, providing temporary shelter for up to ten individuals affected by domestic violence and may provide temporary boarding, lodging, counseling, and support services. Said facility must meet the minimum requirements of § 30-7-2, Acts of the Legislature 1997 and be certified by the Office of Prosecution Services to receive funds.

*Downtown Residential Development.* Areas within the designated cores that may include attached, semi-attached or detached residential units and mixed-use development. The density the Downtown Residential Development may vary from 2 to 4 units per acre, with density based upon proximity to the core.

Drive-In Restaurant. See Restaurant, Fast Food.

Dwelling. Any building or portion thereof, which is used for residential purposes.

*Dwelling, Attached.* Three or more adjoining dwelling units each of which is separated from the others by one (1) or more walls, unpierced from ground to roof; also referred to as a townhouse.

Dwelling, Multiple. A building designed for or occupied exclusively by three or more families.

*Dwelling, Two-Family (Duplex).* Two single family residential dwelling units sharing one common wall, unpierced from ground to roof, and placed on a single lot designed for two families.

Dwelling, Single-Family. A building designed for or occupied exclusively by one family.

Dwelling Unit. One or more rooms located within a building and forming a single habitable unit with facilities, which are used or intended to be used for living, sleeping, cooking and eating purposes.

*Easement*. Written authorization by a property owner of the use of a designated part of his property by another for a specified use.

*Entertainment, Indoor.* A commercial establishment providing spectator entertainment within an enclosed building, including, but not limited to movie theaters, playhouses, and similar indoor facilities.

*Entertainment, Outdoor.* A commercial establishment providing spectator entertainment in open or partially enclosed or screened facilities, including, but not limited to sports arenas and amusement parks.

*Exterior Storage*. Outdoor storage of fuel, raw material, products or equipment. In the case of lumberyards and similar activities, exterior storage includes all impervious materials stored outdoors. In the case of truck terminals, exterior storage includes all trucks, truck beds, and truck trailers stored outdoors.

*Family*. One or more persons related by blood, marriage, adoption or guardianship plus one (1) unrelated person occupying a dwelling unit and living as a single housekeeping unit. Failure of property owner to comply with this definition shall be deemed a violation of this Ordinance. Violators will be given written notice of the violation.

Farm Support Business. A commercial establishment engaged in the sale of farm support goods and services, including the following activities:

- the sale of feed, grains, fertilizers, pesticides, and similar support goods;
- the provision of warehousing and storage facilities for raw farm products; and
- the provision of veterinary services for large animals.

*Farm.* A three (3) acre or larger property used for the production, keeping or maintenance, for sale or for lease, or the personal use or consumption of plants and animals useful to man, including, but not limited to the following farm activities:

- forages and sod crops;
- grains and seed crops;
- dairy animals and products;
- poultry, including egg production but excluding poultry processing;
- livestock, such as beef cattle, sheep, goats, hoofed exotic or any similar livestock, including the breeding and grazing of such animals but excluding meat processing;
- nursery operations involving the raising of plants, shrubs and trees for sale and transplantation and including greenhouses and incidental sales of items customarily associated with a nursery operation;
- forestry operations involving the operation of timber tracts, tree farms, forest nurseries, the gathering
  of forest products, or performing forest services, including temporary sawmills and chippers for
  cutting timber growth on the same premises but excluding lumber yards, mills and similar activities;
- bees and apiary products;
- fisheries, excluding fish and seafood processing;
- fruits and vegetables of all kinds, including growing and harvesting of such fruits and vegetables but excluding food processing.

*Fence*. An artificially constructed barrier of any material or combination of materials or vegetation which is planted or retained as a means to enclose or screen areas of land.

*Floor area.* The gross horizontal areas of all floors, including penthouses (but excluding such areas within a building which are used for parking) measured from the exterior faces of the exterior walls of a building. Basements and cellars shall not be included in the gross floor area.

*Frontage, street.* All the property on one side of a street between two streets which intersects such street (crossing or termination), measured along the line of the street, or if the street is dead-ended, then all of the property abutting on one side between a street which intersects such street and the dead end of the street.

Funeral Home. A commercial establishment engaged in funeral and undertaking services for human burial.

*Garage apartment*. A part of a private garage of a single family dwelling consisting of a room or rooms intended to be used by an individual or a single family. Garage apartments are only allowed to the rear of the main building.

*Garage, private.* An accessory building designed or used for the storage of motor-driven vehicles owned and used by the occupants of the building to which it is accessory.

*Garage, storage or parking.* A building or portion thereof designed or used exclusively for the storage of motor-driven vehicles, and within which motor fuels and oils may be sold, but no vehicles are equipped, repaired, hired or sold.

Garden Center or Nursery. Retail sales of plants, trees, shrubs, and the like for ornamental or landscaping purposes, conducted from a building, greenhouse, outdoor display area, or stand, including incidental sales of items customarily associated with such sales activities, including such items as containers, seeds, fertilizers, ornaments, small gardening tools and equipment.

General Retail, Enclosed. Retail sales of goods and services, not otherwise defined by this section, conducted within an enclosed building, including, but not limited to food sales, department stores, clothing stores, home furnishings sales, appliance stores, auto supply stores, gift shops, specialty stores, jewelry stores, cosmetics sales, package liquor stores, tobacco stores, drug stores, variety stores, and similar retail businesses.

*Grade.* The average level of the finished ground surface adjacent to the exterior walls of the building.

Group Care Home. A facility serving up to ten (10) individuals, who may or may not be related by blood or marriage, living together as a single housekeeping unit under the supervision of one or two resident managers, whose purpose is to serve socially, physically, mentally, or developmentally impaired individuals in a family-type living arrangement, and which meet or exceed the requirements of Code of Alabama, 1975, §11-52-75.1, Regulation as to housing of mentally retarded or mentally ill persons in multifamily zone, as amended.

Height of Structure. The vertical distance measured from the lowest ground elevation at the exterior face of a structure to the highest point on such structure plus the vertical distance measured from the highest ground elevation at the exterior face of such structure to the highest point on such structure, divided by two (2).

*Home Improvement Center*. A place of business providing building, appliance, yard and garden materials, tools, and supplies at retail and/or wholesale.

Home occupation. Any occupation or activity which is clearly incidental to use of the premises for dwelling purposes and which is carried on wholly within a main building or accessory building by a member of a family residing on the premises, in connection with which there is no advertising and no display or storage of materials or exterior identification of the home occupation or variation from the residential character of the premises and in connection with which no person outside the family is employed and no equipment used other than that normally used in connection with a residence. A home occupation shall not include beauty parlors, barbershops or doctors or dentists' offices for the treatment of patients.

*Hotel*. A building in which lodging or boarding and lodging are provided and offered to the public for compensation and in which ingress and egress to and from all rooms are made through an inside lobby or office supervised by a person in charge at all hours.

Independent Living Facility. A licensed facility planned, designed, and managed to include multi-unit rental housing with self-contained apartment dwellings intended for elderly adults. Support facilities may include meals, laundry, housekeeping, transportation, social, recreational, or other services. The facility may or may not include resident Administrator and administration.

*Institution*. The structure or land occupied by a group, cooperative, board, agency or organization created for the purpose of carrying on non-profit functions of a public or semi-public nature, including but not limited to hospitals, schools, churches, fraternal orders, orphanages and also including residential accessory uses, such as rectories, parsonages, dormitories and dwellings for resident administrators, watchmen, custodians or caretakers.

*Junk Yard*. Any lot or parcel of land on which is kept, stored, bought, or sold articles commonly known as junk, including scrap paper, metal and wood, any automobile or truck body from which the motor has been

removed, more than one motor vehicle which will not start or run by itself or which does not possess the equipment required by § 32-5-210 to § 32-5-253 and other relevant portions of the Code of Alabama 1975 or automobiles and parts thereof which are valuable only as junk, provided that the term *Junk Yard* shall not apply to any parcel of land used in conjunction with any duly licensed automobile dealer, gasoline service station or public garage.

*Kennel*. Any establishment where dogs or cats are boarded for compensation or where dogs or cats are bred or raised for sale purposes.

Land Disturbance. Any land change which may result in soil erosion from water or wind, or movement of sediments, directly or indirectly, to the MS4 and/or community waters, including, but not limited to, construction activities, clearing, dredging, grading, excavating, transporting and filling of land.

*Laundromat.* A commercial facility where patron wash, dry or dry clean clothing or other fabrics in machines operated by the patron.

*Laundry Service*. A commercial establishment providing laundering, dry cleaning or dyeing service (other than a laundry or dry cleaning pick up station defined as general retail), such as a laundry and dry cleaning plant, diaper or linen service.

Loading Space. A space having a minimum dimension of twelve by thirty-five feet and a vertical clearance of at least fourteen feet within the main building or on the same lot, providing for the standing, loading or unloading of trucks.

*Loft Apartment.* A dwelling located in the upper story of a building where the ground floor is devoted to commercial or institutional use.

Lot. Land occupied or intended for occupancy by a use including the yards and parking spaces required therein, and having its principal frontage upon a street.

Lot Area. The area contained within the lot lines of a lot or parcel of land as shown on a subdivision plat or survey. Lot area excludes any area within an existing or future street right-of-way or any area devoted to common open space.

Lot, Corner. A lot abutting upon two or more streets at their intersection.

Lot, frontage. The lot width measured at the street line. When a lot has more than one (1) street line, lot width shall be measured at both street frontages and the minimum lot width required by this Ordinance shall be provided at each such line.

Lot Line. A line bounding a lot which divides one lot from another lot or from a right-of-way or any other public or private space. The front lot line is the lot line along which the lot takes primary access to a street. The rear lot line is the lot line which is parallel to and most distant from the front lot line or, in the case of an irregular lot, a line twenty feet in length, entirely within the lot, parallel to and at the maximum possible distance from the front lot line. Side lot line is defined as any other lot line other than a front or rear lot line.

Lot, Reverse Frontage. A double frontage lot having a rear yard on a major street and a front yard and access to a local or marginal access street.

Lot, Through or Double Frontage. A lot other than a corner lot abutting two streets.

Lot of Record. A lot which is part of a subdivision, the plat of which has been recorded in the Office of the Probate Judge of Shelby County, Alabama, or a parcel of land described by meets and bounds, the plat of description of which has been recorded in said office. If a portion of a lot or parcel has been conveyed at the time of the adoption of this Ordinance, the remaining portion of said lot or parcel shall be considered a lot of record.

Lot Width. The width of the lot at the front building setback line.

*Manufacturing*. The basic processing and manufacturing of materials or products predominately from extracted or raw materials and the incidental storage, sales, and distribution of such products.

Manufactured Home. A structure transportable in one or more sections which meets the minimum size requirements of a single family dwelling, if placed on a permanent foundation and which is built on a permanent chassis designed to be used as a dwelling, with or without permanent foundation, when connected to the required utilities, including plumbing, heating, air conditioning, and electrical systems contained therein. Such term shall include structures meeting all the requirements and with respect to which the manufacturer voluntarily files a certification as required by the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development and complies with the standards established under the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974.

Manufactured Home Community. A contiguous parcel of land under single or same ownership, which has been planned, improved and used for the placement of ten (10) or more manufactured homes for residential occupancy. The placement of manufactured homes on the property shall be by leasehold only, and no individual lots may be sold within the community without proper subdivision approval.

*Marina*. A facility for the storing, servicing, fueling, berthing, and securing of boats and which may include eating, sleeping, and retail facilities for owners, crews and guests.

*Medical Clinic*. A facility providing medical, psychiatric, or surgical services for sick or injured persons exclusively on an outpatient basis.

*Mini- Storage*. A building or group of buildings containing separate storage spaces which are leased on an individual basis for the exclusive purpose of storing non-hazardous household goods, but not including the storage of materials for a commercial or industrial enterprise or for any activity other than dead storage.

Mobile Home. Any manufactured home built prior to June 15, 1976. See also "Manufactured Home."

Mobile Home Park. See Manufactured Home Community.

*Modular Home.* A factory fabricated transportable building consisting of units designed to be incorporated at a building site on a permanent foundation into a permanent structure to be used for residential purposes and which bears a seal of compliance with the regulation of the Alabama Manufactured Housing Commission.

*Motel.* A building or group of buildings used for the temporary occupancy of transients and containing no facilities for cooking in the individual units.

*Nonconforming Use.* The use of any building or land which was lawful at the time of passage of this Ordinance, or amendment thereto, but which use does not conform, after the passage of this Ordinance or amendment thereto, with the use regulations of the district in which it is situated.

*Nursing Home.* A licensed facility or home for the aged and/or infirm in which three or more persons not of the immediate family are received, kept, provided with food and shelter, or care for compensation; but not including hospitals, clinics, independent living facilities, residential care facilities, or similar establishments devoted primarily to the diagnosis and treatment of the sick or injured. Twenty-four hour direct medical, nursing, and other health services are provided.

Open Space (residential developments). Land area within a residential development that is held in common ownership for all the residents for recreation, protection of natural land features, amenities or buffers. Open space must be freely accessible to all residents of the development and is protected by the provisions of this Ordinance to ensure that it remains in such uses. Open space does not include land occupied by nonresidential buildings, common driveways or parking areas or street rights-of-way, nor does it include lots for single family or multi-family dwellings. Open space should be left in a natural state or landscaped, except in the case of recreational structures.

*Open Space*. Any land or area, the preservation of which in its present use would: ① conserve and enhance natural or scenic resources; or ②protect streams or water supply; or ③promote conservation of soils, wetlands, beaches, or tidal marshes; or ④ enhance the value to the public of abutting or neighboring parks, forests, wildlife preserves, nature reservations, or sanctuaries; or ⑤ enhance recreation opportunities.

*Parcel.* A contiguous quantity of land in possession of or owned by or recorded as the property of the same claimant or person.

Parking Space, Off-Street. An accessible space permanently reserved for the temporary storage of one vehicle, connected to a street by a driveway or an alley, having a minimum area of not less than one hundred eighty square feet (a minimum width of ten feet and a minimum length of eighteen feet) exclusive of driveways and maneuvering area.

*Parks*. Publicly-owned and operated playgrounds, recreation facilities and open spaces. Recreation facilities with nighttime field lights shall be classified as *recreation*, *outdoor*.

*Place of Worship*. Buildings arranged for religious service purposes such as churches and synagogues, including related facilities for instruction, meeting, recreation, lodging, eating and other integrally related activities.

Portable Building. A portable building is any building or vehicle comprised of one or more units designed, manufactured or converted for transportation on public streets or highways on wheels, arriving at the site substantially ready for occupancy, whether for residential, office, commercial or manufacturing use. Removal of packing, baffles, and other travel supports; assembly of units; and connection of or to utilities shall not be considered in determining whether a unit or units are substantially ready for occupancy. The towing hitch, wheels, axles, and other running gear may be removable for the placement of the portable building and may be reinstalled to permit its further movement. A mobile home or mobile office including any doublewide mobile home or office is a portable building.

*Public Facility*. Buildings arranged for the purpose of providing public services, not otherwise listed in this section, including government offices, post offices, transit stations, police stations, fire and emergency service stations, civil defense operations and similar uses.

*Public Utility Facility*. Facility that provides public utility services to the public at large including water and sewerage facilities, gas distribution facilities, electric transmission and distribution facilities, and cable television transmission and distribution facilities.

*Parking Lot.* An open area used exclusively for the temporary storage of motor vehicles and within which motor fuels and oils may be sold and fees charged but no vehicles are to be equipped, repaired, rented or sold.

Premises. A lot, together with all buildings and structures existing thereon.

*Recreation, Indoor.* A commercial establishment providing recreational or sports activities to participants within an enclosed building, including bowling alleys, billiard parlors, video game centers, fitness centers, ice and roller skating rinks, and other commercial indoor recreational and sports activities.

*Recreation, Outdoor.* A commercial establishment providing recreation or sports activities to participants in open or partially enclosed or screened facilities, including driving ranges, miniature golf courses, practice golf driving range, par three golf course or miniature golf course, commercial, recreational or amusement development for temporary or seasonable periods, golf courses, swimming pools, tennis courts, and other similar commercial outdoor recreational and sports activities.

Recreational Vehicle. A vehicle or a unit that is mounted on or drawn by another vehicle primarily designed for temporary living. Recreational vehicles include travel trailers, camping trailers, truck campers and motor homes.

Recreational Vehicle Park. A lot on which campsites are established for occupancy by recreational vehicles of the general public as temporary living quarters for purposes of recreation or vacation. Specifically, they shall be located at least 400 feet beyond the outside right-of-way line; buffered by adequate berms, plantings or other natural buffers; limited to not more than 7 days of maximum continuous usage by recreational vehicles.

Residential Care Facility. A licensed facility that provides congregate private and/or shared room, Administrator-supervised meals, housekeeping, social services, and assistance with personal care and

other services for not less than twenty-four hours in a week to a minimum of two ambulatory adults who are not related by blood or marriage to the owner and/or administrator. The facility may or may not include resident Administrator and administration.

*Restaurant, Fast Food.* An establishment whose principal business is the sale of food and beverages in a ready to consume state for consumption: within the restaurant building, within a motor vehicle parked on the premises or off the premises as a carry-out order, and whose principal method of operation is for off-premises consumption.

*Restaurant, Standard.* An establishment whose principal business is the sale of food and beverages in a ready to consume state and whose principal method of operation includes one or more of the following characteristics: customers, normally provided with an individual menu, are served their food and beverages by a restaurant employee at the same table or counter at which food and beverages are consumed; a cafeteria type operation where food and beverages are generally consumed within the restaurant building. Such restaurants may have carry-out services.

*School.* Public or non-profit school or education related establishment.

*Setback Line*. A line parallel to the property line between which line and the property line no structure can be erected.

*Service Station.* Any building, structure, or land used primarily for the dispensing, sale or offering for sale at retail of any automobile fuels, oils or accessories but not including major repair work such as motor overhaul, body and fender repair of spray painting.

*Shopping Center.* A group of commercial establishments planned and developed in a unified design, with shared parking, landscaping and driveway facilities and under common management authority.

Special Exception. A use, occupancy or structure, specifically designated as a special exception in a particular zone district that would not be appropriate generally or without restriction throughout the district but which, if controlled as to the number, area, location or relation to the surrounding area would be appropriate within said district and would promote the public health, safety, morals and general welfare. Such uses or structures may be authorized in that specific zone district by resolution of the Zoning Board of Adjustment, provided they meet the requirements of the zone district therein.

*Story*. That portion of a building other than a cellar, included between the surface of any floor and the surface of the floor next above it or, if there be no floor above it, the space between the floor and the ceiling next above it.

Story, Half. A space under a sloping roof which has the line of intersection of roof decking and wall face not more than three feet above the top floor level, and in which space not more than two thirds of the floor area is finished off for use. A half-story containing independent apartment or living quarters shall be counted as a full story.

Street. A public thoroughfare, which affords the principal means of access to abutting properties.

*Structural Alterations*. Any change in the supporting members of a building or structure, such as bearing walls, columns, beams or girders; provided, however, that the application of any exterior siding to an existing building for the purpose of beautifying and modernizing shall not be considered of a structural alteration.

*Structure.* Anything constructed or erected, the use of which required a location on the ground, or attached to something having a location on the ground (viz. buildings, signs, billboards, back stops for tennis courts, fences or radio towers).

Subdivision Any division or redivision of land into two (2) or more lots or parcels with the intent to convey, either presently or in the future, one (1) or more such lots or parcels. All subdivisions are also developments.

Trailer Home. Any manufactured home built prior to June 15, 1976. See also "Manufactured home".

*Truck Repair Service*. A place of business engaged in the repair and maintenance of trucks with more than two axles including the sale, installation and servicing of mechanical equipment and parts but not including painting, body work, upholstery work, fabrication of parts or rebuilding of engines.

*Use.* The function, activities, or purpose for which land, a building, or other structure is designed, arranged, occupied, or maintained.

*Use, Temporary.* Any use established for a fixed period of time, without construction or alteration of a permanent structure with the intent to discontinue such use upon expiration of such time.

*Vehicle Repair Service.* A building or portion thereof, other than a private, storage, or parking garage, designed or used for equipping, servicing, repairing, hiring, selling, or storing of motor-driven vehicles, but not including the storage of wrecked or junked vehicles.

*Village Center.* Areas within designated cores that may include attached, semi-attached or detached residential units and mixed-use development. The density may vary from 2 to 3 units per acre, based upon proximity to the core.

Wireless Telecommunications Facility. A facility that transmits and/or receives electromagnetic signals. It includes antennas, microwave dishes, horns, and other types of equipment for the transmission or receipt of such signals, telecommunications towers, broadcasting towers, radio towers, television towers, telephone transmission towers or similar structures supporting said equipment, equipment buildings, access roads, parking area, access roads and other accessory structures.

*Yard.* An open space between a building or use and the adjoining lot lines, unoccupied and unobstructed by any structure or use from the ground upward. In measuring a yard for the purpose of determining the width of a side yard, the depth of a front yard, or the depth of a rear yard, the minimum distance between the lot line and the main building shall be used. A required yard shall mean a yard the depth of which is specified in the "Area and Dimensional Regulations" pertaining to the district in which such yard is required to be provided.

*Yard, Front.* A yard extending across the front of a lot between the side lot lines. On corner lots the front yard shall be considered as parallel to the street upon which the lot has its least dimension.

*Yard, Rear.* A yard extending across the rear of a lot between the side lot lines. On all lots the rear yard shall be in the rear of the front yard.

*Yard*, *Side*. A yard between the main building and the side lot line and extending from the required front yard to the required rear yard.

Zoning Map. The map referred to in §1.01 Short Title, of this Ordinance.

#### ARTICLE 4. ZONE DISTRICTS AND BOUNDARIES

## Section 4.01. Establishment of Districts.

In order to carry out the intent and purpose of this Ordinance, the Town of Wilsonville is hereby divided into the following districts; the location, boundaries, and area of which are and shall be as shown and depicted upon the Zoning Map of the Town of Wilsonville:

- HZ, Holding Zone
- A-1, Agricultural District
- E-1, Single Family Estate District
- E-2, Single Family Estate District
- R-1, Single Family District
- R-2, Multiple Dwelling District
- R-4, Multiple Dwelling District
- O&I, Office and Institutional District
- B-1, Neighborhood Business District
- B-2, General Business District
- M-2, Heavy Industrial
- SD, Special District

#### Section 4.02. Zoning Map.

The Map or maps which are identified by the title "Zoning Map of Town of Wilsonville", and which, together with the legends, words, figures, letters, symbols, and explanatory matter thereon, is hereby declared to be a part of this Ordinance and shall be known as the "Zoning Map" throughout this Ordinance.

# Section 4.03. District Boundaries.

The district boundary lines on the Zoning Map are intended to follow either natural boundaries, streets or alleys or lot lines, and where the districts designated on said map are bounded approximately by such streets, alley or lot lines, the center line of the street or alley or the lot lines shall be the boundary of the district unless such boundary is otherwise indicated on the map. In all other cases, the district boundary lines shall be determined by use of the scale appearing on the Zoning Map.

# Section 4.04. Annexed property.

Any property hereafter annexed into the Town and meeting the definition of a *farm* shall be classified as A-1, Agricultural. All other properties annexed into the Town shall be classified as HZ, Holding Zone District or as otherwise determined under Section 11-52-85 ("Rezoning contemporaneously with annexation" Alabama 2009), Code of Alabama 1975, or as such may be amended, and it shall have all powers granted therein.

#### ARTICLE 5. GENERAL REGULATIONS

# Section 5.01. Generally.

The general regulations contained in this Article shall apply in all districts except as may be otherwise provided in these regulations.

#### Section 5.02. Use of Land.

No land shall be used except for a use permitted in the district in which it is located except as may be otherwise provided in these regulations.

#### Section 5.03. Use of Structures.

No structure shall be erected, converted, enlarged, reconstructed, moved or structurally altered, nor shall any building or structure be used except for a use permitted in the district in which such building is located and as may be otherwise provided in these regulations.

### Section 5.04. Height of Structures.

No structure shall be erected, converted, enlarged, reconstructed, moved or structurally altered to exceed the height limit herein established for the district in which such structure is located except as may be otherwise provided in these regulations.

# Section 5.05. Dimensional Regulations.

No structure shall be erected, converted, enlarged, reconstructed, moved or structurally altered except in conformity with the dimensional regulations of the district in which such structure is located or as may be otherwise provided in these regulations.

# Section 5.06. Encroachment On or Reduction of Yards, Parking Spaces, or Open Spaces.

The minimum yards, parking spaces, and open spaces, required by this Ordinance for each structure existing at the time of passage of this Ordinance, or for any structure hereafter erected or structurally altered, shall not be encroached upon or considered as part of the yard or parking space or open space required for any other structure, nor shall any lot area be reduced below the lot area per family requirements of this Ordinance for the district in which such lot is located or as may be otherwise provided in these regulations.

#### Section 5.07. Off-Street Parking and Loading.

No building shall be erected, converted, enlarged, reconstructed or moved except in conformity with the off-street parking and loading regulations of this Ordinance.

# Section 5.08. Building To Be on Lots.

Every building hereafter erected, converted, enlarged, reconstructed, moved or structurally altered shall be wholly located on a lot and meeting the Area and Dimensional Regulations of the zone district, or as may be otherwise provided in these regulations.

## Section 5.09. Accessory Buildings.

- A. No accessory structure shall be constructed or moved upon a lot until the construction of the main building has actually commenced.
- B. Except as otherwise noted, no accessory building shall be used for dwelling purposes.

# Section 5.10. More Than One Main Building on One Lot.

There shall not be more than one main building hereafter erected on one lot except as otherwise provided in this Ordinance.

## Section 5.11. Joint Occupancy.

No structure shall be erected, structurally altered for, or used as a single-family or two-family dwelling simultaneously with any other use except as allowed in the Special District.

## Section 5.12. Building Material Storage.

Building materials or temporary structures for construction purposes shall not be placed or stored on any lot or parcel of land located in a non-industrial zone district prior to appropriate permits having

been approved and issued by the Town of Wilsonville.

# Section 5.13. Parking or Storage of Major Recreational Vehicles.

Major recreational vehicle including but not limited to house boats, travel trailers, pick-up campers, motorized dwellings, tent trailers, and other similar vehicles shall not be stored or parked on any lot in a residential district except in an enclosed building or carport, or on the lot in such a manner that no portion of the recreational vehicle extends beyond the front building line of the principal dwelling or encroaches the required distance from side and rear property lines. In the case of corner lots, the recreational vehicle must be stored or placed either behind the principal dwelling or on the side away from the street. No recreational vehicle shall be parked on a vacant lot or on a lot with an unoccupied principal dwelling. Temporary parking of recreational vehicles may be permitted in a front yard for a period not to exceed three (3) days. No such equipment shall be used for living, sleeping, or housekeeping purposes when parked or stored on a residential lot or in any location not approved for such use.

# Section 5.14. Parking and Storage of Certain Vehicles.

- A. Automotive vehicles without current license plates shall not be parked or stored on any residentially zoned property other than in completely enclosed buildings.
- B. Automobile sales shall only occur at businesses with a valid license to do so. Such businesses are subject to the requirements of the zone district of that location.
- C. Commercial vehicles exceeding one ton rated capacity and construction vehicles shall not be parked or stored in residential zone districts.

#### **Section 5.15. Mobile Homes and Trailers.**

- A. All mobile homes shall be situated in an approved Manufactured Home Communities except as may otherwise be provided in these regulations.
- B. Mobile homes shall meet the minimum standards set forth in §19.05.

## Section 5.16. Home Repair and Remodeling.

All home remodeling, repair, and modification shall be permitted provided that the Area and Dimensional requirements are met for the zone district involved.

#### Section 5.17. Construction Debris and Trash.

During construction, all reasonable efforts shall be implemented to maintain a debris and trash free appearance from the public right-of-way.

# Section 5.18. Garage Apartments.

- A. The floor area of the garage apartment shall be at least 300 square feet and shall not exceed 25% of the floor area of the principal dwelling.
- B. If attached to the principal dwelling, the garage apartment shall maintain the appearance of the principal dwelling and shall not create additional entrances toward the front of the property.
- C. If detached from the principal dwelling, the garage apartment shall be limited to the rear of the principal dwelling or within the upper floor of a garage and shall be so placed as to avoid objectionable views from the street and surrounding properties.

#### Section 5.19. Family Care and Domestic Violence Shelter.

- A. The use shall be conducted within a single family residence.
- B. The building shall maintain the exterior appearance and character of a single family residence with no separate exterior entrances to individual bedrooms.
- C. The home shall be sponsored by a public or non-profit organization; all state licensing requirements shall be met.

# Section 5.20. Keeping of Animals.

The keeping of animals shall be permitted in the A-1, Agricultural District, or any other district where the lot or tract size is three acres or more, provided that compliance with all applicable laws including State and County Health Regulations are maintained.

# Section 5.21. Cemeteries and Mausoleums.

- A. No cemetery except a family plot or "church yard" cemetery shall be established on a site containing less than ten (10) acres.
- B. The proposed site for a cemetery shall not interfere with the development of a system of streets or a highway in the vicinity of such site. In addition, such site shall have direct access to a public thoroughfare.
- C. Any structures except grave markers and monuments shall be located a minimum of fifty (50) feet from any lot line or street right-of-way.
- D. All graves or burial lots shall be located a minimum of twenty-five (25) feet from any lot line or street right-of-way line.
- E. All required yards shall be landscaped and maintained pursuant to Article 22.

