



**Mayor | Jason Perez**  
**Mayor Pro-Tem | John Wright**  
**Council Members | Cecil Booth, Mark Gongora, Mikey Svoboda, Travis Townsend**  
**City Manager | Chris Whittaker**  
**City Secretary | Frances Aguilar**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A., GOVERNMENT CODE, CHAPTER 551, THAT THE CITY COUNCIL AND PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR THE CITY OF ANGLETON WILL CONDUCT A WORK SESSION, OPEN TO THE PUBLIC, ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2021, AT 5:30 P.M., AT THE CITY OF ANGLETON COUNCIL CHAMBERS LOCATED AT 120 S. CHENANGO STREET ANGLETON, TEXAS 77515.**

#### **DECLARATION OF A QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER**

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

1. Presentation and discussion of diagnostic report, associated research, and recommended updates to the City of Angleton Code of Ordinances Chapter 23 entitled “Land Development Code.”

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, Frances Aguilar, City Secretary, do hereby certify that this Notice of a Meeting was posted on the City Hall bulletin board, a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times and to the City’s website, [www.angleton.tx.us](http://www.angleton.tx.us), in compliance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code. The said Notice was posted on the following date and time: Friday, November 12, 2021 by 5:30 p.m. and remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours proceeding the scheduled time of said meeting.

/S/ Frances Aguilar  
Frances Aguilar, TRMC, MMC  
City Secretary

*In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Angleton will provide reasonable accommodations for persons attending City Council meetings. The facility is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are available. Please contact the City Secretary at 979-849-4364, extension 2115 or email [citysecretary@angleton.tx.us](mailto:citysecretary@angleton.tx.us).*



## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

**MEETING DATE:** November 15, 2021

**PREPARED BY:** Lindsay Koskiniemi, CPM, CGFO, Assistant Director of Development Services

**AGENDA CONTENT:** Presentation and discussion of diagnostic report, associated research, and recommended updates to the City of Angleton Code of Ordinances Chapter 23 entitled "Land Development Code."

**AGENDA ITEM SECTION:** Regular Agenda

**BUDGETED AMOUNT:** N/A **FUNDS REQUESTED:** N/A

**FUND:** N/A

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

In April 2021, City Council approved the execution of a contract with Gunda Corp to review and analyze Chapter 23, Land Development Code (LDC), of the City's Code of Ordinances to make appropriate recommendations on changes to improve the LDC to simplify and streamline the development process over a two-phase process including: 1) Diagnostic report, and 2) Implementation of recommendations.

Phase 1 is substantially complete. The research completed in Phase 1 includes results from survey conducted, staff interviews, red-lines to the current zoning and sign regulations, and review of LDC. Gunda has drafted a diagnostic report and recommendations for review and discussion.

The next steps in the process will include incorporating feedback from members of the City Council, the Planning and Zoning Commission, and other stakeholders to finalize the diagnostic report and recommended changes. Phase 2 will involve implementing changes to the LDC finalized in Phase 1 of the project.

### RECOMMENDATION:

For discussion and presentation. No recommended action.

## MEMORANDUM

**Date:** November 1, 2021  
**To:** Walter E. Reeves Jr., AICP, Development Services Director  
**From:** Lata Krishnarao, AICP, LEED ND, Gunda Corporation  
**Re:** November 15, 2021 - Work session to review draft code diagnostic and procedures manual

---

Gunda Corporation (GUNDA) commenced work on the preparing a Diagnostic Report, which included a review of the zoning ordinance, the Land Development Code (LDC) and other standards contained in various sections of the Code of Ordinances. The purpose of this review was to identify measures to consolidate requirements; simplify and streamline the development process; encourage economic development and investment; and make it less cumbersome in general. The purpose of this work session is to discuss the methodology, findings, draft recommendations, and receive input.

Additionally, a draft Administrative Development Procedures Manual (ADPM) is being prepared. The ADPM is a manual that contains policies and procedures related to the development of land and building activity. This ADPM will provide vital information for applicants regarding the City's permit processes and will serve as an easy-to-follow reference guide and a tool for anyone who is interested in the development process in the City of Angleton. A preliminary draft of the ADPM is being reviewed with staff. The outline and contents of this draft will be discussed at this work session.

The following attachments have been included in the packet.

- Summary of staff & developer interviews
- Copy of questionnaire
- Summary of questionnaire responses (SurveyMonkey)
- Responses to open-ended questions (SurveyMonkey)
- Diagnostic Report (draft)
- ADPM – Proposed Table of Contents & Introduction
- Red-lined version of the current zoning code and sign regulations (draft)

We thank you for this opportunity to assist the City of Angleton and for your input, and look forward to successful completion of this project.

# Planning Initiatives Update

November 15, 2021

1. Memo
2. Summary of staff & developer interviews
3. Copy of questionnaire
4. Summary of questionnaire responses (SurveyMonkey)
5. Responses to open-ended questions (SurveyMonkey)
6. Diagnostic Report (draft)
7. ADPM – Proposed Table of Contents & Introduction
8. Red-lined version of the current zoning code and sign regulations (draft)

## Information sent in the packet

# Scope

## Diagnostic Report

Review and recommend amendments to development related requirements - land development, subdivision design, public improvements, infrastructure development, permits and procedures, and construction standards.

- Zoning Ordinance -2009 and revisions
- Land Development Code - 2018
- Other development related requirements in the City Code of Ordinances - manufactured homes, junk yards, refuse containers, etc.

## Administrative Development Procedures Manual

Easy to follow one-stop reference guide from annexation to certificate of occupancy  
User-friendly and easily understandable format  
Information regarding the City's policies and procedures related to the development of land and building activity

# Community and Staff Input

## Interviews

- City staff
- Development Community
- Engineering consultant
- Web site questionnaire
- Website
- Mailed to elected and appointed officials and staff

# Research

- Review existing documents
- Comprehensive Plan
- Zoning ordinances
- Land Development Code (Chapter 23 of the Code of Ordinances)
- Other chapters of the Code of Ordinances
- Comparative analysis

# Outreach and Research

**COVID 19 UPDATE** COVID 19  
Read On...

Create an Account - Increase your productivity, customize your experience, and engage in information you care about. Sign In

City Departments Employment Online Payments

**News Flash**

**Drive Through Giveaway**  
Read on...

**HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS TOWN HALL**  
Town Hall Meeting  
Hurricane Preparedness  
Read on...

**Streamlining Development - Questionnaire**  
Your Opinion Matters

**Calendar**

JUNE 2021

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
30	31	01	02	03	04	05
06	07	08	09	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	01	02	03

Mon Jun. 21  
Junior Lifeguarding

Tue Jun. 22  
Summer Jamboree  
Bingo  
Junior Lifeguarding

View All

# Community Input Questionnaire

- \* Development Process
- \* Development Requirements
- \* Vision

## **Application Processing**

- Cumbersome, unclear and lengthy application processing
- Lack of centralized location for information

## **Development Codes, Standards, and Requirements**

- Inconsistent, outdated, and unclear codes
- Design standards need to be elevated
- Confusing landscape/parkland dedication requirements
- Construction standards not specific to Angleton and outdated
- Neighborhood design needs review
- Lack of housing diversity
- Too many types of plats
- Angled on-street parking

## **Outdated Comprehensive Plan**

**Development Agreements** - lack of standardized processes

# **Community Input Questionnaire**

## **Summary of Responses Main Topics**

# Phase I: Diagnostic Report

- Interviews - City staff, developers, officials
- Gather public input - web site questionnaires
- Review existing documents
- Conduct research and comparative analysis.
- Discuss finding with staff
- Share findings and recommendations with the Planning and Zoning Commission, City Council, and others
- Gather input on the draft report.

# Diagnostic Report

# Diagnostic Report

## Phase II: Implementation of Recommendations

Consolidate development related codes  
    Zoning ordinance  
    Land Development Code  
    Code of Ordinances

Prepare high level recommendations - input from the staff, stakeholders, P & Z, and City Council.

Receive input from the stakeholders, P & Z, City Council on the recommendations - work session

Incorporate all recommendations and prepare a draft of final amendments.

Assist with adoption at public hearing and meetings as directed by staff and finalize the document after adoption.

# Diagnostic Report

## Evaluation Criteria

Legal Framework and Conformance to the Texas Local Government Code

Application Process Improvement

A User-Friendly Format

Adherence to City of Angleton Comprehensive Plan and other adopted plans and policies

Innovative Planning Principles and Improved Standards

# CONFORMANCE TO TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE (TXLGC)

- Chapter 211 - Zoning
  - Chapter 212 of the TXLGC - Subdivision regulations
  - Chapter 43 - Municipal Annexation
  - Chapter 213 - Municipal Comprehensive Plans
  - Chapter 245 - Issuance of Local Permits
  - Others
- Compliance, procedural requirements, and stream-lining

# Diagnostic Report

## Recommendations

## APPLICATION PROCESS IMPROVEMENT

Easily comprehensible

Efficient processes

Clarity in requirements

Electronic review transition-ready

# Diagnostic Report

## Recommendations

## IMPROVEMENTS TO CODE CONTENT

- Consolidating of and removing conflicts between the LDC and zoning code
- Clarifications to zoning categories, the official zoning map
- Incorporation of missing and omitted items, amendments, and additional requirements
- Revisions to conflicting sections, grammatical errors, and inaccuracies
- Clarification and addition of definitions
- Inclusion of visual examples and graphic representations
- Miscellaneous opportunities for improvement

## A USER-FRIENDLY FORMAT

- Clear and easily comprehensible
- Ease in locating all relevant requirements
- Assist in submission of complete applications
- Assist City Staff to administer the regulations in a fair, efficient, and effective manner
- Assist the public to understand the processes better

# Diagnostic Report

## Recommendations

## INCORPORATE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OBJECTIVES INTO UDC

The Strategic Plan, included in the Comprehensive Plan includes action steps that pertain to the LDC and development codes.

Recommendations to implement the action steps have been identified.

**Need to evaluate the validity of the adopted Comprehensive Plan in light of recent growth and lack of actual implementation since adoption.**

# Diagnostic Report

## Recommendations

**Proposed Amendments:**

- Combination of LDC, zoning codes, other development related codes
- Consolidation of type of plats, clarify sequencing, public improvements construction, expiration
- Comprehensive signage regulation update
- Definitions – additions and clarifications
- Clarity on external agencies and their approval responsibilities
- Concept Plan/site plan requirements
- Rewrite of Planned Development section
- Addition of parking requirements in the land use tables
- Exterior standards recommendations to conform to state statutes
- Clarification on yards
- Performance bond and surety amount
- Comprehensive list of all applicable guidelines, regulations. and ordinances
- Public improvements - color of street signs; provision of fiber in new subdivisions, etc.
- Increased/updated development standards – landscaping, parking, on-street parking, subdivision entrances, subdivision connectivity, native plant list.

# Diagnostic Report

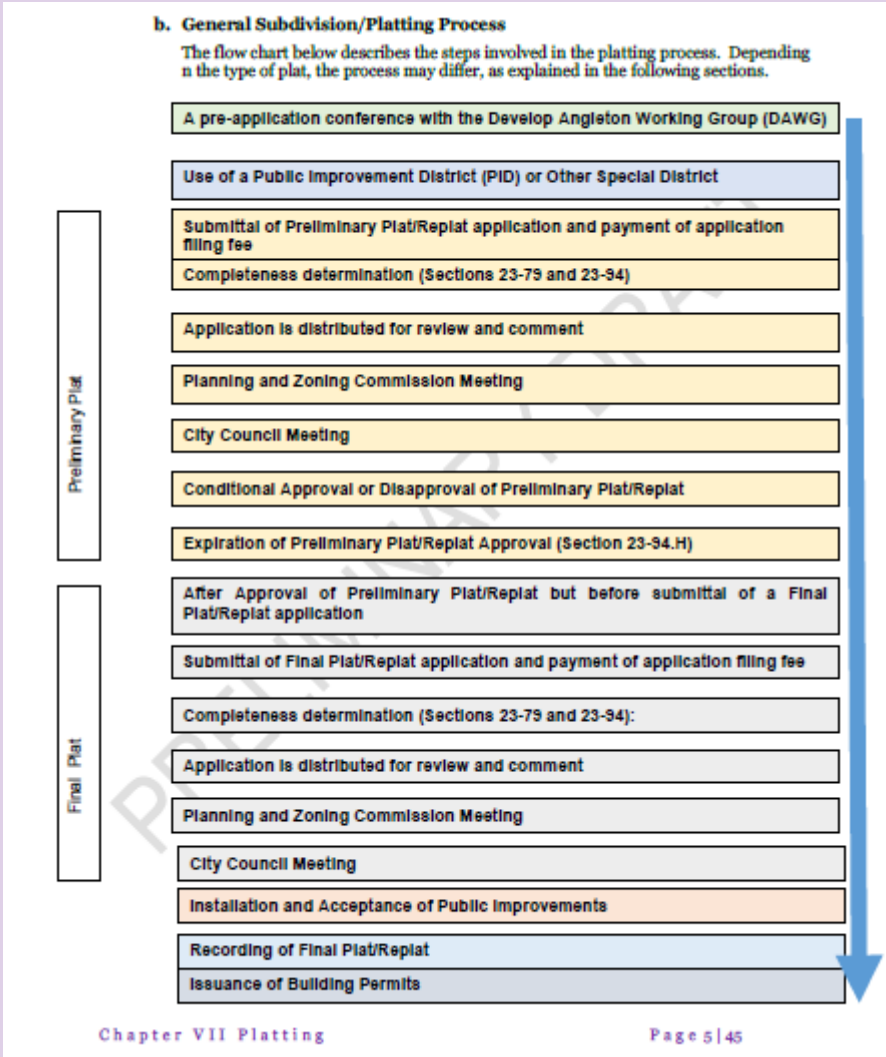
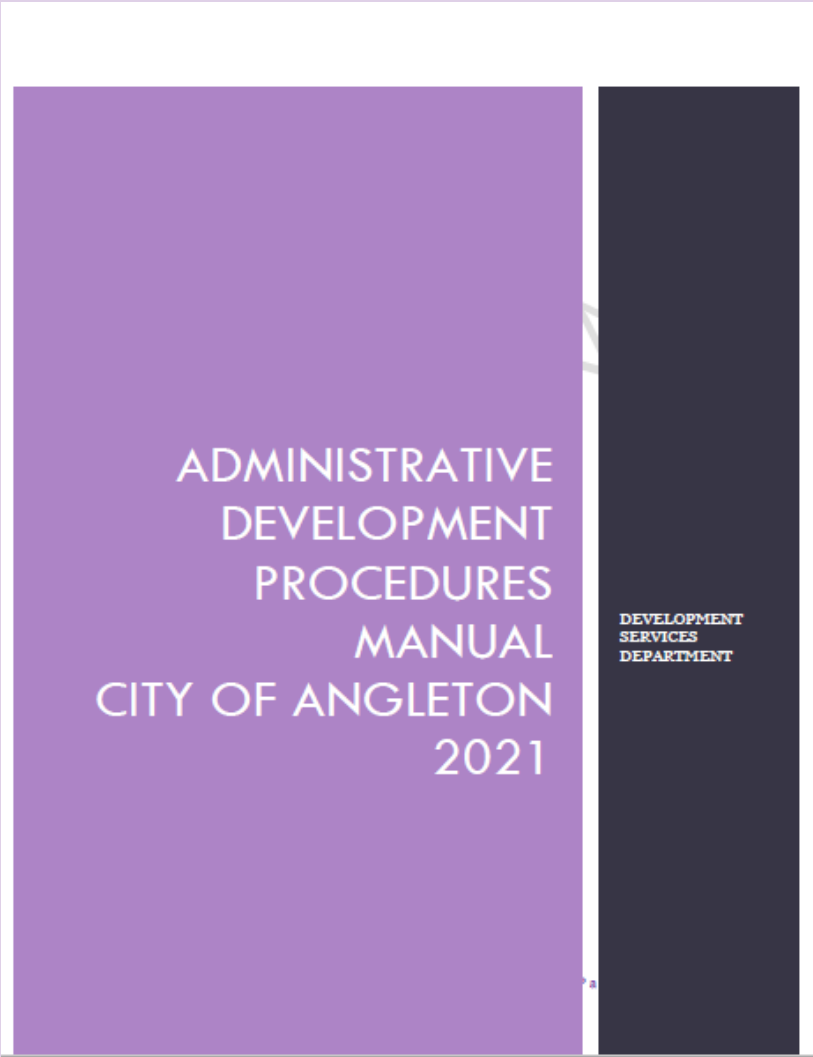
## Highlights

# Contents

- \* Overview of the development process
- \* Pre-Application Conference
- \* Application Processing - General information, application process, flow charts identifying all departments and agencies responsible for reviewing/approving, criteria for approval, expiration dates
  - Annexation*
  - Zone Changes*
  - Platting and Subdivision*
  - Residential Building Permits*
  - Inspections & CO*
  - Comprehensive Plan Amendments*
  - Variance, Special Exceptions, Specific Use Permits*
  - Commercial Building Permits*
  - Other permits*
  - Financing Tools - PID and TIRZ etc.*
- \* Schedule of fees
- \* Staff directory
- \* List of all applications and permits, related application forms, submittal \* checklists, and approval authority.
- \* List of documents containing minimum standards and specifications
- \* Other items identified by staff and specific to the City

# Administrative Procedures Manual

## Contents



# Administrative Procedures Manual

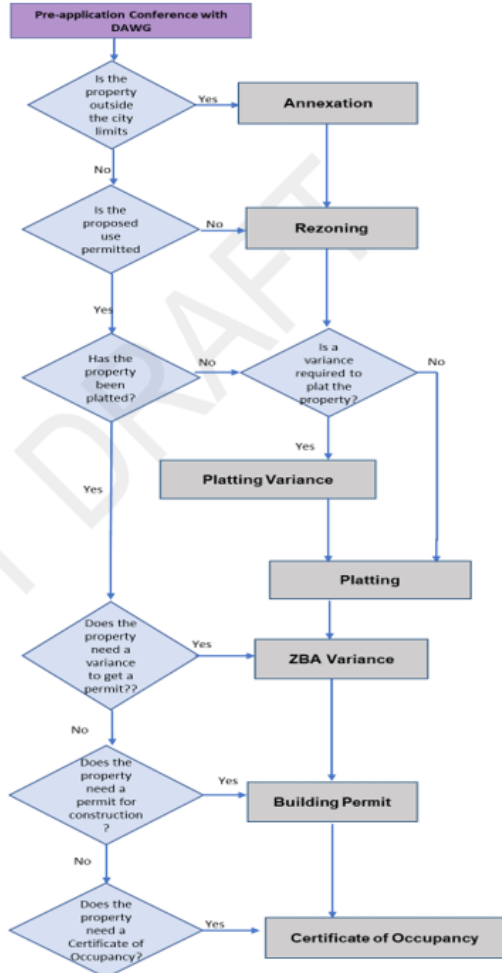
# Process Flows and Streamlining



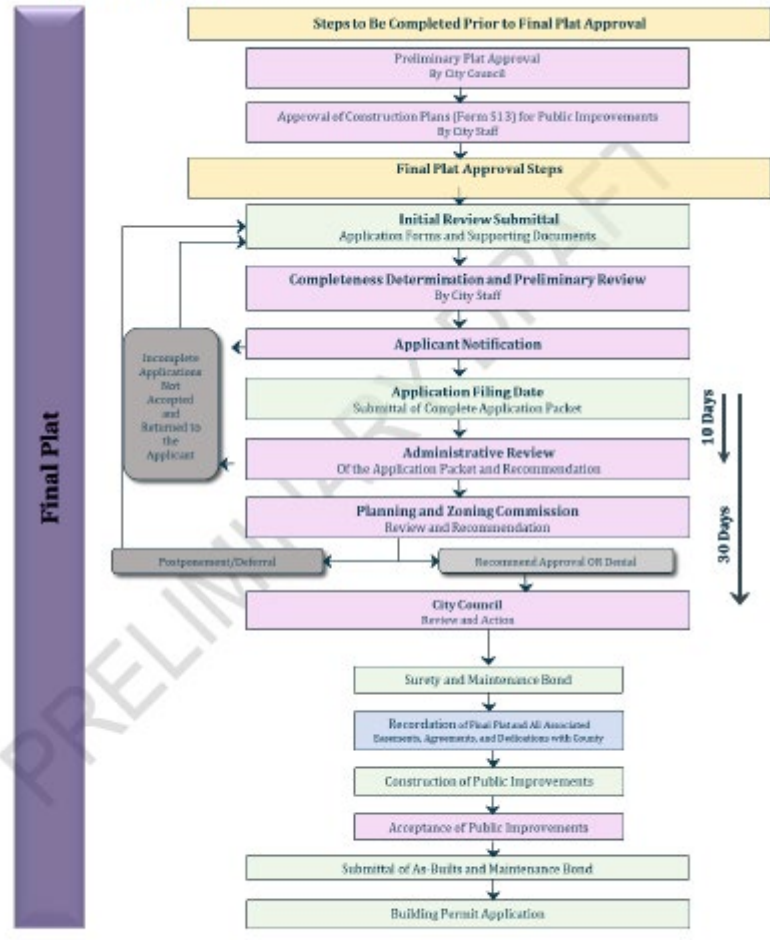
Development Process Overview

The development process can be defined as the process an applicant undertakes to obtain the necessary City approvals to construct any structure which requires a building permit within the City of Angleton. It can be a simple one-step process or a multi-step one, depending on the nature of the development. Development projects vary in scale and complexity, ranging from home renovation to the construction of a new building. The process is usually categorized into nine (8) steps from a fact-finding meeting to a certificate of occupancy.

We welcome your input and feedback so that we may continue to improve upon our current processes.

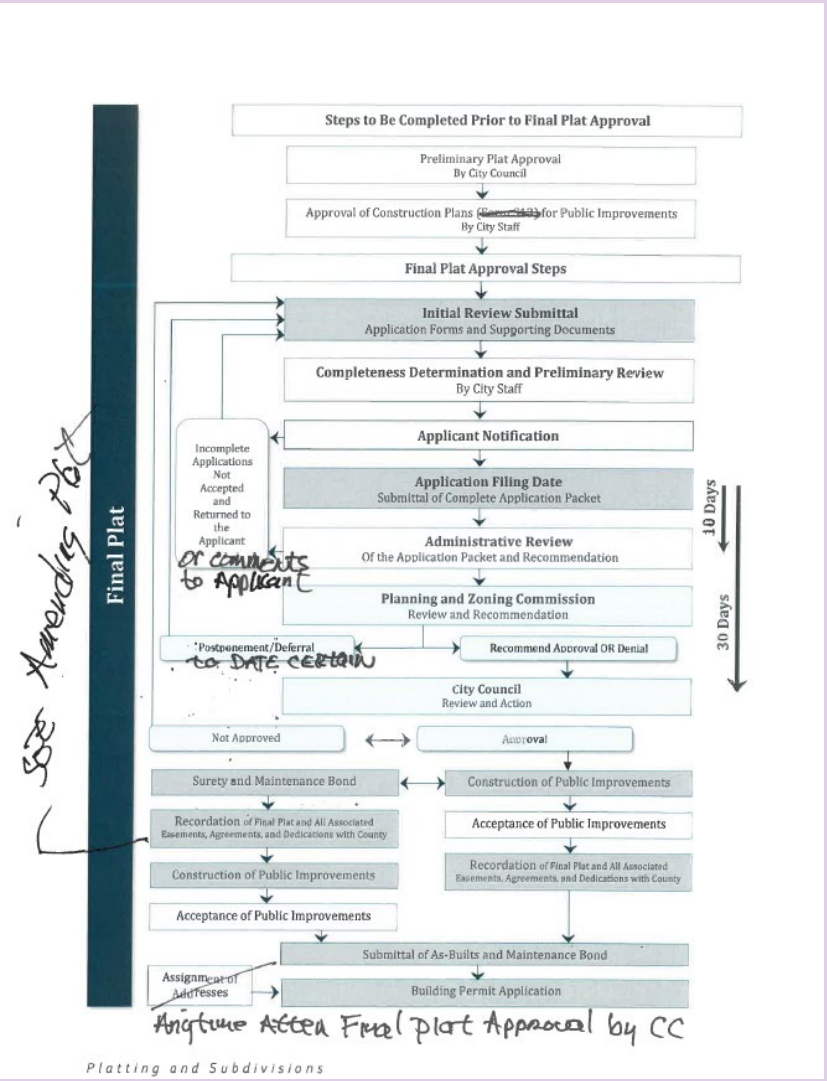


b. Process Flowchart



Administrative Procedures Manual

Compliance Requirements and Sequencing Overview & Details



# Administrative Procedures Manual

- Streamlining
- Clarification of pre-requisites
- Statutory Compliance

**APPENDICES**

Appendix A UNIVERSAL APPLICATION FORM

Appendix B SPECIFIC APPLICATION SUBMITTAL CHECKLISTS

**LAND USE POLICY RELATED**

- S1 Specific Application Form – Annexation
- S2 Specific Application Form – Rezoning and Future Land Use Map Amendment
- S3 Specific Application Form – Special Use Permit
- S4 Specific Application Form – Planned Development
- S5 Specific Application Form – Place holder

**SUBDIVISION AND PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT RELATED**

- S6 Specific Application Form – Amending Minor and Major Plat
- S7 Specific Application Form – Minor Consolidation Plat
- S8 Specific Application Form – Development Plat
- S9 Specific Application Form – Concept Plan
- S10 Specific Application Form – Preliminary Plat
- S11 Specific Application Form – Final Plat
- S12 Specific Application Form – Replat
- S13 Specific Application Form – Construction Plans

**SITE DEVELOPMENT RELATED**

- S14 Specific Application Form – Place Holder
- S15 Specific Application Form – Special Exception
- S16 Specific Application Form – Site Development Permit/Site Plan Review
- S17 Specific Application Form – Floodplain Development Permit
- S18 Specific Application Form – Stormwater Permit
- S19 Specific Application Form – Onsite Sewage Facility Permit (OSSF)
- S20 Specific Application Form – Variance
- S21 Specific Application Form – Certificate of Occupancy (CO)

S22 Specific Application Form – Group Living Operation License

S23 Specific Application Form – Grading/Clearance Permit

**BUILDING PERMITS RELATED**

- S24 Specific Application Form - Commercial Building New/Remodel/Addition
- S25 Specific Application Form – Fence
- S26 Specific Application Form – Miscellaneous
- S27 Specific Application Form – Building Permit 1 & 2 Family Form
- S28 Specific Application Form – Place holder
- S29 Specific Application Form – Place holder
- S30 Specific Application Form – Solar
- S31 Specific Application Form – Swimming Pool
- S32 Specific Application Form – Demolition
- S33 Specific Application Form – Backflow Device/Irrigation Systems
- S34A Specific Application Form – Permanent Sign
- S34B Specific Application Form – Temporary Sign
- S35 Specific Application Form – Master/Common Signage Plan
- S36 Specific Application Form – Water Heater or Water Softener
- S37 Specific Application Form – Right-of-Way Construction
- S38 Specific Application Form – Flatwork/Driveway
- S39 Specific Application Form – Water-Wastewater Service

**To be added:**

- Moving or Wrecking Permit S X
- Alarm Permit S X
- Grooming Facility License S
- Alcohol permit S X
- Health Permit S X
- Temporary Health Permit S X
- Mobile Home Park Registration S X

# Administrative Procedures Manual

# Centralized Application Information

Universal Application  
Specific Application



### UNIVERSAL APPLICATION

All applications must be submitted with:  
(1) A complete **Universal Application** form (2 pages), and  
(2) A complete **Specific Application Form** with all materials listed in the checklist for the specific application.  
The City staff is available to assist you in person at City Hall or over the phone at 979-849-4364.

#### DEVELOPMENT INFORMATION

Project Name/Address/Location: \_\_\_\_\_ Acreage: \_\_\_\_\_  
Brief Description of Project: \_\_\_\_\_  
Is property platted?  No  Yes Subdivision name: \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Lots: \_\_\_\_\_  
Recordation #: \_\_\_\_\_ Parcel(s) Tax ID#: \_\_\_\_\_  
Existing Use: \_\_\_\_\_ Proposed Use: \_\_\_\_\_  
Current Zoning: \_\_\_\_\_ Proposed Zoning: \_\_\_\_\_  
Occupancy Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Sq. Ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Bed #: \_\_\_\_\_ Bath #: \_\_\_\_\_ Car Garage #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Water System  Well  Public Flood Zone:  Yes  No Sewer System:  Septic  Public

#### PROPERTY OWNER INFORMATION

Owner: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

#### APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant/Developer: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

#### KEY CONTACT INFORMATION

Name of the Individual: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF PROPERTY OWNER OR APPLICANT (SIGN AND PRINT OR TYPE NAME)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signed letter of authorization required if the application is signed by someone other than the property owner)

\*\*\*\*\*OFFICE USE ONLY\*\*\*\*\*  
DATE REC'D: \_\_\_\_\_ BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
FEES PAID: \_\_\_\_\_ APPROVED BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
DATE APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
APPLICATION/PERMIT NO: \_\_\_\_\_ EXP DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Applications shall be processed based on the City's official submission dates. When a completed application packet has been accepted and reviewed, additional information may be required by staff as a result of the review, therefore it may be necessary to postpone the proposed project and remove it from the scheduled agenda and place it on a future agenda.

#### SPECIFIC APPLICATION FORM Please check the appropriate type below:

##### Land Use Policy

- (Chapter 28 of the LDC)
- Annexation\* - Form S#
- Comprehensive Plan Amendment (Text)
- Land Development Code (LDC) Text Amendment
- Rezoning/ ELLDM amendment\* - Form S#
- Special Use Permit\* - Form S#
- Planned Unit Development (PUD)\* - Form S#
- Development Agreement

##### Subdivision and Property Development

- (Chapter 42 of the LDC)
- Amending Plat\* - Form S#
- Minor Plat\* - Form S#
- Development Plat\* - Form S#
- Concept Plan\*\* - Form S#
- Preliminary Plat\* - Form S#
- Final Plat\* - Form S#
- Replat\* - Form S#
- Construction Plans\* - Form S#
- Vacating Plat
- Plat Extension

##### Site Development

- (Chapter 23 of the LDC)
- Vested Rights Verification Letter
- Zoning Verification Letter
- Written Interpretation of the LDC
- Temporary Use Permit\* - Form S#
- Special Exception\* - Form S#
- Site Development Permit\* (Site Plan Review) - Form S#
- Floodplain Development Permit\* - Form S#
- Stormwater Permit\* - Form S#
- Certificate of Design Compliance\* - Form S#
- Appeal of an Administrative Decision
  - Zoning
  - Others
- Variance
  - Policy
  - Judicial\* - Form S#
- Sign Special Exception/Appeal to an Administrative Decision
- Administrative Exception
- Permit for Repair of Non-Conforming Use/Building
- Letter of Regulatory Compliance
- On-Site Sewage Facility Permit (OSSF)
- Certificate of Occupancy (CO)\* - Form S#
- Relief from Signage Regulations
- Grading/Clearance Permit - Form

##### Building Permits Related

- Commercial**
- New/Remodel/Addition\* - Form S#
- Fence\* - Form S#
- Miscellaneous\* - Form S#
- Residential**
- New Home\* - Form S#
- Remodel/Addition\* - Form S#
- Detached Buildings\* - Form S#
- Others**
- Solar\* - Form S#
- Swimming Pool\* - Form S#
- Demolition, Drive or Move S#
- New Lawn/Water\* - Form S#
- Backflow Device/Irrigation Systems - Form S#
- Sign\* (Permanent) - Form S#
- Appeal of Denial of Sign Permit S#
- Master/ Common Signage Plan\* - Form S#
- Water Heater or Water Softener\* - Form S#
- Right-of-Way Construction\* - Form S#
- Flatwork\* - Form S#
- Inspections**
- Mechanical  Electrical
- Plumbing  Building
- Others \_\_\_\_\_
- Water- Wastewater Service**
- Connect/ Disconnect Form\* - Form S#

\*These types of applications require additional information as listed in the Specific Application Form. Refer to **Appendix B** of the Administrative Procedures Manual for more information.

#### Application Checklist for all Applications

- Universal Application Form.
- Items listed in the checklist for the Specific Application Form (Form S#) <sup>1</sup>. (Please make sure the boxes are checked)
- Application Processing Fees and other application fees.
- Letter of intent explaining the request in detail and reason for the request.
- Signed Letter of Authorization required if the application is signed by someone other than the property owner.
- Site plan and shapefile drawings (if applicable) for the property
- Location map clearly indicating the site in relation to adjacent streets and other landmarks
- One (1) copy of proof of ownership (recorded property deed or current year tax statements)
- One (1) USB drive containing the general required documents in Adobe PDF format (if required)

<sup>1</sup>For items that are duplicated in the specific type of application, only one copy is required.

121 S. Velasco, Angleton, Texas 77515  
979-849-4364 - Fax: 979-849-5561  
<http://www.angleton.tx.us>

# Administrative Procedures Manual

# Universal Application Submittal Checklists





## S2 SPECIFIC APPLICATION FORM – REZONING

Section 28-24 of the Zoning Ordinance

The following steps must be completed, and the items must be submitted for the application to be deemed complete and processed:

- Pre-Application Conference prior to application submittal.
- Concept Plan as prescribed in sec. 28-26 of the Zoning Ordinance (if PD district is involved)
- Site Plan as prescribed in sec. 28-26 of the Zoning Ordinance (if SUP is involved)
- A completed Universal Application and checklist signed by the owner/s of the property.
- A title report.
- Payment of all other applicable fees (see Schedule of Fees).
- 8½ x 11 copy of the legal description (metes and bounds) of the area encompassing the request. If the property is platted, a copy of the plat should be provided.
- Location/vicinity map showing the location and boundaries of the proposed zoning. Indicate scale or not to scale (NTS) and provide north arrow.
- Notarized statement verifying land ownership and, if applicable, authorization of land owner’s agent to file the zoning change request
- Acknowledgement that the sign posted by the City on the property fifteen (15) days prior to the public hearing will be maintained until the zone change is heard at the public hearing.
- Provide evidence or proof that all taxes and obligations have been paid regarding the subject property.
- Electronic copies of the required exhibits in “PDF” format and shapefile for property boundary where applicable should be submitted in a USB flash drive or via email

# Administrative Procedures Manual

# Specific Application Submittal Checklists



# Hyperlinks Resources



## V. ZONING

### Section 1 General Information

#### a. Purpose

The purpose of zoning is to ensure that the land uses of a community are properly situated in relation to one another and provide opportunity for each type of development. Zoning allows the city to manage the development density so that all areas within the city limits can be properly serviced by municipal facilities. Zoning classifies land within the City by districts or zones in which uses are established. Zoning also provides developmental requirements pertaining to lot sizes, building sizes, yard setbacks, parking, landscaping, screening, etc. These requirements vary from district to district based on the character of the district.

#### b. Overview

The City is divided into zoning districts as shown on the Official Zoning Map. The most critical information to verify prior to purchasing property for a particular purpose or planning a project within the City; residential or commercial, is the current zoning of the property.

The zoning of property will determine the nature of the development of the property. If the current zoning does not allow the intended use by right, a request may be made for a zone change (rezoning) or a Special Use Permit. Rezoning and Specific Use Permits are voted on by the City Council, subsequent to receiving a recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission. An application does not guarantee that the rezoning or Special Use Permit will be approved.

A use that currently exists on site may not always be permitted by right. In some cases, there are uses that may have been legally established prior to the adoption of current regulations and are considered non-conforming uses. Continuation and expansions of such uses or even minor additions to a property that is non-conforming may require a rezoning or other approval. It is always prudent to confirm the zoning and contact the City Staff for verification, prior to purchasing property or planning to build.

#### How to verify zoning and confirm permitted uses?

1. Check the zoning district designation of your property on the zoning map located in City's website at <http://angleton.tx.us/DocumentCenter/View/2257/Official-Zoning-Map-04-2017-PDF?bidId=>
2. Find out what use is permitted in zoning district that property is located in. Check : Sec. 28-81. - Use regulations (Charts) of the Code of Ordinances [https://library.municode.com/tx/angleton/codes/code\\_of\\_ordinances?nodeId=PTIICOOR\\_CH28ZO\\_ARTIVUSRE\\_S28-81USRECH](https://library.municode.com/tx/angleton/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=PTIICOOR_CH28ZO_ARTIVUSRE_S28-81USRECH)
3. Request a zoning verification letter from the City, if needed.

TABLE OF CONTENTS	
I. INTRODUCTION	5
II. PRE-APPLICATION CONFERENCES	7
III. ANNEXATION	8
IV. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT	10
Section 1 General Information	10
Section 2 Comprehensive Plan Amendment	10
V. ZONING	14
Section 1 General Information	14
Section 2 Rezoning	19
Section 3 Specific Use Permits	24
Section 4 Planned Development District	28
VI. VARIANCE AND SPECIAL EXCEPTION	36
Section 1 Variance	36
Section 2 Special Exception	39



**CITY OF ANGLETON  
2021-2022 PLAT SUBMITTAL SCHEDULE <sup>1</sup>**

**DRAFT**

Meeting Month	Submittal Deadline (for Initial Review)	Completeness Check and Review Comments sent to Applicant <sup>2</sup>	Application Filing Date (Complete Applications Only)	Administrative Review Comments Sent to Applicant	Request for Extension of Time Deadline <sup>3</sup>	Planning & Zoning (P&Z) Meeting	City Council Meeting
	(Wednesdays at 5 pm)	(Fridays by 5 pm)	(Wednesday by 10:00am)	(Wednesdays by 5 pm)	(Fridays by 5 pm)	(2nd Thursdays at 6:30 pm) <sup>1</sup>	(3rd Thursdays at 6:30 pm)
January (2021)	December 9, 2020	December 18, 2020	December 23, 2020	December 30, 2020	January 8, 2021	January 14, 2021	January 21, 2021
February	January 6, 2021	January 15, 2021	January 20, 2021	January 27, 2021	February 5, 2021	February 11, 2021	February 18, 2021
March	February 3, 2021	February 12, 2021	February 17, 2021	February 24, 2021	March 5, 2021	March 11, 2021	March 18, 2021
April	March 3, 2021	March 12, 2021	March 17, 2021	March 24, 2021	April 2, 2021	April 8, 2021	April 15, 2021
May	April 7, 2021	April 16, 2021	April 21, 2021	April 28, 2021	May 7, 2021	May 13, 2021	May 20, 2021
June	May 5, 2021	May 14, 2021	May 19, 2021	May 26, 2021	June 4, 2021	June 10, 2021	June 17, 2021
July	June 2, 2021	June 11, 2021	June 16, 2021	June 23, 2021	July 2, 2021	July 8, 2021	July 15, 2021
August	July 7, 2021	July 16, 2021	July 21, 2021	July 28, 2021	August 6, 2021	August 12, 2021	August 19, 2021
September	August 4, 2021	August 13, 2021	August 18, 2021	August 25, 2021	September 3, 2021	September 9, 2021	September 16, 2021
October	September 8, 2021	September 17, 2021	September 22, 2021	September 29, 2021	October 8, 2021	October 14, 2021	October 21, 2021
November	October 6, 2021	October 15, 2021	October 20, 2021	October 27, 2021	November 5, 2021	Wed November 10, 2021	November 18, 2021
December	November 3, 2021	November 12, 2021	November 17, 2021	November 24, 2021	December 3, 2021	December 9, 2021	December 16, 2021
January (2022)	December 8, 2021	December 17, 2021	December 22, 2021	December 29, 2021	January 7, 2022	January 13, 2022	January 20, 2022

1. DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND MAY BE ADJUSTED DUE TO HOLIDAYS AND OTHER EVENTS
2. APPLICATIONS DEEMED INCOMPLETE WILL BE RETURNED TO THE APPLICANT AND WILL NEED TO BE SUBMITTED AT THE FOLLOWING SUBMITTAL DEADLINE FOR INITIAL REVIEW
3. EXTENSION OF 30-DAY PERIOD TO ACT

NOTE: PLATS THAT ARE APPROVED ADMINISTRATIVELY WILL FOLLOW THE SAME SCHEDULE FOR SUBMITTAL AND APPLICATION FILING

NOTE: IF A COMPLETE APPLICATION (INCLUDING REVISIONS AND RESUBMITTALS) IS SUBMITTED AFTER THE DEADLINE, THE APPLICATION WILL FOLLOW THE NEXT SUBMITTAL DEADLINE FOR INITIAL REVIEW

**Administrative  
Procedures  
Manual**

**Submittal  
Calendars  
Statutory  
Compliance  
Clarify  
Expectations**



### S13 ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW OF CONSTRUCTION PLANS

Use this checklist as a guide for administrative purposes to review the submitted applications. Items necessary for Constructions Plan review:

Case Number: County:

Plat Recordation Number:

Reviewed by: Review Date:

City / ETJ:

Check to make sure the application is complete and has the following information:

- A completed Universal Development Application and specific application form signed by the owner/s of the property.
- Payment of all other applicable fees.
- Electronic copies of the required exhibits in "PDF" format and shapefile for property boundary where applicable should be submitted in a USB flash drive or via email.
- Evidence that all taxes and obligations have been paid regarding the subject property
- All plans must be drawn and sealed by a Registered Professional Engineer (P.E.) and the design must be in accordance with the City of Fair Oaks Ranch policies and standards, and Unified Development Code (UDC) that can be found on the city website.

Applicants are required to provide the following information:

Yes	No	N/A	General Requirements	Code Ref.	Staff Actions Needed
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Approval of the Preliminary Plat.		Check if the plat has been approved and has any comments.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	A copy of: <input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary Plat. <input type="checkbox"/> Concept Plan, if required.		Check if it is provided.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Title report. <input type="checkbox"/> Deed restrictions. <input type="checkbox"/> Liens? <input type="checkbox"/> All easements listed in the title report must be shown on the face of the plat.		Check for accuracy between documents and the proposed plan.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	8½ x 11 black and white copy of the legal description (metes and bounds) of the area		Make sure the legal description matches

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	encompassing the annexation request. If the property is platted, a copy of the plat should be provided.		with the property shown.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	All plan sheets must be 24" X 36".		Check if the submission is as per the requirement.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Location/Vicinity map showing the subject parcel and surrounding parcels and streets. Check if location/vicinity map and plat show the same location. <input type="checkbox"/> Scale 1 inch = 1 mile (suggested scale or not to scale [NTS] mentioned). <input type="checkbox"/> North arrow at top of sheet. <input type="checkbox"/> Address of the property.		Check if the location map is consistent with the plat shown.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Title Block. <input type="checkbox"/> Project Name/Name of subdivision. <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Description or Address. <input type="checkbox"/> Total acreage and total number of lots if applicable. <input type="checkbox"/> Name of owner and address. <input type="checkbox"/> Name of Registered Engineer and Surveyor. <input type="checkbox"/> Seal and signature of registered P.E each set and Date/Date of revision.		Make sure the legal description matches with the property shown.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Boundary of tract by courses and distance with references. <input type="checkbox"/> Texas grid coordinate system. <input type="checkbox"/> Location of benchmark with M.S.L. elevations. <input type="checkbox"/> All easements and right-of-way identified and dimensioned.		Check for accuracy.
Yes	No	N/A	Site Data	UDC Ref	Comments
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	All drawings shall provide the following information: <input type="checkbox"/> Acreage in total tract <input type="checkbox"/> Average lot size <input type="checkbox"/> Total number of lots		Check for accuracy.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Total Linear footage of infrastructure: <input type="checkbox"/> Streets. (Listed individually in lengths) <input type="checkbox"/> Water mains. (Identified size and length)		Check for accuracy.

# Administrative Procedures Manual

## Staff Review Checklists



November 1, 2021

## **Angleton Streamlining Development Anecdotal Summary of Staff Interviews**

Number of interviews-10 (SALT members, Consultant Engineer, Developer)  
Period-July-September 2021

1. Consultant Engineer-Javier Vasquez-HDR
2. Megan Mainer-Director of Parks & Recreation
3. Lupe Valdez-Acting Chief of Police
4. Martha Eighme-Director of Communications
5. Chris Hill-Finance Director
6. Scott Myers-Fire Chief
7. Walter Reeves-Director of Development Services
8. Lindsay Koskiniemi, Assistant Director
9. Developers Charles Schmidt and Ken Schott

Identify most pressing issues in the current code of ordinances and how to resolve those issues.

- Current LDC has processes that are not being followed. Identify best processes by the City and incorporate. Comprehensive Unified LDC that do not require the applicants to refer multiple locations.
- Feedback from engineering firms is some requirements are above and beyond standard practices.
- Require more stringent regulations. Parkland dedication was used as a negotiating chip. Working on revising the ordinance and benefit the residences.
- Landscape requirements need to be stringent.
- Needs to add the option of planting trees in parks and other places – over a period of time; meet. with BDD to share recommendations; site plan requirements.
- Communication issues evident between developers, CC, and staff.
- Lengthy processing time for development applications.
- Current LDC lacks input from developers.
- Outdated regulations- 1962-65 ordinances- authorizes the Police Chief to do a lot of things.
- Parking issues –on street parking.
- Speed limits antiquated.
- Construction standards are not clear.
- Unworkable rules copied form Sugarland which has nothing in common with Angleton in 2021

Do you see any major/minor conflicts in the various city documents that you use?

- Confusion regarding Parkland Dedication. If one wants to defer parkland or public improvements there was a bond requirement. Confusing requirements and language within the LDC. Example - use as a Pecan Orchard (past use or current use – confusing)
- Fire Code- May incur additional costs to the developer and city to upgrade to 2019.
- Widen streets – no ordinances against parking on streets. Need better on-street parking regulations.



- Subdivision entrance requirements and boulevard entrances. No room for the boulevard in some of the new developments. No requirements on separation distances. Lack of options of allowing sprinklers in houses for one entrance/exit.
- Involved in very few standards. Do not know deeper standards. Code enforcement or inspectors would know better.
- One lane alleyway is a problem.
- Some information in LDC and construction manual is redundant.
- Drainage requirements in the LDC, for city systems refer to it as own code, but also use BDD manual. Add outline where applicable. Ex. Redevelopment/new development.

Any recommendations on measures to consolidate requirements/ simplify and streamline the development process (less cumbersome in general)

- Publish the flow charts.
- Comprehensive one-page graphic would be a better idea.
- Consider nationwide developers to one-time developers.
- Pre-development meetings should outline and respond to the questions.
- Time line for the process and how can it go faster.
- A measure to clear the confusion between developers and City Council.
- Computerized system to generate the application requirement packet for an address/type of development to prepare a complete application submittal.
- Such a checklist/software tool would help the staff to screen submittals. If the developer/applicant has not met the criteria (provided the documents), the staff can resend the packet.
- Consensus on opinions – what do we want the development to be – large lots vs. affordable housing.
- Need to streamline the processes with definite timelines and deadlines.
- Outlined process with a chart, different routes, streamlined in easily digestible manner, companion to the process. Developers are not clear of the exact process they need to follow. For ex. – 100 lots know that prelim and final plats are required, with construction plans in between. Identify the steps, performance bonds etc.
- DAWG meetings have helped. City team addressing questions has helped. Helped to follow the process. Giving developers the option of providing better development (amenities, appealing) with room to plan outside the City's documents such as the PDD. Round table discussion with other developers/engineers/contractors would be beneficial.
- Have streamlined meetings and provide clear information and opposed to just looking at the project. Application to request a meeting and a checklist. Ask for application ahead of time. Provide customized information.

Any conflicts with state statutes, codes, or best practices?

- No one would qualify for parkland dedication as it is written – refers to population. No methodology for the number as required by the statutes. Staff interprets the way it helps the developer. E.g. 1/2 acre for 100 persons in the City.
- Not attaching two neighborhoods/two dead end streets. Connect the neighborhoods and leave the road open.
- Putting fire box for fire entry only is a huge eyesore and defeats the purpose of multiple entrance and exits.



- Decision making authority giving exclusive right to one staff person (fire codes). Not requiring to seek Council's recommendation.
- Get rid of discrepancies with other manuals. Not appropriate to follow Sugarland's engineering manual. For ex. street improvements standards, street gradients, variance process for subdivision and engineering standards. (Fort Bend county is geographically different area with local drainage). Atlas 14 codification.
- Too many types of plats.
- Landscaping is confusing.
- Angled parking in the downtown area is a problem.

Any suggestions on written presentation and style. Format of the documents - is it user-friendly, or confusing and conflicting language

- The style needs to align with the flow of the process.
- Needs to move to a better and/or multiple locations. Current location on the website is difficult to access, it is under "Transparency in Government".
- The format should help users through the process.
- Current format missing parts and referenced exhibits (e.g., Exhibit A for plan check checklists)

Process improvements

- Review process better once started. Timing of filing the plat. 380 agreements and PIDs for reimbursements.
- Shot clock bill

Adherence to City of Angleton Comprehensive Plan/Vision (core principles and values espoused by the City of Angleton residents)

- Currently hyper focused on residential.
- Need to have an opportunity to revamp of what we are requiring of commercial properties and new development. Working with Keep Angleton Beautiful and conservation practices.
- Compared to other cities – need to elevate the standards such as signage, height restrictions, landscaping.
- Lot sizes-Most people want large lots and large houses. Not feasible. Desire for 60-70' lots. Not everyone is buying those. Need to evaluate medium income and what are people able to afford. Explore accessory DU, multi -generational, and multifamily/town homes.
- Lot sizes – does not matter. People welcome growth. Want other things that come with roof tops. Retain small town atmosphere. Accommodate all incomes.
- Lot sizes- Demand is high for small lots.
- Long term residents feel that the city is growing too quickly. Feel that traffic, crime increasing. New families are excited about parks, new Lakeside Park, quality of life. Not interested in large estates, but parks and schools. Controlled growth, responsible growth. Protect the City, not the developers.
- Needs more parks on the south.
- Amenities – The developers are working well to offer amenities. One development has walking trails.



- Traffic – not an issue at this point. City is doing traffic studies. We need red lights. City owns two, while state owns the rest. Need more traffic control than stop signs. Need to be proactive.
- Comp Plan needs to be refreshed and come up to speed. Development is dynamic, check for relevancy. Need discussion on vacant parcels and a dialogue between the developers and the City to see what is desired.

#### Innovative Planning Principles (facilitate sustainable growth and create a high quality of life)

- Need sustainability practices such as water conservation, green water collection, fiber, accessibility to wi-fi.
- Want to adopt native non-invasive planting standards. Park standard manual that developers can use.
- Incorporate Gulf Coast native plant list.
- Cost of development vs. property taxes. Need to bridge the gap between required expenditures and revenue gap – the gap keeps getting bigger. Need growth businesses/industrial. Need to be more client friendly for industrial/businesses, not just residential. Density for residential matters but is not the primary issue. The City has undeveloped land. The community may not need density greater than 4 units /acre. Average 3 or 4 per acre is appropriate. As far as percentages of commercial/ industrial, need higher, right now zero for non-residential.
- PIDs, PUDs, etc. Mix of lots, encourage refined development plans, mixed uses, amenities, trails, etc.

#### Administrative Procedures Manual

- Include good contact list.
- Links to Fire Codes and Standards.
- Ensure the stakeholders understand which group/review or decision-making authority – e.g., P & Z Development Group, City Council, and processing order. How to schedule the meetings, process, website.
- Executive summary of the process.
- Checklist on what the users need to do.
- List of forms.
- Need a process for TIRZ, PID process is in place.
- Flow charts.
- List of all applications and permits processed with related application forms, submittal checklists, and approval authority.
- Schedule of fees.
- Staff directory.
- Documents containing minimum standards and specifications.
- Other items identified by staff and specific to the City such as sample economic development tools for various policies including Section 380, TIRZ, and PID.

#### Others

- Need a land plan for the City to ensure permitted uses that are where the City want them to be. Need to review what are the needs and get a buy in from the community/stakeholders on where we want to go in terms of Parks/Multi-modal Trails Master Plan/Transportation Plan/ Land Use.



- Examples/models- Need utilities and capacity studies, water/sewer capacity, city wide impact fee. Look at the development impacts and needs. CIP projects not addressed. Impact fees only for two areas. CR\_\_ between 288 and \_\_; another one in the industrial area – 288 and Henderson.

## Other Comments

### Annexation

- Need a standard City Services Agreement that developer could review and then make specific to their project
- Calendar with dates that shows the application deadline when hearing notice would run in the paper and dates for the P & Z and Council Meeting.

### Zoning

- Calendar with dates that shows the application deadline when hearing notice would run in the paper and dates for the P & Z and Council Meeting.
- The zoning map needs two separate colors for SF-6.2 and SF-7.2
- Zone SF-5 requires a 20 ft building set with a 25 ft garage door setback. The building setback should be change to 25 ft to be consistent with the garage door setback and the other zonings.

### Development Agreement

- Need a standard Development Agreement that can be given to developer at Pre-Development Meeting and then made project specific as the project progresses.
- The Developer's Agreements should be limited to large projects (greater than 20 acres), project to be zoned as PD, or tracts with multiple zonings.

### Capacity Acquisition Fee

- Presently the developer pays \$4,000 for HOR to perform a study. This study comes up with a fee for the sewer CAF. The study usually takes around 4-8 weeks sometimes longer. Would like to see a set rate for the sewer like there is a set rate for water.

### Standard Construction Details

- The city should draft their own standard details for Stormwater, Sanitary, Water, and Pavement. The City of Sugarland will not share a modifiable detail Set. Recommended using Lake Jackson's Standard Details as a starting point.
- Standard Construction Details should have a clause that allows for the sealing engineer to modify standard details are needed to meet specific design requirements



## Land Development Code Comments by Sections

### Sec.24-11

- I.1 Change from 30 lots to 50 lots for single entrance. Angleton has several over 75' lots with one entrance.
- 1.2 Change from 50 lots to 80 lots
- 1.3 Change raised median length from 150' to 120' which is a typical lot depth
- J.1.b This refers to street lengths in a block of houses. Has nothing to do with labeling lots and blocks on a plat.
- F.1.a Establish a minimum gutter grade at 0.30%. I would prefer 0.25%.
- E.1.a. Cul-de-sac surface to be 96' diameter to meet fire code. Right of way to be 120'.
  - 1.1 50 lots or 50 apartments. Why a difference
  - J.2 25 Year storm not 20-Year.

### Sec 32-15

H&I Revise for dry utilities in the rear

### Sec. 23-20

A.5.d Include a list of amenities requirements for private parks. The parkland dedication ordinance needs to be revised to priorities fees in lieu of parkland dedication. The recent practice by the city staff suggest that fees are preferred over land dedication. This revision would be consistent with the city's plan to have large regional parks.

### Sec. 23-27

H Warranty bond should be for 1 year not 2 years.

### Sec. 23-60

- C. Heritage trees are only Live Oak and Pecan. Need to establish a minimum diameter to qualify for a heritage tree. I would say at least 18" for a heritage tree.
- E.2. Define agricultural - Pecan Orchards would seem to qualify, Grazing land for beef production would seem to qualify, etc.
- E.4&5 Clarify in an arborist is required.
- H.4 Replacement at 1x instead of 3x. Other city ordinances except residential projects from tree preservation requirements.  
Add a section that will allow developers to pay a fees in lieu of tree preservation. As an example (\$250 per heritage tree removed, up to \$2,500 per acre, up to \$100,000 per development)
- J2 Reduce the tree requirement to one tree per residential lot. This is typical in other cities
- J.2.C. Provide the proposed tree list in the Code
- J. 3. This section is a repeat of section J.2

### Sec. 23-27

A.1 This section should be revised to allow for clear cutting of trees that are not heritage trees. This would aid in preliminary study of the site for all engineering disciplines.

### Sec 23-79

After 1st preliminary review by P&Z, allow 2nd submittal with requested changes be 2



weeks before next P&Z. Otherwise lose a month in time.

Sec. 23-117 Requirements place a lot of cost up front before developer knows if it is a go with the City

- A. 4 Delay submittal of TIA reports until after approval of Preliminary Submittal.
- A. 5 Delay submittal of utility and drainage reports until after approval of Preliminary Submittal.
- A. 6 Delay submittal of drainage report (as set out in Sec 1-15) s until after approval of Preliminary Submittal
- A. 7 Delay submittal of soils/geotechnical report until after approval of Preliminary Submittal.
- A. 11 Delay parkland statement, which is generally in negotiations, until after approval of Preliminary Submittal.
- A.12 Delay submittal of Heritage tree report until after approval of Preliminary Submittal.

Draft - for staff review only



**City of Angleton**

**Streamlining Development - Questionnaire**

**Your Opinion Matters**

**Angleton Tomorrow**

The City has recognized the need to review the zoning ordinance, the Land Development Code (LDC) and other standards contained in various sections of the Code of Ordinances and has identified you as one of many stakeholders in the development process. The purpose of this endeavor is to gather feedback and comment which will aid in the identification of measures to consolidate requirements; simplify and streamline the development process; encourage economic development and investment; and make it less cumbersome in general.

Additionally, the City is preparing a handbook that will contain policies and procedures related to the development of land and building activity. The Administrative Development Procedures Manual," the City's new development handbook, will provide vital information regarding the City's permit processes and will be an easy-to-follow guide.

The City would like to encourage you - residents, business owners, and other stakeholders - to participate in this process . To assist you in sharing your thoughts, we have prepared this questionnaire that will take 15-20 minutes to complete. Please return the completed questionnaire to [KRadhakrishnan@gundacorp.com](mailto:KRadhakrishnan@gundacorp.com).

**Your feedback and involvement are greatly appreciated!**





Item 1.

# Your Opinion Matters

## Angleton Tomorrow

The purpose of this survey is to collect the input and ideas on the most pressing issues in the current codes related to development and your thoughts on improvements and changes.

1. **Development/Permitting Processes:** The development/permitting process in Angleton is streamlined and understandable, and all requirements and steps are clear and easy to follow

Yes  No

a. List any development/application process that needs improvement.

b. List the type of application that seems redundant or unnecessary

2. **Development Standards:** Do standards for non-residential/commercial districts achieve your vision for the City and promote opportunities for employment, recreation, economic development, and other social activities?

Yes  No

a. Please list three issues in the development standards of non-residential/commercial districts and permitted uses (E.g., lack of clarity in the uses permitted, definition of terms, landscaping, screening requirements, lot sizes, setbacks, etc.)





3. **Approval Process:** If you have encountered multiple tiered approvals for a development including annexation, zoning, platting, permit approval, and certificate of occupancy:

a. Was the application sequence and development approval process clear?

Yes  No

Please explain.



b. Was each step/approval easy to navigate with appropriate application forms, checklists, and other related information.

Yes  No

Please explain.



c. Was it clear which type of approval was needed for each step (for example – major amended plat, minor consolidation plat, etc.)?

Yes  No

Please explain.



d. Did you encounter any setbacks or delays due to the current processes or ambiguity in submittal requirements?

Yes  No

Please explain.



e. Other thoughts (if any)



4. **Residential Developments:** Do standards for residential districts achieve your vision for the City and promote safe, walkable neighborhoods?

Yes  No

a. Please list three issues in the development standards of residential districts (E.g., lack of amenities, housing diversity, setbacks, etc.)



[Redacted area]

b. Do you have any suggestions for improvement in the standards of residential subdivisions?

Yes  No

Please explain.

[Redacted area]

c. Other thoughts:

[Redacted area]

5. **Zoning:** Do you think the current zoning classifications/districts address all types of development?

Yes  No

Please explain any recommendations that you might have.

[Redacted area]

6. **Signage:** Do you think that the current sign regulations balance the economic value of signage for businesses while preserving and improving the visual quality? Please list the issues you identify in the current sign regulations (types of signs permitted/prohibited, size, area, height etc.).

Yes  No

a. List your suggestions for improvement.

[Redacted area]

7. **Quality of development:** Do current standards for development encourage the type and quality of development, and redevelopment, desired within all areas of the City?

Yes  No

a. What are your suggestions for improvement for the following?

i. Parking standards

[Redacted area]

ii. Landscaping

[Redacted area]

iii. Roadway standards (sidewalks, bike lanes, tree lined streets, landscaped medians etc.)

[Redacted area]



[Redacted]

iv. Buffer between residential and nonresidential (fencing, setbacks, landscaping)

[Redacted]

v. Dumpster screening

[Redacted]

vi. Junkyards and outdoor storage

[Redacted]

vii. Fencing

[Redacted]

viii. Others

[Redacted]

8. **Vision:** Do you think that current City standards are sufficient to implement your vision of the City?

Yes  No

Please explain.

[Redacted]

9. **Aspirational cites:** List three cities you think could be used as benchmark/aspirational cities for future development.

[Redacted]

Please explain your reasons for selecting these cities.

[Redacted]

10. **Other thoughts** (if any)

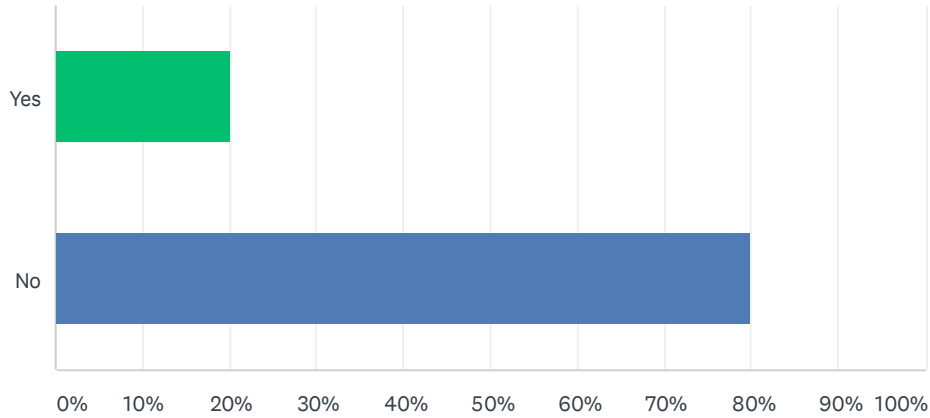
[Redacted]

Please return the completed questionnaire to [KRadhakrishnan@gundacorp.com](mailto:KRadhakrishnan@gundacorp.com)



Q1 The development/permitting process in Angleton is streamlined and understandable, and all requirements and steps are clear and easy to follow.

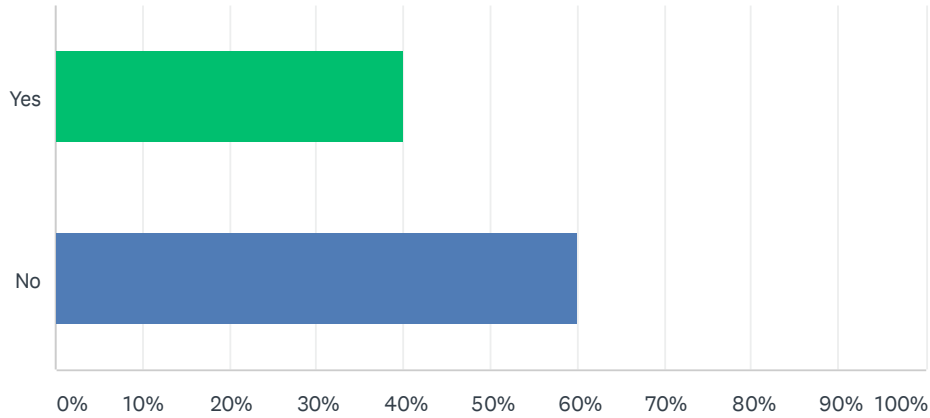
Answered: 15 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	20.00%	3
No	80.00%	12
TOTAL		15

Q2 Do standards for non-residential/commercial districts achieve your vision for the City and promote opportunities for employment, recreation, economic development, and other social activities?

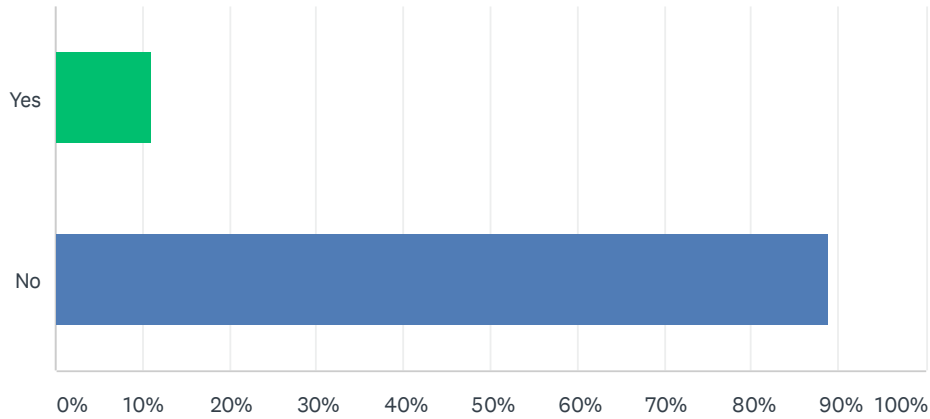
Answered: 15 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	40.00%	6
No	60.00%	9
TOTAL		15

Q3 If you have encountered multiple tiered approvals for development including annexation, zoning, platting, permit approval, and certificate of occupancy:a. Was the application sequence and development approval process clear?

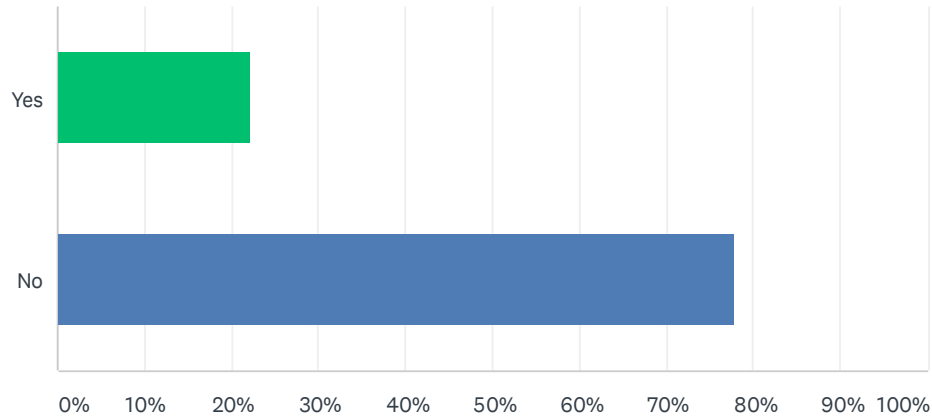
Answered: 9 Skipped: 9



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	11.11%	1
No	88.89%	8
TOTAL		9

Q4 [If you have encountered multiple tiered approvals for development including annexation, zoning, platting, permit approval, and certificate of occupancy:]b. Was each step/approval easy to navigate with appropriate application forms, checklists, and other related information

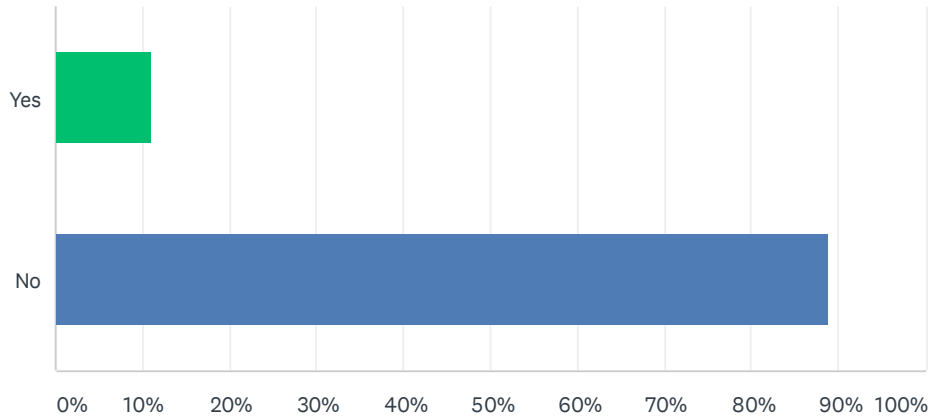
Answered: 9 Skipped: 9



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	22.22%	2
No	77.78%	7
TOTAL		9

Q5 [If you have encountered multiple tiered approvals for development including annexation, zoning, platting, permit approval, and certificate of occupancy:]c. Was it clear which type of approval was needed for each step (for example – major amended plat, minor consolidation plat, etc.)?

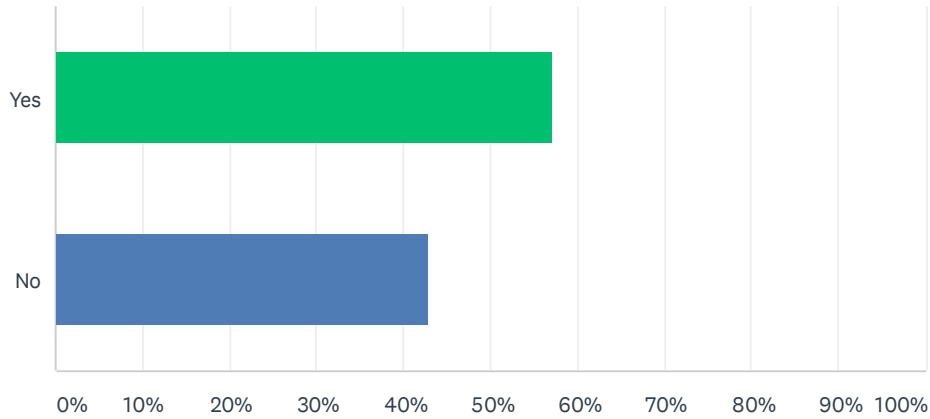
Answered: 9 Skipped: 9



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	11.11%	1
No	88.89%	8
TOTAL		9

Q6 [If you have encountered multiple tiered approvals for development including annexation, zoning, platting, permit approval, and certificate of occupancy:]d. Did you encounter any setbacks or delays due to the current processes or ambiguity in submittal requirements?

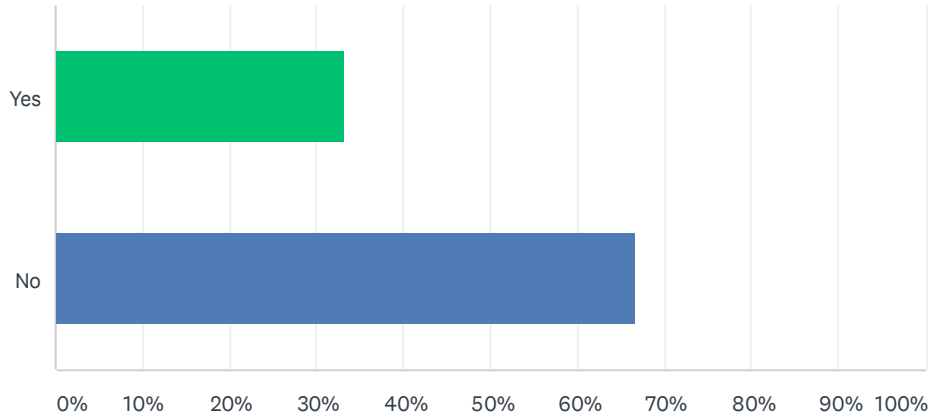
Answered: 7 Skipped: 11



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	57.14%	4
No	42.86%	3
TOTAL		7

### Q7 Residential Developments: Do standards for residential districts achieve your vision for the City and promote safe, walkable neighborhoods?

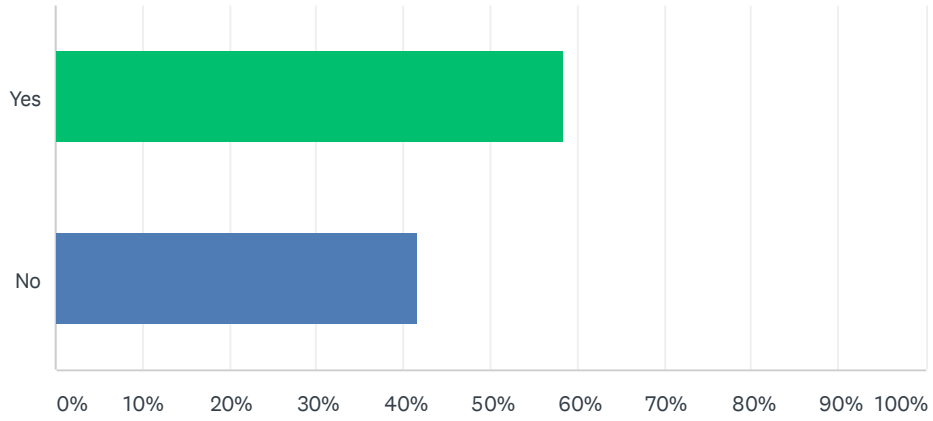
Answered: 15 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	33.33%	5
No	66.67%	10
TOTAL		15

### Q8 Zoning: Do you think the current zoning classifications/districts address all types of development?

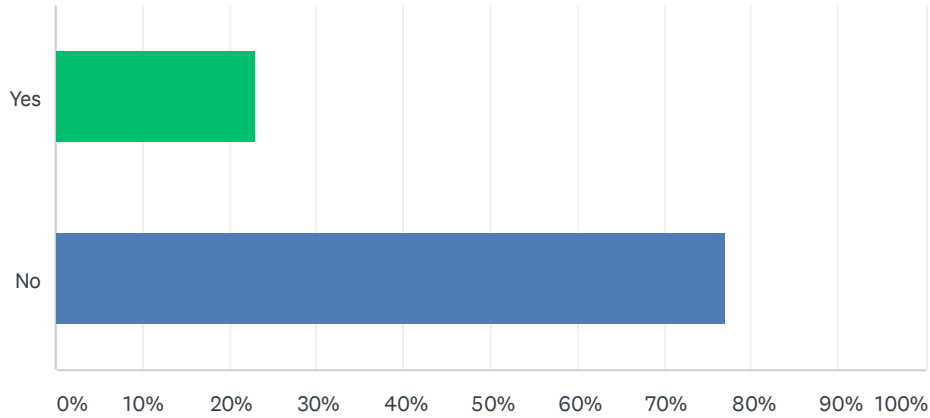
Answered: 12 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES		RESPONSES	
Yes		58.33%	7
No		41.67%	5
TOTAL			12

### Q9 Signage: Do you think that the current sign regulations balance the economic value of signage for businesses while preserving and improving the visual quality?

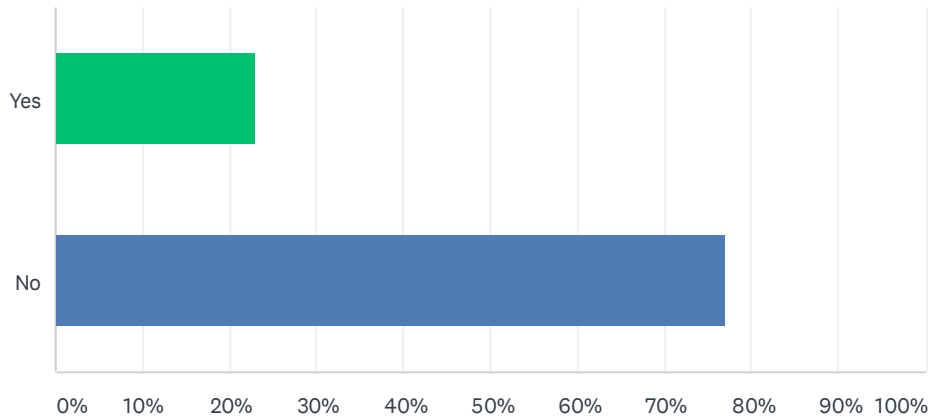
Answered: 13 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	23.08%	3
No	76.92%	10
TOTAL		13

**Q10 Quality of development: Do current standards for development encourage the type and quality of development, and redevelopment, desired within all areas of the City?**

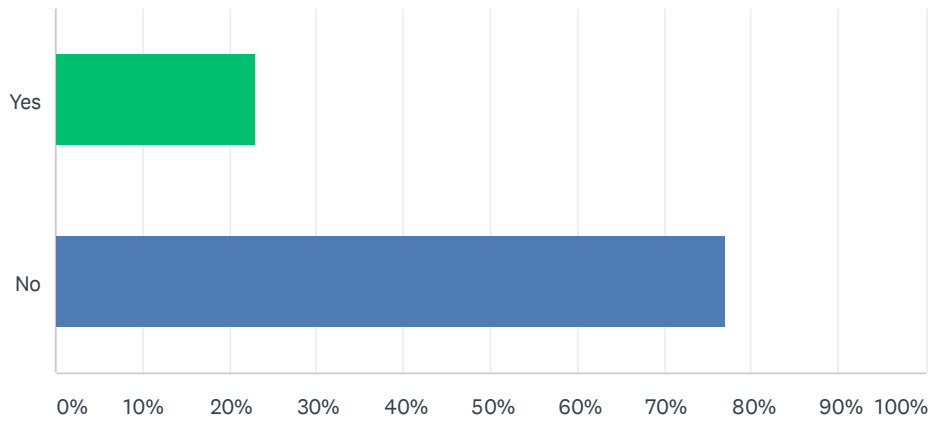
Answered: 13 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	23.08%	3
No	76.92%	10
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>13</b>

### Q11 Vision: Do you think that current City standards are sufficient to implement your vision of the City?

Answered: 13 Skipped: 5



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	23.08%	3
No	76.92%	10
TOTAL		13

Q12 Aspirational cites: List three cities you think could be used as benchmark/aspirational cities for future development.

Answered: 10 Skipped: 8

## Q13 Other Thoughts?

Answered: 6 Skipped: 12

## Angleton Streamlining Development

### Compilation of responses

Following is a compilation of responses to the open-ended questions from the following modes of data collection:

1. Open ended questions received from 18 SurveyMonkey responses conducted between July-August 2021
2. PDF questionnaire sent in June 2021

### **Question: List any development/application process that needs improvement or seems redundant or unnecessary**

1. A worksheet indicating the required steps, timelines and permits required. A flow chart for various projects would be very helpful. Something that spells out the fees and permits, policies and copies of required documents including development agreements.
2. I would be happy to speak with you in detail on this. Basically, there is no list of steps that need to be accomplished so no way to get through the process. It's basically one step and will TVs (???) here is what needs to be done. Deliver it and move on. It really does not matter what the steps are we can either deal with them or select.
3. Needs to be by the book numbering- step 1, 2, 3
4. Unable to get in touch with anyone regarding permits. Tried to find one online so I could build a shed, online resources from the city said one was needed, unable to find forms or talk to anyone to get what was needed.
5. Need larger stores and eateries to accommodate new housing going in.
6. They authorized my neighbor to build a swimming pool in their front yard.
7. Goals and objectives from City Council and its citizens should flow back through Planning and Zoning Commission and then to developers.
8. Website has very little info and is clunky to move around. More info on website would assist in streamlining.
9. 202 pages (of ???) is an awful lot of data for anyone to read through and try to figure out all the requirements for a new development. Although the document explains things in detail, it seems to be so detailed that a person can get totally discouraged before starting the process.
10. The time from a pre-development meeting to final approval has lengthened considerably over the previous LDC. I don't know if it is the unfamiliarity of the new LDC or the requirements that Sugarland placed in the LDC that are not applicable to Angleton. The need to go back to council for any deviations, whether it is obvious that a TIA should not be needed, rewording on a developers agreement or any number of minor issues.
11. I am not able to answer #1, improvements needed are: rail road crossings. The absolute roughest track crossings in Texas!. Fix the bumps in the roads and highways. I realize there are "plans" for overlaying roads, but FIX what are not in the immediate plans. Fix cross street intersections. MOST are almost as bad as the railroad crossings. There are some that have at least a 6" difference. I can provide proof.

**Please list three issues in the development standards of non-residential/commercial districts and permitted uses**

1. When allowing builders to build homes city needs to make sure we are not allowing builders to cram homes on lots. Ex. 308 W. Live Oak.
2. Lot size, drainage, emergency access.
3. 1. Buffering between commercial and residential. 2. Lot sizes are beginning to be too small which will harm the city in the long run. 3. Need to review classifications of property zone-wise in certain areas to make sure that they are now meeting current development.
4. More uniformity around city and subsequent enforcement of the standards. So many places are run down and seem to stay that way. Issue warning with short notification days, issue citation, and move on. Start denial services to business if they do not comply.
5. This City needs to start thinking about its seniors and their activities. Not just leave it up to Dickey Park and the Rec Center. More safe places where we can walk and be out in nature would be nice. We are not interested in the night life but would like a quiet place where we could dine out or go for a cocktail and have conversation where we could hear each other talk instead of the loud music. Stop small lots. Most people want to be able to enjoy their own yard and let the family fellowship with one another in their own space. Make a section that says setbacks instead of hiding it within another subject making the developer or property owner go find the info.

**If you have encountered multiple tiered approvals for development including annexation, zoning, platting, permit approval, and certificate of occupancy- What were the issues faced regarding processing delays and clarity etc. (questions 3, 4, 5, 6)**

1. Again a well laid out process up front with a potential project presentation to council early on to guard support and potential outcome would be invaluable.
2. I don't believe any exist (checklists etc.)
3. It's an entirely new ordinance. However more importantly the ordinance is unfriendly and much more difficult than a city like Angleton needs. As it was a direct copy from Sugarland.
4. Staff is having to create the path as they move forward so there is no set policy to follow.
5. Most everything on the website is ambiguous. How about some clarifying guides with steps?
1. There were no delays and the information and paper-work provided by the city were clear.
2. Only problem on ours was in 2001, the City decided to put a ditch in my utility easement for our tower site and it has been a pain in our sides ever since. When we asked the City for the plans they used to design the ditch and dig it - B&L, Robert Hinemeyer and Michael Stoldts and Shelly could not find any plans for the ditch the City dug on our property.
3. This being a new LDC, it appears there is a learning curve in implementation.
4. My engineer has stated that there is not always a consistent course of action that is communicated from city hall.
5. I attribute the various delays in learning the detail in the new LDC by both the city and the engineers.

6. Please make sure we are meeting the goals of what the community asked for and looks for in future development.
7. There needs to be an online verification that the application and steps were evaluated and approved. At times receiving a timely response from a relevant party with the city took multiple requests.

**Please list three issues in the development standards of residential districts (E.g., lack of amenities, housing diversity, setbacks, etc.) Please also give any suggestions for improvements in the standards of residential subdivisions.**

1. As laid out the standards are good, of course there are issues like the minimum driveway width being copied from commercial setting it at 25 ft min that create issues.
2. Should be clear what size neighborhood or development standards apply to. Recommend sidewalks are only required on major corridors to schools, parks, downtown or in and in front of major developments. Not individual house developments.
3. Too dense/houses too close together. Lack of amenities.
4. Lot sizes too small, lack of requirements to have sidewalks.
5. No lighting on street or sidewalk.
6. Lot sizes are too small. Green space is not included in these newer developments which will not give the new residence a quality or place. Dry utilities should not be in the front lots of these developments.
7. Enforcement of residents once s/d is complete. Doesn't do any good to build something nice if we don't enforce residents to keep it up. Too many chances from inspector.
8. More lighting, sidewalks and more variety of colors in the styles.
9. The city has recently approved several S/D's that have (in my opinion) smaller lot sizes. I think any proposed S/D's in the future need to have at least a minimum lot size of 80' by 120'.
10. Accessibility and connectivity require larger sidewalks than currently in place. When new developments are being planned, there should be a method to require an additional easement from the developer to secure land for larger sidewalks. That step is being overlooked. Our city has an inordinate number of small lots that market cannot absorb. The city should institute a ratio of lot sizing for new projects. For instance, 30% of lots at 60' width, 40% at 70' and 40% at 80'. Do not consider a 5' increment is lot sizing as it is of no benefit in housing and is only used to skew the ratio. If the city continues to utilize PIDs, they should be created in the manner they were intended, to create a higher quality project with superior amenities than would be possible otherwise to offset the higher taxes to our residents. The developers awarded a PID should be required to enhance our city in return for those assessments on our residents.

**Do you think the current zoning classifications/districts address all types of development?**

1. There should be additional zoning to address lots larger than SF 7.2. When a development is made up of lots 100' or larger in width, this is considered a SF 7.2 zoning. That zoning also allows a lot that may be only 70' wide, which is not consistent with the other lots in the neighborhood, but is within the requirements of the zoning.

2. They should be reviewed against the city's comprehensive master plan and publicly discussed with the citizens to make sure that they do.

**Do you think that the current sign regulations balance the economic value of signage for businesses while preserving and improving the visual quality?**

1. New residential builder signs should be on a city sponsored signage program such as national signs plaza provides to many cities like Pearland. There should be a commercial retail signage program that meets the quality of place within the city.
2. Signage of a million different types around town. Come up with a standard and give businesses 2 years to revise and comply
3. Could not find any information regarding signage.
4. Enforcement of the ordinance is not sufficient. Placement of signs advertising open houses and directing traffic into a residential neighborhood should only be allowed for a very limited time.

**Quality of development: Do current standards for development encourage the type and quality of development, and redevelopment, desired within all areas of the City?**

1. City needs to enforce to haul off junk & junk vehicles in people's front yards to be hauled off. This is a health hazard and eye sore for the city. City needs to have property owners with uninhabitable buildings and structures demo. This is a health hazard and eye sore for the city. City needs to improve street lighting also needs to have street drainages cleaned out on TJ Wright St.
2. Sidewalks, street lighting, landscaping.
3. Redevelopment should be a major priority for the city. Areas should be identified and prioritized and then incentivized to help those looking to invest in our city provide the redevelopment we are looking for.
4. I hate bike lanes. Let them use the sidewalk and yield to pedestrians. Fencing is monitored???? Dumpsters are ignored. Do something about junk and outdoor storage for both business and residential.
5. No parking in the grass in front yards. Keep yards mowed and weeds maintained at least during the dry season. Wet yards make mud and ruts which would look worse. The City needs to maintain the sidewalks we have and fix the bad ones. Make Waste Connections stop putting trash cans in the middle of the sidewalks where someone in a wheelchair or walker cannot get around them.
6. I believe the city and EDC Director are headed in the right direction and have done admirable work.
7. There is a fine line between creating uniformity in design, such as what Sugarland or what other larger cities require than is economically feasible in a small city like Angleton. Our minimum standards should be increased and structures that are obviously deficient should be corrected. Landscaping and walk and bike paths will enhance the quality of life and appearance of our city. The more attractive our city is the better chance we have to bring quality growth.
8. I noticed the employees mowed the medians and started blowing, exhausting the grass onto the road/highway. Stupidity, lack of proper training, attitude, ignorance, YOU have allowed for a very dangerous road, especially for bikes and motorcycles, this is far worse than rain

**Vision: Do you think that current City standards are sufficient to implement your vision of the City?**

1. Have not reviewed all the policies and standards but quality of place is much more important for all we are looking at doing now and not just satisfying what those developers both commercial and residential want to do for our city.
2. Roads need repairs.
3. Could be if we enforced the laws on the citizens
4. Angleton wants small town image but we don't have it.
5. Stop the 45' lots.
6. With implementation of a continuation for larger lots.
7. I believe there are improvements that can be made to some of the existing ordinances, however, there does seem to be more effort to improve the city than there has been over the years. We are seeing some of this now and the hope is it continues to grow.

**Aspirational cities: List three cities you think could be used as benchmark/aspirational cities for future development.**

1. Laramie, Wyoming (fabulous revitalized old downtown), Texas City (great TxDOT job), and Lake Jackson (hard to beat). Please put up a webcam for a look at our TxDOT upgrades downtown.
2. Pearland, Lake Jackson
3. Lake Jackson
4. Bastrop for its rich history. Tyler for their progressive new development called your place standards. Nacogdoches for its redevelopment areas and close proximity to college.
5. Addison, Bastrop, Austin.
6. Kyle, League city, Katy.
7. Missouri City TX. Georgetown TX.
8. Manvel, Iowa Colony, League City.
9. I think what our city has done in the past and its path forward are fine without comparison.
10. The city of Lake Jackson has done a good job revitalizing their downtown. Mont Belvieu has done an excellent job in creating exception parks that improve the quality of life for their residents and create a draw for new residents and visitors. Pearland has done a good job of keeping the quality and curb appeal of commercial and residential projects appealing.

**Other Thoughts?**

1. City needs to start with the older parts of town Westside of the city.
2. Y'all are doing good - we're on the edge of something wonderful for Angleton.
3. Thank you for the opportunity to respond and I appreciate all that staff and community minded people are doing for the Angleton community.
4. I think Chris is doing a great job and I like it that we hired someone from outside who has a vision and is willing to ask ours.

# Diagnostic Report

## Land

## Development Codes

November 2021

**TABLE OF CONTENTS**

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

**HOW TO USE THIS DIAGNOSTIC REPORT**

**CONFORMANCE TO TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE**

**APPLICATION PROCESS IMPROVEMENT**


**IMPROVEMENTS TO CODE CONTENT**

**INCORPORATE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OBJECTIVES INTO UDC**

**APPENDICES**

Appendix A – Compiled list of recommendations

Appendix B – Redlined development code documents

Appendix C – Application submission calendar example 

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The City of Angleton recognized the need for orderly growth and adopted zoning regulations for the City as early as 1981. The current Comprehensive Plan was adopted in 2005 and subsequently a comprehensive revision of the zoning ordinance was adopted in 2009 (Chapter 28 of the Code of Ordinances). Sections of the zoning ordinance have been amended since then. In addition to the zoning ordinance, the City adopted a Land Development Code (Chapter 23 of the Code of Ordinances) in 2018 that contains additional requirements and guidelines for land development, subdivision design, public improvements, infrastructure development, permits and procedures, and construction standards. Other land regulations and development related requirements such as signs, manufactured homes, junk yards, refuse containers, are interspersed in other sections of the Code of Ordinances.

The City has recognized the need to review the zoning ordinance, the Land Development Code (LDC) and other standards contained in various sections of the Code of Ordinances to identify measures to consolidate requirements; simplify and streamline the development process; encourage economic development and investment; and ensure compliance with the recent changes in the Texas Local Government Codes (TXLGC). The purpose of this Diagnostic Report is to review the applicable documents to identify areas of conflict and propose recommendations that are contextual to the City of Angleton.

As an initial step to formulate the diagnostic report, the project team gathered feedback from the City staff, developers, and the elected and appointed officials on the most pressing issues in the current code of ordinances and how to resolve those issues. Public input was gathered by using questionnaires that were sent to key stakeholders and made available on the City's website. Finally, the project team synthesized comments within a comprehensive framework of state statute analysis and industry best practices to identify areas of improvements.

Following the review of this Diagnostic Report, City Staff, the Planning and Zoning Commission, and City Council will need to provide input on the recommendations contained herein. The next steps would include consolidating and amending the LDC and zoning ordinance to incorporate the recommendations, following the appropriate public hearing procedures.

**HOW TO USE THIS DIAGNOSTIC REPORT**

In an effort to update, reorganize and simplify the findings of the review of the City’s LDC and zoning ordinance, observations and accompanying recommendations have been consolidated under five main categories listed below. Italicized text indicates the existing sections in the codes. Text proposed o be removed is shown as red strike-out and text to be added is shown in red underlined text.

**CONFORMANCE TO TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE**

Title 7, Chapter 211 of the Texas Local Government Code (TXLGC) grant powers to municipalities such as the City of Angleton to adopt zoning regulatory power to regulate development for the purpose of “...promoting the public health, safety, morals, or general welfare, and protecting and preserving places and areas of historical, cultural, or architectural importance or significance.” Subdivision regulations are governed by Chapter 212 of the TXLGC. Other state statutes that guide growth and development include TXLGC Chapter 43: Municipal Annexation, Chapter 213: Municipal Comprehensive Plans, and Chapter 245 Issuance of Local Permits. The TXLGC requires that the cities follow statutory procedures when adopting these regulations.

The purpose of this section is to identify instances of non-compliance with the requirements of the TXLGC and process improvements permitted by the TXLGC that can be adopted in Angleton. The development codes must be cross-checked, improved, clarified, or rewritten to adhere to the statutory requirements, legal thresholds, and standards for planning, zoning, platting, annexation, and the administration of other land use regulations.

This section highlights recommendations to ensure that regulations are fair, defensible, and directly grounded in a legal framework. Modifications to the Code necessitated by recent changes in the Texas Local Government Codes will also be identified. This section also identifies areas where processes can be streamlined as permitted by the TXLGC.

**APPLICATION PROCESS IMPROVEMENT**

Application processing has these major components that assist in identifying areas of improvement.

- Easy to understand**
- Efficient processes**
- Electronic review**

The purpose of recommendations in this area is to:

- Ensure that all development applications are in accordance with the State’s regulatory requirements and standards.
- Incorporate simpler and more efficient processes where permitted by the state statutes, e.g., subdivision approval process.
- Assist the users to locate and comply with the application processing requirements and steps with ease.

**IMPROVEMENTS TO CODE CONTENT**

The code’s written language and material content has been reviewed to identify areas of improvement. Zoning ordinances, development management, and other planning functions that seek to protect the health, safety and general welfare of the public can be refined and improved by undertaking the following actions:

**Written Language Clarification:** To improve the Code’s material content, including its written style, as well as eliminating confusing and conflicting language, and ensure that various updates consider the overall intent of regulating development.

**A User-Friendly Format:** To identify areas that are not clear and easily comprehensible. Recommendations are included to assist applicants to find all relevant requirements and submit complete applications with ease; for City Staff to administer the regulations in a fair, efficient, and effective manner; and for public officials to understand the process better.

These include:

- Clarifications to zoning categories, the official zoning map, and amendments to the code
- Incorporation of additional requirements
- Revisions to conflicting sections, grammatical errors and inaccuracies
- Revisions to sign permits and requirements
- Corrections to missing and omitted items
- Addition of definitions and clarify existing definitions
- Identification and correction conflicts between the LDC and zoning code and combining them
- Improvements to style and user-friendliness
- Inclusion of visual examples and graphic representations
- Miscellaneous opportunities for improvement

**INCORPORATE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OBJECTIVES INTO UDC**

The City’s Comprehensive Plan is the policy guide for developing the codes and regulations. The community’s priorities can more holistically be reflected in the development codes and regulations to achieve the vision of the Comprehensive Plan.

While it is a good practice to identify items and tasks that could be addressed; given the age of the Comprehensive Plan, the lack of actual implementation since adoption, and the need for a Plan update due to a high growth rate, the City should evaluate the feasibility of a concentrated effort in this area. It may be beneficial to update the Comprehensive Plan to identify the current issues and action steps and reevaluate the UDC to ensure that those priorities are addressed..

The Strategic Plan, included in the Comprehensive Plan includes the following action steps that pertain to the LDC and development codes. Recommendations to implement the action steps need to be identified, if there is a consensus to move forward with any or all of these recommendations. This is not an exhaustive list and can be expanded to include other areas mentioned in the Comprehensive Plan.

#	Tasks
1	Update development related regulations such as zoning and subdivision requirements to reflect the patterns, character, mix and intensity of uses identified in the Future Land Use Plan.
2	Adopt infill/redevelopment incentives (flexibility in development regulations, waiver of development fees, direct grants, tax incentives).
3	Establish minimum design standards for the Downtown District that ensure complementary design and that implement the recommendations of the recently adopted Livable Centers Study

4	Promote the concentration of retail development at existing commercial nodes such as Downtown, the Midtown District and the SH 35 Commercial Corridor through incentives and restrictions
5	Anticipate future commercial growth along SH 288 through annexation and appropriate zoning.
6	Allow for introduction of compatible uses into residential areas, including limited neighborhood commercial development as well as major focal points such as schools, places of worship, parks, open spaces, day care, and post office as a means of strengthening neighborhood dynamics and pedestrian activity.
7	Utilize planned development provisions to encourage innovative and imaginative site design that minimizes adverse impacts on adjacent properties.
8	Protect the integrity of existing neighborhoods from intrusion by undesirable land uses through enforcement of development-related ordinances.
9	Anticipate future commercial growth along SH 288 through annexation and appropriate zoning.
10	Allow for introduction of compatible uses into residential areas, including limited neighborhood commercial development as well as major focal points such as schools, places of worship, parks, open spaces, day care, and post office as a means of strengthening neighborhood dynamics and pedestrian activity.
11	Utilize planned development provisions to encourage innovative and imaginative site design that minimizes adverse impacts on adjacent properties.
12	Protect the integrity of existing neighborhoods from intrusion by undesirable land uses through enforcement of development-related ordinances.
13	Promote remodeling and ongoing maintenance of existing structures and amenities
14	Revise development ordinances to include or enhance provisions for signage, landscaping, tree preservation, lighting, building façade design and materials.
15	Actively support visual enhancements and beautification efforts along the SH 35 corridor through public and private efforts.
16	Establish reasonable minimum standards for the screening of unattractive sites and views and the provision of buffering (dense vegetation, walls/fencing, increased setbacks, etc.) between incompatible land uses.
17	Utilize tax incentives, sales tax revenues, bonds, and public improvement districts to fund specific visual improvements and enhancements.
18	Enhance existing neighborhoods through improvements to the public right of way (such as street trees), protection of open spaces and scenic areas utilizing quality signage, landscaping, sidewalks, subsurface drainage and lighting.
19	Require connections between adjacent commercial developments and street stubs to areas available for future development.
20	Require all subdivision development to provide a minimum of two entrances. Consideration should be given for added entrances for large developments and single, divided entrances for small developments.
21	Encourage street stubs and connection to surrounding major roadways by permitting stubs and connectors to count as entrances.
22	Mandate connection to stub streets by adjacent new development
23	Develop driveway or curb cut separation standards that increase the length of separation according to street type, such as: - Arterial – 400 feet; - Major Collector – 300 feet; - Minor Collector – 200 feet; and, - Local Collector – 100 feet. 8 Examine the concept of

	requiring low maintenance medians for management of future major collector and arterial left-turn access.
24	Complete proposed trails along Brushy Bayou and Rancho Ditch and consider development of additional trails along other drainage ditches that include sufficient right-of-way.
25	Place protected crosswalks along local or collector roadways with an uninterrupted street length greater than 1,000 feet and at points of intersection with pedestrian paths.
26	Incorporate bicycle lanes along existing collector roadways that offer sufficient pavement width for safe bicycle travel (minimum six feet per side).
27	Coordinate bicycle lanes and trails to establish a connected bicycle network.
28	Establish buffer yard requirements within specific zoning districts (or in new overlay zones) to increase the visual appeal along specific corridors such as SH 288 or Loop 523.
29	Enhance signage requirements, such as shared signage, use of quality materials, and appropriate height, particularly within specified corridors. Revise parking standards to require increased vegetation within the parking area. to reduce visual clutter. Improve signage in the downtown area to clearly direct traffic to public parking facilities in the area.
30	Adopt on-site detention regulations that require development to use street “ponding” techniques and underground detention to the full extent possible. Allow for dry detention ponds as a last resort while encouraging landscaping and enforcing maintenance codes. Provide opportunities for innovative site design techniques such as decreased setbacks, cluster housing, zero lot line development and reduced lot size that can improve quality of life.
31	Establish limited design guidelines that address issues such as materials, roof pitch, façade treatment, porches (if applicable), proportional dimensions, garage, and other elements necessary to ensure that affordable new development and rehabilitation are consistent with the character of the area.
32	Revise ordinances as needed to permit development of alternative housing types such as granny flats, row houses and multiple family homes in select new development and existing neighborhoods.
33	Provide density incentives to developers that are willing to incorporate alternative housing types into a new development.
34	Promote incorporation of deed restrictions or covenants into established neighborhoods along with development of a homeowners association with the capacity of enforcement.
35	Develop a voluntary “neighborhood conservation” overlay district designed to place additional maintenance, character, use, and appearance restrictions upon properties within the district.
36	Discuss the concept of annual rental registration requirement for all housing structures that will at least partially be available for lease. Registration may require an inspection of facilities prior to issuance of a permit.

## Appendix A – Compiled List of Recommendations

This list includes recommendations for the following documents:

- Part II - CODE OF ORDINANCE
- Chapter 23 LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE
- Chapter 21.5 Signs – Comprehensive update/rewrite.

The recommendations include the following areas:

### General

**Formatting** – Capitalization, document reference etc. – As redlined.

**Consistency** - use of terms (e.g. City Manager /or designee) consistently throughout the document.

### 23-3. Authority.

Confirm references as listed throughout in the LDC and zoning codes. See examples below.

#### 23-3. Authority.

*Texas Statutes. The provisions of the LDC are adopted pursuant to the authority granted by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas, including:*

- *TLGC Ch. 42, Extraterritorial Jurisdiction of Municipalities;*
- *TLGC Ch. 212, Municipal Regulation of Subdivision and Property Development;*
- *TLGC Ch. 245, Issuance of Local Permits; and*
- *TWC §§ 16.311–16.319, Flood Insurance.*

#### Sec. 23-4. Jurisdiction.

*B. ETJ. Development in the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) is subject to the LDC to the full extent allowed by V.T.C.A., Local Government Code Ch. 42 and all sections and subarticles of V.T.C.A., Local Government Code Ch. 212, and any other sections of the TLGC that may be, or become, relevant and pertinent to the ETJ.*

#### Sec. 23-5. Applicability.

- The definition of “Development” needs to be amended.
- Pending applications – Reference to “complete applications.”
- Nonconforming Uses -See markup
- Inconsistency of Section 23-5.G with TxLGC as it extends land use controls regarding Manufactured Home Subdivisions and Parks.

**Sec. 23-4. Jurisdiction.**

Confirm references.

*B. ETJ. Development in the extraterritorial jurisdiction (ETJ) is subject to the LDC to the full extent allowed by V.T.C.A., Local Government Code Ch. 42 and all sections and subarticles of V.T.C.A., Local Government Code Ch. 212, and any other sections of the TLGC that may be, or become, relevant and pertinent to the ETJ.*

**Sec. 23-6. Consistency with plans.**

Does the LDC implement the existing plans listed? Need clarification for City staff and developers.

**Sec. 23-8. Abrogation and greater restrictions.**

The language needs to be reviewed. This may not be true for existing agreements.

*C. When the provisions of this LDC impose a greater restriction than those restrictions imposed by private agreements, the provisions of the LDC shall control.*

**Sec. 23-10. General design principals and requirements.**

- Require adherence to all drainage requirements of the ACM. Remove additional language for clarity.
- Drainage easement location and alignment – modify language for clarifications.
- Definition of “Green” drainage easements – needs clarity.
- Create standards for Angleton and not refer to other cities.
- Check to see if staff is using these standards?

**Sec. 24-11. Lots and blocks.**

Section - C. 2. b. Minor deviations from the lot design requirements during the platting process to be approved by Planning and Zoning Commission, not by staff.

D. Clarifications needed, as marked.

**Platting issues:**

1. Consolidation and reduction in the types of Plats
2. Platting sequencing – provide clear processes.
3. Time lines, expiration dates, and validity – recommendations:
  - Preliminary Plat – 1 yr. with an additional 1 yr. of extension approved.
  - Construction Drawings – 1 yr.
  - Completion of public improvements and acceptance – 1 yr.
  - Final Plat – 1 yr.

**Recommended Subdivision/Platting Process – Preliminary/Final Plat**

**A pre-application conference with the Develop Angleton Working Group (DAWG)**

**Use of a Public Improvement District (PID) or Other Special District**

Preliminary Plat

Construction of Public Improvements

Submittal of Preliminary Plat/Replat application and payment of application filing fee

Completeness determination (Sections 23-79 and 23-94)

Application is distributed for review and comment

Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting

City Council Meeting

Conditional Approval or Disapproval of Preliminary Plat/Replat

Expiration of Preliminary Plat/Replat Approval (Section 23-94.H) **Valid for 12 months, 12 month extension, may require compliance with new laws for extension**

After Approval of Preliminary Plat/Replat but before submittal of a Final Plat/Replat application

Submittal of Construction Plans for public improvements

Installation and Acceptance of Public

OR

Submittal of surety and maintenance bond

Acceptance of public improvements with a maintenance bond

Submittal of Final Plat/Replat application and payment of application filing fee

Completeness determination (Sections 23-79 and 23-94):

Application is distributed for review and comment

Final Plat

Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting
City Council Meeting – Valid for 12 months, 6 month extension
<del>Installation and Acceptance of Public Improvements</del> Proposed to be moved up
Recording of Final Plat/Replat
Issuance of Building Permits

**Sec. 28-23. Board of adjustment (BOA).**

**Clarify the responsibilities of BOA and P & Z in granting variances:**

Variance to subdivision regulations are granted by P & Z. BOA does not have the authority to grant LDC variances.

**Time for decision**

Check for “shot clock” provisions for processing appeals or variance requests.

*(g) Appeals to the board of adjustment:*

*(1) The board of adjustment may also hear and decide other matters authorized by the subdivision ordinance and other city ordinances regarding land use and development regulations.*

*(3) The board shall decide the appeal within 45 calendar days after the written request (i.e., notice of appeal) was received. The board may reverse or affirm, in whole or in part, or modify the administrative official's order, requirement, decision or determination from which an appeal is taken, and may make the correct order, requirement, decision or determination.*

*(h) (3) Notice and public hearing. The board of adjustment shall hold a public hearing for consideration of the variance or special exception request no later than 45 calendar days after the date the application for action, or an appeal, is filed.*

**Sec. 28-24. Amendments to zoning ordinance and districts, administrative procedures, and enforcement**

Clarify that site plans need to meet all requirements. The details listed are incomplete.

*(a) Building permits required:*

*(1) No building or other structure shall be erected, moved, added to, or structurally altered without a building permit issued by the City of Angleton's Building Official. A building permit shall not be issued except in conformity with the provisions of this chapter, unless otherwise authorized by the board of adjustment in the form of a variance or special exception as provided in subsection 28-23(f) of this chapter. A building permit shall not be issued until the property is properly zoned for the intended use, until the property is platted in accordance with the subdivision ordinance, nor until all appropriate plans have been approved by the city (including, but not limited to, a final plat, a detailed plot plan, a final site plan, landscaping and*

facade plans, building structural plans, etc.). ~~All site plans shall clearly show in detail how the site will be constructed (such as paving, buildings, general physical improvements, improvements that currently exist, distances to property lines, construction planning, etc.).~~

**Sec. 28-26. Concept plan and site plan review processes.**

**Clarify when a** concept plan is required and the approval processes. Differentiate the concept plan from site plan process.

Consider eliminating the need for P & Z approval for site plans and sit plans be reviewed as part of the building permit application. Currently, site plan approval is required for all non-single family residential projects prior to issuance of a building permit by the P & Z. This process is not required and adds additional time, resources, and effort. If the site plan(s) submitted as part of obtaining a building permit do not meet minimum City standards then the applicant would be required to seek a variance from the BOA.

~~Building permit and certificate of occupancy: A site plan shall be submitted an approved prior to submission of a building permit application.~~ No building permit shall be issued until a site plan and all other required engineering/construction plans are first approved by the city. No certificate of occupancy shall be issued until all construction and development conforms to the site plan and engineering/construction plans, as approved by the city.

~~If the site plan is denied by the planning and zoning commission, the applicant may appeal such decision to the city council provided that such appeal is submitted to the city in writing within ten calendar days following the commission's decision. The city council shall decide the appeal within 90 calendar days, and the council's decision on the appeal shall be final.~~

(7) *Revisions to the approved site plan:*

b. *Major revisions. In the event of revisions that are more extensive in nature (i.e., do not conform to the description for minor amendments above), a new site plan must be resubmitted, reviewed, and approved by the city manager (or his/her designee). Any new site plan shall be deemed a "new permit," and shall be submitted with a new application form, with a new filing fee, and with new plans and materials in accordance with the procedures set forth in this section. The new request shall also be reviewed for compliance with the ordinances and regulations in effect at the time the new application is made. Following city staff review, the city manager, or his/her designee shall recommend approval, approval subject to certain conditions, or denial of the site plan to the planning and zoning commission. The approval process shall follow Sec. 28-26.(c (6)a.4 above.*

**Sec. 28-41. Zoning districts established**

SUP is not an overlay district and needs to be removed from the list list.

Overlay Districts	
PD	Planned Development
SUP	<del>Specific Use Permit</del>

**Sec. 28-42. AG—Agricultural District**

Add restrictions on open storage to ensure that it is not located in visible yards too close to adjoining properties.

Correct conflicting yard requirements. Rewrite the entire section.

Examples:

- (3) Open/outside storage is permitted *provided it is not located in the required yard setback and* does not create a nuisance and is in conformance with the adopted International Property Maintenance Code.
- (4) Single-family homes with side-entry garages where lot frontage is only to one street (not a corner lot) shall have a minimum of 25 feet from the door face of the garage or carport to the side property line for maneuvering. The minimum setback from any garage door to a street or alley right-of-way line shall also be 25 feet. *Conflicts with yard requirements above.*

**Sec. 28-62. PD—Planned development overlay district.**

(e). Concept plan is also addressed in LDC 28-26. Site Plan addressed in 28-63 *too.* Consolidate and cross reference.

**Sec. 28-81. Use regulations (Charts).**

Use charts. Add parking requirements to each land use for ease of use.

Retail Sales or Service <u>with no drive through facility</u>	P*	P	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	1 space per 300 square feet of usable building area
---	----	---	----	----	----	----	----	----	----	---

**Sec. 28-104. Fencing, walls and screening requirements.**

Clarifications as marked. Add landscaping requirements along fences.

- (8) *Special purpose fencing, such as fencing around tennis courts, is allowed only upon issuance of a permit from the city. The maximum height of such fencing shall be 12 feet. Such fences shall not be located in the required yards and screened by a continuous landscaped hedge, minimum three (3) feet upon planting, as approved by the City.*

**Sec. 28-105. Exterior construction and design requirements.**

Retain these requirements, as recommend by some legal experts. In case the legislature changes, the Cities need *to be* prepared without having to amend the codes. Recommend to change the word “shall” to “recommended”.

- (c) *Minimum exterior construction standards:*
  - (1) *The standards and criteria contained within this subsection are deemed to be minimum standards and shall apply recommended for all new building construction occurring within any zoning district in the City of Angleton as follows:*
- (e) *Alternative exterior materials: Consider removing this.*

## Sec. 28-106. Supplemental regulations.

Remove ambiguity regarding flag lots.

Setbacks – Modify illustrations to be in conformance with the written text, especially with regards to lot width measurements. Remove the requirement for showing setback lines on the plat. These will prevent issues with vesting smallest setbacks or mandating larger setbacks that that required by the applicable zoning requirements.

- (a) *Measuring setbacks: All setback measurements shall be made in accordance with illustration 4. Recommend that this be made a requirement by clarifying the language.*
- (1) *Configuration of lots: ~~Wherever possible, F~~Flag lots in all zoning districts (i.e., lots with minimal, or panhandle type, frontage) ~~shall be avoided, Similarly~~ through (i.e., ~~double frontage~~) lots (~~particularly~~) within residential zoning districts ~~shall also be avoided wherever possible~~ not be permitted. ~~(Also see subdivision ordinance for regulations pertaining to the configuration of lots.)~~*
- (3) *~~Building setbacks: All setbacks established on a recorded plat shall be enforced, even if they exceed the required setbacks in this chapter. Setbacks established on a recorded plat shall only be changed through replat proceedings (see subdivision ordinance).~~*

See other clarifications as marked.

## Sec. 28-106. Supplemental regulations.

- (e) Communications antennas and support structures/towers

Currently, towers or antennas are allowed in all districts with an administrative approval.

Propose to allow in nonresidential zoning districts by right but in others with a SUP.

Add screening for ground equipment also.

Recommend that all variances be granted by the BOA

*Special use permits.*

- a. *General. The following provisions shall govern the issuance of special use permits for towers or antennas by the city council after recommendation from the planning and zoning commission:*

1. *If the tower or antenna is not a permitted use under subsection (5) of this section or permitted to be approved administratively pursuant to subsection (6) ~~of~~ this section, then a special use permit shall be required for the construction of a tower or the placement of an antenna in all zoning districts.*
- (i) *Tower facilities shall be landscaped with a buffer of plant materials that effectively screens the view of the tower compound and ground equipment from ~~adjoining property properties and uses, used for residences~~. The standard buffer shall consist of a landscaped strip at least ~~four~~ six feet wide outside the perimeter of the compound.*
- (8) *C. Required screening. In all residential districts, all equipment cabinet/structure and ground equipment shall be screened by evergreen hedge with an ultimate height of at least 60 inches and a planted height of at least 36 inches. In commercial or industrial districts the equipment cabinet or structure shall be screened by an evergreen hedge with an ultimate height of 48 inches and a planted height of at least 36 inches. In place of a hedge, the structures or cabinets may be screened from view by a solid masonry fence equal in height to the ultimate height of the hedge set*

out ~~herein~~.

9. e. Modification of building size requirements. The requirements of subsections (8)a. through (8)d. may be modified by the ~~code enforcement officer~~ Zoning Board of Adjustment

Rebuilding damaged or destroyed nonconforming towers or antennas. Notwithstanding subsection (9), bona fide nonconforming towers or antennas that are damaged or destroyed may be rebuilt without having to first obtain a special use permit but shall meet all current Building permits to rebuild the facility shall comply with the then applicable building codes and shall be obtained within 180 days from the date the facility is damaged or destroyed. If no permit is obtained or if said permit expires, the tower or antenna shall be deemed abandoned as specified in subsection ~~(9)~~.

**Sec. 28-107. Performance standards**

TABLE A. ~~1-R~~ Review the location in the zoning code. Consider an amendment to move it to other pertinent sections of the code. ?

**Sec. 28-108. Lighting and glare standards.**

Lighting within the parking areas shall meet the following minimum requirements:

a. Intensity:

*Illumination shall not exceed an average of one foot candle at ground level and shall distribute not more than 0.250 foot candles of light upon any adjacent residentially zoned area.*

b. Height:

1. The maximum height for poles with lights is ~~35~~ 25 feet or as permitted by the specific requirements contained in the district regulations.

2. ~~Special lighting or lighting higher than 35 feet may be approved as specifically noted on the applicable required plan (i.e., land development plan, concept plan, site plan).~~

Residential lighting and glare standards:

(1) Residential lighting for security and night recreation use is permitted in all residential districts provided the following requirements are met:

a. Direct lighting over ten feet in height is shielded from adjacent property.

b. No light source shall exceed ~~35~~ 20 feet in height. Street lights and other traffic safety lighting are exempt from this standard.

**Sec. 28-109. Home occupation regulations.**

(d) Uses allowed as home occupations – Discuss. Recommend restricting home occupation uses.

**Sec. 28-110. Special regulations for certain types of uses.**

Remove this section as this section is redundant. Building setback requirements and buffering requirements in other sections would apply.

(a) Gasoline sales facilities:

- (1) ~~Gasoline service station pump islands that parallel a public street may be located a minimum of 16 feet to the property line adjacent to a public street. For pump islands that are perpendicular or diagonal to a public street, the setback shall be 30 feet in order to prevent vehicles stacking out into the street while waiting for a pump position. Pump islands may extend beyond the front building line as described above (provided that all other requirements of this chapter are met), but shall not be closer than 16 feet to any property line that is not adjacent to a public street.~~
- (2) Canopies for gasoline service station pump islands shall be ~~located no closer than 15 feet required to meet the minimum building setback or yard requirements. from any street right-of-way line or side or rear property line.~~

Extraction of minerals:

Processing: The actions of crushing, washing, refining or other similar processing may be authorized by the city council as an accessory use within the SUP ordinance, but such actions or processing shall not be in conflict with the use regulations of the district in which the operation is located. No part of such operation shall take place closer than 100 feet to the nearest property line or right-of-way.

(g) Amusement devices, arcade, gameroom (four or more devices, indoors only):  
Discuss

### **Sec. 28-112. Definitions.**

Consider removing additional text in the introduction.

Clarify that The accessory use needs to be smaller than the principal use of the property.

For the purpose of these regulations, certain terms and words are to be used and interpreted as defined hereinafter. ~~Words used in the present tense shall also include the future tense; words used in the masculine gender shall also include the feminine gender; words used in the singular number shall also include the plural number; and words in the plural number shall also include the singular number, except where the natural construction of the writing indicates otherwise. The word "shall" is mandatory and not directory. For any term or use not defined herein, Webster's Dictionary (latest edition) shall be used.~~

Accessory use: A use that is customarily incidental, appropriate and subordinate to the principal use of land or building(s) and that is located upon the same lot therewith (i.e., the land/building area that is used for the accessory use must be significantly less than that used for the primary use, and/or the gross receipts/income that is derived from the accessory use must be significantly less than that derived from the primary use).

Monument Signs -Not clear if pole signs are permitted and how monument sign area is defined. Prohibit pole signs.

See others as marked.

### **Sec. 23-12. Streets and driveways.**

Add sidewalk widths for clarification and ensure compliance.

Modify the amount of bond required to be consistent with City policy.

Minimum points of vehicular access for subdivisions conflicts with other sections - Section 23-11.I and 24-111. Should be incorporated into a clarifying rewrite of Section 23-11.I.

Clarify references to other documents as redlined below.

<b>Table 23-12.1 Street Dimension Standards</b>						
<b>Design Features</b>	<b>Road Classifications</b>					<b>Sidewalk width</b>
	<b>Major Arterial</b>	<b>Minor Arterial</b>	<b>Major Collector</b>	<b>Minor Collector</b>	<b>Local Street</b>	
<i>Right-of-Way Width</i>	100'–120'	80'–100'	70'–80'	60'–70'	60'	x
<i>Pavement Width</i>	48' to 60'	36' to 48'	36'	32'	28'	x
<i>Number of Lanes</i>	4–6	3 or 4	2 or 3	2	2	x
<i>Lane Width (ft.)</i>	12'–14'	12'	12'	12'	12'	x
<i>Design Speed</i>	45–55+ mph	35–45 mph	30–35 mph	30 mph	30 mph	x

G Partial streets, cul-de-sacs, and dead-end streets.

If approved by the city, contribute to the city an amount of money equal to 125% of estimated construction cost necessary to complete the design and construction of the street, curb, and sidewalk required by the LDC and the ACM.

Public access to subdivisions.

1. Subdivisions containing 30 or more lots, or multi-family developments with 50 or more units, shall have a minimum of two points of vehicular access to an existing public right-of-way separated as far apart as practical in accordance with the fire code; or
2. The city council may consider a boulevard-style entrance with the following design elements:
  - a. A boulevard entrance with a median that has a minimum width of six feet;
  - b. Extension of the median into the subdivision an unbroken distance of at least 75 feet to the first intersecting interior street; and
  - c. Boulevard lanes with an adequate pavement for emergency access into the development.
5. A 10-foot, non-access landscaped easement shall be provided along the rear property lines of residential lots that back up to arterial streets and TXDOT highways to prevent access.

Drainage/stormwater management plans and reports. The subdivider shall provide proposed drainage, grading, and stormwater management plans, supporting reports and studies, and construction drawings, as set out in appendix A.

Improvement standards. Drainage improvements are required to comply with the ACM and the 2008 Master Drainage Plan, as amended.

Water quality. In addition to the provision for drainage to convey stormwater safely through the city and to avoid flooding damage or safety risks, stormwater

management is subject to compliance with the Brazoria County Stormwater Quality Coalition MS4 Construction Guidance Document, as amended, the ACM, and all BMP standards of the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES). The National Menu of BMPs for Stormwater Management is incorporated by reference into the LDC and the ACM.

All single-family residential lots must be graded to meet the elevation of adjoining property with positive drainage. Multi-family and non-residential lots shall be graded to match elevations at adjoining properties to provide good access and to minimize the use of retaining walls.

Off-site easements. Compliance with the requirements of article III, Public Improvement Responsibilities, may require the subdivider or developer, or the city, to obtain easements outside of the boundaries of a plat to install public infrastructure to serve the subdivision or development

Dedication requirements.

a. The subdivider or developer shall dedicate a site, or sites, to the public for parkland at a ratio of one-half acre of parkland for every 30 residential dwelling units in a development. (replace ½ acre per 100 persons in the City)

Schedules. The city is authorized to establish regular submittal deadlines for applications.

30-day plat review waiver" form in appendix 23-A.2, Standardized City Forms and Certification Language, of the LDC.

### **Sec. 23-81. Inactive applications.**

Needs to be reviewed and rewritten All subdivision applications are covered by the completeness process, Section 245 and the 30 day "shot clock". Needs clarification on the purpose of this section.

Discuss the relevance of Constructive notice section. It may not be needed.

- A. Generally. Applications must be diligently pursued by the applicant. This section extinguishes applications that become stale due to applicant inaction.
- B. Expiration of inactive applications.
- E. Constructive notice.
  1. ~~Minor defects in any notice shall not impair the notice or invalidate proceedings pursuant to the notice in a bona fide attempt to comply with applicable notice requirements.~~

## Consolidation of all Development codes.

Combine Chapter 28 -Zoning, Chapter 23- Land Development Codes, and Chapter 21-5- Signs. Recommended combined chapter outline is shown below. Chapters deleted and moved from other sections are indicated in red underlined font. Existing chapters are indicated in blue underlined font.

### Chapter 28- Zoning

- ARTICLE I. - ENACTING PROVISIONS
- ARTICLE II. - ZONING PROCEDURES AND ADMINISTRATION
- ~~ARTICLE III VI. - ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES~~
- ~~ARTICLE VI. - ADMINISTRATIVE BODIES (Combine with above)~~
- ~~ARTICLE I. - IN GENERAL (Combine with above)~~
- ~~ARTICLE VII. - PERMITS AND PROCEDURES – (Combine with above)~~
- ARTICLE IV III. - ZONING DISTRICTS
- ARTICLE V IV. - USE REGULATIONS
- ARTICLE VI V. - DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS
- ~~ARTICLE VII H. - SUBDIVISION AND DEVELOPMENT DESIGN~~
- ~~ARTICLE VIII III. - PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES~~
- ~~ARTICLE IX V. - ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT~~
- ~~ARTICLE X V. - SIGNS~~
- ~~ARTICLE XI V. - STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES~~
- ~~ARTICLE XII VI. - INTERPRETATION; PRESERVING RIGHTS; PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS; VALIDITY; EFFECTIVE DATE~~
- ~~ARTICLE VIII. - ENFORCEMENT AND REMEDIES (Combine with above)~~

#### APPENDICES

- APPENDIX A. - PLAT LANGUAGE AND SUBMITTAL LISTS
- APPENDIX B. - STANDARD FORMS
- APPENDIX C. - ANGLETON CONSTRUCTION MANUAL (ACM)
- APPENDIX D. - ~~ARTICLE IX. - RULES OF CONSTRUCTION, ACRONYMS, DEFINITIONS~~

### ~~Chapter 23– Land Development Code~~

- ~~ARTICLE I. – IN GENERAL~~
- ~~ARTICLE II. – SUBDIVISION AND DEVELOPMENT DESIGN~~
- ~~ARTICLE III. – PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES~~
- ~~ARTICLE IV. – DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS Reserved~~
- ~~ARTICLE V. – ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT~~
- ~~ARTICLE VI. – ADMINISTRATIVE BODIES~~
- ~~ARTICLE VII. – PERMITS AND PROCEDURES~~
- ~~ARTICLE VIII. – ENFORCEMENT AND REMEDIES~~
- ~~ARTICLE IX. – RULES OF CONSTRUCTION, ACRONYMS, DEFINITIONS~~
- ~~APPENDIX A. – PLAT LANGUAGE AND SUBMITTAL LISTS~~
- ~~APPENDIX B. – STANDARD FORMS~~
- ~~APPENDIX C. – ANGLETON CONSTRUCTION MANUAL (ACM)~~

### Chapter 21.5– Signs

ADMINISTRATIVE  
DEVELOPMENT  
PROCEDURES  
MANUAL  
CITY OF ANGLETON  
2021

DEVELOPMENT  
SERVICES  
DEPARTMENT

The Administrative Development Procedures Manual (ADPM) has been prepared to provide vital information regarding the City's development processes and serve as an easy-to-follow guide. This Manual incorporates the recommendations of the Comprehensive Plan adopted in 2005 and the requirements of the Angleton Code of Ordinances including Land development Code (LDC) and Zoning Ordinance.

**TABLE OF CONTENTS**

I. INTRODUCTION .....5

II. PRE-APPLICATION CONFERENCES .....9

III. ANNEXATION..... 10

IV. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT ..... 12

V. ZONING..... 18

Section 1 General Information .....18

Section 2 Rezoning..... 23

Section 3 Specific Use Permits..... 27

Section 4 Planned Development District ..... 32

VI. VARIANCE AND **SPECIAL EXCEPTION** .....39

Section 1 Variance..... 39

Section 2 Special Exception ..... 42

VII. PLATTING .....44

Section 3 General Information..... 44

Section 4 Amending Plats (Major and Minor)..... 47

Section 5 Minor Plat..... 52

Section 6 Replats (Major and Minor) ..... 56

Section 7 Development Plat ..... 62

Section 8 Preliminary Plat ..... 66

Section 9 Final Plat ..... 70

VIII. COMMERCIAL BUILDING PERMITS ..... 76

Section 1 General Information..... 76

IX. RESIDENTIAL BUILDING PERMITS..... 76

Section 1 General Information..... 76

X. FINANCING MECHANISMS..... 76

Section 1 General Information..... 76

APPENDICES ..... 77

Appendix A UNIVERSAL APPLICATION FORM .....77

Appendix B SPECIFIC APPLICATION SUBMITTA 77

CHECKLISTS .....77

LAND USE POLICY RELATED .....77

S1 Specific Application Form – Annexation .....77

S2 Specific Application Form – Rezoning and Future Land Use Map Amendment .....77

S3 Specific Application Form – Special Use Permit .....77

S4 Specific Application Form – Planned Development.....77

S5 Specific Application Form – Place holder.....77

SUBDIVISION AND PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT RELATED.....77

S6 Specific Application Form – Amending Minor and Major Plat.....77

S7 Specific Application Form – Minor Consolidation Plat.....77

S8 Specific Application Form – Development Plat.....77

S9 Specific Application Form – Concept Plan .....77

S10 Specific Application Form – Preliminary Plat .....77

S11 Specific Application Form – Final Plat.....77

S12 Specific Application Form – Replat .....77

S13 Specific Application Form – Construction Plans .....77

SITE DEVELOPMENT RELATED.....77

S14 Specific Application Form – Place Holder .....77

S15 Specific Application Form – Special Exception.....77

S16 Specific Application Form – Site Development Permit/Site Plan Review.....77

S17 Specific Application Form – Floodplain Development Permit .....77

S18 Specific Application Form – Stormwater Permit.....77

S19 Specific Application Form – Onsite Sewage Facility Permit (OSSF).....77

S20 Specific Application Form – Variance .....77

S21 Specific Application Form – Certificate of Occupancy (CO).....77

S22 Specific Application Form – Group Living Operation License.....77

S23 Specific Application Form – Grading/Clearance Permit.....77

BUILDING PERMITS RELATED .....77

S24 Specific Application Form - Commercial Building New/Remodel/Addition.....77

S25 Specific Application Form – Fence .....77

S26 Specific Application Form – Miscellaneous.....77

S27 Specific Application Form – Building Permit 1 & 2 Family Form .....77

S28 Specific Application Form – Place holder .....77

S29 Specific Application Form – Place holder.....77

S30 Specific Application Form – Solar .....77

S31 Specific Application Form – Swimming Pool.....77

S32 Specific Application Form – Demolition .....77

S33 Specific Application Form – Backflow Device/Irrigation Systems..... 78

S34A Specific Application Form – Permanent Sign ..... 78

S34B Specific Application Form – Temporary Sign ..... 78

S35 Specific Application Form – Master/Common Signage Plan ..... 78

S36 Specific Application Form – Water Heater or Water Softener..... 78

S37 Specific Application Form – Right-of-Way Construction..... 78

S38 Specific Application Form – Flatwork/Driveway ..... 78

S39 Specific Application Form – Water-Wastewater Service..... 78

To be added: ..... 78

Moving or Wrecking Permit S X ..... 78

Alarm Permit S X ..... 78

Grooming Facility License S ..... 78

Alcohol permit S X ..... 78

Health Permit S X ..... 78

Temporary Health Permit S X..... 78

Mobile Home Park Registration S X..... 78

Inspections ..... 78

Mechanical Electrical..... 78

Plumbing Building ..... 78

Group Living License Form ..... 78

Pipeline Permit - Form S X..... 78

Game Room Permit Form S X ..... 78

Appendix C SCHEDULE OF FEES..... 78

Appendix D LIST OF APPLICATIONS AND PERMITS, APPROVAL AUTHORITY, AND  
PROCESSING TIME78

Appendix E REVIEWING DEPARTMENTS & CONTACT INFORMATION..... 78

Appendix F MINIMUM DESIGN STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS ..... 78

FIRST DRAFT

## I. INTRODUCTION

Located in Brazoria County Texas, Angleton is the county seat of Brazoria County. With a 2020 population of **19,293**, it is the **145th** largest city in Texas Its population has increased by 2.29% since 2010. Angleton’s tax base is expanding with new investment and reinvestment in retail, commercial, residential and industrial sectors.

We welcome you interest in developing in the City of Angleton. We look forward to working with you and your team for the successful completion of your project.

The development process can seem overwhelming because many activities can occur simultaneously. We value your time and want to ensure that the entire process will be as smooth as possible. The Administrative Development Process Manual has been prepared to provide vital information regarding the City’s permit processes and will be an easy-to-follow guide. It contains policies and procedures related to the development of land and construction permitting.

The Development Process Manual (Manual) incorporates the recommendations of the Comprehensive Plan adopted in **2005** and the requirements of the Zoning Code adopted in 2009, and the Land Development Code (LDC), approved on January 12, 2018. Every effort has been made to ensure accuracy and completeness throughout the document.

Depending on the type of development, one or more sections of the Manual may be applicable. For each type of application, an introduction to the process, a flowchart of the process, a checklist, and other pertinent information has been included. We anticipate that this Manual will help you better communicate with the City staff, avoid unnecessary delays, and give staff an opportunity to work with you in an effective and efficient manner.

[Links to Reference Documents](#)  
[Land Development Code \(LDC\)](#)  
[Comprehensive Plan Chapter 28 Zoning Code](#)

### **Disclaimer**

This Manual should not be used as a supplement or to circumvent any state laws or local ordinances. The Manual is not intended to take the place of any ordinance. If there are any further questions about the City of Angleton’s development process, please feel free to contact the Development Services. Refer to the City’s website for the most current information.

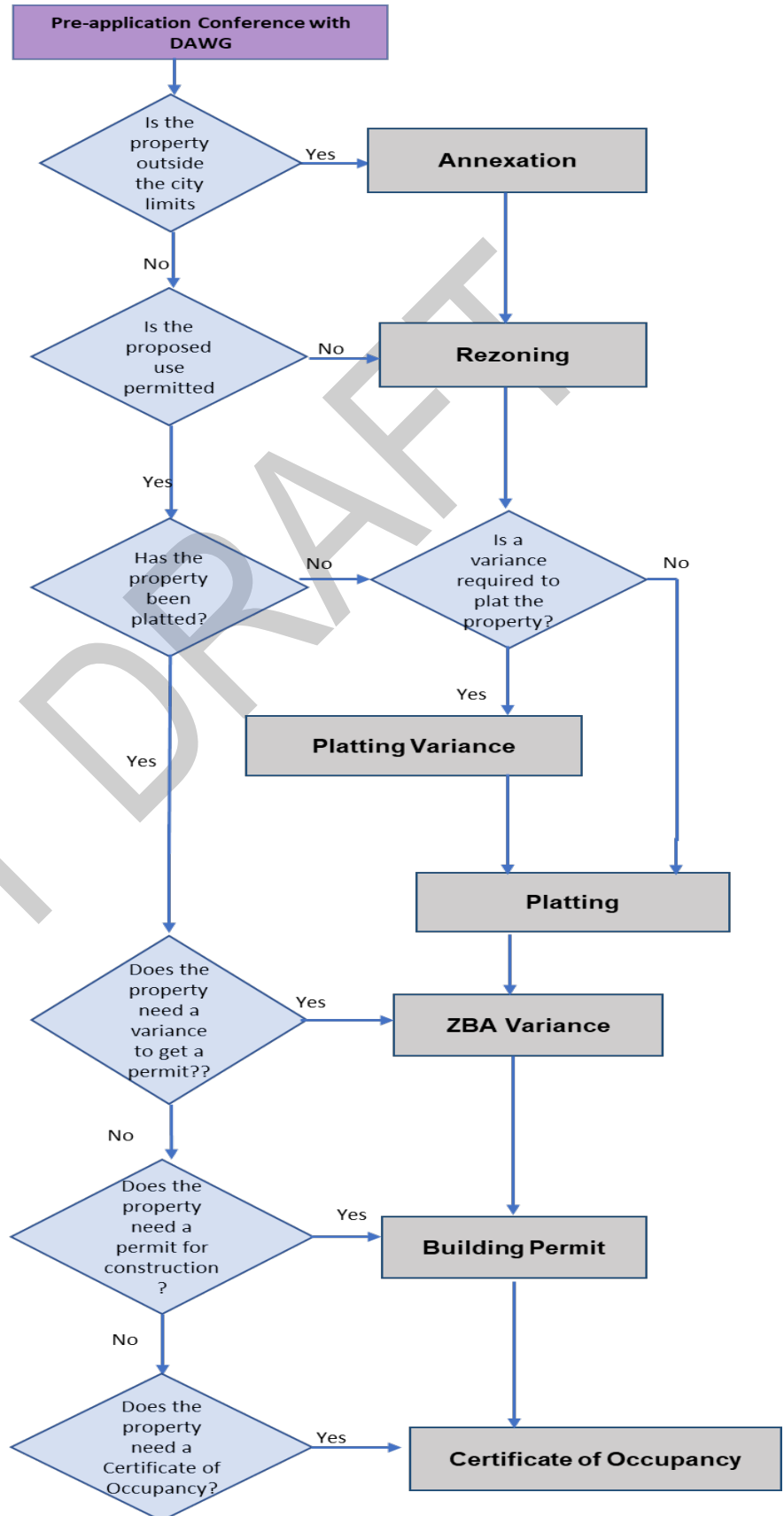
Please feel free to contact the Development Services Department at XXX-XXX-XXXX for guidance throughout the process

### Development Process Overview

The development process can be defined as the process an applicant undertakes to obtain the necessary City approvals to construct any structure which requires a building permit within the City of Angleton. It can be a simple one-step process or a multi-step one, depending on the nature of the development. Development projects vary in scale and complexity, ranging from home renovation to the construction of a new building. The process is usually categorized into nine (8) steps from a fact-finding meeting to a certificate of occupancy.

We welcome your input and feedback so that we may continue to improve upon our current processes.

Will fix formatting and font size to be legible



Part II - CODE OF ORDINANCES  
Chapter 28 ZONING

**Chapter 28 ZONING<sup>1</sup>**

**ARTICLE I. ENACTING PROVISIONS**

An ordinance of the City of Angleton, Texas, repealing the zoning ordinance #854 (chapter 28) of the City of Angleton, adopted on the 17th day of March 1981, together with all amendments thereto; establishing and providing zoning regulations; creating use districts in accordance with the comprehensive plan approved by the city council; regulating within such districts the height of buildings and structures, the size of yards courts and open spaces, and the height, bulk, exterior elevations and use of buildings and land for nonresidential, residential and other purposes; providing for specific use permits; specifying minimum requirements for off-street parking of motor vehicles and off-street loading areas; providing minimum required floor areas for dwelling units and the type of exterior construction within certain zoning districts; regulating the density of dwellings and other structures and the percentage of each lot that may be occupied by structures; adopting performance standards for nonresidential uses; establishing the basis for creating a building site; providing for appropriate plan approvals; providing fence and wall regulations; providing special access standards; adopting a zoning district map and making it a part of this chapter, together with all symbols, markings and tables appearing on said map and within the ordinance; creating a zoning board of adjustment and defining its powers and duties; creating a planning and zoning commission and defining its powers and duties; providing for nonconforming uses and a method of discontinuance thereof; defining certain terms as used within this chapter; providing for a certificate of occupancy and compliance; authorizing publication of the descriptive caption and penalty clause; providing for a penalty not to exceed \$2,000.00 for each and every offense; providing a savings clause and a repealer clause; preserving rights

<sup>1</sup>Editor's note(s)—Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, adopted April 14, 2009, repealed the former ch. 28Editor's note(s)—, in its entirety, and enacted a new ch. 28Editor's note(s)—, §§ 28-1Editor's note(s)—28-136, as set out herein. The former ch. 28Editor's note(s)—, §§ 28-1Editor's note(s)—28-410, pertained to similar subject matter. See also the Code Comparative Table.

Cross reference(s)—Administration, ch. 2Cross reference(s)—; Brazoria County-Angleton-Lake Jackson Joint Airport Zoning Board, § 2-76Cross reference(s)— et seq.; alcoholic beverages, ch. 3Cross reference(s)—; location of alcoholic beverage establishments restricted, § 3-5Cross reference(s)—; animals, ch. 4Cross reference(s)—; limitation on the number of livestock per dwelling, § 4-5Cross reference(s)—; animal nuisances, § 4-6Cross reference(s)—; limitation on number of dogs, § 4-26Cross reference(s)—; buildings and building regulations, ch. 5Cross reference(s)—; board of adjustment declared, building board of adjustment and appeals, § 5-32Cross reference(s)—; fire limits established, § 5-46Cross reference(s)—; code for the elimination or repair of unsafe buildings adopted, § 5-511Cross reference(s)—; the zoning board of adjustment to act as unsafe building code board of adjustment, § 5-512Cross reference(s)—(2); fire prevention, ch. 7Cross reference(s)—; fire marshal authorized to order repair, etc., of dilapidated and unsafe buildings or other property, § 7-44Cross reference(s)—; housing, ch. 11Cross reference(s)—; junked, abandoned, wrecked property, ch. 12Cross reference(s)—; manufactured homes and manufactured home parks, ch. 14Cross reference(s)—; oil and gas and minerals, ch. 16Cross reference(s)—; parks and recreation, ch. 17Cross reference(s)—; peddlers, itinerant merchants and solicitors, ch. 18Cross reference(s)—; public amusements, ch. 21Cross reference(s)—; signs, ch. 21.5Cross reference(s)—; streets, sidewalks and other public places, ch. 22Cross reference(s)—; subdivisions, ch. 23Cross reference(s)—, art. II; utilities, ch. 26Cross reference(s)—; vehicles for hire, ch. 27Cross reference(s)—.

Part II - CODE OF ORDINANCES  
Chapter 28 - ZONING  
ARTICLE I. ENACTING PROVISIONS

in pending litigation regarding violations under the existing ordinance; providing an open meetings clause and providing for an effective date.

Whereas the city council and planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Angleton, Texas have provided notice and conducted hearings as required by applicable law and the planning and zoning commission, at its meeting of April 7, 2009, made its report recommending that the city council adopt this chapter; and

Whereas, the city council finds that the zoning districts, development standards and other provisions of the ordinance are consistent with the comprehensive plan of the City of Angleton, Texas:

Now, therefore, be it ordained by the city council of the City of Angleton, Texas.

**Sec. 28-1. Enacting Clause.**

This chapter is hereby enacted and adopted as the comprehensive zoning ordinance of the city of Angleton, Texas. The previous zoning ordinance #854 of the city, chapter 28 of the code of ordinances of the City of Angleton, Texas (city code), adopted on the 17th day of March 1981, together with all amendments thereto, is hereby amended, repealed and replaced in its entirety by this chapter to read as follows.

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (I)(1), 4-14-09)

**Commented [LK1]:** Fix capitalization in the entire document.

**Sec. 28-2. Title and Purpose.**

This chapter shall be known and may be cited as the City of Angleton's "Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance" or "Zoning Ordinance."

As authorized by V.T.C.A., Local Government Code Ch. 211, the zoning regulations and districts as herein established have been made in accordance with an adopted comprehensive plan for the purpose of promoting the public health, safety, morals and general welfare, and protecting and preserving places and areas of historical, cultural and/or architectural importance and significance within the city. They have been designed to lessen the congestion in the streets; to secure safety from fire, panic and other dangers; to ensure adequate light and air; to prevent the overcrowding of land and thus avoid undue concentration of population; and to facilitate the adequate provision of transportation, water, wastewater treatment, schools, parks and other public requirements. They have been made with reasonable consideration, among other things, for the character of each zoning district and its peculiar suitability for the particular uses specified; and with a view to conserving the value of buildings and encouraging the most appropriate use of land throughout the city.

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (I)(2), 4-14-09)

**Sec. 28-3. Zoning district map.**

- (a) The city is hereby divided into zones, or districts, and the boundaries of zoning districts set out herein are delineated upon the zoning district map of the city, which may also be cited as the "zoning map," said map being adopted as a part of this chapter as fully as if the same were set forth herein in detail.
- (b) One original of the zoning district map shall be filed in the office of the city secretary and labeled as "Official Zoning Map of the City of Angleton, Texas - Ordinance No. 2009-O-4A." This copy shall be the official zoning district map and shall bear the signature of the mayor, attested by the city secretary, and shall bear the seal of the city under the following words: "This is to certify that this is the Official Zoning Map referred to in section 28-3 of the Zoning Ordinance, Ordinance No. 2009-O-4A of the City of Angleton, Texas, adopted on

the 14th day of April, 2009." This copy shall not be changed in any manner. In case of any question, this copy, together with amending ordinances, shall be controlling.

**Commented [LK2]:** Update date if amendments are adopted

- (c) A copy of the official zoning district map shall be placed in the office of the city manager. The map copy shall be used for reference and shall be maintained up-to-date by posting thereon all subsequent amendments. Reproductions for informational purposes may only be made of the official zoning district map or this copy.

Any changes or amendments made to the zoning district boundaries shall be made on the map copy promptly after the amendment has been approved by the city council, together with a descriptive entry on the map as follows: "On the \_\_\_\_<sup>th</sup> day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, by official action of the City Council of Angleton, Texas, the following change(s) was made on the city's official zoning district map: \_\_\_\_\_ (enter a brief description of the nature of the change), Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_, effective date \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_." Each descriptive entry for a zoning map amendment shall be signed by the mayor and attested by the city secretary.

- (d) In the event that the official zoning map becomes damaged, destroyed, lost or difficult to interpret due to age, exposure, or the nature or number of changes or additions, the city council may adopt, by ordinance following a public hearing, a new official zoning map which shall replace and supersede the prior zoning map, but which shall not, in effect, amend or otherwise change the original official zoning map or any subsequent amendment thereto. The new official zoning map shall bear the signature of the mayor, attested by the city secretary, and shall bear the seal of the city under the following words: "This is to certify that this Official Zoning Map supersedes and replaces the original Official Zoning Map referred to in section 28-3 of the Zoning Ordinance, Ordinance No. 2009-O-4A of the City of Angleton, Texas, adopted on the 14th day of April, 2009." Unless the prior official zoning map has been lost or has been totally destroyed, the prior map or any significant parts thereof remaining shall be preserved, together with all available records pertaining to its adoption or amendment.

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (l)(3)(3.1—3.4), 4-14-09)

#### Sec. 28-4. Zoning district boundaries.

- (a) The zoning district boundary lines shown on the zoning district map are usually along streets, alleys, property lines, or extensions thereof. Where uncertainty exists as to the boundaries of districts as shown on the zoning district map, the following rules shall apply:
- (1) Boundaries shown as approximately following the centerlines of streets, highways or alleys shall be construed to follow such centerlines.
  - (2) Boundaries shown as approximately following platted lot lines shall be construed as following such lot lines.
  - (3) Boundaries shown as approximately following city limits shall be construed as following such city limits.
  - (4) Boundaries shown as following railroad lines shall be construed to be located along the centerline of the railroad right-of-way lines.
  - (5) Boundaries shown as following shorelines shall be construed to follow such shorelines, and in the event of change in the shoreline shall be construed as moving with the actual shoreline. Boundaries shown as approximately following the centerlines of streams, rivers, creeks, canals, bodies of water, or drainageways shall be construed to follow such centerlines, and in the event of change in any such centerlines shall be construed to move with such centerlines.
  - (6) Boundaries shown as parallel to, or extensions of, features described in subsections (1) through (5) above shall be so construed. Distances not specifically indicated on the zoning district map shall be determined by the scale of the map.

- (7) Whenever any street, alley or other public way is vacated by official action of the city council, or whenever such area is franchised for building purposes, the zoning district line adjoining each side of such street, alley or other public way shall be automatically extended to the centerline of such vacated street, alley or public way (or to the new property ownership boundary line, if it is not determined to be at the former centerline) and all areas so involved shall then and henceforth be subject to all regulations of the extended districts.
- (8) The zoning classification applied to a tract of land adjacent to a street shall extend to the centerline of the street unless, as a condition of zoning approval, it is stated that the zoning classification shall not apply to the street.
- (9) Where physical features on the ground are at variance with information shown on the zoning district map, or if there arises a question as to how or whether a parcel of property is zoned and such question cannot be resolved by the application of subsections (1) through (8) above, then the board of adjustment shall interpret the zoning district boundaries.
- (10) If the zoning of property is invalidated by a judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction, the property shall be considered classified as "AG" (~~agricultural~~Agricultural district) in the same manner as provided for newly annexed territory.
- (11) Zoning changes which are still valid and which were made between the effective date of the previous zoning ordinance, adopted on March 17, 1981, and the effective date of this chapter are indicated in approximate locations on the zoning district map. For exact legal descriptions, refer to the adopting ordinances for each particular zoning change.

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (l)(4)(4.1), 4-14-09)

**Commented [LK3]:** Update when amendments are adopted

**Formatted:** Font color: Red

**Sec. 28-5. Compliance required and application of regulations.**

- (a) Unless otherwise provided herein, all land, buildings, structures or appurtenances thereon located within the City of Angleton, Texas which are hereafter occupied, used, constructed, erected, removed, placed, demolished, and/or converted shall be occupied, used, erected, altered, removed, placed, demolished and/or converted in conformance with the zoning regulations prescribed for the zoning district in which such land or building is located, as hereinafter provided, or such shall be subject to penalties as per section 28-133 of this chapter. All of the standards and regulations prescribed herein shall be considered as the minimum requirement unless explicitly stated otherwise, provided that all property meeting the requirements of subsection 28-21(b)(3) of this chapter shall be deemed in conformance with the provisions of this chapter and owners shall be able to use their property in accordance with zoning regulations in effect prior to the adoption of this chapter.
- (b) No uses shall be allowed which are prohibited by state or federal law or which operate in excess of state or federal environmental, pollution or performance standards as determined by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Texas State Department of Health (TSDH), Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ), Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Federal Communications Commission (FCC), or any other applicable state or federal agency, as the case may be.
- (c) No lot upon which a building has been erected shall later be so reduced in area that the setbacks, yards and/or open spaces shall be smaller than those required by this chapter.
- (d) Unless otherwise provided herein, no building shall hereafter be erected or altered:
  - (1) To have more narrow or smaller front, side or rear yards than those required by this chapter;
  - (2) To exceed the maximum height allowed by this chapter;

- (3) To occupy a greater percentage of lot area than allowed by this chapter; or
- (4) To accommodate or house a greater number of families than is specified within this chapter for the zoning district in which such building is located.

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (I)(5)(5.1—5.4), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2013-O7C, § 2, 7-9-13)

#### Sec. 28-6. Zoning upon annexation.

**Commented [LK4]:** Update based on recent legislative changes

- (a) As soon as practical following annexation, but in no event more than 180 calendar days thereafter, the city council shall, on its own motion or upon application by property owners of the annexed area, initiate proceedings to establish appropriate zoning on the newly annexed territory, thereupon the city manager shall commence public notification and other standard procedures for zoning amendments as set forth in section 28-24. Said proceedings to establish zoning may be undertaken concurrently with annexation procedures (i.e., notified at the same time, public hearings scheduled at the same time as annexation, etc.), however zoning approval and formal adoption of the ordinance establishing zoning must occur after annexation approval and adoption have occurred, and as a separate and distinct action by the city council. For the period of time following official annexation by the city until a zoning action has been officially adopted to zone the land, the interim zoning of the land shall be considered to be ~~agricultural~~Agricultural ("AG"), and all zoning and development regulations of the "AG" zoning district shall be adhered to with respect to development and use of the land that has been newly annexed. This interim "AG" zoning classification shall continue until the zoning of the property has been officially changed in accordance with section 28-24.
- (b) The initial zoning of a land parcel, whether it is interim in nature, by initiation of the landowner or by initiation of the city, must meet the requirements for notification and public hearings as set forth in section 28-24 and all other applicable state laws.
- (c) The owner of land to be annexed may submit an application for zoning the property simultaneously with submission of the petition for annexation, but no such annexation application may be made conditioned upon the approval of any particular zoning classification.
- (d) Within an area classified as "AG" (~~agricultural~~Agricultural):
  - (1) No permit for the construction of a building or use of land shall be issued by the city manager, or his/her designee, other than a permit which will allow the construction of a building or use permitted in the "AG" district, unless and until such territory has been classified in a zoning district other than the "AG" district by the city council in the manner prescribed by section 28-24, except as provided in subsection (2) below.
  - (2) If plans and preparations for developing a property for a use other than those specified in the "AG" district were already in progress prior to annexation of the property into the City of Angleton, then the city council may authorize construction of the project by a majority vote. Application of this subsection is contingent upon the following:
    - a. An application for a building permit for the proposed building or use must be made to the City Manager of the City of Angleton (or his/her designee) within six months after annexation of the property into the city; and
    - b. The applicant must be able to demonstrate that plans and other preparations for developing the property commenced prior to (i.e., were already in progress at the time of) annexation into the city.

In its deliberations concerning authorization to proceed with construction of a project which meets the above criteria, the city council shall take into consideration the appropriate land use for the area as shown on the

city's future land use plan. Upon approval by the city council, the city manager (or his/her designee) shall notify the building official (or his/her designee) of such approval.

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (l)(6)(6.1—6.4), 4-14-09)

**Secs. 28-7—28-20. Reserved.**

## **ARTICLE II. ZONING PROCEDURES AND ADMINISTRATION**

**Sec. 28-21. Nonconforming uses and structures.**

(a) *Intent of provisions:*

- (1) Within the districts established by this chapter or amendments thereto, there may exist lots, structures, uses of land and structures, and characteristics of use which were lawfully in existence and operating before this chapter was enacted, amended or otherwise made applicable to such lots, structures or uses, but which do not now conform to the regulations of the district in which they are located. It is the intent of this chapter to permit such nonconforming uses to continue, as long as the conditions within this section and other applicable sections of the chapter are met.
- (2) It is further the intent of this chapter that nonconforming uses shall not be enlarged upon, expanded or extended, and shall not be used as a basis for adding other structures or uses prohibited elsewhere in the same district.
- (3) Nonconforming uses are hereby declared to be incompatible with the permitted uses in the districts involved.