## Section 5.22. Wellhead Protection.

The Town of Wilsonville relies on groundwater for its municipal water supply needs. To help protect this vital resource a Wellhead Protection Plan (WHPP) should be implemented pursuant to the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) <u>Chapter 335-6-8: Ground Water and Underground Injection Control</u>. The Town of Wilsonville recognizes that this ordinance anticipates the requirements of a WHPP by establishing one thousand (1000) foot wellhead protection zones around the water supply sources in Wilsonville. Only proposed uses that will not adversely affect groundwater quality shall be permitted within the wellhead protection zones.

## Section 5.23. Minimum Floor Area of Single Family Dwellings.

All single family dwellings shall contain a minimum of 1,000 square feet of livable space.

#### ARTICLE 6. USE REGULATIONS

## Section 6.01. Use Limitations.

Although a use may be permitted according to specified regulations and procedures in a particular district, such use may not necessarily be permitted on every parcel of land in the district. A use may be permitted only if it can meet all of the standards of this Ordinance and any other applicable ordinances, codes, or regulations.

#### Section 6.02. Classification of Uses.

This Ordinance recognizes the limitations of a finite list of use classifications as delineated in this Ordinance. The Administrator, therefore, is empowered to make interpretations so as to classify any questioned use within a use classification of most similar impact and characteristics. All interpretations shall be described in writing and signed by the Administrator and made a part of Appendix A. Appeals of such interpretations may be made to the Zoning Board of Adjustment per Article 26.

### Section 6.03. Unclassified Uses.

In the event the Town of Wilsonville receives an application requesting the permitting of a use that is not listed or that cannot appropriately fit in a district, the following procedure shall apply:

- A. If the Planning Commission finds that the proposed use is compatible and consistent with the intent of the existing use district, the unclassified use may be permitted.
- B. If the unclassified use would not be compatible with the intent of the existing use district, the Planning Commission shall make a determination of the most appropriate use district and require the applicant have the property rezoned.
- C. Following final action regarding the unclassified use per paragraphs A. and B. above, the Planning Commission may initiate an amendment to this Ordinance to include the newly permitted use as a permitted use in that zone district.

#### ARTICLE 7. NONCONFORMING USES

## Section 7.01. When Continuance of Use Permitted; Change in Use.

The lawful use of a structure or the lawful use of land existing at the time of the effective date of this Ordinance may be continued although such use does not conform to the provisions hereof. If no structural alterations are made, a nonconforming use of a structure may be changed to another nonconforming use of the same general classification or to a conforming use.

# Section 7.02. Structures or Premises Vacant or Abandoned for 90 Days.

In the event that a structure or premises occupied by a nonconforming use becomes and remains vacant or abandoned for a continuous period of 90 days or more, the use of the same shall thereafter conform to the use regulations of the district in which such structure or premises is located.

## Section 7.03. Enlargement, etc., of Structure or Premises.

No structure or premises occupied by a nonconforming use shall be enlarged, extended, reconstructed or structurally altered unless such use is changed to a use which conforms to the use regulations of the district in which such structure or premises is located; provided, however, that a structure or premises may be physically enlarged, extended, reconstructed or structurally altered to the extent necessary for compliance with any existing and applicable law or ordinance specifying minimum standards of health or safety.

#### Section 7.04. Enlargements, etc., of Nonconforming Use.

No nonconforming use shall be enlarged, extended or expanded unless such use is changed to a use which conforms to the use regulations of the district in which such use is located.

## Section 7.05. Structures Conforming to District Regulations but not Other Regulations.

A structure or building conforming to the use regulations of the district in which it is located but not conforming to any other provisions of this Ordinance may be enlarged, extended or expanded provided, that such enlargement, extension or expansion conforms to the provisions of this Ordinance.

#### Section 7.06. Restoration of Damaged Buildings.

Any nonconforming building or structure damaged or destroyed by any cause may be rebuilt or reconstructed to its original state of nonconformity provided that such reconstruction shall be commenced within 90 days after the damage occurs and site plan approval, if applicable, is obtained. Such reconstruction shall be in a carried on without interruption until completion of the nonconforming use to its original state.

#### Section 7.07. Reestablishment of Nonconforming Use.

Any nonconforming use discontinued because of damage or destruction of a building or premises may be reestablished at its original level of nonconformity provided that the use is resumed within 90 days of its discontinuance and site plan approval is obtained, if applicable.

#### ARTICLE 8. H-Z HOLDING ZONE DISTRICT

## Section 8.01. Generally.

The regulations set forth in this article or set forth elsewhere in this ordinance, when referred to in this article, are the regulations in the "H-Z, Holding Zone District". This district is intended to provide for the proper timing and phasing of growth within areas of undeveloped property for which the Town Council's zoning authority encompasses. The "HZ, Holding Zone District" may be applied to any lands for which the Town Council finds should be held in a primarily undeveloped state for an interim period of time pending development and/or completion of the comprehensive land use plan for the respective zoning jurisdiction.

### Section 8.02. Use Regulations.

#### A. Permitted uses.

Within "H-Z, Holding Zone" districts, only the following uses and structures designed for such uses shall be permitted:

- 1. Any use in existence at the time of zoning the subject property "Holding Zone District".
- 2. Raising and grazing of animals, but no commercial feed lots.
- 3. Nurseries, green houses or the growing of crops, with no wholesale or retail sales to be conducted on premises.
- 4. Forestry.
- 5. Single-family dwelling on ten (10) acres or more.

#### B. Conditional uses.

Within "H-Z, Holding Zone" districts, the following uses may be allowed as conditional uses:

- 1. Single-family structure on less than ten (10) acres.
- 2. Manufactured homes on ten (10) or more acres.
- 3. Accessory structures and uses which are an ancillary function of the primary use of the subject property.

# Section 8.03 Area and Dimensional Regulations.

Except as provided by Articles 7, 20, and 26, the area and dimensional regulations set forth in the following table shall be observed:

Max. Height of Structure			Minim	um Yards		Min. Lot Size	Min. Lot Width
		Ya	Yards S		Yards		
Stories	Feet	Front	Rear	One Side	Total		
3½	50	Variable with Town Council Approval					

Maximum height does not apply to barns or silos provided that additional set backs are provided in accordance with the requirements for specific uses set forth in Article 20; no structure for keeping of animals shall be located closer than 100 feet from any lot line.

## ARTICLE 9. A-1, AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT

## Section 9.01. Generally.

The regulations set forth in this Article or set forth elsewhere in this Ordinance, when referred to in this Article, are the regulations in the "A-1, Agricultural District". This district is intended to provide a zoning classification for low-density development of primarily agricultural/forestry purposes and single-family homes on a minimum lot size of three (3) acres. The "A-1, Agricultural District" may be applied to any lands for which the Planning Commission finds should be preserved primarily for low intensity uses or open space.

## Section 9.02. Use Regulations.

#### A. Permitted Uses.

Within "A-1, Agricultural districts", only the following uses and structures designed for such uses shall be permitted:

- 1. Any use in existence at the time of zoning the subject property "Agricultural District".
- 2. Single family structures located on a minimum of three (3) acres.
- 3. Manufactured Home located on a minimum of three (3) acres, provided that the manufactured home shall be mounted on a permanent foundation, in accordance with the standards set forth in the manufacturer's requirements and meeting the minimum installation standards of the Alabama Manufactured Housing Commission.
- 4. Domestic Violence Shelter.
- 5. Group Care Home.
- 6. Garage Apartment.
- 7. Child and Child Group Day Care Home.
- 8. Accessory structures and uses which are an ancillary function of the primary use of the subject property, including garage apartments and not more than one accessory dwelling for persons employed on the premises.
- 9. Farm.
- 10. Kennels. Open runs shall be located seventy-five (75) feet from adjoining property lines.
- 11. Home Occupations.
- 12. Parks.

## B. Conditional Uses.

Within "A-1, Agricultural" districts, the following uses may be allowed as conditional uses:

- 1. Single family residential structure located on less than three (3) acres.
- 2. Church or other place of worship provided, that any building shall be located not less than twenty-five feet from any side lot line.
- 3. Public school, elementary or high, or a parochial or private school having a curriculum including the same courses as ordinarily given in a public school, but not providing residential accommodations for students; provided, that any such building shall be located not less than twenty-five feet from any side lot line.
- 4. Outdoor recreation.
- 5. Bed & Breakfast Inn.
- 6. Wireless Telecommunication Facility.
- 7. Farm Support Business

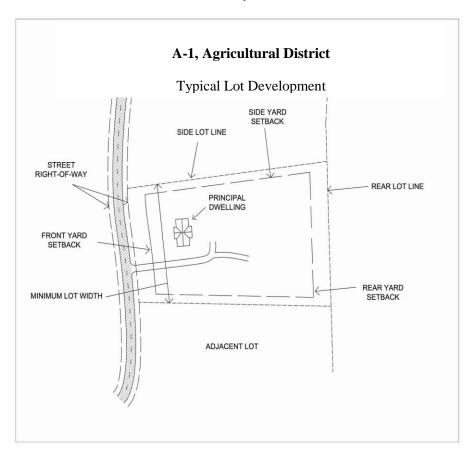
- 8. Garden Center or Nursery, wholesale and/or retail.
- 9. Public Facility.
- 10. Public Utility Facility.

# Section 9.03. Area and Dimensional Regulations.

Except as provided by Articles 7, 20 and 26, the area and dimensional regulations set forth in the following table shall be observed:

Maximum Height of Structure		Minimum Yards				Minimum Lot Size	Minimum Lot Width
		Yards		Side Yards			
Stories	Feet	Front	Rear	One Side	Total		
21/2	35	40 feet	40 feet	20 feet	50 feet	3 acres	100 feet

Maximum height does not apply to barns or silos provided that additional set backs are provided in accordance with the requirements for specific uses set forth in Article 18; no structure for keeping of animals shall be located closer than 100 feet from any lot line.



## ARTICLE 10. E-1, SINGLE FAMILY ESTATE DISTRICT

## Section 10.01. Generally.

The regulations set forth in this Article or set forth elsewhere in this Ordinance, when referred to in this Article, are the regulations in the "E-1, Single Family Estate District". This district is intended to provide a zoning classification for low-density single-family homes on a minimum lot size of one (1) acre. The "E-1, Single Family Estate District" may be applied to any lands for which the Planning Commission finds should be preserved primarily for low intensity uses or open space.

## Section 10.02. Use Regulations.

#### A. Permitted Uses.

Within the "E-1, Single Family Estate Districts," only the following uses and structures designed for such uses shall be permitted:

- 1. Single family dwelling, except that manufactured homes are not permitted.
- 2. Accessory structures and uses including but not limited to nurseries, home gardens and green houses.

#### B. Conditional Uses.

Within the "E-1, Single Family Estate Districts," the following uses may be allowed as conditional uses:

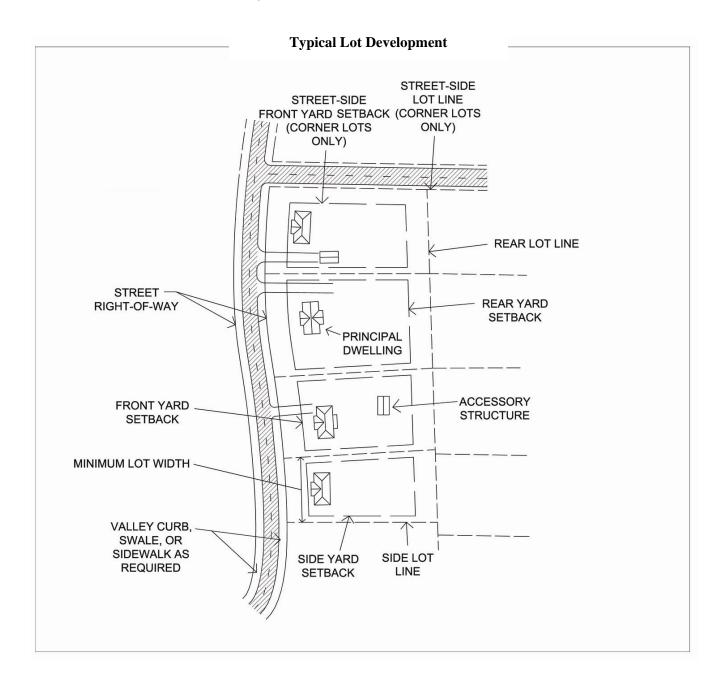
- 1. Church or other place of worship provided, that any building shall be located not less than 50 feet from any side lot line.
- 2. Public school, elementary or high, or a parochial or private school having a curriculum including the same courses as ordinarily given in a public school, but not providing residential accommodations for students; provided, that any such building shall be located not less than 50 feet from any side lot line.
- 3. Parks.
- 4. Garage Apartment.
- 5. Child Day Care Home.
- 6. Greenhouse, no retail sales.
- 7. Public Facility.
- 8. Public Utility Facility.

#### Section 10.03. Area and Dimensional Regulations.

Except as provided in Articles 7, 20 and 26, the area and dimensional regulations set forth in the following table shall be observed.

Maximum Height of Structure		Minimum Yards				Minimum Lot Size	Minimum Lot Width
		Yards		Side Yards			
Stories	Feet	Front	Rear	One Side	Total		
2½	35	40 feet	40 feet	20 feet	50 feet	1 acre	100 feet

# E-1, ESTATE RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT



## ARTICLE 11. E-2, SINGLE FAMILY ESTATE DISTRICT

## Section 11.01. Generally.

The regulations set forth in this Article or set forth elsewhere in this Ordinance, when referred to in this Article, are the regulations in the "E-2, Single Family Estate District". This district is intended to provide a zoning classification for low-density single-family homes on a minimum lot size of 20,000 square feet. The "E-2, Single Family Estate District" may be applied to any lands for which the Planning Commission finds should be preserved primarily for low intensity uses or open space.

## Section 11.02. Use Regulations.

#### A. Permitted Uses.

Within the "E-2, Single Family Estate Districts," only the following uses and structures designed for such uses shall be permitted:

1. Any use permitted in the "E-1 Single Family Estate District".

#### C. Conditional Uses.

Within the "E-1, Single Family Estate Districts," the following uses may be allowed as conditional uses:

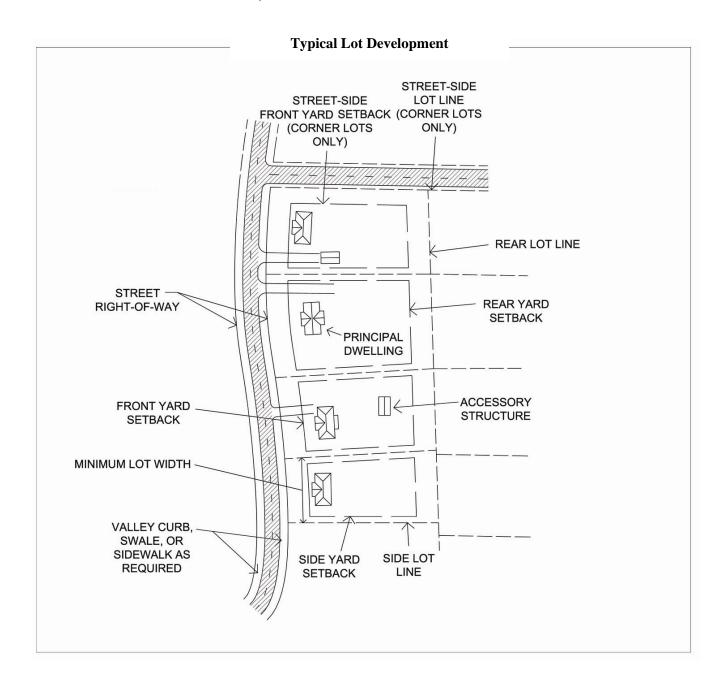
- 1. Church or other place of worship provided, that any building shall be located not less than 50 feet from any side lot line.
- 2. Public school, elementary or high, or a parochial or private school having a curriculum including the same courses as ordinarily given in a public school, but not providing residential accommodations for students; provided, that any such building shall be located not less than 50 feet from any side lot line.
- 3. Parks.
- 4. Garage Apartment.
- 5. Child Day Care Home.
- 6. Greenhouse, no retail sales.
- 7. Public Facility.
- 8. Public Utility Facility.

## Section 11.03. Area and Dimensional Regulations.

Except as provided in Articles 7, 20 and 26, the area and dimensional regulations set forth in the following table shall be observed.

Maximum Height of Structure		Minimum Yards				Minimum Lot Size	Minimum Lot Width
		Yards		Side Yards			
Stories	Feet	Front	Rear	One Side	Total		
21/2	35	35 feet	35 feet	10 feet	20 feet	20,000 sq/ft	100 feet

# E-2, ESTATE RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT



## ARTICLE 12. R-1, SINGLE FAMILY DISTRICT

## Section 12.01. Generally.

The regulations set forth in this Article or set forth elsewhere in this Ordinance, when referred to in this Article, are the regulations in the "R-1, Single Family District". This district is intended to provide a zoning classification for low-density development of single-family homes on a minimum lot size of 15,000 square feet.

# Section 12.02. Use Regulations.

## A. Permitted uses.

Within the "R-1, Single Family Districts", only the following uses and structures designed for such uses shall be permitted:

1. Any use permitted in the "E-1, Single Family Estate District".

#### B. Conditional uses.

Within the "R-1, Single Family Districts", the following uses may be allowed as conditional uses:

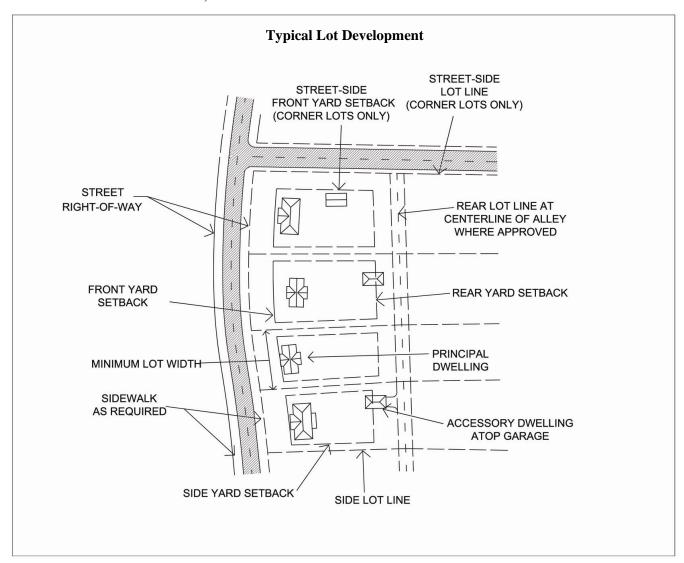
- 1. Church or other place of worship provided, that any building shall be located not less than 50 feet from any side lot line.
- 2. Public school, elementary or high, or a parochial or private school having a curriculum including the same courses as ordinarily given in a public school, but not providing residential accommodations for students; provided, that any such building shall be located not less than 50 feet from any side lot line.
- 3. Parks.
- 4. Garage Apartments.
- 5. Public Facility.
- 6. Public Utility Facility.

## Section 12.03. Area and Dimensional Regulations.

Except as provided in Articles 7, 20 and 26, the area and dimensional regulations set forth in the following table shall be observed.

Maximum Height of Structure		Minimum Yards				Minimum Lot Size	Minimum Lot Width
		Yards		Side Yards			
Stories	Feet	Front	Rear	One Side	Total		
2½	35	30 feet	30 feet	8 feet	18 feet	15,000 sq/ft	90 feet

# R-1, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT



## ARTICLE 13. R-2, MULTIPLE DWELLING DISTRICT

## Section 13.01. Generally.

The regulations set forth in this Article or set forth elsewhere in this Ordinance, when referred to in this Article, are the regulations in the "R-2, Single Family District". This district is intended to provide a zoning classification for medium, low density development of single family homes and duplexes.

## Section 13.02. Use regulations.

#### B. Permitted uses.

Within the "R-2, Multiple Dwelling Districts", only the following uses and structures designed for such uses shall be permitted:

- 1. Any use permitted in the "R-1, Single Family District".
- 2. Duplex.
- 3. Garage Apartment.

## C. Conditional uses.

Within the "R-2, Multiple Dwelling Districts", the following uses may be allowed as conditional uses:

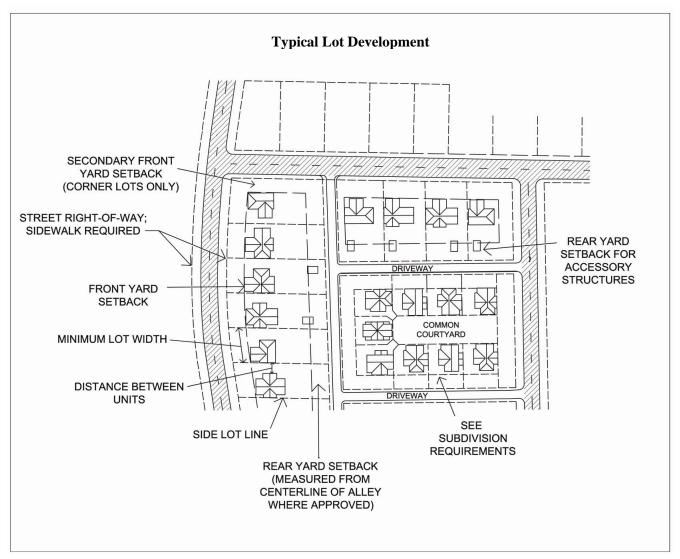
- 1. Church or other place of worship provided, that any building shall be located not less than 50 feet from any side lot line.
- 2. Public school, elementary or high, or a parochial or private school having a curriculum including the same courses as ordinarily given in a public school, but not providing residential accommodations for students; provided, that any such building shall be located not less than 50 feet from any side lot line.
- 3. Parks.
- 4. Group Care Home.
- 5. Bed & Breakfast Inn.
- 6. Public Facility.
- 7. Public Utility Facility.

#### Section 13.03. Area and dimensional regulations.

Except as provided in Articles 7, 20 and 26, the area and dimensional regulations set forth in the following table shall be observed.

Maximum Height of Structures			Minim	um Yards	Minimum Lot Area Per Family	Minimum Lot Width	
Stories	Feet	Front	Rear	One Side	Total Both Sides		
21/2	35	30 Feet	30 Feet	8 Feet	18 Feet	10,000 sq. ft. for single family dwellings 6,000 sq. ft. for two family dwellings	70 feet for single family dwellings 50 feet for two family

# R-2, MULTIPLE FAMILY DISTRICT



## ARTICLE 14. R-4, MULTIPLE DWELLING DISTRICT

## Section 14.01. Generally.

The regulations set forth in this Article or set forth elsewhere in this Ordinance, when referred to in this Article, are the regulations in the "R-4, Multiple Dwelling District". This district is intended to provide a zoning classification for medium high density development of single family homes, duplexes and multiple family dwellings.

# Section 14.02. Use Regulations.

#### A. Permitted uses.

Within the "R-4, Multiple Dwelling Districts", only the following uses and structures designed for such uses shall be permitted:

- 1. Any use permitted in the "R-2, Multiple Dwelling District".
- 2. Duplex.
- 3. Apartments.
- 4. Condominiums, town houses, or row houses will be permitted when the total site includes a minimum of two (2) acres and provided the site plan, deed restrictions, and covenants bear the approval of the Town Council.
- 5. Child Day Care Home.
- 6. Assisted or Independent Living Facility.
- 7. Domestic Violence Shelter.
- 8. Group Care Home.

#### B. Conditional uses.

Within the "R-4, Multiple Dwelling Districts", the following uses may be allowed as conditional uses:

- 1. Church or other place of worship provided, that any building shall be located not less than 50 feet from any side lot line.
- 4. Public school, elementary or high, or a parochial or private school having a curriculum including the same courses as ordinarily given in a public school, but not providing residential accommodations for students; provided, that any such building shall be located not less than 50 feet from any side lot line.
- 5. Parks.
- 6. Public Facility.
- 7. Public Utility Facility.
- 8. Child Day Care Center.

## Section 14.03. Area and Dimensional Regulations.

Except as provided in Articles 7, 20 and 26, the area and dimensional regulations set forth in the following table shall be observed.

Maximum Height of Structures			Minim	um Yards	Minimum Lot Area Per Family	Minimum Lot Width	
Stories	Feet	Front	Rear	One Side	Total Both Sides		
21/2	35	30 Feet	30 Feet	8 Feet	18 Feet	10,000 sq. ft. for single family dwellings 6,000 sq. ft. for two family dwellings 5,000 sq. ft. for multiple dwellings	70 Feet

#### A. Town Houses and Row Houses.

- Total site area including open space, yards and commons but excluding streets and parking areas shall contain a minimum of 5,000 square feet per dwelling unit. Not more than eight dwelling units per building shall be permitted.
- 2. Minimum lot area per dwelling unit shall be 2,500 square feet.
- 3. Minimum lot width shall be 25 feet.
- 4. Minimum front and rear yards shall be 30 feet.
- 5. Minimum side yards shall be 10 feet.
- B. Multiple Dwellings (Condominiums and Apartments).
  - 1. More than one multiple dwelling building may be located upon a lot or tract, but such buildings shall not encroach upon the front, side or rear yards required by the district regulations. For multiple dwellings the open space between buildings shall be sixty (60) feet when one or both are two-story buildings, and eighty (80) feet when one or both are three or more story buildings.
  - 9. Not more than eight dwelling units per building shall be permitted.
- C. Assisted or Independent Living Facility, or Non-Residential uses.
  - 1. The minimum lot area for assisted living centers and other non-residential uses shall be four times the gross floor area of the building.
  - 2. For independent living facilities, residential care facilities and nursing homes the open space between buildings shall be thirty (30) feet when one or both are two-story buildings, and forty (40) feet when one or both are three or more story buildings.

#### ARTICLE 15. O & I, OFFICE AND INSTITUTIONAL DISTRICT

## Section 15.01. Generally.

The regulations set forth in this Article or set forth elsewhere in this Ordinance, when referred to in this Article, are the regulations in the "O & I, Office and Institutional District". This district is intended to for the orderly arrangement of institutional, clerical and administrative uses.

# Section 15.02. Use regulations.

#### A. Permitted uses.

Within the "O & I, Office and Institutional Districts", only the following uses and structures designed for such uses shall be permitted:

- 1. Any use permitted in the "R-4, Multiple Dwelling District", except single family residences.
- 2. Business or Professional Office.
- 3. Sales office; provided, the merchandise shall not be stored on the premises.
- 4. Bank or Financial Institution.
- 5. Research or testing laboratories compatible with other permitted uses.
- 6. A clinic, sanitarium, convalescent home or hospital except one used for the treatment of animals.
- 7. Church or school.
- 8. Child Day Care Center.
- 9. Auditorium, library or museum operated by non-profit organizations.
- 10. Community or Cultural Center.
- 11. Community Service Club.
- 12. Medical Clinic.
- 13. Independent living facility, residential care facility, and nursing home.
- 14. Establishments rendering business or relative services associated with the permitted uses of the district including, but not limited to, restaurants, selling of office supplies and business forms and machines.
- 15. Accessory structures and uses, including commercial uses which are clearly incidental to the permitted use of the premises and which are carried on wholly within a main building or accessory building.
- 16. Public Facility.
- B. Conditional uses.

Within the "O & I, Office and Institutional Districts" the following uses may be allowed as conditional uses:

- 1. Parks.
- 2. Outdoor recreation.
- 3. Funeral Home.
- 4. Public Utility Facility.

# Section 15.03. Area and Dimensional Regulations.

Except as provided in Articles 7, 20 and 26 the area and dimensional regulations set forth in the R-4 Multiple Family District ( $\S$  13.03) shall be observed. Minimum lot width for non-residential structures or uses shall be 50 feet.

## ARTICLE 16. B-1, NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS DISTRICT

## Section 16.01. Generally.

The regulations set forth in this Article or set forth elsewhere in this Ordinance, when referred to in this Article, are the regulations in the "B-1, Neighborhood Business District". This district is intended to provide a zoning classification for commercial uses that are limited in character and size to that of which is of service to the immediately surrounding neighborhood.

## Section 16.02. Use Regulations.

#### A. Permitted uses.

Within the "B-1, Local Business Districts", only the following uses and structures designed for such uses shall be permitted:

- 1. Any use permitted in the "O & I, Office and Institutional District".
- 2. Loft apartments and condominiums.
- 3. Community Center.
- 4. Community Service Club.
- 5. Child Day Care Center.
- 6. Public Facility.
- 7. Entertainment and Recreation (Indoor).
- 8. Greenhouse having a retail outlet on the premises.
- 9. Bakery with sale of all bakery products at retail on the premises only; except, that catering services direct to consumer shall be permitted.
- 10. Barber shop, beauty shop, massage or similar personal service shops.
- 11. Catering shop.
- 12. Dressmaking and tailoring; provided, that all work is done for individuals, at retail only, and on the premises.
- 13. Drugstore.
- 14. Laundromat.
- 15. Parking lot and storage or parking garage.
- 16. Restaurant or coffee shop; provided that the service of food or beverages to patrons waiting in parked automobiles shall not be permitted.
- 17. General retail store (enclosed), limited in character and size to that which is of service to the immediate neighborhood only, except for any such use listed for the first time in the B-2 district.
- 18. Service station; except, no pump shall be located within 75 feet of a dwelling district, nor any portion of a structure within 30 feet of a dwelling district.
- 19. Shoe repairing, repairing of household appliances and bicycles on an individual service call basis, and other uses of a similar character limited in size and nature to those which serve the immediately surrounding neighborhood.
- 20. Accessory structures and uses, including signs, pursuant to Article 20.
- 21. Amusement or recreation service, except drive-in theater or practice golf-driving range.
- 22. Business, dancing or music school.

- 23. Display room for merchandise to be sold at wholesale.
- 24. Hotel, motel, or motor court.
- 25. Bank or lending institution.
- 26. Medical or dental laboratory.
- 27. Bed and Breakfast Inn.
- 28. The following uses provided all materials are stored and all work done on the premises is done within a building:
  - a) Dyeing and cleaning establishment or laundry; provided pickup or delivery of clothing is not made to other pickup points.
  - b) Painting decorators.
  - c) Radio or television repair shop.
  - d) Dressmaking, millinery or tailoring establishment.
  - e) Upholstering shop, not involving furniture manufacturing.
  - f) Any other general service or repair establishment of similar character.

## B. Conditional uses.

Within the "B-1, Local Business Districts", the following uses may be allowed as conditional uses:

- 1. Outdoor recreation.
- 2. Public Utility Facility.
- 3. Nursing home.
- 4. Funeral Home.

# Section 16.03. Area and Dimensional Regulations.

Except as provided in Articles 7, 20 and 26, the area and dimensional regulations set forth below shall be observed.

Maximum Height of Structures			Minimum Lot Width		
Stories	Feet	Front			
21/2	35 Feet	20 Feet	None, except on the rear of a lot abutting a dwelling district, in which case there shall be a rear yard of not less than 20 feet	None, except on the side of a lot abutting a dwelling district, in which case there shall be a side yard of not less than 20 feet	None

For residential care facilities and nursing homes, area and dimensional regulations shall conform to the regulations of the "R-4, Multiple Family District" (§ 13.03).

#### ARTICLE 17. B-2 GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT

## Section 17.01. Generally.

The regulations set forth in this Article or set forth elsewhere in this Ordinance, when referred to in this Article, are the regulations in the "B-2, General Business District". This district is intended to provide a zoning classification for general commercial uses.

# Section 17.02. Use Regulations.

#### A. Permitted uses.

Within the "B-2, General Business Districts", only the following uses and structures designed for such uses shall be permitted:

- 1. Any use permitted in the "B-1, Local Business District", provided, however, that the limitations upon extent of service area shall not apply.
- 2. Automobiles or trailer display and sales room.
- 3. Public garage.
- 4. Frozen food locker.
- 5. Farm support business.
- 6. Hospital or clinic for animals, but not including open kennels.
- 7. Funeral Home.
- 8. General retail store or shop (enclosed).
- 9. Pawn Shop.
- 10. Fast Food or Drive-In Restaurant.
- 11. Used car lot.
- 12. A shopping center or facility composed of any one or more of the permitted uses or any combination thereof.
- 13. Home Improvement Center.
- 14. Hardware or building materials sales.
- 15. Entertainment and Recreation (Indoor).
- 16. Mini-Storage (not permitted on Main Street).
- 17. Automotive, farm implement or trailer repair or servicing; provided that all work on the premises is done within a building, and all materials are stored in a building.
- 18. Carpentry, painting, plumbing and electrical shops; provided that all work on the premises is done within a building, and all materials are stored in a building.

## B. Conditional uses.

Within the "B-2, General Business Districts", the following uses may be allowed as conditional uses:

- 1. Outdoor recreation.
- 2. Public Utility Facility.
- 3. Nursing home.

# Section 17.03. Area and Dimensional Regulations.

Except as provided in Articles 7, 20 and 26, the area and dimensional regulations set forth in the following table shall be observed:

	Maximum Height of Structures		Minimum Yards	Minimum Lot Area	Minimum Lot Width
Stories	Feet	Front	Rear / Side		
6	75 Feet	None	None, except where abutting a dwelling district, in which case there shall be a yard of not less than 20 feet abutting the dwelling district. The required yards shall be increased 1 foot for each foot of structure height in excess of 35 feet	Detached – 5,000 square feet per unit  Duplex – 5,000 square feet per unit.  Attached – 3,000 square feet per unit.	No Minimum

For residential care facilities and nursing homes, area and dimensional regulations shall conform to the regulations of the "R-4, Multiple Family District" (§13.03).

## Other Uses:

# A. Mini-Storage.

- 1. No storage space shall exceed 400 square feet and one story in height.
- 2. Each storage space shall be served by a paved driveway with a minimum width of 15 feet for each direction of travel.

The entire site shall be enclosed by security fencing of eight feet in height and be kept lit with security lighting throughout.

## ARTICLE 18. M-2, HEAVY INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT

## Section 18.01. Generally.

The regulations set forth in this Article or set forth elsewhere in this Ordinance, when referred to in this Article, are the regulations in the "M-2, Heavy Industrial District". This district is intended to provide a zoning classification for heavy industrial uses that are generally conducted within a closed building.

# Section 18.02. Use Regulations.

## A. Permitted uses.

Within "M-2, Heavy Industrial Districts", only the following uses and structures designed for such uses shall be permitted:

- 1. Any use permitted in the "B-2, General Business District" except child care centers.
- 2. Lumber yard.
- 3. Animal hospital including open kennels
- 4. Contractor's or construction dealer's yard
- 5. Grain and feed Storage.
- 6. Farm Support business.
- 7. Warehousing.
- 8. Assembly or parts for production of finished equipment.
- 9. Transportation, communication and utility.
- 10. Any other use not in conflict with other ordinances in the Town of Wilsonville.

## Section 18.03. Area and Dimensional Regulations.

Except as provided in Articles 7, 20 and 26, the area and dimensional regulations set forth in the following table shall be observed:

Maximum Height of Structures			Minimum Yards	Minimum Lot Area	Minimum Lot Width
Stories	Feet	Front	Rear / Side		
8	100 Feet	None	None, except where abutting a dwelling district, in which case there shall be a yard of not less than 30 feet abutting the dwelling district. The required yards shall be increased 1 foot for each foot of structure height in excess of 35 feet	No Minimum	No Minimum

## ARTICLE 19. SD, SPECIAL DISTRICT

## Section 19.01. Generally.

- A. Special Districts are hereby authorized for the purpose of providing optional methods of land development, which encourages imaginative solutions to environmental design problems. Areas so established shall be characterized by a unified building and site development program providing for coordinated open space and architectural treatment. The special districts authorized by this Article are also intended to provide means for the establishment of uses, which are generally considered to be incompatible with most other land usage.
- B. The procedure to be followed in the creation of Special Districts shall conform to the regulations for any other zone change with the following exceptions.
  - Any petition for the establishment of a Special District shall be submitted to the Planning Commission for its review and recommendation to the Town Council. Approval of the request by the Town Council shall be based upon the Commission's advisory opinion and consideration of the following:
    - a. That the value and character of the property or properties adjacent to the property under consideration will not be adversely affected.
    - b. That the proposed development is consistent with the intent and purpose of this Ordinance to promote public health, safety, morals and the general welfare.
    - c. That the final plan for the proposed development meets the requirements of this Ordinance as well as the requirements of all other regulating bodies.
    - d. That the proposed Special District is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan of the Town of Wilsonville.
    - e. That an approved method of sewage disposal is readily available to the tract under consideration.
  - 2. The establishment of a Special District will be for the express purpose of improving the subject property in accordance with the approved plan of development for the particular property and for the uses set forth in the development plan.
  - 3. If within one year from the effective date of the zoning amendment construction has not commenced, the Planning Commission may recommend that the Town Council, by appropriate action, repeal the amendment establishing the Special District. Once construction is started the improvements set forth in the plan of development must be completed within two years from date of issuance. Otherwise, the Planning Commission may recommend that the Town Council repeal the amendment establishing the Special District. Extension of time may be granted as long as satisfactory progress is being made.
  - 4. Unless specific variations are noted on the development plan and approved by the Town Council, the most restrictive requirements for signs, lighting, parking, loading, yards, and dimensional regulations for the proposed use shall be applicable to the Special District.

## Section 19.02. Planned Shopping Center District.

- A. A Special District created for the purpose of establishing a Planned Shopping Center.
- B. The Planned Shopping Center District shall be laid out, developed and used according to a plan prepared in compliance with the provisions of this Article in order to provide for modern retail shopping facilities in appropriate locations to serve residential neighborhoods or regional areas. Any owner or owners of property may request that such property be zoned as a Planned Shopping Center District by proceeding under the provisions of this Article, but the failure of such owner or owners to apply under this Article shall not prevent them from constructing or causing to be constructed a retail sales complex, customarily called a Shopping Center, upon such property provided said property is zoned so as to permit its use for this purpose.
- C. The use of each building or premises shall be in accordance with the plan referred to in this Article, which uses shall be limited to services, offices, clinics, parking, retails sale of merchandise, and similar activities ordinarily accepted as shopping center uses. No building shall be designed, constructed, structurally altered or used for residential purposes, except to provide within the buildings allowed, facilities for a custodian, caretaker, or watchman employed on the premises.
- D. The structures permitted in this Article shall observe a maximum height of four (4) stories or fifty-five (55) feet.
- E. The owner or owners of property may submit to the Planning Commission a plan for the development and use of such tract for the purpose of and meeting the requirements set forth in this Article. Said plan shall comply with all requirements of this Article and shall be accompanied by evidence concerning the feasibility of the project and the effect of the proposed development on surrounding property and other physical conditions. Said plan and supporting evidence shall include each of the following:
  - 1. A site plan defining the areas wherein buildings may be constructed, the areas which will be developed for parking and the proportionate amount thereof, the location of roads, driveways and walks and the points of ingress and egress, including access streets where required, the location and height of walls, the spaces for loading, the location, size, character and number of signs, the location and character of exterior lighting, and the character and extent of landscaping, planting and other treatment for the protection of adjoining property.
  - 2. A drainage plan approved by the Town Engineer.
  - 3. A copy of any deed restrictions intended to be recorded.
  - 4. A professional report on the needs and extent of the market to be served, and general economic justification.
  - 5. A professional traffic analysis indicating the effect of the proposed shopping center on adjacent streets and roadways and also indicating the direction and amount of traffic flow to and from the shopping center.
- F. Before any action thereon, the proposed planned shopping center plan, together with the required supplementary information shall be referred to the Planning Commission for study and report. Reasonable additional requirements may be required by the Planning Commission for the protection of adjoining residential property.
- G. The Planning Commission shall submit a recommendation to the Town Council for consideration of the approval of the proposed Planned Shopping Center District.

## Section 19.03. Planned Residential District.

- A. The regulations established in this section are intended to provide optional methods of land development with provisions for commercial, religious, educational and cultural facilities integrated with the total project by unified architectural and open space treatment.
- B. The following uses are permitted:
  - 1. Single family attached and detached dwellings.
  - 2. Two family dwellings.
  - 3. Multiple family dwelling including condominiums and town houses.
  - 4. Commercial uses. For each one hundred (100) dwelling units to be established, four (4) acres may be set aside for commercial use provided that adequate protection of adjacent properties is afforded by the plan.
  - 5. Recreation uses. Recreation uses may include a community center, golf course, swimming pool, or parks, playground or other recreational uses. Any structure involved in such use shall have a thirty-five (35) foot setback from all property lines. The amount of land set aside for permanent open space shall be a minimum of ten (10) percent of the gross development area.
  - 6. Educational uses.
  - 7. Community facilities such as churches and other religious institutions and non-profit clubs such as country clubs, swim and/or tennis area.
- D. The owner or owners of property may submit to the Planning Commission a plan for the development and use of such tract for the purpose of and meeting the requirements set forth in this Article. Said plan shall comply with all requirements of this Article and shall be accompanied by evidence concerning the feasibility of the project and the effect of the proposed development on surrounding property and other physical conditions. Said plan and supporting evidence shall include each of the following:
  - 1. A site plan defining the areas wherein buildings may be constructed, the areas which will be developed for parking and the proportionate amount thereof, the location of roads, driveways and walks and the points of ingress and egress, including access streets where required, the location and height of walls, the spaces for loading, the location, size, character and number of signs, the location and character of exterior lighting, and the character and extent of landscaping, planting and other treatment for the protection of adjoining property.
  - 2. A drainage plan approved by the Town Engineer.
  - 3. A copy of any deed restrictions intended to be recorded.
  - 4. A professional report on the needs and extent of the market to be served, and general economic justification.
  - 5. A professional traffic analysis indicating the effect of the proposed shopping center on adjacent streets and roadways and also indicating the direction and amount of traffic flow to and from the shopping center.
- a) The following requirements are minimums and are intended to serve as a guide in plan formulation. The Town Council retains the authority to waive the provisions of this section or to impose greater requirements than herein stated. All buildings shall be set back from street rightof-way lines and from the periphery of the project to comply with the following requirements:
  - 1. There shall be a front yard for all detached single family dwellings of not less than twenty-five (25) feet. The front yard setback for all other structures shall be as determined by the Town Council
  - 2. Unless indicated elsewhere, all buildings shall have a setback of not less than twenty-five (25) feet.

- 3. In no case shall a lot for a single family detached structure be created with an area of less than 5,000 square feet or a minimum lot width of less than sixty (60) feet at the building line.
- b) In addition to other applicable regulations the following rules shall be observed.
  - The application must be accompanied by a site development plan showing the proposed use or
    uses, dimensions and locations of proposed streets, parks, play-grounds, other open spaces,
    residential buildings, commercial buildings and such other pertinent information as may be
    necessary to adequately determine that the proposed development meets the purpose of this
    Ordinance.
  - 2. The Town Council shall review the conformity of the proposed development by employing recognized principles of design and land use planning. The minimum yard and maximum height requirements of the zone district shall not apply except as set forth herein. The Planning Commission may impose conditions regarding layout, circulation, and other physical improvements.
  - 3. Where the planned residential development provides for single family attached (town homes) or single family detached housing to be held under individual ownership, the appropriate subdivision action, pursuant to the Subdivision Regulations of the Town of Wilsonville, shall be completed and the record map recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate.
  - 4. The proposed development must be designed to produce an environment of stable and desirable character not out of harmony with its surrounding neighborhood. It shall include provisions for recreation areas to meet the needs of the anticipated population.
- G. The Planning Commission shall submit a recommendation to the Town Council for consideration of the approval of the proposed Planned Residential District.

## Section 19.04. Marina Village District.

The regulations established in the section are intended to encourage development of a Marina Village with sufficient intensity and density to attract residents and visitors and to serve as a center for the community. The marina and it's village, surrounded by residential and village scale retail development, will be a vibrant, walkable and livable district that enhances the economic, cultural and social focus of the community.

The Marina Village is intended to incorporate both the water and surrounding neighborhoods into a "main street" on the river. Residents will have either public or private access to the water. All non-residential components of the Marina Village should be compatible to the surrounding neighborhood and located nearest to the village core. The minimum gross land area required for establishment of a "Marina and Village District" is forty (40) acres.

#### A. Marina.

The Marina Village development should include a full or partial service marina and marina support services. Other uses in the district may include:

- 1. Lodging accommodations
- 2. Single family and attached family dwellings
- 3. Rental and part time occupancy property
- 5. Supporting neighborhood facilities, except that no drive through facilities permitted.
- 6. Public parks
- 7. Bicycle facilities
- 8. Boat storage and launches
- 9. Restaurants and other food services, except that no drive through facilities permitted.
- 10. Other uses permitted in the underlying zoning district

The character and configuration of a proposed marina development shall be consistent with the Clean Water Act, Marine Plastic Pollution Research and Control Act, and the *Alabama Mississippi Clean Marina Program*. The Town Council retains the authority to waive the provisions and requirements of this section or to impose greater requirements than herein required.

- 1. The marina building shall not exceed four stories in height and shall be designed to reflect a traditional southern architecture approved by the Planning Commission.
- 2. Walkways for berthing areas up to 300 feet in length shall have a minimum width of six (6) feet. Walkways that exceed 300 feet in length shall have a minimum width of eight (8) feet. Fingerfloats shall maintain a clear width of five (5) feet.
- 3. Accommodation must be made for the potential environmental loads on the dock by nature including wildlife.
- 4. Comply with federal, state and local watershed outfall and septic system regulations, and maintain a dump station or a wand attachment to empty portable toilets.
- 5. Comply with all sections of the Alabama Power Company Standard Land Use (SLU) Form and related Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) guidelines.
- 6. Comply with all federal, state and National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) petroleum handling and storage requirements including but not limited to the following:
  - a. Use automatic shutoffs on fuel lines and at hose nozzle to eliminate fuel loss.
  - b. Have a pump delivery rate of less than ten (10) gallons per minute
  - c. Maintain proper easy to read and illustrative signs on the fuel deck explaining proper

fueling procedure, spill prevention and spill reporting procedure.

- d. Have nozzle rings or small petroleum absorption pads available for use when fueling to prevent splashback and drips.
- 7. Store, use and dispose of non-recyclable hazardous waste in accordance with state and federal regulations.
- 8. Boat slips shall be designed to accommodate a variety of boat sizes and types ranging from pontoons and professional series fishing to small recreational boats.
- 9. Provide trash cans, bins and dumpsters that are covered, well marked and convenient.

## B. Village.

A village designed to support a marina is intended to provide a full range of residential housing types and affordability. It includes sites for both owner occupied and leased dwellings including seasonal residences; lodging facilities, small scale retail and other uses that support marina and boating operations appropriate to a residential setting. The connections throughout the village should be designed to encourage pedestrian and bicycle traffic including connection to adjoining roads and existing neighborhoods.

- Retail development in the village should be located adjacent to the marina and reflective of its
  architectural design. Retail should not exceed two stories in height and further decrease in
  scale as it merges with residential blocks. Street trees, landscaping, sidewalk
  plantings/furniture and parking layout design should create a pedestrian focus along the main
  street and into the residential village.
  - a. Drive in and drive through retail operations are not permitted in the village.
  - b. Development in the flood plain is discouraged and areas subject to frequent flooding should be considered for areas of passive recreation over residential construction.
- 2. The overall residential density of the Village shall be 2-3 dwellings units per acre. Residential structures nearest the core of the village shall be of a higher density than those located further from the core as they blend into existing neighborhoods surrounding the development.
- Multi-modal connectivity throughout the village with access to downtown is integral to the village design. Off street parking should be located on internal blocks and to the rear of building sites.
- 4. Passive and active public recreational opportunities along the river are encouraged in the overall all design of the village.
- 5. All development that occurs in the village shall conform to a site development plan having a unified architecture and open space treatment that has been approved by the Planning Commission and the Town Council.

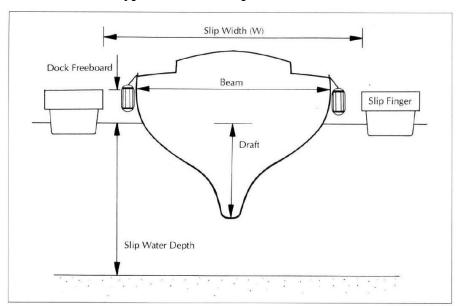
#### C. Application.

The owner(s) or authorized representative of the property shall submit to the Planning Commission a plan for the development and use of such tract for the purpose of and meeting the requirements set forth in this Ordinance. Said plan shall comply with the requirements of this Ordinance and shall be accompanied by evidence concerning the feasibility of the project as well as the effect of the proposed development on the surrounding property and other physical conditions. Said plan and supporting evidence shall include each of the following:

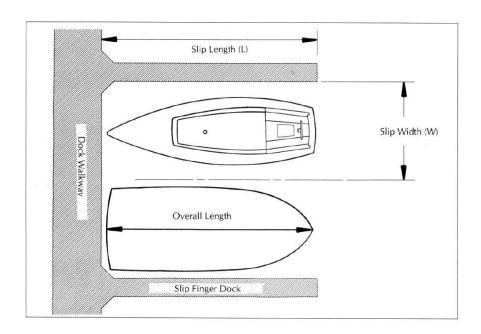
1. A site development plan to include, but not be limited to, the location and height of all structures; parking; ingress and egress; pedestrian amenities and circulation plans; location, size and number of all signs; storm water drainage; buffering and screening; exterior lighting, (to be directed downward and not extend to adjacent properties); and the location and screening of solid waste disposal container or pump station by a six-foot-high wood screen fence on three sides and double gated at the other.

- 2. A drainage plan that has been approved by the Town Engineer.
- 3. A copy of any deed restrictions intended to be recorded with the intended development.
- 4. A professional report on the needs and extent of the market to be served.
- 5. A professional traffic analysis identifying the effect of the proposed development on the adjoining streets and roadways and also indicating the direction and amount of traffic flow to and from the proposed development.
- D. In addition to other applicable regulations of this Ordinance, the following guidelines shall be observed.
  - 1. All buildings shall be situated immediately adjacent to the right-of-way in the main village area focused around a central marina with parking to the rear of any structure.
  - 2. Buildings shall be oriented in a way that highlights the water as the primary attraction.
  - 3. Attached multi-family structures shall have a minimum of 3,000 square feet of property per unit.
  - 4. Rirap revetment or biostabilization shall be installed where shorelines need stabilization.
  - 5. A park shall be included within the development including public access to the water and shall be located upstream from any boat storage areas.
  - 6. A public boat launch shall be made available that meets the regulations herein.
  - 7. The Planning Commission shall review the application including all required maps and documentation for the proposed Marina Village development by employing recognized principles of design and land use planning. The Commission shall submit recommendations to the Town Council for their consideration.
  - 8. The Town Council shall review the application including all required maps and documentation for the proposed Marina and Village development including the recommendations of the Planning Commission. The Town Council may impose additional conditions regarding layout, circulation, hours of operation or other physical improvements.
  - 9. All developments shall conform to the Subdivision Regulations of the Town of Wilsonville and the record map shall be recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate.

# **Typical Boat and Slip Characteristics**



**Typical Double Slip Plan** 



## Section 19.05. Planned Industrial District.

- A. A special district for the purpose of a Planned Industrial District.
- B. The owner or owners of property comprised of ten (10) acres or more in any acceptable zone district, may submit to the Planning Commission a plan for the development and use of such tract meeting the requirements set forth in this Section and shall be accompanied by evidence concerning the number of persons expected to be employed, the effect of the proposed development on surrounding property, and other physical conditions. Said plan and supporting evidence shall include each of the following:
  - 1. A site plan defining the areas wherein buildings may be constructed, the areas which will be developed for parking and the proportionate amount thereof, the location of roads, driveways and walks, and the points of ingress and egress including access streets where required, the location and height of walls, the spaces for loading, the location, size, character and number of signs, the location and character of exterior lighting, and the character and extent of landscaping, planting and other treatment for protection of adjoining property.
  - 2. A professional traffic analysis indicating that the proposed development will be so related to streets and arteries that the traffic generated can be accommodated without causing objectionable volumes of traffic on residential streets.
  - 3. A copy of any deed restrictions intended to be recorded.
- C. Before any action thereon, the proposed Planned Industrial District plan, together with the required supplementary information, shall be referred to the Planning Commission for study. Reasonable additional requirements may be required by the Planning Commission for the protection of adjoining residential property.
- D. The use of each building or premises shall be in accordance with the proposed plan and shall be limited to:
  - 1. Research or testing laboratory.
  - Offices.
  - 3. Printing or engraving plant.
  - 4. Radio or television broadcasting station or studio.
  - 5. Manufacturing, fabricating, assembling, or processing of the following:
    - a. Small electrical or electronic equipment.
    - b. Jewelry.
    - c. Cosmetics.
    - d. Medical, dental or drafting instruments.
    - e. Musical instruments, games or toys.
    - f. Optical equipment, clocks, watches, or similar precision instruments.
    - g. Clay, leather, fabric, metal wood or glass products of a handcraft nature.
    - h. Clothing.
    - i. Fur goods, except tanning or dyeing.
    - j. Sporting goods.
    - k. Plastic products, not including processing of raw materials.
  - 6. Other uses similar to those listed in this Article which do not create any danger to health or safety in surrounding areas and which do not create any objectionable noise, vibration, smoke, dust, odor, heat or glare.
  - 7. Accessory structures and uses.

- E. Area and dimensional regulations.
  - 1. The structures permitted in this section shall observe a maximum height of three (3) stories or forty-five (45) feet.
  - 2. A twenty-five foot setback line from all property lines shall be required.
- F. The Planning Commission shall submit a recommendation to the Town Council for consideration of the approval of the proposed Planned Industrial District.

## Section 19.06. Manufactured Home Community.

- A. A special district for the purpose of establishing a Manufactured Home Community may be permitted only in the A-1 Agricultural District.
- B. The location of manufactured home communities shall be reviewed by the Planning Commission and approved by the Town Council.
- C. Special Districts intended for use as manufactured home communities shall be subject to the following standards:
  - 1. No parcel of land containing less than six acres and having less than ten (10) manufactured home spaces, available at the time of first occupancy, shall be used for a manufactured home community.
  - 2. The manufactured home community shall be constructed so as to provide adequate light and air and to avoid undue congestion; provided, however, there shall be not less than 5,000 square feet of site area for each space provided. This space ratio shall include access roads, automobile parking, accessory building space, and recreation area.
  - 3. The manufactured home community shall be located on a well-drained site; it shall be so located that its drainage will not endanger any water supply, and shall be in conformity with all applicable health and sanitation regulations in force by the County Health Officer/Health Department.
- D. Manufactured Home Community Standards.

The following development standards shall apply to all Manufactured Home Communities hereinafter established or altered.

- 1. There shall be established and maintained within each manufactured home community an automobile parking area for the use of guests. The number of parking spaces within the area shall be equal to one (1) for every four (4) manufactured home spaces.
- 2. The entrance and exit street or streets shall be designed to provide safe and convenient access between the public street and the community interior street system.
- 3. Community street systems shall meet the following standards:
  - A. Community streets shall be platted with a space, not less than 30 feet wide, to accommodate streets, drainage structures and utilities, etc.

Community streets that serve more than 200 vehicles per day shall be paved with plantmix asphalt or a more durable material to a width of not less than 22 feet. Community streets that serve no more than 200 vehicles per day for residential access only shall be paved to a width of not less than 18 feet and may be paved with double bituminous surface treatment. Vehicles per day shall be as determined in the most current publication of the Institute of Traffic Engineers concerning traffic generation.

Each manufactured home site shall be accessible from abutting streets for all essential and emergency uses by vehicular equipment, including equipment used by public protective agencies (fire, police and ambulance services).

The street layout shall be designed to provide for the continuous flow of traffic, with culde-sacs (minimum radius of 50 feet) being permissible. Streets shall be designed with a horizontal and vertical alignment which meets at least a twenty (20) mile-per-hour design speed.

Traffic control signs (stop, yield, and speed) shall be placed and maintained in good condition throughout the community where necessary.

Each street shall have a permanent sign installed with a designated name identifying each street.

Paving of community streets shall be completed within two years of approval of the final plat. Streets and parking areas shall be maintained by the owner, operator, and/or manager of the manufactured home community at all times.

4. Each manufactured home space shall be provided with a connection to a sanitary sewer line or to a sewer system approved by the Health Department.

#### 5. Yards.

- a. Each manufactured home community shall have a Type "C" buffer along the full width of the frontage of the parcel devoted to said use.
- b. Each manufactured home community shall have a Type "B" buffer on rear and side yards.
- c. Where a side or rear yard abuts a street, the yard shall not be less than twenty-five (25) feet in depth, and all yards shall be landscaped and maintained.
- 6. An accessible, adequate, safe, and potable supply of water approved by the Health Officer/Department shall be provided in each manufactured home community.
- 7. Refuse storage, collection and disposal shall be in conformity with the laws and regulations prescribed by the Health Department.
- 8. There shall be provided a park and recreation area having a minimum of one hundred and fifty (150) square feet for each manufactured home space. Areas shall be consolidated into usable areas with minimum dimensions of not less than thirty (30) feet in width.
- 9. Only factory prefabricated portable attachments or awnings may be attached to or become a part of any mobile home. No permanent addition of any kind shall be built onto, nor become a part of any manufactured home except that porches and decks shall be built according to minimum building code requirements.
- 10. Manufactured homes shall not be used for commercial, industrial, or other non-residential uses within the manufactured home community.
- 11. No manufactured home, building or accessory structure shall be erected or stationed in the park having a height greater than one and one half  $(1\frac{1}{2})$  stories or twenty (20) feet.
- 12. Each manufactured home community shall be permitted to display one identifying sign of a maximum size of twelve (12) square feet on each street frontage. Said sign shall contain thereon only the name and address of the manufactured home community and may be lighted by indirect lighting only.
- 13. All manufactured home spaces shall meet, the following area and dimensional requirements:
  - a. Each manufactured home space shall be at least fifty (50) feet wide and one hundred (100) feet deep, and such space shall be clearly defined by permanent markers.
  - b. There shall be a front yard setback of at least ten (10) feet from all access roads within the manufactured home community.
  - c. Unless indicated elsewhere, all manufactured homes shall maintain a minimum setback of twenty-five (25) feet from all property lines.
- 14. All manufactured homes shall be situated to provide a minimum of twenty (20) feet of separation between any other manufactured home or any attachments thereto; provided, however, that with respect to manufactured homes situated end-to-end, the end-to-end separation shall be a minimum of fifteen (15) feet. No manufactured home shall be located closer than twenty (20) feet from any building within the park.
- 15. There shall be at least two (2) off-street parking spaces for each manufactured home space which shall be on the same site. Additional parking areas specifically designed for such purpose may be provided.
- 16. Each manufactured home space shall be provided with an improved patio of at least two hundred (200) square feet.