(b) *Nonconforming status:*

- (1) Any use, platted lot or structure which does not conform with the regulations of this zoning chapter on the effective date hereof or any amendment hereto, except as expressly provided in subsection (3) below, shall be deemed a nonconforming use, platted lot or structure provided that:
  - a. Such use, platted lot or structure was in existence under and in compliance with the provisions of the immediately prior zoning ordinance;
  - b. Such use, platted lot or structure was a lawful, nonconforming use, platted lot or structure under the immediately prior zoning ordinance; or
  - c. Such use, platted lot or structure was in existence at the time of annexation into the city, was a legal use of the land at such time, and has been in regular and continuous use since such time.
- (2) Any other use, platted lot or structure which does not conform with the regulations of the zoning district in which it is located on the effective date of this chapter or any amendment hereto, and except as provided in subsection (3) below, shall be deemed to be in violation of this chapter, and the city shall be entitled to enforce fully the terms of this chapter with respect to such use, platted lot or structure.
- (3) The following types of platted lots shall be deemed in conformance with the provisions of this chapter, notwithstanding the fact that such lot does not meet the standards of this chapter in the district in which it is located:
  - a. Any vacant lot that conformed to the city's zoning district regulations at the time that it was platted; or

- 
- b. Any lot occupied by a single-family dwelling authorized under the zoning district regulations in which the lot is located.
- (c) *Continuing lawful use of land and structures:*
- (1) A nonconforming use or structure may continue to be used, operated or occupied in accordance with the terms of the zoning regulations by which it was established, or in the case of annexed property, in accordance with the regulations under which it was created.
  - (2) A nonconforming structure occupied by a nonconforming use may be reoccupied by a conforming use, following abandonment of the nonconforming use.
- (d) *Abandonment of nonconforming uses and structures, and cessation of use of structure or land:*
- (1) If a nonconforming use or structure is abandoned, any future use of the premises shall be in conformity with the provisions of this chapter, as amended, and with any other applicable city codes or ordinances that are in effect at the time the use is resumed or the structure is reoccupied.
  - (2) A nonconforming use or structure shall be deemed "abandoned" in the following circumstances:
    - a. The use ceases to operate for a continuous period of 90 days;
    - b. The structure remains vacant for a continuous period of 90 days; or
    - c. In the case of a temporary use, the use is moved from the premises for any length of time.
- (e) *Changing nonconforming uses:*
- (1) A nonconforming use shall not be changed to another nonconforming use.
  - (2) A nonconforming use may be changed to a conforming use provided that, once such change is made, the use shall not be changed back to a nonconforming use.
  - (3) A conforming use located in a nonconforming structure may be changed to another conforming use, but shall not be changed to a nonconforming use.
- (f) *Expansion of nonconforming uses and structures:*
- (1) A nonconforming use may be extended throughout the structure in which it is located, provided that:
    - a. The structure or its premises shall not be enlarged or increased in height, in floor area or in land area to accommodate extension of the nonconforming use;
    - b. No alteration shall be made to the structure occupied by the nonconforming use, except those alterations that are required by law to preserve the integrity of the structure and alterations that would upgrade the quality, safety or aesthetic appeal of the structure; and
    - c. The number of dwelling units occupying the structure shall not exceed the number of dwelling units existing at the time the use became nonconforming.
  - (2) A nonconforming use occupying a structure shall not be extended to occupy land outside the structure.
  - (3) A nonconforming use or structure shall not be enlarged, increased or extended to occupy a greater area of land than was occupied at the time the use or structure became nonconforming, except to provide additional off-street parking or loading areas required by this chapter.
- (g) *Reconstruction or repair of nonconforming structure:*
- (1) If 50 percent or more of the total appraised value, as determined by the Brazoria County Appraisal District, of a nonconforming structure is destroyed by fire, the elements, or some other cause, then the structure may be rebuilt only in conformity with the standards of this chapter.

- (2) If less than 50 percent of the total appraised value, as determined by the Brazoria County Appraisal District, of a nonconforming structure is destroyed by fire, the elements, or some other cause, then the structure may be repaired and as it was before the partial destruction but only to its original dimensions and floor area, and provided that such reconstruction is completed within one year (i.e., 365 calendar days) following the event that caused the partial destruction. If reconstruction is delayed by contested insurance claims, litigation, or some other similar cause, then the one-year reconstruction period may be extended by the city council, not to exceed six months at a time.
- (3) If a nonconforming structure that is totally or partially destroyed was occupied by a nonconforming use at the time of such destruction, then the nonconforming use may be re-established subject to the limitations on expansion set forth in subsection (f) above.
- (4) Any conforming structure that is totally or partially destroyed shall be reconstructed only in conformity with the standards of this chapter.
- (5) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to prohibit the upgrading, strengthening, repair or maintenance of any part of any structure, conforming or nonconforming, that is declared unsafe or uninhabitable by the proper authority, unless such repairs or maintenance exceeds 50 percent of the structure's appraised value, as determined by the Brazoria County Appraisal District.

(h) *Moving of nonconforming structure:*

- (1) No nonconforming structure or building shall be moved in whole or in part to any other location on the lot, or to any other location or lot, unless every portion of such structure is in compliance with all the regulations of the zoning district wherein the structure is to be relocated. Such building relocation shall also require a structure relocation permit from the city, and may also require platting of the intended building site pursuant to the city's subdivision ordinance as well as approval of a site plan in accordance with section 28-26.

(i) *Nonconforming lots:*

- (1) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to prohibit the use of a lot that does not meet the minimum lot standards of the zoning district in which it is located, provided that the lot is zoned for the land use(s) intended and the lot was platted as a lot of record prior to the effective date of this chapter.

(j) *Right to proceed preserved:*

- (1) Nothing contained in this section is intended to alter any rights that may have accrued to proceed under prior regulations, pursuant to V.T.C.A., **Local Government Code § 43.002, or §§ 245.001–245.006.**

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (II)(7)(7.1–7.10), 4-14-09)

Formatted: Highlight

Commented [LK5]:

Commented [LK6]: Confirm

Formatted: Highlight

**Sec. 28-22. Planning and zoning commission.**

- (a) *General:* The planning and zoning commission (also referred to as the "commission") shall function according to the following criteria which establish membership and operating procedures. The powers and duties of the planning and zoning commission are further defined in section 28-24 and in the Code of Ordinances of the City of Angleton.
- (b) *Created; membership; officers; rules and bylaws:*
  - (1) There is created, in accordance with V.T.C.A., Local Government Code Ch. 211, the "planning and zoning commission," hereafter sometimes referred to as the "commission," which shall consist of seven members who are resident citizens, current taxpayers, real property owners, and qualified voters of the City of Angleton who are not employees of the city.

- 
- (2) Members shall be nominated for appointment by the mayor or by a council member of the City of Angleton, and each person so nominated shall be approved by a simple majority vote of the full city council before becoming a member of the commission.
  - (3) Commission members shall serve for a term of two years, and expiration of terms shall be staggered so that an overlapping of terms occurs in accordance with section 7.03 of the City Charter.
  - (4) Any vacancy(s) on the commission shall be filled via appointment by a simple majority vote of the full city council.
  - (5) Members of the planning and zoning commission may be removed from office at any time by a simple majority vote of the full city council either upon its own motion or upon recommendation of the planning and zoning commission. Failure to attend three consecutive regular meetings shall be deemed as neglect and cause for removal from office, unless such absences were due to unusual circumstances beyond the member's control such as sickness of the member or someone within the member's immediate family.
  - (6) The members of the commission shall regularly attend meetings and public hearings of the commission, shall serve without compensation. The commission shall meet at least once a month at such dates and times as determined by the commission and as appropriate to conduct the business of the commission.
  - (7) The planning and zoning commission shall appoint a chairperson and a vice-chairperson from among its membership, and each officer shall hold office for two years or until replaced by a simple majority vote of the full city council. The city manager's designee shall serve as secretary to the commission, and shall keep minutes of all meetings held by the planning and zoning commission as well as the full record of all recommendations made by the commission to the city council.
  - (8) The commission shall have the power to make rules, regulations and bylaws for its own governance, which shall conform with those set forth by the city council, and such rules, regulations and bylaws shall be subject to approval by the city council. Such rules and bylaws shall include, among other items, provisions for:
    - a. Regular and special meetings, open to the public;
    - b. A record of its proceedings, to be open for inspection by the public;
    - c. Reporting to the governing body and the public, from time to time and annually; and
    - d. Rules of order and the holding of public hearings on its recommendations.
- (c) *Parliamentary procedure; quorum; voting:*
- (1) The commission will follow the parliamentary procedure adopted by the city council, and procedures shall not be in conflict with the laws applicable to the commission on the following:
    - a. *Quorum.* A quorum shall consist of a majority of the membership of the commission, and any issue to be voted upon shall be resolved by a majority of those members present.
    - b. *Voting.* All commission members, including the presiding chairperson, shall be entitled to one vote each upon any question, a quorum being present.
    - c. *Conflict of interest.* If any member has a conflict of interest regarding any item on the commission's agenda, he/she shall remove himself/herself from the room and shall refrain from voting only on the item for which a conflict exists in accordance with state law.
- (d) *Meetings; public record:*

- 
- (1) The planning and zoning commission shall meet in the city hall building or in some other specified location as may be designated by the presiding chairperson and at such intervals as may be necessary to orderly and properly transact the business of the commission.
  - (2) Meetings shall be open to the public, and minutes shall be kept and shall be treated as public record.
- (e) *Establishing extraterritorial jurisdiction:*
- (1) Statutes of the State of Texas authorizing and empowering cities to regulate the platting and recording of subdivisions or additions within the city's corporate limits and to establish extraterritorial jurisdiction are hereby adopted, and the commission, acting through its duly authorized officials, shall have all the rights, powers, privileges and authority authorized and granted by and through said statutes and the subdivision ordinance pertaining to regulation of subdivisions in the city's limits and extraterritorial jurisdiction.
- (f) *Powers and duties:*
- (1) The commission shall have all the rights, powers, privileges and authority authorized and granted by and through the Constitution of the State of Texas, the Statutes of the State of Texas authorizing and granting cities the power of zoning and subdivision regulation as found in V.T.C.A., Local Government Code Chs. 211 and 212, as amended, the Home Rule Charter of the City of Angleton and all other applicable law.
  - (2) The planning and zoning commission shall be an advisory body and adjunct to the city council, and shall make recommendations regarding amendments to the comprehensive plan, changes of zoning for real property, zoning and subdivision ordinance amendments, zoning to be given to newly annexed areas, approval of plats of subdivisions, and other planning-related matters. The planning and zoning commission shall review the city's comprehensive plan and shall be prepared to make recommendations to the city council, as deemed necessary, to keep the city's comprehensive plan current with changing conditions and trends and with the planning needs of the city. The planning and zoning commission shall also serve in an advisory capacity on any other planning-related matter(s) in the city.
- (g) *Procedure on zoning hearings:*
- (1) The procedure and process for zoning changes and zoning ordinance amendments shall be in accordance with section 28-24.
- (h) *Joint meetings with the city council:*
- (1) Whenever the city council and the planning and zoning commission are required by the laws of the State of Texas to conduct public hearings in matters pertaining to planning, zoning or subdividing property, and at other times when it is in the best interest of the city to do so, the city council and the planning and zoning commission are hereby authorized, after published notice as required by law, to hold joint meetings and to conduct joint public hearings.

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (II)(8)(8.1—8.8), 4-14-09)

### **Sec. 28-23. Board of adjustment (BOA).**

- (a) *Creation:*
- (1) There is hereby created a board of adjustment (BOA), hereafter referred to as the "board," for the purpose, in appropriate cases and subject to appropriate conditions and safeguards, to make special exceptions to the terms of this chapter that are consistent with the general purpose and intent of this

chapter. The board shall be composed of members who are resident citizens, taxpayers, qualified voters.

(b) *Members; terms of office:*

- (1) The board of adjustments shall consist of five regular members, who shall be appointed by a simple majority vote of the full city council, and shall operate in accordance with V.T.C.A., Local Government Code §§ 211.008—211.011, as amended.
- (2) The city council shall provide for the appointment of up to four alternate members to serve in the absence of one or more of the regular board members on an alternating basis such that all alternate members have equal opportunities to serve on the board.
- (3) Regular board members and alternate members shall serve for a term of two years.
- (4) Any vacancy(s) on the board (both regular and alternate members) shall be filled for the unexpired term(s) via appointment by a simple majority vote of the full city council for the remainder of the term(s).
- (5) Members of the board may be removed from office for any reason, by a simple majority vote of the full city council. Failure to attend three consecutive scheduled meetings shall be deemed as neglect and cause for removal from office, unless such absences were due to unusual circumstances beyond the member's control such as sickness of the member or someone within the member's immediate family.
- (6) The members of the board (and alternate members, as needed) shall regularly attend meetings and public hearings of the board, shall serve without compensation.
- (7) The board of adjustment shall elect a chairperson and a vice-chairperson from among its membership, and each officer shall hold office for two years or until replaced by a simple majority vote of the full board. The city manager's designee shall serve as secretary to the board of adjustment, and shall keep minutes of all meetings held by the board. The secretary shall also set up and maintain a separate file for each application for hearing by the board, and shall record therein the names and addresses of all persons/entities to whom notices are mailed, including the date of mailing and the person by whom such notices were delivered to the post office. All records and files herein provided for shall be permanent and official records of the City of Angleton. The secretary shall also immediately notify in writing the city council, planning and zoning commission, and the city manager or designee of each decision rendered by the board in the conduct of its duties.
- (8) The board of adjustment shall have the power to make the rules, regulations and bylaws for its own government, which shall conform as nearly as possible with those governing the city council, and the board's rules, regulations and bylaws shall be subject to approval by city council.

(c) *Meetings:*

- (1) Meetings of the board of adjustment shall be held at the call of the chairperson and at such other times as the board may determine to properly transact business of the board. All meetings of the board shall be open to the public, and minutes shall be kept of all proceedings at board meetings. Four members of the board shall constitute a quorum for the conduct of business. All cases to be heard by the board of adjustments shall always be heard by at least 75 percent of the members, which constitutes four members.

(d) *Authority of board of adjustment:*

- (1) The board of adjustment shall have the authority, subject to the standards established in V.T.C.A., Local Government Code §§ 211.008—211.011 and those established herein, to exercise powers and to perform duties including the following:

Created: 2021-03-10 16:12:42 [EST]

(Supp. No. 19)

- 
- a. Hear and decide an appeal that alleges error in an order, requirement, decision or determination made by an administrative official in the enforcement of this chapter;
  - b. Authorize, in specific cases, a variance (see subsection (f)) from the terms of this chapter if the variance is not contrary to the public interest and if, due to special conditions, a literal enforcement of the ordinance would result in unnecessary hardship, and so that the spirit of this chapter is observed and substantial justice is done; and
  - c. Make interpretations on zoning district boundaries shown on the zoning map where uncertainty exists because physical features on the ground differ from those on the zoning map or where the rules in section 28-5 (zoning district boundaries) do not apply or are ambiguous.
- (2) In exercising its authority under subsection (1)a. above, the board of adjustment may reverse or affirm, in whole or in part, or modify the administrative official's order, requirement, decision or determination from which an appeal is taken and make the correct order, requirement, decision or determination, and for that purpose the board has the same authority as the administrative official.
  - (3) The concurring vote of at least 75 percent, which shall be defined as four members, of the full board of adjustment is necessary to:
    - a. Reverse an order, requirement, decision or determination of an administrative official;
    - b. Decide in favor of an applicant on a matter on which the board is required to review under this zoning chapter;
    - c. Authorize a variance from a provision of this zoning chapter; or
    - d. Hear and decide special exceptions to a provision of this zoning chapter (see subsection 28-23(f)(5)).
- (e) *Limitations on authority of board of adjustment:*
- (1) The board of adjustment may not grant a variance authorizing a use other than those permitted in the district for which the variance is sought, except as provided in subsection (f).
  - (2) The board of adjustment shall have no power to grant or modify specific use permits authorized under section 28-63.
  - (3) The board of adjustment shall have no power to grant a zoning amendment. In the event that a request for a zoning amendment is pending before the planning and zoning commission or the city council, the board shall neither hear nor grant any variances with respect to the subject property until final disposition of the zoning amendment by the commission and the city council.
  - (4) The board of adjustment shall not grant a variance for any parcel of property or portion thereof upon which a site plan, preliminary plat or final plat, where required, is pending on the agenda of the planning and zoning commission and, where applicable, by the city council. All administrative and procedural remedies available to the applicant shall have been exhausted prior to hearing by the board of adjustment.
- (f) *Variances and special exceptions:*
- (1) The board of adjustment may authorize a variance from these regulations when, in its opinion, undue hardship will result from requiring strict compliance. For example, if the subject property substantially differs from other similarly zoned land parcels by being of such restricted area, shape or slope that it cannot reasonably be developed in the same manner as other similarly zoned land parcels, then a variance of the building setback, lot width or depth, parking requirement, or other development standard may be warranted. In granting a variance, the board shall prescribe only conditions that it deems necessary for, or desirable to, the public interest. In making the findings herein-below required,

the board shall take into account the nature of the proposed use of the land involved, existing uses of land in the vicinity, the number of persons who will reside or work within the proposed use, and the probable effect such variance will have upon traffic conditions and upon the public health, safety, convenience and welfare of the community.

- (2) *Conditions required for variance.* No variance shall be granted without first having given public notice and having held a public hearing on the variance request in accordance with subsection (h) of this section and unless the board of adjustment finds:
- a. That there are special circumstances or conditions affecting the land involved such that the strict application of the provisions of this chapter would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of his/her land;
  - b. That the variance is necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of a substantial property right of the applicant;
  - c. That the granting of the variance will not be detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare, or injurious to other property within the area;
  - d. That the granting of the variance will not have the effect of preventing the orderly use of other land within the area in accordance with the provisions of this chapter; and
  - e. That a finding of undue hardship exists (see subsection (f)(3) below).

Such findings of the board of adjustment, together with the specific facts upon which such findings are based, shall be incorporated into the official minutes of the board of adjustment meeting at which such variance is granted. Variances may be granted only when in harmony with the general purpose and intent of this chapter so that the public health, safety and welfare may be secured and that substantial justice may be done.

- (3) *Findings of undue hardship.* In order to grant a variance, the board of adjustment must make written findings that an undue hardship exists, using the following criteria:
- a. That literal enforcement of the controls will create an unnecessary hardship in the development of the affected property;
  - b. That the situation causing the hardship or difficulty is neither financial in nature, self-imposed nor generally affecting all or most properties in the same zoning district;
  - c. That the relief sought will not injure the permitted use of adjacent conforming property; and
  - d. That the granting of a variance will be in harmony with the spirit and purpose of these regulations.
- (4) A variance shall not be granted to relieve a self-created or personal hardship, nor shall it be based solely upon economic gain or loss, nor shall it permit any person the privilege in developing a parcel of land not permitted by this chapter to other parcels of land in the particular zoning district. No variance may be granted which results in undue hardship upon another parcel of land.
- (5) *Special exceptions for nonconforming uses and structures.* Upon written request of the property owner, the board may grant special exceptions to the provisions of section 28-21, limited to the following, and in accordance with the following standards:
- a. Expansion of the land area of a nonconforming use, up to a maximum of ten percent.
  - b. Expansion of the gross floor area of a nonconforming structure, up to a maximum of ten percent, provided that such expansion does not decrease any existing setback and does not encroach onto adjacent property.

- c. Change from one nonconforming use to another, re-construction of a nonconforming structure that has been totally destroyed, or resumption of a nonconforming use previously abandoned, only upon finding that the failure to grant the special exception deprives the property owner of substantially all use or economic value of the land.
- d. In granting special exceptions under this subsection, the board may impose such conditions as are necessary to protect adjacent property owners and to ensure the public health, safety and general welfare, including but not limited to conditions specifying the period during which the nonconforming use may continue to operate or exist before being brought into conformance with the standards of the zoning chapter.
- e. For existing single-family and duplex structures that were constructed prior to the effective date of this chapter, the board of adjustment may authorize a special exception for any structure that was constructed over a setback line established by this chapter.
- f. The board of adjustment may authorize a special exception for the reconstruction and occupancy of a nonconforming structure, or a structure containing a nonconforming use and/or the restoration of a building site that is nonconforming as to development standards (including, but not limited to, parking arrangement, landscaping, etc.), when a structure has been damaged by fire or other cause to the extent of more than 50 percent, but less than the total, of the appraised value of the structure, as determined from the records of the Brazoria County Appraisal District, as of the date of the damage. Such action by the board of adjustment shall have due regard for the property rights of the person or persons affected, and shall be considered in regard to the public welfare, character of the area surrounding such structure, and the conservation, preservation and protection of property.
- g. The board of adjustment may authorize a special exception for the enlargement, expansion or repair of a nonconforming structure if such enlargement, expansion or repair will improve the condition of the structure, if it will bring the structure closer into compliance with this chapter, or if it will otherwise improve or enhance public health, safety or welfare.

Commented [LK7]: To expand?

(g) Appeals to the board of adjustment:

- (1) *Authority.* In addition to the authorization of variances and special exceptions from the terms of this chapter, the board of adjustment shall have the authority to hear and decide an appeal that alleges error in an order, requirement, decision or determination made by an administrative official in the enforcement of this chapter. The board of adjustment may reverse or affirm, in whole or in part, or may modify the administrative official's order, requirement, decision or determination from which an appeal is taken and make the correct order, requirement, decision or determination, and for that purpose, the board of adjustment has the same authority as the administrative official. The board of adjustment may also hear and decide other matters authorized by the subdivision ordinance and other city ordinances regarding land use and development regulations.
- (2) *Who may appeal.* Any of the following persons may appeal to the board of adjustment a decision made by an administrative official:
  - a. A person directly aggrieved by the decision; or
  - b. Any officer, department, board or office of the city affected by the decision.
- (3) *Procedure for appeal.* The appellant must file with the board of adjustment and the official from whom the appeal is taken a written notice of appeal specifying the grounds for the appeal. The notice of appeal shall be filed within 15 calendar days after the decision has been rendered. Upon receiving the notice, the official from whom the appeal is taken shall immediately transmit to the board of adjustment all papers constituting the record of action that is appealed. An appeal stays all proceedings in furtherance of the action that is appealed unless the official from whom the appeal is

Commented [LK8]: Variance to subdivision regulations are granted by P & Z.

Formatted: Highlight

taken certifies in writing to the board of adjustment facts supporting the official's opinion that a stay would cause imminent peril to life or property. In that case, the proceedings may be stayed only by a restraining order granted by the board of adjustment or a court of record on application, after notice to the official, if due cause is shown. The appellant party may appear at the appeal hearing in person or by agent or attorney. The board shall decide the appeal within 45 calendar days after the written request (i.e., notice of appeal) was received. The board may reverse or affirm, in whole or in part, or modify the administrative official's order, requirement, decision or determination from which an appeal is taken, and may make the correct order, requirement, decision or determination.

**Commented [LK9]:** Check for conformance with State statutes

(h) *Procedures:*

- (1) *Application and fee.* An application for a variance or a special exception to be heard by the board of adjustment, or for an appeal to the board, shall be made in writing using forms prescribed by the city, and shall be accompanied by an application fee (as set forth by ordinance of the city council), a site plan, and any other additional information as may be requested in order to properly review the application. Such information may include, but is not limited to, plat plans, site plans, photographs, topographic contour maps, and other similar documents. All drawings must be to scale.
- (2) *Review and report by the city.* The city manager or designee shall visit the site where the proposed variance or special exception will apply and the surrounding area, and shall report his/her findings to the board of adjustment.
- (3) *Notice and public hearing.* The board of adjustment shall hold a public hearing for consideration of the variance or special exception request no later than 45 calendar days after the date the application for action, or an appeal, is filed. Written notice of the public hearing for a variance or special exception shall be provided to all property owners, according to the Brazoria County Appraisal District via U.S. mail, within 200 feet of the affected property before the tenth calendar day prior to the public hearing. Notice shall also be published in the official local newspaper before the 15th calendar day prior to the public hearing.
- (4) *Action by the board of adjustment.* The board of adjustment shall not grant a variance unless it finds, based upon compelling evidence provided by the applicant, that each of the conditions in subsection (f) has been satisfied. The board of adjustment may impose such conditions, limitations and safeguards as it deems appropriate upon the granting of any variance or special exception as are necessary to protect the public health, safety, convenience and welfare. Violation of any such condition, limitation or safeguard shall constitute a violation of this chapter.
- (5) *Burden of proof.* The applicant bears the burden of proof in establishing the facts that may justify a variance, a special exception, an appeal, or any other action in his/her favor by the board.
- (6) *Waiting period.* No appeal to the board for the same or a related variance or special exception on the same piece of property shall be allowed for a waiting period of six months (i.e., 180 calendar days) following an unfavorable ruling by the board unless other property in the immediate vicinity has, within the six-month waiting period, been changed or acted upon by the board or the city council so as to alter the facts and conditions upon which the previous unfavorable board action was based. Such changes of circumstances shall permit the re-hearing of a variance or special exception request by the board, but such circumstances shall in no way have any force in law to compel the board, after a hearing on the matter, to grant a subsequent variance or special exception request. Any subsequent variance or special exception request shall be considered entirely on its own merits and on the specific circumstances related to the subject property.
- (7) *Timeliness of application for building permit or certificate of occupancy.* Upon a favorable board action on a variance or special exception request, the applicant shall apply for a building permit or a certificate of occupancy, as applicable to his/her particular situation, within six months (i.e., 180 calendar days) following the date of board action, unless the board specifies a longer time period in the

**Commented [LK10]:** Check for conformance

minutes of its action. If the applicant fails to apply for a building permit or certificate of occupancy, as applicable, within the six-month time frame, then the variance or special exception shall be deemed to have been waived, and all rights there under shall be terminated. Such termination and waiver shall be without prejudice to a subsequent appeal, and such subsequent appeal shall be subject to the same regulations and requirements for hearing as herein specified for the original variance or special exception request.

(i) *Finality of decisions; judicial review:*

- (1) All decisions of the board of adjustment are final and binding. However, any person aggrieved by a decision of the board of adjustment may present a verified petition to a court of record which states that the decision of the board is illegal, in whole or in part, and specifying the grounds of the illegality. Such petition must be presented within ten calendar days after the date the board's decision is filed in the city secretary's office. Subject to the provisions of V.T.C.A., Local Government Code Ch. 211.011, only a court of record may reverse, affirm or modify a decision of the board of adjustment.

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (II)(9)(9.1—9.9), 4-14-09)

**Sec. 28-24. Amendments to zoning ordinance and districts, administrative procedures, and enforcement.**

(a) *Declaration of policy and review criteria:*

- (1) The city declares the enactment of these regulations governing the use and development of land, buildings, and structures as a measure necessary to the orderly development of the community. Therefore, no change shall be made in these regulations or in the boundaries of the zoning districts except:
- a. To correct any error in the regulations or map;
  - b. To recognize changed or changing conditions or circumstances in a particular locality;
  - c. To recognize changes in technology, the style of living, or manner of conducting business; or
  - d. To change the property to uses in accordance with the city's adopted comprehensive plan.
- (2) In making a determination regarding a requested zoning change, the planning and zoning commission and the city council shall consider the following factors:
- a. Whether the uses permitted by the proposed change will be appropriate in the immediate area concerned, and their relationship to the general area and to the city as a whole;
  - b. Whether the proposed change is in accord with any existing or proposed plans for providing public schools, streets, water supply, sanitary sewers, and other utilities to the area;
  - c. The amount of vacant land currently classified for similar development in the vicinity and elsewhere in the city, and any special circumstances which may make a substantial part of such vacant land unavailable for development;
  - d. Whether the proposed change is in conformance with the city's adopted Comprehensive Plan; The recent rate at which land is being developed in the same zoning classification as the request, particularly in the vicinity of the proposed change;
  - e. How other areas designated for similar development will be, or are likely to be, affected if the proposed amendment is approved; and

f. Any other factors that will substantially affect the public health, safety, morals, or general welfare.

(b) Authority to amend ordinance:

- (1) The city council may from time to time, after receiving a recommendation thereon by the planning and zoning commission and after public hearings required by law, amend, supplement, or change the regulations herein provided or the boundaries of the zoning districts specified on the zoning map. Any amendment to the zoning ordinance text or to zoning district boundaries may be ordered-initiated for consideration by the city council, ~~may be initiated by the~~ planning and zoning commission, recommended by staff, or may be requested by the owner of real property (or his/her authorized representative).
- (2) Consideration for a change in any zoning district boundary line or special zoning regulation may be initiated only by the property owner or his/her authorized agent (proof of such authorization must be submitted with the zoning application, per subsection 28-24(c)), or by the planning and zoning commission or the city council on its own motion when it finds that public benefit will be derived from consideration of such matter. In the event the ownership stated on an application and that shown in city records are different, the applicant shall submit proof of ownership and verification that he/she is acting as an authorized agent for the property owner.
- (3) No person who owes delinquent taxes, delinquent paving assessments, impact fees, or any other delinquent debts or obligations to the City of Angleton, and which are directly attributable to a piece of property requested for zoning shall be allowed to submit a zoning request until the taxes, assessments, debts, or obligations directly attributable to said property and owed by the owner or previous owner thereof to the City of Angleton shall have been first fully discharged by payment, or until an arrangement satisfactory to the city has been made for the payment of such debts or obligations. It shall be the applicant's responsibility to provide evidence or proof that all taxes, fees, etc. have been paid or that other arrangements satisfactory to the city have been made for payment of said taxes, fees, etc.

(c) Application:

Submittal items

- (1) Each application for zoning, rezoning, specific use permit (SUP), or for a text amendment to provision(s) of this zoning chapter, shall be made in writing on an application form available in the city manager's office. The application shall be delivered to the city manager at least 30 calendar days prior to the date of the public hearing before the planning and zoning commission, and shall be accompanied by payment of the appropriate fee as established by ordinance. An accurate metes and bounds description of the subject property (or other suitable legal description), a survey (i.e., drawing) exhibit, and other appropriate exhibits (i.e., site plans, maps, architectural elevations, information about proposed uses, etc.) that are determined necessary by the city manager, shall also be submitted with the zoning application in order to ensure that the request is understood. A concept plan, as prescribed in section 28-26, shall also be submitted along with any zoning request involving the formation of a planned development (PD) district. A site plan, as prescribed in section 28-26, shall also be submitted along with any zoning request involving a specific use permit (SUP).
- (2) All zoning change requests involving real property (including PD and SUP requests) shall be accompanied by a notarized statement verifying land ownership and, if applicable, authorization of land owner's agent to file the zoning change request.
- (3) Official submission date and completeness of application:
  - a. For the purpose of these regulations, the "official submission date" shall be the date upon which a complete application for a zoning change request (that contains all elements and information required by this chapter) is submitted to the city manager. No application shall be deemed

officially submitted until the city manager determines that the application is complete and a fee receipt is issued by the city. Failure by the city manager to make a determination of incompleteness within ten calendar days following the date on which the application was first received by the city, shall result in the application being deemed complete, and the "official submission date" shall become the 11th calendar day following initial receipt of the application by the city.

- b. Zoning applications which do not include all required information and materials (as outlined above and per other city development review policies) will be considered incomplete, shall not be accepted for official submission by the city, and shall not be scheduled on a planning and zoning commission agenda until the proper information is provided to city staff.

(d) *Notice of public hearing:*

- (1) *Public hearing for zoning changes involving real property:* For zoning and rezoning requests involving real property (including PD and SUP requests), the planning and zoning commission and the city council shall hold at least one public hearing on each zoning application, as per applicable state law (V.T.C.A., Local Government Code Ch. 211, as amended).
  - a. Notice of the public hearing to occur before the planning and zoning commission, and before the city council, shall be accomplished by publishing the purpose, time and place of the public hearing in the official newspaper of the city before the 15th calendar day prior to the date of the public hearing.
  - b. Written notice of the public hearing before the planning and zoning commission, and before the city council, shall also be sent to all owners of property within the city limits, as indicated by the most recently approved city tax roll, that is located within the area of application and within 200 feet of any portion of the subject property, said written notice to be sent before the tenth calendar day prior to the date such hearing is held. Such notice shall be served by using the last known address as listed on the most recently approved tax roll, and by depositing the notice, postage paid, in the United States mail.
- (2) *Public hearing for zoning changes involving ordinance text:* For requests involving proposed changes to the text of the zoning ordinance, notice of the planning and zoning commission hearing, and of the city council hearing, shall be accomplished by publishing the purpose, time and place of the public hearing in the official newspaper of the city before the 15th calendar day prior to the date of the public hearing. Changes in the ordinance text that do not change zoning district boundaries (i.e., which do not involve specific real property) do not require written notification to individual property owners.
- (3) *Dual notification of planning and zoning commission public hearing(s) and city council public hearing(s):* The city may, at its option, publish the required zoning change notifications in conformance with V.T.C.A., Local Government Code Ch. 211, for public hearings for the planning and zoning commission and the city council at the same time; said notifications shall be published before the 15th calendar day prior to the planning and zoning commission or city council public hearing, as applicable.
- (4) *Joint public hearings:* The city council may hold a joint public hearing on a zoning, rezoning or zoning ordinance text amendment request along with the planning and zoning commission, but the city council shall not take action on the request until it has received a final recommendation from the commission. Notification for a joint public hearing shall be accomplished by publishing the purpose, time and place of the joint public hearing in the official newspaper of the city before the 15th calendar day prior to the date of the public hearing. For zoning and rezoning requests involving real property (including PD and SUP requests), written notice of the joint public hearing shall also be sent to property owners within 200 feet in accordance with subsection (d)(1)b. above. In accordance with V.T.C.A., Local Government Code Ch. 211.077, the city council shall prescribe any other necessary methods of notification for joint public hearings.

PH permitted

Sign posting optional

(5) *Additional rules and procedures established:* The city may, at its option, establish additional rules and procedures for public notification of proposed zoning changes and developments proposals (e.g., required plans, plats, etc.) which may include, but not be limited to, the posting of a sign(s) on any property that is proposed for a zoning change or development by the applicant or its agent(s). Knowledge of and adherence to such rules and procedures, if so established by the city, shall be the responsibility of the applicant and shall be required as part of a zoning change or development application.

(e) *Failure to appear:*

(1) Failure of the applicant or his/her authorized representative to appear before the planning and zoning commission or the city council for more than one hearing shall constitute sufficient grounds for the planning and zoning commission or the city council, at that body's option, to table or deny the application. Such tabling or denial shall not entitle the applicant to any refund of fees paid for consideration of his/her application, unless such refund is requested in writing and is expressly granted by the commission or city council at the time of tabling or denial of the application.

(f) *Planning and zoning commission consideration and recommendation:*

(1) *Accordance with section 28-22:* The planning and zoning commission shall function in accordance with section 28-22 and with applicable provisions in the city's code of ordinances. Except as noted in subsection (g)(4), all planning and zoning commission votes shall be decided by a simple majority of the filled commission positions.

(2) *Tabling of the decision/recommendation:* The planning and zoning commission may, on its own motion or at the applicant's request, table its decision/recommendation for not more than 90 calendar days from the time the public hearing was first opened. Such tabling shall specifically state the time period of the tabling by citing the meeting date whereon the request will reappear on the commission's agenda, and further notice in the newspaper and to surrounding property owners shall not be required.

(3) *Recommending approval:* When the commission is ready to act upon the zoning request, it may recommend approval of the request as it was submitted by the applicant, approval of the request **subject to certain conditions (for PD and SUP requests only)**, or disapproval of the request. The request will then be forwarded to the city council for public hearing.

**Commented [LK11]:** Conditional zoning is not permitted  
**Formatted:** Highlight

(4) *Recommending denial:* If the planning and zoning commission recommends denial of the zoning change request, it shall provide reasons to the applicant for the denial, if requested by the applicant. The planning and zoning chairperson shall inform the applicant of the right to receive reasons for the denial.

(g) *City council authority and consideration:*

(1) *City council authority:* The city council, after receiving a recommendation by the planning and zoning commission and after public hearings required by law, may amend, supplement, or change the regulations of this chapter or the boundaries of the zoning districts on the zoning map.

(2) *Applications forwarded to the city council:* After consideration by the planning and zoning commission, all zoning applications shall be automatically forwarded to the city council for a public hearing following appropriate public hearing notification as prescribed in subsection (c) above.

(3) *City council action on zoning, rezoning or text amendment requests:* After a public hearing is held before the city council regarding the zoning application, the city council may:  
a. Approve the request in whole or in part (if the city council approves the request, then subsection (g)(5) will apply),

- 
- b. Deny the request in whole or in part,
  - c. Table the application to a future meeting (and specifically citing the city council meeting to which it is tabled), or
  - d. Refer the application to the planning and zoning commission for further study.
- (4) *Protests:* For zoning and rezoning requests involving real property (including PD and SUP requests), a favorable vote of three-fourths of all members of the city council shall be required to approve any change in zoning when written objections are received from 20 percent or more of the land area covered by the proposed change, or of the land area within 200 feet of the subject property, in accordance with the provisions of V.T.C.A., Local Government Code § 211.006 of the (commonly referred to as the "20 percent rule"). If a protest against such proposed zoning change has been filed with the city secretary, duly signed and acknowledged by the owners of 20 percent or more, either of the area of the land included in such a proposed change or those owners of property immediately adjacent to the subject property and extending 200 feet therefrom, such zoning change shall not become effective except by a three-fourths vote of the full city council.
- (5) *Final approval and ordinance adoption:* Upon approval of the zoning request by the city council, the applicant shall submit all related material with revisions, if necessary, to the city manager, or his/her designee, for the preparation of the amending ordinance. The zoning request shall be deemed approved at the time the city council makes a decision to approve the request. The amending ordinance will be prepared for adoption when a correct description and all required exhibits have been submitted to the city manager or his/her designee. The amending ordinance shall be effective at such time that it is adopted by the city council, signed by the mayor, and attested by the city secretary. For those zoning ordinances that contain a penalty clause the ordinance will not become effective until the time indicated in section 3.10 of the City Charter of Angleton, Texas.
- (6) *Required waiting period.*
- a. After a final decision is reached by the city council denying the zoning and rezoning requests involving real property (including PD and SUP requests), no further application may be filed for zoning and rezoning requests (including PD and SUP requests) involving any part of the subject real property for 12 months from the date of the final decision.
  - b. City-initiated applications from the planning and zoning commission, city council or city manager are not limited by this waiting period.
  - c. Upon filing a waiver request and a payment of a \$100.00 fee, the applicant may request the city council to waive the waiting period upon a finding of changed conditions or significant new information. The city manager, or his/her designee, may submit the request for waiver to the planning and zoning commission for a recommendation to the city council.
  - d. If the requested waiver is granted, and the applicant files an application for rezoning before the expiration date of the waiting period specified in subsection (g)(6)a above, the application fee shall be 150 percent of the zoning application fee.
- (h) *Administration and enforcement:*
- (1) The city manager shall be authorized by the city council to administer and enforce the provisions of this chapter. If the city manager finds upon his/her own personal observation, or upon receipt of a complaint, that the provisions of this chapter are being violated, he/she shall immediately investigate and, when necessary, give written notice to the person(s) responsible to cease or correct such violation(s) immediately. Notice may be delivered in person or by certified mail to the violator(s) or to any person owning or leasing a property where the violation is occurring. The city manager or designee shall have the right to enter upon any premises at any reasonable time for the purpose of making

Commented [LK12]: Check?

Formatted: Highlight

inspections of buildings or premises that may be necessary to carry out the duties in the enforcement of this chapter.

- (2) Stop work orders. Whenever any building or construction work is being done contrary to the provisions of this chapter, the city manager shall have the authority to order the work stopped by notice in writing served on the property owner or the contractor doing the work or causing such work to be done, and any such person shall forthwith stop such work until authorized in writing by the city to proceed with such work. Failure to immediately stop work as provided herein shall constitute a violation of this chapter, in accordance with section 28-133 (penalty for violations), and may incur penalties for such violation.

(i) *Schedule of fees, charges and expenses:*

- (1) Until all applicable fees, charges and expenses have been paid in full, no action shall be taken on any zoning or development application or on any appeal.
- (2) The city council, upon the recommendation of the planning and zoning commission, shall determine and adopt a fee schedule for the purpose of recovering a portion of the administrative costs associated with processing zoning and development requests, including public hearings that are called for in this chapter. Such fees shall be paid by the applicant and shall not be designed to in any way restrict the applicant's ability to seek and receive a hearing or to generate revenue for other than recovery of actual administrative costs incurred by the city in the review and processing of applications. Immediately upon receipt of a complete submission for a zoning change or other development plan approval (in accordance with subsection (c)(3) above), the city secretary (or his/her designee) shall issue a fee receipt and shall create a case file as a permanent city record thereof.

(j) *Vested rights petition:*

(1) *Purpose, applicability and effect.*

- a. *Purpose:* The purpose of a vested rights petition is to determine whether one or more standards of this zoning ordinance should not be applied to a development application by operation of state law, or whether certain permits are subject to expiration.
- b. *Applicability:* A vested rights petition may be filed for an application for a site plan in a zoning change request, a planned development zoning district, a specific use permit, or in any other type of development application authorized in this chapter or by V.T.C.A., Local Government Code Ch. 245. A vested rights petition may not be filed with a petition for a text amendment to any zoning ordinance, a zoning map amendment, any other request for a legislative decision by the city council or in relation to any other action of the city which is exempt from the provisions of V.T.C.A., Local Government Code, § 245.004.
- c. *Effect:* Upon granting of a vested rights petition in whole or in part, the city manager (or his/her designee) shall process the development application and the city council shall decide the application in accordance with the standards specified in the relief order based on prior ordinance requirements or development standards.

(2) *Petition requirements.*

- a. *Who may petition:* A vested rights petition may be filed by a property owner or the owner's authorized agent with any application authorized in this chapter.
- b. *Form of petition:* The vested rights petition shall allege that the petitioner has a vested right for some or all of the land subject to the development application under V.T.C.A., Local Government Code Ch. 245 or successor statute, or pursuant to V.T.C.A., Local Government Code § 43.002 or successor statute, that requires the city to review and decide the application under standards in

Addressed in 23-105. List of submittal items are not the same. Repetition.

effect prior to the effective date of the currently applicable standards. The petition shall include the following information and documents:

1. A narrative description of the grounds for the petition;
  2. A copy of each approved or pending development application which is the basis for the contention that the city may not apply current standards to the development application which is the subject of the petition;
  3. Identification of all standards otherwise applicable to the development application from which relief is sought;
  4. Identification of any current standards which petitioner agrees can be applied to the development application at issue;
  5. A narrative description of how the application of current standards affect proposed lot size, lot dimensions, lot coverage or building size shown on the petition for which the petition is filed; and
  6. A copy of any prior vested rights determination involving the same land.
- c. *Time for filing petition:* A vested rights petition shall be filed with a development application for which a vested right is claimed. Where more than one application is authorized to be filed by this chapter, the petition may be filed simultaneously for each application.

(3) *Processing of petitions and decision.*

- a. *Responsible official:* The city manager (or his/her designee) is responsible for processing the development application with which the petition is associated. The city manager (or his/her designee) shall promptly forward a copy of the vested rights petition to the city attorney following acceptance.
- b. *Decision by city council:* The city council is the final decision-maker on all vested rights petitions. The petitioner may submit a written request that the vested rights petition be immediately forwarded to the council for a determination. The request must be accompanied by a waiver of the time for decision on the application imposed under this chapter pending decision by the council on the petition, which shall stay further proceedings on the application. Upon receipt of the request, the city manager (or his/her designee) shall prepare a recommendation and forward the matter to the council for decision, which shall decide the petition within 60 calendar days of the petitioner's request. If no written request for council referral is filed, the council shall decide the vested rights petition with its decision on the development application.
- c. In considering the vested rights petition and the development application, the city council will not make a decision which vests rights earlier than the time of making an application for a preliminary plat for the development which complies with all of this chapter, the Angleton City Code and all other applicable law, unless the applicant provides clear and convincing evidence that rights should vest at an earlier time. Provided, that nothing contained herein will affect a lawful, pre-existing nonconforming use or structure in compliance with and in accordance with section 28-21 of this chapter.

(4) *Action on petition and order.*

- a. *Action on the petition:* The city council may take any of the following actions on a vested rights petition:
  1. Deny the relief requested in the petition, and direct that the development application shall be reviewed and decided under currently applicable standards;

Concurrent  
filing allowed

- 
2. Grant the relief requested in the petition, and direct that the petition shall be reviewed and decided in accordance with the standards contained in identified prior regulations; or
  3. Grant the relief requested in part, and direct that certain identified current standards shall be applied to the development application, while standards contained in identified prior regulations also shall be applied.
- b. *Order on petition:* The city manager's (or his/her designee's) report and each decision on the vested rights petition shall be memorialized in an order identifying the following:
1. The nature of the relief granted, if any;
  2. The approved or filed development application(s) upon which relief is premised under the petition;
  3. Current standards which shall apply to the development application for which relief is sought;
  4. Prior standards which shall apply to the development application for which relief is sought, including any procedural standards;
  5. The statutory exception or other grounds upon which relief is denied in whole or in part on the petition; and
  6. To the extent feasible, subordinate development applications that are subject to the same relief granted on the petition.
- (5) *Criteria for approval.*
- a. *Factors:* The city council shall decide the vested rights petition based upon the following factors:
    1. The nature and extent of prior development applications filed for the land subject to the petition;
    2. Whether any prior vested rights determinations have been made with respect to the property subject to the petition;
    3. Whether any prior approved applications for the property have expired or have been terminated in accordance with law;
    4. Whether current standards otherwise applicable affect lot size, lot dimensions, lot coverage or building size based upon the proposed development application;
    5. Whether any statutory exception applies to the standards in the current zoning ordinance from which the applicant seeks relief; and
    6. Whether any prior approved applications relied upon by the petitioner have expired.
  - b. *Conditions:* If the claim of vested rights under a petition is based upon a pending application subject to standards that have been superseded by current standards under this chapter, the city council may condition any relief granted on the petition on the approval of the application under such prior standards.
- (6) *Application following final decision on petition.*
- a. Following the city's final decision on the vested rights petition, the property owner shall conform the development application for which relief is sought to such decision. The city council shall consider any application revised under this subsection in accordance with the procedures for deciding the initial application under this chapter and in conformity with the relief granted on the petition. If the relief granted on the vested rights petition is consistent with the development

application on file, no revisions are necessary. If proceedings have been stayed on the development application pending referral of the vested rights petition to the city council, proceedings on the application shall resume after the council's decision on the vested rights petition.

(7) *Expiration and extension.*

- a. *Expiration:* Relief granted on a vested rights petition shall expire on occurrence of one of the following events:
  1. The petitioner or property owner fails to submit a required revised development application consistent with the relief granted within 30 days of the final decision on the petition;
  2. The development application for which relief was granted on the vested rights petition is denied under the criteria made applicable through the relief granted on the petition; or
  3. The development application for which relief was granted on the vested rights petition expires (See section 28-26).
- b. *Extension:* Extension of the date of expiration for the development application for which relief was granted on a vested rights petition shall result in extension of the relief granted on petition for a like period.

(8) *Dormant projects.*

- a. *Definitions:* For purposes of this section only:
  1. Initial permit means any of the following types of approvals granted under this zoning chapter, as amended, or any predecessor zoning, subdivision or development ordinance: site plan, landscape plan, concept plan, zoning change request, specific use permit, variances or any other application that was approved subject to a schematic drawing illustrating the location, arrangement, orientation or design of land uses, lots or improvements on a site intended for development.
  2. Final permit means a building permit, certificate of occupancy, or final plat approved under the subdivision ordinance, as amended, or any predecessor zoning, subdivision or development ordinance.
- b. *Expiration of permits:* Any application for an initial permit that was approved or filed before, but that was not subject to an expiration date, one year prior to the adoption date of this chapter, and that was under the zoning or subdivision ordinances, as amended, or any predecessor zoning, subdivision or development ordinance, shall expire on the effective date of this chapter.
- c. *Reinstatement:* The owner of the land subject to an initial permit that expires under subsection (8)b above, may petition the city council to reinstate such zoning permit by filing a written petition within 60 calendar days of the effective date of this chapter. The petition shall clearly state the grounds for reinstatement, and shall be accompanied by documentation of one of the following:
  1. As of one year prior to the adoption date of this chapter, one of the following events had occurred:
    - (1) A final permit for all or part of the land subject to the approved initial permit was approved, or was filed and was subsequently approved;

- 
- (2) An application for a final permit was submitted for all or part of the land subject to the expired initial permit, but such application was rejected on grounds of incompleteness;
  - (3) Costs for development of the land subject to the initial permit, including but not limited to costs associated with roadway, utility and other infrastructure facilities designed to serve the land in whole or in part, but exclusive of land acquisition costs, were incurred in the aggregate amount of five percent of the most recent appraised market value of the land;
  - (4) Fiscal security was posted to ensure performance of an obligation required for all or a part of the land subject to the approved initial permit; or
  - (5) Utility connection fees or impact fees for all or part of the land subject to the approved initial permit were paid.
2. After two years prior to the adoption date of this chapter but before the expiration date specified in subsection (8)b. above, one of the following events had occurred:
    - (1) A final permit was approved for all or part of the land subject to the approved zoning change, and remained in effect for such land on such expiration date; or
    - (2) A complete application for approval of a final permit for all or part of the land subject to the approved initial permit was pending for decision on such expiration date.
- d. *Council action on reinstatement:* The city council may take one of the following actions:
    1. Reinstatement the expired initial permit without an expiration date, if it finds that the petitioner has met any one of the criteria listed in subsection (8)c.1. above;
    2. Reinstatement the initial permit for all or part of the land subject thereto, if it finds that the petitioner has met any one of the criteria listed in subsection (8)c.2. above, subject to such expiration dates or other conditions that assure that the remaining land that is not subject to an approved or pending final permit application will be developed in a timely fashion. In granting relief under this provision, the council may require that development of such remaining land is subject to standards enacted after approval of the initial permit;
    3. Deny the petition, if it finds that the petitioner has failed to meet any of the criteria in subsection (8)c.; or
    4. Reinstatement the permit for only that part of the land subject to a pending final permit application, if it finds that the petitioner has met the criteria in subsection (8)c.2.ii. above and the pending application subsequently was approved, and deny the petition for the remaining land subject to the expired initial permit.

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (II)(10)(10.1—10.10), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2016-O-6B, § 2, 6-14-16; Ord. No. 2016-O-8A, § 2, 8-23-16)

### **Sec. 28-25. Building permits; certificates of occupancy and compliance.**

(a) *Building permits required:*

- (1) No building or other structure shall be erected, moved, added to, or structurally altered without a building permit issued by the City of Angleton's Building Official. A building permit shall not be issued except in conformity with the provisions of this chapter, unless otherwise authorized by the board of adjustment in the form of a variance or special exception as provided in subsection 28-23(f) of this

chapter. A building permit shall not be issued until the property is properly zoned for the intended use, until the property is platted in accordance with the subdivision ordinance, nor until all appropriate plans have been approved by the city (including, but not limited to, a final plat, a detailed plot plan, a final site plan, landscaping and facade plans, building structural plans, etc.). ~~All site plans shall clearly show in detail how the site will be constructed (such as paving, buildings, general physical improvements, improvements that currently exist, distances to property lines, construction planning, etc.).~~

Commented [LK13]: Needs to meet all requirements.

(b) *Cancellation of building permit:*

- (1) Failure of an applicant or any of his/her agents, representatives or contractors to erect, construct, reconstruct, alter, use or maintain any building, structure or premises in conformance with the approved plans upon which a building permit was issued, when such failure constitutes a violation of any provision of this chapter, shall render such building permit void, and the building official is hereby authorized and directed to revoke any such permit by giving written notice to the applicant or his/her agent or representative, and all work upon such building, structure or premises shall be immediately discontinued until such building, structure or premises shall be brought into conformance with the approved plans and with all applicable provisions of this chapter.

(c) *Certificate of occupancy:*

- (1) A certificate of occupancy shall be required for any of the following:
  - a. Occupancy and use of a building hereafter erected or structurally altered;
  - b. Change in use of an existing building to a use of a different classification; and
  - c. Change in the use of land (regardless of whether or not a building is present or erected on the property) to a use of a different classification. No certificate of occupancy is required for a change in zoning, in accordance with section 28-24 of this chapter.
- (2) ~~No such use, or change of use, shall take place until a certificate of occupancy therefore shall have been issued by the building official. The application fee(s) for a certificate of occupancy shall be as set forth by ordinance of the city council.~~

Commented [LK14]: Repeated, see above?

- (3) A record of all certificates of occupancy shall be kept on file in the building official's office, and copies shall be furnished upon request to any person in accordance with state laws governing public records.
- (4) *Procedure for new or altered buildings.* Written application for a certificate of occupancy for a new building or for an existing building which is to be altered shall be made at the same time as the application for the building permit for such building. Said certificate shall be issued after the building official orders the building or structure inspected and finds no violations of the provisions of this chapter or other regulations which are enforced by the building official. Said certificate shall be issued by the building official after the erection or alteration of such building or part thereof has been completed in conformity with all applicable provisions of this chapter.
- (5) *Procedure for vacant land or a change in building use.* Written application for a certificate of occupancy for the use of vacant land, a change in the use of land or a change in the use of a building, or for a change from a nonconforming use to a conforming use, shall be made to the building official. If the proposed use is a conforming use, as herein provided, written application shall be made to said building official. If the proposed use is found to be in conformity with the provisions of this chapter, the certificate of occupancy shall be issued after the application for same has been made and all required inspections are completed and approved by the building official.
- (6) *Contents of certificate of occupancy.* Every certificate of occupancy shall contain the following: 1) building permit number; 2) the address of the building; 3) the name and address of the owner; 4) a description of that portion of the building for which the certificate is issued; 5) a statement that the

Formatted: Highlight  
CO appli needs to be filed along with the BP application for new/altered buildings

described portion of the building has been inspected for compliance with the requirements of the city's building codes for the particular group and division of occupancy; 6) the name of the building official or city manager; 7) use(s) allowed; 8) maximum number of persons/occupants; and 9) issue date of certificate of occupancy.

- (7) *Posting of certificate of occupancy.* The certificate of occupancy shall be posted in a conspicuous place on the premises.
- (8) *Revocation of certificate of occupancy.* The building official may, in writing, suspend or revoke a certificate of occupancy issued under the provisions of this chapter whenever the certificate is issued in error, or on the basis of incorrect information supplied, or when it is determined that the building or structure or portion thereof is in violation of any ordinance or regulation or any of the provisions of this chapter or the building code and other codes adopted by the city, and any amendments thereto.

(d) *Completion of buildings in progress:*

- (1) Nothing contained herein shall require any change in the plans, construction or designated use of a building, the foundation for which has been completely constructed as of the effective date of this chapter, and the remaining construction of which shall have been completed within one year (i.e., 365 calendar days) following the effective date of this chapter. In addition, any nonresidential building or structure for which a building permit has been approved by the city not more than one year (i.e., 365 calendar days) prior to the effective date of this chapter may be constructed according to the terms of that building permit.

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (II)(11)(11.1—11.4), 4-14-09)

**Sec. 28-26. Concept plan and site plan review processes.**

(a) *Approval process:*

- (1) *Steps for approval:* The review process may include the following steps:
  - a. Pre-application conference (refer to subsection 28-26(b)),
  - b. Concept plan for planned developments (refer to section 28-62),
  - c. Site plan for specific use permits (refer to section 28-63),
  - d. Construction of project following city approval of all required plans and plats.
- (2) *Type of plan required:*
  - a. *Concept plan.*
    - 1. A concept plan shall be required for all planned development applications.
    - 2. All procedural and application requirements are included in section 28-62, planned developments.
    - 3. The review and approval process for a concept plan shall generally be review by the planning and zoning commission and approval by the city council.
  - b. *Site plan.*
    - 1. A site plan shall be required for all specific use permits.
    - 2. A site plan may be required for planned developments, if a site plan is determined to be required at the time of planned development approval (see section 28-62).

Seems like separate approval

Is the process applicable to Concepts Plan too?

- 3. A site plan shall be required for all nonresidential, multifamily and single-family attached developments within any zoning district.
  - 4. All procedural and application requirements are included in section 28-63, specific use permits.
  - 5. The review and approval process for a site plan shall be reviewed by the planning and zoning commission.
- c. *General.* For the purposes of this zoning chapter, the term "required plan(s)" is intended to refer to any of the above-listed plans, as applicable.
- (3) *Payment of all indebtedness attributable to the subject property:* No person who owes delinquent taxes, delinquent paving assessments, impact fees, or any other delinquent debts or obligations to the City of Angleton, and which are directly attributable to a piece of property shall be allowed to submit any application for any type of plan review until the taxes, assessments, debts, or obligations directly attributable to said property and owed by the owner or previous owner thereof to the City of Angleton shall have been first fully discharged by payment, or until an arrangement satisfactory to the city has been made for the payment of such debts or obligations. It shall be the applicant's responsibility to provide evidence or proof that all taxes, fees, etc. have been paid, or that other arrangements satisfactory to the city have been made for payment of said taxes, fees, etc.
- (4) *Official filing date, completeness of application, expiration of application:* The following shall apply to any concept plan or site plan application submitted in accordance with this zoning chapter.
- a. *Official filing date.* The time period established by state law or this zoning chapter for processing or deciding an application shall commence on the official filing date. The official filing date for a required plan application is the date the applicant delivers the application to the city or deposits the application with the United States Postal Service by certified mail addressed to the city.
  - b. *Determination of completeness.* Every required plan application shall be subject to a determination of completeness by the city manager for processing the application.
    - 1. No required plan application shall be accepted by the city manager for processing unless it is accompanied by all documents required by and prepared in accordance with the requirements of this zoning chapter and submittal requirements of the City.
    - 2. The incompleteness of the required plan application shall be grounds for denial of the application.
    - 3. A determination of completeness shall not constitute a determination of compliance with the substantive requirements of this zoning chapter.
    - 4. A determination of completeness shall be made by the city manager or designee in writing to the applicant no later than the tenth business day after the official filing date that the required plan application is submitted to the city manager.
      - (i) The applicant shall be notified within that ten-business-day period of the determination of completeness.
      - (ii) If the required plan application is determined to be complete, the application shall be acted upon in the proper manner as prescribed by section 28-24.
      - (iii) If the required plan application is determined to be incomplete, the notification shall specify the documents or other information needed to complete the application and shall state the date the application will expire (see subsection (4)c. below) if the documents or other information is not provided.

Clarify the deciding authority

Commented [LK15]: Not clear?



(iv) A required plan application shall be deemed complete on the 11th business day after the application has been received if the applicant has not otherwise been notified that the application is incomplete.

c. **Expiration of application.** If the required plan application is not completed by the 45th day after the application is submitted to the responsible official, the plan application will be deemed to have expired and it will be returned to the applicant together with any accompanying applications. The required plan application shall also expire on the 45th day after the date the application is filed if each of the following occurs:

1. The applicant fails to provide documents or other information necessary to comply with the city's requirements relating to the required plan application;
2. The city provides to the applicant, not later than the 10th business day after the date the application is filed, written notice that specifies the necessary documents or other information, and the date the application will expire if the documents or other information is not provided; and
3. The applicant fails to provide the specified documents or other information within the time provided in the notification.

d. If the required plan application is re-submitted after a notification of incompleteness, the timeframe for a determination of completeness described above (see subsection (4)b. above) shall begin on the date of the re-submittal of the plan application.

(5) *Supplemental requirements:* The city's staff may require other information and data for specific required plans. Approval of a required plan may establish conditions for construction based upon such information.

(b) *Pre-application conference.*

(1) Prior to formal application for approval of any required plan, the applicant(s) may request a pre-application conference with the city manager, which conference may include the city manager, the building official, the city's planner, the city's engineer, and/or any other pertinent city official(s), in order to become familiar with the city's development regulations and the development process. The pre-application conference shall not constitute vesting on any project.

(c) *Site plan:*

(1) *Purpose:* The purpose of a site plan is to ensure that development projects are in compliance with all applicable city ordinances and zoning requirements prior to commencement of construction.

(2) *Applicability:* This section establishes a review process for all developments that require site plan approval. Submission and approval of a site plan shall be required for all nonresidential, multifamily and single-family attached developments within all zoning districts.

(3) *Building permit and certificate of occupancy:* A site plan shall be submitted and approved prior to submission of a building permit application. No building permit shall be issued until a site plan and all other required engineering/construction plans are first approved by the city. No certificate of occupancy shall be issued until all construction and development conforms to the site plan and engineering/construction plans, as approved by the city.

(4) *Extent of area that should be included in a site plan:* When the overall development project is to be developed in phases, the area included within the site plan shall include only the portion of the overall property that is to be developed/constructed.

(5) *Procedures and submission requirements for site plan approval:* All site plans shall clearly show in detail how the site will be constructed (such as paving, buildings, general physical improvements, existing and

- Commented [LK16]: Is this a statutory requirement?
- Formatted: Highlight
- Formatted: Highlight
- Formatted: Highlight

Commented [LK17]: Consider submittal of site plan as part of building permit approval.

proposed infrastructure improvements that currently exist, distances to property lines, existing and proposed landscaping, etc.) as stated in subsection 28-63(d) of this chapter. To ensure the submission of adequate information, the city is hereby empowered to maintain and distribute a separate list of specific requirements for the review of applications.

(6) *Review and approval of a site plan:*

a. *City staff review and approval of site plans.*

- 1. Following submittal of a complete application of a site plan in accordance with subsection 28-26(4), the city staff shall review the application. ~~Specifically, the city manager, city engineer, and the building official (or their designee) shall review the site plan.~~
- 2. Each site plan shall be evaluated to ensure that all developments are constructed according to the city's codes and ordinances.
- 3. Following city staff review, the city manager, or his/her designee shall recommend approval, approval subject to certain conditions, or denial of the site plan to the planning and zoning commission.
- 4. **If the site plan is denied by the planning and zoning commission**, the applicant may appeal such decision to the city council provided that such appeal is submitted to the city in writing within ten calendar days following the commission's decision. The city council shall decide the appeal within 90 calendar days, and the council's decision on the appeal shall be final.

Formatted: Highlight

(7) *Revisions to the approved site plan:*

a. *Minor revisions/amendments.*

- 1. It is recognized that final architectural and engineering design may necessitate minor changes in the approved site plan. In such cases, the city manager, or his/her designee, shall have the authority to approve minor modifications to an approved site plan. Such minor modifications shall be submitted as an "amended site plan," which shall substantially conform to the previously approved site plan.
- 2. Submission materials and requirements for approval of an amended site plan shall be as determined by the city manager, or his/her designee.

b. *Major revisions.* In the event of revisions that are more extensive in nature (i.e., do not conform to the description for minor amendments above), a new site plan must be resubmitted, reviewed, and approved by the city manager (or his/her designee). Any new site plan shall be deemed a "new permit," and shall be submitted with a new application form, with a new filing fee, and with new plans and materials in accordance with the procedures set forth in this section. The new request shall also be reviewed for compliance with the ordinances and regulations in effect at the time the new application is made. Following city staff review, the city manager, or his/her designee shall recommend approval, approval subject to certain conditions, or denial of the site plan to the planning and zoning commission. The approval process shall follow Sec. 28-26.(c)(6)a.4 above.

Is P&Z the decision making authority? P & Z approval is not required for site plans. Recommend that site plan review be part of the building permit review process.

(8) *Effect of review/approval:* Approval of the site plan shall be considered authorization to proceed with submission and review of the building permit application provided all other required city approvals are obtained (such as final plat, engineering plans, etc.).

(9) *Validity and lapse of site plan approval:* A site plan shall be considered a "permit" as described by state law in V.T.C.A., Local Government Code Ch. 245.005.

Commented [LK18]: Recommend that site plan review be part of the building permit review process.

- a. *Valid for two years:* Any approved site plan shall be deemed expired two years from the date on which the site plan was originally approved if no progress has been made toward completion of the project.
- b. *Progress benchmarks:* The term "progress" shall be as defined based on V.T.C.A., Local Government Code, Ch. 245.005 as follows:
1. Plans for construction and an application for a building permit for at least one of the buildings on the approved site plan are submitted within two years following approval of the site plan.
  2. A good-faith attempt is made to file with the city an application for a permit necessary to begin or continue towards completion of the project;
  3. Costs have been incurred for developing the project including, without limitation, costs associated with roadway, utility, and other infrastructure facilities designed to serve, in whole or in part, the project (but exclusive of land acquisition) in the aggregate amount of five percent of the most recent appraised market value of the real property on which the project is located;
  4. Fiscal security is posted with the city to ensure performance of an obligation required by the city; or
  5. Utility connection fees or impact fees for the project have been paid to the city.
- c. *Expiration:* At least one of the items in subsections b.1. through b.5. must be accomplished within the two-year period of approval. If at least one of the items listed in subsections b.1. through b.5. above, is not accomplished within the two-year period, then the approved site plan shall expire and shall become null and void.
- d. *Extension and reinstatement procedure:*
1. Prior to the lapse of approval for a site plan, the applicant may petition the city in writing to extend the site plan approval.
  2. Such petition shall be granted approval or denial by the city manager (or his/her designee).
  3. If no petition is submitted, then the site plan shall be deemed to have expired and shall become null and void. Any new request for site plan approval shall be deemed a "new permit," and shall be submitted with a new application form, with a new filing fee, and with new plans and materials in accordance with the procedures set forth in this section. The new request shall also be reviewed for compliance with the ordinances and regulations in effect at the time the new application is made.
  4. In determining whether to grant a request for extension, the city manager (or his/her designee) shall take into account:
    - (i) The reasons for the lapse,
    - (ii) The ability of the property owner to comply with any conditions attached to the original approval, and
    - (iii) The extent to which development regulations would apply to the site plan at that point in time.

Commented [LK19]: 2 yrs specified in the state statutes

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(12)(12.1—12.3), 4-14-09)

**Secs. 28-27—28-40. Reserved.**

(Supp. No. 19)

Created: 2021-03-10 16:12:42 [EST]

Part II - CODE OF ORDINANCES  
Chapter 28 - ZONING  
ARTICLE III. ZONING DISTRICTS

**ARTICLE III. ZONING DISTRICTS**

**Sec. 28-41. Zoning districts established.**

(a) The City of Angleton, Texas is hereby divided into the following zoning districts. The ~~use, height, area development~~ regulations, and ~~other~~ standards, as set out herein apply to each district. The districts established herein shall be known as:

Abbreviated Designation	Zoning District Name
<i>Base Districts</i>	
AG	Agricultural
SFE-20	Single-Family Estate Residential-20 (minimum 20,000 square-foot lots)
SF-10	Single-Family Residential-10 (minimum 10,000 square-foot lots)
SF-7.2	Single-Family Residential-7.2 (minimum 7,200 square-foot lots)
SF-6.3	Single-Family Residential-6.3 (minimum 6,300 square-foot lots)
SF-5	Single-Family Residential-5 (minimum 5,000 square-foot lots)
SF-PH	Single-Family Residential-Patio Home (zero-lot-line homes)
2F <del>TF?</del>	Two-Family Residential (duplex homes)
SFA	Single-Family Attached Residential (townhomes)
MFR-14	Multifamily Residential-14 (apartments - maximum 14 units/acre)
MFR-29	Multifamily Residential-29 (apartments - maximum 29 units/acre)
MFR-36	Multifamily Residential-36 (apartments - maximum 36 units/acre)
MH	Modular Homes
C-N	Commercial - Neighborhood
C-MU	Commercial - Mixed-Use
C-G	Commercial - General
C-OR	Commercial - Office/Retail

Commented [LK20]: Reclassify as TF.

CBD	Central Business District
LI	Light Industrial
<i>Overlay Districts</i>	
PD	Planned Development
SUP	Specific Use Permit

Commented [LK21]: This is not an overlay district.

- (b) A summary of the area regulations for the following zoning districts is included within ~~appendix~~Appendix B.
  - (c) Certain terms and definitions used within this chapter can be found in ~~section~~Section 28-112.
- (Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(13)(13.1—13.3), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2016-O-6B, § 2, 6-14-16)

**Sec. 28-42. AG—Agricultural ~~district~~District.**

- (a) *General purpose and description:* The AG—Agricultural ~~D-~~district is designed to permit the use of land for the ranching, propagation and cultivation of crops and similar uses of vacant land. Single-family uses on large lots are also appropriate for this district. Territory that has been newly annexed into the city is initially zoned ~~agricultural~~Agricultural until it is assigned another zoning district. It is anticipated that ~~agricultural~~Agricultural zoned land will eventually be rezoned to another zoning classification in the future. The ~~agricultural~~Agricultural district is also appropriate for areas where development is premature due to lack of utilities or city services; to preserve areas that are unsuitable for development due to problems that may present hazards such as flooding, in which case the AG zoning designation should be retained until such hazards are mitigated and the land is rezoned; and to provide permanent greenbelts or to preserve open space areas as buffers around uses that might otherwise be objectionable or pose environmental or health hazards.
- (b) *Permitted uses:*
  - (1) Those uses listed for the AG—~~Agricultural~~Agricultural district in section 28-81 as "P" or "S" are authorized uses permitted by right, or by specific use permit which must be approved utilizing procedures set forth in section 28-63.
- (c) *Height regulations:*
  - (1) *Maximum height:*
    - a. Three stories, and not to exceed 40 feet, for the main building/house.
    - b. Forty-five feet for agricultural structures (e.g., barns, silos, water towers, etc.), provided they are no closer than 100 feet from any front, side or rear property line.
    - c. Twenty-five feet for other accessory buildings, including detached garage, garden shed, accessory dwelling units, etc.
- (d) *Area regulations:*
  - (1) *Size of lots:*
    - a. *Minimum lot area:* Five acres (217,800 square feet).
    - b. *Minimum lot width:* 100 feet.
    - c. *Minimum lot depth:* 150 feet.

- 
- (2) *Size of yards:*
- a. *Minimum front yard:* 80 feet for all buildings.
  - b. *Minimum side yard:* 40 feet for interior side yard; 80 feet for a corner lot on a street for all buildings.
  - c. *Minimum rear yard:* 80 feet for the main building and any accessory all building(s). (See section 28-103 for accessory building standards.)
- (3) *Parking regulations:*
- a. *Single-family dwelling unit:* A minimum of two parking spaces on the same lot as the main structure and on a paved driveway having a minimum length of 25 feet as measured from the street right-of-way line.
  - b. *Other:* See section 28-101, off-street parking and loading regulations.
- (4) *Minimum floor area per dwelling unit:* None.
- (5) *Minimum exterior construction standards:* See section 28-105.
- (6) *Maximum impervious surface coverage:* 40 percent.
- (e) *Special requirements:*
- (1) Recreational vehicles, travel trailers or motor homes may not be used for on-site dwelling purposes.
  - (2) Electrical fencing and barbed wire is prohibited as perimeter fencing except for containment of farm animals on parcels of five or more acres.
  - (3) Open/outside storage is permitted provided it is not located in the required yard setback and does not create a nuisance and is in conformance with the adopted International Property Maintenance Code.
  - (4) Single-family homes with side-entry garages where lot frontage is only to one street (not a corner lot) shall have a minimum of 25 feet from the door face of the garage or carport to the side property line for maneuvering. The minimum setback from any garage door to a street or alley right-of-way line shall also be 25 feet. Conflicts with yard requirements above.
  - (5) Swimming pools: See section 28-110.
  - (6) A site plan shall be required for any development that will include: 1) a private amenity or facility comprised of one or more buildings (such as a private recreation/swimming facility, clubhouse, etc.); 2) a golf course; and/or 3) a gated (restricted access) entrance into the development. In these instances, site plan submission and approval will be required for these elements (a site plan showing the entirety of the proposed subdivision is not required). Site plan submission and approval shall be in accordance with subsection 28-63(d), but shall not require a public hearing as required by subsection 28-63(d)(5).
  - (7) Any nonresidential land use or structure which may be permitted in this district shall conform to the "C-N"—Commercial-Neighborhood district standards.
  - (8) *Other regulations:* See sections 28-101 through 28-112 regarding development standards for:
    - Off-street parking and loading requirements (section 28-101).
    - Landscape requirements (section 28-102).
    - Accessory structure and use regulations (section 28-103).
    - Fencing, walls and screening requirements (section 28-104).
    - Exterior construction and design requirements (section 28-105).

- Supplemental regulations (section 28-106).
- Performance standards (section 28-107).
- Lighting and glare standards (section 28-108).
- Home occupation regulations (section 28-109).
- Special regulations for certain types of uses (section 28-110).
- Reserved for future use (section 28-111).
- Definitions (section 28-112).

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(14)(14.1—14.5), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2013-O7C, § 3, 7-9-13)

### **Sec. 28-43. SFE-20—Single-family estate residential-20 district.**

- (a) *General purpose and description:* The SFE-20—Single-Family Estate Residential-20, district is intended to provide for development of primarily low-density detached, single-family residences on lots of not less than 20,000 square feet in size, churches, schools and public parks in logical neighborhood units. Areas zoned for the SFE-20 district shall have, or shall make provision for, City of Angleton water and sewer services. They shall be designed to adequately accommodate storm drainage; they shall have paved streets with logical and efficient vehicular circulation patterns that discourage non-local traffic; they shall be properly buffered from nonresidential uses; and they shall be protected from pollution and undesirable environmental and noise impacts.
- (b) *Permitted uses:*
- (1) Those uses listed for the SFE-20 district in section 28-81 as "P" or "S" are authorized uses permitted by right, or by specific use permit which must be approved utilizing procedures set forth in section 28-63.
- (c) *Height regulations:*
- (1) *Maximum height:*
- a. Two and one-half stories, and not to exceed 35 feet, for the main building/house.
  - b. One story for other accessory buildings, including detached garage, garden shed, gazebo, etc.
- (d) *Area regulations:*
- (1) *Size of lots:*
- a. *Minimum lot area:* 20,000 square feet.
  - b. *Minimum lot width:* 100 feet.
  - c. *Minimum lot depth:* 125 feet.
- (2) *Size of yards:*
- a. *Minimum front yard:* 30 feet.
  - b. *Minimum side yard:* Ten feet for interior side yard; 20 feet for a corner lot; 30 feet for a key corner lot.
  - c. *Minimum rear yard:* 25 feet for the main building and any accessory building(s). (See section 28-103 for accessory building standards.)
- (3) *Parking regulations:*

- 
- a. *Single-family dwelling unit*: A minimum of two parking spaces on the same lot as the main structure and on a paved driveway having a minimum length of 25 feet as measured from the street right-of-way line.
- b. *Other*: See section 28-101, off-street parking and loading regulations.
- (4) *Minimum floor area per dwelling unit*: None.
- (5) *Minimum exterior construction standards*: See section 28-14.
- (6) *Maximum impervious surface coverage*: 50 percent.
- (e) *Special requirements*:
- (1) Recreational vehicles, travel trailers or motor homes may not be used for on-site dwelling purposes.
  - (2) Electrical fencing and barbed wire is prohibited as perimeter fencing except for containment of farm animals on parcels of five or more acres.
  - (3) Open/outside storage is permitted provided it does not create a nuisance and is in conformance with the adopted International Property Maintenance Code.
  - (4) Single-family homes with side-entry garages where lot frontage is only to one street (not a corner lot) shall have a minimum of 25 feet from the door face of the garage or carport to the side property line for maneuvering. The minimum setback from any garage door to a street or alley right-of-way line shall also be 25 feet.
  - (5) Swimming pools: See section 28-110.
  - (6) A site plan shall be required for any development that will include: 1) a private amenity or facility comprised of one or more buildings (such as a private recreation/swimming facility, clubhouse, etc.); 2) a golf course; and/or 3) a gated (restricted access) entrance into the development. In these instances, site plan submission and approval will be required for these elements (a site plan showing the entirety of the proposed subdivision is not required). Site plan submission and approval shall be in accordance with subsection 28-63(d), but shall not require a public hearing as required by subsection 28-63(d)(5).
  - (7) Any nonresidential land use which may be permitted in this district shall conform to the "C-N" — Commercial-Neighborhood district standards.
  - (8) *Other regulations*: See sections 28-101 through 28-112 regarding development standards for:
    - Off-street parking and loading requirements (section 28-101).
    - Landscape requirements (section 28-102).
    - Accessory structure and use regulations (section 28-103).
    - Fencing, walls and screening requirements (section 28-104).
    - Exterior construction and design requirements (section 28-105).
    - Supplemental regulations (section 28-106).
    - Performance standards (section 28-107).
    - Lighting and glare standards (section 28-108).
    - Home occupation regulations (section 28-109).
    - Special regulations for certain types of uses (section 28-110).
    - Reserved for future use (section 28-111).

- Definitions (section 28-112).

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(15)(15.1—15.5), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2013-O7C, § 3, 7-9-13)

**Sec. 28-44. SF-10—Single-family residential-10 district.**

- (a) *General purpose and description:* The SF-10—Single-Family Residential-10, district is intended to provide for development of primarily low-density detached, single-family residences on lots of not less than 10,000 square feet in size, churches, schools and public parks in logical neighborhood units. Areas zoned for the SF-10 district shall have, or shall make provision for, City of Angleton water and sewer services. They shall be designed to adequately accommodate storm drainage; they shall have paved streets with logical and efficient vehicular circulation patterns that discourage non-local traffic; they shall be properly buffered from nonresidential uses; and they shall be protected from pollution and undesirable environmental and noise impacts.
- (b) *Permitted uses:*
- (1) Those uses listed for the SF-10 district in section 28-81 as "P" or "S" are authorized uses permitted by right, or by specific use permit which must be approved utilizing procedures set forth in section 28-63.
- (c) *Height regulations:*
- (1) *Maximum height:*
- Two and one-half stories, and not to exceed 35 feet, for the main building/house.
  - One story for other accessory buildings, including detached garage, garden shed, gazebo, etc.
- (d) *Area regulations:*
- (1) *Size of lots:*
- Minimum lot area:* 10,000 square feet.
  - Minimum lot width:* 80 feet.
  - Minimum lot depth:* 110 feet.
- (2) *Size of yards:*
- Minimum front yard:* 30 feet.
  - Minimum side yard:* Seven and one-half feet for interior side yard; fifteen feet for a corner lot on a street; 30 feet for a key corner lot.
  - Minimum rear yard:* 25 feet for the main building and any accessory building(s). (See section 28-103 for accessory building standards.)
- (3) *Parking regulations:*
- Single-family dwelling unit:* A minimum of two parking spaces on the same lot as the main structure and on a paved driveway having a minimum length of 25 feet as measured from the street right-of-way line.
  - Other:* See section 28-101, off-street parking and loading regulations.
- (4) *Minimum floor area per dwelling unit:* None.
- (5) *Minimum exterior construction standards:* See section 28-105.
- (6) *Maximum impervious surface coverage:* 60 percent.

(e) *Special requirements:*

- (1) Recreational vehicles, travel trailers or motor homes may not be used for on-site dwelling purposes.
- (2) Electrical fencing and barbed wire is prohibited as perimeter fencing except for containment of farm animals on parcels of five or more acres.
- (3) Open/outside storage is permitted provided it does not create a nuisance and is in conformance with the adopted International Property Maintenance Code.
- (4) Single-family homes with side-entry garages where lot frontage is only to one street (not a corner lot) shall have a minimum of 25 feet from the door face of the garage or carport to the side property line for maneuvering. The minimum setback from any garage door to a street or alley right-of-way line shall also be 25 feet.
- (5) Swimming pools: See section 28-110.
- (6) A site plan shall be required for any development that will include: 1) a private amenity or facility comprised of one or more buildings (such as a private recreation/swimming facility, clubhouse, etc.); 2) a golf course; and/or 3) a gated (restricted access) entrance into the development. In these instances, site plan submission and approval will be required for these elements (a site plan showing the entirety of the proposed subdivision is not required). Site plan submission and approval shall be in accordance with subsection 28-63(d), but shall not require a public hearing as required by subsection 28-63(d)(5).
- (7) Any nonresidential land use which may be permitted in this district shall conform to the "C-N"—Commercial-Neighborhood district standards.
- (8) *Other regulations:* See sections 28-101 through 28-112 regarding development standards for:
  - Off-street parking and loading requirements (section 28-101).
  - Landscape requirements (section 28-102).
  - Accessory structure and use regulations (section 28-103).
  - Fencing, walls and screening requirements (section 28-104).
  - Exterior construction and design requirements (section 28-105).
  - Supplemental regulations (section 28-106).
  - Performance standards (section 28-107).
  - Lighting and glare standards (section 28-108).
  - Home occupation regulations (section 28-109).
  - Special regulations for certain types of uses (section 28-110).
  - Reserved for future use (section 28-111).
  - Definitions (section 28-112).

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(16)(16.1—16.5), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2013-O7C, § 3, 7-9-13)

**Sec. 28-45. SF-7.2—Single-family residential-7.2 district.**

- (a) *General purpose and description:* The SF-7.2—Single-Family Residential-7.2, district is intended to provide for development of primarily detached, single-family residences on smaller and more compact lots of not less than 7,200 square feet in size, churches, schools and public parks in logical neighborhood units. Areas zoned for the SF-7.2 district shall have, or shall make provision for, City of Angleton water and sewer services. They

shall be designed to adequately accommodate storm drainage; they shall have paved streets with logical and efficient vehicular circulation patterns that discourage non-local traffic; they shall be properly buffered from nonresidential uses; and they shall be protected from pollution and undesirable environmental and noise impacts.

- (b) *Permitted uses:*
- (1) Those uses listed for the SF-7.2 district in section 28-81 as "P" or "S" are authorized uses permitted by right, or by specific use permit which must be approved utilizing procedures set forth in section 28-63.
- (c) *Height regulations:*
- (1) *Maximum height:*
    - a. Two and one-half stories, and not to exceed 35 feet, for the main building/house.
    - b. One story for other accessory buildings, including detached garage, garden shed, gazebo, etc.
- (d) *Area regulations:*
- (1) *Size of lots:*
    - a. *Minimum lot area:* 7,200 square feet.
    - b. *Minimum lot width:* 60 feet.
    - c. *Minimum lot depth:* 100 feet.
  - (2) *Size of yards:*
    - a. *Minimum front yard:* 25 feet.
    - b. *Minimum side yard:* Five feet for interior side yard; 15 feet for a corner lot on a street; 25 feet for a key corner lot.
    - c. *Minimum rear yard:* 20 feet for the main building and any accessory building(s); 25 feet for rear entry garage. (See section 28-103 for accessory building standards.)
  - (3) *Parking regulations:*
    - a. *Single-family dwelling unit:* A minimum of two parking spaces on the same lot as the main structure and on a paved driveway having a minimum length of 25 feet as measured from the street right-of-way line.
    - b. *Other:* See section 28-101, off-street parking and loading regulations.
  - (4) *Minimum floor area per dwelling unit:* None.
  - (5) *Minimum exterior construction standards:* See section 28-105.
  - (6) *Maximum impervious surface coverage:* 60 percent.
- (e) *Special requirements:*
- (1) Recreational vehicles, travel trailers or motor homes may not be used for on-site dwelling purposes.
  - (2) Electrical fencing and barbed wire is prohibited as perimeter fencing except for containment of farm animals on parcels of five or more acres.
  - (3) Open/outside storage is permitted provided it does not create a nuisance and is in conformance with the adopted International Property Maintenance Code.
  - (4) Single-family homes with side-entry garages where lot frontage is only to one street (not a corner lot) shall have a minimum of 25 feet from the door face of the garage or carport to the side property line

Created: 2021-03-10 16:12:42 [EST]

(Supp. No. 19)

for maneuvering. The minimum setback from any garage door to a street or alley right-of-way line shall also be 25 feet.

- (5) Swimming pools: See section 28-110.
- (6) A site plan shall be required for any development that will include: 1) a private amenity or facility comprised of one or more buildings (such as a private recreation/swimming facility, clubhouse, etc.); 2) a golf course; and/or 3) a gated (restricted access) entrance into the development. In these instances, site plan submission and approval will be required for these elements (a site plan showing the entirety of the proposed subdivision is not required). Site plan submission and approval shall be in accordance with subsection 28-63(d), but shall not require a public hearing as required by subsection 28-63(d)5.
- (7) Any nonresidential land use which may be permitted in this district shall conform to the "C-N"—Commercial-Neighborhood district standards.
- (8) *Other regulations:* See sections 28-101 through 28-112 regarding development standards for:
  - Off-street parking and loading requirements (section 28-101).
  - Landscape requirements (section 28-102).
  - Accessory structure and use regulations (section 28-103).
  - Fencing, walls and screening requirements (section 28-104).
  - Exterior construction and design requirements (section 28-105).
  - Supplemental regulations (section 28-106).
  - Performance standards (section 28-107).
  - Lighting and glare standards (section 28-108).
  - Home occupation regulations (section 28-109).
  - Special regulations for certain types of uses (section 28-110).
  - Reserved for future use (section 28-111).
  - Definitions (section 28-112).

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(17)(17.1—17.5), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2013-O7C, § 3, 7-9-13)

#### **Sec. 28-46. SF-6.3—Single-family residential-6.3 district.**

- (a) *General purpose and description:* The SF-6.3, Single-Family Residential-6.3, district is intended to provide for development of primarily detached, single-family residences on small, compact lots of not less than 6,300 square feet in size in logical neighborhood units.
- (b) *Permitted uses:*
  - (1) Those uses listed for the SF-6.3 district in section 28-81 as "P" or "S" are authorized uses permitted by right, or by specific use permit which must be approved utilizing procedures set forth in section 28-63.
- (c) *Height regulations:*
  - (1) *Maximum height:*
    - a. Two and one-half stories, and not to exceed 35 feet, for the main building/house.
    - b. One story for other accessory buildings, including detached garage, garden shed, gazebo, etc.

---

(d) *Area regulations:*

(1) *Size of lots:*

- a. *Minimum lot area:* 6,300 square feet.
- b. *Minimum lot width:* 60 feet.
- c. *Minimum lot depth:* 100 feet.

(2) *Size of yards:*

- a. *Minimum front yard:* 20 feet.
- b. *Minimum side yard:* Five feet for interior side yard; 15 feet for a corner lot on a street; 25 feet for a key corner lot.
- c. *Minimum rear yard:* Twenty feet for the main building and any accessory building(s); 25 feet for rear entry garage. (See section 28-103 for accessory building standards.)

(3) *Parking regulations:*

- a. *Single-family dwelling unit:* A minimum of two parking spaces on the same lot as the main structure and on a paved driveway having a minimum length of 25 feet as measured from the street right-of-way line.
- b. *Other:* See section 28-101, off-street parking and loading regulations.

(4) *Minimum floor area per dwelling unit:* None.

(5) *Minimum exterior construction standards:* See section 28-105.

(6) *Maximum impervious surface coverage:* 60 percent.

(e) *Special requirements:*

- (1) Recreational vehicles, travel trailers or motor homes may not be used for on-site dwelling purposes.
- (2) Electrical fencing and barbed wire is prohibited as perimeter fencing except for containment of farm animals on parcels of five or more acres.
- (3) Open/outside storage is permitted provided it does not create a nuisance and is in conformance with the adopted International Property Maintenance Code.
- (4) Single-family homes with side-entry garages where lot frontage is only to one street (not a corner lot) shall have a minimum of 25 feet from the door face of the garage or carport to the side property line for maneuvering. The minimum setback from any garage door to a street or alley right-of-way line shall also be 25 feet.
- (5) Swimming pools: See section 28-110.
- (6) A site plan shall be required for any development that will include: 1) a private amenity or facility comprised of one or more buildings (such as a private recreation/swimming facility, clubhouse, etc.); 2) a golf course; and/or 3) a gated (restricted access) entrance into the development. In these instances, site plan submission and approval will be required for these elements (a site plan showing the entirety of the proposed subdivision is not required). Site plan submission and approval shall be in accordance with subsection 28-63(d), but shall not require a public hearing as required by subsection 28-63(d)5.
- (7) Any nonresidential land use which may be permitted in this district shall conform to the "C-N"—Commercial-Neighborhood district standards.
- (8) *Other regulations:* See sections 28-101 through 28-112 regarding development standards for:

- Off-street parking and loading requirements (section 28-101).
- Landscape requirements (section 28-102).
- Accessory structure and use regulations (section 28-103).
- Fencing, walls and screening requirements (section 28-104).
- Exterior construction and design requirements (section 28-105).
- Supplemental regulations (section 28-106).
- Performance standards (section 28-107).
- Lighting and glare standards (section 28-108).
- Home occupation regulations (section 28-109).
- Special regulations for certain types of uses (section 28-110).
- Reserved for future use (section 28-111).
- Definitions (section 28-112).

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(18)(18.1—18.5), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2013-O7C, § 3, 7-9-13; Ord. No. 2016-O-6B, § 2, 6-14-16)

#### **Sec. 28-47. SF-5—Single-family residential-5 district.**

- (a) *General purpose and description:* The SF-5—Single-Family Residential-5, district is intended to provide for development of primarily detached, single-family residences on small, compact lots of not less than 5,000 square feet in size in logical neighborhood units.
- (b) *Permitted uses:*
- (1) Those uses listed for the SF-5 district in section 28-81 as "P" or "S" are authorized uses permitted by right, or by specific use permit which must be approved utilizing procedures set forth in section 28-63.
- (c) *Height regulations:*
- (1) *Maximum height:*
- a. Two and one-half stories, and not to exceed 35 feet, for the main building/house.
  - b. One story for other accessory buildings, including detached garage, garden shed, gazebo, etc.
- (d) *Area regulations:*
- (1) *Size of lots:*
- a. *Minimum lot area:* 5,000 square feet.
  - b. *Minimum lot width:* 50 feet.
  - c. *Minimum lot depth:* 100 feet.
- (2) *Size of yards:*
- a. *Minimum front yard:* 20 feet.
  - b. *Minimum side yard:* Five feet for interior side yard; 15 feet for a corner lot on a street; 25 feet for a key corner lot.

- 
- c. *Minimum rear yard*: 20 feet for the main building and any accessory building(s); 25 feet for rear entry garage. (See section 28-103 for accessory building standards.)
- (3) *Parking regulations*:
- a. *Single-family dwelling unit*: A minimum of two parking spaces on the same lot as the main structure and on a paved driveway having a minimum length of 25 feet as measured from the street right-of-way line.
- b. *Other*: See section 28-101, off-street parking and loading regulations.
- (4) *Minimum floor area per dwelling unit*: None.
- (5) *Minimum exterior construction standards*: See section 28-105.
- (6) *Maximum impervious surface coverage*: 60 percent.
- (e) *Special requirements*:
- (1) Recreational vehicles, travel trailers or motor homes may not be used for on-site dwelling purposes.
- (2) Electrical fencing and barbed wire is prohibited as perimeter fencing except for containment of farm animals on parcels of five or more acres.
- (3) Open/outside storage is permitted provided it does not create a nuisance and is in conformance with the adopted International Property Maintenance Code.
- (4) Single-family homes with side-entry garages where lot frontage is only to one street (not a corner lot) shall have a minimum of 25 feet from the door face of the garage or carport to the side property line for maneuvering. The minimum setback from any garage door to a street or alley right-of-way line shall also be 25 feet.
- (5) Swimming pools: See section 28-110.
- (6) A site plan shall be required for any development that will include: 1) a private amenity or facility comprised of one or more buildings (such as a private recreation/swimming facility, clubhouse, etc.); 2) a golf course; and/or 3) a gated (restricted access) entrance into the development. In these instances, site plan submission and approval will be required for these elements (a site plan showing the entirety of the proposed subdivision is not required). Site plan submission and approval shall be in accordance with subsection 28-63(d), but shall not require a public hearing as required by subsection 28-63(d)5.
- (7) Any nonresidential land use which may be permitted in this district shall conform to the "C-N"—Commercial-Neighborhood district standards.
- (8) *Other regulations*: See sections 28-101 through 28-112 regarding development standards for:
- Off-street parking and loading requirements (section 28-101).
  - Landscape requirements (section 28-102).
  - Accessory structure and use regulations (section 28-103).
  - Fencing, walls and screening requirements (section 28-104).
  - Exterior construction and design requirements (section 28-105).
  - Supplemental regulations (section 28-106).
  - Performance standards (section 28-107).
  - Lighting and glare standards (section 28-108).
  - Home occupation regulations (section 28-109).

- Special regulations for certain types of uses (section 28-110).
- Reserved for future use (section 28-111).
- Definitions (section 28-112).

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(19)(19.1—19.5), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2013-O7C, § 3, 7-9-13; Ord. No. 2016-O-6B, § 2, 6-14-16)

**Sec. 28-48. SF-PH—Single-family residential—Patio home district (Zero-lot-line homes).**

- (a) *General purpose and description:* The SF-PH—Single-Family Residential-Patio Home, district is designed to provide for development of primarily detached single-family residences on compact lots having one side yard reduced to zero feet (i.e., "zero-lot-line"), and having not less than 5,000 square feet. Patio home developments shall be arranged in a clustered lot pattern with a common usable open space system that is an integral part of the development. Areas zoned for the SF-PH district shall have, or shall make provision for, City of Angleton water and sewer services. They shall be designed to adequately accommodate storm drainage; they shall have paved streets with logical and efficient vehicular circulation patterns that discourage non-local traffic; they shall be properly buffered from nonresidential uses; and they shall be protected from pollution and undesirable environmental and noise impacts.
- (b) *Permitted uses:*
- (1) Those uses listed for the SF-PH district in section 28-81 as "P" or "S" are authorized uses permitted by right, or by specific use permit which must be approved utilizing procedures set forth in section 28-63.
- (c) *Height regulations:*
- (1) *Maximum height:*
- a. Two and one-half stories, and not to exceed 35 feet, for the main building/house.
  - b. One story for other accessory buildings, including detached garage, garden shed, gazebo, etc.
- (d) *Area regulations:*
- (1) *Size of lots:*
- a. *Minimum lot area:* 5,000 square feet.
  - b. *Maximum project size:* The maximum size of a patio home development shall be 40 acres.
  - c. *Minimum lot width:* 50 feet.
  - d. *Minimum lot depth:* 100 feet.
- (2) *Size of yards:*
- a. *Minimum front yard:* 20 feet; 25 feet to the garage door face for front-entry homes.
  - b. *Minimum side yard:* One side yard reduced to zero feet; other side yard a minimum of ten feet required with 15 feet required on corner lots adjacent to a residential or collector street, and 20 feet required on corner lots adjacent to an arterial street; 20 feet for a key corner lot on any street.
  - c. *Minimum rear yard:* Ten feet for the main building and any accessory building(s); 25 feet for rear entry garage.
- (3) *Parking regulations:*

- 
- a. *Single-family dwelling unit:* A minimum of two parking spaces on the same lot as the main structure and on a paved driveway having a minimum length of 25 feet as measured from the street right-of-way line.
  - b. *Other:* See section 28-101, off-street parking and loading requirements.
- (4) *Minimum floor area per dwelling unit:* None.
  - (5) *Minimum exterior construction standards:* See section 28-105.
  - (6) *Maximum impervious surface coverage:* 70 percent.
- (e) *Special requirements:*
- (1) Patio home developments shall be developed as zero-lot-line homes. One side yard shall be reduced to zero feet, while the other side yard shall be a minimum of ten feet; 15 feet for a corner lot on the residential or collector street side, or 20 feet for a corner lot on an arterial street. A minimum five-foot wide maintenance and utility easement shall be placed on the adjacent lot (i.e., the other side of the zero-lot-line) to enable the property owner to maintain that portion of his/her house that is on the zero-lot-line. Side yards and maintenance and utility easements shall be shown on the subdivision plat. A minimum separation between patio homes of ten feet shall be provided. Roof overhangs will be allowed to project into the maintenance and utility easement a maximum of 24 inches, but the maintenance and utility easement shall remain reasonably accessible to the adjacent homeowner to perform maintenance and repairs to all portions of the exterior of his/her home. No accessory building, pool, or stored materials (e.g., firewood, garden or construction materials, etc.) shall be located or stored within the maintenance easement; wooden decking may be located within the maintenance easement.
  - (2) Maintenance requirements for common areas. A property owners association is required for continued maintenance of common land and facilities.
  - (3) Single-family lots and detached dwellings constructed in this district shall conform to the standards as set forth in the SF-5 zoning district.
  - (4) Recreational vehicles, travel trailers or motor homes may not be used for on-site dwelling purposes.
  - (5) Electrical fencing and barbed wire is prohibited as perimeter fencing except for containment of farm animals on parcels of five or more acres.
  - (6) Open/outside storage is permitted provided it does not create a nuisance and is in conformance with the adopted International Property Maintenance Code.
  - (7) Homes with side-entry garages where lot frontage is only to one street (not a corner lot) shall have a minimum of 25 feet from the door face of the garage or carport to the side property line for maneuvering. The minimum setback from any garage door to a street or alley right-of-way line shall also be 25 feet.
  - (8) Swimming pools: See section 28-110.
  - (9) A site plan shall be required for any development that will include: 1) a private amenity or facility comprised of one or more buildings (such as a private recreation/swimming facility, clubhouse, etc.); 2) a golf course; and/or 3) a gated (restricted access) entrance into the development. In these instances, site plan submission and approval will be required for these elements (a site plan showing the entirety of the proposed subdivision is not required). Site plan submission and approval shall be in accordance with subsection 28-63(d), but shall not require a public hearing as required by subsection 28-63(d)5.
  - (10) Any nonresidential land use which may be permitted in this district shall conform to the "C-N"—Commercial-Neighborhood district standards.

(11) *Other regulations:* See sections 28-101 through 28-112 regarding development standards for:

- Off-street parking and loading requirements (section 28-101).
- Landscape requirements (section 28-102).
- Accessory structure and use regulations (section 28-103).
- Fencing, walls and screening requirements (section 28-104).
- Exterior construction and design requirements (section 28-105).
- Supplemental regulations (section 28-106).
- Performance standards (section 28-107).
- Lighting and glare standards (section 28-108).
- Home occupation regulations (section 28-109).
- Special regulations for certain types of uses (section 28-110).
- Reserved for future use (section 28-111).
- Definitions (section 28-112).

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(20)(20.1—20.5), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2013-O7C, § 3, 7-9-13)

#### **Sec. 28-49. 2F—Two-family residential district (Duplex homes).**

- (a) *General purpose and description:* The 2F—Two-Family Residential, district is intended to promote stable, quality multiple-occupancy residential development at slightly increased densities. Individual ownership of each of the two-family or duplex units is encouraged. This district is typically used as a "buffer" or transition district between lower density residential areas and higher density or nonresidential areas or major thoroughfares. Areas zoned for the 2F district shall have, or shall make provision for, City of Angleton water and sewer services. They shall be designed to adequately accommodate storm drainage; they shall have paved streets with logical and efficient vehicular circulation patterns which discourage non-local traffic; they shall be properly buffered from nonresidential uses; and they shall be protected from pollution and undesirable environmental and noise impacts.
- (b) *Permitted uses:*
- (1) Those uses listed for the 2F district in section 28-81 as "P" or "S" are authorized uses permitted by right, or by specific use permit which must be approved utilizing procedures set forth in section 28-63.
- (c) *Height regulations:*
- (1) *Maximum height:*
- a. Two and one-half stories, and not to exceed 35 feet, for the main building/house.
  - b. One story for other accessory buildings, including detached garage, garden shed, gazebo, etc.
- (d) *Area regulations:*
- (1) *Size of lots for two-family/duplex homes:*
- a. *Minimum lot area:* 10,000 square feet per pair of dwelling units; 5,000 square feet per dwelling unit.
  - b. *Minimum lot width:* 80 feet.

- 
- c. *Minimum lot depth:* 100 feet.
  - (2) *Size of yards for two-family/duplex homes:*
    - a. *Minimum front yard:* 25 feet; 25 feet to the garage door face for front-entry homes.
    - b. *Minimum side yard:* Five feet required with 15 feet required on corner lots adjacent to a residential or collector street, and 20 feet required on corner lots adjacent to an arterial street; 25 feet for key corner lot on any street.
    - c. *Minimum rear yard:* 25 feet for the main building and any accessory building(s); 25 feet for rear entry garage. (See section 28-103 for exceptions.)
  - (3) *Parking regulations:*
    - a. A minimum of two parking spaces for each dwelling unit on the same lot as the main structure and on a paved driveway having a minimum length of 25 feet as measured from the street right-of-way line.
    - b. Also see section 28-101, off-street parking and loading regulations.
  - (4) *Minimum floor area per dwelling unit for two-family/duplex homes:* None.
  - (5) *Minimum exterior construction standards:* See section 28-105.
  - (6) *Maximum impervious surface coverage:* 60 percent.
  - (e) *Special requirements:*
    - (1) Single-family lots and detached dwellings constructed in this district shall conform to the standards as set forth in the SF-6.3 zoning district.
    - (2) The elimination of a garage space by enclosing the garage with a stationary building wall shall be prohibited.
    - (3) Recreational vehicles, travel trailers, or motor homes may not be used for on-site dwelling purposes.
    - (4) Electrical fencing and barbed wire is prohibited as perimeter fencing except for containment of farm animals on parcels of five or more acres.
    - (5) Open/outside storage is permitted provided it does not create a nuisance and is in conformance with the adopted International Property Maintenance Code.
    - (6) Single-family and two-family homes with side-entry garages where lot frontage is only to one street (not a corner lot) shall have a minimum of 25 feet from the door face of the garage or carport to the side property line for maneuvering. The minimum setback from any garage door to a street or alley right-of-way line shall also be 25 feet.
    - (7) Swimming pools: See section 28-110.
    - (8) A site plan shall be required for any development that will include: 1) a private amenity or facility comprised of one or more buildings (such as a private recreation/swimming facility, clubhouse, etc.); 2) a golf course; and/or 3) a gated (restricted access) entrance into the development. In these instances, site plan submission and approval will be required for these elements (a site plan showing the entirety of the proposed subdivision is not required). Site plan submission and approval shall be in accordance with subsection 28-63(d), but shall not require a public hearing as required by subsection 28-63(d)(5).
    - (9) Any nonresidential land use which may be permitted in this district shall conform to the "C-N"—Commercial-Neighborhood district standards.
    - (10) *Other regulations:* See sections 28-101 through 28-112 regarding development standards for:

- Off-street parking and loading requirements (section 28-101).
- Landscape requirements (section 28-102).
- Accessory structure and use regulations (section 28-103).
- Fencing, walls and screening requirements (section 28-104).
- Exterior construction and design requirements (section 28-105).
- Supplemental regulations (section 28-106).
- Performance standards (section 28-107).
- Lighting and glare standards (section 28-108).
- Home occupation regulations (section 28-109).
- Special regulations for certain types of uses (section 28-110).
- Reserved for future use (section 28-111).
- Definitions (section 28-112).

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(21)(21.1—21.5), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2013-O7C, § 3, 7-9-13)

#### **Sec. 28-50. SFA—Single-family attached residential district (Townhomes).**

- (a) *General purpose and description:* The SFA—Single-Family Attached Residential, district is intended to promote stable, quality, attached-occupancy residential development on individual lots at higher residential densities. Individual ownership of each lot and dwelling unit is encouraged. This district may be included within certain areas of neighborhoods or, when in accordance with the intent of the comprehensive plan, may provide a "buffer" or transition district between lower density residential areas and multifamily or nonresidential areas or major thoroughfares. Areas zoned for the SFA district shall have, or shall make provision for, City of Angleton water and sewer services. They shall be designed to adequately accommodate storm drainage; they shall have paved streets with logical and efficient vehicular circulation patterns which discourage non-local traffic; they shall be properly buffered from nonresidential uses; and they shall be protected from pollution and undesirable environmental and noise impacts.
- (b) *Permitted uses:*
- (1) Those uses listed for the SFA district in section 28-81 as "P" or "S" are authorized uses permitted by right, or by specific use permit which must be approved utilizing procedures set forth in section 28-63.
- (c) *Height regulations:*
- (1) *Maximum height:*
- a. Two and one-half stories, and not to exceed 35 feet, for the main building or house.
  - b. One story for other accessory buildings, including detached garage, carports, garden shed, gazebo, clubhouse, mail kiosks, etc.
  - c. Other requirements (see section 28-106).
- (d) *Area regulations:*
- (1) *Size of lots:*
- a. *Minimum lot area:* 2,500 square feet.
  - b. *Maximum density:* Ten units per gross acre of land area within the development.

- 
- c. *Maximum project size:* The maximum size of a single-family attached residential development shall be 25 acres.
  - d. *Minimum lot width:* 20 feet.
  - e. *Minimum lot depth:* 100 feet.
- (2) *Size of yards:*
- a. *Minimum front yard:* 15 feet; front yard setbacks shall be staggered in at least four-foot increments such that no more than two units have the same front setback in a row; no front-entry garages permitted unless the garage door or carport access opening is set back at least 20 feet from the property line (i.e., the right-of-way or street easement line).
  - b. *Minimum side yard:*
    - 1. Single-family attached dwellings shall not have an interior side yard; however, a minimum ten-foot side yard is required for a corner lot adjacent to a residential street or alley that only serves lots within the SFA subdivision, a minimum 15-foot side yard is required for a corner lot adjacent to a residential or collector street serving lots outside the SFA subdivision, a minimum 20-foot side yard is required for a corner lot adjacent to an arterial street. The ends of any two adjacent building complexes or rows of buildings shall be at least 15 feet apart.
    - 2. A complex or continuous row of attached single-family dwellings shall have a minimum length of four dwelling units (quadriplex), a maximum length of eight dwelling units.
  - c. *Minimum rear yard:* 15 feet for the main building and any accessory building(s); 20 feet for rear entry garage.
- (3) *Maximum lot coverage:* 70 percent by main and accessory buildings on each individual lot.
- (4) *Parking regulations:*
- a. A minimum of two parking spaces for each dwelling unit, located in front, behind, beside or incorporated into the dwelling unit and located on the same lot as each dwelling unit (see section 28-101, off-street parking and loading requirements).
  - b. Designated visitor parking spaces shall be provided in off-street, common areas at a ratio of one guest/visitor space per four units. SFA developments that include a two-car garage or carport and driveway area equivalent to two additional parking spaces on each lot are not required to provide visitor parking spaces.
  - c. Additional parking shall be required for any recreational uses, clubhouse, office, sales offices and other similar accessory structures and uses.
- (5) *Minimum floor area per dwelling unit:* 800 square feet of air-conditioned floor area.
- (6) *Minimum exterior construction standards:* See section 28-105.
- (e) *Special requirements:*
- (1) *Maintenance requirements for common areas.* A property owners association is required for continued maintenance of common land and facilities.
  - (2) *Streets.* Two-way streets that serve 25 or fewer lots within a SFA development shall provide a 50-foot right-of-way and a 28-foot wide roadway. One-way streets that serve 25 or fewer lots within a SFA development shall provide a 20-foot right-of-way and a 14-foot wide roadway. All street corners and curves shall be designed to accommodate access by a fire truck. Streets may be privately owned or, if

constructed to city standards, publicly dedicated streets. Streets serving more than 25 lots shall comply with the normal standards for residential, collector or arterial streets.

- (3) *Refuse facilities.* Solid waste disposal services may be provided individually to each unit in the development in the same manner as other single-family developments or through the use of a common refuse facility. A common refuse facility shall be a dumpster or other similar container designed for receiving garbage in bulk from more than one dwelling. All common refuse containers shall be maintained in accordance with local public health and sanitary regulations. Common refuse facilities shall be located no closer than 30 feet to any adjacent single-family property, shall be located so as to provide safe and convenient pickup by refuse collection agencies and shall be screened in accordance with subsection 28-104(b)(7) of this chapter (see illustrations 16 and 17 for refuse container enclosure diagrams).
- (4) All utilities shall be provided separately to each lot within an SFA district so that each unit is individually metered.
- (5) Any residential development of a lower density than provided for in SFA districts is allowed here provided such development is in accordance with the applicable district regulations of such lower density uses.
- (6) Each SFA lot shall contain a private yard with not less than 300 square feet of area (i.e., a back yard or large side yard). Private yards may include a patio cover, gazebo or other similar non-enclosed structure which does not cover more than 25 percent of the area of the private yard, and they may also include a swimming pool, swing set, play fort, or other private leisure amenity.
- (7) The elimination of a garage space by enclosing the garage with a stationary building wall shall be prohibited.
- (8) Recreational vehicles, travel trailers or motor homes may not be used for on-site dwelling purposes.
- (9) Electrical fencing and barbed wire is prohibited as perimeter fencing except for containment of farm animals on parcels of five or more acres.
- (10) Open/outside storage is permitted provided it does not create a nuisance and is in conformance with the adopted International Property Maintenance Code.
- (11) Homes with side-entry garages where lot frontage is only to one street (not a corner lot) shall have a minimum of 25 feet from the door face of the garage or carport to the side property line for maneuvering. The minimum setback from any garage door to a street or alley right-of-way line shall also be 25 feet.
- (12) A site plan shall be required for any SFA development, or for any other type of development in the SFA district that will include: 1) a private amenity or facility comprised of one or more buildings (such as a private recreation/swimming facility, clubhouse, etc.); 2) a golf course; and/or 3) a gated (restricted access) entrance into the development. In these instances, site plan submission and approval will be required for these elements (a site plan showing the entirety of the proposed subdivision is not required). Site plan submission and approval shall be in accordance with subsection 28-63(d), but shall not require a public hearing as required by subsection 28-63(d)(5).
- (13) Any nonresidential land use which may be permitted in this district shall conform to the "C-N"—Commercial-Neighborhood district standards. All buildings within a nonresidential development shall be architecturally compatible with each other, in that they shall use similar exterior finish colors and materials to achieve an overall, visually compatible appearance when viewed from the road.
- (14) Gated/secured entrances shall be in accordance with the city's design standards for gated/secured entrances on private streets.

(15) *Other regulations:* See sections 28-101 through 28-112 regarding development standards for:

- Off-street parking and loading requirements (section 28-101).
- Landscape requirements (section 28-102).
- Accessory structure and use regulations (section 28-103).
- Fencing, walls and screening requirements (section 28-104).
- Exterior construction and design requirements (section 28-105).
- Supplemental regulations (section 28-106).
- Performance standards (section 28-107).
- Lighting and glare standards (section 28-108).
- Home occupation regulations (section 28-109).
- Special regulations for certain types of uses (section 28-110).
- Reserved for future use (section 28-111).
- Definitions (section 28-112).

(16) *Screening requirements.* A screening fence along shared property lines between SFA districts and other single-family zoning districts shall be required. Said screening fence shall comply with the requirements of section 28-104.

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(22)(22.1—22-5), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2013-O7C, § 3, 7-9-13; Ord. No. 2015-O-11A, § 2, 11-10-15; Ord. No. 20190910-009, § 2, 9-10-19)

#### **Sec. 28-51. MFR-14—Multifamily residential-14 district (Apartments).**

- (a) *General purpose and description:* The MFR-14—Multifamily Residential-14, district is an attached residential district intended to provide moderate residential density of up to 14 dwelling units per acre. The principal permitted land uses will include low-rise multiple-family dwellings and garden apartments. Recreational, religious, health and educational uses normally located to service residential areas are also permitted in this district. This district should be located adjacent to a major thoroughfare and serve as a buffer between nonresidential development or heavy automobile traffic and medium- or low-density residential development. Areas zoned for the MFR-14 district shall have, or shall make provision for, City of Angleton water and sewer services. They shall be designed to adequately accommodate storm drainage; they shall have paved drive aisles with logical and efficient vehicular circulation patterns; they shall be properly buffered from nonresidential uses; and they shall be protected from pollution and undesirable environmental and noise impacts.
- (b) *Permitted uses:*
- (1) Those uses listed for the MFR-14 district in section 28-81 as "P" or "S" are authorized uses permitted by right, or by specific use permit which must be approved utilizing procedures set forth in section 28-63.
- (c) *Height regulations:*
- (1) *Maximum height:*
- a. Two stories, and not to exceed 35 feet, for the main building(s).
  - b. One story for other accessory buildings, including detached garages, carports, clubhouse, gazebo, mail kiosks, laundry rooms, etc.

Created: 2021-03-10 16:12:42 [EST]

(Supp. No. 19)

- 
- c. Other requirements (see section 28-106).
- (d) *Area regulations:*
- (1) *Size of lots:*
- a. *Minimum lot area:* 3,000 square feet per dwelling unit, not to exceed 14 dwelling units per acre (calculated on gross acreage). The minimum lot (i.e., project) size shall be 6,300 square feet.
  - b. *Minimum lot width:* 60 feet.
  - c. *Minimum lot depth:* 100 feet.
- (2) *Size of yards:*
- a. *Minimum front yard:* 25 feet. All areas adjacent to a street shall be deemed front yards. See section 28-106 for additional setback requirements.
  - b. *Minimum side and rear yard:* 15 feet, unless adjacent to a single-family, duplex, patio home or single-family attached district then side and rear setbacks shall be according to the height of the multifamily building, as follows:
    1. *One-story building:* 25 feet.
    2. *Two-story building:* 50 feet.
  - c. *Building separation:*
    1. *One-story buildings:* 15 feet for buildings without openings; 20 feet for buildings with openings.
    2. *Two-story buildings (or a two-story building adjacent to a one-story building):* 20 feet for buildings without openings; 25 feet for buildings with openings.
    3. *Between a main building and an accessory building:* Ten feet.
- (3) *Minimum floor area per dwelling unit:* 600 square feet of air-conditioned floor area.
- (4) *Maximum impervious surface coverage:* 50 percent.
- (5) *Parking regulations:*
- a. One space for each efficiency or one-bedroom unit.
  - b. Two spaces for each two-bedroom unit.
  - c. Two and a half spaces for each three-bedroom unit.
  - d. Three spaces for each four- or more bedroom unit.
  - e. The average number of parking spaces for the total development shall be no less than one space per dwelling unit.
  - f. No parking space may be located closer than six feet from any building, nor closer than two feet from any side or rear lot line.
  - g. At least one resident parking space per dwelling unit shall be covered.
  - h. See section 28-101, off-street parking and loading requirements, for additional requirements.
- (6) *Minimum exterior construction standards:* See section 28-105.
- (e) *Special requirements:*
- (1) *Landscaping area requirements:* See section 28-102 for landscaping requirements.

- 
- (2) *Refuse facilities:* Every multifamily dwelling unit shall be located within 200 feet of a refuse facility, measured along the designated pedestrian travel way. A refuse facility shall be a dumpster or other similar container designed for receiving garbage in bulk for more than one dwelling, and all refuse containers shall be maintained in accordance with local public health and sanitary regulations. Refuse containers shall be located no closer than 30 feet to any adjacent single-family property, shall be located so as to provide safe and convenient pickup by refuse collection agencies, and shall be screened in accordance with subsection 28-104(b)(7). (See illustrations 16 and 17 for refuse container enclosure diagrams).
  - (3) *Screening requirements:* See section 28-104 for screening requirements.
  - (4) Single-family, duplex, patio home, or townhouse residential units constructed in this district shall conform to SF-6.3, 2F, SF-PH or SFA district standards, respectively.
  - (5) Recreational vehicles, travel trailers or motor homes may not be used for on-site dwelling purposes.
  - (6) Open/outside storage is permitted provided it does not create a nuisance and is in conformance with the adopted International Property Maintenance Code.
  - (7) All points on the exterior facades of all buildings shall be within 150 feet of a dedicated fire lane easement (as measured by an unobstructed pathway, or route, for fire hoses).
  - (8) A four-foot wide ADA paved walkway shall connect the front door of each ground floor unit to a parking area. The minimum width of any sidewalk adjacent to head-in parking spaces shall be six feet to accommodate a two-foot bumper overhang for vehicles.
  - (9) Buildings shall not exceed 200 feet in length.
  - (10) Boats, campers, trailers and other recreational vehicles shall be prohibited unless oversize vehicle parking areas are provided. This parking area shall not be used to meet the minimum parking requirements, and shall not be visible from a public street.
  - (11) All buildings containing residential units shall provide signage that clearly identifies the numbers (i.e., addresses) of the units within each building. Signage shall be visible from entrances into the complex and/or from vehicular drive aisles within the complex such that each individual unit is easy to locate by visitors, delivery persons, and/or emergency personnel.
  - (12) All parking areas shall have appropriate lighting and shall be positioned such that no light adversely impacts adjacent residential areas.
  - (13) Any nonresidential land use which may be permitted in this district shall conform to the "C-N" — Commercial-Neighborhood district standards. All buildings within a nonresidential development shall be architecturally compatible with each other, in that they shall use similar exterior finish colors and materials to achieve an overall, visually compatible appearance when viewed from the road.
  - (14) Gated/secured entrances shall be in accordance with the city's design standards for gated/secured entrances on private streets.
  - (15) A site plan shall be required for any MFR development, or for any other type of development in the MFR-14 district that will include: 1) a private amenity or facility comprised of one or more buildings (such as a private recreation/swimming facility, clubhouse, etc.); 2) a golf course; and/or 3) a gated (restricted access) entrance into the development. In these instances, site plan submission and approval will be required for these elements (a site plan showing the entirety of the proposed subdivision is not required). Site plan submission and approval shall be in accordance with subsection 28-63(d), but shall not require a public hearing as required by subsection 28-63(d)(5).
  - (16) *Other regulations:* See sections 28-101 through 28-112 regarding development standards for:

- Off-street parking and loading requirements (section 28-101).
- Landscape requirements (section 28-102).
- Accessory structure and use regulations (section 28-103).
- Fencing, walls and screening requirements (section 28-104).
- Exterior construction and design requirements (section 28-105).
- Supplemental regulations (section 28-106).
- Performance standards (section 28-107).
- Lighting and glare standards (section 28-108).
- Home occupation regulations (section 28-109).
- Special regulations for certain types of uses (section 28-110).
- Reserved for future use (section 28-111).
- Definitions (section 28-112).

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(23)(23.1—23.6), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2013-O7C, § 3, 7-9-13; Ord. No. 20190910-010, §§ 2, 3, 9-10-19; Ord. No. 20191112-008, § 2, 11-12-19)

#### **Sec. 28-52. MFR-29—Multifamily residential-29 district (Apartments).**

- (a) *General purpose and description:* The MFR-29—Multifamily Residential-29 district is an attached residential district intended to provide high residential density of up to 29 dwelling units per acre. The principal permitted land uses will include low-rise multiple-family dwellings and garden apartments. Recreational, religious, health and educational uses normally located to service residential areas are also permitted in this district. This district should be located adjacent to a major thoroughfare and serve as a buffer between nonresidential development or heavy automobile traffic and medium- or low-density residential development. Areas zoned for the MFR-29 district shall have, or shall make provision for City of Angleton water and sewer services. They shall be designed to adequately accommodate storm drainage; they shall have paved drive aisles with logical and efficient vehicular circulation patterns; they shall be properly buffered from nonresidential uses; and they shall be protected from pollution and undesirable environmental and noise impacts.
- (b) *Permitted uses:*
- (1) Those uses listed for the MFR-29 district in section 28-81 as "P" or "S" are authorized uses permitted by right, or by specific use permit which must be approved utilizing procedures set forth in section 28-63.
- (c) *Height regulations:*
- (1) *Maximum height:*
- a. Three stories, and not to exceed 40 feet, for the main building(s).
  - b. One story for other accessory buildings, including detached garages, carports, clubhouse, gazebo, mail kiosks, laundry rooms, etc.
  - c. Other requirements (see section 28-106).
- (d) *Area regulations:*
- (1) *Size of lots:*

- 
- a. *Minimum lot area:* 1,500 square feet per dwelling unit, not to exceed 29 dwelling units per acre (calculated on gross acreage). The minimum lot (i.e., project) size shall be 6,300 square feet.
  - b. *Minimum lot width:* 60 feet.
  - c. *Minimum lot depth:* 100 feet.
- (2) *Size of yards:*
- a. *Minimum front yard:* 25 feet. All areas adjacent to a street shall be deemed front yards. See section 28-106 for additional setback requirements.
  - b. *Minimum side and rear yard:* 15 feet, unless adjacent to a single-family, duplex, patio home or single-family attached district then side and rear setbacks shall be according to the height of the multifamily building, as follows:
    - 1. *One-story building:* 25 feet.
    - 2. *Two-story building:* 50 feet.
  - c. *Building separation:*
    - 1. *One-story buildings:* 15 feet for buildings without openings; 20 feet for buildings with openings.
    - 2. *Two-story buildings (or a two-story building adjacent to a one-story building):* 20 feet for buildings without openings; 25 feet for buildings with openings.
    - 3. *Between a main building and an accessory building:* Ten feet.
- (3) *Minimum floor area per dwelling unit:* 600 square feet of air conditioned floor area.
- (4) *Maximum impervious surface coverage:* 50 percent.
- (5) *Parking regulations:*
- a. One and a half spaces for each efficiency or one-bedroom unit.
  - b. Two spaces for each two-bedroom unit.
  - c. Two and a half spaces for each three-bedroom unit.
  - d. Three spaces for each four- or more bedroom unit.
  - e. The average number of parking spaces for the total development shall be no less than one space per dwelling unit.
  - f. No parking space may be located closer than six feet from any building, nor closer than two feet from any side or rear lot line.
  - g. At least one resident parking space per dwelling unit shall be covered.
  - h. See section 28-101, off-street parking and loading requirements, for additional requirements.
- (6) *Minimum exterior construction standards:* See section 28-105.
- (e) *Special requirements:*
- (1) *Landscape area requirements:* See section 28-102 for landscaping requirements.
  - (2) *Refuse facilities:* Every multifamily dwelling unit shall be located within 200 feet of a refuse facility, measured along the designated pedestrian travel way. A refuse facility shall be a dumpster or other similar container designed for receiving garbage in bulk for more than one dwelling, and all refuse containers shall be maintained in accordance with local public health and sanitary regulations. Refuse

containers shall be located no closer than 30 feet to any adjacent single-family property, shall be located so as to provide safe and convenient pickup by refuse collection agencies, and shall be screened in accordance with subsection 28-104(b)(7). (See illustrations 16 and 17 for refuse container enclosure diagrams).

- (3) *Screening requirements:* See section 28-104 for screening requirements.
- (4) Single-family, duplex, patio home, or townhouse residential units constructed in this district shall conform to SF-6.3, 2F, SF-PH or SFA district standards, respectively.
- (5) Recreational vehicles, travel trailers or motor homes may not be used for on-site dwelling purposes.
- (6) Open/outside storage is permitted provided it does not create a nuisance and is in conformance with the adopted International Property Maintenance Code.
- (7) All points on the exterior facades of all buildings shall be within 150 feet of a dedicated fire lane easement (as measured by an unobstructed pathway, or route, for fire hoses).
- (8) A four-foot wide ADA paved walkway shall connect the front door of each ground floor unit to a parking area. The minimum width of any sidewalk adjacent to head-in parking spaces shall be six feet to accommodate a two-foot bumper overhang for vehicles.
- (9) Buildings shall not exceed 200 feet in length.
- (10) Boats, campers, trailers and other recreational vehicles shall be prohibited unless oversize vehicle parking areas are provided. This parking area shall not be used to meet the minimum parking requirements, and shall not be visible from a public street.
- (11) All buildings containing residential units shall provide signage that clearly identifies the numbers (i.e., addresses) of the units within each building. Signage shall be visible from entrances into the complex and/or from vehicular drive aisles within the complex such that each individual unit is easy to locate by visitors, delivery persons, and/or emergency personnel.
- (12) All parking areas shall have appropriate lighting and shall be positioned such that no light adversely impacts adjacent residential areas.
- (13) Any nonresidential land use which may be permitted in this district shall conform to the "C-N"—Commercial-Neighborhood district standards. All buildings within a nonresidential development shall be architecturally compatible with each other, in that they shall use similar exterior finish colors and materials to achieve an overall, visually compatible appearance when viewed from the road.
- (14) Gated/secured entrances shall be in accordance with the city's design standards for gated/secured entrances on private streets.
- (15) A site plan shall be required for any MFR development, or for any other type of development in the MFR-29 district that will include: 1) a private amenity or facility comprised of one or more buildings (such as a private recreation/swimming facility, clubhouse, etc.); 2) a golf course; and/or 3) a gated (restricted access) entrance into the development. In these instances, site plan submission and approval will be required for these elements (a site plan showing the entirety of the proposed subdivision is not required). Site plan submission and approval shall be in accordance with subsection 28-63(d), but shall not require a public hearing as required by subsection 28-63(d)(5).
- (16) *Other regulations:* See sections 28-101 through 28-112 regarding development standards for:
  - Off-street parking and loading requirements (section 28-101).
  - Landscape requirements (section 28-102).
  - Accessory structure and use regulations (section 28-103).

- Fencing, walls and screening requirements (section 28-104).
- Exterior construction and design requirements (section 28-105).
- Supplemental regulations (section 28-106).
- Performance standards (section 28-107).
- Lighting and glare standards (section 28-108).
- Home occupation regulations (section 28-109).
- Special regulations for certain types of uses (section 28-110).
- Reserved for future use (section 28-111).
- Definitions (section 28-112).

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(24)(24.1—24-5), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2013-O7C, § 3, 7-9-13; Ord. No. 2016-O-6B, § 2, 6-14-16; Ord. No. 20190910-010, § 4, 9-10-19; Ord. No. 20191112-008, § 3, 11-12-19)

### **Sec. 28-53. MFR-36—Multifamily residential-36 district (Apartments).**

- (a) *General purpose and description:* The MFR-36—Multifamily Residential-36 district is an attached residential district intended to provide the highest residential density of up to 36 dwelling units per acre. The principal permitted land uses will include low-rise multiple-family dwellings and garden apartments. Recreational, religious, health and educational uses normally located to service residential areas are also permitted in this district. This district should be located adjacent to a major thoroughfare and serve as a buffer between nonresidential development or heavy automobile traffic and medium- or low-density residential development. Areas zoned for the MFR-36 district shall have, or shall make provision for City of Angleton water and sewer services. They shall be designed to adequately accommodate storm drainage; they shall have paved drive aisles with logical and efficient vehicular circulation patterns; they shall be properly buffered from nonresidential uses; and they shall be protected from pollution and undesirable environmental and noise impacts.
- (b) *Permitted uses:*
- (1) Those uses listed for the MFR-36 district in section 28-81 as "P" or "S" are authorized uses permitted by right, or by specific use permit which must be approved utilizing procedures set forth in section 28-63.
- (c) *Height regulations:*
- (1) *Maximum height:*
- a. Three stories, and not to exceed 40 feet, for the main building(s).
  - b. One story for other accessory buildings, including detached garages, carports, clubhouse, gazebo, mail kiosks, laundry rooms, etc.
  - c. Other requirements (see section 28-106).
- (d) *Area regulations:*
- (1) *Size of lots:*
- a. *Minimum lot area:* 1,200 square feet per dwelling unit, not to exceed 36 dwelling units per acre (calculated on gross acreage). The minimum lot (i.e., project) size shall be 6,300 square feet.
  - b. *Minimum lot width:* 60 feet.
  - c. *Minimum lot depth:* 100 feet.

Created: 2021-03-10 16:12:42 [EST]

(Supp. No. 19)

- 
- (2) *Size of yards:*
- a. *Minimum front yard:* 25 feet. All areas adjacent to a street shall be deemed front yards. See section 28-106 for additional setback requirements.
  - b. *Minimum side and rear yard:* 15 feet, unless adjacent to a single-family, duplex, patio home or single-family attached district then side and rear setbacks shall be according to the height of the multifamily building, as follows:
    1. *One-story building:* 25 feet.
    2. *Two-story building:* 50 feet.
    3. *Over two-story building:* 75 feet.
  - c. *Building separation:*
    1. *One-story buildings:* 15 feet for buildings without openings; 20 feet for buildings with openings.
    2. *Two-story buildings (or a two-story building adjacent to a one-story building):* 20 feet for buildings without openings; 25 feet for buildings with openings.
    3. *Over two-story buildings (or an over two-story building adjacent to a one- or two-story building):* 25 feet for buildings with or without openings.
    4. *Between a main building and an accessory building:* Ten feet.
- (3) *Minimum floor area per dwelling unit:* 600 square feet of air conditioned floor area.
- (4) *Maximum impervious surface coverage:* 50 percent.
- (5) *Parking regulations:*
- a. One and a half spaces for each efficiency or one-bedroom unit.
  - b. Two spaces for each two-bedroom unit.
  - c. Two and a half spaces for each three-bedroom unit.
  - d. Three spaces for each four- or more bedroom unit.
  - e. The average number of parking spaces for the total development shall be no less than one space per dwelling unit.
  - f. No parking space may be located closer than six feet from any building, nor closer than two feet from any side or rear lot line.
  - g. At least one resident parking space per dwelling unit shall be covered.
  - h. See section 28-101, off-street parking and loading requirements, for additional requirements.
- (6) *Minimum exterior construction standards:* See section 28-105.
- (e) *Special requirements:*
- (1) *Landscape area requirements:* See section 28-102 for landscaping requirements.
  - (2) *Refuse facilities:* Every multifamily dwelling unit shall be located within 200 feet of a refuse facility, measured along the designated pedestrian travel way. A refuse facility shall be a dumpster or other similar container designed for receiving garbage in bulk for more than one dwelling, and all refuse containers shall be maintained in accordance with local public health and sanitary regulations. Refuse containers shall be located no closer than 30 feet to any adjacent single-family property, shall be

located so as to provide safe and convenient pickup by refuse collection agencies, and shall be screened in accordance with subsection 28-104(b)(7). (See illustrations 16 and 17 for refuse container enclosure diagrams).

- (3) *Screening requirements:* See section 28-104 for screening requirements.
- (4) Single-family, duplex, patio home, or townhouse residential units constructed in this district shall conform to SF-6.3, 2F, SF-PH or SFA district standards, respectively.
- (5) Recreational vehicles, travel trailers or motor homes may not be used for on-site dwelling purposes.
- (6) Open/outside storage is permitted provided it does not create a nuisance and is in conformance with the adopted International Property Maintenance Code.
- (7) All points on the exterior facades of all buildings shall be within 150 feet of a dedicated fire lane easement (as measured by an unobstructed pathway, or route, for fire hoses).
- (8) A four-foot wide ADA paved walkway shall connect the front door of each ground floor unit to a parking area. The minimum width of any sidewalk adjacent to head-in parking spaces shall be six feet to accommodate a two-foot bumper overhang for vehicles.
- (9) Buildings shall not exceed 200 feet in length.
- (10) Boats, campers, trailers and other recreational vehicles shall be prohibited unless oversize vehicle parking areas are provided. This parking area shall not be used to meet the minimum parking requirements, and shall not be visible from a public street.
- (11) All buildings containing residential units shall provide signage that clearly identifies the numbers (i.e., addresses) of the units within each building. Signage shall be visible from entrances into the complex and/or from vehicular drive aisles within the complex such that each individual unit is easy to locate by visitors, delivery persons, and/or emergency personnel.
- (12) All parking areas shall have appropriate lighting and shall be positioned such that no light adversely impacts adjacent residential areas.
- (13) Any nonresidential land use which may be permitted in this district shall conform to the "C-N"—Commercial-Neighborhood district standards. All buildings within a nonresidential development shall be architecturally compatible with each other, in that they shall use similar exterior finish colors and materials to achieve an overall, visually compatible appearance when viewed from the road.
- (14) Gated/secured entrances shall be in accordance with the city's design standards for gated/secured entrances on private streets.
- (15) A site plan shall be required for any MFR development, or for any other type of development in the MFR-36 district that will include: 1) a private amenity or facility comprised of one or more buildings (such as a private recreation/swimming facility, clubhouse, etc.); 2) a golf course; and/or 3) a gated (restricted access) entrance into the development. In these instances, site plan submission and approval will be required for these elements (a site plan showing the entirety of the proposed subdivision is not required). Site plan submission and approval shall be in accordance with subsection 28-63(d), but shall not require a public hearing as required by subsection 28-63(d)(5).
- (16) *Other regulations:* See sections 28-101 through 28-112 regarding development standards for:
  - Off-street parking and loading requirements (section 28-101).
  - Landscape requirements (section 28-102).
  - Accessory structure and use regulations (section 28-103).
  - Fencing, walls and screening requirements (section 28-104).

- Exterior construction and design requirements (section 28-105).
- Supplemental regulations (section 28-106).
- Performance standards (section 28-107).
- Lighting and glare standards (section 28-108).
- Home occupation regulations (section 28-109).
- Special regulations for certain types of uses (section 28-110).
- Reserved for future use (section 28-111).
- Definitions (section 28-112).

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(25)(25.1—25.5), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2013-O7C, § 3, 7-9-13; Ord. No. 2016-O-6B, § 2, 6-14-16; Ord. No. 20190910-010 , § 5, 9-10-19; Ord. No. 20191112-008 , § 4, 11-12-19)

#### **Sec. 28-54. MH—Manufactured home district.**

- (a) *General purpose and description:* The MH, Manufactured Home, district is a detached residential district establishing standards for the development of HUD-Code manufactured home parks and subdivisions. HUD-Code manufactured home subdivisions include individually platted lots for sale within the subdivision, for the placement of manufactured home units. A manufactured home park offers spaces for the placement of manufactured home units on a lease or rental basis. The manufactured home district establishes area and design requirements for parks and subdivisions, as well as yard requirements for individual lots. Both parks and subdivisions provide open space and recreational areas appropriate for the acreage and number of units contained. Areas zoned for the MH district shall have, or shall make provision for, City of Angleton water and sewer services. They shall be designed to adequately accommodate storm drainage; they shall have paved streets with logical and efficient vehicular circulation patterns that discourage non-local traffic; they shall be properly buffered from nonresidential uses; and they shall be protected from pollution and undesirable environmental and noise impacts.
- (b) *Permitted uses:*
- (1) Those uses listed for the MH district in section 28-81 as "P" or "S" are authorized uses permitted by right, or by specific use permit which must be approved utilizing procedures set forth in section 28-63.
- (c) *Area regulations:*
- (1) *Size of yards* (for each space within manufactured home park or subdivision):
- a. *Minimum front yard:* 25 feet from a dedicated street; 15 feet from any private street or drive. See section 28-106 for additional setback requirements.
  - b. *Minimum side yard:* Ten feet; 20 feet between units; 20 feet from zoning district boundary line; 15 feet for a corner lot on a residential or collector street, and 20 feet for a corner lot on an arterial street.
  - c. *Minimum rear yard:* Ten feet; 20 feet from any zoning district boundary line.
  - d. If a garage is provided, the entry (i.e., door) side of the garage shall have a 25-foot setback as measured from any property or street right-of-way line.
- (2) *Size of space* (for each space within a manufactured home park):
- a. *Minimum lot area:* 4,000 square feet per unit.
  - b. *Minimum lot width:* 40 feet.

- 
- c. *Minimum lot depth:* 100 feet.
- (3) *Minimum floor area per dwelling unit:* 800 square feet.
- (4) *Maximum lot coverage:* 50 percent for main building/unit plus any accessory buildings.
- (5) *Parking regulations:* Two spaces per unit located on the same lot as the unit served (see section 28-101, off-street parking and loading) line.
- (6) *Area for manufactured home park:* Minimum project area five acres; maximum project area 25 acres.
- (7) *Maximum height limit:*
- a. Two and one-half stories, and not to exceed 36 feet, for the main building/house.
  - b. One story for other accessory buildings, including detached garages, carports, management office, clubhouse, gazebo, mail kiosks, etc.
  - c. Other requirements (see section 28-106).
- (8) *Minimum exterior construction standards:* None (manufactured homes only - all other structures shall conform with section 28-105).
- (9) *Maximum impervious surface coverage:* 60 percent.
- (d) *Supplemental requirements for manufactured home parks:*
- (1) *Tenant parking:* Each parking space shall be an approved all-weather surface, in accordance with city standards, and shall be located to eliminate interference with access to parking areas provided for other manufactured homes and for public parking in the park (see section 28-101, off-street parking and loading requirements).
  - (2) *Visitor and supplemental parking:* Manufactured home parks that provide a paved parking area on each lot that accommodates fewer than four parking spaces (with spaces stacked no more than two parking spaces deep) shall provide visitor and supplemental parking in accordance with the following requirements:
    - a. Two visitor parking spaces for every three manufactured home spaces. No manufactured home lot shall be situated further than 150 feet from a visitor space.
    - b. One supplemental parking or vehicle storage space for the parking or storage of boats, campers and similar vehicles or equipment for every four manufactured home spaces. Supplemental parking spaces may be located anywhere within the manufactured home park.
    - c. Each visitor and/or supplemental parking space will be not less than nine feet by 20, which is not to be included in the lot size for any manufactured home lot.
  - (3) *Access:* Each manufactured home community shall have direct access from an improved public street in accordance with the subdivision ordinance. Where an internal private street provides access to individual lots or dwelling units, the same shall be paved in accordance with city standards, and it shall be dedicated to the public as an emergency access or fire lane easement to allow for the rapid and safe movement of vehicles used in providing emergency health or public safety services. Each emergency access/fire lane easement shall have a clear unobstructed width of 24 feet, shall connect to a dedicated public street, and shall have a turning area and radii of a minimum of 50 feet to permit free movement of emergency vehicles. Dead end streets are not allowed. Fire lane easements shall be maintained by the manufactured home park.
- Gated/secured entrances shall be in accordance with the city's design standards for gated/secured entrances on private streets.

- 
- (4) *Walkways:* Designated ADA concrete walkways four feet in width will be provided on both sides of roadways or streets.
- (5) *Street names and signs:* Within each manufactured home park, all streets shall be named, and manufactured homes numbered in a logical and orderly fashion. Street signs shall be of a color and size contrasting with those on public streets and roadways so that there is no confusion regarding which are private and which are public streets. These signs and numbers shall be of standard size and placement to facilitate location by emergency vehicles. Street names shall be submitted to the city manager, along with the construction plat application, reviewed by the appropriate city staff with respect to street naming procedures set forth within the subdivision ordinance and/or the city's code of ordinances, and approved by the planning and zoning commission and the city council on the construction plat for the subdivision. The street names shall be set with construction plat approval, and shall not be changed on the final plat without city approval. All dwelling unit numbering (i.e., addressing) shall be assigned by the city manager.
- (6) *Other signs:* Along all sections of emergency access easements, the owner or agent shall erect metal signs prohibiting parking. The sign type, size, height and location shall be in accordance with the manual of uniform traffic control devices and approved by the city.
- (7) *Intersections:* Internal streets shall intersect adjoining public streets at approximately 90 degrees and at locations which will eliminate or minimize interference with traffic on those public streets.
- (8) *Street lighting:* Street lighting within the manufactured home park shall be provided in accordance with the subdivision regulations, and shall be maintained by the owners of the manufactured home park.
- (9) *Electric and telephone service:* All electrical distribution lines and all telephone lines shall be underground except the primary service lines to the park.
- (10) *Drainage and soil protection:* The ground surface in all parts of the park shall be graded and equipped to drain all surface water in a safe, efficient manner. Each manufactured home space shall provide adequate drainage for the placement of a manufactured home. Exposed ground surfaces in all parts of every manufactured home park shall be paved and/or covered with stone, brick paving, or other similar solid material, or protected with a vegetative growth (such as grass) capable of preventing soil erosion and eliminating dust.
- (11) *Firefighting:*
- a. Approaches to all manufactured homes shall be kept clear for firefighting.
  - b. The owner or agent of a manufactured home park shall be responsible for the instruction of any staff in the use of the park fire protection equipment and in their specific duties in the event of a fire. Owner shall supply standard city fire hydrants located within 300 feet of all manufactured home spaces, measured along the drive or street.
  - c. The owner or agent of a manufactured home park shall be responsible for maintaining the entire area of the park free of dry brush, leaves and weeds in excess of six inches in height.
- (12) *Refuse facilities:* Solid waste disposal services may be provided individually to each lot in the manufactured home park in the same manner as other single-family developments or through the use of a common refuse facility. A common refuse facility shall be a dumpster or other similar container designed for receiving garbage in bulk from more than one dwelling. All common refuse containers shall be maintained in accordance with local public health and sanitary regulations. Every manufactured home lot shall be located within 150 feet of a refuse facility, measured along the designated pedestrian travel way. Common refuse facilities shall be located no closer than 30 feet to any adjacent single-family property, shall be located so as to provide safe and convenient pickup by

refuse collection agencies and shall be screened in accordance with subsection 28-104(b)(7) of this chapter. (See illustrations 16 and 17 for refuse container enclosure diagrams).

(13) *Anchorage of manufactured homes:* To insure against natural hazards such as tornados, high winds and electrical storms, anchorage for each manufactured home shall be provided according to the building code and state law.

(14) *Skirting:*

- a. All manufactured home units not attached to a permanent foundation shall provide skirting from the top of the unit's frame to grade. Skirting shall totally enclose and secure from view the unit's axles and all required anchors, footings, and piers.
- b. All required skirting shall be masonry, and shall be of a color similar to the materials used in the construction of the manufactured home unit such that it blends with the overall appearance of the unit.

(e) *Special requirements:*

- (1) Single-family, duplex, patio home, or townhouse residential units constructed in this district shall conform to SF-6.3, 2F, SF-PH or SFA district standards, respectively.
- (2) Open/outside storage is permitted provided it does not create a nuisance and is in conformance with the adopted International Property Maintenance Code.
- (3) *Usable open space requirements:* Except as provided below, any manufactured home development shall provide useable open space that equals or exceeds 15 percent of the total land area within the development. Usable open space areas shall be in conformance with subsections 28-48(e)(4) and 28-48(e)(5).
- (4) One playground area containing at least five pieces of play equipment shall be provided for every 100 dwelling units, or fraction thereof. The playground equipment shall be of heavy duty construction, such as is normally used in public parks or on public school playgrounds.
- (5) A site plan shall be required for any MH development, or for any other type of development in the MH district that will include: 1) a private amenity or facility comprised of one or more buildings (such as a private recreation/swimming facility, clubhouse, etc.); 2) a golf course; and/or 3) a gated (restricted access) entrance into the development. In these instances, site plan submission and approval will be required for these elements (a site plan showing the entirety of the proposed subdivision is not required). Site plan submission and approval shall be in accordance with subsection 28-63(d), but shall not require a public hearing as required by subsection 28-63(d)(5).
- (6) Any nonresidential land use which may be permitted in this district shall conform to the "C-N"—Commercial-Neighborhood district standards.
- (7) *Other regulations:* See sections 28-101 through 28-112 regarding development standards for:
  - Off-street parking and loading requirements (section 28-101).
  - Landscape requirements (section 28-102).
  - Accessory structure and use regulations (section 28-103).
  - Fencing, walls and screening requirements (section 28-104).
  - Exterior construction and design requirements (section 28-105).
  - Supplemental regulations (section 28-106).
  - Performance standards (section 28-107).

Created: 2021-03-10 16:12:42 [EST]

(Supp. No. 19)

- Lighting and glare standards (section 28-108).
- Home occupation regulations (section 28-109).
- Special regulations for certain types of uses (section 28-110).
- Reserved for future use (section 28-111).
- Definitions (section 28-112).

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(26)(26.1—26.5), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2013-O7C, § 3, 7-9-13; Ord. No. 2016-O-3A, § 2, 3-8-16)

### Sec. 28-55. C-N—Commercial-Neighborhood district.

- (a) *General purpose and description:* The C-N—Commercial-Neighborhood district is established to provide for areas of smaller-scaled and pedestrian-oriented neighborhood-serving commercial and mixed use development (typically with floor plans of less than 10,000 square feet) that includes retail, services, office, eating and drinking, housing, smaller-scaled public uses, etc. Single-family housing is not permitted in this district.
- (b) *Permitted uses:*
- (1) Those uses listed for the C-N district in section 28-51 as "P" or "S" are authorized uses permitted by right, or by specific use permit which must be approved utilizing procedures set forth in section 28-63.
- (c) *Height regulations:*
- (1) *Maximum height:*
- a. Two stories, and not to exceed 30 feet, for the main building(s).
  - b. One story for accessory buildings.
  - c. Other (see section 28-106).
- (d) *Area regulations:*
- (1) *Size of lot:*
- a. *Minimum lot area:* 5,000 square feet.
  - b. *Minimum lot width:* 25 feet.
  - c. *Minimum lot depth:* 100 feet.
- (2) *Size of yards:*
- a. *Minimum front yard:* 20 feet. All yards adjacent to a street shall be considered a front yard (see section 28-106 for additional setback requirements).
  - b. *Minimum side and rear yard:* 15 feet unless adjacent to a residentially zoned property (see below).
  - c. *Interior side yards:* When retail uses are platted adjacent to other retail uses and integrated into an overall shopping center site (i.e., lots/lease spaces abutting one another), no side yard is required provided it complies with the city's building code.
  - d. *Minimum side or rear yard adjacent to a residential district:* 20 feet for one-story building, and an additional ten feet for every story (or fraction thereof) above one-story in height.

- 
- (3) *Maximum lot coverage:* Maximum 90 percent impervious coverage (including all buildings, parking areas, sidewalks, etc.).
- (4) *Maximum building size:* The maximum building foot print (first floor) area of a structure shall not exceed 10,000 square feet.
- (5) *Parking requirements:* As established by section 28-101, off-street parking and loading requirements.
- (6) *Minimum exterior construction standards:* See section 28-105.
- (e) *Special requirements:*
- (1) *Driveway spacing* (i.e., distance between driveways, measured edge-to-edge):  
Shall conform to the latest TXDOT spacing standards.
- (2) *Landscaping requirements:* See section 28-102.
- (3) *Screening requirements:* See section 28-104.
- (4) Outdoor retail sales which involve the outside display of merchandise and seasonal items, shall be limited to the following if not otherwise allowed by a specific use permit:
- Shall not occupy any of the parking spaces that are required by this chapter for the primary use(s) of the property.
  - Shall not pose a safety or visibility hazard, impede public vehicular circulation, nor reduce pedestrian walkways below that required by applicable ADA accessibility standards, either on-site or off-site.
  - Shall not extend into public right-of-way or onto adjacent property without property owner permission.
  - All outside display items that are used or second hand goods shall be moved indoors or stored in accordance with open/outside storage regulations at the end of business each day (outside display of used autos and decorative landscaping materials, after the end of the business each day, shall be allowed in those districts where such land uses are permitted).
  - All merchandise shall be displayed in a neat, orderly manner, and the display area shall be maintained in a clean, litter-free manner.
  - Outside retail sales and storage of compressed industrial gases (including propane) and associated containers used in the operation of a business or for general retail sales is permitted provided they are maintained in a secure area not larger than 100 square feet and do not violate fire or safety regulations.
- (5) Open/outside storage is prohibited without a specific use permit.
- (6) Recreational vehicles, travel trailers or motor homes may not be used for on-site dwelling or nonresidential purposes.
- (7) *Other regulations:* See sections 28-101 through 28-112 regarding development standards for:
- Off-street parking and loading requirements (section 28-101).
  - Landscape requirements (section 28-102).
  - Accessory structure and use regulations (section 28-103).
  - Fencing, walls and screening requirements (section 28-104).
  - Exterior construction and design requirements (section 28-105).

- Supplemental regulations (section 28-106).
- Performance standards (section 28-107).
- Lighting and glare standards (section 28-108).
- Home occupation regulations (section 28-109).
- Special regulations for certain types of uses (section 28-110).
- Reserved for future use (section 28-111).
- Definitions (section 28-112).

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(27)(27.1—27.5), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2013-O7C, § 4, 7-9-13)

### **Sec. 28-56. C-MU—Commercial-mixed-use district.**

- (a) *General purpose and description:* The C-MU—Commercial-Mixed-Use, district is established to provide for areas of large-scale, pedestrian- and auto-oriented, region-serving, mixed-use development that includes a mix of retail formats (large and small), office and business services, commercial lodging, office-oriented research and development, recreation and entertainment, etc. Multifamily residential uses are permitted in this district. Development in this district will occur under a unified master plan.
- (b) *Permitted uses:*
- (1) Those uses listed for the C-MU district in section 28-81 as "P" or "S" are authorized uses permitted by right, or by specific use permit which must be approved utilizing procedures set forth in section 28-63.
- (c) *Height regulations:*
- (1) *Maximum height:*
- a. Eight stories, and not to exceed 80 feet, for the main building(s).
  - b. One story for accessory buildings.
  - c. Other (see section 28-106).
- (d) *Area regulations:*
- (1) *Size of lots:*
- a. *Minimum lot area:* 10,000 square feet.
  - b. *Minimum lot width:* 75 feet.
  - c. *Minimum lot depth:* 100 feet.
- (2) *Size of yards:*
- a. *Minimum front yard:* 20 feet. All yards adjacent to a street shall be considered a front yard (see section 28-106 for additional setback requirements).
  - b. *Minimum side and rear yard:* 15 feet unless adjacent to a residentially zoned property (see below).
  - c. *Minimum side or rear yard adjacent to a residential district:* 20 feet for one-story building, and an additional ten feet for every story (or fraction thereof) above one-story in height.
- (3) *Maximum lot coverage:* Maximum 80 percent impervious coverage (including all buildings, parking areas, sidewalks, etc.).

- 
- (4) *Parking requirements:* As established by section 28-101, off-street parking and loading requirements.
- (5) *Minimum exterior construction standards:* See section 28-105.
- (e) *Special requirements:*
- (1) *Driveway spacing* (i.e., distance between driveways, measured edge-to-edge):  
Shall conform to the latest TXDOT spacing standards.
  - (2) *Landscaping requirements:* See section 28-102.
  - (3) *Screening requirements:* See section 28-104.
  - (4) Outdoor retail sales which involve the outside display of merchandise and seasonal items, shall be limited to the following if not otherwise allowed by a specific use permit:
    - a. Shall not occupy any of the parking spaces that are required by this chapter for the primary use(s) of the property.
    - b. Shall not pose a safety or visibility hazard, impede public vehicular circulation, nor reduce pedestrian walkways below that required by applicable ADA accessibility standards, either on-site or off-site.
    - c. Shall not extend into public right-of-way or onto adjacent property without property owner permission.
    - d. All outside display items that are used or second hand goods shall be moved indoors or stored in accordance with open/outside storage regulations at the end of business each day (outside display of used autos and decorative landscaping materials, after the end of the business day, shall be allowed in those districts where such land uses are permitted).
    - e. All merchandise shall be displayed in a neat, orderly manner, and the display area shall be maintained in a clean, litter-free manner.
    - f. Outside retail sales and storage of compressed industrial gases (including propane) and associated containers used in the operation of a business or for general retail sales is permitted provided they are maintained in a secure area not larger than 100 square feet and do not violate fire or safety regulations.
  - (5) Open/outdoor storage is prohibited without a specific use permit.
  - (6) Recreational vehicles, travel trailers or motor homes may not be used for on-site dwelling or nonresidential purposes.
  - (7) Other regulations: See sections 28-101 through 28-112 regarding development standards for:
    - Off-street parking and loading requirements (section 28-101).
    - Landscape requirements (section 28-102).
    - Accessory structure and use regulations (section 28-103).
    - Fencing, walls, and screening requirements (28-104).
    - Exterior construction and design requirements (28-105).
    - Supplemental regulations (28-106).
    - Performance standards (section 28-107).
    - Lighting and glare standards (section 28-108).

- Home occupation regulations (section 28-109).
- Special regulations for certain types of uses (section 28-110).
- Reserved for future use (section 28-111).
- Definitions (section 28-112).

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(28)(28.1—28.5), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2013-O7C, § 4, 7-9-13)

### **Sec. 28-57. C-G—Commercial-general district.**

- (a) *General purpose and description:* The C-G—Commercial-General, district is intended to reflect existing and future areas of larger scaled pedestrian and auto-oriented commercial development (typically with floor plans of more than 10,000 square feet) located on the city's major arterial roads, and to include a wide variety of community-serving uses that include retail, services, office, auto-related businesses, eating and drinking, recreation and entertainment, public and semi-public uses, etc. Residential uses are not permitted in this district.
- (b) *Permitted uses:*
- (1) Those uses listed for the C-G district in section 28-81 as "P" or "S" are authorized uses permitted by right, or by specific use permit which must be approved utilizing procedures set forth in section 28-63.
- (c) *Height regulations:*
- (1) *Maximum height:*
- a. Eight stories, and not to exceed 80 feet, for the main building(s).
  - b. One story for accessory buildings.
  - c. Other (section 28-106).
- (d) *Area regulations:*
- (1) *Size of lot:*
- a. *Minimum lot area:* 10,000 square feet.
  - b. *Minimum lot width:* 75 feet.
  - c. *Minimum lot depth:* 100 feet.
- (2) *Size of yards:*
- a. *Minimum front yard:* 20 feet. All yards adjacent to a street shall be considered a front yard (see section 28-106 for additional setback requirements).
  - b. *Minimum side and rear yard:* 15 feet unless adjacent to a residentially zoned property (see below).
  - c. *Interior side yards:* When retail uses are platted adjacent to other retail uses and integrated into an overall shopping center site (i.e., lots/lease spaces abutting one another), no side yard is required provided it complies with the city's building code.
  - d. *Minimum side or rear yard adjacent to a residential district:* 20 feet for one-story building, and an additional 20 feet for every story (or fraction thereof) above one-story in height.
- (3) *Maximum lot coverage:* Maximum 80 percent impervious coverage (including all buildings, parking areas, sidewalks, etc.).