- 17. Each manufactured home shall have tie-downs or other devices securing the stability of the manufactured home based on the requirements of the manufacturer or the installation standards of the Alabama Manufactured Housing Commission.
- 18. Foundations shall be installed in accordance with the standards set forth in the manufacturer's set-up requirements and meet the minimum installation standards of the Alabama Manufactured Housing Commission.
- 19. Installation of skirting on all manufactured homes shall be required. Installation shall be in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions. Acceptable materials may include masonry, stone, metal, vinyl, or other materials manufactured for the purpose of skirting.

# E. Application.

Application for the approval of a site development plan shall be made on a form made available from the Town Clerk. To ensure an adequate and comprehensive review a completed application shall be filed with the Administrator at least thirty (30) days prior to the Planning and Zoning Commission hearing. Said application shall include the following:

- 1. The location and the legal description of the proposed manufactured home community.
- 2. Plans and specifications of all buildings, facilities and any other improvements constructed or to be constructed within the proposed manufactured home community.
- 3. The proposed use of all buildings and structures shown on the site.
- 4. The location and size of all manufactured home spaces.
- 5. The location of all points of entry and exit for vehicles and internal circulation pattern.
- 6. The proposed landscaping plan, pursuant to Article 23.
- 7. The location of all lighting to be provided.
- 8. The location of walls and fences, dimensions and materials of construction.
- 9. The location of all off-street parking.
- 10. Any other information that may be considered necessary by the Planning Commission for full and proper consideration of the proposed manufactured home community.
- 11. A time schedule for development shall be prepared to demonstrate the applicant's readiness and ability to provide the proposed services. Said time shall be for a period of not more than one (1) year.

## F. General Regulations.

- 1. Any additions or alterations to existing manufactured home communities or parks hereinafter established shall be in conformity with the provisions of this Ordinance.
- 2. Every manufactured home community in existence upon the effective date of this Ordinance may be maintained and operated without being subject to the provisions of this Ordinance. No manufactured home community may be enlarged, extended, reconstructed or otherwise altered unless such alterations bring said manufactured home community into full compliance with the terms of this Ordinance. All manufactured home communities created or established after the effective date of this Ordinance shall conform to the specifications and requirements as set forth herein.
- 3. The owner or permittee, or a duly authorized attendant or caretaker shall be in charge at all times to keep the manufactured home community, its facilities and equipment in a clean, orderly, sanitary condition. The attendant or caretaker shall be answerable, with the licensee or permittee, for the violation of any provision of this Ordinance to which the license or permittee is subject.
- 4. Every manufactured home community owner or operator shall maintain a register containing a

- record of all mobile homes and occupants using the manufactured home community. Such register shall be available to any authorized person inspecting the court and shall be preserved for the period required by the Planning Commission. Such register shall contain (1) the names and addresses of all mobile home occupants stopping in the park, (2) the make, model, and license number of each motor vehicle and mobile home, (3) the state, territory, or county issuing the licenses, and (4) the dates of arrival and departure of each manufactured home.
- 5. The Planning Commission or Health Department may revoke any permit to maintain and operate a manufactured home community if the permittee fails to comply with the regulations of this Ordinance. The permit may be reissued if the circumstances leading to revocation have been remedied and the park is being maintained in full compliance with the law.

## Section 19.07. Special Mining and Resource Extraction and Reclamation District.

- A. Generally. A Special Mining and Resource Extraction and Reclamation District may be established for the following uses:
  - 1. Any use permitted in the A-1 Agricultural District except residential.
  - 2. Mining, quarrying, extracting, or other removal by open pit, strip, shaft, slope, drift, or any other method of removal of all mineral or other earth products of every kind, as herein below restricted.
  - 3. Timbering, logging, saw milling, extraction of timber products; and processing, distilling, manufacturing and treating of all such products. Reforestation shall require no permit.
  - 4. The right to erect, maintain, alter, enlarge, use and operate structures, building, machinery, housing, roads, railroads, transmission lines, right-of-way, and all other facilities of every kind accessory or appropriate to the conduct of such above permitted uses.
  - 5. The right to dump soil, tailings and other waste and to use so much of said district as may be required for such purposes, and such other rights as may be incidental or accessory to such permitted uses, provided such spoil, tailings and other waste is disposed of in a manner that pollution of streams or lakes are controlled in conformance of the Environmental Protection Agency, the Alabama Department of Environmental Management.
- B. The owner or owners of property in any acceptable zone district, may submit to the Planning Commission a plan for the development and use of such tract meeting the requirements set forth in this Section and shall be accompanied by evidence concerning the number of persons expected to be employed, the effect of the proposed development on surrounding property, and other physical conditions. Said plan and supporting evidence shall include each of the following:
  - A site plan defining the areas wherein buildings may be constructed, the areas which will be
    developed for parking and the proportionate amount thereof, the location of roads, driveways
    and walks, and the points of ingress and egress including access streets where required, the
    location and height of walls, the spaces for loading, the location, size, character and number of
    signs, the location and character of exterior lighting, and the character and extent of
    landscaping, planting and other treatment for protection of adjoining property.
  - 2. A professional traffic analysis indicating that the proposed development will be so related to streets and arteries that the traffic generated can be accommodated without causing objectionable volumes of traffic on residential streets.
  - 3. A copy of any deed restrictions intended to be recorded.
- C. Before any action thereon, the proposed Special Mining and Resource Extraction and Reclamation District plan, together with the required supplementary information, shall be referred to the Planning Commission for study. Reasonable additional requirements may be required by the Planning Commission for the protection of adjoining residential property.
- D. The Planning Commission shall review such application and submit a recommendation to the Town Council for consideration of the approval of the proposed Special Mining and Resource Extraction and Reclamation District.

## Section 19.08. Continuing Care Retirement Community.

## A. Generally.

A special district created for the purpose of establishing a Continuing Care Retirement Community (CCRC) may be permitted upon approval by the Planning Commission in the following districts: A-1, R-4 and O & I.

## B. Procedures.

In addition to other applicable regulations, the following rules shall be observed:

- 1. The application must be accompanied by a site development plan showing the use or uses, dimensions and locations of proposed streets, structures, open spaces, and such other pertinent information as may be necessary to adequately determine that the proposed development meets the purpose of this Ordinance.
- A professional traffic analysis indicating that the proposed development will be so related to streets and arteries that the traffic generated can be accommodated without causing objectionable and unsafe volumes and/or patterns of traffic on streets.
- 3. The Planning Commission shall review the conformity of the proposed development by employing recognized principles of design and land use planning. The minimum yard and maximum height requirements of the zone district shall not apply except as set forth herein. The Planning Commission may impose conditions regarding layout, circulation, and other physical improvements.
- 4. The proposed development must be designed to produce an environment of stable and desirable character not out of harmony with the surrounding neighborhood.

#### C. Minimum Standards.

The following standards shall apply to a continuing Care Retirement Community. They are minimums and are intended to serve as a guide in plan formulation:

- 1. The property shall be no less than five (5) acres;
- 2. No structure shall exceed the height in full stories permitted in the underlying zone district;
- 3. All structures shall be set back from the periphery of the property not less than twenty-five (25) feet. Additional setbacks may be required by the Planning Commission.
- 4. The amount of land set aside for permanent open space shall be a minimum of ten (10) percent of the gross development area, exclusive of lakes, ponds, or other bodies of water, and should be easily accessible to all residents of the Continuing Care Retirement Community. The open space should focus on the core of the development, rather than on the boundary(s) of the property, and shall be usable for recreation.
- 5. Parking requirements shall be determined pursuant to Article 22.
- D. The Planning Commission shall submit a recommendation to the Town Council for consideration of the approval of the proposed Continuing Care Retirement Community.

# Section 19.09. Plan Implementation District

# A. Generally.

The Plan Implementation District is designed to provide flexible development options with the goal of implementing the place-making and conservation concepts of the Comprehensive Plan of the Town of Wilsonville. Following the Town of Wilsonville's traditional community patterns, the Plan Implementation District will result in community energy concentrated in a central core, supported by a less intense focus area, with gradual transition to the rural landscape. This district applies to Conservation Subdivisions and Form Based Subdivisions implemented pursuant to the Subdivision Regulations of the Town of Wilsonville, Alabama.

# Section 19.10. Other Planned Districts.

Special Districts for uses not covered elsewhere in this ordinance and which are generally of a nature so as to be incompatible with most permitted uses. The location shall be reviewed by the Planning Commission and approved by the Town Council. In addition, a complete development plan and any other information pertinent to the development or use shall be included at the discretion of the Planning Commission or the Town Council. Such uses may include but are not limited to the following:

- 1. Airport;
- 2. Cemetery or mausoleum;
- 3. Sanitary landfill operation.

## ARTICLE 20. SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS AND MODIFICATIONS.

## Section 20.01. Regulations Supplemental.

The regulations set forth in this Article supplement or modify the district regulations appearing elsewhere in this Ordinance.

## Section 20.02. Use Modifications.

- A. Temporary structures for use incidental to construction work may be permitted in any district during the period that construction work is in progress, but such temporary structures shall be removed upon completion or abandonment of the construction work.
- B. Utility structures, including, but not limited to; poles, wires, cross arms, transformers attached to poles, guy wires, insulators, conduits and other facilities necessary for the transmission or distribution of electric power or to provide telephone or telegraph service and, pipe lines, vents, valves, hydrants, regulators, meters and other facilities necessary for the transmission or distributions of gas, oil, water or other fluids may be constructed, erected, repaired, maintained or replaced within any district in Town of Wilsonville. This is not to be construed to include the erection or construction of buildings or electric substations.
- C. Railroad facilities, including main line tracks, switching spurs, control signals, poles, and wires or similar facilities (but not yards or service facilities) needed for operating railroad trains may be constructed, repaired, maintained or replaced in any district.

#### Section 20.03. Height Modifications.

- A. Chimneys, cooling towers, elevator bulkheads, head houses, fire towers, gas tanks, steeples, barns, silos, penthouses, stacks, tanks, water towers, ornamental towers and spires, or necessary mechanical appurtenances, where permitted may be erected to any height not in conflict with existing or hereafter adopted ordinance of Town of Wilsonville except where permitted in connection with residential uses such structures shall be limited to a height of twenty (20) feet above the maximum height of structures permitted in that district. The height of wireless telecommunications facilities shall be regulated in accordance with the provisions of Article 24 of this Ordinance.
- B. The limitation on number of stories shall not apply to buildings used exclusively for storage purposes provided such buildings do not exceed the height in feet permitted in this district in which located.
- C. Public or semi-public service buildings (hospitals, schools, churches, etc.) that are permitted in a district with height limitations of less than sixty (60) feet may be erected to a maximum height of sixty (60) feet provided, however, that side yards are increased by one foot for each foot of additional building height above the height limitation for the district. Public or semi-public service buildings include, but are not limited to hospitals, schools and churches.

## Section 20.04. Area Modifications for Lots of Record.

Where a lot of record at the time of the effective date of this Ordinance had less area or less width than herein required for the district in which it is located, said lot may nonetheless be used as a building site provided the yard space and other requirements conform as closely as possible, in the opinion of the Planning Commission, to the requirements for the district in which it is located.

## Section 20.05. General Yard Modifications.

- A. Every part of a required yard shall be open to the sky, unobstructed by any structure or part thereof, and unoccupied for storage, servicing or similar use except as provided herein.
- B. Sills, belt courses or ornamental features may project into any yard not to exceed six (6) inches.

- C. Cornices or eaves may project into any required yard not to exceed eighteen (18) inches.
- D. Terraces, uncovered porches, underground storm shelters or ornamental features which do not extend more than five (5) feet above grade may project into a required yard, provided such projections are no closer than two (2) feet to any lot line.
- E. More than one multiple dwelling, institutional, commercial or industrial building may be located upon a lot or tract but such buildings shall not encroach upon the front, side or rear yards required by the district regulations. For multiple dwellings the open space between buildings shall be sixty (60) feet when one or both are two-story buildings, and eighty (80) feet when one or both are three or more story buildings. For independent living facilities, residential care facilities, and nursing homes the open space between buildings shall be thirty (30) feet when one or both are two-story buildings, and forty (40) feet when one or both are three or more story buildings.
- F. Where an open space is more than fifty (50) percent surrounded by residential or institutional buildings, the minimum width of the open space shall be at least twenty (20) feet for one story building, thirty (30) feet for two story buildings and forty (40) feet for three or more story buildings.
- G. In a residential zone district, private swimming pools shall be enclosed by a fence of not less than four (4) feet in height. No mechanical appurtenance or pool shall be within ten (10) feet of any lot line.
- H. The minimum dimension of a yard upon which any entrance or exit of a multiple dwelling faces shall be twenty (20) feet.
- I. Wherever yards are provided between commercial or industrial structures, they shall have a minimum width of six (6) feet.

## Section 20.06. Front Yard Modifications.

The required front yards heretofore established shall be modified in the following cases:

- A. Where forty (40) percent or more of the frontage on the same side of a street between two intersecting streets is presently developed or may hereafter be developed with buildings that have (with a variation of five feet or less), a front yard greater or lesser in depth than herein required, new buildings shall not be erected closer to the street than the average front yard so established by the existing buildings.
- B. Where forty (40) percent or more of the frontage on one side of a street between two intersecting streets is presently developed or may hereafter be developed with buildings that do not have a front yard as described above, then:
  - 1. Where a building is to be erected on a parcel of land that is within one hundred (100) feet of existing buildings on both sides, the minimum front yard shall be a line drawn between the two (2) closest front corners of the adjacent buildings, or
  - 2. Where a building is to be erected on a parcel of land that is within one hundred feet of an existing building on one side only, such building may be erected as close to the street as the existing adjacent building.
- C. Through lots shall provide the required front yard on both streets.
- D. Corner lots shall provide a front yard on each street side. However, the buildable width of a lot of record need not be reduced to less than twenty-eight (28) feet; provided that the side yards shall in no case be reduced to less than that otherwise required for the zone district. No accessory building shall project into the front yard on either street.
- E. Permitted signs attached to buildings may extend into a front yard or the required yard abutting a side street not to exceed eighteen (18) inches.

F. Service station pumps and pump islands may be located within a required front yard, but in no case shall the pump centerline be closer than fifteen (15) feet to any street line.

## Section 20.07. Rear Yard Modifications.

The rear yards heretofore established shall be modified in the following cases:

- A. Where a lot abuts upon an alley, one-half of the alley width may be considered as part of the required rear yard.
- B. An unenclosed balcony, porch steps or fire escape may project into a rear yard for a distance not exceeding ten (10) feet.
- C. Accessory buildings and structures may be built in a rear yard, but such accessory buildings and structures shall not occupy more than thirty (30) percent of the required rear yard and shall not be nearer than three (3) feet to any side or rear lot line, except that when a garage is entered from an alley it shall not be located closer than seven (7) feet to the rear property line.

# Section 20.08. Walls and Fences.

Walls or fences may be located within the yards except as provided herein:

- A. No wall or fence in a front yard shall exceed a height of four (4) feet, except as required for a retaining wall.
- B. No wall or fence in a rear or side yard in a residential district shall exceed a height of six and one-half  $(6\frac{1}{2})$  feet, except as required for a retaining wall.
- C. In any residential district, no fence, structure or planting which obstructs visibility shall be maintained within twenty-five (25) feet of any street intersections.
- D. No fence in a residential area shall carry electrical current, utilize spikes, barbed wire or other pointed materials in its construction capable of easily inflicting wounds to persons coming in contact with the fence. Ornamental fencing including picket fencing constructed from iron or wood is excepted.
- E. Chain link or woven type fencing is not permitted in a required front yard.

# Section 20.09. Portable Buildings.

A. Purpose.

It is the purpose of this section to establish the procedure and guidelines for the location and use of portable buildings.

B. Approval Required.

Approval by the Administrator shall be required for the location, placement, installation, movement or use of any portable building. The approval shall specify the approved use of the portable building and the temporary period for which the permit is to remain valid.

- 1. Eligibility. Approval shall be issued:
  - a) Only for uses specifically provided for in the zone district assigned to the property on which the portable building is to be located.
  - b) Only for uses and locations, which are, either specifically provided for under this section per §20.09 (C) or approved as a conditional use by the Town Council per §20.09 (D).
  - c) Only for placement of portable buildings which meet the dimensional requirements of these regulations for non-portable buildings.
  - d) Only upon approval of the Building Official with regard to fire safety, building safety, structural safety and location on the property.

# 2. Duration of Approval.

With the exception of a mobile home used for residential purposes in accordance with these regulations which shall not be limited to a temporary period of time, or a recreational vehicle used for recreational purposes in an established travel park, any site approved for one or more portable buildings as a permitted use shall remain valid for a time period as indicated in \$20.09 (C) below after which all portable buildings on the site must be removed. Requests for extension of the time period of approval shall be made to the Town Council under the provisions of \$20.09 (D) below. Approval for a portable building approved as a conditional use shall remain valid for a time period as determined by the Town Council under the provisions of \$20.09 (D) below.

# C. Portable Buildings as a Permitted Use.

Portable buildings may be placed and used for the following purposes upon approval by the Administrator:

- 1. Mobile homes used for residential purposes in accordance with these regulations.
- 2. In conjunction with and reasonably necessary for construction work taking place at a construction site and only during the period of actual construction.
- 3. For security service, including living quarters for a security guard, at a construction site and only during the period of actual construction.
- 4. For, or in conjunction with, education activity of public or private schools, or in conjunction with a public library for a period not to exceed ten years.
- 5. For religious purposes for a period not to exceed ten years.
- 6. For public recreation, public health, or other public purposes approved by the Administrator for a period not to exceed two years.
- 7. For emergency housing as deemed necessary in the public interest and approved by the Town for a period not to exceed two years.
- 8. For residential development sales offices or land sales offices on properties for which there is an approved site plan or subdivision plat for a period not to exceed two year or until fifty percent of the land involved is sold whichever occurs first.

# D. Portable Buildings as a Conditional Use.

Any portable building proposed to be located on public or private property, the use and location of which are consistent with §20.09 (B) above but not specifically provided for under §20.09 (C) above, shall require conditional use approval by the Town Council prior to procuring approval from the Administrator.

## Revocation of Approval.

Any approval issued for a portable building authorized by this section may be revoked where the Administrator or his designee finds that the holder of the approval is violating or is permitting employees, agents, servants, partners or representatives to violate these or any other regulations of Town of Wilsonville, which violation affects the public health, safety and welfare, and which violation occurred as a result of the specific activity or use for which the approval was issued and not merely incidental thereto.

## Termination of Use and Removal.

All portable buildings shall be removed within seven (7) days after the date that the approval, which authorized the use, becomes invalid.

#### **ARTICLE 21. SIGN REGULATIONS**

# **Section 21.01 General Provisions**

# Purpose

The purpose of this Article is to provide the minimum control of signs that ensures the protection of the public safety and general welfare. These provisions are intended to lessen the hazards to pedestrian and vehicular traffic, prevent unsightly and detrimental development which has a blighting influence upon the community, prevent signs from reaching such excessive size or numbers that they obscure one another to the detriment of all concerned, preserve the general character and aesthetic quality of the various areas within the Town of Wilsonville and promote a positive Town image reflecting order, harmony and pride.

## Section 21.02. Definitions.

#### **Definitions**

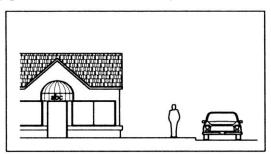
Words and phrases used in this Article shall have the meanings as set forth in this section. Words and phrases not defined in this section but defined elsewhere in the zoning regulations shall be given the meanings as set forth in such regulations. All other words and phrases shall be given their common, ordinary meaning unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

*Administrator*. The person or his/her duly authorized representative designated by the Town Council to administer this Ordinance.

Advertising. Sign copy intended to directly or indirectly promote the sale or use of a product, service, commodity, entertainment, or real or personal property.

Animated Sign. Any sign that uses movement or change of lighting to depict action or create a special effect or scene.

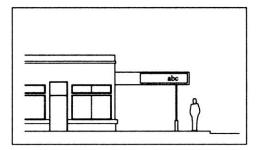
Awning Sign. A sign directly painted or otherwise directly affixed to an awning.



*Banner*. Any sign of lightweight fabric or similar material that is permanently mounted to a pole or building by a permanent frame at one or more edges. National flags, state or municipal flags or the official flag of any institution or business shall not be considered banners.

*Building Marker*. Any sign indicating the name of a building, date of construction and incidental information, which is cut into a masonry surface or made of bronze or other permanent material.

Canopy Sign. A sign directly painted or otherwise directly affixed upon a building canopy.

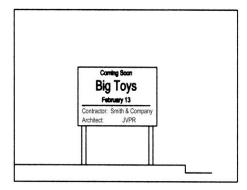


Changeable Copy Sign. A sign or portion thereof with characters, letters, or illustrations that can be changed or rearranged without altering the face or surface of the sign. A sign on which the message changes more than eight (8) times a day shall be considered a animated sign and not a changeable copy sign. A sign on which the only copy that changes is an electronic or mechanical indication of the time and temperature shall be considered a "time and temperature" portion of the sign and not a changeable copy sign.

*Commercially Developed Parcel*. A parcel of property on which there is at least one walled and roofed structure used, or designed to be used, for other than residential or agricultural purposes.

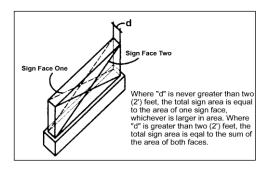
Commercial Occupant. A commercial use, i.e., any use other than residential or agricultural.

Construction Sign. A temporary sign indicating the names of architects, engineers, landscape architects, contractors, and similar artisans involved in the design and construction of a structure or project only during the construction period and only on the premises on which the construction is taking place.



Copy. The linguistic or graphic content of a sign.

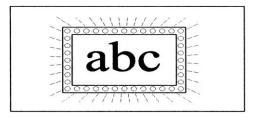
Double-faced Sign. A sign, both sides of which are visible and used as signs. The sign area of a double-faced sign, where the two sign faces are never greater than twenty-four (24") inches apart, shall be computed as the area of one sign face, whichever is greater. When the two sign faces are greater than twenty-four (24) inches apart, the sign area shall be computed as the sum of both faces.



Electric Sign. Any sign containing electric wiring.

*Erect a Sign.* To construct, reconstruct, build, relocate, raise, assemble, place, affix, attach, create, paint, draw, or in any other way bring into being or establish a sign. It shall not include any of the foregoing activities when performed as an incident to the change of message, or routine maintenance.

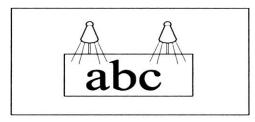
Flashing Sign. A sign with an intermittent, repetitive, or flashing light source.



*Frontage*. The length of the property line of any one parcel along a street on which it borders.

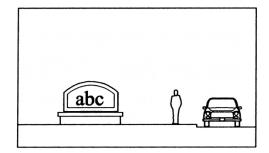
*Illuminated Sign.* A sign which contains a source of light or which is designed to reflect light from an artificial source including indirect lighting, neon, incandescent lights, back-lighting, and shall also include signs with reflectors that depend upon automobile headlights for an image.

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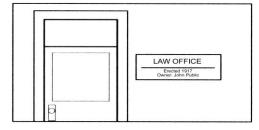
*Marquee*. A structure projecting from and supported by a building which extends beyond the building line or property line and fully or partially covers a sidewalk, public entrance or other pedestrian way.

Monument sign. A monument sign is a freestanding sign, a wall with a sign permanently attached, or a decorative wall that incorporates a sign. Monument signs are typically constructed low to the ground from natural materials such as stone, brick or wood and surrounded with additional landscape plantings. The sign copy area is attached directly to the base of the sign or otherwise located close to the ground and may be indirectly illuminated. A monument sign shall be no more than ten (10) feet in height except where further restricted and shall have the lowest portion of its sign face no more than three (3) feet above the ground. This is also commonly referred to as a Ground Sign.



*Multiple Occupancy Complex*. A parcel of property or parcels of contiguous properties, existing as a unified or coordinated project, with a building or buildings housing more than one occupant.

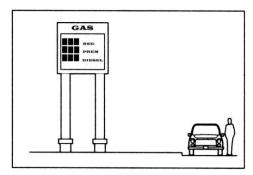
Nameplate Sign. A wall sign indicating the name and/or address of a business.



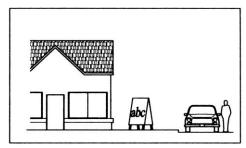
*Parcel*. A unit of land within legally established property lines. If, however, the property lines are such as to defeat the purposes of these sign regulations or lead to absurd results, a "parcel" may be as designated for a particular site by the Administrator.

*Pennant*. Any lightweight plastic, fabric, or other material, whether containing a message or not, suspended from a rope, wire, string, or other similar device, designed to move in the wind.

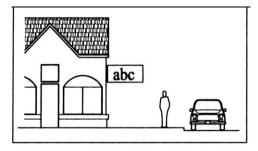
*Pole Sign*. A freestanding sign mounted above one or more vertical structural members (Also referred to as a *Pylon Sign*).



*Portable Sign*. Any sign not permanently attached to the ground or other permanent structure, or a sign designed to be transported, including, but not limited to, signs designed to be transported by means of wheels; signs converted to A-frames or T-frames; menu or sandwich board signs; balloons or other inflatable devices used as signs; umbrellas used for advertising; and signs attached to or painted on vehicles parked and visible from the public right-of-way, unless such vehicle is used in the normal day to day operations of the business.

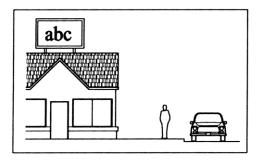


*Projecting Sign.* A sign affixed to a building or wall in such a manner that its leading edge extends more than six (6) inches beyond the surface of the building or wall.



*Roof Line.* A horizontal line intersecting the highest point or points of a roof.

Roof Sign. A sign that is mounted on the roof of a building or which is wholly dependent upon a building for support and which projects above the highest point of a building with a flat roof, the eave line of a building with a gambrel, gable, or hip roof, or the deck line of a building with a mansard roof.



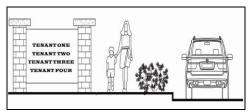
*Sign*. Any writing, pictorial presentation, number, illustration, decoration, flag, banner, pennant, or other device which is used to announce, direct attention to, identify, advertise or otherwise make anything known. The term sign shall not be deemed to include the terms "building" or "landscaping" or any architectural embellishment of a building not intended to communicate information.

Sign Face Area. The area of any regular geometric shape, which contains the entire surface area of a sign upon which copy may be placed.

Sign Structure. Any construction used or designed to support a sign.

*Street.* A public or private right of way for vehicular traffic, including highways, thoroughfares, lanes, roads, ways, and boulevards.

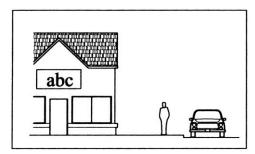
*Tenant Sign.* A ground sign containing the name of a multi-tenant business center and typically containing the names of the tenants within the development.



*Unit.* That part of a multiple occupancy complex housing one occupant.

Vehicle Sign. Any sign affixed to a vehicle.

*Wall Sign.* A sign displayed upon or attached to any part of the exterior of a building, including walls, windows, doors, parapets, marquees and roof slopes of forty-five (45) degrees or steeper.



Window Sign. Any sign, picture, symbol, or combination thereof designed to communicate information about a business, commodity, event, sale, or service that is placed inside or upon a window and is visible from the exterior of the window.

## **Section 21.03 Measurement Determinations.**

A. Number of Signs.

In general, the number of signs shall be the number of non-contiguous sign faces. Multiple non-contiguous sign faces may be counted as a single sign if all the sign faces are included in the geometric figure used for determining the sign area.

## B. Sign Face Area.

# 1. Individual Signs.

The sign face area of individual signs shall be computed by means of the smallest square, circle, rectangle, triangle or combination thereof that will encompass the extreme limits of the writing representation, emblem, or other display, together with any material or color forming an integral part of the background of the display or used to differentiate the sign from the backdrop or structure against which it is placed. This does not include the supporting framework, bracing, or decorative fence or wall when such fence or wall otherwise meets applicable regulations and is clearly incidental to the display itself.

## 2. Multi-faced Signs.

The sign face area of a sign with more than one face shall be computed by adding together the area of all sign faces visible from any one point. When two sign faces are placed back to back so that both faces cannot be viewed from any point at the same time and when the sign faces are part of the same sign structure and are no more than 36 inches apart, the sign face area shall be computed by the measurement of one of the faces.