(4) *Parking requirements:* As established by section 28-101, off-street parking and loading requirements.

(5) *Minimum exterior construction standards:* See section 28-105.

(e) *Special requirements:*

(1) *Driveway spacing* (i.e., distance between driveways, measured edge-to-edge):

Shall conform to the latest TXDOT spacing standards.

(2) *Landscaping requirements:* See section 28-102.

(3) *Screening requirements:* See section 28-104.

(4) Outdoor retail sales which involve the outside display of merchandise and seasonal items, shall be limited to the following if not otherwise permitted by a specific use permit:

- a. Shall not occupy any of the parking spaces that are required by this chapter for the primary use(s) of the property.
- b. Shall not pose a safety or visibility hazard, impede public vehicular circulation, nor reduce pedestrian walkways below that required by applicable ADA accessibility standards, either on-site or off-site.
- c. Shall not extend into public right-of-way or onto adjacent property without property owner permission.
- d. All outside display items that are used or second hand goods shall be moved indoors or stored in accordance with open/outside storage regulations at the end of business each day (outside display of used autos and decorative landscaping materials, after the end of the business day, shall be allowed in those districts where such land uses are permitted).
- e. All merchandise shall be displayed in a neat, orderly manner, and the display area shall be maintained in a clean, litter-free manner.
- f. Outside retail sales and storage of compressed industrial gases (including propane) and associated containers used in the operation of a business or for general retail sales is permitted provided they are maintained in a secure area not larger than 100 square feet and do not violate fire or safety regulations.

(5) *Open/outside storage:* Open storage, without a specific use permit, is limited to a maximum of 20 percent of the total lot area, shall not be located in front of (i.e., on the street side of) or on top of the building.

(6) *Recreational vehicles:* Recreational vehicles, travel trailers, motor homes or temporary buildings may not be used for on-site dwelling or permanent nonresidential purposes.

(7) *Other regulations:* See sections 28-101 through 28-112 regarding development standards for:

- Off-street parking and loading requirements (section 28-101).
- Landscape requirements (section 28-102).
- Accessory structure and use regulations (section 28-103).
- Fencing, walls and screening requirements (section 28-104).
- Exterior construction and design requirements (section 28-105).
- Supplemental regulations (section 28-106).
- Performance standards (section 28-107).

- Lighting and glare standards (section 28-108).
- Home occupation regulations (section 28-109).
- Special regulations for certain types of uses (section 28-110).
- Reserved for future use (section 28-111).
- Definitions (section 28-112).

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(29)(29.1—29.6), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2013-O-7C, § 4, 7-9-13)

**Sec. 28-58. C-O/R—Commercial-office/retail district.**

- (a) *General purpose and description:* The C-O/R—Commercial-Office/Retail, district is intended to provide for areas of integrated professional office and retail development of quality design in a landscaped setting serving high technology, research and development, and retail development. This district provides for future areas of large-scaled pedestrian- and auto-related commercial development on the city's major arterial roads. Residential uses are not permitted in this district.
- (b) *Permitted uses:*
- (1) Those uses listed for the C-O/R district in section 28-81 as "P" or "S" are authorized uses permitted by right, or by specific use permit which must be approved utilizing procedures set forth in section 28-63.
- (c) *Height regulations:*
- (1) *Maximum height:*
- a. Eight stories, and not to exceed 80 feet, for the main building(s).
  - b. One story for accessory buildings.
  - c. Other (section 28-106).
- (d) *Area regulations:*
- (1) *Size of lot:*
- a. *Minimum lot area:* 10,000 square feet.
  - b. *Minimum lot width:* 75 feet.
  - c. *Minimum lot depth:* 100 feet.
- (2) *Size of yards:*
- a. *Minimum front yard:* 20 feet. All yards adjacent to a street shall be considered a front yard (see section 28-106 for additional setback requirements).
  - b. *Minimum side and rear yard:* 15 feet unless adjacent to a residentially zoned property (see below).
  - c. *Interior side yards:* When retail uses are platted adjacent to other retail uses and integrated into an overall shopping center site (i.e., lots/lease spaces abutting one another), no side yard is required provided it complies with the city's building code.
  - d. *Minimum side or rear yard adjacent to a residential district:* 20 feet for one-story building, and an additional ten feet for every story (or fraction thereof) above one-story in height.
- (3) *Parking requirements:* As established by section 28-101, off-street parking and loading requirements.

(4) *Minimum exterior construction standards:* See section 28-105.

(e) *Special requirements:*

(1) *Driveway spacing* (i.e., distance between driveways, measured edge-to-edge):

- a. *Arterial street:* One driveway per 200 linear feet of frontage.
- b. *Collector street:* One driveway per 100 linear feet of frontage.
- c. *Local street:* One driveway per 50 linear feet of frontage.

(2) *Landscaping requirements:* See section 28-102.

(3) *Screening requirements:* See section 28-104.

(4) Outdoor retail sales which involve the outside display of merchandise and seasonal items, shall be limited to the following if not otherwise allowed by a specific use permit:

- a. Shall not occupy any of the parking spaces that are required by this chapter for the primary use(s) of the property.
- b. Shall not pose a safety or visibility hazard, impede public vehicular circulation, nor reduce pedestrian walkways below that required by applicable ADA accessibility standards, either on-site or off-site.
- c. Shall not extend into public right-of-way or onto adjacent property without property owner permission.
- d. All outside display items that are used or second hand goods shall be moved indoors or stored in accordance with open/outside storage regulations at the end of business each day (outside display of used autos and decorative landscaping materials, after the end of the business day, shall be allowed in those districts where such land uses are permitted).
- e. All merchandise shall be displayed in a neat, orderly manner, and the display area shall be maintained in a clean, litter-free manner.
- f. Outside retail sales and storage of compressed industrial gases (including propane) and associated containers used in the operation of a business or for general retail sales is permitted provided they are maintained in a secure area not larger than 100 square feet and do not violate fire or safety regulations.

(5) Open/outside storage, without a specific use permit, is limited to a maximum of five percent of the total lot area, shall not be located in front of (i.e., on the street side of) or on top of the building.

(6) Recreational vehicles, travel trailers, motor homes or temporary buildings may not be used for on-site dwelling or permanent nonresidential purposes.

(7) *Other regulations:* See sections 28-101 through 28-112 regarding development standards for:

- Off-street parking and loading requirements (section 28-101).
- Landscape requirements (section 28-102).
- Accessory structure and use regulations (section 28-103).
- Fencing, walls and screening requirements (section 28-104).
- Exterior construction and design requirements (section 28-105).
- Supplemental regulations (section 28-106).
- Performance standards (section 28-107).

- Lighting and glare standards (section 28-108).
- Home occupation regulations (section 28-109).
- Special regulations for certain types of uses (section 28-110).
- Reserved for future use (section 28-111).
- Definitions (section 28-112).

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(30)(30.1—30.5), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2013-O-7C, § 4, 7-9-13)

### Sec. 28-59. CBD—Central business district.

- (a) *General purpose and description:* The development standards in the CBD—Central Business district, are designed to maintain and encourage development and redevelopment within the central business section (old downtown) of the city in a "pedestrian friendly" environment that is conducive to special events such as sidewalk sales, street dances, festivals, and other similar events. Standards for the district are generally intended to regulate development such that new structures look similar to existing ones within this section of the city. They are also intended to preserve and enhance the community's "small town" heritage and the unique character of the city's original business district.
- (b) *Permitted uses:*
- (1) Those uses listed for the CBD district in section 28-81 as "P" or "S" are authorized uses permitted by right, or by specific use permit which must be approved utilizing procedures set forth in section 28-63.
- (c) *Height regulations:*
- (1) *Maximum height:*
- a. Four stories for the main building(s).
  - b. One story for accessory buildings.
  - c. Other (section 28-106).
- (d) *Area regulations:*
- (1) *Size of lot:*
- a. *Minimum lot area:* None specified.
  - b. *Minimum lot width:* None specified.
  - c. *Minimum lot depth:* None specified.
- (2) *Size of yards:*
- a. *Minimum front yard:* None specified.
  - b. *Minimum side yard:* None specified.
  - c. *Minimum rear yard:* None specified.
- (3) *Maximum lot coverage:* 100 percent including main and accessory buildings.
- (4) *Maximum floor-area-ratio (FAR):* four to one.
- (5) *Parking requirements:* No on-site parking shall be required within this district. However, if on-site parking is provided, all parking areas shall conform to the requirements of subsection 28-101(c).
- (e) *Special requirements:*

- 
- (1) Design standards for the CBD district.
- a. *False fronts or parapets:* False fronts or parapets may be added to existing buildings in order to add character and detail to simple facades.
  - b. *Coloring:* Predominant exterior finish colors shall be of fired brick, similar to that which is present on adjacent existing buildings (other masonry materials may also be considered during site plan review). Trim (i.e., lintels, sills, door jambs, cornices and other similar items) shall be brick, cast stone, stone, cast or wrought iron, or concrete, and colors shall be complementary to the predominant facade colors. Accent colors for friezes, doors and door frames, window frames and mullions, signage, awnings, moldings and other similar features shall be colors that are complementary to, and compatible with, the spirit and intent of the downtown streetscape.
  - c. *Facade openings:* Facade openings shall comprise at least 40 percent of the building's facade area.
  - d. *Awnings/canopies:*
    1. *Ratios:* Awnings shall be at an appropriate scale to the building size and configuration. They shall not extend above the roofline of any single-story structure, or above the top of the second floor of any multi-story structure at the awnings' highest points. Awnings shall not completely obstruct any windows on the building.
    2. *Projection:* Since awnings must extend beyond the building face, a reasonable amount of projection shall be allowed. No awning shall extend more than five feet outward from the building face/surface.
    3. *Colors and materials:* A mixture of colors is recommended, but no more than three different colors shall be used for awnings on a single building facade (excluding business logo, which may have more colors). Materials shall be of cloth or canvas, or another material which is complementary to the period or building style (metal or plastic shall be prohibited).
    4. *Movement:* Except for slight movements that are normal for fabric canopies (i.e., along fringe, etc.), no movement shall be allowed for awnings and canopy structures.
  - e. *Overhead power lines:* New utility lines to business establishments shall be placed underground or toward the rear of existing buildings.
  - f. *Pedestrian streetscape:* Pedestrian spaces shall be treated with amenities that are selected based upon their ability to unify the streetscape with the area's historic past. It is important that elements such as construction materials, colors, textures and fixture design complement the area's historic qualities. These features shall be repeated throughout the streetscape so as to unify the district as a whole.
  - g. *Furnishings:* Planters, window boxes, street furniture and other streetscape furnishings shall be complementary to the historical time frame of the CBD area, and shall be located not more than five feet from the building front/facade.
- (2) *Open storage:* Open storage is prohibited in the CBD district without a specific use permit.
- (3) Outdoor retail sales which involve the outside display of merchandise and/or seasonal items, shall be limited to the following if not otherwise allowed by a specific use permit:
- a. Shall not occupy any of the parking spaces that are required by this chapter for the primary use(s) of the property.

- 
- b. Shall not pose a safety or visibility hazard, impede public vehicular circulation, nor reduce pedestrian walkways below that required by applicable ADA accessibility standards, either on-site or off-site.
  - c. Shall only be located in front of the property/business which is selling the items and shall not extend into public right-of-way or onto adjacent property (without property owner permission).
  - d. All outside display items that are used or second hand goods shall be moved indoors or stored in accordance with open/outside storage regulations at the end of business each day (outside display of used autos and decorative landscaping materials, after the end of the business day, shall be allowed in those districts where such land uses are permitted).
  - e. All merchandise shall be displayed in a neat, orderly manner, and the display area shall be maintained in a clean, litter-free manner.
  - f. Outside retail sales and storage of compressed industrial gases (including propane) and associated containers used in the operation of a business or for general retail sales is permitted provided they are maintained in a secure area not larger than 100 square feet and do not violate fire or safety regulations.
- (4) *Architectural design:* The architectural design of buildings and sites shall strive to achieve the following objectives:
- a. Architectural compatibility;
  - b. Human scale design;
  - c. Integration of uses;
  - d. Encouragement of pedestrian activity;
  - e. Buildings that relate to, and are oriented toward, the pedestrian areas and surrounding buildings; and
  - f. Buildings that contain special architectural features to signify entrances.
- All building materials shall be established on architectural elevations and supporting information.
- (5) *Building facade plan:* The architectural style and scale of new/renovated buildings within the CBD district shall be compatible with the styles and scale of other adjacent buildings. Therefore:
- a. In addition to the site plan which is required by section 28-26, a building facade plan shall also be required. The building facade plan shall be submitted in conjunction with the site plan application.
  - b. The building facade plan shall clearly show how any new structure and/or any structure that is undergoing exterior renovations will look, and shall portray a reasonably accurate depiction of the materials to be used. Especially significant is the way in which such structure(s) will be viewed from the thoroughfare upon which the property faces and/or sides.
  - c. Review, approval and appeal procedures shall be the same as the procedures for a site plan, as outlined in section 28-26.
  - d. The city manager (or his/her designee) may, as he/she deems appropriate, require submission of information and materials (possibly actual samples of materials to be used) additional to those initially submitted by the applicant during the building facade plan review process.
- (6) *Other regulations:* See sections 28-101 through 28-112 regarding development standards for:
- Off-street parking and loading requirements (section 28-101).

- Landscape requirements (section 28-102).
- Accessory structure and use regulations (section 28-103).
- Fencing, walls and screening requirements (section 28-104).
- Exterior construction and design requirements (section 28-105).
- Supplemental regulations (section 28-106).
- Performance standards (section 28-107).
- Lighting and glare standards (section 28-108).
- Home occupation regulations (section 28-109).
- Special regulations for certain types of uses (section 28-110).
- Reserved for future use (section 28-111).
- Definitions (section 28-112).

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(31)(31.1—31.5), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2013-O-7C, § 4, 7-9-13)

#### **Sec. 28-60. LI—Light industrial district.**

- (a) *General purpose and description:* The LI—Light Industrial, district is intended primarily for the conduct of light manufacturing, assembling and fabrication activities, and for warehousing, research and development, wholesaling and service operations that do not typically depend upon frequent customer or client visits.
- (b) *Permitted uses:*
- (1) Those uses listed for the LI district in section 28-81 as "P" or "S" are authorized uses permitted by right, or by specific use which must be approved utilizing procedures set forth in section 28-63.
- (c) *Height regulations:*
- (1) *Maximum height:*
- a. One hundred and twenty feet for the main building(s).
  - b. Other (section 28-106).
- (d) *Area regulations:*
- (1) *Size of lot:*
- a. *Minimum lot area:* 10,000 square feet.
  - b. *Minimum lot width:* 100 feet.
  - c. *Minimum lot depth:* 100 feet.
- (2) *Size of yards:*
- a. *Minimum front yard:* 25 feet. All yards adjacent to a street shall be considered a front yard (see section 28-106 for additional setback requirements).
  - b. *Minimum side and rear yard:* Ten feet unless adjacent to a residentially zoned property (see below).
  - c. *Minimum side or rear yard adjacent to a residential district:* 30 feet for one-story building, and an additional 15 feet for every story (or fraction thereof) above one-story in height.

- 
- (3) *Maximum lot coverage:* Maximum 90 percent impervious coverage (including all buildings, parking areas, sidewalks, etc.).
- (4) *Parking requirements:* As established by section 28-101, off-street parking and loading requirements.
- (5) *Minimum exterior construction standards:* See section 28-105.
- (e) *Special requirements:*
- (1) *Driveway spacing* (i.e., distance between driveways, measured edge-to-edge):  
Shall conform to the latest TXDOT spacing standards.
- (2) *Landscaping requirements:* See section 28-102.
- (3) *Screening requirements:* See section 28-104.
- (4) Outdoor retail sales which involve the outside display of merchandise and/or seasonal items, shall be limited to the following if not otherwise allowed by a specific use permit:
- a. Shall not occupy any of the parking spaces that are required by this chapter for the primary use(s) of the property.
  - b. Shall not pose a safety or visibility hazard, impede public vehicular circulation, nor reduce pedestrian walkways below that required by applicable ADA accessibility standards, either on-site or off-site.
  - c. Shall not extend into public right-of-way or onto adjacent property (without property owner permission).
  - d. All outside display items that are used or second hand goods shall be moved indoors or stored in accordance with open/outside storage regulations at the end of business each day (outside display of used autos and decorative landscaping materials, after the end of the business day, shall be allowed in those districts where such land uses are permitted).
  - e. All merchandise shall be displayed in a neat, orderly manner, and the display area shall be maintained in a clean, litter-free manner.
  - f. Outside retail sales and storage of compressed industrial gases (including propane) and associated containers used in the operation of a business or for general retail sales is permitted provided they are maintained in a secure area not larger than 100 square feet and do not violate fire or safety regulations.
- (5) Open storage, without a specific use permit, is limited to a maximum of 20 percent of the total lot area, shall not be located in front of (i.e., on the street side of) or on top of the building.
- (6) Recreational vehicles, travel trailers, motor homes or temporary buildings may not be used for on-site dwelling or permanent nonresidential purposes.
- (7) Other regulations: See sections 28-101 through 28-112 regarding development standards for:
- Off-street parking and loading requirements (section 28-101).
  - Landscape requirements (section 28-102).
  - Accessory structure and use regulations (section 28-103).
  - Fencing, walls, and screening requirements (28-104).
  - Exterior construction and design requirements (28-105).
  - Supplemental regulations (28-106).

- Performance standards (section 28-107).
- Lighting and glare standards (section 28-108).
- Home occupation regulations (section 28-109).
- Special regulations for certain types of uses (section 28-110).
- Reserved for future use (section 28-111).
- Definitions (section 28-112).

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(32)(32.1—32.5), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2013-O-7C, § 5, 7-9-13)

#### **Sec. 28-61. Overlay and special districts.**

Overlay districts shall be used in conjunction with base zoning districts where it is appropriate to do so. In the use of the following overlay zoning classifications, the base district shall remain in effect as it is already in existence unless changed by zoning amendment and in accordance with the provisions of section 28-24. New base districts or changes in existing base districts may be requested at the same time overlay or special prefix districts are requested.

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(33)(33.1), 4-14-09)

#### **Sec. 28-62. PD—Planned development overlay district.**

(a) *General purpose and description:*

- (1) The City Council of the City of Angleton, Texas, after public hearing and proper notice to all parties affected and after recommendation from the planning and zoning commission, may authorize the creation of a planned development (PD) overlay district.
- (2) The planned development (PD) district is a district which accommodates planned associations of uses developed as integral land use units such as office parks, retail/commercial or service centers, shopping centers, residential developments having a mixture of housing options (e.g., single-family, multifamily, duplex, etc.), or any appropriate combination of uses which may be planned, developed or operated as integral land use units either by a single owner or a combination of owners. A planned development district may be used to permit new or innovative concepts in land utilization not permitted by other zoning districts in this chapter, to ensure the compatibility of land uses, and to allow for the adjustment of changing demands to meet the current needs of the community by meeting one or more of the following purposes:
  - a. To provide for a superior design on lots or buildings;
  - b. To provide for increased recreation and open space opportunities for public use and enjoyment;
  - c. To provide amenities or features that would be of special benefit to the property users or to the overall community;
  - d. To protect or preserve natural amenities and environmental assets such as trees, creeks, ponds, floodplains, slopes, viewscapes, or wildlife habitats;
  - e. To protect or preserve existing historical buildings, structures, features or places;
  - f. To provide an appropriate balance between the intensity of development and the ability to provide adequate supporting public facilities and services; and

- 
- g. To meet or exceed the standards of this chapter.
- (3) While greater flexibility is given to allow special conditions or restrictions that would not otherwise allow the development to occur, procedures are established herein to ensure against misuse of increased flexibility.
- (b) *Permitted uses:*
- (1) An application for a PD district shall specify the base zoning district(s) upon which the PD is based, and the use or the combination of uses proposed (particularly if any of the proposed uses are not allowed by right in the base zoning district).
  - (2) PD designations shall not be attached to SUP requirements. Specific use permits allowed in a base zoning district(s) are allowed in a PD only if specifically identified as allowable by SUP at the time of PD approval, and if specifically cited as an "additional use" (i.e., to those allowed by right in the PD) in the ordinance establishing the PD.
  - (3) Any use that is not specifically cited as permitted (by right or by SUP) in the applicable base zoning district(s) or the PD ordinance shall be prohibited unless the PD ordinance is amended using the procedures set forth in this section and in section 28-24 of this chapter.
- (c) *Planned development requirements:*
- (1) Any development requirements for a particular PD district that deviate from those of the base zoning district(s) shall be set forth in the amending ordinance granting the PD district. These shall include:
    - a. Allowed or additional (i.e., SUP) uses,
    - b. Density,
    - c. Lot area, width, and/or depth,
    - d. Yard depths and widths,
    - e. Building height, size, and/or exterior construction,
    - f. Lot coverage,
    - g. Floor area ratio,
    - h. Parking,
    - i. Access,
    - j. Screening,
    - k. Landscaping,
    - l. Accessory buildings,
    - m. Signs,
    - n. Lighting,
    - o. Project phasing or scheduling,
    - p. Property management associations, and
    - q. Other requirements as the city council and planning and zoning commission may deem appropriate.

- 
- (2) In the PD district, uses and development standards shall conform to the standards and regulations of the base zoning district(s) unless specifically stated otherwise in the PD ordinance. The base zoning district(s) shall be stated in the PD granting ordinance.
- a. All applications to the city shall list all requested deviations from the standard requirements set forth throughout this chapter as applicable to each base zoning district (applications without this list will be considered incomplete).
  - b. The PD district shall conform to all other regulations of the applicable base zoning district(s), as well as all other sections of the zoning ordinance, unless specifically changed or excluded in the ordinance establishing the PD.
  - c. A PD that is based upon more than one base zoning district shall also include a legal (i.e., metes and bounds) description and graphic exhibit describing/showing the proposed boundaries of each respective area and its base zoning district (e.g., shown as "Proposed PD-SF-7.2," "Proposed PD-C-N," etc.).
- (3) The ordinance granting a PD district shall include a statement as to the purpose and intent of the PD district granted therein, as well as a general statement citing the reason for the PD request.
- (d) *Approvals required:* In establishing a planned development district in accordance with this section, the city council shall approve and file as part of the amending ordinance appropriate plans and standards for each PD district. To facilitate understanding of the request during the review and public hearing process, the concurrent submission of a concept plan shall be required along with the PD zoning application. A construction plat may be submitted in lieu of the concept plan for a single- or two-family PD (see the subdivision ordinance for submission and other requirements) if the applicant prefers to do so. Subsequent site plans may also be required if specified as part of the planned development approval.
- (e) *Concept plan:*
- (1) *Purpose:* This section establishes a review process for concept plan, which are required for all planned developments. The purpose is to ensure that a development project is in compliance with all applicable city ordinances and guidelines prior to commencement of construction.
  - (2) *Applicability:* Submission and approval of a concept plan shall be required for all planned developments. Approval of a concept plan shall be deemed approval for the related planned development.
  - (3) *Building permit and certificate of occupancy:* No building permit shall be issued until a concept plan and all other required engineering/construction plans are first approved by the city. No certificate of occupancy shall be issued until all construction and development conforms to the concept plan and engineering/construction plans, as approved by the city.
  - (4) *Extent of area that should be included in a concept plan:* When the overall development project is to be developed in phases, the area included within the concept plan shall include only the portion of the overall property that is to be developed/constructed.
  - (5) *Procedures and submission requirements for concept plan approval:* All concept plans shall be prepared by a qualified civil engineer, land planner, architect or surveyor, and it shall clearly show in detail how the site will be constructed (such as paving, buildings, landscaped areas, utilities, etc.). To ensure the submission of adequate information, the city is hereby empowered to maintain and distribute a separate list of specific requirements for the review of concept plan applications.
  - (6) *Review and approval of a concept plan:* The approval process for a concept plan shall generally be review by city staff, recommendation by the planning and zoning commission, and approval by the city council.

Concept plan is also  
addressed in LDC 28-26

a. *City staff review of concept plans:*

1. Upon official submission of a complete application of a concept plan for approval, the city shall review the application. specifically, the city manager, city engineer, and the building official (or their designee) shall review the concept plan prior to the concept plan being forwarded to the planning and zoning commission.
2. Concept plans shall be evaluated to ensure that all developments are, to the best extent possible, constructed according to the city's codes and ordinances.
3. Following city staff review, and following discussions regarding necessary revisions, the applicant shall resubmit additional copies of the corrected concept plan to the city manager (or his/her designee) at least 12 calendar days prior to the planning and zoning commission meeting.
4. The city manager shall then submit the corrected plan to the planning and zoning commission.
5. It should be noted that the city manager (or his/her designee) shall forward the original plan application to the commission if the corrected version is not resubmitted within the prescribed time period.
6. It should also be noted that a corrected plan that is incomplete or is otherwise not ready for consideration shall be subject to denial.

b. *Planning and zoning commission review of concept plans:*

1. All concept plan applications shall be reviewed by the planning and zoning commission.
2. The city manager, or his/her designee, shall schedule consideration of the concept plan application on the regular agenda of the planning and zoning commission within 45 calendar days after the application is received.
3. The planning and zoning commission shall review the concept plan and shall recommend to the city council approval, approval subject to certain conditions, or denial of the concept plan.

c. *City council review of and action on concept plans:*

1. All concept plan applications shall be reviewed by the city council after being reviewed by the planning and zoning commission.
2. The city manager, or his/her designee, shall schedule consideration of the concept plan application on the regular agenda of the city council.
3. The city council shall review the concept plan and shall approve, approve subject to certain conditions, or deny approval of the concept plan.

(7) *Revisions to the approved concept plan:*

a. *Minor revisions/amendments:*

1. It is recognized that final architectural and engineering design may necessitate minor changes in the approved concept plan. In such cases, the city manager, or his/her designee, shall have the authority to approve minor modifications to an approved concept plan. Such minor modifications submitted on an "amended concept plan," which shall substantially conform to the previously approved concept plan.
2. Submission materials and requirements for approval of an amended concept plan shall be as determined by the city manager, or his/her designee.

- 
- b. *Major revisions:* In the event of revisions that are more extensive in nature (i.e., do not conform to the description for minor amendments above), a new concept plan must be resubmitted, reviewed, and approved in accordance with subsection (5) above. The city manager shall have the authority to determine whether a new concept plan warrants a new review and approval procedure.
- (8) *Effect of review/approval:* The concept plan shall be considered authorization to proceed with construction of the site provided all other required city approvals are obtained (such as final plat, engineering plans, etc.). Approval of a concept plan shall be considered approval of the planned development.
- (f) *Site plan requirement:*
- (1) Subsequent site plan approvals may be required if specified as part of the planned development approval.
  - (2) Such site plan shall follow the review and approval procedures, and will expire, as outlined in section 28-63 for specific use permits.
- (g) *General approval process and procedures:*
- (1) The procedure for establishing a planned development zoning district shall follow the procedures for zoning amendments as set forth in section 28-26 of this chapter. This procedure shall be expanded to include concurrent consideration and approval (or denial) of the concept plan that is submitted along with the PD zoning request application. The public hearings conducted for, and the subsequent actions taken upon, the PD zoning request shall also include the accompanying concept plan and site plan (if applicable), and if the PD is approved then the concept plan and site plan (if applicable) shall become a part of the ordinance establishing the PD district.
  - (2) The ordinance establishing the planned development zoning district shall not be approved (or adopted) until the accompanying concept plan and site plan (if applicable) are approved by the city council.
- (h) When a zoning request for a planned development district is being considered, a written report from the city manager discussing the project's impact upon planning, engineering, water utilities, electric, sanitation, building inspection, tax, police, fire and traffic, as well as written comments from applicable public agencies (such as the school district and/or utility companies), may be submitted to the planning and zoning commission prior to the commission making any recommendations to the city council. In the event written comments and advisement are not received prior to the planning and zoning commission's meeting at which the PD zoning request is to be considered, the commission may, at its discretion, make a recommendation to the city council without said comments or advisement.
- (i) *Expiration of concept plan and/or site plan:*
- (1) Submittal within two years required. An application for approval of a site plan (if required), plat, or other required permit shall be submitted for approval within two years of the date of establishment of the PD district and approval of the concept plan, unless otherwise provided in the adopting ordinance. If a site plan, plat, or other required permit is not submitted within such period, the concept plan shall expire.
  - (2) Expiration of an approved concept plan shall result in suspension of the authority to submit a site plan, plat, or other required permit related to the original concept plan. A new concept plan must be submitted before the development process can continue.
  - (3) An approved site plan, if required, shall expire in accordance with subsection 28-63(d).

- 
- (4) Expiration of any approved plat or required permit that is subsequently approved after a concept plan shall also result in expiration of the associated concept plan. If the approved plat or other required plan is reinstated, the concept plan shall be deemed to be reinstated as well.
- (j) *Ability to submit a site plan, plat, or other required plan:* Following expiration of the right to submit a site plan, plat, or other required permit, the applicant shall retain the ability to submit a new site plan, plat, or other required permit for a period of five years following the original approval of the related concept plan. Such new site plan, plat, or other required permit may only be for the same approved PD project. However, any such new site plan, plat, or other required permit shall adhere to any and all new standards and regulations that the city has adopted in the interim (i.e., between the two-year expiration date and the five-year period specified) in relation to a site plan, plat, or other required permit.
- (k) *Ability to retain the rights to the PD project.*
- (1) Any PD project for which no site plan, plat, or other required permit has been submitted for a period of five years following the approval of the related concept plan shall expire on the last day of that five-year period.
- (2) After such five-year period has ended and the project expires, the planning and zoning commission shall consider whether the undeveloped land within PD district should be changed to another zoning classification in accordance with the procedures for action upon a zoning map amendment pursuant to section 28-24 of this chapter. The commission thereafter shall recommend to the city council whether the right to submit a site plan, plat, or other required permit for the same PD project should be reinstated, or whether the property should be zoned to another classification.
- (3) *Council consideration and factors.* The commission's recommendation shall be considered by the city council in accordance with procedures for action upon a zoning map amendment pursuant to section 28-24 of this chapter. The council shall determine whether the right to submit the site plan, plat, or other required permit for the same PD project should be reinstated, or whether the property should be rezoned to another classification. In making such determination, the council shall consider the following factors:
- a. Whether the PD district remains consistent with the comprehensive plan;
  - b. Whether the uses authorized in the PD district are compatible with existing and planned land uses adjacent to the site;
  - c. Whether there are extenuating circumstances justifying the failure to submit a site plan, plat, or other required permit during the applicable time period; and
  - d. Whether rezoning the property to another classification constitutes confiscation of a vested property right or deprives the owner of the economically viable use of the land.
- (4) *Council action.* Upon (1), (2) and (3) above occurring, the city council may take the following actions:
- a. Reinstatement of the right to submit the site plan, plat, or other required permit for the original PD project within a certain time, subject to any conditions that may be appropriate to ensure that significant progress will be made toward development of land within the PD district;
  - b. Modify the PD district regulations applicable to the property; or
  - c. Repeal the PD district for the affected portions of the property and zone such property to another zoning district classification.
- (l) *Prior planned development ordinances remaining in effect:* Prior to adoption of this chapter, the city council previously established certain planned development districts, some of which are to be continued in full force and effect. The ordinances or parts of ordinances approved prior to this chapter, specified in appendix A-1, shall be carried forth in full force and effect and are the conditions, restrictions, regulations and

requirements which apply to the respective planned development districts shown on the zoning district map as of the effective date of this chapter. Each prior PD ordinance is hereby assigned a unique identification number (e.g., PD-1, PD-2, PD-3, and so on) as shown in appendix A-1, and subsequent PD ordinances adopted after the effective date of this chapter shall be similarly numbered for identification purposes.

- (m) *Documentation of planned development ordinances:* All planned development zoning districts approved in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, as may be amended, shall be prefixed by a "PD" designation and assigned a unique identification number (e.g., PD-1, PD-2, PD-3, and so on), and shall also be referenced on the zoning district map. A list of such planned development districts, showing the uses permitted and any other special stipulations of each PD district, shall be maintained as part of this chapter.

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(34)(34.1—34.13), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 20191112-009, § 2, 11-12-19)

### **Sec. 28-63. SUP—Specific use permits.**

(a) *Purpose and intent:*

- (1) *Nature of specific use permits:* A specific use permit (SUP) may be granted to a land use which, because of its unique nature, is compatible with the permitted land uses in a given zoning district only upon a determination that the external effects of the use in relation to the existing and planned uses of adjoining property and the neighborhood can be mitigated through imposition of certain standards and conditions. This section sets forth the standards used to evaluate proposed specific uses and the procedures for approving specific use permit applications.
- (2) *Permit required:* No specific use permit shall be established and no building permit shall be issued for any use requiring a specific use permit within any zoning district until a specific use permit (SUP) is issued in accordance with the provisions of this section. An application for a specific use permit shall be accompanied by a detailed site plan prepared in the manner described in section 28-26. The site plan shall illustrate the proposed use to be established, its relationship to adjoining properties, and how it meets the approval standards set forth in subsection 28-63(d).

(b) *Status of uses permitted by specific use permit:*

The following general rules apply to all specific uses:

- (1) The designation of a use in a zoning district as may be permitted by SUP in section 28-81 (use charts) of this chapter does not constitute an authorization or assurance that such use will be approved.
- (2) Approval of a specific use permit shall authorize only the particular use for which the SUP is issued.
- (3) No use authorized by a specific use permit shall be enlarged, extended or relocated, nor may the number of dwelling units be increased, unless an application is made for approval of a new specific use permit in accordance with the procedures set forth in this section and section 28-24 of this chapter.
- (4) Development of the use shall not be carried out until the applicant has secured all the permits and approvals required by these zoning regulations, the city's Code of Ordinances, and any permits that may be required by regional, state or federal agencies.

(c) *Application for specific use permit:*

- (1) *Application requirements:* An application for a specific use permit may be submitted by the property owner or by the property owner's designated representative to the city. The application shall be accompanied by a site plan prepared and approved in accordance with the requirements of section 28-63(d) below. If a base zoning district amendment is required or requested, such rezoning application shall accompany the application for a specific use permit. All site plan applications shall be subject to the review and expiration procedures in subsection 28-63(d).

Created: 2021-03-10 16:12:43 [EST]

(Supp. No. 19)

- (2) *Subdivision approval:* If the proposed use requires a division of land, an application for subdivision approval shall be submitted in conjunction with the application for a specific use permit (see subdivision ordinance). Approval of the specific use permit shall not become effective until final approval of the subdivision application provided that, if the land is to be divided and developed in phases, the approval of the specific use permit shall take effect upon final plat approval of the phase of the subdivision containing the property on which the specific use is to be located.

(d) *Site plan:*

- (1) *Purpose:* This section establishes a review process for site plan applications. The purpose is to ensure that a development project is in compliance with all applicable city ordinances and guidelines prior to commencement of construction.
- (2) *Applicability:* A site plan shall be required in conjunction with any application for an SUP. Refer to section 28-26 for applicability regarding other developments for which a site plan shall be required.
- (3) *Building permit and certificate of occupancy:* A site plan may be submitted in conjunction with a building permit application. No building permit shall be issued until a site plan, as required, and all other required engineering/construction plans are first approved by the city. No certificate of occupancy shall be issued until all construction and development conforms to the site plan and engineering/construction plans, as approved by the city.
- (4) *Submission requirements for site plan approval:* All site plans shall be prepared by a qualified civil engineer, land planner, architect or surveyor, and shall clearly show in detail how the site will be constructed (such as paving, buildings, landscaped areas, utilities, etc.). The specific requirements for site plan applications shall include the following:
- a. When the overall development project is to be developed in phases, the site plan shall include only the portion of the overall property that is to be developed/constructed;
  - b. A title block within the lower right hand corner of the site plan with the proposed name of the project/subdivision, the name and address of the owner/developer and the land planner, engineer architect or surveyor responsible for the plan, the scale of the drawing (both written and graphic scale), the date the drawing was prepared, total site acreage, and the location of the property according to the abstract and survey records of Brazoria County, Texas;
  - c. A vicinity or location map that shows the location of the proposed development within the city (or its ETJ) and in relationship to existing roadways;
  - d. The boundary survey limits of the tract (and each proposed lot) and scale distances with north clearly indicated;
  - e. The names of adjacent additions or subdivisions (or the name of the owners of record and recording information for adjacent parcels of unplatted land), including parcels on the other sides of roads, creeks, etc.;
  - f. The existing zoning and existing/proposed uses on adjacent land; the location, width and names of all existing or platted streets or other public ways within or adjacent to the tract; any existing easements (with recording information); existing buildings; railroad rights-of-way; topography (contours at two-foot intervals) with existing drainage channels or creeks (including the 100-year flood plain, if applicable); any other important natural features (such as rock outcroppings, caves, wildlife habitats, etc.); and all substantial natural vegetation;
  - g. Proposed strategies for tree preservation (showing individual trees or tree masses that will be preserved, and the techniques that will be used to protect them during construction);

Site Plan  
addressed  
in 28-63  
too.

- h. The layout and width (right-of-way lines and curb lines) of existing and proposed thoroughfares, collector streets and/or intersections, and specific configuration of proposed streets, lots and blocks, proposed driveways (show driveway widths and distances between driveways), and proposed median openings and left turn lanes on future divided roadways (existing and planned driveways on the opposite side of divided roadways must also be shown for coordination and sharing of future median openings);
- i. Specific locations and footprints of buildings, including but not limited to proposed nonresidential and residential densities; building heights, square footages (for multi-tenant or multi-purpose buildings, show square footage for each intended use), massing, orientation, loading/service areas (including proposed screening), recycling containers, compactors and dumpster enclosures (including proposed screening), pedestrian walkways, and parking areas (including parking ratio calculations); any proposed sites for parks, schools, public facilities, public or private open space; flood plains/drainage ways; all proposed and existing utilities and easements; drainage structures; retention/detention ponds with proposed aesthetic treatments; screening walls; fences; signage; fire lanes and fire hydrants; lighting; visibility easements; and other pertinent development related features;
- j. A landscape plan showing turf areas, tree types and sizes, screening walls, ornamental plantings, planting schedule (including species, planted height, spacing, container/caliper size, numbers of each plant material, etc.) any existing wooded areas, trees to be planted, and irrigation plans (if required); and
- k. Building facade (elevation) plans showing elevations with any attached (wall-mounted) signage to be used, as determined appropriate by the city manager.

Provision of the above items shall conform to the principles and standards of this chapter and the comprehensive plan. To ensure the submission of adequate information, the city is hereby empowered to maintain and distribute a separate list of specific requirements for site plan review applications. Upon periodic review, the city manager shall have the authority to update such requirements for site plan and development review applications. It is the applicant's responsibility to be familiar with, and to comply with, these requirements.

(5) *Review and approval of a site plan:*

- a. *City staff review of site plans.*
  1. Following submittal of a complete application of a site plan in accordance with section 28-26, city staff shall review the site plan application. Specifically, the city manager, city engineer, and the building official (or their respective designees) shall review the site plan prior to the site plan being forwarded to the planning and zoning commission
  2. Site plans shall be evaluated to ensure that all developments are, to the best extent possible, constructed according to the city's codes and ordinances.
  3. Following city staff review, and following discussions regarding necessary revisions, the applicant shall resubmit additional copies of the corrected site plan to the city manager (or his/her designee) within seven calendar days prior to the planning and zoning commission meeting.
  4. The city manager shall then submit the corrected plan to the planning and zoning commission.
  5. It should be noted that the city manager (or his/her designee) shall forward the original plan application to the commission if the corrected version is not resubmitted within the prescribed time period.

- 
6. It should also be noted that a corrected plan that is incomplete or is otherwise not ready for consideration shall be subject to denial.
- b. *Planning and zoning commission review of and action on site plans.*
    1. All site plan applications shall be reviewed by the planning and zoning commission.
    2. The city manager, or his/her designee, shall schedule consideration of any site plan application on the regular agenda of the planning and zoning commission within 20 working days after the complete application is received.
    3. The planning and zoning commission shall conduct a public hearing on the SUP application and related site plan in order to formulate its recommendations to the city council. The commission shall then recommend to the city council that the SUP application and related site plan be approved, approved subject to certain conditions, or denied.
    4. If the planning and zoning commission recommends denial of the site plan, it shall provide reasons to the applicant for the denial, if requested by the applicant. The planning and zoning chairperson shall inform the applicant of the right to receive reasons for the denial.
  - c. *City council review of and action on site plans.*
    1. All site plan applications shall be reviewed and finally acted upon by the city council.
    2. The city manager, or his/her designee, shall schedule consideration of any site plan application on the regular agenda of the city council within 40 working days after planning and zoning commission action.
    3. The city council shall conduct a public hearing on the SUP application and related site plan. The council shall then approve, approve subject to certain conditions, or deny the site plan.
    4. City council approval of the SUP application and related site plan shall require a simple majority vote.
    5. The city council may also, where appropriate, remand the SUP application and related site plan back to the commission for reconsideration if it believes that there is a compelling reason to do so (such as the introduction of significant new facts or testimony, etc.).
    6. City council decision on all SUP applications and related site plans shall be final, unless consideration is remanded back to the commission.
- (6) *Revisions to the approved site plan:*
- a. *Minor revisions/amendments.*
    1. It is recognized that final architectural and engineering design may necessitate minor changes in the approved site plan. In such cases, the city manager, or his/her designee, shall have the authority to approve minor modifications to an approved site plan. Such minor modifications shall be submitted as an "amended site plan." The amended site plan shall be clearly titled as such, and shall substantially conform to the previously approved site plan.
    2. Submission materials and requirements for approval of an amended site plan shall be as determined by the city manager, or his/her designee.
  - b. *Major revisions.* In the event of revisions that are more extensive in nature (i.e., do not conform to the description for minor amendments above), a new site plan must be resubmitted for review and approval. The city manager shall have the authority to determine whether changes to a site plan warrant another review and approval procedure (in accordance with this section).

- 
- (7) *Effect of review/approval:* The site plan shall be considered authorization for a specific use permit, as well as authorization to proceed with construction of the site (if applicable) and other required city approvals (such as final plat, engineering plans, building permit, etc.).
- (8) *Validity and lapse of site plan approval:* A site plan shall be considered a "permit" as described by state law in V.T.C.A., Local Government Code, Ch. 245.005.
- a. *Valid for two years:* Any approved site plan shall be deemed expired two years from the date on which the site plan was originally approved by the city council if no progress has been made toward completion of the project.
  - b. *Progress benchmarks:* The term "progress" shall be as defined based on V.T.C.A., Ch. 245.005 as follows:
    1. Plans for construction and an application for a building permit for at least one of the buildings on the approved site plan are submitted within two years following approval of the site plan.
    2. A good-faith attempt is made to file with the city an application for a permit necessary to begin or continue towards completion of the project;
    3. Costs have been incurred for developing the project including, without limitation, costs associated with roadway, utility, and other infrastructure facilities designed to serve, in whole or in part, the project (but exclusive of land acquisition) in the aggregate amount of five percent of the most recent appraised market value of the real property on which the project is located;
    4. Fiscal security is posted with the city to ensure performance of an obligation required by the city; or
    5. Utility connection fees or impact fees for the project have been paid to the city.
  - c. *Expiration:* If one of the items listed in subsections b.1. through b.5. above is not accomplished within the two-year period, then the approved site plan shall expire and shall become null and void.
  - d. *Extension and reinstatement procedure:*
    1. Prior to the lapse of approval for a site plan, the applicant may petition the city (in writing) to extend the site plan approval.
    2. Such petition shall be recommended for approval or denial by the planning and zoning commission, and shall be granted approval or denial by the city council.
    3. If no petition is submitted, then the site plan shall be deemed to have expired and shall become null and void. Any new request for site plan approval shall be deemed a "new permit," and shall be submitted with a new application form, with a new filing fee, and with new plans and materials in accordance with the procedures set forth in this section. The new request shall also be reviewed for compliance with the ordinances and regulations in effect at the time the new application is made.
    4. In determining whether to grant a request for extension, the planning and zoning commission and city council shall take into account:
      - (i) The reasons for the lapse,
      - (ii) The ability of the property owner to comply with any conditions attached to the original approval, and

- (iii) The extent to which development regulations would apply to the site plan at that point in time.

(e) *Standards:*

- (1) *Factors for consideration:* When considering applications for a specific use permit, the planning and zoning commission in making its recommendation and the city council in rendering its decision on the application shall, on the basis of the site plan and other information submitted, evaluate the impact of the specific use on, and the compatibility of the use with, surrounding properties and neighborhoods to ensure the appropriateness of the use at a particular location. The planning and zoning commission and the city council shall specifically consider the extent to which:
- a. The proposed use at the specified location is consistent with the goals, objectives and policies contained in the adopted comprehensive plan;
  - b. The proposed use is consistent with the general purpose and intent of the applicable zoning district regulations;
  - c. The proposed use meets all supplemental standards specifically applicable to the use as set forth in this chapter;
  - d. The proposed use is compatible with and preserves the character and integrity of adjacent development and neighborhoods and, as required by the particular circumstances, includes improvements or modifications either on-site or within the public rights-of-way to mitigate development-related adverse impacts, including but not limited to:
    1. Adequate ingress and egress to property and proposed structures thereon with particular reference to vehicular and pedestrian safety and convenience, and access in case of fire;
    2. Off-street parking and loading areas;
    3. Refuse and service areas;
    4. Utilities with reference to location, availability, and compatibility;
    5. Screening and buffering, features to minimize visual impacts, and/or set-backs from adjacent uses;
    6. Control of signs, if any, and proposed exterior lighting with reference to glare, traffic safety, economic effect, and compatibility and harmony with properties in the district;
    7. Required yards and open space;
    8. Height and bulk of structures;
    9. Hours of operation;
    10. Exterior construction material and building design; and
    11. Roadway adjustments, traffic control devices or mechanisms, and access restrictions to control traffic flow or divert traffic as may be needed to reduce or eliminate development-generated traffic on neighborhood streets.
  - e. The proposed use is not materially detrimental to the public health, safety, convenience and welfare, or results in material damage or prejudice to other property in the vicinity.
- (2) *Conditions:* In approving the application, the planning and zoning commission may recommend, and the city council may impose, such additional conditions (e.g., hours of operation, etc.) as are reasonably necessary to assure compliance with these standards and the purpose and intent of this section, in accordance with the procedures in section 28-24. Such additional conditions shall exceed

the minimum standards contained herein or in any other applicable city Code or Ordinance, and they cannot, in effect, relax or grant relief from any of the city's minimum standards (see subsection (3) below). Any conditions imposed shall be set forth in the ordinance approving the specific use permit, and shall be incorporated into or noted on the site plan for final approval. The city manager shall verify that the plan incorporates all conditions set forth in the ordinance authorizing the specific use permit, and shall sign the site plan to indicate final approval. The city shall maintain a record of such approved specific use permits and the site plans and conditions attached thereto.

- (3) *Prohibition on waivers and variances:* The foregoing additional conditions (i.e., standards of development for the SUP) shall not be subject to variances that otherwise could be granted by the board of adjustments, nor may conditions imposed by the city council subsequently be waived or varied by the BOA. In conformity with the authority of the city council to authorize specific use permits, the city council may waive or modify specific standards otherwise made applicable to the use by this chapter, to secure the general objectives of this section; provided, however, that the city council shall not waive or modify any approval factor set forth in subsection (a) of this subsection 28-63(e).

(f) *Expiration and extension:*

- (1) A specific use permit may be rescinded by the city council, on its own motion and at its discretion, for failure to commence development, for failure to secure an extension or reinstatement of the related site plan that was approved along with the SUP ordinance.

(g) *Amendment:*

- (1) No proposed or existing building, premise or land use authorized as a specific use permit may be established, enlarged, modified, structurally altered, or otherwise changed from that approved in the specific use permit, unless such amendment is authorized in accordance with the standards and procedures set forth in this section, and the specific use permit and approved site plan are amended accordingly.

(h) *Other regulations:*

- (1) The board of adjustments shall not have jurisdiction to hear, review, reverse, or modify any decision, determination, or ruling with respect to the specific land use designated by any specific use permit.

(i) *Use regulations:*

- (1) Uses allowed by SUP are specified in section 28-81 (use charts).

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (III)(35)(35.1—35.9), 4-14-09)

**Secs. 28-64—28-80. Reserved.**

## **ARTICLE IV. USE REGULATIONS**

### **Sec. 28-81. Use regulations (Charts).**

- (a) (1) The use of land and/or buildings shall be in accordance with those listed in the following use charts. No land or building shall hereafter be used and no building or structure shall be erected, altered, or converted other than for those uses specified in the zoning district in which it is located. The legend for interpreting the permitted uses in the use charts (subsection 28-81(b)) is:

**P** Designates use permitted in the zoning district indicated.

Designates use prohibited (i.e., not allowed) in the zoning district indicated.

**S** Designates use may be permitted in the zoning district indicated by Specific Use Permit (also see Section 35).

See definitions in section 28-112 of the zoning ordinance for further description of uses.

- (2) If a use is not listed (or blank) in the use charts, it is not allowed in any zoning district (see subsection (4) below).
- (3) *Use chart organization:* The following use categories are listed in the use charts (subsection 28-81(b)):
- a. Agricultural uses.
  - b. Residential uses.
  - c. Office uses.
  - d. Personal and business service uses.
  - e. Retail uses.
  - f. Transportation and auto service uses.
  - g. Amusement and recreational service uses.
  - h. Institutional/governmental uses.
  - i. Commercial and wholesale trade uses.
  - j. Light manufacturing/industrial and construction uses.
- (4) *Classification of new/unlisted uses:* It is recognized that new types of land use will arise in the future, and forms of land use not presently anticipated may seek to locate in the City of Angleton. In order to provide for such changes and contingencies, a determination as to the appropriate classification of any new or unlisted form of land use in the use charts (subsection 28-81(b)) shall be made as follows:
- a. Initiation:
    1. A person, city department, the planning and zoning commission, or the city council may propose zoning amendments to regulate new and previously unlisted uses.
    2. A person requesting the addition of a new or unlisted use shall submit to the city manager all information necessary for the classification of the use, including but not limited to:
      - (i) The nature of the use and whether the use involves dwelling activity, sales, services, or processing;
      - (ii) The type of product sold or produced under the use;
      - (iii) Whether the use has enclosed or open storage and the amount and nature of the storage;
      - (iv) Anticipated employment typically anticipated with the use;
      - (v) Transportation requirements;
      - (vi) The nature and time of occupancy and operation of the premises;
      - (vii) The off-street parking and loading requirements;

- (viii) The amount of noise, odor, fumes, dust, toxic materials and vibration likely to be generated;
  - (ix) The requirements for public utilities such as sanitary sewer and water and any special public services that may be required; and
  - (x) Impervious surface coverage.
- b. The city manager shall refer the question concerning any new or unlisted use to the planning and zoning commission requesting a recommendation as to the zoning classification into which such use should be placed. The referral of the use interpretation question shall be accompanied by the statement of facts in subsection 2. above. An amendment to this chapter shall be required as prescribed by section 28-24.
- c. The planning and zoning commission shall consider the nature and described performance of the proposed use and its compatibility with the uses permitted in the various districts and determine the zoning district or districts within which such use is most similar and should be permitted (by right or by SUP).
- d. The planning and zoning commission shall transmit its findings and recommendations to the city council as to the classification proposed for any new or unlisted use. The city council shall approve or disapprove the recommendation of the planning and zoning commission or make such determination concerning the classification of such use as is determined appropriate based upon its findings. If approved, the new or unlisted use shall be amended in the use charts of the zoning ordinance according to section 28-24 (i.e., following notification and public hearing, etc.).
- e. Standards for new and unlisted uses may be interpreted by the city manager as those of a similar use. When a determination of the appropriate zoning district cannot be readily ascertained, the same criteria outlined in subsection 2. above shall be followed for determination of the appropriate district. The decision of the city manager may be appealed according to the process outlined in subsections 2.b. through 2.d. above.

(b) Use charts.

{Beginning on the following page.}

Legend:																					
P - The land use is "Permitted" by right in the zoning district indicated.																					
□ - The land use is "Prohibited" in the zoning district indicated.																					
S - The land use "May be approved" as a specific use permit (SUP) in the zoning district indicated.																					
Types of Land Uses	Residential Zoning Districts												Nonresidential Zoning Districts								
	A	SF	SF	SF	SF	SF	SF	SF	2F	SF	M	M	M	M	U	U	U	U	CB	U	
<i>Agricultural Uses</i>																					
Bulk Grain and/or Feed Storage	P																				P
Farms, General (Crops)	P	P																			P
Farms, General (Livestock/Ranch)	P	P																			P
Greenhouse (Non-Retail/Hobby)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P					P							P



<i>Office Uses</i>																			
Armed Services Recruiting Center														P	P	P	P	P	P
Check Cashing Service														P	P	P	P	P	P
Credit Agency														P	P	P	P	P	P
Insurance Agency Offices														P	P	P	P	P	P
Medical Laboratory															S	S	S	S	P
Offices (Brokerage Services)														P	P	P	P	P	P
Offices (Health Services)														P	P	P	P	P	P
Offices (Legal Services)														P	P	P	P	P	P
Offices (Medical Clinic or Office)														P	P	P	P	P	P
Offices (Professional)														P	P	P	P	P	P
Offices (Parole-Probation)																			
Real Estate Offices														P	P	P	P	P	P
Telemarketing Agency														S	S	S	S	S	P
Bank/Credit Union														P	P	P	P	P	P
Savings and Loan														P	P	P	P	P	P
Security Monitoring Company (No Outside Storage)														P	P	P	P	P	P
<i>Personal and Business Service Uses</i>																			
Appliance Repair																P	P		P
Artist Studio														P	P	P	P	P	P
Ambulance Service (Private)																S	S		P
Automobile Driving School (including Defensive Driving)														S	P	P	P	P	P
Automatic Teller Machines (ATM's)														P	P	P	P	P	P
Barber/Beauty Shop/College (barber or cosmetology school or college)														S	S	P	P		P
Barber/Beauty Shop (non-college)														P	P	P	P	P	P
Bed and Breakfast Inn	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	P	P	P	P	
Communication Equipment Sales/Service (Installation and/or Repair - No outdoor sales or storage or towers/antennae)																P			P
Computer Sales														P	P	P	P	P	P
Credit Unions														P	P	P	P	P	P
Dance/Drama/Music Schools (Performing Arts)														P	P	P	P	P	P









Swimming Pool (Public; municipal)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Tennis Court (Private/Lighted)	P	P	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	P	P	P	P	S	S	S				S
Tennis Court (Private/Not Lighted)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P				P
Theater, Drive-In (Outdoor)																				S
Theater (Non-Motion Picture; Live Drama)																P	P	P		P
Travel Trailers/RVs (Long-Term Stays)	S												S	S						S
Travel Trailers/RVs (Short-Term Stays)	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Video Rental/Sales																P	P	P	P	P
<i>Institutional/Governmental Uses</i>																				
Airport or Landing Field																				S
Antenna (Noncommercial)	(See subsection 28-106(e))																			
Antenna (Commercial)	(See subsection 28-106(e))																			
Assisted Living Facility													S	P	P	P	S	S	S	S
Broadcast Towers (Commercial)	(See subsection 28-106(e))																			
Cellular Communications Tower/PCS	(See subsection 28-106(e))																			
Cemetery and/or Mausoleum	S																	S	S	S
Child Day Care (Business)														S	S	S	S	S		S
Church/Place of Worship	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Civic Club																P	P	P	P	P
Clinic (Medical)																P	P	P	P	P
Community Center (Municipal)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Electrical Generating Plant	S																	S		P
Electrical Substation	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S			P
Electrical Transmission Line	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S			P
Emergency Care Clinic																S	P	P	P	P
Fire Station	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Franchised Private Utility (not listed)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Fraternal Organization																S	S	P	P	P
Gas Transmission Line (Regulating Station)	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S			S
Governmental Building or Use (County, State or Federal)	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	P	P	P	P	P		P
Group Day Care Home							S	S	S	P	P	P	P	S	S	P	P	S		S
Heliport																				S
Helistop																S	S	S		P

Hospice										P	P	P		S	S	S		P	S
Hospital (Acute care/Chronic Care)														S	S	P		P	P
Household Care Facility	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P						
Institution for Alcoholic, Narcotic, or Psychiatric Patients															S	S	S		S
Library (Public)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Mailing Service (Private)														P	P	P	P	P	P
Maternity Homes										P	P	P		S	S	S	S	S	S
Municipal Facility or Use	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Nonprofit Activities by Church (in furtherance of church/religious purposes)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Nursing/Convalescent Home									S	P	P	P	S	S	S	S	S	P	S
Orphanage	S									S	S	S				S	S		
Philanthropic organization														S	S	S	S	S	S
Phone Exchange/Switching Station	S													S	S	S	S	S	S
Police Station	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Post Office (Governmental)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Public Health Center														S	S	P	P	P	P
Radio/Television Tower (Commercial)	(See subsection 28-106(e))																		
Rectory/Parsonage	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Rehabilitation Care Facility (Halfway House)	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
Rehabilitation Care Institution																S	S		S
Retirement Home/Home for the Aged									S	P	P	P	S	S	S	S	S	P	S
Sanitarium														S	S	S	S	S	S
School, K through 12 (Private)	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
School, K through 12 (Public)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
School, Vocational (Business/Commercial Trade)														S	S	P	P	S	P
Sewage Pumping Station	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Surgical Out-Patient Facility																S	P		P
Utility Distribution Line	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P
Water Supply Facility (Private)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P
Water Supply Facility (Public; includes Elevated Water Storage)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P
Water/Wastewater Treatment Plant (Public)	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P		P	P	P		P





Part II - CODE OF ORDINANCES  
Chapter 28 - ZONING  
ARTICLE V. DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

## ARTICLE V. DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

### Sec. 28-101. Off-street parking and loading requirements.

- (a) *Purpose:* To secure safety from fire, panic, and other dangers; to lessen congestion on public streets; to facilitate the adequate provision of transportation; to conserve the value of buildings; and to encourage the most appropriate and efficient use of land. Minimum off-street parking and loading shall be provided as set forth in the following schedules and provisions.
- (b) *Residential districts—Special off-street parking provisions:*
- (1) Required off-street parking shall be provided on the same lot/site as the use it is to serve.
  - (2) All required vehicle parking shall be on a paved parking surface. All driveways and approaches to parking spaces shall be similarly paved, except in the OS-1 and AG districts.
- (c) *Nonresidential and MF districts—Special off-street parking provisions:*
- (1) To prevent nuisance situations, all parking area lighting shall be designed and operated so as not to reflect or shine on adjacent properties and in accordance with the standards established in section 28-107.
  - (2) For safety and firefighting purposes, free access through to adjacent nonresidential parking areas shall be provided in accordance with subsection 28-101(j) (fire lanes).
  - (3) All off-street parking, maneuvering, loading and storage areas shall be paved with paving in accordance with the city's parking lot paving requirements (no parking shall be permitted on grass, within landscaped areas, or on other unimproved surfaces). All driveway approaches shall be of reinforced concrete as described above, and shall be curbed to city standards. No paved parking space or area shall be designed such that a vehicle has to back up into a public street or across a public sidewalk, except for single- and two-family dwellings, which shall not be allowed to egress onto roadways that are larger than a residential collector (60 feet right-of-way) street unless specifically permitted on the approved site plan.  
  
Parking spaces shall be permanently and clearly identified by stripes, buttons, tiles, curbs, barriers, or other approved methods. Nonpermanent type marking, such as paint, shall be regularly maintained to ensure continuous clear identification of the space.
  - (4) Each standard off-street surface parking space size shall be in accordance with the design standards as shown on illustrations 11 through 15 for space size and design. Specific parking space sizes, exclusive of aisles, driveways and maneuvering areas shall be in accordance with the following minimum sizes:
    - a. *Standard:* Nine feet by 20 feet - 18-foot length is allowed, provided that the parking space has a two-foot clear bumper overhang area that does not encroach upon a public right-of-way, a sidewalk of less than six feet in width, or adjacent property.
    - b. *Parallel:* Eight feet by 22 feet.
  - (5) All parking and loading spaces, and vehicle sales areas on private property shall have a vehicle stopping device (e.g., curb, wheel stop, etc.) installed so as to prevent parking of motor vehicles in any required landscaped areas, to prevent vehicles from hitting buildings, to protect public and/or private utility structures/facilities, and to prevent parked vehicles from overhanging a public right-of-way line, public

sidewalk, or adjacent private property. An extra-wide walkway on private property may be permitted so as to allow encroachment of vehicle overhang while maintaining an unobstructed four-foot minimum walkway width. Parking shall not be permitted to encroach upon the public right-of-way in any case. All vehicle maneuvering shall take place on-site. No public right-of-way shall be used for backing or maneuvering into or from a parking space (except business locations in the downtown area that are already in existence as of the effective date of this chapter), or for circulation within the parking lot. All entrances into parking lots shall be at least 24 feet in width, and shall conform to the city's adopted subdivision regulations.

- (6) In all nonresidential and multifamily zoning districts, the perimeter of all parking lots and driveways shall be provided with concrete curbs.
- (7) Refuse storage facilities placed in a parking lot shall not be located in a designated parking or loading space. Each refuse facility shall be located so as to facilitate pickup by refuse collection agencies and ease of egress from the site without having to back up further than 20 feet and without having to go the wrong way in a traffic aisle.
- (8) Parking space(s) for persons with disabilities and other associated provisions (e.g., clear and unobstructed pathways into building, crosswalks across parking lots, etc.) shall be provided according to building codes, State laws, and requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Parking spaces for persons with disabilities shall be as close as possible to the main entrance of the building, and shall be appropriately and clearly marked.
- (9) In all nonresidential and multifamily zoning categories, designated parking and loading areas shall not be used for the repair, storage, dismantling or servicing (except for normal maintenance of a private vehicle) of vehicles or equipment, or for the storage of materials or supplies, or for any other use in conflict with the designated parking and loading areas (i.e., advertising or open storage of raw materials).
- (10) To ensure that all requirements set forth in this section are carried forward, it will be the responsibility of the owner of the parking area to adequately maintain the facility. All off-street parking areas shall be kept free of trash, debris, vehicle repair operation or display and advertising uses.
- (11) Off-street stacking requirements for drive-through facilities:
  - a. A stacking space shall be an area on a site measuring at least eight feet wide by 20 feet long with direct forward access to a service window or station of a drive-through facility which does not constitute space for any other circulation driveway, parking space, or maneuvering area. An escape lane, of at least eight feet in width and with negotiable geometric design, must be provided to allow vehicles to get out of stacking lane in the event of a stalled vehicle, emergency, accidental entry, etc.
  - b. For financial institutions with drive-through facilities, each teller window or station, human or mechanical, shall be provided with a minimum of five stacking spaces. One escape lane shall be provided.
  - c. For each service window of a drive-through restaurant, a minimum of five spaces shall be provided for the first vehicle stop (usually the menu/order board), and two spaces shall be provided for each additional vehicle stop (order/pick-up windows, etc.). One escape lane shall be provided from the beginning of the stacking lane to the first stop (e.g., menu/order board).
  - d. For retail operations (other than restaurants, banks, etc.) and kiosks that provide drive-up service (e.g., pharmacy, dry cleaners, etc.), a minimum of three stacking spaces for each service window shall be provided.

Created: 2021-03-10 16:12:45 [EST]

(Supp. No. 19)

- e. For a full-service car wash, each vacuum or gas pump lane shall be provided with a minimum of four stacking spaces. For the finish/drying area, adequate vehicle stacking and storage space must be provided to keep finished vehicles out of circulation aisles, access easements, fire lanes, streets, etc.
- f. For each automated self-service (drive-through/rollover) car wash bay, a minimum of three stacking spaces, in addition to the wash bay itself, shall be provided. One additional stacking space shall be provided at the exit end of each wash bay for window-drying and other detailing.
- g. For each wand-type self-service (open) car wash bay, a minimum of two stacking spaces, in addition to the wash bay itself, shall be provided. One additional stacking space shall be provided at the exit end of each wash bay for window-drying and other detailing, unless a separate area/shade structure is provided (outside of circulation aisles) for these activities.
- h. For automobile quick-lube type facilities, a minimum of three stacking spaces shall be provided for each service bay in addition to the service bay itself.

(12) Dead-end parking areas shall be avoided if possible. If dead-end parking is necessary, then it shall be designed such that it is no more than three parking spaces deep unless adequate turnaround space is provided. A minimum five-foot deep hammerhead back-up space shall be provided at the end of any dead-end parking area.

(13) All parking structures must conform to the development and design standards of the zoning district in which they are located.

(d) *Off-street loading space—All districts:*

(1) All retail and similar nonresidential structures shall provide and maintain off-street facilities for receiving and loading merchandise, supplies and materials within a building or on the lot or tract. All drives and approaches shall provide adequate space and clearances to allow for the maneuvering of trucks off-street. Each site shall provide a designated on-site maneuvering area for trucks (see illustrations 2 and 20). Such off-street loading space may be adjacent to (but not any portion of) a public alley or private service drive, or it may consist of a truck berth within the structure. The minimum dimensions of a "regular" loading space shall be ten feet by 30 feet, and a "large" loading space shall be at least ten feet by 65 feet. Loading spaces or berths shall be provided in accordance with the following schedule:

(a) Office uses, or portion(s) of building devoted to office uses:

0 to 19,999 square feet:	0 spaces
20,000 to 49,999 square feet:	1 regular space
50,000 to 149,999 square feet:	1 regular space and 1 large space
150,000+ square feet:	2 regular spaces and 1 large space

(b) Retail/commercial and restaurant uses, or portion(s) of building devoted to retail/commercial and restaurant uses:

0 to 3,999 square feet:	0 spaces
4,000 to 9,999 square feet:	1 regular space
10,000 to 29,999 square feet:	1 regular space and 1 large space
30,000 to 99,999 square feet:	2 regular spaces and 1 large space
100,000 to 200,000 square feet:	2 regular spaces and 2 large spaces
Each additional 100,000 square feet, or portion thereof, over 200,000:	1 additional large space

Created: 2021-03-10 16:12:45 [EST]

- 
- (2) In all nonresidential zoning districts, loading docks or service/delivery entrances shall not be constructed facing any public street (except for large industrial uses; see subsection (2)a. below), and shall not be visible from any public street. Such loading areas shall be screened from view of any public street by the building itself, or by a masonry screening wing wall at least 12 feet in height with large evergreen trees and shrubs planted in front of it such that limited portions of the wing wall will be visible when the trees and shrubs are mature. Such masonry wing wall shall match the exterior construction materials and colors of the main building, and shall be located no closer than 100 feet to any public street right-of-way line (see illustration 20).
- a. For large industrial or warehouse uses in the LI zoning district only, the loading docks may face a public street, and shall not be required to provide a masonry screening wing wall, provided that a minimum 30-foot wide landscape buffer area is provided adjacent to the street right-of-way line. One large shade tree shall be provided within the landscape buffer area for every 20 feet of street frontage, or one small ornamental tree shall be provided for every 12 feet of street frontage (or some combination thereof). In addition, a solid massing of large evergreen shrubs and three- to four-foot tall berms shall be provided to further screen loading area from view of the street (see illustration 21).
- (3) Loading docks for any establishment which customarily receives goods between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. and is adjacent to a residential district shall be designed and constructed so as to enclose the loading operation on at least three sides in order to reduce the effects of the noise of the operation on adjacent residences. Other screening/buffering alternatives may be approved on the required plan (i.e., concept plan, site plan) provided that the approving authority (i.e., city staff, city council) makes a finding that the alternative method of screening/buffering will be adequate to protect nearby residences.
- (4) Kindergartens, elementary schools, day schools, and similar child training and care establishments, and middle schools shall provide one paved off-street pedestrian loading and unloading space (i.e., stacking spaces) for an automobile on a through, "circular" drive for each ten students cared for (excluding child care in a residence), not to exceed 30 spaces. An additional lane shall also be required to allow pass-by or through traffic to move while automobiles waiting or parked to pick up children occupy loading/unloading areas. This standard shall be in addition to other off-street parking requirements.
- (5) Loading spaces that are adjacent and easily accessible to several buildings or uses, including buildings and uses on separate lots, shall be allowed to satisfy the loading requirements for the individual buildings or uses, provided that: 1) the number of spaces satisfies the requirements for the combined square footages for the buildings or uses in question, and 2) for loading spaces to be shared among separate lots, they must be in reasonably close proximity to all potential users and an agreement granting mutual use by the owners of each building shall be executed and provided to the city (for file).
- (e) *Parking access from a public street—All districts:*
- (1) In the approval of the applicable required plan (i.e., concept plan, site plan), design consideration shall be given to providing entrance/exit drives that extend into the site to provide adequate queuing of vehicles on the site.
- (2) In all districts (except single-family and duplex zoning districts), the applicable required plan shall provide for entrance/exit drive(s) appropriately designed and located to minimize traffic congestion or conflict within the site and with adjoining public streets. Based upon analysis by the city, if projected volumes of traffic entering or leaving a development are likely to interfere with the projected peak traffic flow volumes on adjoining streets, additional right-of-way and paving in the form of a deceleration lane, a turn lane, or other roadway improvements may be required of a developer in order to reduce such interference and to help ensure traffic safety and efficiency. The dedication of

Created: 2021-03-10 16:12:45 [EST]

additional right-of-way or street paving may also be required, and shall be determined at the time of site plan and final plat approval.

- (3) Vehicular access to nonresidential uses shall not be permitted from alleys serving residential areas, and shall not be configured as "head-in" parking spaces which are accessed directly from the street.
  - (4) Parking space configuration, location, arrangement, size and circulation in all districts shall be constructed according to illustrations 11 through 15.
  - (5) Individual residential driveways having direct access (i.e., be placed directly) onto any existing or future major or minor arterial shall be prohibited.
- (f) *Parking requirements based upon use:*
- (1) In all districts, there shall be provided at the time any building or structure is erected or structurally altered, or change of use, off-street parking spaces in accordance with the following requirements:
    - a. *Automobile parts sales (indoors):* One space per 500 square feet of indoor floor area, plus one space for each 2,000 square feet of outside sales area.
    - b. *Automobile sales or service:* See motor-vehicle sales.
    - c. *Bank, savings and loan, or similar institution:* One space per 250 square feet of gross floor area in addition to required stacking spaces (see subsection 28-101(c)(11)).
    - d. *Bed and breakfast facility:* One space per guest room in addition to the requirements for a normal residential use.
    - e. *Bowling alley or center:* Six parking spaces for each alley or lane.
    - f. *Business or professional office (general):* One space per 300 square feet of gross floor area, except as otherwise specified herein.
    - g. *Car wash (self-serve):* One space per washing bay or stall in addition to the washing areas/stalls themselves and required stacking spaces; car wash (full service): One space per 150 square feet of floor area in addition to the required stacking spaces (also see subsection 28-101(c)(11)).
    - h. *Church, rectory, or other place of worship:* One parking space for each three seats in the main auditorium/sanctuary (see subsection 28-101(g)(2)).
    - i. *Commercial amusement (indoor):* One space per 100 square feet of gross floor area, or as follows:
      1. Racquetball or handball courts: Three spaces for each court.
      2. Indoor tennis courts: Six spaces for each court.
      3. Gymnasium, skating rinks, and martial arts schools: One space for each three seats at a maximum seating capacity (based upon maximum occupancy), plus one space for each 200 square feet.
      4. Swimming pool: One space for each 100 square feet of gross water surface and deck area.
      5. Weight lifting or exercise areas: One space for each 100 square feet.
      6. Indoor jogging or running tracks: One space for each 100 linear feet.
      7. Motion picture theaters (which do not include live performances): a) one space per three and one-half seats for single-screen theaters; b) one space per five seats for motion picture theaters with two or more screens (see subsection 28-101(g)(2)).

- 
- 8. Amusement center: One space for each game table and one space for each amusement device.
  - 9. All areas for subsidiary uses not listed above or in other parts of this section (such as restaurants, office, etc.), shall be calculated in with the minimum specified for those individual uses.
  - j. *Commercial amusement (outdoor)*: Ten spaces plus one space for each 500 square feet over 5,000 square feet of building and recreational area.
  - k. *Commercial use*: One space per 250 square feet of floor area.
  - l. *Community center, library, museum or art gallery*: Ten parking spaces plus one additional space for each 300 square feet of floor area in excess of 2,000 square feet. If an auditorium is included as a part of the building, its floor area shall be deducted from the total and additional parking provided on the basis of one space for each four seats that it contains (see subsection 28-101(g)(2)).
  - m. *Convenience store (with gasoline pumps)*: One space per 200 square feet of floor area, plus one parking space for each side of a gasoline pump unit (a unit may have up to six nozzles for gasoline disbursement). Spaces within pump areas qualify as spaces for the parking requirement. If no gasoline sales are provided, then the parking requirements shall be the same as for a retail store. Adequate space shall be provided for waiting, stacking, and maneuvering automobiles for refueling.
  - n. *Dance/aerobics studio or assembly/exhibition hall without fixed seats*: One parking space for each 100 square feet of floor area thereof.
  - o. *Day nursery, day care center, pre-school or pre-kindergarten*: One space per ten pupils (based upon maximum occupancy and/or licensing capacity), plus one space per classroom and/or office, plus one space for each bus or van stored on the property (and sized to accommodate the vehicle); also see stacking requirements in subsection 28-101(d)(4).
  - p. *Defensive driving school/class*: One space for each classroom seat (see subsection 28-101(g)(2)).
  - q. *Fast-food or drive-in restaurant*: One parking space per 100 square feet of gross floor area (including indoor/outdoor play areas and patio dining areas), or one space for every three seats under maximum seating arrangement (i.e., occupancy), whichever is greater; required parking spaces are in addition to any stacking spaces that may be needed/provided for drive-through or drive-in facilities (see subsection 28-101(c)(11)).
  - r. *Furniture or appliance store, hardware store, wholesale establishments, clothing or shoe repair or service*: Two parking spaces plus one additional parking space for each 300 square feet of floor area over 1,000 square feet.
  - s. *Gasoline station*: One space per 200 square feet of floor area, plus one space for each side of a gasoline pump unit (a unit may have up to six nozzles for gasoline disbursement). Spaces within pump areas qualify as spaces for the parking requirement. Adequate space shall be provided for waiting, stacking, and maneuvering automobiles for refueling.
  - t. *Golf course*: Four parking spaces per hole or green plus requirements for retail, office, and club house areas.
  - u. *Golf driving range*: One and one-half spaces for each driving tee.
  - v. *Health club, health spa or exercise club*: One space per 150 square feet of floor area.
  - w. *Hospital*: One space for each bed based on full occupancy.