## C. Sign Height.

The height of a sign shall be computed as the distance from the base of the sign at normal grade to the top of the highest attached component of the sign. Normal grade shall be construed to be the lower of existing grade prior to construction or the newly established grade after construction, exclusive of any filling, berming, mounding, or excavating solely for the purpose of locating the sign. In cases in which the normal grade cannot reasonably be determined, sign height shall be computed on the assumption that the elevation of the normal grade at the base of the sign is equal to the elevation of the nearest point of the crown of a public street or the grade of the land at the principal entrance to the principal structure on the parcel, whichever is lower.

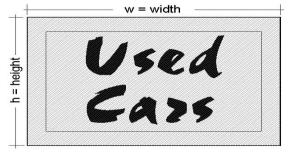
# D. Distance Between Signs.

The minimum required distance between signs shall be measured along street rights-of-way from the closest parts of any two signs.

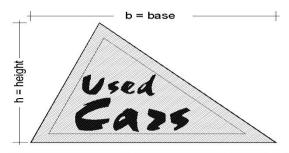
### E. Facade Area.

The facade area shall be measured by determining the area within a two-dimensional geometric figure coinciding with the edges of the walls, windows, doors, parapets, marquees, and roof slopes of greater than forty-five (45) degrees that form a side of a building or unit.

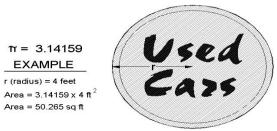
# **Measurement Determination Examples.**



Calculating Area of a Rectangular Sign =  $h \times w$ 



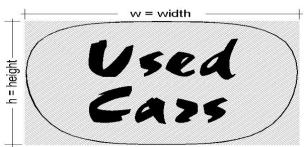
Calculating Area of a Triangular Sign = 1/2 (h x b)

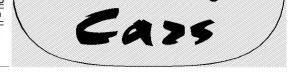


 $\pi = 3.14159$ **EXAMPLE** A = 3 ft B = 4 ft Area = 3.14159 x A x B Area = 37.699 sq ft

Calculating Area of a Circular Sign =  $\pi x$  radius  $^2$ 

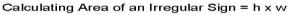
Calculating Area of an Elliptical Sign=  $\pi x A x B$ 

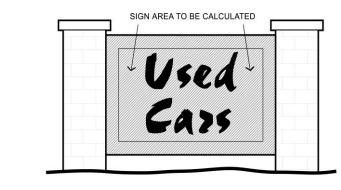


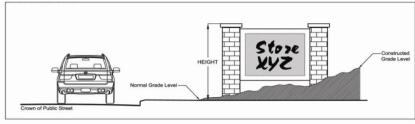


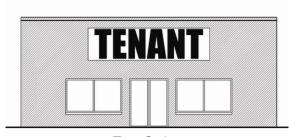


Calculating Area of a Sign where Copy Exceeds Sign Area = (height of copy) x (width of copy)









Façade Area

# Section 21.04 Exempt Signs.

- A. The following signs are exempt from the requirement that a permit be obtained and shall not be counted toward any restriction regarding the number or area of signs permitted on a parcel provided they conform to the standards enumerated in this section and provided they are not placed or constructed so as to create a hazard of any kind:
  - 1. Signs that are not designed or located so as to be legible from any street or adjoining property.
  - 2. Signs of two (2) square feet or less and signs that include no letters, symbols, logos or designs in excess of two (2) inches in vertical or horizontal dimension, provided that such sign, or combination of such signs, does not constitute a sign prohibited by these regulations.
  - 3. Signs necessary to promote health, safety and welfare, and other regulatory, statutory, traffic control or directional signs erected on public property with permission as appropriate from the Town of Wilsonville, the State of Alabama, or the United States.
  - 4. Legal notices and official instruments.
  - 5. Decorative flags and bunting for a celebration, convention, or commemoration of significance to the entire community when authorized by the Town of Wilsonville for a prescribed period of time.
  - 6. Holiday lights and decorations.
  - 7. Merchandise displayed behind storefront windows so long as no part of the display moves or contains flashing lights.
  - 8. Memorial signs or tablets, historical markers, name of a building and dates of erection when cut into any masonry surface or when constructed of bronze or other incombustible materials and attached to the surface of a building.
  - 9. Signs incorporated into machinery or equipment by a manufacturer or distributor, which identify or advertise only the product or service dispensed by the machine or equipment, such as signs customarily affixed to vending machines, newspaper racks, telephone booths and gasoline pumps.
  - 10. Advertising and identifying signs located on taxicabs, buses, trailers, trucks or vehicle bumpers.
  - 11. Public warning signs to indicate the dangers of trespassing, swimming, animals or similar hazards.
  - 12. Works of art that do not constitute advertising.
  - 13. Signs carried by a person.

## Section 21.05 Prohibited Signs

- A. It shall be unlawful to erect, cause to be erected, maintain or cause to be maintained, any sign not expressly authorized by, or exempted from, these regulations. The following signs are expressly prohibited unless otherwise exempted or expressly authorized by this Article:
  - 1. Any sign with a sign face area greater than 200 square feet.
  - 2. Signs that are in violation of the building code or electrical code adopted by the Town of Wilsonville.
  - 3. Any sign that, in the opinion of the Administrator, does or will constitute a safety hazard.
  - 4. Portable signs or trailer signs.
  - 5. Signs with visible moving, revolving, or rotating parts or visible mechanical movement of any description or other apparent visible movement achieved by electrical, electronic, or mechanical means, except for traditional barber poles.

- 6. Signs with lights or illuminations that flash, move, rotate, scintillate, blink, flicker or vary in intensity or color except for "time and temperature" signs or signs that identify the price of fuel at a service station or convenience store.
- 7. Strings of light bulbs used on commercially developed parcels for commercial purposes, other than traditional holiday decorations.
- 8. Wind signs consisting of one or more banners, flags, pennants, ribbons, spinners, streamers or captive balloons, or other objects or material fastened in such a manner as to move freely upon being subjected to pressure by wind.
- 9. Signs that incorporate projected images, emit any sound that is intended to attract attention, or involve the use of live animals.
- 10. Signs that emit audible sound, odor, or visible matter such as smoke or steam.
- 11. Signs or sign structures that interfere in any way with free use of any fire escape, emergency exit, or standpipe, or that obstruct any window to such an extent that light or ventilation is reduced to a point below that required by any provision of these regulations or any other regulation of the Town of Wilsonville.
- 12. Signs that resemble any official sign or marker erected by any governmental agency, or that by reason of position, shape or color, would conflict with the proper functioning of any traffic sign or signal, or be of a size, location, movement, content, color or illumination that may be reasonably confused with or construed as, or conceal, a traffic-control device.
- 13. Signs that obstruct the vision of pedestrians, cyclists, or motorist traveling on or entering public streets.
- 14. Non-governmental signs that use the words "stop," "look," "danger" or any similar word, phrase or symbol.
- 15. Signs, within ten (10) feet of public right of way or one hundred (100) feet of traffic-control lights, that contain red or green lights that might be confused with traffic control lights.
- 16. Signs that are of such intensity or brilliance as to cause glare or impair the vision of any motorist, cyclist or pedestrian using or entering a public way, or that are a hazard or a nuisance to occupants of any property because of glare or other characteristics.
- 17. Signs that contain any lighting or control mechanism that causes unreasonable interference with radio, television or other communication signals.
- 18. Signs that are painted, pasted, or printed on any curbstone, flagstone, pavement, or any portion of any sidewalk or street, except house numbers and traffic control signs.
- 19. Signs placed upon benches, bus shelters or waste receptacles, except as may be authorized in writing.
- 20. Signs erected on public property or on private property located on public property (such as private utility poles) other than signs erected by a public authority for public purposes or as otherwise permitted by these regulations.
- 21. Signs erected over or across any public street except as may otherwise be expressly authorized by these regulations and except governmental signs erected by or on the order of a public officer.
- 22. Roof signs placed above the roofline of a building or on or against a roof slope of less than forty-five (45) degrees.
- 23. Vehicle signs with a total sign area in excess of ten (10) square feet when the vehicle is parked for more than sixty consecutive minutes within one hundred (100) feet of any street right-of-way; is visible from the street right-of-way that the vehicle is within one hundred (100) feet of; and is not regularly used in the conduct of the business advertised on the vehicle. A vehicle used primarily for advertising shall not be considered a vehicle used in the conduct of the business.

24. Pylon or pole signs are prohibited.

## Section 21.06 Permitted Signs

# A. Generally

The signs enumerated in this section shall be subject to all the terms of this Article including the requirement that a sign permit be obtained prior to erection of any sign. Exemption from the requirement to obtain a sign permit does not necessarily indicate exemption from any other requirement or permit that may be required by this or any other agency.

#### B. All Parcels

- 1. Directional Signs. Directional signs limited in area to four (4) square feet, giving directions to motorists regarding the location of parking areas and access drives shall be permitted on all parcels and shall not be counted as part of an occupant's allowable sign area.
- 2. Flags. Not more than three flags or insignias of governmental, religious, charitable, fraternal or other organizations or institution may be displayed on any one parcel of land. Such flags shall not exceed sixty (60) square feet in area and shall not be flown from a pole the top of which is more than forty (40) feet in height. All flags must be flown in accordance with protocol established by the Congress of the United States for the Stars and Stripes. Any flag not meeting the above requirements shall be considered a banner and shall be subject to the appropriate regulations.
- 3. Utility Signs. Public utility signs that identify the location of underground utility lines and facilities, high voltage lines and facilities, and other utility facilities and appurtenances are permitted so long as they do not exceed three (3) feet in height, and so long as the sign face does not exceed two (2) square feet.

# C. Undeveloped Parcels

Undeveloped parcels may display one (1) square foot of signage per ten (10) feet of frontage up to a maximum of ninety-six (96) square feet. No individual sign shall exceed sixty four (64) square feet nor exceed ten (10) feet in height. Signs must be spaced at least one hundred (100) feet apart.

## D. One-Family and Two-Family Residences

A parcel on which is located a single one-family or two-family residence may display not more than two (2) signs with an aggregate sign area of not more than ten (10) square feet. No individual sign shall exceed six (6) square feet nor exceed four (4) feet in height.

## E. Three-Family and Four-Family Residences

A parcel on which is located a single three-family or four-family residence may display not more than four (4) signs with an aggregate sign area of not more than sixteen (16) square feet. No individual sign shall exceed six (6) square feet nor exceed four (4) feet in height.

## F. Residential Developments, Farms and Ranches

- 1. A sign may be displayed at the entrance to a residential development, farm or ranch subject to the following restrictions. One (1) sign is permitted at only one entrance from each abutting street. The sign may be a single sign with two (2) faces of equal size or may be two (2) single-faced structures of equal size located on each side of the entrance. No face of the sign shall exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in size, and may be illuminated in a steady light only.
- 2. All such signs shall be maintained perpetually by the developer, the owner of the sign, a pertinent homeowners association or some other person who is legally accountable. Such accountability is required before a permit shall be issued. If, following the issuance of a permit and subsequent erection of such signs, no accountable person accepts legal responsibility to maintain the signs and no other provision has been made for maintenance, the signs shall be removed by the developer or owner.

# G. Commercially Developed Parcels

# 1. Freestanding Signs.

Signs may be placed in a freestanding location on a commercially developed parcel subject to the following limitations:

a. The permissible number, area, spacing and height of freestanding signs for each multiple occupancy complex and each commercial occupant not located in a multiple occupancy complex shall be determined according to Table 21.4.

		If the frontage on a public right-of-way is:				
	<=50'	>50' & <=100'	>100' & <=200'	>200' & <=300'	>300' & <=400'	>400'
Maximum number of signs	1	1	1	1	2	3
Maximum total sign area	16	32	48	64	80	96
Maximum sign area for individual sign	16	32	48	64	80	96
Minimum setback from side property line	10	15	20	50	50	50
Minimum distance from any other freestanding sign on the same site	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	100	100
Maximum height	10	10	10	10	10	10
Table 21.4.						

b. Multiple Frontages. For a parcel having frontage on two (2) or more public streets, each frontage shall be considered separately for the purposes of determining compliance with the above provisions for freestanding signs, but the permitted sign area for one (1) frontage may not be combined with that permitted on another frontage to increase the permitted sign area on one frontage. However, no freestanding sign on one right-of-way may be closer than one hundred (100) feet to a sign on another right-of-way.

# 2. Building Signs.

Signs not expressly prohibited by this Article may be attached to the wall of a building on a commercially developed parcel subject to the following limitations:

- a. Building signs shall be limited to a maximum height of thirty (30) feet above grade, except that on a building of more than thirty (30) feet in height, a single sign is allowed above thirty (30) feet on each side of the building.
- b. Each multiple occupancy complex may display one (1) building sign on each side of the principal building or buildings in the complex, not to exceed a sign face area of two hundred (200) square feet or five (5) percent of the facade area of the building side, whichever is smaller.
- c. Each occupant of a multiple occupancy complex may display three (3) building signs on any exterior portion of the complex that is part of the occupant's unit, not including common or jointly owned portions, not to exceed a sign face area of two hundred (200) square feet each or a total combined sign face area of ten (10) percent of the facade area of such exterior portion, whichever is smaller.

- d. Each occupant not located in a multiple occupancy complex may display three (3) building signs on each side of the building in which the occupant is located, not to exceed a sign face area of two hundred (200) square feet each or a total combined sign face area of ten (10) percent of the facade area of the building side, whichever is smaller.
- e. Time and Temperature Signs. Time and temperature signs are permitted on commercially developed parcels notwithstanding a general prohibition on changing or animated signs. These signs may only display numerical information and must be kept accurate. They may be freestanding or attached to a building and are subject to the regulations applicable to such signs. They shall be counted as part of the occupant's allowable sign area.

# Section 21.07 Design, Construction, Location and Maintenance Standards

# A. Compliance with Building and Electrical Codes Required

All permanent signs, and the illumination thereof, shall be designed, constructed and maintained in conformity with applicable provisions of the building and electrical codes adopted by the Town of Wilsonville. Wherever there is inconsistency between these sign regulations and the building or electrical code, the more stringent requirement shall apply.

## B. Illumination Standards

- 1. Sign lighting may not be designed or located to cause confusion with traffic lights.
- 2. Illumination by floodlights or spotlights is permissible so long as none of the light emitted shines directly onto an adjoining property or into the eyes of motorists or pedestrians using or entering public streets.
- 3. Illuminated signs shall not have lighting mechanisms that project more than eighteen (18) inches perpendicularly from any surface of the sign over public space.

## C. Placement and Clearance Standards

Signs shall be located such that there is at every intersection or driveway, a clear view between heights of three (3) and ten (10) feet in a triangle formed by the corner and points on the curb 70 feet from the intersection or entranceway.

- 1. Supports for signs or sign structures shall not be placed in or upon a public right of way or public easement, except under the terms of a lease between the owner of the easement or right of way and the owner of the sign.
- 2. No freestanding sign shall project over a public right of way.
- 3. No sign or sign structure shall be erected that impedes use of any fire escape, emergency exit, or standpipe.
- 4. All signs over pedestrian ways shall provide a minimum of seven (7) feet six (6) inches of clearance.
- 5. All signs over vehicular ways shall provide a minimum of thirteen (13) feet six (6) inches of clearance.
- 6. No sign or sign structure shall be erected that impedes an unobstructed visibility at a level three (3) feet above the road, measured from the street grade at the center of the closest traffic lane.

## D. Relationship to Building Features

- 1. A building sign shall not extend beyond any edge of the surface to which it is attached, nor disrupt a major architectural feature of the building.
- 2. A building sign may project no more than four (4) feet perpendicularly from the surface to which it is attached.

3. The combined area of permanent and temporary signs placed on or behind windows shall not exceed twenty-five (25) percent of the total window area at the same floor level on the side of the building or unit upon which the signs are displayed.

#### E. Maintenance

All signs, including their supports, braces, guys and anchors, electrical parts and lighting fixtures, and all painted and display areas, shall be maintained in accordance with the building and electrical codes adopted by Town of Wilsonville, and shall present a neat and clean appearance. The vegetation around, in front of, behind, and underneath the base of freestanding signs for a distance of ten (10) feet shall be neatly trimmed and free of unsightly weeds, and no rubbish or debris that would constitute a fire or health hazard shall be permitted under or near the sign.

## Section 21.08 Administration.

## A. Permits

1. Applicability.

No person shall erect a sign without first obtaining a sign permit therefore, except for the following actions which shall not require a permit:

- a. Changing the copy, announcement or message on a sign;
- b. Cleaning, painting, electrical or comparable maintenance or repair of a sign that does not alter any regulated feature of such sign;
- c. Erecting a sign for which a permit is not required in accordance with §21.04 Exempt Signs or §21.06 (A) Permitted Signs Generally.

## 2. Procedure.

All sign permits shall be procured in accordance with the following procedure:

- a. A written application shall be submitted to the Administrator for review and processing. The application will be accepted by the Administrator only upon determination that all requisite documentation and fees accompany the application form. The application shall include such supplementary information as may be specifically requested by the Administrator to determine compliance with these regulations.
- b. The Administrator shall review the application and plans and specifications to determine whether the proposed sign conforms to all applicable requirements of these regulations.
- c. Following review and determination as to conformance with these regulations, the Administrator shall, in a reasonably expeditious manner, either approve or deny the application for the sign permit. In case of denial, the Administrator shall specify the section or sections of these regulations with which the proposed sign is not in conformance.
- d. If an approved sign requires a permit, the Administrator shall forward a copy of the completed application form and associated plans and specifications to the Building Official who shall determine whether the proposed sign conforms to all applicable requirements of the building regulations and who shall, in a reasonably expeditious manner, either approve or deny an application for a permit to construct the sign.

## 3. Submission Requirements.

No request for a sign permit shall be considered complete until all of the following has been submitted to the Administrator:

a. Application Form.

The application shall be submitted to the Administrator in duplicate on forms made available by the Town.

## b. Statement of Authorization.

Any application form which is signed by an individual other than the property owner shall be accompanied by a notarized statement of authorization consenting to the sign placement or, if the property or building upon which the sign is to be located is leased, evidence of the executed lease shall accompany the application form. In the event the building or property is leased and the application form is signed by an individual other than the lessor, the application shall be accompanied by a notarized statement of authorization signed by the lessor consenting to the sign placement and evidence of the executed lease.

# c. Plans and Specifications.

Plans and specifications for any proposed sign shall be submitted in duplicate, drawn to scale and include the following:

- 1. lot frontage on all street rights-of-way;
- 2. facade area of any wall on which a sign is proposed to be placed;
- 3. dimensions and elevations (including the message) of the sign;
- 4. dimensions of the sign's supporting members;
- 5. maximum and minimum height of sign, as measured from finished grade;
- 6. location of the sign in relation to property lines, public rights-of-way, easements, buildings, and other signs on the property;
- 7. for illuminated signs, the type, placement, intensity and hours of illumination;
- 8. construction and electrical specifications, for the purpose of enabling determination that the sign meets all applicable structural and electrical requirements of the building code;
- 9. value of the proposed sign;
- 10. number, type, location and surface area of all existing signs on the same property and/or building on which the sign is to be located.

## d. Application Fee.

The applicant shall be required to pay an application fee according to the current schedule of fees established by the Town Council for the particular category of the application. This fee shall be nonrefundable irrespective of the final disposition of the application.

e. Permit Expiration.

Sign permit shall be valid for a maximum of sixty (60) days after issuance. Failure to place the sign within the allotted time period shall void the permit and necessitate reapplication.

## Section 21.09. Variance.

Any request for a variance from the standards set forth in this Article shall be processed according to the procedures and criteria set forth in Article 26 of this Ordinance.

## Section 21.10. Inspections.

The Administrator shall, as each may determine necessary, inspect the property to ascertain that the sign is in accord with all provisions of these regulations and the building regulations, respectively, and in accord with all terms upon which the sign permit may have been conditioned.

# Section 21.11. Nonconforming Signs.

- A. A nonconforming sign is any sign within the jurisdiction of the Town of Wilsonville on the effective date of this Article or any sign existing within any area added to such jurisdiction after the effective date of this Article, which is prohibited by, or does not conform to the requirements of, these regulations.
- B. All nonconforming signs shall be removed or altered to be conforming within five (5) years of the effective date of these regulations, unless an earlier removal is required by paragraph (C) below or by §21.13 Illegal Signs.
- C. Subject to the limitations imposed by paragraph (B) above and §21.13 below, a nonconforming sign may be continued and shall be maintained in good condition as required by these regulations, but it shall not be:
  - 1. Structurally changed to another nonconforming sign, but its pictorial content may be changed.
  - 2. Structurally altered to prolong the life of the sign, except to meet safety requirements.
  - 3. Expanded or altered in any manner that increases the degree of nonconformity.
  - 4. Re-established after damage or destruction if the estimated cost of reconstruction exceeds fifty (50) percent of the appraised replacement cost as determined by the Administrator.
  - 5. Continued in use when a conforming sign or sign structure shall be erected on the same parcel or unit.
  - 6. Continued in use when the structure housing the occupancy is demolished or requires renovations the cost of which exceeds fifty (50) percent of the assessed value of the structure.
  - 7. Any nonconforming sign which is located on land adjoining an interstate or federal-aid primary highway for which just compensation is required for removal by the Federal Highway Beautification Act or the Highway Beautification Act-Outdoor Advertising of the State of Alabama shall be exempted from the removal terms of paragraph (B) above. This shall not, however, preclude the Town from seeking to remove any such sign through an eminent domain proceeding, nor achieving sign conformance by other lawful means.

## Section 21.12. Abandoned Signs.

- A. Except as otherwise provided in this Article, any sign that is located on property which becomes vacant and unoccupied, pertains to a business which does not maintain a current business license, or pertains to a time, event or purpose which no longer applies, shall be deemed to have been abandoned. Any abandoned sign shall be prohibited and shall be removed by the owner of the sign or the owner of the property. The frame of an abandoned sign shall not be required to be removed if it conforms to all applicable terms contained in these regulations (including the sign face area for sign replacement yielded by such frame).
- B. Any sign structure which supported an abandoned sign and which structure conforms to all applicable terms contained in these regulations shall be allowed to remain in place. However, in the event a sign structure which supported or supports an abandoned sign is inconsistent with any term contained in these regulations (including the sign face area for sign replacement yielded by the frame), then the sign structure and frame shall be either altered to comply with the terms contained herein or removed by the owner of such structure or property.

## Section 21.13. Illegal Signs.

- A. The following signs shall be considered to be illegal and a violation of the terms of this Article:
  - 1. A sign erected or maintained after the effective date of this Article inconsistent with the terms contained herein;
  - 2. A nonconforming sign which was erected inconsistent with the terms governing location, height, surface area or other regulatory measures applicable at the time of its erection;

- 3. An abandoned sign.
- B. Upon determination by the Administrator that a certain sign is illegal, the Administrator shall act to remedy the violation, which may include:
  - 1. The issuance of a notice of violation to the individual who owns, is responsible for, or benefits from the display of such sign prescribing the action necessary to make the sign legal and conforming to the terms contained herein or ordering the removal of the illegal sign and also prescribing the time which the individual is afforded to accomplish such action;
  - 2. The removal of any illegal sign located on public property or on private property, including any such sign located within a street right-of-way in which case the Town shall have the right to recover from the individual erecting such a sign the full costs of removal and disposal.
- C. Failure to bring any illegal sign into conformance with the terms contained in this Article or any other violation of the terms contained in this Article shall be considered a violation of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Wilsonville and shall be subject to the remedies and penalties provided by such Ordinance and by State Law.

# ARTICLE 22. OFF-STREET PARKING AND LOADING REQUIREMENTS

# Section 22.01. Parking Requirements.

The off-street parking standards for the Town of Wilsonville are identified on the following table.

Uses Off Street Parking Requirement					
RESIDENTIAL					
Single-Family Dwelling	2 per dwelling unit				
Duplex	2 per dwelling unit				
Townhouse	2 per dwelling unit				
Apartments	2 per dwelling unit plus one for each bedroom over 2				
Domestic Violence Shelter	1 for each employee plus 1 for every 2 adult residents				
Group Care Home	1 for each employee plus 1 for every 2 adult residents				
Manufactured Home	2 per dwelling unit				
Loft Apartment	2 per dwelling unit				
Garage Apartment	1 per bedroom				
INSTITUTIONAL					
Community Center	1 per 300 square feet of floor area				
Community Service Club	1 per 100 square feet of non-storage and non-service floor area				
Day Care Center	1 per each employee plus one for every eight children				
Day Care Home	1 in addition to the two required for the dwelling				
Medical Clinic	3 plus 1 per each 200 square feet of floor area over 1,000				
Nursing Home	1 per six beds				
Place of Worship	1 per eight seats in the main auditorium				
Public Facility	1 per 300 square feet of floor area				
Public Utility Facility	1 per each employee on the largest shift				

Uses	Off Street Parking Requirement	
Elementary/Middle School	One parking space for each employee plus one space for each twenty students of design capacity	
High School/College/Voc.	One parking space for each employee plus five spaces for each	
	COMMERCIAL	
Bank or Financial Service	1 per 150 sq/ft. of floor area plus 4 stacking spaces per drive-through lane	
Business/Professional Office	3 plus 1 per 300 square feet of floor area over 1,000	
Car Wash	1 for every employee and 4 stacking spaces per bay	
Convenience Store	1 per 150 square feet of floor area	
Theatre	1 per 6 seats in the main auditorium	
Garden Center or Nursery (Indoor)	1 per 500 square feet of display/storage area	
Garden Center or Nursery (Outdoor)	1 per 2,000 square feet of display/storage area	
General Retail, Enclosed	1 per 250 square feet of floor area	
Funeral Home	1 per 50 square feet of floor space plus spaces for all service vehicles	
Home Improvement Center	1 per 400 square feet of floor area	
Hotel	1 per sleeping room plus 1 per employee	
Laundry Service	1 per employee on the largest work shift	
Mini-Storage	1 per employee plus two parking spaces	
Restaurant, Standard	1 per 100 square feet of floor space	
Restaurant, Fast Food	1 per 100 square feet plus-4 sufficient stacking spaces per drive through	
Shopping Center	1 per 250 square feet of floor area	
Bed & Breakfast Inn	1 per bedroom, in addition to the two required for the dwelling	
Vehicle Repair Service	1 per employee plus 3 per service bay	

Uses	Off Street Parking Requirement				
Vehicle Sales or Rental	1 per employee plus 1 per 1,500 square feet of display area				
Vehicle Service Station	1 per employee plus 2 per service bay				
	INDUSTRIAL				
Manufacturing	2 plus 1 per employee on the largest shift				
Warehousing, Distribution	1 per company vehicle plus 1 per employee				
	AGRICULTURAL				
Kennel	1 per employee plus 2				
Farm Support Business	5 plus 1 for every 500 square feet of floor area				

## Section 22.02. Rules in Applying Parking Standards.

In applying the standards of §22.01 of this Article, the following standards shall apply:

- A. "Floor area" shall mean the gross floor area of the specified use.
- B. Where fractional spaces result, the parking spaces required shall be construed to be the next highest whole number.
- C. The parking space requirement for a use not specifically mentioned herein shall be the same as required for a use of similar nature.
- D. In the case of mixed or joint uses, the parking spaces required shall equal the sum of the requirements of the various uses computed separately.
- E. These standards shall apply fully to all uses and buildings established after the effective date of this Ordinance.
- F. These standards shall apply fully to all additions, expansions, enlargements or reconstructions of all buildings.

#### Section 22.03. Location of Required Parking Spaces.

All parking spaces required herein shall be located on the same lot with the building or use served. However, when an increase in the number of spaces is required by a change of use or enlargement of the building, or where such spaces are provided collectively or used jointly by two or more buildings or establishments, the required spaces may be located and maintained not to exceed three hundred feet from an institutional building served, and not to exceed five hundred feet from any other non-residential building served.

A. Up to fifty percent of the parking spaces required for (a) theatres, public auditoriums, bowling alleys, dance halls, night clubs or cafes, and up to one hundred per cent of the parking spaces required for a church auditorium may be provided and used jointly by (b) banks, offices, retail stores, repair shops, service establishments and similar uses not normally open, used or operated during the same hours as those listed in (a) provided, however, that written agreement thereto is properly executed and filed as specified below.

- B. In any case where the required parking spaces are not located on the same lot with the building or use served, or where such spaces are collectively or jointly provided and use, a written agreement thereby assuring their retention for such purposes shall be properly drawn and executed by the parties concerned, approved as to form by the Town attorney and shall be filed with the application for a permit, recorded at the applicant's expense in the office of Judge of Probate, and shall be in full force and effect until released by resolution of the Planning Commission.
- C. No off-street parking shall be permitted in the required front yard of any residential district except upon a driveway providing access to a garage, carport or parking area for a dwelling.
- D. All parking spaces required herein, including adequate driveways and maneuvering areas shall be improved with a suitable hard surface permanent type of pavement, except as may be otherwise permitted within these regulations.

# Section 22.04. Loading Requirements--Specified Uses.

A. A building whose dominant use is handling and selling goods at retail shall provide spaces in relation to the total floor area used for retail purposes as follows:

Area	Spaces Required
5,000 - 10,000 square feet	One
10,000 - 20,000 square feet	Two
20,000 - 30,000 square feet	Three
Over - 30,000 square feet	Four

B. Manufacturing, repair, wholesale or warehouse uses shall provide spaces in relation to total floor area as follows:

Area	Spaces Required
5,000 - 40,000 square feet	One
40,000 - 100,000 square feet	Two
Each 75,000 square feet over 100,	One Additional

C. Other buildings not listed above shall provide spaces in relation to total floor area as follows:

Area	Spaces Required
5,000 - 50,000 square feet	One
50,000 - 100,000 square feet	Two
100,000 - 200,000 square feet	Three
Over - 200,000 square feet	Four

# Section 22.05. Rules in applying loading standards.

In applying the requirements of §22.04 of this Article, the following rules shall apply.

- A. These requirements shall apply fully to all buildings erected after the effective date of this Ordinance.
- B. These requirements shall apply fully to all enlargements, expansions, or reconstructions of all buildings.
- C. In all cases, off street loading and unloading facilities shall be of sufficient sizes so that no part of any motor vehicle, loading or unloading, shall protrude onto a public street.

## Section 22.06. Rules for Specific Districts.

- A. Non-Residential uses in the Downtown and Village Districts may reduce their required parking by the amount of on street parking along their frontage plus two.
- B. Uses permitted by right in the A-1, Agricultural District may use unpaved parking spaces to meet their parking requirements.

# ARTICLE 23. LANDSCAPE AND BUFFER REQUIREMENTS

## Section 23.01. Purpose and Intent.

The purpose of this Article is to protect and promote the health, safety, and welfare of the Town of Wilsonville residents by mitigating the adverse affects caused by new development on adjacent uses and the environment. Pursuant to this purpose, these requirements intend to:

- Conserve and protect sensitive environmental resources and natural open spaces.
- Preserve the existing tree canopy and prohibit unnecessary clear cutting.
- Improve erosion and sediment control practices through the proper use of appropriate plant materials.
- Promote complementary landscape techniques to supplement Best Management Practices (BMPs) and stormwater management requirements.
- Improve the physical relationship between incompatible uses and activities by requiring adequate screening and buffering.
- Insulate public rights-of-way and adjoining residential properties from noise, glare, and visual distractions.
- Provide safe vehicle and pedestrian circulation.
- Preserve and enhance the aesthetic character of the community.

# Section 23.02. Definitions.

*Administrator*. The person or his/her duly authorized representative designated by the Town Council to administer Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Wilsonville.

*Berm.* A man made raised bank of earth used to provide privacy, separation of uses, and/or barriers to visual pollution.

Best Management Practices. Any planting, maintenance or sound ecological practices, standards or requirements that alter horticultural or arboricultural methods that reduce garden waste, recycle natural materials, conserve water, eliminate chemical discharge, capture stormwater, trap sediments, improve pest management and assist plant growth through mulching, soil building, nutrient enhancement and systemic growth improvement methods.

*Buffers*. The use of landscaping, retained native vegetation or landscaping along with berms, walls or decorative fences that at least partially and periodically obstruct the view from the street or an abutting property in such a manner that vehicular use areas, parking lots, parked cars, detention ponds and conflicting activity areas will be partially or completely screened.

*Caliper.* Diameter of tree trunk measured at six (6) inches above ground for tree up to four (4) inches in diameter and twelve (12) inches above ground for larger trees.

Clear Cutting. The removal of all vegetation upon a property at one time.

Cultivar. Propagated not from seed, but rather vegetative (e.g., via stem cuttings). When the full scientific name for a particular plant cultivar is given, the part of the name that indicates the cultivar itself follows the genus name and the species name and is set off by single quotation marks. By referring to cultivars in this way, we're able to be more specific about a plant than if we restricted ourselves to noting its genus and species.

*Drip Line*. An area within which most of the roots of a tree are contained and a perimeter circle constructed using the trunk as the center and the outermost reach of the branches as the periphery.

**Drip Line** 

Foundation Landscaping. The use of landscaping within the prescribed area of ground of a defined depth adjacent to a building wall.

*Frontage Landscaping*. The use of landscaping along the length of the property line of any one parcel adjacent to a street.

*Interior Landscaping*. The use of landscaping inside parking areas including planted islands and canoe type islands

*Landscapi*ng. Refers to any activity that modifies the visible features of an area of land, including but not limited to:

- living elements, such as flora or fauna; or what is commonly referred to as Gardening, the art and craft of growing plants with a goal of creating a beautiful environment within the landscape.
- natural elements such as landforms, terrain shape and elevation, or bodies of water;
- human elements such as structures, buildings, fences or other material objects created and/or installed by humans; and
- abstract elements such as the weather and lighting conditions.

*Large Trees*. Heights range from forty (40) to one hundred fifty (150) feet within a reasonable time under average cultural conditions.

Parking Decks. A structure which is designed specifically for automobile parking that consists of a number of floors or levels.

*Parking Islands*. The landscape space primarily located between parking spaces that are used to break up continuous parking spaces and provide a space for trees and shrubs.

Parking Island

*Perimeter Landscaping*. The use of landscaping along the outer limits of the parking area excluding access points.

*Planting Schedule*. A table that explains the quantity, species, sizes, and special comments relating to plants that will be included within a specific landscape plan.

Screening. Landscaping used to reduce the visual impact of a development from its surroundings.

Shrubbery. Evergreen or deciduous plants which are typically grown to three (3) feet in height.

*Site Data Table.* A table that states zoning, gross area lot, the number of proposed units, gross area of specific use, floor area ratio, gross density, impervious surface ratio, total gross building area and amount of landscaped area.

Site Development Plan. A plan, prepared to scale by an appropriately certified or registered land surveyor, architect, or engineer, showing accurately and with complete dimensioning required elements.

*Terraces*. Raised level with a vertical or sloping front or sides faced with masonry, turf, or the like, esp. one of a series of levels rising one above another.

*Tree Canopy.* The vegetative upper part of the tree that provides shade.

Small Trees. Heights range from ten (10) to forty (40) feet within a reasonable time under average cultural conditions.

Sight Triangle. A triangular-shaped portion of land established at street intersections in which nothing is erected, placed, planted or allowed to grow in such a manner as to limit or obstruct the sight distance of motorists entering or leaving the intersection.

Sight Triangle

# Section 23.03 Applicability.

These requirements shall apply to all new development or existing development, expanded by twenty five (25) percent or more, within the Town of Wilsonville.

- A. Buffers shall be incorporated between differing land use conditions and along the perimeter of residential developments of at least ten (10) acres.
- B. The provisions of this Article shall apply to the parking areas of community facilities (such as community swimming pools and clubhouses, etc.) within single family residential developments. Single family dwellings are specifically exempt from these provisions.
- C. Off-street Parking.
  - 1. Surface Parking.

Type of Development/ Improvement	No. Of Spaces	Applicability	
Norm	Less than 10	None	
New	10 or more	Full	
	Less than 25% increase	Only expanded area	
Expansion	25% or greater increase	Full	

Figure 23-1

These landscape regulations are applicable to all off-street parking construction according to the following table:

2. Parking Decks.

Excluding interior planting requirements, all other landscape requirements shall apply.

## Section 23.04. Administration and Enforcement

- A. Upon submission of a complete application for site development plan approval, the Administrator shall review the proposed landscape plan for compliance with the standards contained in this Article and determine whether the proposal is approved, approved conditionally, or rejected. Administrator shall duly note reasons for conditional approval or rejection and communicate these reasons to the applicant as part of the standard review procedures. Approval of a landscape plan will be required prior to issuance of any building permit.
- B. The requirements for the submission of a landscape plan shall be determined according to the criteria established in Section 23.06 of this Article.
- C. As part of a Conditional Use Approval, more restrictive landscaping requirements may be required by the Planning Commission or the Town Council.
- D. Where these regulations conflict with any other regulations approved by the Town Council, the more restrictive requirements shall apply.
- E. Bufferyards required and approved prior to enactment of these requirements shall be considered nonconforming. Any conditions of approval associated with such bufferyard shall remain in full force and effect.

# Section 23.05. Modifications

The Town Council may modify the strict application of this Article when:

- A. The required plantings or planting area would conflict with utilities, easements, overhead power lines, or as otherwise recommended by the Administrator.
- B. A proposed roadway improvement not being constructed by the developer will encroach the landscaping area.
- C. Topographical conditions warrant special consideration of the site design.
- D. The applicant proposes a better alternative that demonstrates compliance with the intent and purpose of these requirements.

When such modifications are warranted, the Planning Commission or the Town Council may require alternative buffering, landscaping, or locations, to ensure compliance with the intent of these regulations.

# Section 23.06. Landscape Plan Submittal Requirements

No application for site development plan approval will be accepted without inclusion of a landscape plan that meets the minimum submittal requirements and has been prepared by a state of Alabama registered Landscape Architect.

- A. The landscape plan and details shall be drawn to the same standard scale as the site development plan. Landscape plans shall be included in the site development plan submitted to Town of Wilsonville. Additionally, a buffer plan will be required for all site development plans that include twenty (20) acres or more.
- B. Landscape plans submitted for review and approval shall include the following:
  - 1. A title block, showing the title of the development, the name and address of the owner/developer, the name and address of the person or firm preparing the plan, registered seal or stamp of the person preparing the plan, the date of preparation, the scale, the north point, and the date of all revisions.
  - 2. A location map, showing the relative location of the site to the nearest existing public street intersection.
  - 3. The boundaries of the subject property, the location and description of all adjoining properties and the location and names of all adjoining streets and easements.
  - 4. Site Data Table that includes, but is not limited to the zoning, gross lot area, number of proposed units, gross area of specific use, floor area ratio, gross density, impervious surface ratio, total gross building area and amount of landscaped area.
  - 5. The number of required and proposed parking spaces.
  - 6. Location and dimensions of all points of vehicle access, proposed building footprints, location and names of all utility lines, easements or rights-of-way on or adjacent to the site.
  - 7. All details needed to communicate appearance, methods of construction and installation of landscape material.
  - 8. A planting schedule, keyed to the plant materials shown on the landscape plan, listing all proposed plant materials by botanical name, common name and cultivar, if any, quantity of materials, size of materials at planting, plant spacing, and existing trees approved for use.
  - 9. An irrigation plan for all landscape areas.

# **Section 23.07. General Requirements**

- A. Topsoil moved during the course of construction should be preserved and stockpiled for reuse on the site. All landscape areas shall be covered with an approved groundcover, grass or mulch, unless approved groundcover is already established. Where mulched landscaping is used, the area must be kept free of weeds.
- B. Preservation of existing healthy trees located within required landscape areas, may count toward fulfillment of the perimeter or buffer requirements. In order for an existing tree to count, it shall be a minimum two (2) inch caliper hardwood or shade type tree and is subject to the same maintenance and replacement requirements as the newly planted trees. Construction details shall be shown on the landscape plans. During construction, trees or groups of trees that are being preserved must have a tree protection barrier consisting of a chain link fence or orange construction fence constructed at the drip line of the tree or group of trees, given the specific site considerations.
- C. Existing, healthy plant material may count toward any or all landscaping requirements for a development site, provided that such units meet all the requirements of this Article.
- D. All cut and fill slopes shall be vegetated with trees, shrubs and ground cover to prevent erosion.
- E. Stormwater Facilities.
  - 1. Open basins shall be provided with a minimum five (5) foot landscaped zone around the periphery of the ponds which have a surface area up to one half acre as measured at the top bank. A minimum ten (10) foot landscaped zone as measured outward from the top of the bank shall be provided for ponds larger than one half acre. A typical stormwater facility landscaping plan is located in Section 23.13 of this Article.
  - 2. Vegetation for the stabilization of side slopes shall be a hearty ground cover, for example: Pensacola Bahia grass, Reed Canary Grass, Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) seasonal seed mixtures or similar varieties.
  - 3. A stable access and maintenance shoulder with a minimum width of ten (10) feet measured from the top of bank shall be provided sufficient to allow the periodic removal of sediment from the system. This access shall be coordinated with the landscaping zone around the basin. The landscaping zone shall not be incorporated in the access/maintenance way.

## Section 23.08. Landscape Requirements

All site development plans for new development or existing development expanded by twenty five (25) percent or more within the Town of Wilsonville shall include frontage, parking perimeter and interior, buffer, and foundation landscaping (see Figure 23.2).

# Types of Landscaping

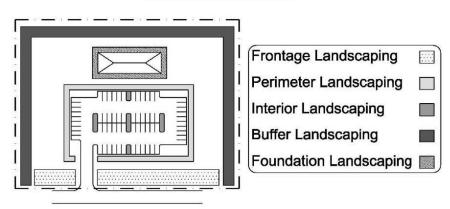


Figure 23-2

## A. Frontage Landscaping Requirements.

- 1. Frontage landscaping shall include a planted strip, exclusive of access driveways, with a minimum ten (10) foot depth measured from the edge of right-of-way along all adjacent public rights-of-way unless otherwise required. Landscaping shall include a minimum of one (1) large tree or three (3) small trees and ten (10) shrubs per forty (40) linear feet of frontage strip; shrubs are optional in areas where a berm of at least four (4) feet in height is used. Trees and shrubs shall be well distributed, though not necessarily evenly spaced.
- 2. Frontage landscaping depth shall be determined according to the following table.

Frontage Depth (in feet)				
Frontage Length	Frontage Landscaping Depth			
<150	10			
150 to 250	20			
>250	30			

Figure 23-3

3. Landscaping within the sight triangle shall be designed to provide unobstructed visibility at a level two (2) feet above the road, measured from the street grade at the center of the closest traffic lane. Ornamental trees are permitted in this area provided they are trimmed in such a manner that no limbs or foliage extend into the sight triangle. Large trees shall not be planted within the sight triangle. Landscaping requirements may be modified as necessary to prevent obstruction of required sight distance.

## B. Perimeter Landscaping Requirements.

- 1. Perimeter landscaping shall include a continuous planted strip along all sides of the parking area, exclusive of access driveways, with a minimum depth of ten (10) feet, measured from the back of curb. Existing trees within fifteen (15) feet of the parking area may be applied toward perimeter planting requirements. However, existing plant material within the public rights-of-way or on adjoining property shall not count toward the required perimeter landscaping areas.
- 2. One (1) large tree with a minimum two (2) inch caliper and a minimum of ten (10) feet high shall be planted for every forty (40) linear feet in the planted strip, however, planting of trees on center is not required. At least two (2) species of trees shall be incorporated within perimeter landscaping. In the event that overhead utilities prevent the use of large trees, small trees shall be planted for each thirty (30) feet of linear frontage. Planted strips are to be sodded, seeded, or mulched to cover all bare ground after landscape materials have been installed.
- 3. Ten (10) shrubs, with a minimum eighteen (18) inch height at installation, shall be provided for every thirty (30) linear feet in the planted strip along all sides of the parking area. Where applicable, these shrubs should be grouped and spaced to resemble more natural landscaping and encourage species maturity. These shrubs should also work in conjunction with the required number of large trees.

## C. Interior Landscaping Requirements.

1. Parking interiors require planted islands. There shall be one (1) planted island for every twelve (12) contiguous parking spaces. The planted area of the island must be at least nine (9) feet in width, measured from back of curb to back of curb and the full length of the parking space. The minimum width of any channeling or canoe type island shall be six (6) feet. Interior planted islands shall contain at least one (1) tree and four (4) shrubs per one hundred and fifty (150) square feet of planted island and shall be sodded, or mulched.

- 2. Uniformly distributed islands are required to visually minimize large expanses of parking areas, regulate traffic flow, protect pedestrians and permit access by emergency vehicles. Islands shall be placed at the ends of rows of parking spaces and between the circulation drives and parking rows to channel traffic safely around the parking areas and to define parking rows.
- 3. Trees shall be planted within islands so that the majority of each parking space is within sixty (60) feet of a tree. Trees within the perimeter landscape area may be used to satisfy this requirement.
- 4. Gas stations and automobile dealerships are exempt from interior landscaping requirements. All other landscaping requirements shall apply.

# D. Foundation Landscaping Requirements.

Foundation landscaping shall include a planted bed at a minimum depth of five (5) feet along all sides of the primary structure, excluding loading areas. The bed shall contain a minimum of one (1) small tree (including ornamental or small evergreen), and ten (10) shrubs for every twenty-five (25) linear feet of building. Shrubs, with a minimum height of eighteen (18) inches and a maximum spacing of four (4) feet, shall be planted within a bed of mulch or ground cover other than turf grass and be protected from damage by vehicles and maintenance equipment. Shrubs shall be well distributed though not necessarily evenly spaced.

## Section 23.09. Buffers

## A. Buffer Locations.

Buffers shall be located on the outer perimeter of a lot or parcel, extending to the lot or parcel boundary line, unless it is determined by the Administrator to be more effective in another location (i.e. top of slope). Buffers shall not be located on any portion of an existing or dedicated public or private street or right-of-way, but may include easements.

Buffer Types						
Types	Number of Plant Units Required per 100 Linear Feet of Property Line					
Types	Width	Large Trees	Screening Shrub			
A	10 Feet	3	2	20		
В	15 Feet	4	30			
C	20 Feet	6 4 40				
D	30 Feet	8 6 60				
See Buffer Type Examples in Appendix						

Figure 23-4

# B. Buffer Requirements.

- 1. Buffers are required to mitigate the adverse affects caused by new development on adjacent uses and the environment.
- 2. When natural vegetation exists on a site, underbrush may be cleared and appropriate plantings added.
- 3. An appropriately dense buffer shall provide a visual barrier throughout the entire length of the buffer as required in buffer table.

			<b>Existing Uses</b>					
			Single Family Residential, Vacant	Townhouse, Multiplex	Multifamily, Apartments, Condos	Low Impact	Medium Impact	High Impact
		Typical Zoning		R-4	R-4	O-I, B-1	B-2	M-1, M-2
ses.	Single Family Residential, Vacant		-	A	В	В	С	D
sed Us	Townhouse, Multiplex	R-4	A	-	A	В	С	D
Proposed Uses	Multifamily, Apartments, Condos		В	A	-	A	В	D
	<b>Low Impact</b>	O-I, B-1	В	В	A	-	A	C
	Medium Impact	B-2	С	C	В	A	-	В
	High Impact	M-1, M-2	D	D	D	С	В	-

*Figure 23-5* 

- 4. When natural or man-made topography enhances the effectiveness of the buffer (as determined by the Administrator) the depth may be reduced.
- 5. Privacy walls or fences in the buffer shall be visually impervious. Chain link fences shall not be used as a privacy fence.
- 6. Any disturbance of the approved buffer shall require full restoration.
- 7. Buffers are not permitted within utility easements. When a buffer is required in the same location as a recorded easement, the required buffer width may be amended as follows:

Required Buffer Width	Reduction in Width of Buffer from Edge of Easement	Minimum Buffer Width			
20	5	15			
30	10	20			
(Measurement in Feet)					
Plant unit counts remain as originally calculated.					

Figure 23-6

## Section 23.10. Maintenance

All buffers, landscaped areas and plant materials shall be maintained as herein provided and shall not be intentionally or willfully disturbed by any person, firm or corporation except for routine maintenance so that the purpose and effect of the buffer is not diminished. The following minimum maintenance activities are required:

A. All required buffers and landscaped areas in nonresidential developments shall be irrigated with an automatic irrigation system; except for those buffers, which are approved as natural buffers, and those required for interior landscaping within an existing parking area being landscaped to meet the requirements of this Article or if otherwise prohibited by the water provider.

- B. If a landscaped area contains primarily species native to the immediate region, or plants acceptable for xeric landscaping, the Administrator or Planning Commission, as applicable, may recommend that the Town Council waive the requirement for installation of an irrigation system. Consideration of a waiver of the irrigation requirements shall be supported by appropriate documentation provided by the applicant.
- C. Plant materials shall be replaced in a buffer destroyed by any cause.
- D. Any newly planted large tree removed or otherwise destroyed by the willful act of the property owner, tenant or contractor, shall be replaced by a tree of the same or larger caliper, or combination thereof. Any existing large tree that is preserved for credit toward landscaping requirements that is removed or otherwise destroyed by the willful act of the property owner, tenant or contractor, shall be replaced by new trees totaling the caliper of inches of the tree that has been removed or destroyed.
- E. Fences, walls, berms and other structures that deteriorate or are damaged by any cause shall be repaired and/or replaced.
- F. Buffers that are altered by erosion, construction, or other causes shall be restored.

## Section 23.11. Bonds

Plant materials shall be bonded according to the procedures established by the Town of Wilsonville to ensure that installed plants remain viable.

- A. A performance bond shall be posted in an amount no less than one hundred and twenty five (125) percent of the value of the materials and cost of installation of the landscaping to be installed. The performance bond shall be posted as a condition of site plan approval and prior to release of a building permit. Said bonding instrument shall be held for two (2) years or as necessary to complete the project and shall be irrevocable and automatically renewable.
- B. These procedures shall further provide that after initial installation, the performance bond shall be retained as surety for maintenance and replacement in an amount of no less than one hundred and twenty five (125) percent of the full value of all original materials and cost of installation for a period of one year from the date of initial inspection following the completion of installation. The performance bond shall be recognized as a maintenance bond upon inspection and written acceptance by the Town after completion of all required improvements.
- C. During the course of the one-year maintenance period, two (2) inspections will be conducted. The first inspection will be conducted upon completion of the installation of all landscape materials. If the first inspection determines that the landscape installation is incomplete or inconsistent with the approved landscape plan, then the new installation date will be modified to the date of completion. The second inspection will be approximately one year from the date of the completed installation. If reinstallation of materials is required, a new bonding instrument shall be posted or the existing approved bond extended for the reinstalled plant materials for a period of one (1) year.
- D. Following release of the performance bond by the Town, the Town shall have no further duty or responsibility for enforcement. The owners of private property in the vicinity of the development and whose property was or is affected by the presence or absence of the required landscaping shall have standing, to the extent allowed by law, to enforce the requirements of this Article by action in a court having jurisdiction thereof.
- E. Failure to comply with the requirements of this Article shall be deemed a violation of these regulations. Violators will be given written notice of the violation and permitted fifteen (15) days to correct the violation before further action is taken.

## Section 23.12. Plant Selection

A. Minimum Plant Size. Unless otherwise specifically indicated elsewhere in this Article, all plant materials shall meet the following minimum size standards:

		Minimum Plant Size				
		Single Stem	Multi-Stem Clump	Evergreen	Shrub	Ground Cover
Plant Material Type	Large Tree	2-2.5 inch caliper	5 feet in height	5 feet in height	-	-
	Small Tree	6 feet in height	4 feet in height	6 feet in height	-	-
	Shrub	-	-	-	18 inches in height	-
	<b>Ground Cover</b>	-	-	-	-	6 inches in height

Figure 23-7

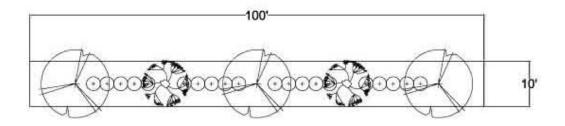
# B. Town of Wilsonville Plant Selection List.

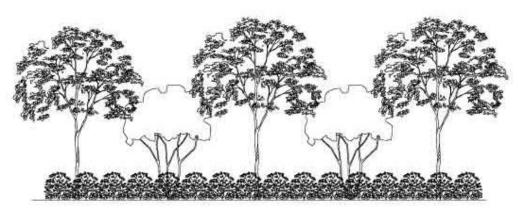
The Plant Selection List (Appendix D) is subject to revision and is contained herein by reference only. The list is not meant to be all inclusive. It is the responsibility of the Landscape Architect to select species that are appropriate to the location in which they will be planted.

# Section 23.13. Illustrations.

# A. Buffer Type Examples

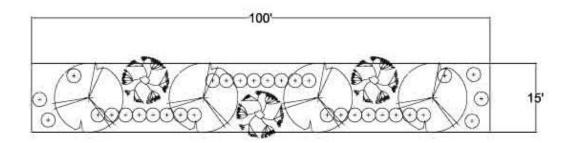
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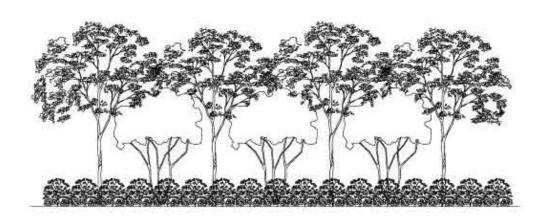




Plant Schedule		
	Plant Type Symbol	# Required
		100 linear feet
Large Trees		3
Small Trees		2
Screening Shrub	<b>(</b>	20

# Buffer B

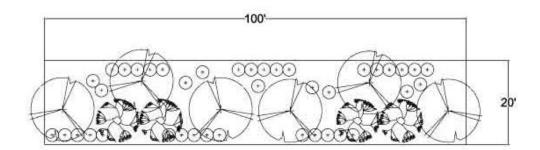


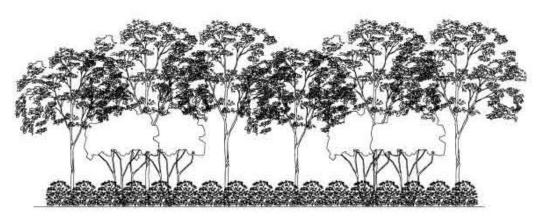


Plant Schedule			
	Plant Type Symbol	# Required	
		100 linear feet	
Large Trees		4	
Small Trees		3	
Screening Shrub	0	30	

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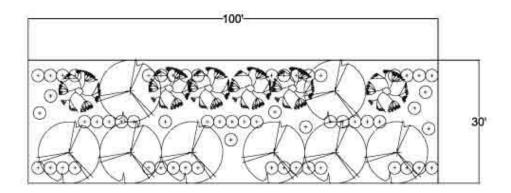
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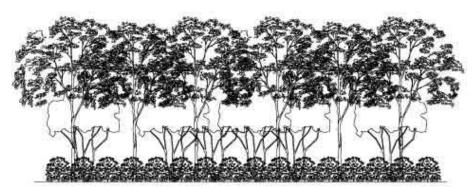




Plant Schedule			
	Plant Type Symbol	# Required	
	Time Type Symbol	100 linear feet	
Large Trees		6	
Small Trees		4	
Screening Shrub	Õ	40	

# Buffer D

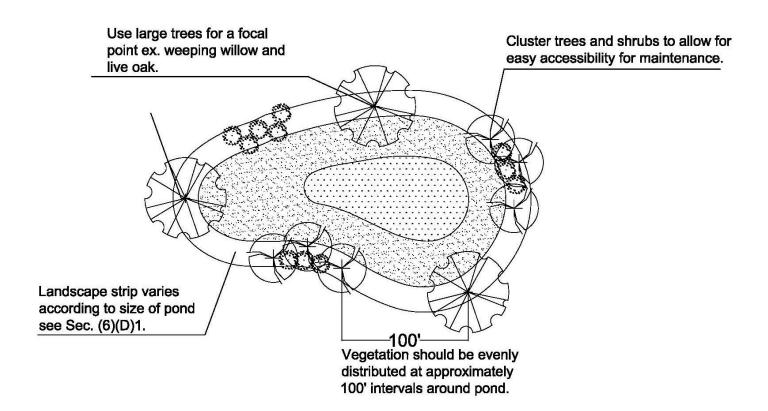




Plant Schedule			
	Plant Type Symbol	# Required	
		100 linear feet	
Large Trees		8	
Small Trees		6	
Screening Shrub	0	60	

B. Planting Plan Example

# Typical Stormwater Facility Landscaping Plan



#### Notes:

- 1. If possible locate pond where vegetation exists.
- 2. Suggest minimal clearing to conserve visual quality of site and minimize the additional cost of tree planting. An irregular shape provides a more natural appearance.
- 3. Landscape strip shall be a maximum slope of 7:1 in order to plant vegetation.
- 4. Provide a minimum of 3 inches of mulch around all vegetation.

#### ARTICLE 24. WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES.

#### Section 24.01. Purpose.

The purpose of this section is to establish minimum standards for wireless telecommunications facilities. The underlying principles of these standards are to: (1) achieve a balance among the number, height, and density of wireless telecommunications facilities that is appropriate for our communities; (2) encourage and maximize the use of existing and approved towers, buildings and other structures to accommodate new wireless telecommunications facilities; (3) ensure the compatibility of towers with, and avoid adverse impacts to, nearby properties; and (4) discourage the proliferation of towers throughout the areas of Town of Wilsonville that are subject to the *Zoning Ordinance of Town of Wilsonville*.

# Section 24.02. Definitions.

Accessory structure compound. A fenced, secured enclosure in which a wireless telecommunications facility and its equipment, buildings, access roads, parking area and other accessory devices/auxiliary structures are located. The outline of an accessory structure compound shall be accurately defined on a site plan.

Alternative support structure. Any structure other than a wireless telecommunications tower, which may include, but is not limited to, buildings, water towers, light poles, power poles, telephone poles, and other essential public utility structures.

Antenna. An electromagnetic device, which conducts radio, signals, through an attached cable or waveguide, to or from a radio transmitter or receiver. Typically this includes "whips," "cornucopia horns," "panels" and parabolic "dishes."