---

Created: 2021-03-10 16:12:45 [EST]

(Supp. No. 19)

- 
- x. *Hotel or motel*: One space per guest room for the first 250 rooms and .75 space per room for each room over 250, plus one space per five restaurant/lounge area seats (based upon maximum occupancy), plus one space per 125 square feet of meeting/conference areas, plus the following:
    1. One and one-tenth spaces for any guest room containing kitchenette facilities; and
    2. Two spaces for any guest room provided with full kitchen facilities.
  - y. *Institutions of a philanthropic nature*: One space per 200 square feet.
  - z. *Library or museum*: Ten spaces plus one space for every 300 square feet.
  - aa. *Lodge or fraternal organization*: One space per 200 square feet.
  - bb. *Lumber yard/home improvement center*: One space per 400 square feet display area, plus one space per 1,000 square feet of warehouse.
  - cc. *Manufactured home or manufactured home park*: Two spaces for each manufactured home unit, plus visitor/supplemental parking in accordance with section 28-54, plus additional spaces as required herein for accessory uses.
  - dd. *Medical or dental office*: One space per 150 square feet of floor area. Facilities over 20,000 square feet shall use the parking standards set forth for hospitals.
  - ee. *Mini-warehouse*: Four spaces per establishment, plus two spaces for an on-site manager's residence (if applicable), plus one appropriately sized space for any type of vehicle to be stored on-site (e.g., rental trucks, boats, RVs, etc.).
  - ff. *Mortuary or funeral home*: One parking space for each 200 square feet of floor space in slumber rooms, parlors or individual funeral service rooms, or one space for each three seats in the auditorium/sanctuary (see subsection 28-101(g)(2)), whichever is greater. Adequate on-site stacking spaces shall also be provided for the organization and forming of processions such that these activities do not cause excessive or extended traffic congestion/delays on a public roadway.
  - gg. *Motor-vehicle sales and new or used car lots*: One parking space for each 500 square feet of sales floor/office and other indoor uses, plus one parking space for each 1,000 square feet of exterior lot area used for storage, sales and parking areas, plus one parking space per repair bay in service areas (indoors or outdoors), plus one parking space per service/towing vehicle to be stored on-site (required parking spaces are in addition to those to be used for the storage/display of vehicles for sale/lease).
  - hh. *Nursing home, convalescent home, or home for the aged*: One space per six beds; plus one parking space for each 300 square feet of floor area devoted to offices, cafeterias, exercise/therapeutic rooms, and other similar ancillary uses.
  - ii. *Office (administrative or professional)*: One space for each 300 square feet of floor area.
  - jj. *Outdoor display*: One space for each 600 square feet of open sales/display area.
  - kk. *Pawn shop*: One space for each 200 square feet of floor area.
  - ll. *Places of public assembly not listed*: One space for each three seats provided (see subsection 28-101(g)(2)).
  - mm. *Real estate office*: One space for each 200 square feet.
  - nn. *Restaurant, cafe or similar food service establishment*: One parking space for each 100 square feet of gross floor area (including indoor/outdoor play areas and patio dining areas), or one space for every three seats under maximum seating arrangement (i.e., occupancy), whichever is

Created: 2021-03-10 16:12:45 [EST]

(Supp. No. 19)

greater; required parking spaces are in addition to any stacking spaces that may be needed/provided for drive-through or drive-in facilities (see subsection 28-101(c)(11)).

- oo. *Retail or personal service establishment, except as otherwise specified herein*: One space per 200 square feet of gross floor area in addition to any required stacking spaces for drive-through facilities (see subsection 28-101(c)(11)).
- pp. *Retirement housing for the elderly (independent living)*: One and one-half spaces for each dwelling unit, plus any additional spaces for accessory retail, office, service or recreational uses.
- qq. *Rooming or boarding house, or group quarters*: One parking space for each sleeping room at full occupancy, plus one parking space for each host resident or employee during maximum (i.e., peak) shift.
- rr. *School, elementary (grades K—6)*: One parking space for each 15 students (design capacity), plus one large parking space for each bus to be parked on-site for any length of time other than student pick-up/drop-off. Also see subsection 28-101(d)(4).
- ss. *School, secondary or middle (grades 7—8)*: One parking space for each 12 students (design capacity). Also see subsection 28-101(d)(4).
- tt. *School, high school (grades 9—12)*: One space for each three students, faculty and staff (design capacity). Also see subsection 28-101(d)(4).
- uu. *Storage or warehousing, and light manufacturing*: One space for each 1,000 square feet of total floor area, whichever is greater.
- vv. *Technical school, college, junior college or university*: One space per three students, based upon maximum enrollment or design capacity, whichever is greater.
- ww. *Telemarketing*: One space for each 250 square feet of floor space.
- xx. *Terminal facilities, truck terminals, bus depots, and other similar transportation uses*: One space for each 1,000 square feet of floor area, whichever is greater; for bus depot or other human transportation use, one space per 100 square feet of passenger waiting area.
- yy. *Theater, indoor or outdoor (live performances), sports arena, stadium, gymnasium or auditorium (except school auditorium)*: One parking space for each three seats or bench seating spaces (see subsection 28-101(g)(2)).
- zz. *Veterinarian clinic*: One space per 300 square feet of gross floor space.
- aaa. *Wholesale distribution uses*: One space for each 1,000 square feet of total floor area, whichever is greater

(g) *Rules for computing number of parking spaces and miscellaneous off-street parking requirements:*

In computing the number of parking spaces required for each of the above uses, the following rules shall govern:

- (1) "Floor area" shall mean the gross floor area of the specific use.
- (2) "Seat" shall be interpreted as follows:
  - a. For fixed (e.g., church pews, grandstands, benches, etc.) seating, one seat equals 1.75 feet of length; and
  - b. For flexible (e.g., folding chairs, etc.) seating areas, one seat equals eight square feet of floor area occupied by such seating area (includes aisles).

Created: 2021-03-10 16:12:45 [EST]

(Supp. No. 19)

- 
- (3) Where fractional spaces result, the parking spaces required shall be construed to be the next higher whole number.
- (4) The parking space requirements for a new or unlisted use not specifically mentioned herein shall be the same as required for a use of similar nature. If the proposed use is not similar to any of the uses listed herein, a determination shall be recommended by the planning and zoning commission, and shall be made/approved by the city council, in conjunction with the request for classification of the new or unlisted use, as provided in subsection 28-81(a)(4).
- (5) Whenever a building or use is changed or enlarged in floor area, number of dwelling units, seating capacity or otherwise, to create a need for an increase of ten percent or more in the number of existing parking spaces, such spaces shall be provided on the basis of the enlargement or change. If a building or use that was in existence prior to the effective date of this chapter is enlarged by more than 50 percent in floor area, number of dwelling units, seating capacity or otherwise, then said building or use shall be required to conform with the parking requirements herein for the entire building or use.
- (6) For buildings which have a combination of uses within the same structure or on the same premises (such as retail or office), the off-street parking requirement shall be calculated as the summation of the parking requirements for each use, and no parking space for one particular use shall be allowed to count toward the parking requirement for some other use on the premises except in the case of a shared parking arrangement (see subsection (7) below).
- (7) Shared parking may be allowed in the case of mixed uses (different buildings) under the following conditions: Up to 50 percent of the parking spaces required for a theater or other place of evening entertainment (after 6:00 p.m.), or for a church, may be provided and used jointly by banks, offices, and similar uses not normally open, used, or operated during evening hours. Shared parking must be on the same parking lot. Reduction due to shared parking shall only be allowed if approved on the applicable required plan (i.e., concept plan, site plan). To assure retention of the shared parking spaces, each property owner shall properly draw and execute an irrevocable mutual parking agreement document expressing the same, shall file this agreement with the county, and shall provide a copy of the filed agreement to the City of Angleton prior to issuance of a certificate of occupancy for any use that relies upon the parking agreement.
- (h) *Location of parking spaces:* All parking spaces required herein shall be located on the same lot of the building or use served, except as follows:
- (1) Where an increase in the number of spaces is required by a change or enlargement of an existing use, or where such spaces are provided collectively or used jointly by two or more existing buildings or establishments, the required additional spaces may be located not to exceed 300 feet from any nonresidential lot served.
- (2) 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 used, approval on the applicable required plan (i.e., concept plan, site plan) is required according to the following criteria:
- a. Off-site parking may be permitted on an immediately contiguous lot or tract, or on a lot or tract within 100 feet of such building or structure providing:
1. That a permanent, irrevocable easement of the parking facilities in favor of the premises to be benefited shall be dedicated and recorded as a condition of such use; or
  2. That a long-term remote parking lease agreement be provided upon approval by the city as a condition of such use.
- (i) *Use of required parking spaces, nonresidential districts:*

- 
- (1) Off-street parking and loading spaces shall be used only for these respective purposes and shall not be used for refuse containers, cart corrals, recycling kiosks, signs or sign support structures, telecommunications towers or support structures, storage or permanent display of boats, trailers, campers, motor vehicles or other goods, materials, or products for sale/lease/rent.

(j) *Fire lanes:*

- (1) Fire lanes shall be provided in all multifamily (and in some single-family attached), manufactured home, and nonresidential developments, as required by the adopted fire code of the city (also see the subdivision ordinance for certain fire lane regulations). Fire lanes shall be constructed in accordance with the City of Angleton Technical Construction Standards and Specifications at a minimum width of 24 feet of paving, and shall have a minimum inside turning radius at curves of 20 feet, or as required by the fire code and/or the Fire Chief of the City of Angleton. The minimum overhead vertical clearance over fire lanes shall be 14 feet for a linear distance of 50 feet on each side (i.e., in front of and behind, as a fire apparatus would traverse underneath) of any overhead structure (e.g., canopy, roof overhang, vertical height control device, etc.).

(k) *Special regulations for special motor vehicles (including RVs):*

- (1) See subsection 28-110(f).

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (V)(38)(38.1—38.11), 4-14-09)

**Sec. 28-101.1. Parking lot paving requirements.**

- (a) *Applicability.* The City of Angleton parking lot paving requirements shall apply to all off-street parking, maneuvering, loading and storage areas located within the city limits of the City of Angleton, or its extraterritorial jurisdiction.
- (b) *Paving materials.* Facilities subject to these requirements shall submit paving designs to the City of Angleton that have been prepared by an engineer registered to practice engineering in the State of Texas. The design shall utilize either a reinforced concrete or asphalt wearing surface, supported by the appropriate base material and/or compacted sub-grade. The thickness of the pavement components shall be designed based upon the intended use, anticipated loading, intended life of the pavement, and the engineering properties of the soil that are developed from geotechnical sampling and testing.
- (1) Pavement in front of refuse container shall be of concrete, designed to accommodate the load of a full vehicle while accepting refuse from a container. The concrete pavement shall extend a minimum of ten feet in front of the dumpster enclosure and shall be as wide as the enclosure.
- (2) All concrete paving, including curbs and gutters, shall be designed with steel reinforcing.
- (c) *Exemptions from paving material regulations.* Storage areas that are blocked from public view by an approved solid fence, the fenced in area is no larger than 1½ acres in size, and where access to the storage area is restricted, are not required to utilize reinforced concrete or asphalt pavement. However, storage lots that utilize surface materials other than those required in this document are responsible for controlling the sediment that will be transported off of the lot, either in the runoff from rain events or that which is tracked onto roadways by vehicles leaving the facility, and the alternative material shall be compacted sufficiently to prevent dust from becoming airborne and a nuisance to the public. City of Angleton Code Enforcement Officers shall be allowed to periodically inspect the storage yard to ensure that conditions do not exist that may lead to harming the health and welfare of the public.

(Ord. No. 2011-O-9B, § 2, 9-27-11)

**Sec. 28-102. Landscape requirements.**

- (a) *Purpose:* Landscaping is accepted as adding value to property and is in the interest of the general welfare of the city. The provision of landscaped areas also serves to increase the amount of property that is devoted to pervious surface area that, in turn, helps to reduce the amount of impervious surface area, stormwater runoff, and consequent non-point pollution in local waterways. Therefore, landscaping is hereafter required of new development, except single-family, two-family and agricultural uses, adjacent to public streets. Single-family and two-family uses are generally not required to provide extensive landscaping at the time of development because they rarely fail to comply with the requirements set forth herein.
- (b) *Minimum requirements:* On-site landscaping requirements for nonresidential and multifamily developments (including schools, churches, day care facilities and other similar uses in a residential district):
  - (1) *Street buffer.* A minimum ten-foot wide landscaped buffer shall be provided adjacent to any right-of-way. A maximum of five feet of adjacent unpaved right-of-way may be included in the ten-foot wide buffer. The street buffer may be landscaped with grass or other living plant material, provided the other living plant material is not located within the right-of-way. Necessary driveways from the public right-of-way shall be permitted through the street buffer in accordance with city regulations.
  - (2) *Parking lot landscaping.*
    - a. Parking lots shall be landscaped with one large tree or two small trees for every 20 parking spaces. The number of required trees shall be rounded to the nearest whole number, but in no case be rounded to less than one tree (i.e., parking lots with 30 or fewer spaces require one tree and parking lots with 31 to 40 spaces require two large trees). All new and existing trees shall be provided with a permeable area that is protected by a monolithic concrete curb or wheel stops, and shall remain free of trash and litter. The permeable area, for one large tree or two small trees, shall be at least 50 square feet in size and not less than five feet wide.
    - b. Half of the required trees may be located along the outside edge of the parking lot and half of the required trees shall be located within the parking lot. Required trees planted along the edge of a parking lot may be located within the private property portion of the street buffer, provided they are located at least ten feet from any overhead utility lines. Existing large trees, located within the parking lot or along the edge of the parking lot, may count toward the number of trees required.
    - c. The city encourages landscaping in parking lots, or portions of parking lots, that are more visible from streets with higher traffic counts or customers of the business. Therefore required trees for new parking lots may be located within an existing parking lot that is not landscaped or concentrated in areas of a new parking lot adjacent to streets with higher traffic counts or parking lots used mainly for customers (i.e., trees may be concentrated in customer parking areas and omitted from employee parking areas). Required trees planted within the parking lot shall be distributed across the middle of the parking lot or evenly distributed throughout the parking lot.
  - (3) *Approved trees.* A list of approved trees is provided below. Different varieties of an approved tree that are not included on the list may be authorized by the city manager or building official based on their suitability for the local habitat and mature size (i.e., the "green ash" is an approved tree and building official may approve other varieties of "ash" trees). Trees not included on the list or varieties not approved by the building official may be authorized by city council.

Large Trees: (over 50-foot mature height)	
Ash, Green ( <i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i> )	Ash, White ( <i>Fraxinus americana</i> )
Basswood ( <i>tilia americana v. caroliniana</i> )	Cherry, Black ( <i>Prunus serotina</i> )

Cottonwood, Eastern ( <i>Populus deltoids</i> )	Cypress, Bald ( <i>Taxodium distichum</i> )
Elm, American ( <i>Ulmus americana</i> )	Elm, Cedar ( <i>Ulmus crassifolia</i> )
Hickory, Black ( <i>Carya texana</i> )	Locust, Honey ( <i>Gleditsia triacanthos "inermis"</i> )
Magnolia, Southern ( <i>Magnolia grandiflora</i> )	Magnolia, Sweet Bay ( <i>Magnolia virginiana</i> )
Maple, Red ( <i>Acer rubrum</i> )	Maple, Silver ( <i>Acer saccharinum</i> )
Oak, Bur ( <i>Quercus macrocarpa</i> )	Oak, White ( <i>Quercus alba</i> )
Palm, California Fan ( <i>Washingtonia filifera</i> )	Pecan ( <i>Carya illinoensis</i> )
Pine, Loblolly ( <i>Pinus taeda</i> )	Pine, Longleaf ( <i>Pinus palustris</i> )
Sweetgum ( <i>Liquidambar styraciflua</i> )	Sycamore ( <i>Platanus occidentalis</i> )
Tulip Tree ( <i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i> )	Willow, Black ( <i>Salix nigra</i> )
<b>Small Trees: (up to 50-foot mature height)</b>	
Acacia, Wright ( <i>Acacia wrightii</i> )	Anacua ( <i>Ehretia anacua</i> )
Ash, Texas ( <i>Fraxinus texensis</i> )	Ash, Mexican ( <i>Fraxinus berlandieriana</i> )
Birch, River ( <i>Betula nigra</i> )	Blackhaw, Rusty ( <i>Viburnum rufidulum</i> )
Buckeye, Mexican ( <i>Ungnadia speciosa</i> )	Cedar, Eastern Red ( <i>Juniperus virginia</i> )
Chaste Tree ( <i>Vitex agnus-castus</i> )	Cherry Laurel ( <i>Prunus caroliniana</i> )
Elm, Lacebark ( <i>Ulmus Parvifolia</i> )	Eve's necklace ( <i>Sophora affinis</i> )
Fringe Tree ( <i>Chionanthus virginicus</i> )	Golden Raintree ( <i>Koelreuteria paniculata</i> )
Gum, Black ( <i>Nyssa sylvantia</i> )	Hawthorn ( <i>Crataegus crusgalli</i> )
Hawthorn, Texas ( <i>Cratagus texana</i> )	Holly Possum-haw ( <i>Ilex decidua</i> )
Holly, Yaupon ( <i>Ilex vomitoria</i> )	Hornbeam, American ( <i>Carpinus caroliniana</i> )
Ligustrum, Glossy ( <i>Ligustrum lucidum</i> )	Maple, Bigtooth ( <i>Acer grandidentatum</i> )
Mulberry, Red ( <i>Morus rubra</i> )	Myrtle, Crepe ( <i>Lagerstroemia indica</i> )
Myrtle, Wax ( <i>Myrica cerifera</i> )	Oak, Lacey ( <i>Quercus glaudoides</i> )
Oak, Texas Red ( <i>Quercus buckleyi</i> )	Palm, Pygmy Date ( <i>Pheonix roebelenii</i> )
Palm, Texas ( <i>Sabal Mexicana</i> )	Pear, Bradford ( <i>Pyrus calleryana</i> )
Persimmon, Texas ( <i>Diospyros texana</i> )	Pistache, Chinese ( <i>Pistacia chinensis</i> )
Mexican plum ( <i>Prunus mexicana</i> )	Redbud, Texas ( <i>Cercis Canadensis var texana</i> )
Soapberry, Western ( <i>Sapindus drummondii</i> )	Sumac, Shining ( <i>Rhus copalliuma</i> )

- (c) *General standards:* The following criteria and standards shall apply to landscape materials and installation:
- (1) All required street buffers, parking lot landscaped areas and open or unpaved areas shall be completely covered with living plant material. Landscaping materials such as wood chips and gravel may be used under trees, shrubs and other plants.
  - (2) Grass seed, sod and other material shall be clean and reasonably free of weeds and noxious pests and insects.
  - (3) Grass areas shall be sodded, plugged, sprigged, hydro-mulched and/or seeded, except that solid sod shall be used in swales, earthen berms or other areas subject to erosion.
  - (4) Ground covers used in lieu of grass in whole and in part shall be planted in such a manner as to present a finished appearance and reasonably completed coverage within one year of planting.

- 
- (5) Landscaped areas equipped with an automatic, underground irrigation system shall include moisture sensors to prevent watering at inappropriate times. Landscaped areas without an underground irrigation system shall be located within 100 feet of a water faucet.
- (6) Large trees shall be a minimum of three inches in caliper and seven feet in height at time of planting. Small trees shall be a minimum of 1½ inch in caliper and five feet in height at time of planting. The caliper size shall be measured six inches above the ground.
- (d) *Landscape plan:* Landscaping plans shall contain the information listed below. The building official shall review such plans and shall approve same if the plans are in accordance with the criteria of these regulations. If the plans are not in conformance, they shall be disapproved and shall be accompanied by a written statement stating the changes necessary for compliance.
- (1) Minimum scale of one inch equals 50 feet; show scale in both written and graphic form.
  - (2) Location, size and species of all trees to be preserved (do not use "tree stamps" unless they indicate true size and location of trees).
  - (3) Location of all plant and landscaping material to be used, including plants, paving, benches, screens, fountains, statues, earthen berms, ponds (to include depth of water), topography of site, or other landscape features.
  - (4) Species and common names of all plant materials to be used.
  - (5) Spacing of plant material where appropriate.
  - (6) Layout and description of irrigation, sprinkler, or water systems (including location of water sources).
  - (7) North arrow/symbol, and a small map showing where the property is located.
  - (8) Date of the landscape plan.
- (e) *Sight distance and visibility:* Rigid compliance with these landscaping requirements shall not be such as to cause visibility obstructions and/or blind corners at intersections. Whenever an intersection of two or more public rights-of-way or private driveways occurs, a triangular visibility area, as described below, shall be created. Landscaping within the triangular visibility area shall be designed to provide unobstructed cross-visibility at a level of 30 inches and higher.
- (1) The areas of property located at a corner formed by the intersection of two or more public rights-of-way (or a private driveway onto a public road) shall have a triangular visibility area with two sides of each triangle being a minimum of 35 feet in length along the right-of-way lines (or along the driveway curb line and the road right-of-way line) from the point of intersection and the third side being a line connecting the ends of the other two sides. (See Illustration 18 also.)
  - (2) The areas of property on both sides of the intersection of a public right-of-way and an alley shall have a triangular visibility area with two sides of each triangle being a minimum of 20 feet in length from the point of intersection and the third side being a line connecting the ends of the other two sides.
- Landscaping, except required grass and low ground cover, shall not be located closer than three feet from the edge of any pavement within the triangular visibility area.
- In the event other visibility obstructions are apparent in the proposed landscape plan, as determined by the building official, said obstructions may be removed or reduced to eliminate the obstruction.
- (f) *Scope and enforcement:* The standards and criteria contained within this section are deemed to be minimum standards and shall apply to all new, or altered (i.e., exceeding 50 percent of the original building's footprint) construction occurring within the city, except that single-family or duplex dwellings shall be exempt. Additionally, any use requiring a specific use permit (SUP) or a PD zoning designation must comply with these landscape standards unless special landscaping standards are otherwise provided for in the ordinance

establishing the SUP or PD district. The provisions of this section shall be administered and enforced by the building official. The landscape standards in this section apply only to nonresidential and multifamily developments (including uses such as schools and churches within a residential zoning district).

If at any time after the issuance of a certificate of occupancy, the approved landscaping is found to be not in conformance with the standards and criteria of this section, the building official shall issue notice to the owner, citing the violation and describing what action is required to comply with this section. The owner, tenant or agent shall have 90 calendar days from date of said notice to establish/restore the landscaping as required. If the landscaping is not established/restored within the allotted time, then such person shall be in violation of this chapter.

- (g) *Permits:* No permits shall be issued for building, paving or construction until a detailed landscape plan is submitted and approved by the building official. A landscape plan shall be required as part of the applicable required plan, as outlined in section 28-26. The landscape plan may be shown on the applicable required plan (provided the plan remains clear and legible) or may be drawn on a separate sheet. Prior to the issuance of a certificate of occupancy for any building or structure, all screening and landscaping shall be in place in accordance with the landscape plan.

In any case in which a certificate of occupancy is sought at a season of the year in which the building official determines that it would be impractical to plant trees, shrubs or ground cover, or to successfully establish turf areas, a temporary certificate of occupancy may be issued provided a letter of agreement from the property owner is submitted that states when the installation shall occur. All landscaping required by the landscaping plan shall be installed within six months of the date of the issuance of the certificate of occupancy.

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (V)(39)(39.1—39.7), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2015-O-12A, § 2, 12-8-15)

### Sec. 28-103. Accessory structure and use regulations.

- (a) In a single-family or multifamily district, an accessory structure is a subordinate or incidental building, attached to or detached from the main building, not used for commercial purposes and not rented. Accessory structures shall be located ~~toward the rear portion in the rear yard of the property~~, and shall conform with applicable provisions of the building code. (Also see section 28-105 for exterior construction standards.)
- (b) In nonresidential districts, an accessory structure is a subordinate building, the use of which is secondary to and supportive of the main building. Accessory structures shall not be permitted without a main building or primary use being in existence. Accessory structures should, wherever possible, be located ~~in the rear yard toward the rear portion of the property~~. Accessory buildings shall conform with applicable provisions of the building code. (Also see section 28-105 for exterior construction standards.)
- (c) Accessory dwelling units in the AG and SF-20 zoning districts shall be allowed as an incidental residential use of a building on the same lot as the main dwelling unit and used by the same person or persons of the immediate family, and shall meet the following standards:
- (1) The accessory dwelling unit must be constructed to the rear (~~in the side or rear yards~~) of the main dwelling, separate from the main dwelling.
  - (2) The accessory dwelling unit may be constructed only with the issuance of a building permit, and shall be constructed of ~~masonry~~ materials that are similar in appearance to the main structure ~~if over 400 square feet in size~~.
  - (3) The accessory dwelling unit may not be sold separately from sale of the entire property, including the main dwelling unit, and shall not be sublet.
  - (4) Setback requirements shall be the same as for the main structure.

- (5) Accessory dwellings are not permitted without the main or primary structure.
- (d) *Accessory dwellings shall conform to the height limitations of the zoning district in which it is located.* No such accessory dwelling or quarters shall be used or occupied as a place of abode or residence by anyone other than a bona fide caretaker, servant or farm worker actually and regularly employed by the land owner or occupant of the main building, or is a guest or family member of the owner/occupant. Only one accessory dwelling unit (i.e., garage/accessory dwelling, servants/caretakers quarters, etc.) shall be allowed on any lot within a residential zoning district, and they shall be clearly incidental to the primary use. These accessory living structures shall not, in any case, be leased or sold.
- (e) *Area regulations for accessory buildings in residential and multifamily districts:*
- (1) *Size of yards:*
    - a. *Front yard:* Detached accessory buildings shall be prohibited in front of the main building.
    - b. *Side yard:* There shall be a side yard not less than five feet from any side lot line or alley line for any ~~detached~~ accessory building provided that such building is separated from the main building by a minimum distance of ten feet. In the case of an ~~attached or detached~~ accessory building being closer than ten feet to the main building, the minimum side yard requirements for the main building shall be observed. Accessory buildings adjacent to a side street shall have a side yard not less than 15 feet. Garages or carports located and arranged so as to be entered from an interior side yard shall have a minimum setback of 25 feet from the side lot line. Carports or garages arranged to be entered from the side yard, facing a public street, shall have a minimum distance equal to the required yard for the main building or 25 feet, whichever is greater.
    - c. *Rear yard:* There shall be a rear yard not less than five feet from any lot line or alley line, except that; ~~a) where apartments are permitted, the main building and all accessory buildings shall not cover more than 60 percent of that portion of the lot lying to the rear of a line erected joining the midpoint of one side lot line with the midpoint of the opposite side lot line; ab) carports, garages, or other detached accessory buildings, located within the rear portion of a lot as heretofore described, constructed closer than ten feet to the main building, shall have a rear yard equivalent to the rear yard requirement for the main building; or ed) detached or attached~~ accessory buildings constructed ten feet or more from the main building shall have a rear yard of five feet. ~~If an alley exists, accessory buildings may be located within five feet of a rear lot line if the maximum (e.g., ridge) height of the building is no greater than eight feet and if a solid fence or wall of the same height is built on the rear lot line to screen the building from property located to the rear.~~ Garages or carports that are arranged so as to be entered by a motor vehicle from an alley or rear alley easement shall be set back from the rear property line or alley easement line a minimum distance of 25 feet.
  - (2) Carports shall be measured from the part of the carport (usually the roof) that is closest to the street or alley (see Illustration 5), and shall be constructed of materials like the main building(s) on the premises. In single-family and two-family zoning districts, carports shall be a maximum size of 40 feet wide and 12 feet deep. ~~In multifamily and nonresidential zoning districts, carports shall be a maximum size of three bays in width and one bay in depth.~~
  - (3) Accessory buildings are not permitted without a main structure.
  - (4) Accessory buildings shall not exceed the height allowed for such buildings in the specific zoning district wherein it is located. Garage/accessory dwelling units up to two stories are allowed in certain districts (see subsection 28-81(b)) by SUP if there is no adverse impact upon adjacent properties.
  - (5) Exterior construction standards for accessory buildings: See section 28-105 of this chapter.
  - (6) Accessory buildings of any type shall require a permit from the city.

Created: 2021-03-10 16:12:45 [EST]

(Supp. No. 19)

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (V)(40)(40.1—40.5), 4-14-09)

**Sec. 28-104. Fencing, walls and screening requirements.**

- (a) *Purpose:* To encourage the most appropriate use of land and conserve and protect the privacy and value of adjacent permitted uses. Regulations are prescribed for the location and type of various screening devices to be used when required in the various zoning districts or in this section in accordance with the following standards.
- (b) *Screening of nonresidential, multifamily areas and manufactured home parks:*
- (1) A screening fence shall be required for any new development along shared property lines between single-family or two-family districts and multifamily, manufactured home park, or nonresidential districts. Screening fences shall also be required for any new development along shared property lines between multifamily and nonresidential developments. All screening walls, fences and refuse container enclosures must comply with subsection 28-105(d). The purpose of the screening wall or fence is to provide a visual and protective barrier between the properties.
    - a. Installation of the screening fence along a shared property line ~~between a multifamily or manufactured home district and single-family or two-family residential district~~ shall be the responsibility of the last property owner to develop property. Residential property that has been platted and recorded in the county plat records, but has vacant lots along a shared property line, shall be considered as developed property.
    - b. ~~Installation of the screening fence along a shared property line between nonresidential and residential districts shall be the responsibility of the last property owner to develop property. Residential property that has been platted and recorded in the county plat records, but has vacant lots along a shared property line, shall be considered as developed property.~~
    - c. Any screening wall or fence required under the provisions of this section or under a specific use permit, planned development district, or other requirement shall not be less than six feet nor more than eight feet in height and constructed of opaque masonry, reinforced concrete, ~~wood~~, or other similar suitable permanent materials which do not contain openings. All wall or fence openings shall be equipped with gates equal in height and screening characteristics to the wall or fence.
  - (2) In nonresidential, multifamily and manufactured home districts, no fence or wall shall be erected in any front yard or side yard which is adjacent to a public street ~~unless the fence/wall is required to screen the development from an adjacent residential area (particularly if the residence has, or could have, a back yard fence that would be exposed to view from the street if the required screening wall were not extended out to the street right-of-way line). In this case, the screening fence/wall shall be extended out to the street right-of-way line.~~ Screening fences/walls shall be placed such that they do not impede visibility for vehicles entering or exiting the nonresidential, multifamily or manufactured home development (see subsection 28-106(h) for sight visibility requirements).
  - (3) All fences require permits.
  - (4) See subsection 28-106(h) for sight visibility requirements for fences and screening walls.
  - (5) Refuse storage areas (including all dumpsters) which are not within a screened rear service area and which are visible from a public right-of-way for all nonresidential, single-family attached, multifamily and manufactured home park uses shall be visually screened by a minimum six-foot masonry fence on at least three sides that complies with subsection 28-104(b)(1)c. (See Illustrations 16 and 17 for refuse container enclosure diagrams). The fourth side, which is to be used for garbage pickup service, ~~may~~

(Supp. No. 19)

Created: 2021-03-10 16:12:45 [EST]

~~shall~~ provide a ~~an optional~~ gate to secure the refuse storage area. Alternate equivalent screening methods may be approved through the required applicable plan approval process, section 28-26. Each refuse facility shall be located so as to facilitate pickup by refuse collection agencies. Adequate reinforced paved areas shall be provided for refuse facilities and their approaches for loading and unloading, as per Illustration 16.

(c) *Fences in residential areas:*

- (1) Any fence or wall located to the rear of the minimum required front yard line shall not exceed eight feet in height.
- (2) Except as provided by a. below, no fence or wall shall be permitted within the required front yard of any single-family or duplex residential lot that is adjacent to a public street. No residential fence shall be closer than 15 feet to a public street except in cases where the side building line of the yards on continuous corner lots adjoin, the fence may be constructed out to the property line of said side yard such that the street side yard may be included as part of the lot's back yard area. (See Illustration 23).
  - a. Decorative fences with openings not less than 50 percent of the fence area and not exceeding four feet in height are permitted in front yards. Chain link, woven wire mesh or similar materials are not considered decorative fencing.
 

Decorative ornamental iron fencing may be constructed up to six feet in height within the front yard only in the AG zoning district, and only on lots exceeding one acre in size in other districts. Such fences shall have openings not less than 50 percent of the fence area, and shall not interfere with traffic visibility (see subsection 28-106(h)).
- (3) All fences require permits.
- (4) Electrical fencing and barbed wire is prohibited as perimeter fencing except for containment of farm animals on parcels of five or more acres.
- (5) Gates designed for vehicular access and all garage doors shall be set back from the property line a minimum of 25 feet.
- (6) Fences around swimming pools shall comply with the Standard Swimming Pool Code and the City of Angleton's codes/ordinances pertaining to same.
- (7) See subsection 28-106(h) for sight visibility requirements for fences and screening walls.
- (8) Special purpose fencing, such as fencing around tennis courts, is allowed only upon issuance of a permit from the city. The maximum height of such fencing shall be 12 feet. ~~Such fences shall not be located in the required yards and screened by a continuous landscaped hedge, minimum three (3) feet upon planting, as approved by the City.~~

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (V)(41)(41.1—41.3), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2010-O-6A, § 2, 6-8-10; Ord. No. 2013-O-7C, § 6, 7-9-13)

Commented [LK22]:

### Sec. 28-105. Exterior construction and design requirements.

- (a) *Purpose:* The City Council of the City of Angleton finds that it is necessary to regulate the exterior finish and appearance of buildings that are erected within the city in order to insure the consistency in quality, compatibility, and character of buildings within comparable zoning districts. The ~~regulation-use of high quality of~~ exterior materials and building construction assures consistent provision of both a high level of structural durability relative to impacts from natural and manmade forces over time and a safe environment for those occupants, equipment, and goods within the structure and create a visually desirable environment. The provision of a quality exterior finish complements the building construction by reducing maintenance

needs, providing a surface more resistant to damage, assisting in maintaining structure and property value over a longer period, contributing substantially to the compatibility and character of its neighborhood or surroundings. This section is intended to improve overall visual environment of multifamily dwellings and nonresidential structures and promote economic growth and preserve property values to the betterment of all property owners. It is the intent of the city to encourage the use of quality materials, well-conceived designs, low reflectance, subtle, neutral and earth tone colors on all exterior walls, accent exterior colors and roofing.

(b) *Definitions:*

(1) For the purpose of this section, the following definitions shall apply:

- a. *Masonry construction:* This term shall be construed to mean that form of construction composed of brick, stone, decorative concrete block or tile, or other similar building units or materials (or combination of these materials) laid up unit by unit and set in mortar, and shall exclude wall area devoted to doors and windows. As applicable to meeting the minimum ~~requirements~~ recommendations for the exterior construction of buildings within each zoning district, this term shall include the following materials:
1. *Hard-fired brick:* Shall be kiln fired clay or slate material and can include concrete brick if it is to the same American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) standard for construction as typical hard-fired clay brick. The material shall be severe weather grade, and coloration shall be integral to the masonry material and shall not be painted on. Unfired or under-fired clay, sand or shale brick are not allowed.
  2. *Stone:* Includes naturally occurring granite, marble, limestone, slate, river rock, and other similar hard and durable all-weather stone that is customarily used in exterior construction material. Cast or manufactured stone product, provided that such product yields a highly textured, stone-like appearance. Coloration shall be integral to the masonry material and shall not be painted on.
  3. *Decorative concrete block:* Shall be highly textured finish such as split-faced, indented, hammered, fluted, ribbed, or similar architectural finish. Coloration shall be integral to the masonry material and shall not be painted on.
  4. *Concrete pre-cast or tilt wall panel:* Shall be of an architectural finish that is equal to or exceeds the appearance and texture of face brick or stone. Coloration shall be integral to the masonry material and shall not be painted on.
  5. *Stucco:* An exterior plaster made from a mixture of cement, sand, lime and water spread over metal screening or chicken wire or lath. Coloration shall be integral to the masonry material and shall not be painted on.
  6. *Exterior insulated finish system:* A synthetic stucco cladding system that typically consists of these main components (coloration shall be integral to the masonry material and shall not be painted on):
    - (i) Panels of expanded polystyrene foam insulation installed with adhesive or mechanically fastened to the substrate, usually plywood or oriented strand board;
    - (ii) A base coat over the foam insulation panels;
    - (iii) A glass fiber reinforcing mesh laid over the polystyrene insulation panels and fully imbedded in the base coat; and
    - (iv) A finishing coat over the base coat and the reinforcing mesh.

Created: 2021-03-10 16:12:45 [EST]

(Supp. No. 19)

7. *Cementitious fiber board siding*: A cement and fiberglass exterior-rated board.

b. *Exterior wall surface*: All areas of a structure's wall sections located above the finish floor elevation of the foundation, exclusive of doors and windows.

(c) *Minimum exterior construction standards*:

(1) The standards and criteria contained within this subsection are deemed to be minimum standards and ~~shall apply~~ *recommended for* ~~to~~ all new building construction occurring within any zoning district in the City of Angleton as follows:

~~(2)~~ *Single-family and two-family residential*: None.

~~(23)~~ *Multiple-family dwellings*: All exterior wall surfaces of all new multiple-family dwellings ~~shall be~~ *recommended to be* of 90 percent masonry construction. Covered breezeways and areas of exterior walls located directly beneath covered porches, patios and balconies that have a minimum dimension of four feet in depth and eight feet in width shall not be counted as exterior wall surface when calculating the masonry requirement.

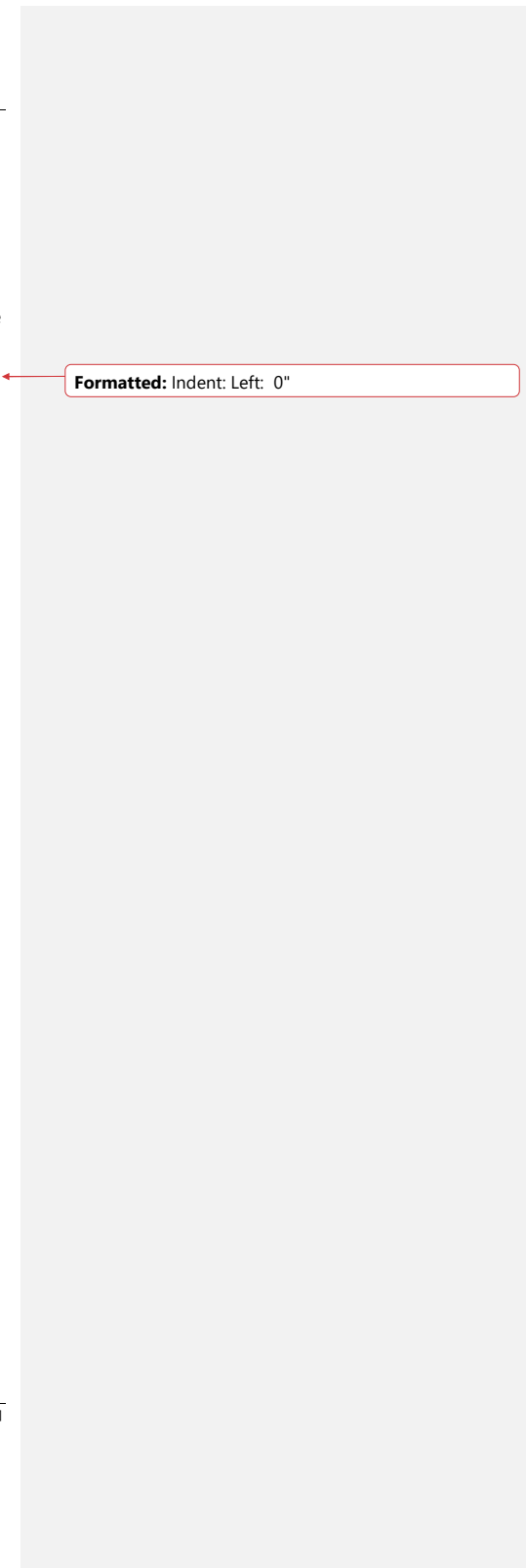
~~(34)~~ *Nonresidential structures*: All exterior wall surfaces of all new nonresidential structures that have frontage on, or are visible from Highway 288 or Business 288 north of Loop 274, ~~shall be~~ *recommended to be* of 90 percent masonry construction. When located along the front or back elevation of a structure, areas of exterior walls located directly beneath covered porches or patios that have a minimum dimension of four feet in depth and eight feet in width shall not be counted as exterior wall surface when calculating the masonry requirement.

~~(45)~~ *Applicability*: The minimum exterior construction standards established in this section ~~shall not apply~~ *are not applicable to* the following class or kind of:

- a. Facilities located within industrial parks that are created and developed by the municipality or a municipal economic development entity;
- b. Detached accessory buildings having not more than 200 square feet of floor area when located on the same lot as a single-family or two-family dwelling. Accessory dwelling units as defined by the zoning ordinance are not considered detached accessory buildings in the application of this subsection;
- c. Temporary construction and material storage buildings utilized during construction of permanent improvements on a parcel of land, within subdivision or other similar circumstance such as a public works project. The temporary structure shall be completely removed upon the expiration of its building permit or upon completion of the permanent improvement, whichever occurs first;
- d. Farm accessory buildings if such buildings are used solely for agricultural purposes;
- e. Historic landmarks designated by the historical committee; and
- f. Remodeling, renovating or expansion of existing single-family or two-family dwellings when matching materials (or materials that simulate the appearance of the existing exterior) are utilized.

(d) *Minimum exterior color and design standards*:

(1) Colors of roofing, exterior walls, accent exterior colors, screening devices such as solid brick/masonry screening walls, refuse container enclosures and accessory buildings and structures ~~shall be~~ *recommended to be* low reflectance, subtle, neutral or earth-tone colors and shall be selected from the approved color palette attached hereto as Exhibit "A" (Exhibit A is kept on file with the city) and made a part hereof for all purposes. Colors approved on approved color palettes are representative



Formatted: Indent: Left: 0"

samples of the colors ~~allowed~~recommended. Any paint brand is allowed as long as the color itself matches a color on an approved palette. The use of metallic colors, black, or fluorescent colors is prohibited.

- (2) All solid exterior doors, overhead doors, down spouts, exterior utility receptacles, service boxes on buildings, exterior lighting, frames and mullions of all doors and windows containing storefront glass panels, permitted trim, accent, and traditional decorative elements on buildings, such as canopies, wrought iron, doors and trim ~~shall be recommended to~~ be complementary to the development's overall color scheme. Alternatively, all solid exterior doors, overhead doors, down spouts, exterior lighting fixtures and similar fixtures may be painted to blend with the surrounding predominant color of the building. ~~Additionally, frames and mullions of all doors and windows containing storefront glass panels shall be anodized.~~
- (3) The standards and criteria contained within this section are deemed to be minimum standards and ~~shall apply~~are recommended for ~~to~~ all buildings within any zoning district in the City of Angleton as follows:
  - a. *Single-family and two-family residential:* None.
  - b. *Multiple-family dwellings:* All exterior wall surfaces, accent exterior colors and roofing of all multiple-family dwellings ~~shall~~ be low reflectance, subtle, neutral or earth-tone colors and shall be selected from an approved color palette attached hereto as Exhibit "A" (Exhibit A is kept on file with the city) and made a part hereof for all purposes. Colors approved on approved color palettes are representative samples of the colors ~~allowed~~recommended. ~~Any paint brand is allowed as long as the color itself matches a color on an approved palette.~~ The use of metallic colors, black, or fluorescent colors is ~~prohibited~~not encouraged.
  - c. *Nonresidential structures:* All exterior wall surfaces, accent exterior colors and roofing of all nonresidential structures ~~shall~~ be low reflectance, subtle, neutral or earth-tone colors and ~~shall~~ be selected from an approved color palette attached hereto as Exhibit "A" (Exhibit A is kept on file with the city) and made a part hereof for all purposes. Colors approved on approved color palettes are representative samples of the colors allowed. ~~Any paint brand is allowed as long as the color itself matches a color on an approved palette.~~ The use of metallic colors, black, or fluorescent colors is ~~not encouraged~~prohibited.
- (4) *Applicability.* The minimum exterior color and design standards established in this section shall not apply to the following class or kind of:
  - a. Facilities located within industrial parks that are created and developed by the municipality or a municipal economic development entity;
  - b. Detached accessory buildings having not more than 200 square feet of floor area when located on the same lot as a single-family or two-family dwelling. Accessory dwelling units as defined by the zoning ordinance are not considered detached accessory buildings in the application of this section;
  - c. Temporary construction and material storage buildings utilized during construction of permanent improvements on a parcel of land, within subdivision or other similar circumstance such as a public works project. The temporary structure shall be completely removed upon the expiration of its building permit or upon completion of the permanent improvement, whichever occurs first;
  - d. Farm accessory buildings if such buildings are used solely for agricultural purposes;
  - e. Historic landmarks designated by the historical committee; and

f. Remodeling, renovating or expansion of existing single-family or two-family dwellings when matching materials (or materials that simulate the appearance of the existing exterior) are utilized.

(e) ~~Alternative exterior materials:~~

~~(1) The planning and zoning commission may approve an alternative exterior construction material(s) only upon a determination that the proposed materials are:~~

Formatted: List 1

~~a. Sufficiently durable, and fire and weather resistant to achieve the stated purpose of these requirements; and~~

~~b. The proposed building materials and arrangement of the materials provide consistency of appearance with existing structures on the property or within the neighborhood in which it is located; or~~

~~c. The proposed building material(s) create an appearance that associates a time, a place, an event, or an activity with the development in a thematic manner.~~

~~(2) A request to utilize an alternative exterior construction material(s) shall be submitted to the building official. All requests to utilize an alternative exterior construction material(s) shall be in writing and shall address the durability of the proposed material(s) as described in subsection (c)(1)a. above, along with an explanation of its use as it relates to subsections (e)(1)b. or (e)(1)c. above.~~

~~(3) Such requests shall be accompanied by a site plan and a facade plan in the case of an individual structure or group of structures developed as a single nonresidential project. In the case of a residential development involving the utilization of an alternative exterior construction material(s) on a neighborhood wide basis, a concept plan or approved plat and typical facade treatments shall accompany the request. The city may require the submission of an actual sample(s) of the proposed alternative exterior construction material(s).~~

~~(4) The planning and zoning commission shall consider the request within 30 days of submittal. The approval of an alternative exterior construction material(s) shall be on a case by case basis and is solely at the discretion of the planning and zoning commission.~~

~~(f) Alternative exterior colors:~~

~~(1) The planning and zoning commission may approve alternative exterior colors only upon a determination that:~~

Formatted: List 1

~~a. The proposed building color(s) provide consistency of appearance with existing structures on the property or within the neighborhood in which it is located; or~~

~~b. The proposed building colors(s) create an appearance that associates a time, a place, an event, or an activity with the development in a thematic manner.~~

~~(2) A request to utilize an alternative exterior color(s) that is not included in the approved color palette, shall be submitted to the building official. All requests to utilize an alternative exterior colors shall be in writing and shall provide an explanation of its use as it relates to subsections (f)(1)a. or (f)(1)b. above.~~

~~(3) Such requests shall be accompanied by two color boards showing actual samples of the proposed alternative exterior colors of exterior walls, accent exterior colors, roofing and exterior fencing/screening walls.~~

~~(4) The planning and zoning commission shall consider the request within 30 days of submittal. The approval of an alternative exterior color(s) shall be on a case by case basis and is solely at the discretion of the planning and zoning commission.~~

~~(g) Relation of exterior color and design standards to zoning classifications: The establishment of exterior color and design standards does not repeal the underlying zoning classification of property to which the designation applies, but is in addition to the authorizations and requirements of the underlying zoning district. In the event of a conflict between the requirement of the exterior color and design standards and~~

~~the underlying zoning classification, the more stringent shall apply, except that the terms of a PD planned development ordinance may expressly override one or more requirements set forth in this section.~~

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (V)(42)(42.1—42.4), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2010-O-6A, §§ 3—7, 6-8-10; Ord. No. 2016-O-6B, § 2, 6-14-16)

**Sec. 28-106. Supplemental regulations.**

(a) ~~(1)~~ *Measuring setbacks*: All setback measurements shall be made in accordance with illustration 4.

~~(1) Configuration of lots: Wherever possible, flag lots in all zoning districts (i.e., lots with minimal, or panhandle type, frontage) shall be avoided. Similarly, through (i.e., double frontage) lots (particularly within residential zoning districts) shall also be avoided wherever possible not be permitted. (Also see subdivision ordinance for regulations pertaining to the configuration of lots.)~~

**Commented [LK23]:** The term “wherever possible” needs discussion.

~~(3) Building setbacks: All setbacks established on a recorded plat shall be enforced, even if they exceed the required setbacks in this chapter. Setbacks established on a recorded plat shall only be changed through replat proceedings (see subdivision ordinance).~~

**Commented [LK24]:** What about setbacks that are lesser than the zoning requirements? This could be a vested rights issue? No need for this statement here.

(b) *Front yard*:

(1) On all corner lots, the front yard setback shall be observed along the frontage of both intersecting streets, ~~unless approved specifically otherwise on a final plat.~~ Where single-family and duplex lots shall have double frontage, extending from one street to another, or are on a corner, a required front yard shall be provided on both streets ~~unless a side or rear yard building line has been established along one frontage on the plat, in which event only one required front yard need be observed.~~ The side and/or rear yards in the case of single-family and duplex uses shall be identified and the front of the structure shall not face the side or rear yard.

(2) Where the frontage on one side of a street between two intersecting streets is divided by two or more zoning districts, the front yard shall comply with the requirements of the most restrictive district for the entire frontage (see illustration 3).

(3) The front yard shall be measured from the property line to the front face of the building, to the nearest supporting member of a covered porch or terrace, or to any attached accessory building. ~~Every part of a required side and rear yard shall be open and unobstructed except for the ordinary projections of window sills, belt courses, cornices, and other architectural features not to exceed 12 inches into the required side or rear yard, and roof eaves projecting not to exceed 36 inches into the required side or rear yard. Eaves and roof extensions of a porch without posts or columns may project into the required front yard for a distance not to exceed four feet, and subsurface structures, platforms or slabs may not project into the front yard to a height greater than 30 inches above the average grade of the yard (see illustration 4).~~ Open porches extending into the front yard shall not be enclosed.

**Commented [LK25]:** Consider reducing this – 18”

(4) Minimum lot widths for lots with predominate frontage on the curved radius of a street (e.g., cul-de-sac or “eyebrow” portion of a street) shall be measured as the linear distance of the curved front building line, and shall be shown on the subdivision plat. Lot widths for all lots shall be as set forth in the respective zoning district for each lot. The front building line required in a zoning district may be increased by up to five feet on cul-de-sac and street eyebrow lots in order to comply with the minimum lot width required in that zoning district, provided that an adequate building pad area (i.e., has adequate depth) is retained on the lot after moving the front building line back.

(5) See subsection 28-110(a) for special front yard regulations and setbacks for gasoline service station pump islands and canopies.

(6) Where a future right-of-way line has been established for future widening or opening of a street or thoroughfare, upon which a lot abuts, then the front, side, or rear yard shall be measured from the future right-of-way line.

(c) *Side and rear yards:*

- (1) On a corner lot used for one- or two-family dwellings, both street exposures shall be treated as front yards on all lots, ~~except that where one street exposure is designated as a side yard for both adjacent lots or where the two lots are separated by an alley, street right of way, creek/floodplain area, or other similar phenomenon. In such case, a building line may be designated by the city manager, with a minimum side yard of 15 feet or more (as determined by the applicable zoning district standards).~~ On lots which were official lots of record prior to the effective date of this chapter, the minimum side yard adjacent to a side street shall comply with the minimum required side yard for the respective district.
- (2) Every part of a required side and rear yard shall be open and unobstructed except for the ordinary projections of window sills, belt courses, cornices, and other architectural features not to exceed 12 inches into the required side or rear yard, and roof eaves projecting not to exceed 36 inches into the required side or rear yard. Air conditioning compressors and similar equipment are permitted in the side or rear yard. Open porches extending into a side or rear yard shall not be enclosed. A canopy or awning may project into a required side or rear yard provided that it is not enclosed, and provided that it is at least five feet from the property line. The minimum separation between buildings shall be maintained, per the city's building code.

(d) *Special height regulations:*

- (1) In any zoning district, water stand pipes and tanks, church steeples, domes and spires, ornamental cupolas, uninhabited (or one-man overseer's penthouse not exceeding 50 square feet in size) utility or industrial structures, and city government buildings may be erected to exceed the height limit, as specified in the particular zoning district, provided that two additional feet shall be added to the **width and depth** of front, side, and rear yards for each foot that such structures exceed the district height limit.

Formatted: Highlight

Commented [LK26]: How is width different from depth?

(e) *Communications antennas and support structures/towers:*

- (1) *Purpose:* The purpose of this section is to establish general guidelines for the siting of wireless communications towers and antennas. The goals of this section are to:
- Protect residential areas and land uses from potential adverse impacts of towers and antennas;
  - Encourage the location of towers in nonresidential areas;
  - Minimize the total number of towers throughout the community;
  - Strongly encourage the joint use of new and existing tower sites as a primary option rather than construction of additional single-use towers;
  - Encourage users of towers and antennas to locate them, to the extent possible, in areas where the adverse impact on the community is minimal;
  - Encourage users of towers and antennas to configure them in a way that minimizes the adverse visual impact of the towers and antennas through careful design, siting, landscape screening, and innovative camouflaging techniques;
  - Enhance the ability of the providers of telecommunications services to provide such services to the community quickly, effectively and efficiently;
  - Consider the public health and safety of communication towers; and

- i. Avoid potential damage to adjacent properties from tower failure through engineering and careful siting of tower structures. In furtherance of these goals, the city shall give due consideration to the city's master plan, zoning map, existing land uses, and environmentally sensitive areas in approving sites for the location of towers and antennas.

(2) *Definitions:* As used in this section, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

- a. *Alternative tower structure* means manmade trees, clock towers, bell steeples, light poles and similar alternative-design mounting structures that camouflage or conceal the presence of antennas or towers.
- b. *Antenna* means any exterior transmitting or receiving device mounted on a tower, building or structure and used in communications that radiate or capture electromagnetic waves, digital signals, analog signals, radio frequencies (excluding radar signals), wireless telecommunications signals or other communications signals.
- c. *Backhaul network* means the lines that connect a provider's towers/cell sites to one or more cellular telephone switching offices, and/or long distance providers, or the public switched telephone network.
- d. *FAA* means the Federal Aviation Administration.
- e. *FCC* means the Federal Communications Commission.
- f. *Height* means, when referring to tower or other structure, the distance measured from the finished grade of the parcel to the highest point on the tower or other structure, including the base pad and any antenna.
- g. *Preexisting towers and preexisting antennas* ~~means~~mean any tower or antenna for which a building permit or special use permit has been properly issued prior to the effective date of this section, including permitted towers or antennas that have not yet been constructed so long as such approval is current and not expired.
- h. *Tower* means any structure that is designed and constructed primarily for the purpose of supporting one or more antennas for telephone, radio and similar communication purposes, 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, alternative tower structures, and the like. The term includes the structure and any support thereto.

(3) *Applicability:*

- a. *New towers and antennas.* All new towers or antennas in the city shall be subject to these regulations, except as provided below.
- ~~b~~1. *Amateur radio station operators/receive only antennas.* This section shall not govern any tower, or the installation of any antenna, that is under 70 feet in height and is owned and operated by federally-licensed amateur radio station operator or is used exclusively for receive only antennas.
- ~~e~~2. *Preexisting towers or antennas.* Preexisting towers and preexisting antennas shall not be required to meet the requirements of this section other than the requirements of subsections (4)d., (4)e., (4)f., (4)g., (4)h., (7)b.6. and (7)b.7. Preexisting towers and antennas shall have 90 days from the effective date to comply with these sections, unless the owners petition the city and show good cause why more time should be granted.
- ~~d~~3. *AM array.* For purposes of implementing this article, an AM array, consisting of one or more tower units and supporting ground system which functions as one AM broadcasting antenna, shall be considered one tower. Measurements for setbacks and separation distances shall be

Commented [LK27]: Tab

measured from the outer perimeter of the towers included in the AM array. Additional tower units may be added within the perimeter of the AM array by right.

(4) *General requirements:*

- a. *Principal or accessory use.* Antennas and towers may be considered either principle or accessory uses. A different existing use of an existing structure on the same lot shall not preclude the installation of an antenna or tower on such lot.
- b. *Lot size.* For purposes of determining whether the installation of a tower or antenna complies with district development regulations, including but not limited to setback requirements, lot-coverage requirements, and other such requirements, the dimensions of the entire lot shall control, even though the antennas or towers may be located on leased parcels within such lot.
- c. *Inventory of existing sites.* Each application for an antenna and/or tower shall provide to the code enforcement officer an inventory of its existing towers. The code enforcement officer may share such information with other applicants applying for administrative approvals or special use permits and this article or other organizations seeking to locate antennas within the jurisdiction of the city provided, however that the code enforcement officer is not, by sharing such information, in a way representing or warranting that such sites are available or suitable.
- d. *Aesthetics.* Towers and antennas shall meet the following requirements:
  1. Towers shall either maintain a galvanized steel finish or, subject to any applicable standards of the FAA, be painted a neutral color so as to reduce visual obtrusiveness.
  2. At a tower site, the design of the buildings and related structures shall, to the extent possible, use materials, colors, textures, screening and landscaping that will blend them into the natural setting and surrounding buildings.
  3. If an antenna is installed on a structure other than a tower, the antenna and supporting electrical and mechanical equipment must be of a neutral color that is identical to, or closely compatible with, the color of the supporting structure so as to make the antenna and related equipment as visually unobtrusive as possible.
- e. *Lighting.* Towers shall not be artificially lighted, unless required by the FAA or other applicable authority. If lighting is required, the lighting alternatives and design chosen must cause the least disturbance to the surrounding views.
- f. *State or federal requirements.* All towers must meet or exceed current standards and regulations of the FAA, the FCC, and any other agency of the state or federal government with the authority to regulate towers and antennas. If such standards and regulations are changed, then the owners of the towers and antennas governed by this article shall bring such towers and antennas into compliance with such revised standards and regulations within six months of the effective date of such standards and regulations, unless a different compliance schedule is mandated by the controlling state or federal agency. Failure to bring towers and antennas into compliance with such revised standards and regulations shall constitute grounds for the removal of the tower or antenna at the owner's expense.
- g. *Building codes; safety standards.* To ensure the structural integrity of towers, the owner of a tower shall ensure that it is maintained in compliance with standards contained in applicable state or local building codes and the applicable standards for towers that are published by the Electronic Industries Association, as amended from time to time. If, upon inspection, the city concludes that a tower fails to comply with such codes and standards and constitutes a danger to persons or property, then upon notice being provided to the owner of the tower, the owner shall have 30 days to bring such tower into compliance with such standards. Failure to bring such

tower into compliance within said 30 days shall constitute grounds for the removal of the tower or antenna at the owner's expense.

- h. *Measurement.* For purposes of measurement, tower setbacks and separation distances shall be calculated and applied to facilities located in the city irrespective of municipal and county jurisdictional boundaries.
  - i. *Not essential services.* Towers and antennas shall be regulated and permitted pursuant to this article and shall not be regulated or permitted as essential services, public utilities or private utilities.
  - j. *Franchises.* Owners and/or operators of towers or antennas shall certify that all franchises required by law for the construction and/or operation of a wireless communication system in the city have been obtained and shall file a copy of all required franchises with the code enforcement officer.
  - k. *Public notice.* For purposes of this article, a special use request, variance request, or appeal of an administratively approved use or special use shall require public notice to all abutting property owners and all property owners of properties that are located within the corresponding separation distance listed in subsection (7)b.5.(ii), Table 2, in addition to any notice otherwise required by the zoning ordinance.
  - l. *Signs.* No signs shall be allowed on an antenna or tower.
  - m. *Buildings and support equipment.* Buildings and support equipment associated with antennas or towers shall comply with the requirements of subsection (8).
  - n. *Multiple antenna/tower plan.* The city encourages the users of towers and antennas to submit a single application for approval of multiple towers and/or antenna sites. Applications for approval of multiple sites shall be given priority in the review process.
- (5) *Permitted uses:*
- a. *General.* The uses listed in this section are deemed to be permitted uses and shall not require administrative approval or a special use permit.
  - b. *Permitted uses.* The following uses are specifically permitted:
    - 1. Antennas or towers located on property owned, leased, or otherwise controlled by the city provided a license or lease authorizing such antenna or tower has been approved by the city.
- (6) *Administratively approved uses:*
- a. *General.* The following provisions shall govern the issuance of administrative approvals for towers and antennas:
    - 1. The ~~code enforcement officer~~ City Manager or his/her designee may administratively approve the uses listed in this section.
    - 2. Each applicant for administrative approval shall ~~apply to the code enforcement officer~~ make an application providing the information set forth in subsections (7)b.1. and (7)b.3. of this section and nonrefundable fee as established by resolution of the city council to reimburse the city of the costs of reviewing the application.
    - 3. The ~~City Manager or his/her designee~~ code enforcement officer shall review the application for administrative approval and determine if the proposed use complies with subsections (4), (7)b.4. and (7)b.5. of this section.

Created: 2021-03-10 16:12:45 [EST]

(Supp. No. 19)

- 
4. The ~~City Manager or his/her designee code enforcement officer~~ shall respond to each such application within 60 days after receiving it by either approving or denying the application. If the code enforcement officer fails to respond to the applicant within said 60 days, then the application shall be deemed to be approved.
  5. In connection with any such administrative approval, ~~City Manager or his/her designee the code enforcement officer~~ may, in order to encourage shared use, administratively waive any zoning district setback requirements in subsection (7)b.4. or separation distances between towers in subsection (7)b.5. by up to 50 percent.
  6. In connection with any such administrative approval, the ~~City Manager or his/her designee code enforcement officer~~ may, in order to encourage the use of monopoles, administratively allow the reconstruction of an existing tower to monopole construction.
  7. If an administrative approval is denied, the applicant shall file an application for a special use permit pursuant to subsection (7) prior to filing any appeal that may be available under the zoning ordinance.
- b. *List of administratively approved uses.* The following uses may be approved by the ~~City Manager or his/her designee code enforcement officer~~ after conducting an administrative review:
1. Locating a tower or antenna, including the placement of additional buildings or other supporting equipment used in connection with said tower or antenna, in any industrial or heavy commercial zoning district.
  2. Locating antennas on existing structures or towers consistent with the terms of subsections (i) and (ii) below.
    - (i) *Antennas on existing structures.* An antenna which is not attached to tower may be approved by the ~~City Manager or his/her designee code enforcement officer~~ as an accessory use to any commercial, industrial, professional, institutional, or multifamily structure of eight or more dwelling units, provided:
      - i. The antenna does not extend more than 30 feet above the highest point of the structure;
      - ii. The antenna complies with all applicable FCC and FAA regulations; and
      - iii. The antenna complies with all applicable building codes.
    - (ii) *Antennas on existing towers.* An antenna which is attached to an existing tower may be approved by the ~~City Manager or his/her designee code enforcement officer~~ and, to minimize adverse visual impacts associated with the proliferation and clustering of towers, collocation of antennas by more than one carrier on existing towers shall take precedence over the construction of new towers, provided such collocation is accomplished in a manner consistent with the following:
      - i. A tower which is modified or reconstructed to accommodate the collocation of an additional antenna shall be of the same tower type as the existing tower, unless the ~~City Manager or his/her designee code enforcement officer~~ allows reconstruction as a monopole.
      - ii. Height.
        - (A) An existing tower may be modified or rebuilt to a taller height, not to exceed 30 feet over the tower's existing height, to accommodate the collocation of an additional antenna.

- (B) The height change referred to in subsection 2.(i) may only occur one time per communication tower.
- (C) The additional height referred to in subsection 2.(i) shall not require an additional distance separation as set forth in subsection (7). The tower's pre-modification height shall be used to calculate such distance separations.
- (iii) Onsite location.
  - (A) A tower which is being rebuilt to accommodate the collocation of an additional of an additional antenna may be moved onsite within 50 feet of its existing location.
  - (B) After the tower is rebuilt to accommodate collocation, only one tower may remain on the site.
  - (C) A relocated onsite tower shall continue to be measured from the original tower location for purposes of calculating separation distances between towers pursuant to subsection (7)b.5. The relocation of a tower hereunder shall in no way be deemed to cause a violation of subsection (7)b.5.
  - (D) The onsite relocation of a tower which comes within the separation distances to residential units or residentially zoned lands as established in subsection (7)b.5. shall ~~only not~~ be permitted, ~~when approved by the code enforcement officer.~~

Commented [LK28]: To protect residential

3. New towers in nonresidential zoning districts. Locating any new tower in a nonresidential zoning district other than industrial or heavy commercial, provided a licensed professional engineer certifies the tower can structurally accommodate the number of shared users proposed by the applicant; the ~~City Manager or his/her designee code enforcement officer~~ concludes the tower is in conformity with the goals set forth in subsection (1) and the requirements of subsection (4); the tower meets the setback requirements in subsection (7)b.4. and separation distances in subsection (7)b.5.; and the tower meets the following height and usage criteria:

- (i) For a single user, up to 90 feet in height;
- (ii) For two users, up to 120 feet in height; and
- (iii) For three or more users, up to 150 feet in height.

4. Locating any alternative tower structure in a zoning district other than industrial or heavy commercial that in the judgment of the ~~City Manager or his/her designee code enforcement officer~~ is in conformity with the goals set forth in subsection (1) of this section ~~and approval of an application for a special use permit pursuant to subsection (7).~~

Commented [LK29]: Clarification

5. Installing a cable microcell network through the use of multiple low-powered transmitters/receivers attached to existing wireline systems, such as conventional cable or telephone wires, or similar technology that does not require the use of towers.

(7) Special use permits.

- a. General. The following provisions shall govern the issuance of special use permits for towers or antennas by the city council after recommendation from the planning and zoning commission:

1. If the tower or antenna is not a permitted use under subsection (5) of this section or permitted to be approved administratively pursuant to subsection (6) of this section, then a special use permit shall be required for the construction of a tower or the placement of an antenna in all zoning districts.
  2. Applications for special use permits under this section shall be subject to the procedures and requirements of section 28-63 (special use permits) of the zoning ordinance, except as modified in this section.
  3. In granting a special use permit, the city council and/or the planning and zoning commission may impose conditions to the extent the planning and zoning commission and/or the city council concludes such conditions are necessary to minimize any adverse effect of the proposed tower on adjoining properties.
  4. Any information of an engineering nature that the applicant submits, whether civil, mechanical, or electrical, shall be certified by a licensed professional engineer.
  5. An applicant for a special use permit shall submit the information described in this section and a non-refundable fee as established by resolution of the city council to reimburse the city for the costs of reviewing the application.
- b. *Towers.*

**Commented [LK30]:** Currently, it is allowed in all districts with an administrative approval. Propose to allow in nonresidential zoning districts by right but in others with a SUP.

1. Information required. In addition to any information required for applications for special use permits pursuant to section 28-63 (special use permits) of the zoning ordinance, applicants for a special use permit for a tower shall submit the following information:
  - (i) A scaled site plan clearly indicating the location, type and height of the proposed tower, on-site land uses and zoning, adjacent land uses and zoning (including when adjacent to other municipalities), master plan classification of the site and all properties within the applicable separation distances set forth in subsection (7)b.5., adjacent roadways, proposed means of access, setbacks from property lines, elevation drawings of the proposed tower and any other structures, topography, parking, and other information deemed by the code enforcement officer to be necessary to assess compliance with this section.
  - (ii) Legal description of the parent tract and leased parcel (if applicable).
  - (iii) The setback distance between the proposed tower and the nearest residential unit, platted residentially zoned properties, and unplatted residentially zoned properties.
  - (iv) The separation distance from other towers described in the inventory of existing sites submitted pursuant subsection (4)c. shall be shown on an updated site plan or map. The applicant shall also identify the type of construction of the existing tower(s) and the owner/operator of the existing tower(s), if known.
  - (v) A landscape plan showing specific landscape materials.
  - (vi) Method of fencing, and finished color and, if applicable, the method of camouflage and illumination.
  - (vii) A description of compliance with subsections (4)c., (4)d., (4)e., (4)f., (4)g., (4)j., (4)l., (4)m., (4)n., (7)b.4., (7)b.5. and all applicable federal, state or local laws.
  - (viii) A notarized statement by the applicant as to whether construction of the tower will accommodate collocation of additional antennas for future users.

Created: 2021-03-10 16:12:45 [EST]

- 
- (ix) Identification of the entities providing the backhaul network for the tower(s) described in the application and other cellular sites owned or operated by the applicant in the municipality.
  - (x) A description of the suitability of the use of existing towers, other structures or alternative technology not requiring the use of towers or structures to provide the services to be provided through the use of the proposed new tower.
  - (xi) A description of the feasible location(s) of future towers or antennas within the city based upon existing physical, engineering, technological or geographical limitation in the event the proposed tower is erected.
2. Factors considered in granting special use permits for towers. In addition to any standards for consideration of special use permit applications pursuant to section 28-63 (special use permits) of the zoning ordinance, the city council after recommendation from the planning and zoning commission shall consider the following factors in determining whether to issue a special use permit, although the city council may waive or reduce the burden on the applicant of one or more of these criteria if the planning and zoning commission and/or the city council concludes that the goals of this section are better served thereby:
- (i) Height of the proposed tower;
  - (ii) Proximity of the tower to residential structures and residential district boundaries;
  - (iii) Nature of uses on adjacent and nearby properties;
  - (iv) Surrounding topography;
  - (v) Surrounding tree coverage and foliage;
  - (vi) Design of the tower, with particular reference to design characteristics that have the effect of reducing or eliminating visual obtrusiveness;
  - (vii) Proposed ingress and egress; and
  - (viii) Availability of suitable existing towers, others structures, or alternative technologies not requiring the use of towers or structures, as discussed in subsection (7)b.3. of this article.
3. Availability of suitable existing towers, other structures, or alternative technology. No new tower shall be permitted unless the applicant demonstrates to the reasonable satisfaction of the planning and zoning commission and city council that no existing tower, structure or alternative technology that does not require the use of towers or structures can accommodate the applicant's proposed antenna. An applicant shall submit information requested by the city council or the planning and zoning commission related to the availability of suitable existing towers, other structures or alternative technology. Evidence submitted to demonstrate that no existing tower, structure or alternative technology can accommodate the applicant's proposed antenna may consist of any of the following:
- (i) No existing towers or structures are located within the geographic area which meet applicant's engineering requirements.
  - (ii) Existing towers or structures are not of sufficient height to meet applicant's engineering requirements.
  - (iii) Existing towers or structures do not have sufficient structural strength to support applicant's proposed antenna and related equipment.

- (iv) The applicant's proposed antenna would cause electromagnetic interference with the antenna on the existing towers or structures, or the antenna on the existing towers or structures would cause interference with the applicant's proposed antenna.
  - (v) The fees, costs, or contractual provisions required by the owner in order to share an existing tower or structure or to adapt an existing tower or structure for sharing are unreasonable. Costs exceeding new tower development are presumed to be unreasonable.
  - (vi) The applicant demonstrates that there are other limiting factors that render existing towers and structures unsuitable.
  - (vii) The applicant demonstrates that an alternative technology that does not require the use of towers or structures, such as a cable microcell network using multiple low-powered transmitters/receivers attached to a wireline system, is unsuitable. Costs of alternative technology that exceed new tower or antenna development shall not be presumed to render the technology unsuitable.
4. Setbacks. The following setback requirements shall apply to all towers for which a special use permit is required; provided, however, that the city council after recommendation from the planning and zoning commission may reduce the standard setback requirements if the goals of this article would be better served thereby:
- (i) Towers must be set back a distance equal to at least 100 percent of the height of the tower from any adjoining lot line.
  - (ii) Guys and accessory buildings must satisfy the minimum zoning district setback requirements.
5. Separation. The following separation requirements shall apply to all towers and antennas for which a special use permit is required; provided, however, that the city council after recommendation of the planning and zoning commission may reduce the standard separation requirements if the goals of this article would be better served thereby:
- (i) Separation from off-site uses/designated areas.
    - i. Tower separation shall be measured from the base of the tower to the lot line of the off-site uses and/or designated areas as specified in table 1, except as otherwise provided in table 1.
    - ii. Separation requirements for towers shall comply with the minimum standards established in table 1.

Table 1	
Off-site Use/Designated Area	Separation Distance
Single-Family or duplex residential units (1)	200 feet or 300% height of tower whichever is greater
Vacant single-family or duplex residentially zoned land which is either platted or has preliminary subdivision plan approval which is not expired	200 feet or 300% height of tower (2) whichever is greater
Vacant unplatted residentially zoned lands (3)	100 feet or 100% height of tower whichever is greater
Existing multifamily residential units greater than duplex units	100 feet or 100% height of tower whichever is greater
Nonresidential zoned lands or nonresidential uses	None; only setback apply

Note - (1) Includes modular homes and mobile homes used for living purposes. (2) Separation measured from base of tower to closest building setback line. (3) Includes any unplatted residential use properties without a valid preliminary subdivision plan or valid development plan approval and any multifamily residentially zoned land greater than duplex.

- (ii) Separation distances between towers.
  - i. Separation distances between towers shall be applicable for and measured between the proposed tower and preexisting towers. The separation distances shall be measured by drawing or following a straight line between the base of the existing tower and the proposed base, pursuant to a site plan, of the proposed tower. The separation distances (listed in linear feet) shall be as shown in Table 2.

ii. Table 2:

**Table 2: Separation Distances - Existing Towers - Types**

	Lattice	Guyed	Monopole 75 Ft. in Height or Greater	Monopole Less Than 75 Ft. in Height
Lattice	5,000	5,000	1,500	750
Guyed	5,000	5,000	1,500	750
Monopole 75 Ft. in Height or Greater	1,500	1,500	1,500	750
Monopole Less than 75 Ft. in Height	750	750	750	750

- 6. Security fencing. Towers shall be enclosed by security fencing not less than six feet in height and shall also be equipped with an appropriate anti-climbing device; provided however, that the city council after recommendation from the planning and zoning commission may waive such requirements, as it deems appropriate.
- 7. Landscaping. The following requirements shall govern the landscaping surrounding towers for which a special use permit is required; provided, however, that the city council after recommendation from the planning and zoning commission may waive such requirements if the goals of this article would be better served thereby.
  - (i) Tower facilities shall be landscaped with a buffer of plant materials that effectively screens the view of the tower compound and ground equipment from adjoining property properties and uses. used for residences. The standard buffer shall consist of a landscaped strip at least ~~four~~six feet wide outside the perimeter of the compound.
  - (ii) In locations where the visual impact of the tower would be minimal, the landscaping requirement may be reduced or waived.
  - (iii) Existing mature tree growth and natural land forms on the site shall be preserved to the maximum extent possible. In some cases, such as towers sited on large, wooded lots, natural growth around the property perimeter may be sufficient buffer.

(8) Buildings or other equipment storage.

- a. *Antennas.* All antennas mounted on structures, rooftops, utility poles, light poles or towers, shall be structurally sound and all plans for said antennas and their connections to the structure shall be prepared by and certified as to design by an engineer licensed by the state.

- b. *Compliance with building codes.* Equipment storage buildings or cabinets shall comply with all applicable building codes.
  - c. *Required screening.* In ~~residential-all~~ districts, all equipment cabinet/structure and ground equipment shall be screened by evergreen hedge with an ultimate height of at least 60 inches and a planted height of at least 36 inches. In commercial or industrial districts the equipment cabinet or structure shall be screened by and evergreen hedge with an ultimate height of 48 inches and a planted height of at least 36 inches. In place of a hedge, the structures or cabinets may be screened from view by a solid masonry fence equal in height to the ultimate height of the hedge set out herein.
  - d. *Setback and minimum yard requirements.* The related unmanned equipment structure shall comply with the minimum yard requirements and front, side and rear yard setback requirements of the zoning district in which it is located.
  - e. *Modification of building size requirements.* The requirements of subsections (8)a. through (8)d. may be modified by the ~~code enforcement officer~~ Zoning Board of Adjustment in the case of administratively approved uses or by the city council after recommendation from the planning and zoning commission in the case of uses permitted by special use to encourage collocation.
- (9) *Removal of abandoned antennas and towers.* Any antenna or tower that is not operated for a continuous period of 12 months shall be considered abandoned, and the owner of such antenna or tower shall remove the same within 90 days of receipt of notice from the city notifying the owner of such abandonment. Failure to remove an abandoned antenna or tower within said 90 days shall be grounds to remove the tower or antenna at the owner's expense. If there are two or more users of a single tower, then this provision shall not become effective until all users cease using the tower.
- (10) *Nonconforming uses.*
- a. *Not expansion of nonconforming use.* Towers that are constructed and antennas that are installed, in accordance with the provisions of this article shall not be deemed to constitute the expansion of a nonconforming use or structure.
  - b. *Preexisting towers.* Preexisting towers shall be allowed to continue their usage as they presently exist subject to the requirements set out in subsection (3)c. Routine maintenance (including replacement with a new tower of like construction and height) shall be permitted on such preexisting towers. New construction other than routine maintenance on a preexisting tower shall comply with the requirements of this article.
  - c. *Rebuilding damaged or destroyed nonconforming towers or antennas.* Notwithstanding subsection (9), bona fide nonconforming towers or antennas that are damaged or destroyed may be rebuilt without having to first obtain a special use permit but shall meet all current Building permits to rebuild the facility shall comply with the then applicable building codes and shall be obtained within 180 days from the date the facility is damaged or destroyed. If no permit is obtained or if said permit expires, the tower or antenna shall be deemed abandoned as specified in subsection (9).
- (f) *Minimum dwelling unit area:* Minimum dwelling unit areas specified in this chapter shall be computed exclusive of breezeways, garages, open porches, carports and accessory buildings.
- (g) *Open storage areas:* Open ~~long-term~~ storage of materials, commodities or equipment (where allowed in the specific zoning district) shall be located behind the front building line and observe all setback requirements for the main structure or building. This standard does not apply to short-term outside display (see definition of outside display in section 28-112; see screening requirements in section 28-104.

**Commented [LK31]:** Why not conform to the requirements of Sec. 28-21. Nonconforming uses and structures.

- 
- (h) *Sight visibility:* Visual clearance shall be provided in all zoning districts in accordance with chapter 22 (Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places), article II, division 2 (Obstructions - sections 22-31 through 22-34).
- (i) *Nonresidential structures in residential districts:*
- (1) Nonresidential structures (e.g., churches, schools, day care centers, etc.) which are permitted in any residential zoning district (including AG) shall be designed and constructed such that they conform to the development standards set forth in the commercial-neighborhood (C-N) zoning district (i.e., with respect to maximum height, minimum lot size, minimum front/side/rear setbacks, screening, exterior building construction, etc.) unless otherwise stated in this chapter or in an ordinance establishing a PD.
- (j) *Access standards for nonresidential and multifamily lots:*
- (1) All nonresidential lots (including pad sites) shall share driveway curb openings via mutual access easements from one lot to adjacent lots (for fire and emergency access, as well as for public convenience).
  - (2) All nonresidential and multifamily lots (including pad sites) shall have either direct or indirect (via mutual access/fire lane easements on adjacent property) access to a median opening if located on a median-divided roadway (existing or planned in the future). Driveways for all nonresidential and multifamily lots (including pad sites) shall align, to the greatest extent possible, with any existing or proposed driveways on the other side of any type of roadway.

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (V)(43.1—43.10), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2016-O-6A, § 4, 6-14-16; Ord. No. 2016-O-6B, § 2, 6-14-16)

### **Sec. 28-107. Performance standards.**

- (a) *Performance standards—general:*
- (1) *Compliance required:* No land or building in any district shall be used or occupied in any manner so as to create any dangerous, injurious, noxious, or otherwise objectionable fire, explosive, or other hazards; noise or vibration; smoke, dust, odor, or other form of air pollution; heat, cold, dampness, electrical, or other substance, condition, or element in such a manner or in such an amount as to adversely affect the surrounding area or adjoining the premise. Any use permitted or not expressly prohibited by this chapter may be undertaken and maintained if it conforms to the regulations of this section limiting dangerous and objectionable elements at the point of determination of their existence.
  - (2) *Standards:*
    - a. *Smoke:* The requirements of the TCEQ.
    - b. *Particulate matter:* The requirements of the TCEQ.
    - c. *Odor:* The requirements of the TCEQ.
    - d. *Toxic material:* The emission of toxic and noxious materials shall not produce concentrations exceeding ten percent of threshold limit values for toxic materials in industry as set forth in "threshold limit values" for the current year as adopted as the annual meeting of the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists, at a property boundary line.
    - e. *Glare:* No direct or sky-reflected glare, whether from artificial light or from high-temperature processes such as combustion or welding or otherwise shall be allowed to cross a zoning district boundary line, and should be prevented by shielding or other methods or means.
    - f. *Vibration:* No continuous earth borne vibration shall be permitted which is discernible without instruments at the points of measurement along the nearest adjacent property line.

- g. **Noise:** Any unreasonably loud, disturbing, unnecessary noise in excess of 85 decibels at a distance of 50 feet from the property line which causes material distress, discomfort or injury to persons of ordinary sensibilities in the immediate vicinity thereof is prohibited.

Any noise of such character, intensity and continued duration in excess of 85 decibels at a distance of 50 feet from the property line which substantially interferes with the comfortable enjoyment of a dwelling, hotel or other type of residence by persons of ordinary sensibilities is prohibited.

- h. **Fire hazards:** The storage, utilization, or manufacture of solid materials or products ranging from incombustible or moderate burning is permitted in accordance with applicable city codes and ordinances. The storage, utilization, or manufacture of solid materials or products ranging from free or active burning to intense burning is permitted in accordance with applicable city codes and ordinances provided the following conditions are met:

Said materials or products shall be stored, utilized or manufactured within complete enclosed buildings having incombustible exterior walls and protected throughout by an automatic fire extinguishing system.

The storage, utilization or manufacture of flammable liquids or gases which produce flammable or explosive vapors, shall be permitted in accordance with Table A.1 (exclusive of storage or finished products in original sealed containers) and the city's fire prevention code as interpreted by the City of Angleton Fire Marshal.

- i. **Water pollution:** No operation or activity shall discharge or cause to be discharged, liquid or solid waste into public water unless in conformance with the rules and regulations of federal, state, and other agencies having jurisdiction of such discharge.
- j. **Liquid or solid waste:** No discharge at any point shall be allowed into any public sewer, private sewer disposal system or stream or into the ground, except in accordance with standards approved by the TCEQ, or standards equivalent to those approved in such department, for similar uses, of any materials of such nature or temperature as can contaminate any water supply, interfere with bacterial process in sewage treatment or otherwise cause the emission of dangerous or offensive elements. All discharges shall comply with all applicable city ordinances.

TABLE A.1		
Industries engaged in storage and distribution of such materials	Prohibited Above Ground	100,000 Gallons Under Ground
Materials having a flash point gallons above 190 degrees Fahrenheit	Prohibited	100,000
From and including 105 degrees gallons Fahrenheit and including 190 degrees Fahrenheit	Prohibited	40,000
Materials having a flash point gallons below 105 degrees Fahrenheit	Prohibited	20,000
<i>INDUSTRIES ENGAGED IN UTILIZATION AND MANUFACTURE OF SUCH MATERIALS</i>		
Materials having a flash point gallons above 190 degrees Fahrenheit	10,000 gallons	50,000

**Commented [LK32]:** Is this required here? Typically not included in zoning codes.

From and including 105 degrees Fahrenheit to and including 190 degrees Fahrenheit	1,000 gallons	20,000
Materials having a flash point below 105 degrees Fahrenheit	500 gallons	10,000

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (V)44(44.1), 4-14-09)

**Sec. 28-108. Lighting and glare standards.**

- (a) *Purpose:* Standards for controlling lighting and glare are set forth to reduce the annoyance and inconvenience to property owners and traffic hazards to motorists. These standards are intended to allow reasonable enjoyment of adjacent and nearby property by their owners and occupants while requiring adequate levels of lighting of parking areas.
- (b) *Nonresidential site lighting and glare standards:*
  - (1) Any use shall be operated so as not to produce obnoxious and intense glare or direct illumination across the bounding property line from a visible source of illumination of such intensity as to create a nuisance or detract from the use or enjoyment of adjacent property. All outside lights shall be made up of a light source and reflector so selected that acting together, the light beam is controlled and not directed across any bounding property line above a height of three feet. The allowable maximum intensity measured at the property line of a residential use in a residential district shall be ~~0.250~~ foot candles. Light poles shall be placed on the site a setback equal to its height from all adjacent residential property.
  - (2) Lighting within the parking areas shall meet the following minimum requirements:
    - a. *Intensity:*  
Illumination shall not exceed an average of one foot candle at ground level and shall distribute not more than ~~0.250~~ foot candles of light upon any adjacent residentially zoned area.
    - b. *Height:*
      - 1. The maximum height for poles with lights is ~~35-25~~ feet.
      - 2. ~~Special lighting or lighting higher than 35 feet may be approved as specifically noted on the applicable required plan (i.e., land development plan, concept plan, site plan).~~
- (c) *Residential lighting and glare standards:*
  - (1) Residential lighting for security and night recreation use is permitted in all residential districts provided the following requirements are met:
    - a. Direct lighting over ten feet in height is shielded from adjacent property.
    - b. No light source shall exceed ~~35-20~~ feet in height. Street lights and other traffic safety lighting are exempt from this standard.
    - c. Lighting shall not directly shine on adjacent dwellings.
- (d) *Luminaires:*
  - (1) Light sources shall be of a down-light type, indirect, diffused, or shielded type luminaires installed and maintained so as to reduce glare effect and consequent interference with use of adjacent properties and boundary streets. Bare bulbs above 75 watts and strings of lamps are prohibited, except for temporary lighting as provided in subsection 28-106(c) above.

**Commented [LK33]:** Anything higher would be processed as a variance or be included in a PUD etc.

---

(e) *Special or temporary lighting—low wattage:*

- (1) Bare bulbs or strings of lamps are prohibited, except during holidays special lighting shall be permitted for a maximum time period of 45 calendar days for each holiday used.

(f) *Exemptions and exceptions:*

- (1) Government, street lights and other public safety lighting shall be exempt from this section.

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (V)(45)(45.1—45.6), 4-14-09)

**Sec. 28-109. Home occupation regulations.**

(a) *Purpose:* Standards for controlling home occupations are set forth to minimize ~~annoyance- nuisance~~ and inconvenience to neighboring property owners within residential areas. These standards are intended to allow reasonable and comfortable enjoyment of adjacent and nearby property by their owners and by occupants of neighboring residential dwellings, while providing opportunities for the pursuit of home-based businesses.

(b) *Special provisions for home occupations:*

- (1) Home occupations shall be permitted as accessory use in single- and two-family residential zoning districts provided that they comply with all restrictions herein.
- (2) The occupation shall produce no alteration or change in the character or exterior appearance of the principal building from that of a residential dwelling, and performance of the occupation activity shall not be visible from the street.
- (3) Such use shall be incidental and secondary to the use of the premises for residential purposes, and shall not utilize floor area exceeding 25 percent of the combined gross floor area of dwelling unit and any accessory building(s) that are used for the home occupation (in no case shall the combined floor area utilized solely for a home occupation exceed 500 square feet).
- (4) The occupation shall not employ any person who is not a member of the household in which the home occupation occurs.
- (5) The operation of such an occupation shall be between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. for outdoor activities.
- (6) The occupation activity shall not increase vehicular traffic flow beyond what normally occurs within a residential district, and shall not require regular and frequent deliveries by large delivery trucks or vehicles with a rated capacity in excess of one and one-half tons, according to the manufacturer's classification.
- (7) There shall be no outside storage, including trailers, or outside display related to the home occupation use.
- (8) No mechanical or electrical equipment shall be employed on the premises other than that which is customarily found in a home environment, and that which is customarily associated with a hobby or a vocation which is conducted solely for pleasure and not for profit or financial gain.
- (9) The home occupation shall not generate noise, vibration, glare, fumes/odors, heat or electrical interference beyond what normally occurs within a residential district.
- (10) The occupation shall not require the use of chemicals on the property that are obnoxious or hazardous to the welfare of the neighborhood.

- (11) The home occupation shall not involve the use of advertising signs or window displays, or any other device that calls attention to the business use of the premises through audio and/or visual means.
- (12) The occupation shall not offer a ready inventory of any commodity for sale on the premises.
- (13) The occupation shall not be harmful or detrimental to the health, welfare and safety of the neighborhood, nor shall it interfere with the comfortable enjoyment of life, property and recreation by residents of the area.

(c) *Applicability of other regulations:* Home occupations shall also be subject to any and all other provisions of local, state and/or federal regulations and laws that govern such uses.

(d) *Uses allowed as home occupations:* Subject to the provisions of subsection 28-109(b) above, home occupations may include the following uses:

- (1) Office facility of an accountant, architect, landscape architect, attorney, engineer, consultant, insurance agent, realtor, broker, ~~salesman, sales or manufacturer's representative, etc.~~ or similar profession; provided that no retail or wholesale transactions or provision of services are personally and physically made on the premises;
- (2) Author, artist or sculptor;
- (3) Dressmaker, seamstress or tailor;
- (4) ~~Music/dance teacher, or similar types of instruction, provided that instruction shall be limited to no more than six pupils at a time;~~
- (5) Individual tutoring and home schooling;
- (6) Millinery;
- (7) ~~Office facility of a minister, rabbi, priest or other clergyman;~~
- (8) Home crafts, such as rug weaving, model making, etc.;
- (9) ~~Office facility of a salesman, sales or manufacturer's representative, etc., provided that no retail or wholesale transactions or provision of services are personally and physically made on the premises;~~
- (10) Repair shop for small electrical appliances, cameras, watches/clocks, small engines rated at ten horsepower or less, and other small items, provided that the items can be carried by one person without using special equipment;
- (11) Food preparation establishments such as cake making/decorating or catering, provided that there is no on-premises consumption by customers, and provided that all aspects of the business comply with all state and local health regulations;
- (12) Registered family homes (see definition in section 28-112), in compliance with applicable state laws, which are incorporated herein by reference, with no more than six children;
- (13) ~~Barber shop/beauty salon or manicure studio;~~
- (14) ~~Swimming lessons and water safety instruction, provided that such instruction involves no more than six pupils at any one time during daylight hours; and~~
- (15) In-home dog grooming with a specific use permit (SUP) with necessary restrictions as needed for the requested location.

(e) ~~Uses prohibited as home occupations:~~ Home occupations shall not, in any event, be deemed to include the following ~~uses:~~

**Commented [LK34]:** This can be an issue if multiple classes of 6 pupils each are held during the day. Additional traffic/parking.

**Commented [LK35]:** Included in (1)

**Commented [LK36]:** Moved to (1)

**Commented [LK37]:** Traffic, nuisance

**Commented [LK38]:** Not all uses are included here. Any use that is not permitted would be considered prohibited.

- (1) ~~Animal hospitals or clinics, commercial stables, or kennels;~~
- (2) ~~Schooling or instruction, except swimming/water safety classes and home schooling, with more than six pupils at a time;~~
- (3) ~~Restaurants or on-premises food or beverage (including private clubs) consumption of any kind, except for limited food/meal consumption associated with the operation of a licensed registered family home;~~
- (4) ~~Automobile, boat or trailer paint or repair shop; small engine or motorcycle repair shop for engines rated above ten horsepower; welding shop; large household appliance repair shop; or other similar type of business;~~
- (5) ~~Office facility for a doctor, dentist, veterinarian or other medical-related profession;~~
- (6) ~~On-premises retail or wholesale sales of any kind;~~
- (7) ~~Commercial clothing laundering or cleaning;~~
- (8) ~~Mortuaries or funeral homes;~~
- (9) ~~Trailer, vehicle, tool or equipment rentals;~~
- (10) ~~Repair shops or services, except as specifically provided in subsection 28-109(d) above;~~
- (11) ~~Draperies or furniture upholstery shops;~~
- (12) ~~Antique, gift or specialty shops;~~
- (13) ~~Repair shops for any items having internal combustion engines rated above ten horsepower;~~
- (14) ~~Any use that would be defined by the building code as an assembly, factory/industrial, hazardous, institutional or mercantile occupancy.~~

- (f) *Home occupation uses not classified:* Any use that is not either expressly allowed, ~~nor expressly prohibited~~ by subsections 28-109(d) ~~and (e), respectively~~, is considered prohibited, unless and until such use is classified by amendment to this chapter by the Angleton City Council, subsequent to a recommendation by the planning and zoning commission.
- (g) *Effect of section 28-109 upon existing home occupations:* Any home occupation that was legally in existence as of the effective date of this chapter and that is not in full conformity with the provisions herein shall be deemed a legal nonconforming use, and is subject to the provisions of section 28-21, provided that the home occupation use was not in violation of any other local, state or federal law or regulation on the effective date of this chapter. Any home occupation that was legally in existence as of the effective date of this chapter and that conforms with (i.e., is not in violation of) the provisions herein shall be hereby authorized to continue.

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (V)(46)(46.1—46.7), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2010-O-11A, § 3, 11-9-10; Ord. No. 2015-O-5A, §§ 1, 2, 5-12-15)

### Sec. 28-110. Special regulations for certain types of uses.

(a) *Gasoline sales facilities:*

- (1) ~~Gasoline service station pump islands that parallel a public street may be located a minimum of 16 feet to the property line adjacent to a public street. For pump islands that are perpendicular or diagonal to a public street, the setback shall be 30 feet in order to prevent vehicles stacking out into the street while waiting for a pump position. Pump islands may extend beyond the front building line as described above (provided that all other requirements of this chapter are met), but shall not be closer than 16 feet to any property line that is not adjacent to a public street.~~

**Commented [LK39]:** Why is this required. Would need to meet building setback requirements and buffering requirements.

- 
- (2) Canopies for gasoline service station pump islands shall be ~~located no closer than 15 feet~~required to meet the minimum building setback or yard requirements. ~~from any street right of way line or side or rear property line.~~
- (3) Any oil draining pit, hydraulic hoists, lubrication and greasing devices, repair equipment and similar appurtenances shall not be located in the required yards or at least 20 feet away from any front property line, and at least 30 feet away from any residential zoning district, whichever distance is greater, except where such appurtenances are located wholly within a building.
- (4) Any service station providing self-service dispensing facilities for customers shall provide an emergency shut-off switch which will completely eliminate the flow of fuels from all of the self-service pumps in any emergency situation, and shall be located in the vicinity where the station attendant will be located most of the time.
- (5) Lighting shall be shielded such that it shines downward and does not spill over onto adjacent property (see lighting and glare standards, section 28-108).
- (6) Gasoline service stations which have other uses associated with it (e.g., convenience store, fast food sales, drive-through window service, car wash, dry cleaners, minor or major auto repair, etc.) must be properly zoned for each use to be located on the site (including a SUP, if that zoning district requires such for any of the uses), and the amount of parking and stacking spaces shall be determined cumulatively for all uses (see parking requirements, section 28-101).
- (7) The amount of paved area for gasoline service station sites shall be adequate to accommodate vehicle movements into and out of the site (including large tanker fuel trucks in the vicinity of the fuel storage tanks), but shall be minimized to the greatest extent practical and possible (to reduce storm water runoff, heat and glare, etc.).
- (b) *Swimming pools:*
- (1) All swimming pools shall be constructed in accordance with the standard swimming pool code as amended by ordinance #2005-0-5A, sections 5-496 and 5-497 of the city Code.
- (c) *Extraction of minerals:*
- (1) *General requirements:* Any owner, leasee, or other person, firm, or corporation, having an interest in mineral lands in the AG zoning district only may file an application for a specific use permit (SUP) with the city for authorization to mine minerals therefrom, provided, however, that it shall comply with all requirements of the AG zoning district in which said property is located, and with the following additional requirements:
- Distance from property lines:* No quarrying operation shall be carried on or any stock pile placed closer than 50-100 feet to any property line, unless a greater distance is specified by the city council where such is deemed necessary for the protection of adjacent property.
  - Distance from public right-of-way:* In the event that the site of the mining or quarrying operation is adjacent to the right-of-way or any public street or road, no part of such operation shall take place closer than 50-100 feet to the nearest line of such right-of-way.
  - Fencing:* Fencing shall be erected and maintained around the entire site or portions thereof where, in the opinion of the city council, such fencing is necessary for the protection of the public safety, and such fencing shall be of the type and height specified by the city council.
  - Equipment:* All equipment and machinery shall be operated and maintained in such manner as to minimize dust, noise, and vibration. Access roads shall be maintained in dust-free condition by surfacing or other treatment as may be specified by the city engineer or the city council.

- e. *Processing:* The actions of crushing, washing, refining or other similar processing may be authorized by the city council as an accessory use within the SUP ordinance, but such actions or processing shall not be in conflict with the use regulations of the district in which the operation is located. No part of such operation shall take place closer than 100 feet to the nearest property line or right-of-way.
- f. *Financial ability:* In accepting such SUP request for review, the city council must be satisfied that the proponents are financially able to carry out the proposed mining operation in accordance with plans and specification submitted, and in accordance with city health, safety and welfare standards and ordinances.
- g. *Application:* An application for a SUP for such operation shall set forth the following information (additional information may be required by the city manager, or by the city council):
1. Name of land owner from which removal is to be made;
  2. Name of applicant making request;
  3. Name of person or corporation conducting actual removal operation;
  4. Location, description, and size of area from which removal is to be made;
  5. Location of processing plant;
  6. Type of resources or materials to be removed;
  7. Proposed method of removal and if blasting or other use of explosives will be required;
  8. Description of equipment to be used; and
  9. Method of rehabilitation and reclamation of mined area.
- h. *Planning and zoning commission recommendation:* In accordance with section 28-63, specific use permits, the planning and zoning commission of the City of Angleton shall give its recommendation regarding a SUP to the city council prior to the city council's final determination of application.
- i. *Rehabilitation:* To guarantee restoration, rehabilitation, and reclamation of mined-out areas, every applicant granted a mining permit as herein provided, shall furnish a surety bond to the City of Angleton, in the amount of not less than \$5,000.00, the upper limit to be determined by the city council, as a guarantee that such applicant, in restoring, reclaiming, and rehabilitating such land, shall within a reasonable time, but not more than one year, and shall, to the satisfaction of the city council, meet the following requirements.
1. *Surface rehabilitation:* All excavation shall be made either to a water producing depth, such depth to be not less than five feet below the low water mark, or shall be graded or backfilled with non-noxious, non-flammable and non-combustible solids, to secure that the excavated area shall not collect or permit to remain therein stagnant water or that the surface or such area which is not permanently submerged is graded or backfilled as necessary so as to reduce the peaks and depressions, so as to produce a gently running surface that will minimize erosion due to rainfall and which will be in substantial conformity to the adjoining land areas.
  2. *Vegetation:* Vegetation shall be restored by appropriate seeds, grasses, or planting of shrubs or trees in all parts of said mining area where such area is not to be submerged under water as hereinabove provided.

- 
3. *Banks of excavations:* The banks of all excavations not backfilled shall be sloped to the water line at a slope which shall not be less than three feet horizontal to one foot vertical, and said banks shall be seeded.
- j. *Additional requirements:* In addition to the foregoing, the city council may impose such other conditions, requirements, or limitations concerning the nature and extent of the use and operation of such mines, quarries, or gravel pits as the city council may deem necessary for the protection of adjacent properties and the public interest. The said conditions and the amount of the surety bond shall be determined by the city council prior to issuance of the SUP and issuance of the mining permit. No mining at all will be allowed without a permit as required by this section or by any local, county, state or federal agency.
- (d) *Sexually oriented businesses:* See chapter 21.4 (ordinance #2488) of the city's Code of Ordinances.
- (e) *Alcoholic beverage sales:* See chapter 3 of the city's Code of Ordinances.
- (f) *Special motor vehicles:*
- (1) For the purpose of these regulations, the term "special motor vehicles" is defined as including boats, boat trailers, travel trailers, pickup campers and coaches (designed to be mounted upon automotive vehicles), motorized dwellings (RVs), tent trailers and the like, as well as cases or boxes used for transporting such vehicles, whether occupied by such vehicles or not. No such vehicles shall be used for living, sleeping or housekeeping or similar purposes when parked or stored on a residential lot, or in any location not approved for such use, except as specified in this chapter.
  - (2) No special motor vehicle, heavy load vehicle or recreational vehicle shall be left unattended or parked for more than 24 hours within any parking lot, parking space(s), drive aisle, vacant or unused property, or pervious/unpaved surface area (except an appropriately zoned and approved/paved parking lot for such vehicles).
- (g) *Amusement devices, arcade, gameroom (four or more devices, indoors only):*
- (1) *General requirements.* Approval of a specific use permit (SUP) is required to establish this use in each of the zoning district where this use is permitted, as set out in section 28-81, Use regulations (Charts), of this chapter. In order to process applications requesting to establish this use, the following information shall be submitted:
    - a. *Completed SUP application and filing fee.* In addition to the application and filing fee, the applicant, if not the owner of the property, shall submit a notarized "appointment of agent" form to affirm that the applicant has the expressed consent of the owner to file an application for the use.
    - b. *Plan of operation required.* The applicant shall submit a detailed plan of operation describing how the proposed "method business" would comply with subsection 21-153(f) Restrictions, regulations, controls, and limitations, and the how the proposed use would function, in terms of days and hours of operation, and the type of devices that are proposed. A conceptual floor plan and site plan shall be required to allow staff to determine the number of off-street parking spaces that are required and if the proposed use would comply with applicable fire and building code requirements.
    - c. *Itemized list of games.* The applicant shall provide an itemized list of the number and types of games that are proposed in the facility. The itemized list shall be subject to review by the Angleton Police Department to confirm that no excluded devises or prizes are proposed.
    - d. *Background review.* The applicant shall describe their experience in operating a game room and cite any other game rooms that they have operated, including the name of the business if conducted in Brazoria County.

Created: 2021-03-10 16:12:45 [EST]

e. *Location.* The proposed use shall comply with all locational requirements set out in subsection 21-153(f).

(2) ~~Criteria for docketing.~~

- ~~a. If the applicant cannot provide all of the information described in this Section, the application shall be considered to be incomplete and may not be docketed until a complete application is provided to the city.~~
- ~~b. Upon receipt of a complete application, staff will review the application for compliance with all of the general requirements of this section and with subsection 21-153(f). Applications that:~~
  - ~~1. Comply with all requirements shall be docketed;~~
  - ~~2. Do not comply with all requirements shall not be docketed until the application is amended or improvements are proposed to bring the use into compliance with this section and subsection 21-153(f); and~~
  - ~~3. Do not comply with all applicable requirements and are not amended or do not propose improvements to bring the use into compliance shall not be docketed.~~
  - ~~4. If an applicant disputes that the application has failed to comply with all applicable requirements, the applicant may appeal the decision of the city and request planning and zoning commission review and city council action; with an adverse staff recommendation that states the reason(s) why the application does not comply with applicable requirements.~~
- ~~(3) Processing. SUP applications that are docketed for review and approval shall be processed and dispensed with in accordance with all SUP processes and procedure set out in section 28-63, Specific use permits.~~

**Commented [LK40]:** Is this required? It would be processed like all other SUP applications.

**Formatted:** List 2

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (V)(47)(47.1—47.6), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 1-08-2018, § 2, 8-7-18)

**Sec. 28-111. (Reserved).**

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (V)(48), 4-14-09)

**Sec. 28-112. Definitions.**

For the purpose of these regulations, certain terms and words are to be used and interpreted as defined hereinafter. ~~Words used in the present tense shall also include the future tense; words used in the masculine gender shall also include the feminine gender; words used in the singular number shall also include the plural number; and words in the plural number shall also include the singular number, except where the natural construction of the writing indicates otherwise.~~ The word "shall" is mandatory and not directory. For any term or use not defined herein, Webster's Dictionary (latest edition) shall be used.

*Accessory building (residential):* In a residential district, a subordinate building that is attached or detached and is used for a purpose that is customarily incidental to the main structure but not involving the conduct of a business (i.e., the building area must be significantly less than that of the main structure). Examples may include, but are not limited to, the following: a private garage for automobile storage, tool shed, greenhouse as a hobby (no business), home workshop, children's playhouse, storage building, garden shelter, etc.

*Accessory building (business or industry):* In the nonresidential districts, a subordinate building to the main building that does not exceed the height of the main building and does not exceed 50 percent of the floor area of the main building, and that is used for purposes accessory and incidental to the main use (see "accessory use").

*Accessory use:* A use that is customarily incidental, appropriate and subordinate to the principal use of land or building(s) and that is located upon the same lot therewith (i.e., the land/building area that is used for the accessory use must be significantly less than that used for the primary use, and/or the gross receipts/income that is derived from the accessory use must be significantly less than that derived from the primary use).

Commented [LK41]: Need to be clarified?  
Formatted: Highlight

*Airport or landing field:* A place where aircraft can land and take off that is usually equipped with hangars, facilities for aircraft refueling and repair, and various accommodations for passengers.

*Alley:* A minor right-of-way that is dedicated to public use and which affords a secondary means of vehicular access to the back or side of properties otherwise abutting a street, and which may be used for public utility purposes.

*Ambulance service:* Provision of private (not operated by the City of Angleton) emergency transportation which may include mobile medical care, and which may include storage and maintenance of vehicles.

*Amusement arcade (also video arcade):* Any building, room, place or establishment of any nature or kind, and by whatever name called, including but not limited to, amusement redemption machine game rooms, as defined in Code of Ordinance, City of Angleton, section 21-151, where more than ten percent of the public floor area is devoted to four or more amusement devices that are operated for profit, whether the same is operated for a profit, whether the same is operated in conjunction with any other business or not, including but not limited to, such amusement devices as coin-operated pinball machines, video games, electronic games, shuffle boards, pool tables or other similar amusement devices. However, the term "amusement device," as used herein, shall not include musical devices, billiard tables which are not coin-operated, machines that are designed exclusively for small children, and devices designed to train persons in athletic skills or golf, tennis, baseball, archery or other similar sports.

Formatted: Highlight

Commented [LK42]: Do these need to be excluded? Can this be combined with the next use?

Formatted: Highlight

*Amusement, commercial (indoor):* An amusement enterprise that is wholly enclosed within a building which is treated acoustically so that noise generated by the enterprise is not perceptible at the bounding property line, and that provides activities, services and/or instruction for the entertainment of customers or members, but not including amusement arcades. Uses may include, but are not limited to, the following: bowling alley, ice skating rink, martial arts club, racquetball/handball club, indoor tennis courts/club, indoor swimming pool or scuba diving facility, and other similar types of uses.

*Amusement, commercial (outdoor):* An amusement enterprise offering entertainment and/or games of skill to the general public for a fee wherein any portion of the activity takes place outdoors and including, but not limited to, a golf driving range, archery range, miniature golf course, batting cages, go-cart tracks, amusement parks, and other similar types of uses.

*Animal grooming/pet shop/pet suites:* A retail establishment offering small animals, fish and/or birds for sale as pets, where such creatures are housed within the building for short or long terms, and which may include the grooming of dogs, cats and similar animals.

*Antique shop, sales indoors:* A retail or wholesale establishment engaged in the selling of works of art, architectural antiques, furniture and/or other artifacts of an earlier period (i.e., over 50 years old) and that are in clean, operable and saleable condition (i.e., not junk), with all sales and storage occurring inside a building. An antique shop is differentiated from a "used merchandise store," a "resale shop" or a "consignment shop" in that it does not market common, contemporary used household goods, clothing or furnishings. Rather, it deals primarily in vintage and nostalgia items (generally over 50 years old) and in antiques (generally over 100 years old) from past eras.

Commented [LK43]: ???

Formatted: Highlight

*Art gallery or museum:* An institution for the collection and/or display of bona fide objects of art or science, and which is typically sponsored by a public or quasi-public agency and generally open to the public. An art gallery/museum can include a small gift shop that sells items to visitors provided that such sales are clearly accessory to the primary use as a gallery/museum. An establishment that sells new art or science objects on the

~~retail market shall be defined as a "retail store," and an establishment that sells used objects (or parts of objects) shall be defined as a "used merchandise store."~~

*Assisted living facility:* A congregate residence facility for elderly (over 55 years of age) persons, regardless of legal relationship, who need limited assistance with daily living activities. A limited number of support services such as meals, laundry, housekeeping, transportation, social/recreational activities, hairdressing, etc., may be provided or associated with the assisted living facility. Units may be attached or detached, single- or double-occupancy, and may include limited or full kitchen facilities. Full-time medical or nursing care is not typically provided by the facility, but may be privately arranged for by individual residents on a part-time or temporary basis (e.g., visiting nurses, etc.).

*Auto laundry or car wash:* ~~A facility that includes w~~Washing, waxing or cleaning of automobiles or light duty trucks.

- (1) Attended auto laundry or car wash: ~~A facility where the employees of the car wash facility vacuum, wash, dry, wax and/or detail the vehicle for a fee. The customer (The owner of the vehicle) does not actually wash the vehicle. Instead, he either leaves the vehicle and comes back to retrieve it later, or he waits in a designated area while employees of the car wash facility vacuum, wash, dry, wax and/or detail the vehicle for a fee.~~
- (2) Unattended auto laundry or car wash: ~~A facility which is not manned by employees. The owner of the vehicle causes the vehicle to become washed. May include:~~

~~One type of a U~~unattended car wash facility ~~that~~ utilizes automated self-service (drive-through/rollover) wash bays and apparatus in which the vehicle owner inserts money or tokens into a machine, drives the vehicle into the wash bay, and waits in the vehicle while it is being washed.

~~b. The other type of U~~unattended facility ~~is~~ comprised of wand-type self-service (open) wash bays in which the vehicle owner drives the vehicle into the wash bay, gets out of the vehicle, and hand washes the vehicle with a wand-type apparatus by depositing coins or tokens into a machine.

Formatted: Indent: First line: 0.34"

*Auto finance and leasing:* Leasing of automobiles, motorcycles, and light load vehicles but ~~no and includes~~ outside storage/~~parking of vehicles to be leased/sold~~.

Commented [LK44]: ... of what? Typically, the cars to be leased are stored on the parking lot.

*Auto parts and accessory sales (indoors):* The use of any building or other premise for the ~~primary~~ inside display and sale of new or used parts for automobiles, panel trucks or vans, trailers, or recreation vehicles.

*Auto rental:* Storage or renting of automobiles and light trucks.

*Auto sales (new):* Retail sales of new automobiles or light load vehicles, ~~including, as a minor part of the business, the sales of used automobiles or light load vehicles~~ and the service of new ~~or used~~ vehicles.

*Auto sales (used):* Retail sales, or offering for sale, ~~and the service of~~ used automobiles or light load vehicles.

*Auto storage or auto auction:* The storage or impoundment, on a lot or tract which is paved in accordance with parking lot paving requirements set forth in this chapter, of operable automobiles for the purpose of holding such vehicles for sale, distribution and/or storage. This definition shall not include the storage of wrecked or inoperable vehicles (see "wrecking yard").

*Automobile:* A self-propelled mechanical vehicle designed for use on streets and highways for the conveyance of goods and people including but not limited to the following: passenger cars, light duty trucks and sport utility vehicles, vans and mini-vans, motor scooters and motorcycles.

*Automobile accessory installation (minor):* Minor installation of minor automobile accessories such as car alarms, radio and stereo equipment, window tinting, pin striping, cellular telephones and similar accessories.

*Automobile repair garage:* An establishment providing major or minor automobile repair services to all motor vehicles except heavy load vehicles.

*Automobile repair, major:* General repair or reconditioning of engines, air-conditioning systems and transmissions for motor vehicles; wrecker service; collision repair services including body, frame or fender straightening or repair; customizing; painting; vehicle steam cleaning; undercoating and rust proofing; those uses listed under "automobile repair, minor;" and other similar uses.

*Automobile repair, minor:* Minor repair or replacement of parts, tires, tubes and batteries; diagnostic services; minor maintenance services such as grease, oil, spark plug and filter changing; tune-ups; emergency road service; replacement of starters, alternators, hoses and brake parts; automobile washing and polishing; performing state inspections and making minor repairs necessary to pass said inspection; normal servicing of air-conditioning systems; and other similar minor services for motor vehicles except heavy load vehicles, but not including any operation named under "automobile repair, major" or any other similar use.

*Automotive gasoline or motor fuel service station:* Any building, land area or other premises, or portion thereof, used or intended to be used for the retail dispensing or sales of automotive fuels, lubricants and automobile accessories, including those operations listed under "automobile repair, minor." Vehicles which are inoperative or are being repaired may not remain parked outside these facilities for a period greater than 48 hours.

*Bakery or confectionery (retail):* A facility which is typically less than 5,000 square feet in size for the production and/or sale of baked goods for human consumption such as (but not limited to) pies, cakes, cookies, doughnuts, desserts, etc.

*Bakery or confectionery (wholesale or commercial):* A manufacturing facility which is typically over 5,000 square feet in size for the production and distribution of baked goods and confectioneries to retail outlets.

*Ballroom dancing:* An establishment open to the general public for dancing (any sales of alcoholic beverages for on-premise consumption shall be subject to requirements and use restrictions for private clubs) — see definition for "private club."

*Bank, savings and loan, or credit union:* An establishment for the custody, loan, exchange and/or issue of money, the extension of credit, and/or facilitating the transmission of funds.

*Barn:* A structure intended for the purpose of storing farming and ranching related equipment and/or housing livestock.

*Basement (or cellar):* A portion of a building that is partly or wholly underground. For purposes of height measurement, a basement shall be counted as a story when more than one-half of its height is above the average level of the adjoining ground or when subdivided and used for commercial or dwelling purposes by other than a janitor employed on the premises.

*Bed and breakfast inn or facility:* A dwelling occupied as a permanent residence by an owner or renter which serves breakfast and provides or offers sleeping accommodations in not more than five rooms for transient guests for compensation.

*Block:* A piece or parcel of land entirely surrounded by public highways or streets, other than alleys. In cases where the platting is incomplete or disconnected, the city manager shall determine the outline of the block.

*Boarding or rooming house:* A dwelling other than a hotel, where for compensation and by prearrangement for definite periods, lodging and/or meals are provided.

*Building:* Any structure intended for shelter, occupancy, housing or enclosure for persons, animals or chattel. ~~When separated by dividing walls without openings, each portion of such structure so separated shall be deemed a separate building.~~

*Building, front:* The front of the building shall be considered as that side of the building which faces the street that the property is addressed to.

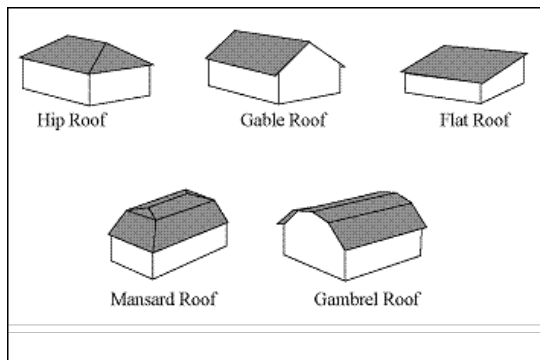
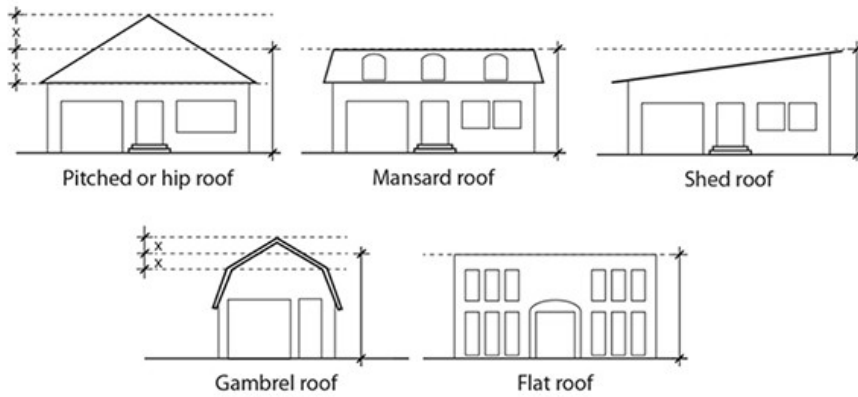
**Formatted:** Strikethrough

**Commented [LK45]:** Multiple store front shops are typically not considered as separate buildings.

**Formatted:** Strikethrough

**Building height:** The vertical distance from the average line of the highest and lowest points of that portion of the lot covered by the building to the highest point of coping of a flat roof, or to the deck line of a mansard roof, or to the average height of the highest gable of a pitched or hipped roof.

**Commented [LK46]:** Add a diagram similar to the one below.



**Building line:** A line parallel, or approximately parallel, to any lot line at a specific distance therefrom, marking the minimum distance from the lot line that a building may be erected (see illustration 7).

**Building, main or primary:** A building in which the principal use of the lot on which it is situated is conducted. In a residential district any dwelling shall be deemed to be a main building on the lot on which it is situated.

**Building materials and hardware sales (indoor or outdoor):** Materials, tools, and/or hardware customarily used in the construction of buildings and other structures, including facilities for storage of materials for retail sales. Sometimes referenced as a "home improvement center." "Outdoor" means the storage of materials and products outside of the main building.

**Building official:** The inspector or administrative official charged with responsibility for issuing permits and enforcing the zoning ordinances and building codes of the City of Angleton.

*Building site:* See "lot" definition.

*Bus station or terminal:* Any premises for the transient housing and/or parking of motor-driven buses and the loading and unloading of passengers.

*Caretakers' or guards' residence:* A residence located on a premises with a main residential or nonresidential use and occupied only by a caretaker or guard employed on the premises (e.g., residence for guard in a private street development, residence for a guard/manager/caretaker for a self-storage facility or a restricted access business park, etc.).

*Carnival, circus or tent service (temporary):* Outdoor or indoor commercial amusement provided on a temporary basis.

*Carport:* A structure that is open on a minimum of two sides and designed or used to shelter vehicles. Also called "covered parking area."

*Cemetery or mausoleum:* Land used or intended to be used for the burial of the human dead and dedicated for cemetery purposes, including columbariums, crematories, mausoleums, and mortuaries when operated in conjunction with and within the boundaries of such cemetery.

*Cemetery, animal:* Same as cemetery except only for the burial of dead animals.

*Certificate of occupancy:* An official certificate issued by the city through the city manager [or his/her designee](#) which indicates conformance with the zoning regulations and building codes and which authorizes legal use [and occupancy](#) of the premises for which it is issued.

*Child care center (or day care center or child nursery):* A commercial institution or place designed for the care or training of seven or more unrelated children under 14 years of age for less than 24 hours a day.

*Church, rectory or temple:* A building for regular assembly for religious worship which is used primarily and designed for such purpose and those accessory activities which are customarily associated therewith, and the place of residence for ministers, priests, nuns or rabbis on the premises (tax exempt as defined by state law). For the purposes of this chapter, religious study and other similar activities which occur in a person's primary residence shall not apply to this definition.

*City council:* The governing body of the City of Angleton, Texas.

*City of Angleton:* The City of Angleton, Texas; sometimes referred to as the "city."

*Civic center:* A building or complex of buildings that may house municipal offices and services, and which may include cultural, recreational, athletic, food service, convention and/or entertainment facilities owned and/or operated by a municipality.

*Cleaning plant (commercial/wholesale):* An industrial facility where fabrics are cleaned with substantially nonaqueous organic solvents on a commercial or wholesale basis.

*Cleaning shop or laundry (small shop, pick-up and self-service):* A custom cleaning shop not exceeding 5,000 square feet of floor area and may include customer self-service laundry and cleaning.

*College or university:* An academic institution of higher learning, accredited or recognized by the state and covering a program or series of programs of academic study.

*Commercial amusement (indoor):* See amusement, commercial (indoor).

*Commercial amusement (outdoor):* See amusement, commercial (outdoor).

*Communication equipment sales and service:* A retail store that provides sales and service for personal communication devices such as cellular phones and pagers.

*Community center (public):* A building or complex of buildings that house cultural, recreational, athletic, food service and/or entertainment facilities owned and/or operated by a governmental agency or private nonprofit agency.

*Community home:* A place where not more than six physically or mentally impaired or handicapped persons are provided room and board, as well as supervised care and rehabilitation by not more than two persons as licensed by the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation (also see V.T.C.A., Local Government Code ch. 123).

*Community market:* A designated location used for the distribution and sale directly to consumers of food products by farmers or other producers. See Chapter 229, Subchapter FF, § 229.702 Definitions of the Texas Administrative Code, as amended, for the definition of food. In addition, community markets allow arts and crafts items; plants; bakery goods; beverages; delicatessen; and grocery items. All food items must comply with the current Texas Food Establishment rules, the Texas Cottage Food Law, and the City of Angleton Food Service Ordinances.

*Comprehensive plan:* Document adopted by the city that consists of graphic and textual policies which govern the future development of the city and which consists of various components governing specific geographic areas and functions and services of the city.

*Concrete or asphalt batching plant (permanent):* A permanent manufacturing facility for the production of concrete or asphalt.

*Concrete or asphalt batching plant (temporary):* A temporary manufacturing facility for the production of concrete or asphalt during construction of a project, and to be removed when the project is completed.

*Consignment shop/re-sale shop (also thrift store):* See "used merchandise store."

*Continuing care retirement community:* A housing development designed to provide a full range of accommodations for older adults (55 years of age or older), including independent living, assisted living and skilled full-time nursing or medical care. Residents may move from one level to another as their needs change.

*Contractor's shop with outside storage yard:* A building, part of a building, or land area for the construction or storage of materials, equipment, tools, products, and vehicles.

*Convenience store with (or without) gasoline sales:* Retail establishment selling food for off-premises consumption and a limited selection of groceries and sundries (and possibly gasoline, if pumps are provided). Does not include or offer any automobile repair services.

*Copy shop or printing:* An establishment which reproduces, in printed form, individual orders from a business, profession, service, industry or government organization and occupies less than 5,000 square feet.

*Country club (private):* A land area and buildings which may include a golf course, clubhouse, dining room, swimming pool, tennis courts and similar recreational or service uses available only to members and their guests.

*Court:* An open, unobstructed space, bounded on more than two sides by the walls of a building. An inner court is entirely surrounded by the exterior walls of a building. An outer court has one side open to a street, alley, yard, or other permanent open space.

*Coverage:* The lot area covered by all buildings located thereon, including the area covered by all overhanging roofs.

*Custom personal service shop:* Tailor, dressmaker, shoe shop, barber shop, beauty shop or similar shop offering custom service.

*Day camp for children:* A facility arranged and conducted for the organized recreation and instruction of children including outdoor activities on a daytime basis.

Density, gross: The total number of residential units allowed upon a given tract of land usually expressed in total number of units per gross acre (i.e., total area of the parcel or tract)

Density, net: The total number of residential buildings-units allowed upon a given tract of land usually expressed in total number of units per net acre (i.e., not including street rights-of-way, HOA common/landscaping areas, parks, floodplains, utility easements, pipelines etc.).

Detached: Having no physical connection above the top of the floor line of the first floor with any other building or structure.

Distribution center: Building or facility used for the storage and distribution of wholesale items/products.

Drainage: Adequate provision for drainage shall be made to drain the pool into the city's sanitary sewer system, in accordance to the city's regulations pertaining to same.

Drapery or furniture upholstering shop: An establishment for the production, display and sale of draperies and soft coverings for furniture.

Dwelling: Any building or portion thereof, which is designed or used as living quarters for one or more families.

Dwelling, garage/accessory. A residential dwelling unit attached to or over a garage but not attached to the main residential structure.

Formatted: Font: Italic

Dwelling, single-family attached (townhouse): See "single-family dwelling (attached)." A dwelling which is joined to another dwelling at one or more sides by a shared wall, which is designed for occupancy by one family, and which is located on a separate lot delineated by front, side and rear lot lines.

Dwelling, single-family detached. A dwelling designed and constructed as a freestanding structure for occupancy by one family, and located on a lot or separate building tract having no physical connection to a building located on any other lot or tract.

Dwelling, two-family (duplex): Two attached dwellings in one structure, each designed to be occupied by one family.

Dwelling, multi-family: Three or more dwelling units on a single lot designed to be occupied by three or more families living independently of one another, exclusive of hotels or motels. Includes three-family units (triplex) and four-family units (quadriplex), as well as traditional apartments.

Formatted: Font: Italic

Dwelling, Patio home (zero-lot-line dwelling): A single-family dwelling on a separately platted lot which is designed such that one side yard is reduced to zero feet in order to maximize the width and usability of the other side yard, and which permits the construction of a detached single-family dwelling with one side (i.e., wall) of such dwelling placed on the side property line (see section 28-48).

Dwelling size/area: The total square footage of a dwelling unit, including only the livable (i.e., air-conditioned) space within the home (i.e., not the garage, accessory buildings, etc.).

Easement: A grant of one or more of the property rights by the property owner to and/or for the use by the public, a corporation or another person or entity.

Educational facilities: Public and private primary, secondary and post-secondary educational facilities offering instruction in the branches of learning and study required to be taught by the Texas Education Agency; and such federally funded educational programs for preschool children as the Head Start Program.

*Electrical substation (high voltage bulk power):* A subsidiary station in which electric current is transformed.

*Enclosed building:* A structure which is floored, roofed and surrounded by outside walls, ~~which contains no opening larger than 120 square feet in area normally open to the air and which contains no series of openings forming a divided opening larger than 120 square feet in area normally open to the air.~~ Includes an enclosed garage.

*Fairgrounds or exhibition area:* An area or space either outside or within a building for the display of topic-specific goods or information ~~and for conducting activities and events.~~

*Family:* One or more persons related by blood, marriage, or adoption; or a group ~~not to exceed of maximum~~ four persons not all related by blood, ~~or~~ marriage, adoption or guardianship, occupying a dwelling unit.

*Family home (child care in place of residence):* A facility that regularly provides care in the caretaker's own residence for not more than six children under 14 years of age, excluding the caretaker's own children, and that provides care after school hours for not more than six additional elementary school siblings of the other children given care. However, the number of children, including the caretaker's own, provided care at such facility shall not exceed 12 at any given time. No outside employment is allowed at the facility. This facility shall conform to V.T.C.A., Human Resources Code ch. 42, as amended, and in accordance with such standards as may be promulgated by the Texas Department of Human Resources.

*Farm, ranch, garden, crops or orchard:* An area used for growing farm products, vegetables, fruits, trees, and grain and for the raising thereon of farm animals such as horses, cattle, and sheep. May also include the necessary accessory uses for raising, treating, and storing products raised on the premises, but does not include the commercial feeding of offal or garbage to swine or other animals. Also does not include any type of agriculture or husbandry specifically prohibited by ordinance or law.

*Farmers market:* A designated location used for the distribution and sale directly to consumers of food products by farmers or other producers. See Chapter 229, Subchapter FF, § 229.702 Definitions of the Texas Administrative Code, as amended, for the definition of food. All food items must comply with the current Texas Food Establishment rules, the Texas Cottage Food Law, and the City of Angleton Food Service Ordinances.

*Feed and grain store:* An establishment for the selling of corn, grain and other food stuffs for animals and livestock, and including implements and goods related to agricultural processes, but not including farm machinery.

*Fire, police or municipal building:* Any public service building of the municipal government including a library or city hall, but excluding storage yards, utility shops and equipment centers.

*Floodplain:* An area of land subject to inundation by a 100-year frequency flood as determined using standard engineering practices and generally as shown on the FIRM Flood Insurance Rate Map of the City of Angleton.

*Floor area:* The total gross square feet of floor space within the outside dimensions of a building including each floor level, but excluding carports, residential garages, and breezeways.

*Floor area ratio (Far/FAR):* The gross floor area of a main building or buildings on a lot, divided by the lot area (see illustration 1).

*Florist shop:* An establishment for the display and retail sale of flowers, small plants and accessories.

*Food processing:* A manufacturing or light industrial use that primarily deals with the processing and packaging of food (such as dairy or grain) products that are intended for human consumption, but which are not typically sold in volume to end users on the premises. Incidental retail sales of food products (e.g., bread and baked goods, dairy products such as cheese, etc.) created and packaged on the premises may be allowed as an accessory use. The area of retail sales shall not exceed 10% of the total gross area of the facility or 1,000 square feet, whichever is lesser.

**Commented [LK47]:** Need to define a maximum area for these.

*Food store:* A retail business establishment that displays and sells consumable goods that are not to be eaten on the premises. Prepared food may be sold only as a secondary or accessory use.

*Franchised private utility (not listed):* A utility such as one distributing heat, chilled water, closed circuit television or similar service and requiring a franchise to operate in the City of Angleton.

*Fraternal organization, lodge, civic club, or union:* An organized group having a restricted membership and specific purpose related to the welfare of the members such as Elks, Masons, Knights of Columbus, or a labor union.

*Front yard:* See "yard, front."

*Funeral home or mortuary:* A place for the storage of human bodies prior to their burial or cremation, or a building used for the preparation of the deceased for burial, ~~and the display of the deceased,~~ and for associated ceremonies connected ~~therewith~~ before burial or cremation.

*Furniture, home furnishings or appliance stores (new):* This group includes retail stores selling new goods for furnishing the home including, but not limited to, furniture, floor coverings, draperies, glass and chinaware, domestic stoves, refrigerators, and other household ~~electrical and gas~~ appliances.

*Furniture, home furnishings or appliance stores Furniture store (new and used):* Same as above except sales may include used items.

*Garage, private:* An enclosed ~~detached or attached~~ accessory building, ~~or a part of a main building,~~ used for storage of automobiles ~~and used solely~~ by the occupants and their guests, ~~and not used for habitaion~~. Also called "enclosed parking space."

*Garage, accessory dwelling:* ~~See Dwelling, garage/accessory. A residential dwelling unit attached to or over a garage but not attached to the main residential structure.~~

*Garden shop:* A facility which is engaged in the selling of flowers, ornamental plants, shrubs, trees, seeds, garden and lawn supplies, and other materials used in planting and landscaping, but not including cultivation and propagation activities outside a building.

*Gasoline service or filling station:* See "automotive gasoline or motor fuel service station."

*General commercial plant:* Establishments ~~other than personal service shops~~ for the treatment and/or processing of products, ~~other than personal service shops, as a service on a for-profit basis~~ including, but not limited to, newspaper printing, laundry plant, or cleaning and dyeing plants.

*General manufacturing:* See "industrial, manufacturing."

*General retail stores:* This major group includes retail stores which sell ~~a number of lines of~~ primarily new merchandise including but not limited to dry goods, apparel and accessories, furniture and home furnishings, small wares, small appliances, hardware, and food. The stores included in this group are known as department stores, variety stores, general merchandise stores, general stores, etc. (also see "retail shop").

*Golf course:* An area of 20 acres or more improved with trees, greens, fairways, hazards, and which may include clubhouses.

*Government building or use (county, state or federal):* Any building, land, area and/or facility (including maintenance/storage yards and shops) which is owned, leased, primarily used and/or occupied by any subdivision or agency of the following: The State of Texas, the United States, County, or other public utility or agency. Any facility which is owned, leased, used and/or occupied by the City of Angleton is defined as "municipal facility or use."

*Group day care home:* A facility that provides care for seven to 12 children under 14 years of age less than 24 hours a day.

*Gymnastic or dance studio:* A building or portion of a building used as a place of work for a gymnast, martial artist, or dancer or for instructional classes in gymnastics, martial arts, or dance.

*Hauling or storage company:* See "motor freight company."

*Heavy load vehicle:* A self-propelled vehicle having a manufacturer's recommended Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW) of greater than 16,000 pounds (including trailers), such as large recreational vehicles more than 35 feet in length (originally manufactured as RVs, not converted), tractor-trailers, buses, vans, and other similar vehicles. The term "truck" shall be construed to mean "heavy load vehicle" unless specifically stated otherwise.

*Heavy machinery repair:* Refers to the repair of heavy-duty vehicles, generally -designed for executing construction tasks, most frequently ones involving earthwork operations. They are also known as heavy equipment, heavy trucks, construction equipment, engineering equipment, heavy vehicles, or heavy hydraulics. They usually comprise five equipment systems: implement, traction, structure, power train, control and information.

*Heavy machinery sales and storage:* A building or open area used for the display, sale, rental or storage of heavy machinery, tractors or similar machines, or a group of machines which function together as a unit.

*Heliport:* An area of land or water or a structural surface which is used, or intended for use, for the landing and taking off of helicopters, and any appurtenant areas including refueling, maintenance, repairs or storage which are used, or intended for use for heliport buildings and other heliport facilities.

*Helistop:* The same as a heliport, except that no refueling, maintenance, repairs or storage of helicopters is permitted.

*Home for aged, residence:* A home where elderly people are provided with lodging and meals without nursing care being a primary function.

*Home improvement center:* An establishment that offers for sale materials, tools and/or hardware customarily used in the construction of buildings and other structures, and that can include facilities for storage of such materials (if allowed in the zoning district).

*Home occupation:* An occupation carried on in a dwelling unit, or in an accessory building to a dwelling unit, by a resident of the premises, which occupation is clearly incidental and secondary to the use of the premises for residential purposes (see section 28-109).

*Hospital (acute care):* See Medical Facilities below.

An institution where sick or injured patients are given medical and/or surgical treatment intended to restore them to health and an active life, and which is licensed by the State of Texas.

Hospital (chronic care): An institution where those persons suffering from illness, injury, deformity and/or deficiencies pertaining to age are given care and treatment on a prolonged or permanent basis and which is licensed by the State of Texas.

Commented [LK48]: Combine with chronic care above

*Household appliance service and repair, minor:* The maintenance and repair of appliances that are customarily used in the home including, but not limited to, washing and drying machines, refrigerators, dishwashers, trash compactors, ovens and ranges, countertop kitchen appliances, vacuum cleaners, etc., but not including appliances/equipment which have internal combustion engines.

*Household care facility:* A dwelling unit which provides residence and care to not more than nine persons, regardless of legal relationship, who are elderly; disabled; orphaned, abandoned, abused, or neglected children; victims of domestic violence; or rendered temporarily homeless due to fire, natural disaster or financial setbacks, living together with not more than two supervisory personnel as a single housekeeping unit. This definition is subject to Art. 4442c-4 (Personal Care Facility Licensing Act) V.A.C.S. (Tex.) and Art. 1011n (Community Homes for Disabled Persons Location Act) V.A.C.S. (Tex.) as they presently exist or may be amended in the future.

*Household care institution:* A facility which provides residence and care to ten or more persons, regardless of legal relationship, who are elderly; disabled; orphaned, abandoned, abused, or neglected children; victims of domestic violence; convalescing from illness; or temporarily homeless due to fire, natural disaster, or financial setback together with supervisory personnel.

*In-home dog/cat grooming:* The hygienic care and cleaning of not more than four dogs and or cats, including any dogs and or cats owned, possessed, or kept by the resident of the premises.

*Incidental or accessory retail and service uses:* Any use different from the primary use but which compliments and/or supplements the primary use and is permitted in that zoning district. (for example, a sundries shop that serves tenants of an office building or hospital). Incidental shall mean an area which constitutes not more than 20 percent of the building or space occupied by the primary use.

*Industrial, manufacturing:* Establishments engaged in the heavy manufacturing or transformation of materials into new products. These establishments are usually described as plants and factories, and characteristically use power driven machines and materials handling equipment. Manufacturing production is usually carried on for the wholesale market, rather than for direct sale to the domestic consumer.

*Industrialized home or modular home:* See "manufactured housing."

*Institution for alcoholic, narcotic or psychiatric patients:* An institution offering out-patient treatment to alcoholic, narcotic or psychiatric patients.

*Itinerant vendors/vending:* Also see chapter 18 of the City's Code of Ordinances.

*Kennels (indoor pens):* An establishment with indoor pens in which more than four dogs or domesticated animals are housed, groomed, bred, boarded, trained and/or sold for commercial purposes.

*Kennels (outdoor pens):* An establishment with outdoor pens in which more than four dogs or domesticated animals are housed, groomed, bred, boarded, trained and/or sold for commercial purposes.

*Kindergarten school (private):* An establishment where more than three children over the age of five are housed for care and/or educational training during the day or portion thereof.

*Kiosk:* A small, freestanding, one-story accessory structure having a maximum floor area of 100 square feet and used for retail purposes, such as automatic teller machines or the posting of temporary information and/or posters, notices and announcements. If a kiosk is to be occupied, it shall have a minimum floor area of 50 square feet.

*Kitchen, residential:* Generally, that portion of a residential dwelling that is devoted to the preparation and/or cooking of food for the purpose of consumption by residents of the dwelling. A kitchen, as referred to within this chapter, generally indicates the presence of complete cooking facilities (i.e., stove, oven, refrigerator, and/or microwave oven) as differentiated from a "kitchenette" which provides very limited cooking facilities (i.e., single-burner hot plate, under-counter refrigerator, microwave oven only, etc.).

*Laboratory equipment manufacturing:* A facility that makes or produces equipment or products used for research or testing.

*Laboratory, scientific or research:* An establishment that engages in research, testing or evaluation of materials or products, but not medical-related (see "medical facilities — medical laboratory").

*Landscaping:* Material, generally pervoius, such as, but not limited to, grass, ground covers, shrubs, vines, hedges, trees or palms, and nonliving durable materials that are commonly used in landscaping such as, but not limited to, rocks, pebbles, sand, walls or fences, but excluding paving.

*Laundromat (or self-serve washateria):* A facility where patrons wash, dry and/or dry clean clothing and other fabrics in machines that are operated by the patron.

*Light load vehicle:* A self-propelled vehicle having a manufacturer's recommended gross vehicle weight (GVW) not greater than 16,000 pounds and having no more than two axles, such as pick-up trucks, sport utility vehicles, vans and mini-vans, recreational vehicles (less than 35 feet in length), campers and other similar vehicles but not including automobiles and motorcycles.

~~*Light Industrial, manufacturing, light manufacturing or industrial use:*~~ Manufacturing of finished products or parts, predominantly from previously prepared materials, including fabrication, assembly, and packaging of such products, and incidental storage, sales and distribution of such products, but excluding basic industrial processing. Included in this use is paper manufacturing and/or converting-finishing, which involves the creation of pulp, paper, and/or converted products through a series of vertically connect processes with primary activities that include: manufacturing of pulp by separating the cellulose fibers from other impurities in wood or used paper; manufacturing of paper by matting the pulp fibers into a sheet; and converting paper products produced from paper and other materials by various cutting and shaping techniques which may also include coating and laminating activities.

*Loading space:* An off-street space or berth used for the delivery and loading/unloading of vehicles.

*Local utility line:* The facilities provided by a municipality or a franchised utility company for distribution or collection of gas, water, surface drainage water, sewage, electric power or telephone service, including pad- and pole-mounted transformers.

*Lot:* A platted (as specified in V.T.C.A., Local Government Code Ch. 212) parcel of land that is occupied or intended to be occupied by one main building (or a group of main buildings) and any accessory building(s), which includes such parking, landscaping and open space as are required by this chapter or other laws and/or ordinances, and also which has its principal frontage upon a public street or private street built to city standards. (see Illustrations 7, 8 and 9).

*Lot area:* The total area, measured on a horizontal plane, included within lot lines.

*Lot, corner:* A lot which has at least two adjacent sides abutting for their full lengths upon a street, provided that the interior angle at the intersection of such two sides is less than 135 degrees (see Illustration 10).

*Lot depth:* The mean horizontal distance between the front and rear lot lines (see Illustration 8).

*Lot, double frontage:* A lot having frontage upon two non-intersecting streets, as distinguished from a corner lot (see Illustration 6).

*Lot, flag:* A lot having access to a street by means of a parcel of land generally having a depth greater than its frontage, but not less than 30 feet. Flag, or panhandle, lots are typically discouraged.

*Lot, interior:* A lot other than a corner lot.

*Lot frontage:* That dimension of a lot or portion of a lot abutting onto a street, ~~excluding the side dimension of a corner lot.~~

*Lot line, front:* The line connecting the foremost points of the side lot lines (see Illustration 7). For a lot which has a boundary line which does not abut the front street line, is not a rear lot line, and lies along the same general directional orientation as the front and rear lot lines, said line shall be considered a front lot line in establishing minimum setback lines (see Illustration 22).

*Lot, key:* A corner lot whose exterior side is adjacent to the front yard of another lot.

*Lot line, rear:* The lot line farthest from and most parallel to the front lot line. For triangular lots, the point opposite the front lot line shall be considered the rear lot line and have a value of zero (see Illustration 9).

*Lot line, side:* Any lot line not the front or rear lot line.

*Lot lines or property lines:* The lines bounding a lot as defined herein.

*Lot of record:* A lot which is part of a subdivision, the plat of which has been recorded in the office of the County Clerk of Brazoria County.

*Lot width:* The horizontal distance measured between side lot lines parallel to the front lot line, and measured from the point on the building line which is closest to the front lot line (see Illustration 7).

*Main building:* The building or buildings on a lot which are occupied by the primary use.

*Manufactured home display or sales (new):* The offering for sale, storage, or display of new manufactured housing units (e.g., HUD-Code homes, industrialized homes) on a parcel of land, but excluding the use of such facilities as dwellings either on a temporary or permanent basis.

*Manufactured home display or sales (used):* The offering for sale, storage, or display of previously owned (i.e., used), movable manufactured housing units (e.g., mobile homes/trailers, HUD-Code homes, industrialized homes) on a parcel of land, but excluding the use of such facilities as dwellings either on a temporary or permanent basis.

*Manufactured home park (also trailer park or RV park):* A parcel of land designed, improved, or intended to be used for short- or long-term occupancy by manufactured homes/trailers and/or recreational vehicles (including travel trailers) in designated spaces. Facility may include a residence for the owner/manager of the premises, utility hook-ups, accessory structures, playgrounds and open space areas, fenced yard areas for pets, and other similar amenities.

*Manufactured home space:* A plot of ground within a manufactured home park, trailer park, RV park, or manufactured home subdivision which is designed for the accommodation of one manufactured home, trailer or RV unit.

*Manufactured home subdivision:* A parcel of land which is designed, platted, improved and intended for the long-term placement of individually owned manufactured home units, including HUD-Code manufactured homes, on platted lots which can be purchased outright by the owners of the manufactured home units. Facility may include a residence for the owner/manager of the premises, utility hook-ups, accessory structures, playgrounds and open space areas, fenced yard areas for pets, and other similar amenities.

*Manufactured housing:* Any one of three types of prefabricated housing products which are typically manufactured/assembled at a location other than the end user's permanent site, and which are regulated by the Texas Manufactured Housing Standards Act (V.T.C.A., Occupations Code ch. 1201). For the purpose of this chapter, there are three types of manufactured homes:

- (1) *Mobile home:* A structure that was constructed before June 15, 1976, transportable in one or more sections, which, in the traveling mode, is eight body feet or more in width or 40 body feet or more in length, or, when erected on site, is 320 or more square feet, and which is built on a permanent chassis and designed to be used as a dwelling with or without a permanent foundation when connected to the required utilities, and includes the plumbing, heating, air-conditioning and electrical systems.
- (2) *HUD-Code Manufactured Home:* A structure, constructed on or after June 15, 1976, according to the rules of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, transportable in one or more sections, which, in the traveling mode, is eight body feet or more in width or 40 body feet or more in length, or, when erected on site, is 320 or more square feet, and which is built on a permanent chassis and designed to be used as a dwelling with or without a permanent foundation when connected to the required utilities, and includes the plumbing, heating, air-conditioning and electrical systems. The term does not include a recreational vehicle, as that term is defined herein.
- (3) *Industrialized home (also called modular prefabricated structure or modular home):* A residential structure that is designed for the use and occupancy of one or more families, that is constructed in one or more modules or constructed using one or more modular components built at a location other than the permanent residential site, and that is designed to be used as a permanent residential structure

when the modules or modular components are transported to the permanent residential site and are erected or installed on a permanent foundation system. The term includes the plumbing, heating, air-conditioning, and electrical systems. The term does not include any residential structure that is in excess of three stories or 49 feet in height, as measured from the finished grade elevation at the building entrance to the peak of the roof. The term shall not mean nor apply to: (a) housing constructed of sectional or panelized systems not utilizing modular components; or (b) any ready-built home which is constructed so that the entire living area is contained in a single unit or section at a temporary location for the purpose of selling it and moving it to another location. The term does not include mobile homes or HUD-Code manufactured homes as defined in the Texas Manufactured Housing Standards Act (V.T.C.A., Occupations Code ch. 1201). Industrialized homes must meet all applicable local codes and zoning regulations that pertain to construction of traditional site constructed ("stick built") homes.

- (4) *Occupations code controls conflict:* Any conflicts in the language of these definitions and the same or similar definitions in V.T.C.A., Occupations Code § 1201.003 will be resolved in favor of the Occupations Code so that these definitions shall be identical to those in V.T.C.A., Occupations Code § 1201.003.

*Masonry construction:* (See section 28-105).

*Mausoleum:* Property used for the interring of the dead and where bodies are interred above ground in staked vaults.

*Medical facilities:*

- (1) *Medical clinic or office:* A facility or group of offices for one or more physicians for the examination and treatment of ill and afflicted human outpatients provided that patients are not kept overnight except under emergency conditions.
- (2) *Dental office or ~~doctors~~doctor's office:* Same as medical clinic.
- (3) *Hospital (acute care/chronic care):* An institution providing health services primarily for human inpatient medical or surgical care for the sick or injured and including related facilities such as laboratories, outpatient departments, training facilities, central services facilities, and staff offices which are an integral part of the facilities.
- (4) *Massage establishment:* Any place of business in which massage therapy is practiced by a massage therapist, as defined and licensed by state law. "Massage therapy," as a health care service, means the manipulation of soft tissue for therapeutic purposes. The term includes, but is not limited to, effleurage (stroking), petrissage (kneading), tapotement (percussion), compression, vibration, friction, nerve strokes, and Swedish gymnastics, either by hand or with mechanical or electrical apparatus for the purpose of body message. Massage therapy may include the use of oil, salt glows, heat lamps, hot and cold packs, tub, shower or cabinet baths. Equivalent terms for "massage therapy" are massage, therapeutic massage. Massage and "therapeutic" do not include diagnosis, the treatment of illness or disease, or any service or procedure for which a license to practice medicine, chiropractic, physical therapy, or podiatry is required by law.
- (5) *Public health center:* A facility primarily utilized by a health unit for providing public health services including related facilities such as laboratories, clinics and administrative offices operated in connection therewith.
- (6) *Sanitarium:* An institution providing health facilities for inpatient medical treatment or treatment and recuperation making use of natural therapeutic agents.
- (7) *Surgical out-patient facility:* An establishment offering any type of surgical procedures and related care which, in the opinion of the attending physician, can be performed safely without requiring inpatient

Created: 2021-03-10 16:12:45 [EST]

(Supp. No. 19)

overnight hospital care and exclusive of such surgical and related care as licensed physicians ordinarily may elect to perform in their private offices.

- (8) *Medical laboratory*: An indoor establishment that includes laboratories and/or experimental equipment for medical testing, prototype design and development, and product testing.

*Micro winery*: A facility in which up to 5,000 gallons of wine is annually produced for distribution and sale, and which possesses the appropriate license from the State of Texas. Tasting rooms for the consumption of on-site produced wine is permitted.

*Mini-warehouse*: Small individual storage units for rent or lease, restricted solely to the storage of items. The conduct of sales, business or any other activity within the individual storage units, other than storage, shall be prohibited.

*Minor medical emergency clinic*: See "medical clinic or office."

*Model home*: A dwelling in a developing subdivision, located on a legal lot of record, that is limited to temporary use as a sales office for the subdivision and to provide an example of the dwellings which have been built or which are proposed to be built within the same subdivision.

*Motel or hotel*: A facility offering temporary lodging accommodations or guest rooms on a daily rate to the general public (for stays of generally 14 days or less) and providing additional services, such as restaurants, meeting rooms, housekeeping service and recreational facilities. A guest room shall be defined as a room designed for the overnight lodging of hotel guests for an established rate or fee.

*Motel or hotel, extended stay*: A facility offering temporary lodging accommodations or guest rooms on a daily rate to the general public (for stays of generally longer than 14 days) and providing additional services, such as restaurants, meeting rooms, housekeeping service and recreational facilities. A guest room shall be defined as a room designed for the overnight lodging of hotel guests for an established rate or fee.

*Motorcycle*: A usually two-wheeled, self-propelled vehicle having one or two saddles or seats, and which may have a sidecar attached. For purposes of this chapter, motorbikes, all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), motorscooters, mopeds, personal watercraft and similar vehicles are classified as motorcycles.

*Motorcycle sales and repair*: The display, sale and/or servicing, including repair work, of motorcycles.

*Motor freight company*: A company using trucks or other heavy load vehicles to transport goods, equipment and similar products. Includes companies that move residential or commercial belongings.

*Motor vehicle*: Any vehicle designed to carry one or more persons which is propelled or drawn by mechanical power, such as automobiles, vans, trucks, motorcycles and buses.

*Multiple-family dwelling*: ~~See Dwelling, multi-family. Three or more dwelling units on a single lot designed to be occupied by three or more families living independently of one another, exclusive of hotels or motels. Includes three family units (triplex) and four family units (quadriplex), as well as traditional apartments.~~

*Municipal facility or use*: Any area, land, building, structure and/or facility (including a park, plaza, swimming pool, tennis court, maintenance building, etc.) which is owned, used, leased or operated by the City of Angleton, Texas.

*Nonconforming use*: A building, structure, or use of land lawfully occupied as of the effective date of this chapter or amendments thereto, but which does not conform to the use regulations of the district in which it is situated.

*Nonprofit activity by church*: An activity such as, but not limited to, a rummage sale, bake sale, fundraising event, charitable function, etc. that is clearly in furtherance of the religious institution's tax-exempt (i.e., nonprofit) purpose. An activity that is intended to generate money for profit for the institution does not qualify as a nonprofit activity by a church.

Created: 2021-03-10 16:12:45 [EST]

(Supp. No. 19)

*Nursery:* An establishment, including a building, part of a building or open space, for the growth, display and/or sale of plants, shrubs, trees and other materials used in indoor or outdoor planting.

*Nursing, convalescent or rest home:* See "skilled nursing facility."

*Occupancy:* The use or intended use of the land or buildings by proprietors or tenants.

*Offices, professional and general business:* A room or group of rooms used for the provision of executive, management and/or administrative services. Typical uses include administrative offices and services including real estate, insurance, property management, investment, personnel, travel, secretarial services, telephone answering, and business offices of public utilities, organizations and associations, but excluding medical offices.

*Office center:* A building or complex of buildings used primarily for conducting the affairs of a business, profession, service, industry, government or similar entity, that may include **ancillary services** for office workers such as a coffee shop, newspaper stand, sundries shop, hair/nail salon, etc.

Commented [LK49]: Is a maximum area needed?

Formatted: Highlight

*Office showroom:* An establishment with no more than 25 percent of its total floor area devoted to storage and warehousing, but not accessible to the general public. The remaining area may include retail and wholesale sales areas, sales offices, and display areas for products sold and distributed from the storage and warehousing areas.

*Office warehouse:* An establishment with more than 25 percent of the total floor area devoted to storage and warehousing, but not generally accessible to the public.

*Officially approved place of access:* Access to a property, other than from a dedicated street, which is approved by the City of Angleton.

*Off-street parking incidental to main use:* Off-street parking spaces provided in accordance with the requirements of this chapter, located on the lot or tract occupied by the main use or within 200 feet of such lot or tract, ~~and located within the same zoning district as the main use~~ or in an adjacent parking district provided that the tract or lot used for parking is located within the same zoning district as the main use.

Commented [LK50]: Accessory vs. non-accessory, need additional approval?

*Outside display:* See "outside retail sales".

*Outside retail sales/commercial promotion* (also "outside display"): Outside display of finished goods that are specifically intended for retail sale by the owner or lessee of the premises (i.e., does not include itinerant vendors).

*Outside storage* (also "open storage"): The permanent and/or continuous keeping or storing, outside of a building or enclosed storage container, of any goods, materials, merchandise or equipment on a lot or tract for more than 24 hours (i.e., overnight). This definition shall not include items applicable under the definition of "outside retail sales" or licensed and registered vehicles, trucks, equipment and machinery that are operable and used in the normal operations of the business.

*Paint shop:* A commercial establishment where painting services are performed (but not automotive-related painting services, which would be included under "automobile repair, major").

*Parcel:* Any unplatted tract of land, or any portion of an unplatted tract of land (also see "tract").

*Park or playground (private):* See "private recreation facility."

*Park or playground (public):* See "public recreation."

*Parking lot:* An off-street (i.e., not on a public street or alley), ground level area, paved in accordance with City of Angleton parking lot standards, for the short- or long-term storage of ~~motor~~motorized or non-motorized vehicles.