Antenna support structure. Any structure on which telecommunications antennas and cabling can be attached. Typically this includes steel towers with guy-wires (guyed towers); wooden, steel or concrete single poles (monopoles); self-supporting steel towers with three or four "legs" (self-support/lattice towers); rooftops of existing buildings or structures (such as elevated water storage tanks). (see also tower)

*Co-location*. The placement of more than one wireless communications antenna by one or more telecommunications service providers on a single existing or new antenna support structure.

Concealment Techniques. Design techniques used to blend a wireless telecommunications facility, including any antennas thereon, unobtrusively into the existing surroundings so as to not have the appearance of a wireless telecommunications facility. Such structures shall be considered wireless telecommunications facilities and not spires, belfries, cupolas, or other appurtenances usually required to be placed above the roof level for purposes of applying height limitations. Due to their height, such structures must be designed with sensitivity to elements such as building bulk, massing, and architectural treatment of both the wireless telecommunications facility and surrounding development. Concealed towers on developed property must be disguised to appear as either a part of the structure housing, a principal use, or an accessory structure that is normally associated with the principal use occupying the property. Concealed towers on unimproved property must be disguised to blend in with existing vegetation. Example: A tower of such design and treated with architectural material so camouflaged to resemble a woody tree with a single trunk and branches on its upper part (also known as a "monopine").

FAA. Federal Aviation Administration

FCC. Federal Communications Commission.

*Height.* When referring to a tower or other structure, the distance measured from the ground level at the base of the tower to the highest point on the tower or other structure, including if said highest point is an antenna placed on a structure or tower.

*Private telecommunications operation*. The use of a telecommunications facility to provide communications services internal to the facility owner or to its affiliates, provided that there is no fee

charged for or lease of the communication services and provided further that such communication services are only accessory to the principal use of the owner's property on which they are located.

Temporary Telecommunications Tower. Mobile wireless telecommunications towers that are mounted upon trailers, operated temporarily. Also known as "cellular on wheels" (COWs).

*Tower*. Any structure that is designed and constructed primarily for the purpose of supporting one or more antenna, including self supporting lattice towers, guyed towers, or monopole towers. The term includes radio and television transmission towers, microwave towers, common carrier towers, cellular telephone towers and the like. (see also antenna support structure)

#### Section 24.03. Requirements Applicable to all Wireless Communications Facilities.

#### A. FCC and FAA Approvals.

No application shall be approved for a wireless communications facility without first obtaining written approvals from the FCC and FAA, if required by Federal law. Copies of notices to and responses from the FCC and FAA shall be submitted with the permit application. Should the FCC or FAA not require approval, the permit applicant shall submit an engineer's certification that no such approval is required.

B. Radio Frequency (RF) Emissions.

Wireless communications facilities subject to FCC standards governing radio frequency emissions shall require an engineer's certification of compliance with current FCC emission standards, before an application may be approved.

C. Environmental Effects.

The development of any wireless communications facility shall fully comply with the most current provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), as currently implemented by the FCC. The applicant for a request to develop a facility shall evaluate a proposed site to determine possible significant impact on environmentally sensitive areas. Should a development have an environmental impact, an environmental assessment (EA) shall be prepared and filed with the FCC for approval. A copy of the EA shall also be submitted to the Town for comment to the FCC. No application to construct a facility shall be approved unless the applicant submits an FCC approved EA with the application. Should an EA not be required, the application shall include an engineer's certification that a thorough investigation has determined no possible significant environmental impact.

#### D. Historic Preservation.

No communications tower or ground mounted commercial satellite facility shall be located within two hundred (200) feet of a locally or nationally designated historic district or any individual property listed on the National Register of Historic Districts and Places. Permitted communications antennas and commercial satellite facilities mounted to an individually listed historic building or any building (contributing and noncontributing) within a locally or nationally designated historic district shall be subject to approval of the proposed design standards of said historic district, in addition to other approvals required by the district use regulations. The Town may approve, deny, or modify the proposed design to best achieve the historic preservation objectives for the particular location. Stealth concealment of antennas may be required by the Town. This provision extends the authority of the Town to apply design review to wireless communications facilities proposed for historic districts and individual property listings on the National Register of Historic Districts and Places.

E. Construction and Safety Standards.

All towers and antennas shall comply with wind loading and other structural standards contained in applicable building and technical codes, industry codes, and manufacturer standards so as not to endanger the health and safety of residents, employees or travelers in the event of structural failure due to extreme weather conditions or other acts of God.

#### Section 24.04. Application.

A. Permit Requirements.

Application for the approval of a wireless telecommunications facility plan shall include application for the review and approval of a site plan for a permitted use or a conditional use, pursuant to Article 25 of this Ordinance, on a form made available from the Town Clerk.

The following facilities are exempt from the standards of this Article, notwithstanding all applicable building and electrical codes and FCC and FAA:

- 1. Amateur radio and receive-only antenna owned and operated by a federally licensed radio station operator or used exclusively for receive-only antennas.
- 2. Telecommunications facilities for private communication operation less than or equal to seventy five (75) feet in height or mounted on a structure that is accessory to the principal use of the owner's property on which it is located.
- B. Temporary installations.

The Administrator may, under special circumstances, approve a permit for a temporary communications tower or COW (cellular on wheels) for a cellular communications facility where permitted in a zone district by administrative review and approval. When operating during a publicly recognized special event approved by the Administrator, such tower may be installed up to seventy (72) hours before the event begins and shall be removed within seventy (72) hours after the event ends. If the COW installation is not associated with a special event, the maximum period that may be approved for a location shall be not more than ninety (90) days in any given calendar year. The COW shall be fully transportable, not permanently affixed to the ground or a structure. The temporary tower shall, at minimum, comply with the district use and height regulations and setback and lighting requirements of this Ordinance, in addition to applicable building and electrical codes and FCC and FAA.

# Section 24.05. Standards for Approval.

- A. Application for a wireless telecommunications facility may be approved by the Town Council only upon determination that the application and evidence presented clearly indicate that all of the following standards have been met.
- B. Location and Facility Height.
  - 1. Location and facility height table (see Table 24.1).
  - 2. Towers and/or antennas utilizing alternative support structures shall not exceed 15 feet in height above the existing structure on which they are placed.
  - 3. "Whips," "panels," cornucopia horns, and parabolic "dishes" placed on alternative support structures shall not exceed 100 square feet in size.

	ZONE DISTRICTS		
WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES	A-1, HZ, E-1, E-2, R-1, R-2, R-4	O & I, B-1, B-2	M-2
Alternative support structures	Permitted	Permitted	Permitted
Co-location antennas	Permitted	Permitted	Permitted
Use of concealment techniques (antenna support structures of any height)	Conditional	Permitted	Permitted
Antenna support structures up to 60 feet in height	Conditional	Permitted	Permitted
Antenna support structures 61 to 200 feet in height	Conditional	Permitted	Permitted
Antenna support structures 201 to 260 feet in height	Prohibited	Conditional	Conditional
Antenna support structures 261 feet in height or more	Prohibited	Prohibited	Conditional

(Table 24.1)

# C. Area and Dimensional Regulations.

#### 1. Minimum Lot Size.

- a. Lot size must conform to the minimum lot size required for the zone district of the subject property.
- b. The minimum lot size for any new freestanding wireless telecommunications facility shall be large enough to allow for the antenna support structure and ground-mounted accessory structures of the applicant and the ground-mounted accessory structures at least one additional co-locating service provider.
- c. If only a portion of a parcel is being leased for a wireless telecommunications facility, the lease parcel must be situated within the parent parcel so that the wireless telecommunications facility complies with the applicable antenna support structure setback requirements.

#### 2. Setbacks.

- a. Wireless telecommunications towers, guys, and accessory facilities must satisfy the minimum yard requirements of the zone district in which they are located. The use of concealment techniques does not exempt a wireless telecommunications facility from any minimum yard requirements.
- b. Towers (but not guys and accessory facilities) must adhere to additional setbacks indicated in the following table. Tower setbacks do not apply to alternative support structures.

TOWER SETBACKS		
When the property on which the tower is located is zoned	The setback from all property lines is	
A-1, HZ	50 feet (for towers of any height). Additional setback may apply. (see c) below)	
E-1, E-2, R-1, R-2, R-4,	A distance equaling the height of the tower. Additional setback may apply. (see c) below)	
O & I, B-1, B-2	50 feet (for towers of any height). Additional setback may apply. (see c) below)	
M-2	30 feet (for towers of any height). Additional setback may apply. (see c) below)	

(*Table 24-2*)

c. Towers shall be placed a minimum distance equal to the height of the wireless telecommunications facility plus fifty (50) feet away from any residential structure.

#### D. Co-location.

- No new antenna support structure shall be permitted unless the applicant demonstrates that no existing antenna support structure or other structure can accommodate the applicant's needs.
- 2. Documentation that reasonable efforts have been made to achieve co-location shall be submitted. Applications for new antenna support structures must include an affidavit from the applicant verifying that no existing sites are available for co-location. If the owner of an approved antenna support structure refuses to allow a co-location, an affidavit shall be required that states the reason for the refusal.
- 3. Antenna support structures less than or equal to 200 feet in height shall have the ability to accommodate at least one additional antenna, unless they would cause the height of the antenna support structure to be increased. Antenna support structures greater than 200 feet in height shall have the ability to accommodate at least two additional antennas.

- 4. Co-location is not required if the use concealment techniques is prohibitive to co-location efforts.
- 5. The Town of Wilsonville may request of the owner/operator of a wireless telecommunications facility permission to place weather warning equipment, such as horns and sirens, on a tower of a wireless telecommunications facility, which request may be refused by the owner/operator should such warning equipment interfere with the operation of the wireless telecommunications facility

#### D. Aesthetics.

The aesthetic properties of each individual wireless telecommunications facility shall be approved as part of the site plan review process.

- 1. Appearance. The design of the tower shall be of a type that has the least visual impact on the surrounding area.
  - a. Towers and antennas shall be painted a neutral or blending color so as to reduce visual obtrusiveness, unless subject to any applicable FAA standards. If an antenna is installed on a structure other than a tower, the antenna and supporting telecommunications facilities must be of a neutral color that is identical to, or closely compatible with, the color of the supporting structure.
  - b. No signage, symbols, or advertisements may be attached to the pole, tower or antenna.
  - c. Towers camouflaged to resemble woody trees or indigenous vegetation in order to blend in with the native landscape will be subject to administrative review, as are other types of concealment techniques (see Concealment Techniques).

#### 2. Accessory Structures.

- a. The design of the compound and its accessory structures shall, to the extent possible, maximize use of building materials, colors, textures, screening and landscaping that effectively blend the tower facilities within the surrounding natural setting and built environment.
- b. In or adjacent to developed properties, accessory structures must be aesthetically and architecturally compatible with the surrounding environment. Materials such as wood, brick, and stucco should be used as appropriate. The use of metal or metallic-looking materials shall be avoided in as much as shall be practical.

#### 3. Non-Vegetative Screening.

- a. Non-vegetative screening will be required when it is necessary to reduce the visual impact of a wireless telecommunications compound on adjacent public ways, properties or the neighborhood in which it is located. In or adjacent to developed properties, non-vegetative screening shall be provided in a manner that is compatible with the surrounding character of development, buildings, natural vegetation, and landscaping. Such screening, as required and subject to site plan review, shall have a minimum height of eight (8) feet, and may consist of one of the following: brick masonry walls, solid wood fencing, berms, or opaque barriers. All non-vegetative screening shall be properly maintained by the property owner or lessor.
- b. In isolated non-residential areas, alternative non-vegetative screening methods may be accepted, such as the use of earth-toned, vinyl-coated steel security fencing.
- c. In certain locations where the visual impact of the tower would be minimal, such as remote, agricultural or rural locations or developed heavy industrial areas, the non-vegetative screening requirement may be reduced or waived.
- d. Wireless telecommunications facilities utilizing underground vaults rather than aboveground equipment buildings may be exempted from any buffer requirements.

#### 4. Landscaping.

- a. Landscaping will be required to reduce the visual impact of a compound and its accessory structures on adjacent public ways, properties or the neighborhood in which it is located. In or adjacent to developed properties, landscaping shall be provided in a manner that is compatible with the surrounding character of development, buildings, and natural vegetation.
- b. The perimeter of the compound shall be landscaped with a buffer of plant materials that effectively screens the view of the compound from adjacent property and public ways. The standard buffer shall consist of a landscaped strip of at least four (4) feet wide outside the perimeter of the compound. In locations where the visual impact of the tower would be minimal, the landscaping requirement may be reduced or waived.
- c. A row of trees a minimum of eight (8) feet tall and a maximum of ten (10) feet apart shall be planted around the perimeter of the compound fence. A continuous hedge at least thirty (30) inches high at planting capable of growing to at least thirty-six (36) inches in height within eighteen (18) months shall be planted in front of the tree line.
- d. All landscaping shall be of the evergreen variety. All landscaping shall be xeriscape tolerant or irrigated and properly maintained by the property owner or lessor to ensure good health and variety.

#### E. Lighting.

- 1. Towers shall not be artificially lighted unless required by the FAA or other authority for safety purposes. If lighting is required, "dual lighting" (red at night/strobe during day) shall be preferred unless restricted by the FAA. Lighting must be shielded or directed inward to the greatest extent possible so as to minimize the amount of light that falls onto nearby properties, particularly residences.
- 2. Basic security lighting for the compound may be permitted, but shall not include any flashing lights or lights greater than twenty (20) feet in height. This lighting shall be focused only on the compound itself, and shall be directed away from any adjacent property.

## F. Environmental Impact.

All wireless telecommunications facilities shall comply with the National Environmental Policy Act. If an environmental assessment is required by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), a copy of the assessment, as well as documentation of the FCC's subsequent approval thereof, must be submitted at the time of application.

## G. Safety.

- 1. Radio Frequency. The applicant shall be required to submit documentation that the proposed wireless telecommunications facility complies with Federal Communications Commission standards for radio frequency emissions, as adopted by the FCC on August 1, 1996.
- 2. Structural. A Professional Engineer shall certify that all antenna support structure and wireless telecommunications equipment are erected and/or installed so as to comply with wind loading and other structural standards contained in the current building and the applicable technical codes. This shall apply to new and modified structures and facilities.
- 3. Security of Site. Fencing shall be required to ensure that antenna support structures and their accessory buildings are fully secured. Sufficient anti-climbing measures must be incorporated into each facility, as needed, to reduce potential for trespass and injury. A sign shall be discretely placed on the outermost structural element, which indicates the name and telephone number of a person responsible for the safety and maintenance of the facility.
- 4. Access. Provisions shall be made to provide access clearances for emergency vehicles.

# **Section 24.06 Minimum Application Requirements.**

- A. Site development plan, prepared by an engineer, fully dimensioned and drawn to scale, showing complete facility installation details, including but not limited to, property lines, lease lot lines, adjoining rights-of-way, easements, layout and location of all existing and proposed improvements, buildings, structures, mechanical and electrical equipment, setbacks, access, parking, security installations, signs, screening, landscape details, and such other detailed information necessary to assess full compliance with the development standards required by this Ordinance.
- B. Construction plans, specifications, and details, prepared by an engineer, as required by the building permit, including such additional information necessary to assess full compliance with the design and construction standards of this Article, such as but not limited to, details on facility height, finish, and lighting.
- C. Engineer certifications, as required by this Ordinance:
  - 1. FCC and FAA approvals (include copy of notices and responses) or, should FCC or FAA not require approval, certification that no approval is required (see §24.03).
  - 2. Compliance with current FCC radio frequency emission standards (see §24.03).
  - 3. Compliance with FCC Environmental Assessment requirements (include copy of FCC approved EA), or if not required, certification that a thorough investigation has determined no possible significant environmental impact (see §24.03).
  - 4. Compliance with wind loading and other construction and safety standards contained in applicable building codes, technical codes, industry codes, and manufacturer standards. (see §24.05).
  - 5. Compliance with required lighting or markings by the (see §24.03).
  - 6. Structural necessity of a guyed tower for a microwave relay facility (see §24.03).
  - 7. Shared use design (see §24.03).
  - 8. Coverage analysis study and certification that the proposed facility cannot be accommodated on any existing tower or alternative site evaluated in the study radius (see §24.03)
- D. Affidavits and other submittals, as required by this Section:
  - 1. Applicant's affidavit that the owner of a feasible tower or site is unwilling to make space available for collocation or attachment (see §24.05 D.).
  - 2. Provider's affidavit of good faith intent to allow collocation (see §24.05 D.).
  - 3. Evidence of liability insurance as required by Town Code

# Section 24.07. Maintenance.

Towers shall be properly maintained. Estimated life of structure must be included in submittal information.

# Section 24.08. Obsolete Towers.

In the event the use of any wireless telecommunications facility has been discontinued for the period of one hundred eighty (180) consecutive days, the wireless telecommunications facility shall be deemed to be abandoned. Determination of the date of the abandonment shall be made by the Administrator who shall have the right to request documentation and/or affidavits from the wireless telecommunications facility owner regarding the issue of telecommunications facility usage. Upon such abandonment, the owner/operator of the wireless telecommunications facility shall have an additional one hundred eighty (180) days within which to reactivate the use of the wireless telecommunications facility or transfer the wireless telecommunications facility to another

owner/operator who makes actual use of the wireless telecommunications facility, or dismantle and remove the wireless telecommunications facility. At the earlier of one hundred eighty (180) days from the date of abandonment with reactivation or upon completion of dismantling and removal, any variance approval for the wireless telecommunications facility shall automatically expire. The applicant shall sign an affidavit to this effect, to be placed on file with the Town of Wilsonville.

#### **ARTICLE 25. ADMINISTRATION**

#### Section 25.01. Interpretation of Ordinance.

In interpreting and applying the provisions of this Ordinance, they shall be held to be the minimum requirements for the promotion of public health, safety, convenience, comfort, morals and the general welfare. Where this Ordinance imposes greater restrictions upon the use of a building or land or upon the open spaces, yard area or lot area, than are imposed or required by other Ordinances, rules, regulations, or permits, or by easement, covenants or agreements, the provisions of this Ordinance shall govern. Where any other Ordinances, rules, regulations or permits, or any easements, covenants or agreements impose greater restrictions upon the use of a building or upon the height, bulk or size of a building or structure, or require larger open spaces, yard area or lot area than are required under the regulations of this Ordinance, such provisions shall govern.

#### Section 25.02. Enforcement.

The duty of administering and enforcing the provisions of this Ordinance is hereby conferred upon the Administrator, or other such official designated by the Town Council.

#### Section 25.03. Conditional Uses.

#### A. Purpose.

It is the purpose of this section to establish a process that enables and facilitates review of those uses identified as conditional uses in these regulations in order to determine the appropriateness of a particular conditional use in a given location.

#### B. Authorization.

The Town Council may, under the prescribed standards and procedures contained herein, authorize the construction or initiation of any conditional use that is expressly permitted as a conditional use in a particular zone district; however, the Town reserves full authority to deny any request for a conditional use, to impose conditions on the use, or to revoke approval at any time, upon a finding that the permitted conditional use will or has become unsuitable and incompatible in its location as a result of any nuisance or activity generated by the use.

#### C. Conditional Use Review.

Application for the approval of a conditional use shall be made on a form made available from the Town Clerk. To ensure an adequate and comprehensive review a completed application shall be filed with the Administrator at least thirty (30) days prior to the Planning Commission hearing.

The Administrator shall, upon determination that an application complies with all applicable submission requirements, receive said application and schedule it for consideration and review by the Planning Commission.

1. At least fifteen (15) days prior to the scheduled Planning Commission public hearing of a conditional use, the Chairman of the Planning Commission shall give written notice of the hearing to the applicant and to all adjoining property owners of the subject property. Such notice shall be deemed given when deposited in the United States Mail, first class postage prepaid, addressed to those property owners at their addresses submitted by the applicant at the time application was made, as well as publication of the proposed conditional use in a newspaper of general circulation published within the Town or, if there is no newspaper of general circulation published within the Town, posting notice of the proposed conditional use in four (4) conspicuous locations within the Town. Any error in the addresses of such notices shall not invalidate the giving of such notice, provided that not more than five percent (5%) of the total number of notices contain any such error.

Such notices, publications and advertisement shall contain the following:

- a. Name of the applicant.
- b. The location of the subject property.
- c. The proposed conditional use of the property requested.
- d. The time, date and location of the Town Council public hearing.
- 2. At the time and place scheduled for the public hearing of the proposed conditional use, the Planning Commission shall review the proposed conditional use pursuant to the standards of approval herein. The Commission shall recommend, recommend with conditions, or not recommend the proposed conditional use to the Town Council by resolution.
- 3. At least fifteen (15) days prior to the public hearing for a conditional use before the Town Council, the Town Clerk shall cause the proposed conditional use to be published once a week for two (2) consecutive weeks (once in its entirety and once in a synopsis form referring to the date and name of the newspaper in which the proposed amendment was first published) in advance of its consideration in a newspaper of general circulation published within the Town. If, however, there is no newspaper of general circulation published within the Town, the Town Council must cause the notice of the proposed conditional use to be posted in four (4) conspicuous locations within the Town.

Such notices, publications and advertisement shall contain the following:

- a. Name of the applicant.
- b. The location of the subject property.
- c. The proposed conditional use of the property requested.
- d. The time, date and location of the Town Council public hearing.
- 4. Such notices, publications and advertisement shall further state that, at such public hearing, all persons who desire shall have an opportunity to be heard in opposition to or in favor of the proposed amendment. Until these publication requirements have been met, the approval of a conditional use shall not be valid.
- 5. The Town Clerk shall also give written notice to the applicant and all adjacent property owners of the subject property. Such notice shall be deemed given when deposited in the United States Mail, first class postage prepaid, addressed to those property owners at their addresses as submitted by the applicant at the time application for the conditional use was made. Any error in the addresses of such notices shall not invalidate the giving of notice provided not more than five percent (5%) of the total number of notices contain any such error.
- 6. At the time and place scheduled for the public hearing of the proposed conditional use, the Town Council shall hear the presentation of the applicant, review the recommendation of the Planning Commission and hear any arguments in opposition to and/or support of the proposed conditional use by the general public. After such hearing, the Town Council may approve the conditional use as requested, approve the conditional use in such amended form as it deems appropriate, or deny said conditional use.
- 7. The Town Council may impose conditions and restrictions upon the property benefited by the conditional use as may be necessary to comply with the standards set out above, to reduce or minimize any potentially injurious effect of such conditional use upon other property in the neighborhood, and to carry out the general purpose and intent of these regulations. In approving any conditional use, the Town Council may specify the period of time for which such approval is valid for the commencement of the proposed conditional use.

#### D. Submission Requirements.

No request for conditional use approval shall be considered complete until all of the following has been submitted to the Administrator:

#### 1. Application Form.

Application for the approval of a conditional use shall be made on a form made available from the Town Clerk. The application shall be signed and, if not signed by the property owner, shall be accompanied by a notarized affidavit that the applicant is authorized to act in the owner's behalf.

#### 2. Plans and specifications.

Each application shall be accompanied by an accurate site plan, drawn to scale, identifying: the current off-street parking available on the site; any new proposed parking layout; ingress to and egress from the site; area of the site; existing uses on the site, including the location and floor area of all buildings; and such other information as the Administrator may reasonably require. Any supplementary information, exhibits, plans or maps which are to accompany and constitute part of the application shall be submitted to the Administrator at the time of filing the application. Three (3) copies of all such documents shall be required for distributional purposes."

# E. Standards for Approval.

- 1. A conditional use may be approved by the Town Council only upon determination that the application and evidence presented clearly indicate that all of the following standards have been met:
  - A. The proposed use shall be in harmony with the general purpose, goals, objectives and standards of the Town of Wilsonville Comprehensive Plan, these regulations, or any other official plan, program, map or regulation of the Town of Wilsonville;
  - B. The proposed use shall be consistent with the community welfare and not detract from the public's convenience at the specific location;
  - C. The proposed use shall not unduly decrease the value of neighboring property; and
  - D. The use shall be compatible with the surrounding area and not impose an excessive burden or have a substantial negative impact on surrounding or adjacent uses or on community facilities or services.

#### 2. Conditions and Restrictions on Approval.

In approving a conditional use, the Planning Commission may impose conditions and restrictions upon the property benefited by the conditional use as may be necessary to comply with the standards set out above, to reduce or minimize any potentially injurious effect of such conditional use upon other property in the neighborhood, and to carry out the general purpose and intent of these regulations. In approving any conditional use, the Planning Commission may specify the period of time for which such approval is valid for the commencement of the proposed conditional use. The Planning Commission may, upon written request, grant extensions to such time allotments not exceeding six (6) months each without notice or hearing. Failure to comply with any such condition or restriction imposed by the Planning Commission shall constitute a violation of these regulations. Those conditional uses which the Planning Commission approves subject to conditions shall have the time allotted to satisfy such conditions specified by the Planning Commission.

#### Section 25.04. Site Development Plan.

#### A. Purpose.

It is the purpose of this section to encourage a high standard of land development through careful review of the nature and composition of proposed development projects as well as to provide full

consideration of the potential impacts of proposed developments upon surrounding uses and land. Furthermore, it is the purpose of the site plan review process to provide a mechanism to ensure that the individual components of the development process are carefully integrated in order that a project meets not only those minimum regulatory requirements and individual design standards, but also addresses in its totality the design guidelines set forth in this section.

# B. Approval Required.

Site plan approval as hereinafter set forth is required prior to the issuance of any building permit for all land uses subject to these regulations where any of the following exists:

- 1. A parcel of land proposed for a nonresidential use.
- A parcel of land proposed for multi-family residential, condominium, townhouse, or hotel/motel use.
- 3. A parcel of land devoted to a nonresidential use or a parcel of land devoted to multi-family, condominium, townhouse or hotel/motel units which use of land or building is proposed to be expanded by twenty-five (25) per cent or more of lot area or building floor area.
- 4. A parcel of land, which is to be developed utilizing a "special district" zoning classification.
- 5. A parcel of land where, due to the unique characteristics of the land, the surrounding use(s), the proposed use or other features of the development, the Administrator determines it to be in the interest of the public health, safety or welfare that such project be subject to the site plan review process.
- 6. The Administrator shall have the authority to waive the site plan approval requirement for public, Town-sponsored projects as is determined appropriate based on the nature, location, size and impact of such project(s).

#### C. Site Plan Review.

Application for the approval of a site development plan shall be made on a form made available from the Town Clerk. To ensure an adequate and comprehensive review a completed application shall be filed with the Administrator at least thirty (30) days prior to the Planning Commission hearing.

The Administrator shall, upon determination that an application complies with all applicable submission requirements, receive said application and schedule it for consideration and review by the Planning Commission.

- 1. At least fifteen (15) days prior to the scheduled public hearing for a site plan before the Planning Commission, the Chairman of the Planning Commission shall give written notice of the proposal to the applicant and to all adjacent property owners.
- 2. The Planning Commission shall review the proposed site plan with specific regard to the design guidelines contained herein. The Commission shall evaluate the site plan and make a finding with respect to the satisfactory application of the design guidelines, both individually and in combination, to the subject plan. The Commission shall recommend or not recommend the site plan to the Town Council by resolution. In recommending the approval of a site plan, the Planning Commission may include conditions and restrictions upon the site plan as may be necessary to comply with the design guidelines herein.
- 3. At least fifteen (15) days prior to the scheduled public hearing for a site plan before the Town Council, the Town Clerk shall give written notice of the proposal to the applicant and to all adjacent property owners.
- 4. At the time and place scheduled for the public hearing of the proposed site plan, the Town Council shall hear the presentation of the applicant, review the recommendation of the Planning Commission and hear any arguments in opposition to and/or support of the proposed site plan by the general public.

5. After such hearing, the Town Council may approve the site plan as requested, approve the site plan in such amended form as it deems appropriate to comply with the design guidelines contained herein, or deny said site plan.

#### D. Certification of Site Plan.

A minimum of four (4) copies, and any additional copies as may be supplied by the applicant, of the approved site plan approved by the Town Council shall be submitted to the Administrator within sixty (60) days of such action. Site plans approved contingent upon any changes to be made on the plan shall be so changed prior to certification. The Administrator shall verify that all such changes have been made and certify with his signature that the site plan complies with these regulations. The Administrator shall retain and file one copy of the certified site plan to constitute a permanent record and forward one copy to the Town building official. A minimum of two copies of the certified site plan shall be reserved for the applicant, one of which shall accompany the application for building permit and one copy to be available for inspection at the job site.

#### E. Amendment of a Certified Plan.

Any amendment, variation or adjustment of a certified site plan shall require approval of an amended site plan pursuant to the following:

- 1. Amendments to an approved site plan shall require the submission of an amended site plan to the Administrator. The Administrator shall receive said amended site plan and schedule it for consideration and review by the Planning Commission and action by the Town Council consistent with the process of approval of the original site plan, as described herein.
- 2. The Administrator may approve minor amendments to an approved site plan provided the amendments meet the standards of this Ordinance and do not alter any specified conditions imposed as part of the original approval. Said minor amendments are limited to:
  - a. Lowering the height of buildings or structures.
  - b. An increase of woodlands or other areas that are designated to *not* be disturbed.
  - c. Replacement of species in the approved landscaping plan with similar types of landscaping on an equal or greater basis in accordance with the provisions of Article 23.

#### F. Effect of Site Plan Approval.

- 1. Approved site plans shall remain valid if a building permit is obtained subject thereto, and the project completed in accordance with such permit within the respective allotted time periods to be specified by the Town Council. Extensions to the time limits imposed as a condition of site plan approval may be granted only upon written request to the Administrator with subsequent determination to be made by the Town Council, based upon and consistent with the process for determining whether such request for extension of time is a major or minor amendment.
- 2. Upon approval of the site plan, the applicant may proceed to submit detailed construction drawings to the Town for approval and permitting. Nothing herein, however, shall preclude the Administrator from accepting for review and processing building construction plans related to the structural, mechanical, electrical and plumbing systems prior to the certification of a site plan, subject to such conditions as may be established by the Administrator relative to such pre-certification processing. In such instances, no building permit will be issued until the site plan has been certified and is on file with the Town. All building and construction permits issued for any project requiring site plan review shall be consistent with the certified site plan. The approval and certification of a site plan shall not under any circumstance be construed to waive or otherwise diminish the applicable Town requirements for construction or installation of structures or materials. Whenever a conflict between the site plan and such construction details occurs, the more restrictive or that requiring the higher standard shall prevail.

# G. Integration of Other Review Procedures.

Any development involving the following related provisions of these regulations shall be coordinated as set forth below.

# 1. Special District Development Plans.

Properties which are proposed to be assigned a special district zoning classification shall have available for review at the public hearing held in consideration of such zoning a copy of a preliminary site plan of the proposed development. Following a favorable recommendation by the Planning Commission and approval by the Town Council, a final site plan taking into consideration matters of concern to the Town shall be prepared and submitted to the Administrator for review in accordance with the above paragraphs.

#### 2. Rezoning.

Those developments requiring an action to rezone the property shall have the rezoning approved by the Town Council prior to consideration of a site plan by the Planning Commission and the Town Council. In approving a rezoning action, the Town Council may, in cases it deems advisable, also require that a preliminary site plan be submitted to it for review prior to consideration of a final site plan. Following review by the Town Council, a final site plan taking into consideration matters of concern to the Town shall be prepared and submitted to the Administrator for review in accordance with the above paragraphs.

#### 3. Variances.

Those developments requiring a variance from any applicable regulations herein shall have the variance request heard and approved by the Zoning Board of Adjustment prior to consideration of the site plan.

#### 4. Conditional Uses.

Those developments requiring conditional use approval shall have the conditional use approved by the Planning Commission prior to consideration of a site plan.

#### H. Noncompliance.

Failure to comply with a certified site plan or any of the conditions upon which such approval was contingent, including time limits for performance, shall be cause to deny issuance of a building permit or, where a permit has been issued pursuant to a certified site plan, to render such building permit invalid. Any action, construction, development or use of property undertaken in violation of the provisions of this section shall constitute a violation of these zoning regulations.

#### I. Minimum Submission Requirements.

No request for site plan approval shall be considered complete until all of the following has been submitted to the Administrator:

#### 1. Application Form.

Application for the approval of a site development plan shall be made on a form made available from the Town Clerk. To ensure an adequate and comprehensive review a completed application shall be filed with the Administrator at least thirty (30) days prior to the Planning Commission hearing.

2. The application shall be signed and, if not signed by the property owner, shall be accompanied by a notarized affidavit that the applicant is authorized to act in the owner's behalf.

#### 3. Plans and Specifications.

Each application shall be accompanied by a site plan drawn to a minimum scale of one inch equals fifty (50) feet on an overall sheet size of twenty-four (24) by thirty-six (36) inches. When more than one sheet is required, an index sheet of the same size shall be included

showing the entire parcel with individual sheet numbers referenced thereon. The following information is required on or in an acceptable form so as to accompany the site plan:

- a. Site plan name.
- b. North arrow, scale and date prepared.
- c. Legal description.
- d. Location map.
- e. Zone district assigned to the property, which is the subject of the site plan and adjacent properties.
- f. Identification of watercourses, wetlands, tree masses and specimen trees, including description and location of understory, ground cover vegetation and wildlife habitats or other environmentally unique areas.
- g. Gross and net site area expressed in square feet and acres.
- h. Number of units proposed, if any.
- i. Floor area devoted to each category of use.
- j. Delineation in mapped form and computation of the area of the site devoted to building coverage and other impervious surfaces expressed in square feet and as a percentage of the overall site.
- k. Number of parking spaces required (stated in relationship to the applicable formula) and proposed.
- 1. Location of all driveways, parking areas and curb cuts and the total paved vehicular use area (including but not limited to all paved parking spaces and driveways), expressed in square feet and as a percentage of the area of the overall site.
- m. Location of all public and private easements and streets within and adjacent to the site.
- The location, size and height of all existing and proposed buildings and structures on the site.
- o. Location of all refuse collection facilities, including screening and access thereto.
- p. Provisions for both on-and off-site storm water drainage and detention related to the proposed development.
- q. Existing and proposed utilities, including size and location of all water lines, fire hydrants, sewer lines, manholes, and lift stations.
- r. Existing two-foot contours or key spot elevations on the site, and such off-site elevations as may be specifically required and not otherwise available which may affect the drainage or retention on the site.
- s. The proposed general use and development of internal spaces, including all recreational and open space areas, plazas and major landscape areas by function, and the general location and description of all proposed outdoor furniture (such as seating, lighting, and telephones).
- t. The location of all earth or water retaining walls, earth berms, and public and private sidewalks.
- u. Phase lines, if development is to be constructed in phases.
- v. Dimensions of lot lines, streets, drives, building lines, building setbacks, building height, structural overhangs, and building separations.
- w. Shadow cast information if the proposed building is higher than any immediately adjacent

building or if the height of the building is greater than the distance of the building to any lot line.

- x. Landscaping Plan pursuant to Article 23.
- y. Any other information or documentation deemed necessary to effectively evaluate the proposed development.
- J. Design Guidelines for Site Plan Review.

It is the purpose of these design guidelines to supplement the standard requirements of zoning classifications in a manner that recognizes the need to tailor the land planning process to the unique features of each site, while preserving the right of reasonable use of private property based upon the uses permitted under the zoning classifications assigned to the property. The following items shall be given full consideration in the preparation and review of site plans required under this section. Before any site plan is approved (whether conditionally or unconditionally), it shall first be established that such plan is consistent with the design guidelines of this section. When it is determined that a site plan does not satisfactorily comply with one or more, in whole or in part, of any of the design criteria contained herein, the Town Council shall have the authority to deny the site plan. Design guidelines to be considered include the following:

1. Plan and Regulation Requirements.

Site plans shall be consistent and in conformity with all applicable rules and regulations of the Town and the State, including but not limited to the following;

- a. Town of Wilsonville Zoning And Subdivision Regulations;
- b. Town of Wilsonville Comprehensive Plan and its Constituent Elements;
- c. Other Town Ordinances, Resolutions, Policies and Administrative Directives;
- d. Applicable provisions of Alabama Law.
- 2. Environment and Open Space.

Site plans shall recognize the significant existing environmental and open space features of the site and property immediately adjacent thereto. The proposed development shall be determined to be reasonably compatible with the existing environmental features of the site, based on an evaluation of the following specific factors:

- a. Topography, including elevation, slopes and cut and fill;
- b. Soil and subsurface characteristics.
- c. Surface and groundwater characteristics, including water quality and groundwater recharge.
- d. Vegetation and plant life, including specimen trees, natural wetland and native creek bank vegetation.
- e. Wildlife habitat.
- f. Historic and cultural significance.
- g. Flood hazard.
- h. Open space

All of the above factors shall be consistent with the current development standards and design specifications as determined by the Town Engineer and the Administrator. It shall be the objective of this guideline to assure that a development project will not significantly degrade the existing environmental features of the site in a manner that is unnecessary to allow for the reasonable use of the property.

#### 3. Traffic and Parking.

Site plans shall be so designed as to provide for adequate traffic flow and control on public streets, coordination with public transportation modes where applicable, convenient internal circulation and service access, and vehicular and pedestrian safety. A determination as to the adequacy of provisions for traffic and parking shall be based on an evaluation of the following factors:

- a. Functional classification of street and highway system.
- b. Existing and projected traffic volume, road carrying capacities and levels of service.
- c. Traffic signing, signalization and related control devices.
- d. Number and distance between points of access and egress.
- e. Sight distance and turning radii relative to curb cuts and internal traffic flow.
- f. Off-street parking and loading space.
- g. Pedestrian walkways.
- h. Access for service and emergency equipment and personnel.

All of the above factors shall be determined consistent with the objectives of the transportation element of the general plan and with current development standards and design specifications of the Town Engineer. It shall be the objective of this guideline to ensure adequate provision for vehicular and pedestrian movement and safety within the site and as it relates to the adjoining public street and thoroughfare system.

## 4. Streets, Drainage and Utilities.

Site plans shall be so designed as to provide for streets, water supply, sewage disposal, refuse collection and storm water detention. Those specific factors to be evaluated in determining that these measures have been adequately addressed include the following:

- a. Water supply and sewage treatment capabilities.
- b. Water mains, fire hydrants and water meters.
- c. Sewer mains and manholes.
- d. Gas mains, where applicable.
- e. Provisions for refuse disposal, including container location and access thereto.
- f. Easements for all utility lines.
- g. Location, capacity and design of storm water detention facilities, both as to the site and the watershed or basin.
- h. Responsibility for maintenance and appearance of storm water detention facilities.
- Sufficiency of adjacent streets.

All of the above factors shall be determined consistent with the objectives of the utility element of the general plan and current development standards and design specifications of the Town Engineer. It shall be the objective of this guideline to assure that adequate service capacity is available and that utility, street and drainage systems are appropriately designed for the proposed development site in relationship to the larger systems entering and leaving the site.

#### 5. Neighborhood Compatibility.

Site plans shall be so designed as to assure that the overall design and function of the proposed project are compatible and harmonious with other properties in the immediate area.

Compatibility shall be measured according to the following characteristics of the proposed and neighboring development:

- a. Land use type or category.
- b. Building location, dimension and height.
- c. Location and extent of parking, access drives and service areas.
- d. Traffic generation, hours of operation, noise levels and outdoor lighting.
- e. Alteration of light, air and views.
- f. Fence, wall, landscape and open space treatment.

It shall be the objective of this guideline to encourage design treatment that reflects consideration of and between adjoining developments. It is not the purpose of this provision to preclude development based upon normal change or that inconvenience which might ordinarily be expected to result from the land development process; but, rather, it shall be the purpose of this provision to preclude any significant adverse impact that is measurable and can be documented, based upon the above factors.

#### 6. Lighting.

Site plans shall be so designed as to provide for lighting that will be limited to the subject property.

- a. Lighting shall have underground electric service, except where the light fixtures, service poles and wires are not visible from public property.
- b. The intensity, location and design of lighting shall be such that not more than one (1) foot candle of light is cast upon adjacent property or the public right-of-way. Light fixtures shall be designed to cast light downward. Where necessary, cut-off devices shall be used to minimize glare off premises.
- c. Exterior pole-mounted light fixtures shall not exceed twenty (20) feet in height.
- d. Wooden light poles are prohibited.
- e. Light poles and fixtures shall be compatible with the architecture of the buildings on the premises.
- f. Flashing, blinking or intermittent lights are prohibited.
- g. Bare neon tube lighting is prohibited.

#### 7. Signage.

Site plans shall be so designed as to provide sings that meet the minimum requirements of Article 21. Pole or pylon signs are not permitted.

#### Section 25.05. Fees.

Before any action shall be taken as provided in this Article, the applicant shall deposit a fee according to the current fee schedule established by the Town Council of the Town of Wilsonville including the cost of actual certified mail and legal advertisement as required by law. Under no condition shall said sum or any part thereof be refunded for failure of such proposed amendment to be enacted into law.

#### ARTICLE 26. ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT.

#### Section 26.01. Creation and Membership.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment is hereby established. The word "Board", when used in this Ordinance, shall be construed to mean the Zoning Board of Adjustment. The Board created in accordance with and as authorized by Section 11-52-80, Code of Alabama, 1975, as amended, shall consist of five regular members and two supernumerary members appointed by the Town Council and representing as equally as possible the several districts, wards, or other areas of the municipality, to be determined by the council, and one regular member appointed by the mayor.

All members of the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the Town of Wilsonville shall be citizens and residents of the Town of Wilsonville. Any member who ceases to be a citizen and resident of the town of Wilsonville shall vacate said position on the Zoning Board of Adjustment immediately.

#### Section 26.02. Meetings, Procedure and Records.

Meetings of the Board shall be held at such times as the Board may determine, or upon call of the Chairman. All meetings of the Board shall be open to the public.

The Board shall adopt and publish its own rules of procedure and keep minutes of its proceedings, showing the vote of each member upon each question, or if absent or failing to vote, indicating such fact, and shall keep records of its examinations and other official actions, all of which shall be immediately filed in the office of the Board and shall be a public record.

#### Section 26.03. Powers and Duties.

The Board in appropriate cases and subject to appropriate conditions and safeguards, shall have the following powers:

- A. To hear and decide appeals where it is alleged there is error in any order, requirement, decision or determination made by the Administrator in the enforcement or application of this Ordinance.
- B. To authorize in specific cases a variance from the terms of this Ordinance such as will not be contrary to the public interest, where owing to special conditions a literal enforcement of the provisions of this Ordinance will result in unnecessary hardship, but where the spirit of the Ordinance shall be observed and substantial justice done. No variance shall be authorized unless the Board finds all of the following conditions exist:
  - 1. That the special circumstances or conditions applying to the building or land in question are peculiar to such premises and do not apply generally to other land or buildings in the vicinity.
  - 2. That the granting of the application is necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of a property right and not merely to serve as a convenience to the applicant.
  - 3. That the condition from which relief for a variance is sought did not result from action by the applicant.
  - 4. That the authorizing of the variance will not impair an adequate supply of light and air to adjacent property or unreasonably increase the congestion in public streets, or increase the danger of fire, or imperil the public safety, or unreasonably diminish or impair established property values within the surrounding areas, or in any other respect impair the health, safety, comfort, morals, or general welfare of the inhabitants of the Town of Wilsonville.
- C. When any modification or special exception hereinafter in this Section authorized will not tend to impair the health, safety, convenience or comfort of the public, including that portion of the public occupying the property immediately contiguous to the parcel of land which the modification concerns, to be determined by the Board upon the adduction of competent evidence, including a view of the premises and its surroundings at the discretion of the Board, the Board may modify the

strict application of the provisions of this Ordinance and cause a permit to be issued upon such reasonable conditions as it may prescribe for the location, construction, extension, structural alteration and operation of any of the following uses, in any district from which these uses are prohibited or limited by this Ordinance:

- 1. Mausoleum.
- 2. Commercial, recreational or amusement development for temporary or seasonable periods.
- 3. Sanitary landfill operation.
- 4. Practice golf driving range, par three golf courses or miniature golf course.

#### Section 26.04. Appeals to the Board.

- A. An appeal from the decision of the Administrator of the Town of Wilsonville may be taken to the Board by any person aggrieved, or by any officer, department, board or agency of the Town of Wilsonville affected by such decision.
  - Such appeal shall be taken within a reasonable time, as provided by the rules of the Board, by filing with the Administrator and with the Board a notice of appeal specifying the grounds thereof.
- B. The Administrator shall forthwith transmit to the Board all the papers constituting the record upon which the action appealed was taken. An appeal stays all proceedings in furtherance of the action appealed from, unless the Administrator certifies to the Board, after the notice of appeal shall have been filed with him, that by reason of facts stated in the certificate a stay would, in his opinion, cause imminent peril to life or property. Proceedings shall not be stayed otherwise than by a restraining order which may be granted by the Board or by a court of record on application or notice to the Administrator and on due cause shown.
- C. The Board shall fix a reasonable time for the hearing of an appeal taken within the time specified by its rules, give public notice thereof, as well as due notice to the property owner, and/or applicant, and all adjacent property owners, and decide the same within a reasonable time. Upon the hearing of such appeal, any party may appear in person, or by agent or attorney.

#### Section 26.05. Submittal Requirements.

Application to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for an appeal, a variance or a special exception shall include the following:

- A. A completed Zoning Board of Adjustment application signed by the property owner, or a certified form authorizing the applicant to act on the owner's behalf.
- B. Legal description of the subject property (survey preferred).
- C. Three copies of a site plan (or survey) of the subject property, showing the subject area and the proposed encroachment or other conditions.
- D. One to two page document identifying the hardship or practical difficulty that supports the requested variance or special exception, or a written explanation describing the grounds of an appeal.
- E. Application Fee, according to the current schedule of fees established by the Town Council, and the cost of advertisement and notification. Said fees shall be nonrefundable irrespective of the final disposition of the application.

Only completed applications and the payment of all fees will be accepted.

#### Section 26.06. Public Notice Required.

At least seven (7) days prior to the scheduled Zoning Board of Adjustment public hearing, the Chairman of the Board shall give written notice of the appeal, variance or special exception request to the property owner and to all adjacent property owners. Such notice shall be deemed given when deposited in the United States Mail, first class, postage prepaid, addressed to such property owners at the addresses as

submitted with the appeal or variance application by the applicant, as well as publication in a newspaper of general circulation published within the Town. If, however, there is no newspaper of general circulation published within the Town, the Town Council must cause the notice of the proposed conditional use to be posted in four (4) conspicuous locations within the Town. Any error in the address of such notices shall not invalidate the giving of notice, provided that no more than five percent (5%) of the total number of notices given contain any such error. Such notice shall state the following:

- A. The name of the applicant.
- B. The location of the property.
- C. The nature of the appeal, variance or special exception and applicable zoning provisions.
- D. The time, date and location of the Zoning Board of Adjustment public hearing at which said application is to be heard and considered.

# Section 26.07. Appeals of Action of the Board.

Any party aggrieved by any final judgment or decision of the Board may, within fifteen days thereafter, appeal therefrom to the Circuit Court or court of like jurisdiction by filing with the Board a written notice of appeal, specifying the judgment or decision from which appeal is taken. In case of such appeal, the Board shall cause a transcript of the proceedings in the case to be certified to the court to which the appeal is taken and the case shall in such court be tried de novo.

#### Section 26.08. Fees.

Before any action shall be taken as provided in this Article, the applicant shall deposit a fee according to the current fee schedule established by the Town Council of the Town of Wilsonville including the cost of actual certified mail and legal advertisement as required by law. Under no condition shall said sum or any part thereof be refunded for failure of such proposed amendment to be enacted into law.

#### ARTICLE 27. AMENDMENTS AND CHANGES

#### Section 27.01. Amendments to Zoning Ordinance or Zoning Map.

The regulations and the number, area and boundaries of districts established by this Ordinance may be amended, supplemented, changed, modified or repealed by the Town Council of the Town of Wilsonville, but no amendment shall be considered unless it is first submitted to the Wilsonville Planning Commission for its review and recommendation. The Town Council or the Planning Commission may, on their own initiative, propose changes and hold public hearings (public notice of which shall be given as prescribed by law) for the consideration of any proposed amendments to the provisions of this Ordinance or to the Official Zoning Map of the Town of Wilsonville.

# Section 27.02. Authority to Amend.

Whenever public necessity, convenience, general welfare or good zoning practices warrant such action, the Town Council may, by favorable vote of a majority of the members, amend the ordinance or zone district boundaries herein established, in accordance with the Code of Alabama, 1975, Section 11-52-78, or as same may be amended.

#### Section 27.03. Authorized Petitioners.

A petition for amendment of this Ordinance or the zone district boundaries may be initiated by the Town Council, the Planning Commission, or by the property owner or agent of such property owner.

#### Section 27.04. Petition for Amendment.

A petition for the amendment of this Ordinance or a change in the zone district boundaries, when initiated by the property owner or by the authorized agent of such owner, shall be made on a form made available from the Town Clerk. To ensure an adequate and comprehensive review a completed application shall be filed with the Administrator at least thirty (30) days prior to the Planning Commission hearing.

The Administrator shall, upon determination that an application complies with all applicable submission requirements as contained herein, receive the application and schedule it for consideration and review by the Planning Commission.

- A. At least fifteen (15) days prior to the scheduled Planning Commission public hearing for a change in zone district boundaries, the Chairman of the Planning Commission shall give written notice of the proposal to the applicant and to all property owners adjoining the subject property. Such notice shall be deemed given when deposited in the United States Mail, first class postage prepaid, addressed to those property owners at their addresses submitted by the applicant at the time application was made. Any error in the addresses of such notices shall not invalidate the giving of such notice, provided that not more than five percent (5%) of the total number of notices contain any such error.
- B. Additionally, the Chairman of the Planning Commission shall cause the proposed amendment to be published in a newspaper of general circulation published within the Town. If, however, there is no newspaper of general circulation published within the Town, the Planning Commission must cause the notice of the proposed conditional use to be posted in four (4) conspicuous locations within the Town.

All notices, publications, and advertisements shall contain the following:

- 1. Name of the applicant.
- 2. The location of the subject property.
- 3. The proposed use of the property requested to be rezoned.
- 4. The time, date and location of the Planning Commission public hearing.

- C. At least fifteen (15) days prior to the scheduled Planning Commission public hearing for a text change, the Chairman of the Planning Commission shall give written notice of the proposed text change and the time, date and location of the Planning Commission public hearing by publication in a newspaper of general circulation published within the Town. If, however, there is no newspaper of general circulation published within the Town, the Planning Commission must cause the notice of the proposed text change to be posted in four (4) conspicuous locations within the Town.
- D. The Planning Commission shall consider a proposed amendment subject to the Comprehensive Plan, the proposed Long Range Land Use Plan, the conditions present in the neighborhood of the proposed amendment and any changes in the character of the neighborhood, and the long term effects of the proposed amendments on the surrounding properties and the community as a whole. The Planning Commission shall recommend, recommend with conditions or not recommend the proposed amendment to the Town Council by resolution.
- E. At least fifteen (15) days prior to the public hearing of the amendment before the Town Council, the Town Clerk shall cause the proposed amendment to be published once a week for two (2) consecutive weeks (once in its entirety and once in a synopsis form referring to the date and name of the newspaper in which the proposed amendment was first published) in advance of its consideration in a newspaper of general circulation published within the Town. If, however, there is no newspaper of general circulation published within the Town Clerk must cause the proposed amendment to be posted in four (4) conspicuous locations within the Town.

Said notices, publications, and advertisements shall contain the following:

- 1. Name of the applicant.
- 2. The location of the subject property.
- 3. The proposed use of the property requested to be rezoned.
- 4. The time, date and location of the Town Council public hearing.
- F. Such notice shall further state that, at such public hearing, all persons who desire shall have an opportunity to be heard in opposition to or in favor of the proposed amendment.
- G. The Town Clerk shall also give written notice to the applicant and to all property owners adjoining the subject property. Such notice shall be deemed given when deposited in the United States Mail, first class postage prepaid, addressed to those property owners at their addresses as submitted by the applicant at the time application for the amendment was made. Any error in the addresses of such notices shall not invalidate the giving of notice provided not more than five percent (5%) of the total number of notices contain any such error.
- H. At the time and place scheduled for the public hearing of the proposed amendment, the Town Council shall hear the presentation of the applicant, review the recommendation of the Planning Commission and hear any arguments in opposition to and/or support of the proposed amendment by the general public.
- I. After such hearing, the Town Council may adopt the ordinance as recommended by the Planning Commission or may impose conditions and restrictions upon the proposed amendment as may be necessary to comply with the standards set forth above or to reduce or minimize any potentially injurious effect of such amendment upon other property in the neighborhood and to carry out the general purpose and intent of these regulations.
- J. If the Town Council makes substantial changes to the ordinance as advertised, the Town Council should hold another Public Hearing after giving notice as described herein.
- K. After the Ordinance to amend the Zoning Map of the Town of Wilsonville is adopted by the Town Council, it must again be published in the same manner as all municipal Ordinances, subject to the provisions of Section 11-45-8 of the Code of Alabama.

#### Section 27.05. Submittal Requirements.

A petition for a change in zone district boundaries shall contain, but not be limited to the following:

- A. The name, signature and address of the property owner and agent of the property owner, if any.
- B. The address and legal description of the property under consideration, accompanied by a copy of the applicable tax maps clearly identifying the property subject to the rezoning request.
- C. The present and proposed zoning and land use of the property under consideration.
- D. The reason for the rezoning request.
- E. The availability of required utilities and methods of storm water drainage and traffic control.
- F. A vicinity map, drawn to scale, showing the size and location of the subject property.
- G. A site plan, drawn to scale, showing all dimensions, the property boundaries, public rights-of-way, and the proposed use and development layout.
- H. The names and addresses of all of the adjacent property owners as well as those property owners within two hundred feet of the subject property, as shown on the most recent records of the Shelby County Tax Assessor's Office.

Application for a text change shall provide the current text and the proposed changes thereto, as well as written arguments in support thereof.

#### Section 27.06. Fees.

Before any action shall be taken as provided in this Article, the applicant petitioning for a change shall deposit a fee according to the current fee schedule established by the Town Council of the Town of Wilsonville including the cost of actual certified mail and legal advertisement as required by law. Under no condition shall said sum or any part thereof be refunded for failure of such proposed amendment to be enacted into law.

#### Section 27.07. Limitations on Rezoning Requests.

No action shall be initiated for a zoning amendment affecting the same parcel of land more often than once every twelve (12) months, provided that by unanimous resolution of the Town Council that such action may be initiated at any time.

# **ARTICLE 28. VALIDITY**

# Section 28.01. Severability of Ordinance.

If any section or provision of this Ordinance, including any part of the Zoning Map, which is a part of this Ordinance, be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof other than the part so declared to be invalid.

### ARTICLE 29. VIOLATION AND PENALTY

## Section 29.01. Penalty.

In addition to all other means provided by law for the enforcement of the provisions of this Ordinance, any person violating any of the provisions thereof shall, upon conviction, be fined not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) and cost of court for each offense. Each day that such violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

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# **APPENDIX A – INTERPRETATIONS**

## <u>APPENDIX B – LANDSCAPE PLANT SELECTION LIST.</u>

Large Trees - Deciduous (Trees from 40'-150' in height)		
Acer rubrum	Red Maple	
Fraxinus americana	White Ash	
Ginkgo biloba**	Ginkgo	
Liriodendron tulipifera	Tulip Poplar	
Platanus occidentalis**	Sycamore	
Quercus alba	White Oak	
Quercus falcate	Southern Red Oak	
Quercus nigra**	Water Oak	
Quercus nuttallii	Nuttall Oak	
Quercus palustris	Pin Oak	
Quercus phellos	Willow Oak	
Quercus shumardii	Shumard Oak	
Pistacia chinesis*	Chinese Pistache	
Taxodium distichum	Bald Cypress	
Ulmus parvifolia	Chinese Elm	

<sup>\*</sup> May be used under overhead power lines.

<sup>\*\*</sup> May be used in natural setting only. Do not use in direct proximity to roads or sidewalks.

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Small Trees - Deciduous (Trees from 10'-40' in height)		
Acer buergeranum	Trident Maple	
Acer ginnala	Amur Maple	
Acer palmatum	Japanese Maple	
Amelanchier arborea*	Serviceberry	
Betula nigra*	River Birch	
Cercis Canadensis*	Redbud	
Cornus florida*	Flowering Dogwood	
Cornus kousa*	Kousa Dogwood	
Lagerstoemia indica*	Crape-Myrtle	
Magnolia x soulangiana*	Saucer Magnolia	
Prunus serrulata*	Japanese Cherry	
Prunus subhirtella pendula*	Weeping Cherry	
Prunus yedoensis*	Yoshino Cherry	
Sassafras albidum	Common Sassafras	

<sup>\*</sup> Ornamental trees may be used in foundation and frontage landscaping and a within required buffers. Ornamental trees may not be used in parking perimeter or interior landscaping.

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Large Trees - Evergreen (Trees from 40'-150' in height)		
Magnolia Grandiflora	Southern Magnolia	
Pinus caibaea	Slash Pine	
Pinus strobus	Eastern White Pine	
Pinus teed	Loblolly Pine	
Pinus Virginian	Virginia Pine	
Quercus laurifolia	Laurel Oak	
Quercus virginiana	Live Oak	
Small Trees - Evergreen (Trees from 15' – 30' in height)		
Cryptomeria japonica*	Cryptomeria	
Ilex opaca	American Holly	
Ilex latifolia	Lusterleaf Holly	
Ilex cornuta 'Nellie R. Stevens'	Nellie R. Stevens	
Juniperus virginiana	Eastern Red Cedar	
Pinus echinata	Shortleaf Pine	
Pinus thunbergiana	Japanese Black Pine	
* Do not use in planted islands or other parking interior landscaping.		

Screening Shrubs (shrubs from 6'-12' in height)		
Eleagnus pungens	Fragrant Olive	
Ilex cornuta 'Nellie R. Stevens'	Nellie R. Stevens	
Allex cornuta 'Burfordii'	Burford Holly	
Prunus laurocerasus	English Laurel	
Viburnum rhytidophyllym	Leatherleaf Viburnum	
Ilex aquifolium	English Holly	
Myrica cerifera	Wax Myrtle	
Prunus caroliniana	Cherry Laurel	