*Parking lot or structure, commercial (auto):* An area or structure devoted to the parking or storage of motorized or non-motorized vehicles~~automobiles~~ for a fee which may include, in the case of a parking structure only, a facility for servicing automobiles provided that such facility is an internal function for use only by

~~automobiles-vehicles~~ occupying the structure and that such facility creates no special problems of ingress or egress.

*Parking space:* An off-street (i.e., not on a public street or alley) area, paved in accordance with City of Angleton parking lot standards, that is used for parking a vehicle, and that is accessed from a paved driveway which connects the parking space with a public street.

*Patio home (zero-lot-line dwelling):* ~~See Dwelling, patio home. A single family dwelling on a separately platted lot which is designed such that one side yard is reduced to zero feet in order to maximize the width and usability of the other side yard, and which permits the construction of a detached single family dwelling with one side (i.e., wall) of such dwelling placed on the side property line (see section 28-48).~~

*Pawn shop:* An establishment where money is loaned on the security of personal property pledged in the keeping of the owners (pawnbroker). Retail sales of primarily used (i.e., pre-owned) items is also allowed, provided that the sale of such items complies with local, state and federal regulations.

*Personal service shop or custom personal services:* Establishments primarily engaged in providing services generally involving the care of the person or his apparel and including (but not limited to) barber/beauty shops, dressmaking, shoe shining and repair, dry-cleaning and laundry pick-up stations, tailor or seamstress services, and other similar types of uses (no outside storage) that are not otherwise defined specifically herein.

*Pet and animal grooming shop:* (See "animal grooming/pet shop").

*Petroleum distribution/storage/wholesale facility:* A facility for the long-term storage and distribution of petroleum that may also involve wholesale sales, but not retail sales, of petroleum and petroleum-based products. No manufacturing or refining of petroleum or petroleum-based products occurs on the premises, only storage and/or distribution functions.

*Planned development district:* ~~A zoning district that permits developments planned as a unified development, Planned associations of uses developed as integral land use units,~~ such as industrial parks or industrial districts, offices, commercial or service centers, shopping centers, ~~mixed use developments,~~ residential developments of multiple or mixed housing, including attached single-family dwellings or any appropriate combination of uses, ~~which may be planned, developed or operated as integral land use units~~ either by a single owner or by a combination of owners.

*Planning and zoning commission:* A board which is appointed by the city council ~~as an advisory body,~~ and which is authorized to recommend changes in the zoning of property and other planning functions as delegated by the city council. Also referred to as the "commission."

*Plat:* A plan showing the subdivision of land, creating building lots or tracts, showing all essential dimensions and other information in compliance with the subdivision standards of the City of Angleton, and which is approved by the City of Angleton and recorded in the plat records of Brazoria County.

*Platted lot:* See "lot" and "lot of record."

*Playfield or stadium (public):* An athletic field or stadium owned and operated by a public agency (e.g., City of Angleton, the school district, etc.) for the general public including a baseball field, soccer field, golf course, football field or stadium which may be lighted for nighttime play.

*Playfield or stadium (private):* An athletic field or stadium owned and operated by an agency other than the City of Angleton or the school district.

*Portable building sales:* An establishment which displays and sells structures capable of being carried and transported to another location, but not including manufactured homes. Such display is wholly or partially out of doors.

*Premises:* Land together with any buildings or structures situated thereon.

*Primary use:* The principal or predominant use of any lot or building.

*Principal building:* See "main building."

*Private club:* An establishment providing social and/or dining facilities which may provide alcoholic beverage service, to an association of persons, and otherwise falling within the definition of, and permitted under the provisions of, that portion of V.T.C.A., Alcoholic Beverage Code tit. 3, ch. 32, as the same may be hereafter amended, and as it pertains to the operation of private clubs.

*Private recreation facility or private park:* A recreation facility, park or playground which is not owned by a public agency such as the city or school district, and which is operated for the exclusive use of private residents or neighborhood groups and their guests and not for use by the general public.

*Produce stand:* A seasonal use for which the primary purpose and design is to sell fruit, nuts, vegetables and similar foods, typically from a non-permanent structure. No cooking or on-premises consumption of produce occurs on the site.

*Professional service:* Work performed which is commonly identified as a profession, and which may be licensed by the State of Texas.

*Propane sales:* Retail sales of gaseous substances commonly used for household purposes such as propane and/or butane; does not include the storage, sale or distribution of other types of combustible substances or alternative fuels such as containerized natural gas, liquid propane, etc.

*Public recreation:* Publicly owned and operated parks, recreation areas, playgrounds, swimming pools and open spaces that are available for use by the general public ~~without membership or affiliation~~. This land use shall include special event type uses such as rodeos, concerts, festivals and other special events requiring special event permits, as set forth in the City of Angleton's Code of Ordinances.

*Public view:* Public view means areas that can be seen from any public street.

*Rear yard:* See "yard, rear."

*Recreation center:* A place designed and equipped for the conduct of sports, leisure time activities, and other customary and usual recreational activities.

*Recreational vehicle (RV):* A self-propelled (i.e., motorized), mobile living unit which is typically used for temporary human occupancy away from the users' permanent place of residence. An RV may also be utilized as a permanent place of residence within districts that allow them to be used as such (see also "heavy load vehicle"). Short-term stays are a period of time not to exceed six months. Long-term stays are a period of time that exceeds six months.

*Recreational vehicle/camper sales and leasing:* An establishment that sells, leases and/or rents new and/or used recreational vehicles, travel trailers, campers, boats/watercraft, and similar types of vehicles.

*Recreational vehicle (RV) park:* An area or commercial campground for users of recreational vehicles, travel trailers, and similar vehicles to reside, park, rent or lease on a temporary basis. (See also "manufactured home park.")

*Recycling kiosk:* A small uninhabited structure (120 square feet maximum) or temporary container (e.g., "igloo" or dumpster-type container) which provides a self-service location for the depositing of non-liquid recyclable materials such as aluminum cans (e.g., "can banks"), glass bottles, magazines/newspapers, metal or plastic containers, etc. Recyclables are picked up periodically from the site. This definition does not include large trailers or manned collection centers.

*Rehabilitation care facility (halfway house):* A dwelling unit which provides residence and care to not more than nine persons regardless of legal relationship who have demonstrated a tendency towards alcoholism, drug

abuse, mental illness, or antisocial or criminal conduct living together with not more than two supervisory personnel as a single housekeeping unit.

*Rehabilitation care institution:* A facility which provides residence and care to ten or more persons, regardless of legal relationship, who have demonstrated a tendency toward alcoholism, drug abuse, mental illness, or antisocial or criminal conduct together with supervisory personnel.

*Residence:* Same as a dwelling; also, when used with district, an area of residential regulations.

*Residence hotels:* A multi-unit, extended stay lodging facility consisting of efficiency units and/or suites with complete kitchen facilities and which is suitable for long-term occupancy. Customary hotel services such as linens and housekeeping, telephones, and upkeep of furniture shall be provided. Meeting rooms, club house, and recreational facilities intended for the use of residents and their guests are permitted. This definition shall not include other dwelling units as defined by this chapter.

*Residential district:* District where the primary purpose is residential use.

*Residential dwelling, existing:* Any single-family dwelling (attached or detached), patio home, or two-family dwelling (duplex) constructed before 2014 and located in a non-residential zoning district, or any single-family dwelling (attached or detached), patio home, or two-family dwelling (duplex) constructed after 2014 and located on property receiving a subsequent re-zoning designation, after the residential construction, to a non-residential zoning district. Existing residential dwellings that are changed to a non-residential use shall cease to be defined as an existing residential dwelling. Any existing residential dwelling that is damaged or destroyed to the extent of more than 50 percent by fire, force of nature or other unintentional cause, shall be allowed to be reconstructed; provided the reconstruction meets all development standards and requirements set forth by the city and shall thereafter continue to be defined as a residential dwelling, existing. [See dwelling.](#)

Commented [LK51]: Is this necessary?

*Restaurant or cafeteria (with drive-through service):* An eating establishment where customers are primarily served at tables or are self-served, where food is consumed on the premises, and which may include a drive-through window(s).

*Restaurant or cafeteria (with no drive-through service):* An eating establishment where customers are primarily served at tables or are self-served, where food is consumed on the premises, and which do not have a drive-through window.

*Restaurant or eating place (drive-in service):* An eating establishment where food and/or drinks are primarily served to customers in motor vehicles, or where facilities are provided on the premises which encourage the serving and consumption of food in automobiles on or near the restaurant premises.

*Retail or service, incidental:* ~~The rendering of incidental retailing or service that area s-~~ incidental to the primary use. Incidental uses shall mean uses which occupy less than 20 percent of the building or space that is occupied by the principal use.

In the office district, for example, such uses may include a barber/beauty shop, smoke shop, news stand, candy counter, restaurant, pharmacy or other incidental activity secondary to the primary office occupancy. ~~Incidental uses shall mean uses which occupy less than 20 percent of the building or space that is occupied by the principal use.~~

*Retail shop (for apparel, gifts, accessories and similar items):* An establishment engaged in the selling of goods and merchandise to the general public for personal or household consumption ~~and rendering services incidental to the sale of such goods.~~ (Also see "general retail stores.")

*Retirement housing for the elderly (also independent living center or congregate housing):* A development providing self-contained dwelling units specifically designed for the needs of the elderly. Units may be rented or owner-occupied. To qualify as retirement housing, a minimum of ~~80-100~~ percent of the total units shall have a household head 55 years of age or greater. No long-term or permanent skilled nursing care or related services are provided.

Commented [LK52]: Discuss

*Room:* A building or portion of a building which is arranged, occupied or intended to be occupied as living or sleeping quarters but not including toilet or cooking facilities.

*Rooming house:* See "boarding house."

*Salvage or reclamation of products (also see wrecking yard):* The reclamation and storage of used products or materials.

*Sand, gravel or stone extraction and/or storage:* The process of extracting and/or storing sand, gravel, stone, topsoil, compost or other products from the earth.

*School, business:* A for-profit business that offers instruction and training in a profession, service or art such as a secretarial or court reporting school, barber/beauty college or commercial art school, but not including commercial trade schools.

*School, commercial trade:* A for-profit business that offers vocational instruction and training in trades such as welding, brick laying, machinery operation/repair, and similar trades.

*School, private (primary or secondary) or parochial:* A school under the sponsorship of a private ~~or religious~~ agency or corporation, other than a public ~~or religious~~ agency, which offers a curriculum that is generally equivalent to public elementary and/or secondary schools.

*School, public ~~or parochial~~:* A school under the sponsorship of a public ~~or religious~~ agency which provides elementary and/or secondary curricula, but not including private business or commercial trade schools.

*Scientific and industrial research laboratories:* Facilities for research including laboratories, experimental equipment, and operations involving compounding or testing of materials or equipment.

*Screened:* Shielded, concealed, and effectively hidden from the view of a person standing at ground level on an abutting site, or outside the area or feature so screened, by a fence, wall, hedge, berm or similar architectural or landscape feature.

*Seasonal uses/items:* Seasonal uses include the sales of items such as Christmas trees, holiday decorations, pumpkins, snow cones, fresh produce, spring planting materials, and other items which are typically only available or marketed at certain times of the year in a non-permanent setting (i.e., includes itinerant vendors).

*Servant's quarters or guest house:* An accessory dwelling in a residential district for the sole use and occupancy of a member of the immediate family or of a person or persons employed on the premises by the occupant on a full-time basis as domestic help such as a maid, nanny/governess, groundskeeper, chauffeur, cook or gardener, but not involving the rental of such facilities or the use of separate utility connections for such facilities.

*Sexually oriented business:* See chapter 21.4 (Ordinance #2488) of the City's Code of Ordinances.

*Shopping center:* A group of primarily retail and service commercial establishments that is planned, constructed and managed as a total entity, and which provides customer and employee parking on-site, unloading/delivery areas which are separated from customer access, and aesthetically appropriate design and protection from the elements.

*Side yard:* See "yard, side."

*Single-family dwelling, attached (townhouse):* ~~See Dwelling, single-family, attached. A dwelling which is joined to another dwelling at one or more sides by a party (i.e., shared) wall, which is designed for occupancy by one family, and which is located on a separate lot delineated by front, side and rear lot lines.~~

*Single-family dwelling, detached:* ~~See Dwelling, single-family, detached. A dwelling designed and constructed as a freestanding structure for occupancy by one family, and located on a lot or separate building tract having no physical connection to a building located on any other lot or tract.~~

*Skilled nursing facility (also termed nursing home, convalescent home or long-term care facility):* A residence providing primarily in-patient health care, personal care, or rehabilitative services over a long period of time to persons who are chronically ill, aged or disabled and who need ongoing health supervision but not hospitalization.

*Small engine repair shop:* Shop for the repair of lawn mowers, chain saws, lawn equipment, and other small machines ~~with one-cylinder engines.~~

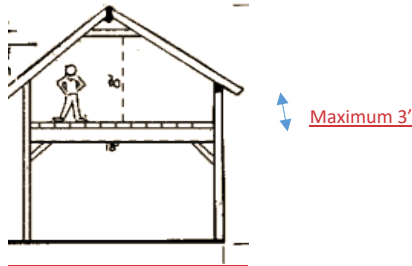
*Stable, commercial:* A stable used for the rental of stall space or for the sale or rental of horses, ~~or mules, or ponies.~~

*Stable, private:* An area used solely for the owner's private purposes for the keeping of horses, mules or ponies which are not kept for remuneration, hire or sale.

*Storage or wholesale warehouse:* A building used primarily for the storage of goods and materials, with no sales on site.

*Story:* That portion of a building (above grade), other than a basement, that is included between the surface of any floor and the surface of the next floor above it or, if there is no floor above it, then the space between the floor and the ceiling above it. The average height for a story shall be defined as 12 feet, unless specified otherwise. The definition of a story does not include parapets, gables and other normal roof structures. In cases where the site has a significant slope, the number of stories (i.e., height) of a building shall be measured from a point representing the average slope from front to back (or side to side) of the building.

*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 an independent apartment or self-contained living quarters shall be counted as a full story.



Commented [LK53]: Add illustration similar to this.

*Street:* Any dedicated public thoroughfare which affords the principal means of access to abutting property. A street is termed a major thoroughfare or arterial when the right-of-way is greater than 60 feet classified as such as the Thoroughfare Plan or other documents.

*Street intersection:* Any street which joins another street at an angle, ~~whether or not it crosses the other.~~

*Street yard:* The area between the building line and the property line/right-of-way line of the street. On most lots, this will be the front yard, but in some instances can also be the side yard and/or rear yard, depending on the configuration of the lot to adjacent rights-of-way.

*Structure:* Anything constructed or erected, the use of which requires location on the ground or which is attached to something having a location on the ground (also see definition of "building").

*Structural alterations:* Any change in the supporting members of a building, such as load-bearing walls or partitions, columns, beams or girders, or any substantial change in the floor, roof or in the exterior walls.

Commented [LK54]: Could be interior also.

*Studio, health/reducing/fitness:* Includes, but is not limited to, an establishment which provides facilities and equipment (e.g., gymnasiums, weight rooms, swimming pools/spas, exercise apparatus, instruction/classes, etc.) which are intended to promote health, fitness, weight reduction and/or similar health-related activities. Such facilities may include such accessory uses as food service, sales of sundries and apparel, and child care services, provided that such accessory uses are clearly incidental to the primary use and are for the use of studio patrons only (i.e., not the general public). No outside signage may be used to advertise accessory uses.

*Studio, tattoo or body piercing:* A building or portion of a building used for selling and/or applying tattoos (by injecting dyes/inks into the skin), and/or for piercing the skin with needles, jewelry or other paraphernalia, primarily for the purpose of ornamentation of the human body.

*Studio for radio and television:* A building or portion of a building used as a place for radio or television broadcasting.

*Swimming instruction as a home occupation:* The teaching of swimming in a private swimming pool. (Also see home occupation regulations, section 28-109.)

*Swimming pool, commercial:* A swimming pool with accessory facilities which is not part of the municipal or public recreational system and which is not a private swim club, but where the facilities are available for use by the general public for a fee.

*Swimming pool, private:* A swimming pool constructed for the exclusive use of the residents of a one-family, two-family or multiple-family dwelling and located, fenced and built in accordance with the City of Angleton's Code of Ordinances. A private swimming pool shall not be operated as a business nor maintained in a manner to be hazardous or obnoxious to adjacent property owners.

*Telemarketing center:* An establishment which solicits business or the purchase of goods and/or services by telephone only. No sales of goods or services to the public occurs at or on the premises. No products are stored at or on the premises.

*Telephone and exchange, switching/relay or transmitting station:* A line for the transmission of telephone signals and a central office in which telephone lines are connected to permit communication but not including a business office, storage (inside or outside) or repair yards.

*Temporary:* Used or lasting for only a limited period of time; not permanent.

*Temporary building:* Any nonresidential prefabricated structure which is not originally manufactured or constructed at its use site, ~~required-requiring no~~ on-site installation of utilities and/or foundation.

*Temporary field office or construction yard or office:* A structure or shelter used in connection with a development or building project for housing on the site of temporary administrative and supervisory functions and for sheltering employees and equipment. Temporary permits for one year for a specific time and location as determined may be issued by the city manager and shall be subject to review and renewal for reasonable cause.

~~Temporary outside~~ *Outside retail sales/commercial promotion (also "outside display"). Temporary:* Outside temporary display of finished goods that are specifically intended for retail sale by the owner or lessee of the premises (i.e., does not include itinerant vendors) but not displayed outside overnight.

*Tennis court, private:* A surface designed and constructed for playing the game of tennis along with all fencing, nets and related appurtenances ~~but excluding lighting for nighttime play in residential areas except as may be otherwise provided or restricted by the specific use permit.~~

*Theater, drive-in (outdoor):* An open lot with its appurtenant facilities devoted primarily to the showing of motion pictures or theatrical productions on a paid admission basis to patrons seated in automobiles.

*Theater or playhouse (indoor):* A building or part of a building devoted to the showing of motion pictures, or for dramatic, musical or live performances.

*Tire dealer, no open storage:* A retail establishment engaged in the sale and/or installation of tires for vehicles, but without open storage.

*Tire dealer, with open storage:* A retail establishment engaged in the sale and/or installation of tires for vehicles, with open storage.

*Tool and machinery rental shop:* A building or a portion of a building used for the display and rental of tools, machinery and instruments.

*Tract:* A single individual parcel or lot.

*Tractor sales:* See "heavy machinery sales and storage."

*Trade and commercial schools:* See "school, commercial trade."

*Trailer park or court:* See "manufactured home park."

*Trailer, hauling:* A vehicle or device which is pulled behind an automobile or truck and which is designed for hauling animals, produce, goods or commodities, including boats.

*Trailer home:* See "manufactured housing, manufactured home."

*Trailer or manufactured home space:* See "manufactured home space."

*Trailer rental:* The display and offering for rent of trailers designed to be towed by automobiles and light load vehicles.

*Trailer, travel or camping:* A portable or mobile living unit which is used for temporary human occupancy away from the users' permanent place of residence, which does not constitute the users' principal place of residence, and which is designed to be towed behind another vehicle. Short-term stays are a period of time not to exceed six months. Long-term stays are a period of time that exceeds six months.

*Transportation and utility structures/facilities:* Permanent facilities and structures operated by companies engaged in providing transportation and utility services including, but not limited to, railroad track rights-of-way, sewage pumping stations, telephone exchanges, transit station turnarounds, water reservoirs and water pumping stations.

*Truck:* A light or heavy load vehicle (see definitions for "light load vehicle" and "heavy load vehicle").

*Truck and bus repair:* An establishment providing major and minor automotive repair services to heavy load vehicles.

*Truck and bus leasing:* The rental of new or used panel trucks, vans, trailers, recreational vehicles or motor-driven buses in operable condition and where no repair work or intensive cleaning operations are performed.

*Truck stop:* A facility for the parking, refueling and/or minor repair of heavy load tractor-trailer trucks. These facilities may also include retail sales of food and/or other items, restaurant(s), restroom/showers facilities, and/or temporary sleeping quarters.

*Truck terminal:* An area and building where cargo is stored and where trucks, including tractor and trailer units, load and unload cargo on a regular basis. May include facilities for the temporary storage of loads prior to shipment.

*Truck sales (heavy trucks):* The display, sale or rental of new or used heavy load vehicles in operable condition.

~~*Two family dwelling (duplex):* Two attached dwellings in one structure, each designed to be occupied by one family.~~

*Usable open space:* An open area or recreational facility which is designed and intended to be used for outdoor living and/or recreation purposes. An area of usable open space shall have a slope not exceeding ten

percent, shall have no dimension of less than ten feet, and may include landscaping, walks, recreational facilities, water features and decorative objects such as art work or fountains (see also section 28-50).

*Use:* The purpose for which land or buildings are or may be occupied ~~in a zoning district.~~

*Used merchandise store (also "resale shop" or "thrift store" or "consignment shop"):* An establishment that generally markets common, contemporary used household goods, clothing or furnishings on a straight "for sale" basis or on a consignment basis. This term includes a used merchandise store that is operated by a nonprofit, charitable or religious organization.

*Utility distribution/transmission lines:* Facilities which serve to distribute and transmit electrical power, gas and water, including but not limited to, electrical transmission lines, gas transmission lines, telephone lines and metering stations, whether operated by the city or private utility company.

*Variance:* An adjustment in the application of the specific regulations of the zoning ordinance to a particular parcel of property which, because of special conditions or circumstances of hardship peculiar to the particular parcel, is necessary to prevent the property from being deprived of rights and privileges enjoyed by other parcels in the same vicinity and zoning district. ~~Only the Board of Adjustment of the City of Angleton can grant a variance. Refer to Sec. 28-23.~~

*Veterinarian clinic:* An establishment where animals and pets are admitted for examination and medical treatment (also see "kennels").

*Wrecking yard (junkyard or auto salvage):* Any lot upon which two or more motor vehicles of any kind, which are incapable of being operated due to condition or lack of license, have been placed for the purpose of obtaining parts for recycling or resale.

*Yard:* An open space at grade between a building and the adjoining lot lines, unoccupied and unobstructed by any portion of a structure from the ground upward, ~~except where otherwise specifically provided in this chapter that the building or structure may be located in a portion of a yard required for a main building.~~ In measuring a yard for the purpose of determining the width of the side yard, the depth of a front yard or the depth of a rear yard, the shortest horizontal distance between the lot line and the main building shall be used (see Illustration 7).

*Yard, front:* A yard located in front of the front elevation of a building and extending across a lot between the side yard lines and being the minimum horizontal distance between the front property line and the outside wall of the main building (see Illustration 7).

*Yard, rear:* The area extending across the rear of a lot measured between the lot lines and being the minimum horizontal distance between the rear lot line and the rear of the outside wall of the main building. On both corner lots and interior lots, the rear yard shall in all cases be at the opposite end of the lot from the front yard (see Illustration 9).

*Yard, required:* The area extending across the lot and being the minimum horizontal distance, required by the zoning district that the lot is located in, between the lot line and the outside wall of the main building

*Yard, side:* The area between the building and side line of the lot and extending from the front lot line to the rear lot line and being the minimum horizontal distance between a side lot line and the outside wall of the side of the main building (see Illustration 9).

*Zero-lot-line dwelling:* See "patio home."

*Zoning board of adjustment:* A board which is appointed by the city council, and which is authorized to make special exceptions to the zoning ordinance (i.e., variances), and to hear and decide any appeals that allege error in

---

an order, requirement, decision or determination made by an administrative official in the enforcement of the zoning ordinance. Also referred to as the "BOA."

*Zoning district:* A classification applied to any certain land area within the city stipulating the limitations and requirements of land usage and development.

*Zoning district map:* The official map upon which the boundaries of the various zoning districts are drawn and which is an integral part of the zoning ordinance (see section 28-3, "zoning district map" and section 28-4, "zoning district boundaries").

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (V)(49)(49.1), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2010-O-11A, § 4, 11-9-10; Ord. No. 2012-O-4A, § 2, 4-24-12; Ord. No. 2013-O-7C, § 7, 7-9-13; Ord. No. 2014-O-2E, § 3, 2-11-14; Ord. No. 2014-O-4A, § 3, 4-8-14; Ord. No. 2014-O-5B, § 3, 5-27-14; Ord. No. 2016-O-6A, § 3, 6-14-16; Ord. No. 2016-O-6B, § 2, 6-14-16; Ord. No. 2016-O-7A, § 1, 7-26-16; Ord. No. 2017-O-2A, § 3, 2-14-17)

**Sec. 28-113. Approved plant list.**

(Reserved.) [Add](#)

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (V)(50), 4-14-09)

Sec. 28-114. Illustrations.

Commented [LK55]: Add 4' MAX for eaves overhang in Ill. 4.

Illustration 1: Floor Area Ratio

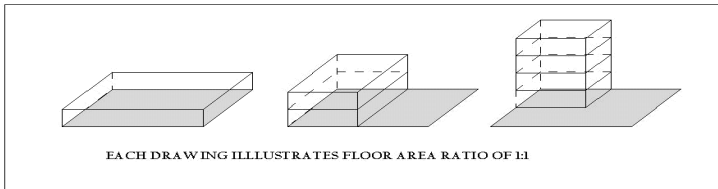


Illustration 2: Off-Street Maneuvering for Loading Area

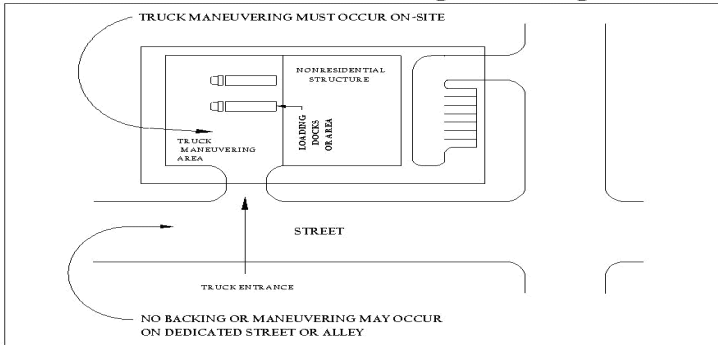


Illustration 3: Front Yard where Zoning Changes in a Block

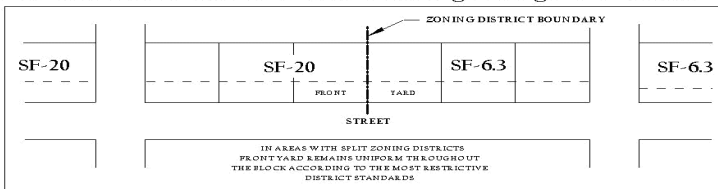


Illustration 4: Method of Measuring Setback Yard

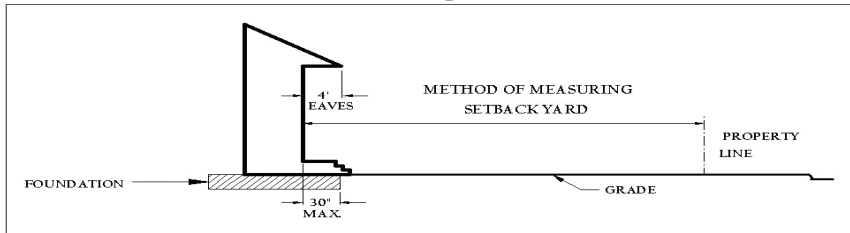


Illustration 5: Method of Measuring Carport Setback

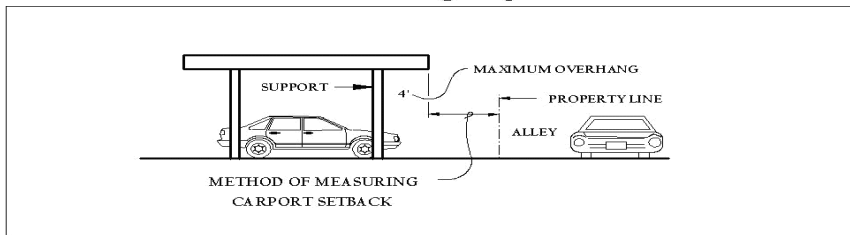


Illustration 6: Double Frontage Lots

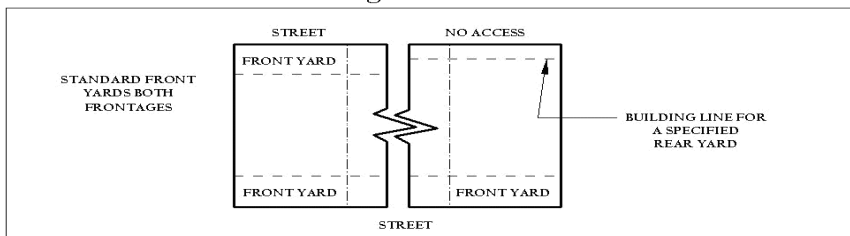


Illustration 7: Lot Width

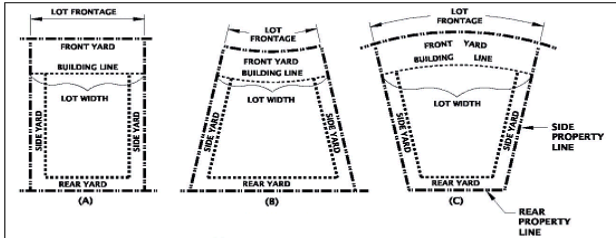


Illustration 8: Lot Area & Depth

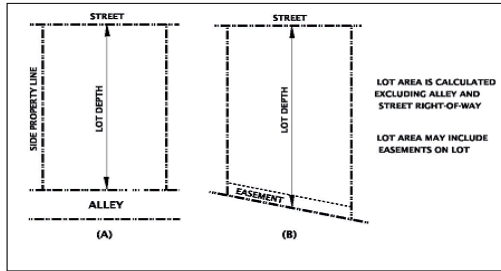
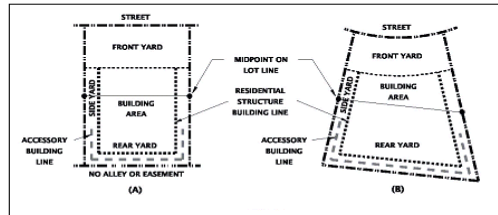


Illustration 9: Lot Width



Commented [LK56]: Illustration 8 is confusing. "Rear Yard" needs to be moved below the rear yard line.

Illustration 10: Corner Lot/Interior Lot

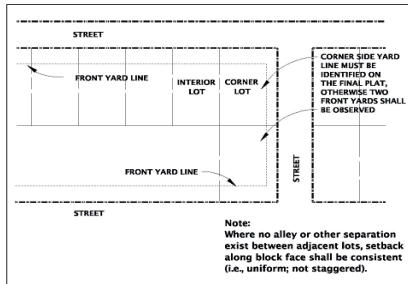


Illustration 11: 60 Degree Layout with Two-Way Traffic

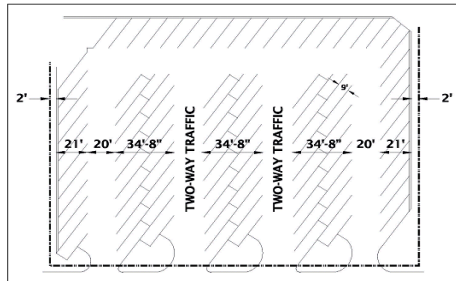
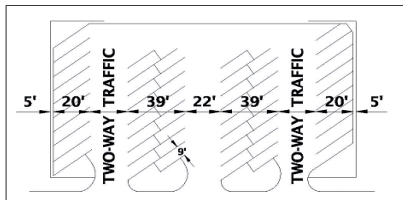


Illustration 12: 45 Degree Layout With Two-Way Traffic



Commented [LK57]: Label the width of all driveways in illustrations

Illustration 13: 60 Degree Lay out With One-Way Traffic

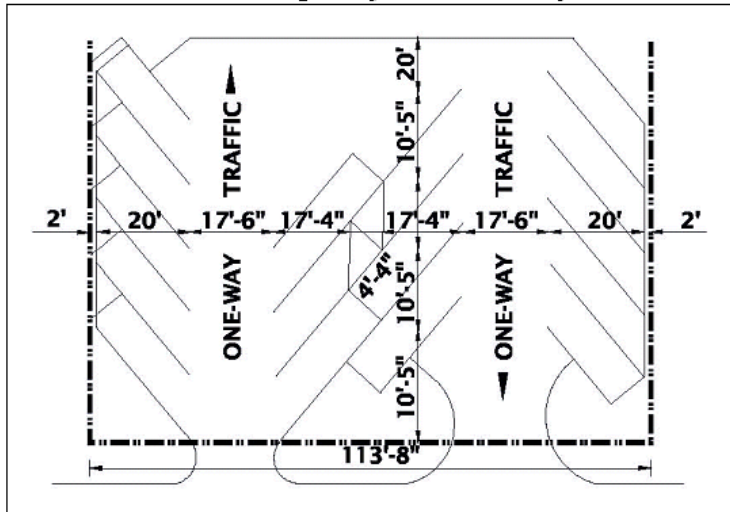


Illustration 14: 45 Degree Lay out With One-Way Traffic

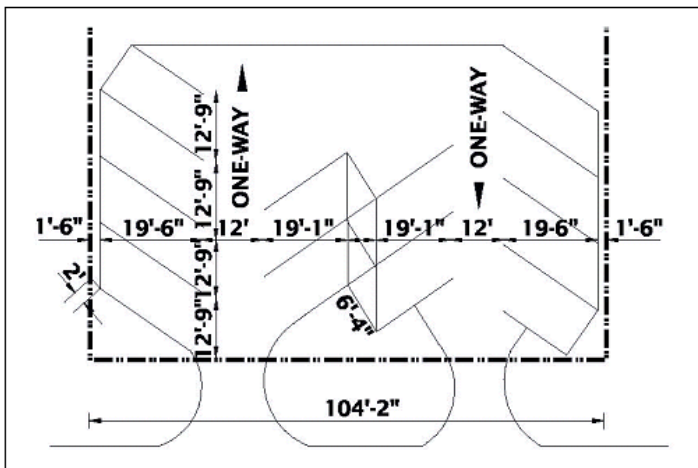


Illustration 15: 90 Degree Layout With One-Way Traffic

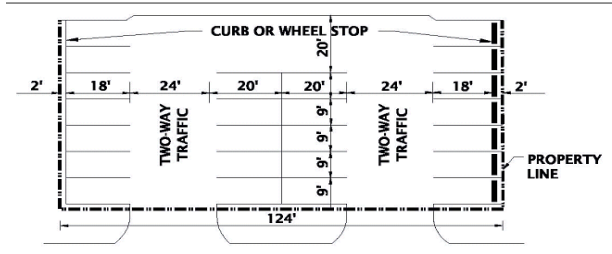


Illustration 16: Refuse Containers – Access & Enclosure

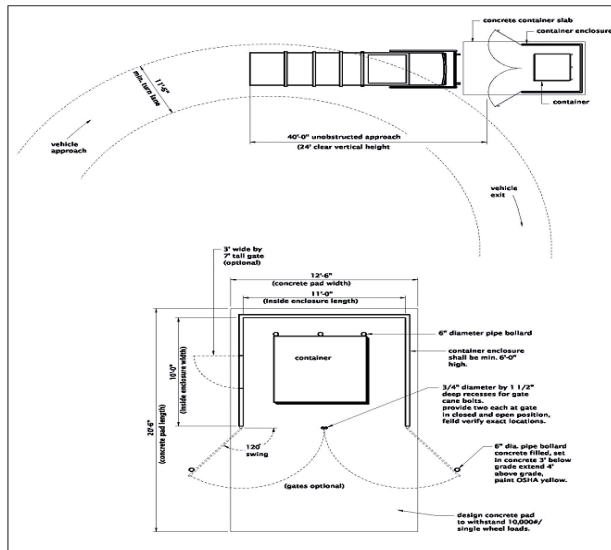


Illustration 17: Typical Refuse Container Screening Gate

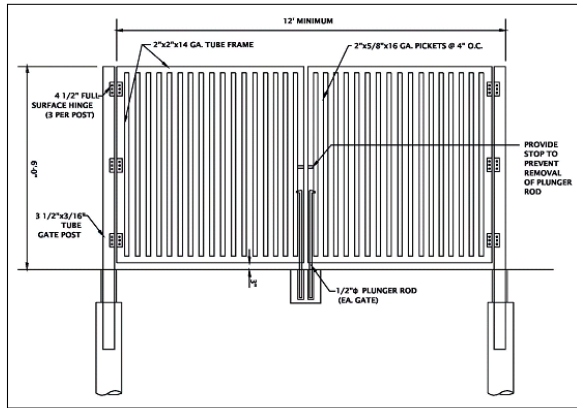
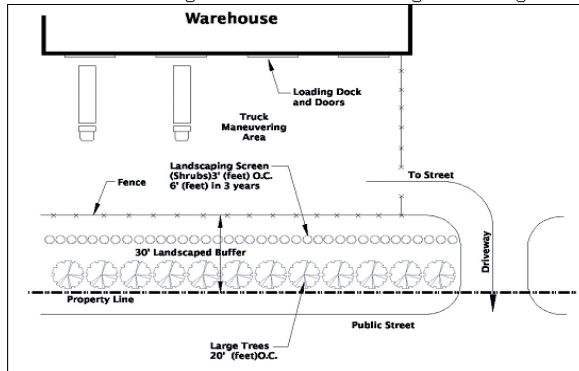


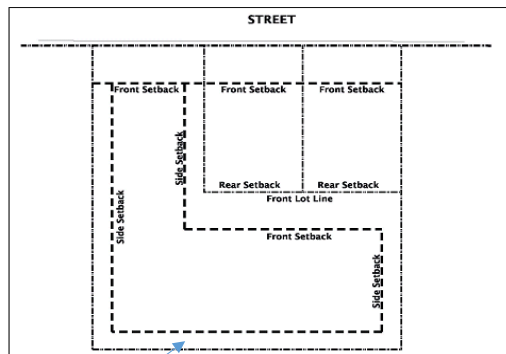
Illustration 21: Loading Area Placement & Screening in LI Zoning District



**Commented [LK58]:** Add – 6’ “tall” for Landscaping Screen, Min. 3’ at planting.  
Fence to be wooden or masonry.

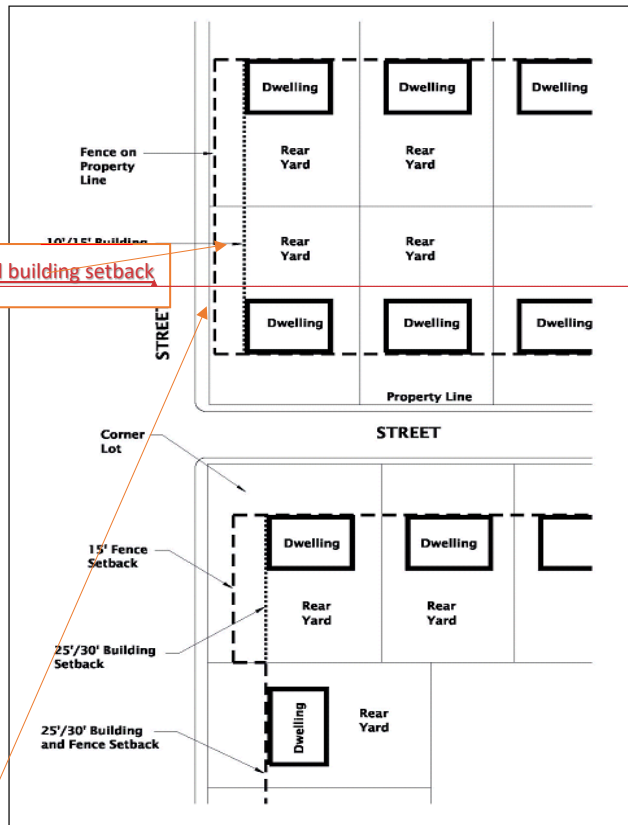
**Formatted:** Font color: Red

Illustration 22: Front Lot Line Not Adjacent to the Front Street Line



Label - Rear Setback

Illustration 23: Residential Fence Setback Lines



Your text here Required building setback

Formatted: Font: 11 pt  
Formatted: Font: 11 pt, Not Bold, Font color: Text 1, Text Outline, Shadow

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (V)(51), 4-14-09; Ord. No. 2015-O-12A, § 2, 12-8-15; Ord. No. 2016-O-6A, § 5, 6-14-16)

Require 15' setback or masonry fence

Editor's note(s)—Ord. No. 2015-O-12A, deleted Illustrations 19 and 20; Ord. No. 2016-O-6A deleted ~~Illustration~~ Illustration 18.

Secs. 28-115—28-130. Reserved.

**ARTICLE VI. INTERPRETATION; PRESERVING RIGHTS; PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS; VALIDITY; EFFECTIVE DATE**

**Sec. 28-131. Effect of interpretation; repealer.**

- (a) In interpreting and applying the provisions of this chapter, they shall be held to the minimum requirements for the promotion of the public safety, health, convenience, comfort, prosperity, or general welfare. It is not intended by this chapter to interfere with or abrogate or annul any easements, covenants or other agreements between parties, provided, however, that where this chapter imposes a greater restriction upon the use of buildings or premises or upon height of buildings, or requires larger open spaces than are imposed or required by agreements, the provisions of this chapter shall govern. This chapter is also not intended to abrogate or annul any lawfully obtained permit issued prior to the effective date of this chapter.

Formatted: Highlight

Commented [LK59]: Confirm

- (b) All provisions of any other ordinances of the City of Angleton, that are in conflict with the provisions of this chapter shall be, and the same are hereby, repealed. All other provisions of City of Angleton ordinances that are not in conflict herewith shall remain in full force and effect.

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (VI)(52)(52.1, 52.2), 4-14-09)

**Sec. 28-132. Preserving rights in pending litigation and violations under existing ordinances.**

- (a) By the passage of this chapter, no presently illegal use shall be deemed to have been legalized unless such use specifically falls within a use district where the actual use is a conforming use. Otherwise, such uses shall remain nonconforming uses where recognized, or an illegal use, as the case may be. It is further the intent and declared purpose of this chapter that no offense committed, and no liability, penalty or forfeiture, either civil or criminal, incurred prior to the time the previous zoning ordinance was repealed and this zoning ordinance adopted, shall be discharged or affected by such repeal and adoption of this chapter; but prosecutions and suits for such offenses, liabilities, penalties or forfeitures may be instituted or causes presently pending proceeded with in all respects as if such prior ordinance had not been repealed.

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (VI)(53)(53.1), 4-14-09)

**Sec. 28-133. Penalty for violations.**

- (a) Any person or corporation violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall, upon conviction, be fined any sum not exceeding \$2,000.00 and each and every day that the provisions of this chapter are violated shall constitute a separate and distinct offense. In addition to the said penalty provided for, the right is hereby conferred and extended upon any property owner owning property in any district, where such property owner may be affected or invaded, by a violation of the terms of the chapter, to bring suit in such court or courts having jurisdiction thereof and obtain such remedies as may be available at law and equity in the protection of the rights of such property owners.

Commented [LK60]: Check for consistency with other chapters of the code of ordinances.

Formatted: Highlight

- (b) Nothing contained herein shall prevent the City of Angleton from taking such other lawful action as is necessary to prevent or remedy any violation.

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (VI)(54)(54.1, 54.2), 4-14-09)

**Sec. 28-134. Validity.**

- (a) If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, or provision of this chapter shall be adjudged invalid or held unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity of this chapter as a whole or any part or provision thereof other than the part so decided to be invalid or unconstitutional.

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (VI)(55)(55.1), 4-14-09)

**Sec. 28-135. Effective date.**

(a) This chapter shall become effective not less than ten days from the date of its passage, and the city secretary is hereby directed to cause the caption of this chapter to be published in the official newspaper of the city, a daily newspaper of general circulation within the city, at least once within ten days after the passage of this chapter.

(Ord. No. 2009-O-4A, §§ (VI)(56)(56.1), 4-14-09)

**~~Sec. 28-136. Open meetings.~~**

~~(a) The city council has found and determined that the meeting at which this chapter was considered and passed was open to the public as required and that public notice of the time, place, and purpose of this meeting was given in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, V.T.C.A., Government Code Ch. 551, as amended, and that a quorum of the city council was present.~~

~~(Ord. No. 2009 O 4A, §§ (VI)(57)(57.1), 4 14 09)~~

**APPENDIX A**

A.1: Prior Planned Development Ordinances Remaining in Effect:

PD #	Base Zoning District(s)	Ordinance #(s)	Adoption Date(s)
PD- _____	_____	_____	_____
PD- _____	_____	_____	_____
PD- _____	_____	_____	_____
PD- _____	_____	_____	_____

A.2: Prior Specific Use Permit Ordinances Remaining in Effect:

SUP #	Base Zoning District(s)	Ordinance #(s)	Adoption Date(s)
SUP- _____	_____	_____	_____
SUP- _____	_____	_____	_____
SUP- _____	_____	_____	_____
SUP- _____	_____	_____	_____

**Chapter 21.5 - SIGNS**

Formatted: Font: Bold

## Sec. 21.5-1. - Scope.

The provisions of this chapter shall apply to all signs, as the term is defined herein, within the corporate limits of the city.

(Ord. No. 2303, § 1, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 1, 9-4-01)

## Sec. 21.5-2. - Sign regulations—Generally.

(a)Purpose. The purpose of this section is to provide uniform sign standards which promote the safety of persons and property, provide for the efficient transfer of information in sign messages, and protect the public welfare by enhancing the appearance and economic value of the landscape. The objectives to be pursued in applying specific standards are as follows:

(1)Safety. To promote the safety of persons and property by providing that signs:

- a.Do not create traffic hazards by confusing or distracting motorists, or by impairing the driver's ability to see pedestrians, obstacles, or other vehicles, or to read traffic signs; and
- b.Do not create a hazard due to collapse, fire, collision, decay, or abandonment.

(b)Communications efficiency. To promote the efficient transfer of information in sign messages by providing that:

- (1)Businesses and services may identify themselves;
- (2)Customers and other persons may locate a business or service;
- (3)No person or group is arbitrarily denied the use of the sight lines from the public right-of-way for communication purposes; and
- (4)Persons exposed to signs are not so overwhelmed by the number of messages presented that they cannot [see] the information they seek, and are able to observe or ignore messages, according to the observer's purpose.

(c)Landscape quality and preservation. To protect the public welfare and to enhance the appearance and economic value of the landscape by providing that signs:

- (1)Do not interfere with scenic views;
- (2)Do not create a nuisance to persons using the public rights-of-way;
- (3)Do not constitute a nuisance to occupancy of adjacent and contiguous property by their brightness, size, height, or movement; and
- (4)Are not detrimental to land or property values.

Sec. 21.5-3. - Definitions.

For the purposes of this section the following definitions shall apply:

Commented [LK1]: Combine with other definitions

Abandoned sign shall mean a sign that advertises or directs persons to any business, commercial transaction or activity, goods, products, or services there were once, but are no longer, offered, available or located at the advertised premises.

Billboard shall mean any sign which directs attention to a business, commodity, service, or entertainment conducted, sold, or offered elsewhere than on the premises where such sign appears. If such business, commodity, service, or entertainment is merely incidental to the use of such property where such sign appears, such sign shall be deemed a billboard.

Business establishment shall mean a project or undertaking which involves the use of any property, building or structure, permanent or temporary, for the primary purpose of conducting on said property a legitimate commercial enterprise, or other nonresidential use, in compliance with all ordinances and regulations of the city. Multiple services and/or goods offered by a business establishment shall be considered one business establishment for the purposes of this subsection.

Business frontage shall mean the linear measurement of the side of the building which contains the primary entrance of the building.

Business park shall mean businesses located in the business park district.

Class I sign shall mean ground signs (freestanding), monument signs, wall signs over 32 square feet, canopy signs, energized signs and neon signs.

Class II sign shall mean wall or projecting signs 32 square feet or less.

Community sign shall mean a sign on which the sign area is shared by two or more businesses.

Digital signage shall mean a form of electronic display that shows programming, information, advertising and other messages. Digital signage may have a change of advertising no less than once every six seconds.

Double-faced sign shall mean a single sign with two parallel sign faces back-to-back.

~~Energized Moving~~ sign shall mean a sign with mechanically, physically moving parts.

Flag shall mean a cloth flown as an emblem, often rectangular and flown from a pole, carrying a distinctive design and used as an emblem or for signaling.

Flag banners shall mean any flag banner (teardrop flags, feather flags) made of cloth, canvas, plastic or other flexible material, with or without a frame or other supporting structure, that moves or is designed or intended to move or blow in the wind.

Flagpole shall mean a freestanding structure permanently mounted on the ground and designed and constructed for the purpose of having flags.

Freestanding sign or ground sign shall mean any monument sign supported by ~~one or more columns, a base, poles, uprights, or braces~~ anchored in the ground and not attached to any building. (See monument signs)

Garage sale shall mean the sale of items which a resident or group of residents wish to dispose of at discount prices, conducted from a garage and/or yard, and which items offered for sale are used or discarded by or from those residents offering them for sale.

Glare shall mean emitted light which exceeds 60 foot-candles.

Grand opening shall mean the formal offering by a new business of its goods, wares, merchandise, service, entertainment, or activity.

Identification sign shall mean any sign which carries only the firm, business, or corporate name, the major enterprise on the premises, or the principal products offered for sale on the premises.

Inflatables shall mean any device propelled by a mechanical fan.

Integrated business development shall mean a development consisting of two or more interrelated business establishments using common driveways and onsite parking facilities, including, but not limited to, shopping centers, office complexes, office buildings, and business parks.

Irregular signs shall mean separately mounted signs on one supporting structure.

Major intersection shall mean an intersection of two major thoroughfares.

Major thoroughfares shall mean ~~roads as~~ State Highway's 35, 288B, Henderson Road and Downing Road, shown on the latest adopted Thoroughfare Map.

Monument sign shall mean any sign ~~ten (10')~~ five-feet or less from the natural ground level to the top of the sign.

Multifaced sign shall mean a single sign with two or more faces which are not parallel or back-to-back.

New business shall mean a project or undertaking which involves the use of any property, building, or structure, permanent or temporary, for the primary purpose of conducting in said building or structure or on said property a legitimate commercial enterprise, or other nonresidential use, in compliance with all ordinances and regulations of the city, and when such project or undertaking is new to the premises. ~~Provided, however, a change in ownership of at least 50 percent of an ongoing project or undertaking shall constitute a new business for the purposes herein and, provided further, expansion of an existing building or structure shall constitute a new business if such expansion increases the size of the area devoted to the primary use, in building floor square footage, by not less than 50 percent.~~

Nonadvertising sign shall mean any sign posted on private property containing thereon a regulatory or warning notice and upon which no advertising matter is displayed.

Office complex shall mean one or more commercial buildings with multiple businesses providing services and not delivering products directly to customers and consisting of two or more tenants using common driveways.

Open house shall mean a designated period of time during which a property is open for viewing by prospective purchasers.

Pole banner shall mean a portable banner not attached to a building that spins or flutters when contacted by air current (which includes tear drop and feather flags).

Portable sign shall mean any sign designed or constructed to be easily moved from one location to another, including signs mounted upon or designed to be mounted upon a trailer, wheeled carrier, or other nonmotorized mobile structure. A portable sign which has its wheels removed shall still be considered a portable sign hereunder.

Projecting sign shall mean any sign which is affixed or attached to, and is supported solely by a building, wall, or like structure, which extends beyond the building, wall, or like structure, or parts thereof, more than 18 inches and whose angle of incidence to said building, wall, structure, or parts thereof, is greater than 30 degrees.

Public service sign shall mean a sign which provides a service or message to the public, such as time, temperature, and charity appeals.

Reader panel shall mean a permanently constructed changeable copy bulletin board lighted or unlighted with detachable precut letters and figures.

Roofline shall mean the height above finished grade of the upper beam, rafter, ridge, or purlin of any building.

Shopping center identification sign shall mean a freestanding sign structure containing the name identifying an integrated business development which may also include identification signs on which the names and nature of businesses within the development are uniformly displayed.

Sign means any structure, part thereof, or device or inscription which is located upon, attached to, or painted or represented on any land, or on the outside of any building or structure, or on an awning, canopy marquee, or similar appendage, or permanently affixed to the glass on the outside of the building or structure, and which displays or includes any numeral, letter, word, model, banner, emblem, insignia, symbol, device, monogram, heraldry, trademark, light, or other representation used as or in the nature of an announcement, advertisement, attention arrester, direction, warning, or designation of any

person, firm, group, organization, corporation, association, place, commodity, product, service, business, profession, enterprise, industry, activity, or any combination thereof, where the word "sign" is used herein without further modification, the same shall be understood to embrace all regulated signs and replicas.

Sign area shall mean the total square footage of all sign facing, including that portion of the supporting structure or trim which carries any wording, symbols, identifying color, or pictures; provided, however, in the case of double-faced signs, only one face shall be computed to determine sign area.

Sign facing or surface shall mean the surface of any sign upon, against, or through which the message is displayed or illustrated; provided, however, for signs in which the words, letters, or symbols are independently mounted, the sign surface shall mean the outside dimensions of the area containing all of the individual words, letters, and symbols.

Snipe sign means a sign which is tacked, nailed, posted, pasted, glued, or otherwise attached to trees, stakes, fences or other like objects, the advertising matter of which is not applicable to the present use of the premises on which the sign is located.

**Spectacular** *Another term?* sign shall mean a sign that has one or more of the following elements in its physical structure:

Formatted: Highlight

(1)Automatically changing advertising that changes more often than once every six seconds (not including date, time and temperature);

(2)Blinking, rotating, moving, chasing, flashing, glaring, strobe, scintillating or spotlights, or similar devices;

(3)Lights or colored elements creating moving, shimmering or prismatic effect; or(4)Rotating or moving parts.

Formatted: Indent: First line: 0.5"

Spinners and pennants shall mean any sign, display or attention-seeking device (that is not a flag) with spins or flutters when contacted by air currents but is not propelled by a mechanical fan, or which makes noise when spinning. Balloons are also included in this definition if they flutter or move with air currents but are not attached to a building.

Temporary sign means any sign constructed of cloth, canvass, light fabric, cardboard, wallboard, or other light materials with short life expectancies. A portable sign shall not be considered a temporary sign.

Visibility triangle shall mean the triangular area adjacent to the intersection of any public street or public alley within which sight lines are maintained for vehicular traffic. The triangle is established by measuring a distance of 35 feet from the extended curb to edge of pavement of the street or alley. A straight line connecting the ends of each measured distance that forms the hypotenuse shall establish the visibility triangle.

[Add diagram](#)

Wall sign means all flat signs, either of solid face construction or individual letters, symbols, or pictures, which are placed against the exterior wall of any building or structure and extending not more than 18 inches from the face of such building or structure, parallel to the building or structure, and having the advertisement on one face only.

~~(Ord. No. 2303, § 3, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 3, 9-4-01; Ord. No. 2003-O-10E, § II, 11-18-03; Ord. No. 2012-O-3A, § 1, 3-13-12; Ord. No. 2013-O-6A, § 1, 6-18-13)~~

Sec. 21.5-4. - Permits.

It shall be unlawful for any person to erect, structurally alter, or relocate within the city any sign without first satisfying the requirements of this section.

(1)Sign permits: It shall be unlawful for any person, unless provided otherwise in this chapter, to erect, place, rebuild, reconstruct, or move any sign within the city without first obtaining a sign permit.

a.Application: All applications for sign permits shall be accompanied by a plan or plans drawn to scale which shall include the following:

- 1.The dimensions of the sign and, where applicable, the dimensions of the wall surface of the building to which it is to be attached.
- 2.The dimensions of the sign's supporting members.
- 3.The maximum and minimum height of the sign.
- 4.The proposed location of the sign in relation to the face of the building in front of which or above which it is to be erected.
- 5.The proposed location of the sign in relation to the boundaries of the lot upon which it is to be situated, [indicating the setbacks from the property line.](#)
- 6.The location of all electrical transmission lines within 30 feet to any part of such proposed sign structure.

b. Issuance: Upon the filing of an application for a sign permit, the plans, specifications, and other data shall be examined by the building inspector. If it appears that such proposed sign is in compliance with the requirements of this chapter and other laws of the city, the building inspector shall issue the applicant a sign permit.

Upon completion of the construction of the sign, the building inspector shall inspect the sign to determine if it is in conformity with the specifications approved at the time the sign permit was granted, then the building inspector shall issue a validation sticker. Validation stickers shall be prominently displayed at all times on the sign or sign structure.

c. Pre-existing signs: Signs complying with Ordinance No. 2111 and in existence on June 15, 1993, shall be considered and deemed as lawfully existing nonconforming structures and may be continued as such.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the person or entity holding the sign use permit for any such lawfully existing nonconforming sign shall be required to acquire a validation sticker for such sign and otherwise comply with this chapter relating to nonconforming signs and sign structures.

Formatted: Highlight

(2) Exceptions: A permit shall not be required for the following:

Commented [LK2]: Maybe differentiate between what needs a permit, and what needs a fee.

a. The changing of the advertising copy or message of a painted sign.

Commented [LK3]: How is off-premise and on-premise determined?

b. The changing of the advertising message or copy of an electric sign, if such electric sign is specifically designed for the use of replaceable copy.

c. The electrical, repainting, or cleaning maintenance of a sign.

d. The repair of a sign that is less than 50 percent deteriorated or damaged.

e. One open house sign on the premises.

f. Contractor and real estate signs not exceeding six square feet in sign area.

g. Signs painted directly on glass windows or doors that do not cover more than 50 percent of the glass surface.

h. A sign not over 32 square feet in area setting forth information concerning a building or other structure under repair or construction or advertising the sale or rental of the premises.

(3) Stop orders: The issuance of a sign permit or a validation sticker shall not constitute a waiver of this chapter or other ordinances of the city. The building inspector is authorized to issue stop orders for any sign which is being constructed or used in violation of this [chapter] or any other ordinance of the city.

(Ord. No. 2303, § 4, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 4, 9-4-01; Ord. No. 2003-O-10E, § II, 11-18-03; Ord. No. 2013-O-6A, § 2, 6-18-13)

Sec. 21.5-5. - Prohibited signs.

(a) The following signs or types of signs are prohibited:

(1) Billboards.

(2) Signs which advertise or otherwise direct attention to a product, service, activity, person, institution, or business which no longer occupies or is conducted, sold, manufactured, produced, or offered upon the premises where the sign is displayed.

(3) Signs which move or contain visible moving parts; provided, however, the provisions of this subsection shall not prohibit time and temperature components of permitted monument signs which **are not otherwise intended as an attention getting device or barber poles of traditional design not to exceed 20 inches high which revolve during the time a barbershop is open for business.**

Formatted: Highlight

(4) Signs which contain statements, words, or pictures of an obscene, indecent, or immoral nature which offend public morals or decency.

(5) Signs or portions thereof which are located on or project or extend over any public sidewalk, street, alley, or other public property. Temporary and permanent subdivision signage as permitted herein and signs required or authorized by governmental authority are exempted from this provision.

(6) Signs which interfere with, obstruct the view of, or may be confused with any authorized traffic sign, signal, or device.

(7) Portable or wheeled signs.

(8) Spectacular signs that mimic car headlights, emergency vehicle lights or sounds, have a glaring, strobe effect.

(9) Signs attached to or located upon exposed amenities such as benches, trash containers, fences, trees, shrubs, and the like; provided, however, information about the manufacturer or distributor of benches and trash containers may be placed on their products not to exceed ~~two square feet ten percent~~ of one surface of the bench or trash container.

Commented [LK4]: 10% may be big for larger elements

(10) Signs placed on the rear of any building except for identification nameplates or signs on a commercial or industrial establishment not exceeding two square feet in area and located near and for the purpose of identifying delivery entrances and authorized parking areas.

(11) Reader panel signs or those with runners, slots, or tracks in or on which changeable letters and numerals can be mounted, provided, however, that such signs shall be permitted if totally encased to prevent tampering

(12) Garage sale signs are prohibited anywhere other than the premises of the event. The sign may be erected the day of the event and must be removed within 24 hours of the end of the garage sale. Size?

(13) Snipe signs.

(b) Hazards.

(1) It shall be unlawful for any person to erect, structurally alter, or relocate any sign in such a manner as to obstruct or in all probability cause to obstruct:

a. Ingress or egress;

b. Lighting or ventilation;

c. Firefighting;

d. Escape from a building; or

e. Free passage from one part of a roof to any other part thereof.

(2) It shall be unlawful for any person to attach any sign to an exterior stairway, fire escape, fire tower, or balcony serving as a horizontal exit.

(3) It shall be unlawful for any person to erect, structurally alter, or relocate a sign in such a manner that all or any portion of such sign or its supporting structure will interfere in any way with the free use of any fire escape, exit, or standpipe, or obstruct any required ventilator, door or stairway.

(4) Any cloth sign or banner that is attached to a building shall be flameproof.

(5) The fire marshal of the city, or his duly qualified representative, shall be the sole judge of a violation under this subsection.

(6) Any neon sign or signage shall be inspected by the Angleton Fire Marshal.

(c) Traffic hazards.

(1) It shall be unlawful for any person to erect, structurally alter, or relocate a sign in such a manner as to constitute a hazard to pedestrian or vehicular traffic, or in such a manner as to obstruct free and clear vision, regardless of location, by reason of the position, shape, color, or movement which may interfere with, obstruct the view of, or be confused with any authorized traffic sign, signal or device. Nor shall such sign make use of any work, phrase, symbol, or character in such a manner as to interfere with, mislead, or confuse vehicular or pedestrian traffic.

(2) The ~~chief of police of the city, or a duly qualified representative~~ City Manger or designee, shall enforce said laws.

(d) Energized signs. It shall be unlawful for any person to erect, alter, or relocate any energized sign within the City of Angleton.

(e) Illumination of signs.

(1) It shall be unlawful for any person to erect, structurally alter, relocate, or maintain any sign which creates glare upon a public street, sidewalk, or adjacent residential property.

(2) Non-energized signs may be illuminated from an independent artificial source provided such illumination is concentrated upon the area of the sign only, and does not cause glare upon any street, alley, driveway, parking area, or adjacent residential property.

(Ord. No. 2303, § 5, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 5, 9-4-01; Ord. No. 2003-O-10E, § II, 11-18-03; Ord. No. 2013-O-6A, § 3, 6-18-13)

Sec. 21.5-6. - Signs permitted and regulated in residential and suburban districts.

(a) Temporary signs. Certain temporary signs in residential and suburban districts shall be permitted.

(1) Real estate signs for single-family units or vacant lots in platted subdivisions:

a. One temporary on-premises sign not exceeding six square feet shall be permitted for each single-family dwelling unit or vacant lot in a platted subdivision in order to give information concerning leasing, renting, or selling of such while such dwelling or lot is actually available for lease, rent, or sale. No permit shall be required for the erection of temporary real estate signs under this subsection. [Duration?](#)  
[Setback?](#)

b. Such temporary sign may be located anywhere on the premises, provided that such sign shall not project beyond the property line and shall not have a height of more than five feet over the natural ground level.

(2) Vacant land sales.

a. A temporary monument sign or signs shall be permitted for each tract or parcel of land in residential and suburban districts, other than subdivided residential lots, in order to give information concerning leasing, renting, or selling of such property.

b. Such temporary signs may be located anywhere on the tract or parcel, provided they are set back a minimum of ten feet from any street frontage and a minimum of 200 feet from street intersections. Provided, however, that parcels qualifying by size for two signs may erect a maximum of one sign at the intersection of two streets and further provided that each tract shall be permitted at least one sign. One temporary sign not to exceed 32 square feet in area shall be allowed on each street frontage of a ten-acre or larger tract of land not to exceed a total of two signs. Tracts of land under ten acres in size shall be permitted one sign not to exceed 32 square feet in area.

(3) Contractor identification signs. One temporary on-premises sign of a size not to exceed six square feet shall be allowed for each contractor only during the period that the contractor is engaged in active construction, repair, or maintenance of the premises. Such temporary sign may be located anywhere on the premises, provided that such sign may not project beyond the property line and shall not have a height greater than five feet above the average finished grade. No permit shall be required for the erection of such sign.

(4) Subdivision signage. Temporary signage shall be permitted upon approval of a sign plan for a residential subdivision. Sign plans should provide a way for a developer to identify important areas in the development and should contain high quality understated signs that consolidate as many messages as possible in as few signs as possible. Unless specifically prohibited, signs permitted under this subsection may be combined or contain directional information for private community/recreational facilities provided, however, that such a combination and/or addition results in the erection of the same number or fewer signs than if permitted separately. The guidelines which follow shall dictate the size and location of residential subdivision signage. Signs shown in the plan should conform to the following guidelines:

a. Entrance signs.

1. Each homebuilder and developer in a subdivision shall be entitled to a maximum of 16 square feet of space on one temporary monument sign, such sign which shall not exceed a total 80 square feet, at each

major entrance to the residential subdivision. Provided, however, that such sign for any subdivision wherein two or less homebuilders or developers own all undeveloped lots therein shall not exceed 48 square feet. Further, each major entrance to each section of the subdivision shall be allowed one monument sign of a maximum area of 32 square feet to provide information about lot or home sales. However, in the case when the major entrance to the subdivision is also a major entrance to a section of the subdivision, that entrance shall be limited to an 80 square foot sign, unless limited to a maximum of 48 square feet as provided in this paragraph.

2. Temporary signs authorized at subdivision entrances by the above paragraph shall be removed when 80 percent of the total lots of the subdivision have homes constructed thereon. The temporary signs permitted at the major entrances of a section of the subdivision shall be removed when 80 percent of the total lots in that section have homes constructed thereon.

b. Subdivision section directional signs. Developers or builders requesting subdivision section directional signs shall attach to such sign permit application(s) a proposed plan for the location of directional signs. Sign permits for directional signs shall be approved if they meet the following criteria:

1. An active model home sales office site is located in subject subdivision section.
2. Generally, directions shall be provided from the entrance of the subdivision nearest to the entrance of the section in which the model home sales office sites are located. A more distant major entrance will be allowed if it can be demonstrated that overall either fewer signs shall be erected or there shall be less of an impact on adjoining properties.
3. Directional signs shall be approved at intersections where turns onto different streets are necessary leading to the subdivision section. In instances where no turns are involved but the distance from the major entrance to the subdivision and the subdivision section is greater than one mile, one directional sign shall be approved for each mile of distance separating the two points. Such signs shall be located to be equally spaced between the major subdivision entrance and the subdivision section.
4. Signs permitted herein shall not exceed eight square feet in area, have a top height not to exceed 3½ feet and a bottom height not to exceed 1½ feet.
5. Landscaping shall be provided to screen the rear of the sign from view by the public. Such landscaping will be low maintenance vegetation that does not require irrigation to survive.
6. The copy of signs permitted herein shall be limited to one or more of the following:
  - (a) the name of the subdivision;
  - (b) the name of the subdivision section;
  - (c) the distance to the subdivision section; and (d) the direction to the subdivision section.

7. Subdivision section directional signs permitted herein shall be removed upon the expiration of the valid use of land or lots as a model home sales office site in subject subdivision section.

c. Permanent identification signs:

1. Single-family residential subdivisions. Single-family residential subdivisions are allowed permanent monument signs at each major entrance to the subdivision. The total sign surface area at each entrance

shall not exceed 32 square feet. Subdivisions which consist of more than one platted section are allowed an additional 16 square foot monument sign for each major entrance to each section therein; however, in the case where the major entrance to the subdivision is also a major entrance to a section of the subdivision, that entrance shall be limited to a 32 square foot sign. Monument signs shall not be located in the visibility triangle.

**Commented [LK5]:** Consider larger signs

2. Multiple dwelling complexes. A townhouse, condominium, or apartment complex is allowed one sign with a total surface area not to exceed 24 square feet. The permitted sign may be a monument sign or a wall sign. A monument sign shall be set back from any property line by ten feet and shall not be located in the visibility triangle. If a wall sign is erected, it shall be flush mounted and shall not project above any wall.

3. Private community/recreational facilities signage:

(i) Identification signs. Each private community/recreational facility located in a residential development is allowed a permanent identification sign. If such facility is located within a subdivision development the proposed identification signage shall be included in the subdivision sign plan. Such signs shall be located on the site of the facility being identified and shall consist of a sign no larger than 48 square feet in area and no higher than five feet above average finished grade. Additionally, wall signs of a size up to one-half square foot per linear foot of facility frontage shall be permitted

(ii) Directional signs. Private community/recreational facilities located in residential subdivisions are allowed directional monument signs no larger than 16 square feet which may be erected in the subdivision to which it applies at intersections of major thoroughfares, collector streets, and residential streets in order to provide directions to the private community/recreational facilities. Such signs shall only be erected at intersections of major thoroughfares, collector streets and residential streets where turns onto different streets are necessary in leading to the private community/recreational facilities. The sign plan for a subdivision shall provide the fewest number of signs necessary to provide directions from one or the nearest major entrance of the subdivision to the residential streets on which private community/recreational facilities are located.

(Ord. No. 2303, § 6, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 6, 9-4-01; Ord. No. 2003-O-10E, § II, 11-18-03)

Sec. 21.5-7. - Signs permitted and regulated in commercial and industrial districts.

In commercial and industrial zoned districts on-premises signs are allowed which comply with the provisions of this subsection.

(1) Temporary real estate signs.

a. Signage (to include banners) shall be permitted for each parcel of land in commercial and industrial districts in order to give information conveying leasing, renting, selling, or renovation of such property.

b. Such signs may be located anywhere on the tract or parcel, provided they are set back a minimum of 30 feet from street intersections. Tracts of land with more than one road frontage may be allowed an

additional sign for each additional frontage. One temporary sign not to exceed 100 square feet in area shall be allowed on each street frontage.

c. Such signs may remain until ten days after building or space is leased, sold or renovated.

d. When applying to a strip center each space available for lease may have a sign not to exceed 16 square feet indicating the space is available for lease.

(2) Commercial and industrial subdivisions. Commercial and industrial subdivisions of a size of at least 40 acres are allowed one permanent identification monument sign of a maximum size of 32 square feet at each major street entrance to the subdivision.

Formatted: Highlight

(3) Individual business establishments. Each business establishment within a commercial or industrial zoned district shall be allowed signage in accordance with the provisions of this subsection. If, however, such business establishment is part of a shopping center or integrated business development the signage allowed shall be as provided in subsection

(4) of this section. It is further provided, however, that a single occupant detached commercial establishment located on a lot or tract in a commercial subdivision separate from a shopping center or integrated business development within such subdivision, shall be allowed signage in accordance with the provisions of this subsection, if such business establishment is separated by a substantial distance from the shopping center or integrated business development and only incidentally shares parking facilities and driveway access. a. Permanent signs:

#### 1. Wall signs:

(i) Size and number. Wall signs are permitted for each individual business establishment with an allowable total sign area of 1½ square feet of signage for each linear foot of business frontage.

(ii) Location and height. A wall sign may not project above the roof line of a building except for buildings with parapet walls in which case the signage shall be flush with the wall and shall not project above the parapet. Signs placed on mansard, gambrel, and other sloping roofs must be perpendicular to the ground with all permanent structural supports covered from view. Except for wall and identification signs which are permitted elsewhere, wall signs may be placed on the front or sides but not the rear of a building.

#### 2. Monument signs:

(i) Size and number. One monument sign ranging in size from a minimum of 32 square feet to a maximum of 50 square feet is permitted for each individual business establishment, provided the location and height requirements set forth in subsection (ii) below are met.

(ii) Location and height. The monument sign shall be set back from street rights-of-way by a minimum of ten feet, from interior side property lines by a minimum of ten feet, or rear property lines by a minimum of 50 feet. If consistent with the above spacing and setback requirements, the monument sign allowed for a tract may be placed on any street frontage enjoyed by that tract.

#### 3. Ground signs (freestanding):

(i)Size and number. One ground sign is permitted for each business establishment with an allowable total sign area of 125 square feet, including the frame. A reader panel shall be treated as a ground sign. Ground signs located on property adjacent to State Highway 288 (freeway) and situated entirely within a 100-foot distance of said highway right-of-way shall be allowed a maximum of 350 square feet of total sign area including any reader panel that might be included. A freestanding, "single business", sign shall not have more than three cabinets when being circumscribed as one ground sign with visible air space between cabinets.

Commented [LK6]: Is this a pole sign? Pole signs should be prohibited. Consider reducing the area to 80 sq. ft.

Formatted: Highlight

Commented [LK7]: Too big, almost a billboard?

Formatted: Highlight

(ii)Location and height. A ground sign shall be set back so that no part of such sign overhangs public property. The height including any part of the sign or structure shall not exceed 50-25' feet in height above the highest finished grade at the front property line. Ground signs located on property adjacent to State Highway 288 (freeway) and situated entirely within a 100-50-foot distance of said highway right-of-way shall not exceed 65 feet in height. The sign must be located on the site where the goods or services are offered. Ground signs located in the triangle of visibility shall have a minimum of eight foot of clearance from the natural ground to the bottom of the sign panel.

(4)Integrated business developments. Integrated business developments within commercial or industrial zoned districts and the business establishments located therein shall be allowed signage in accordance with the provisions of this paragraph.

a. Permanent signs:

1. Wall signs:

(i)Size and number. Each business establishment in an integrated business development is permitted wall signs with an allowable total sign area of 1½ square feet of signage for each linear foot of business frontage.

(ii)Location and height. A wall sign may not project above the roof line of a building except for buildings with parapet walls in which case the sign shall be flush with the wall and shall not project above the parapet. Signs placed on mansard, gambrel, and other sloping roofs must be perpendicular to the ground with all structural supports covered from view. Wall signs identifying businesses in an integrated business development may be placed on any wall of the building in which the business is located except the rear wall.

2. Monument signs

(i)Size and number. The total sign areas for all monument signs in an integrated business development shall not exceed one square foot of sign area for each 300-120 square feet of gross usable area or square footage of the building up to a maximum sign area of 300-150 square feet; provided however, that each sign must meet spacing, size and height requirements contained in this paragraph. It is further provided, however, that each integrated business development shall be allowed at least one 32 square foot monument sign for each frontage enjoyed by that tract and that an integrated business development with only a single frontage shall be allowed at least one 50 square foot sign. Except as provided hereafter, no monument sign may be larger than 96 square feet nor smaller than 32 square feet. Integrated business developments which qualify by size for the total sign area of 300 square feet allowed for monument signs and which can meet spacing requirements contained herein may erect one

Commented [LK8]: Confusing

160 square foot sign. However, if a 160 square foot sign is erected, such development shall be limited to 225 square feet of total allowable sign area.

(ii)Location and height. The monument sign shall be set back from the street rights-of-way by a minimum of ten feet and from interior or rear property lines by a minimum of 50 feet. The monument sign shall have a minimum spacing from other monument signs of 100 feet. The measurement of such spacing shall be from the closest points of the two signs. If consistent with the above spacing and setback requirements, the maximum size monument sign allowed for a tract may be placed on any street frontage enjoyed by that tract.

Commented [LK9]: Confusing. The size along each frontage should be limited by the length of the frontage.

3.Freestanding community signs:(i)One freestanding community identification sign is permitted for each integrated business development.(ii)The total sign area of such freestanding sign shall not exceed 125 square feet plus an additional ten square feet for each business establishment in the complex up to a maximum of 225-150 square feet, including the frame. A reader panel shall be treated as a ground sign. Freestanding signs located on property adjacent to State Highway 288 (freeway) and situated entirely within a 100-foot distance of said highway shall be allowed a maximum of 300 square feet plus an additional 15 square feet for each business establishment in the complex up to a maximum of 500 square feet.(iii)Location and height. A freestanding sign shall be set back so that no part of such sign overhangs public property. The height, including any part of the sign or sign structure, shall not exceed 50 feet above the highest finished grade at the front property line. Freestanding signs located on property adjacent to State Highway 288 (freeway) and situated entirely within a 100-foot distance of said highway shall be allowed a maximum height of 65 feet above the finished grade at the front property line. The sign must be located on the site where the goods or services are offered.(iv)It shall be the responsibility of the permit holder to allocate the sign area of the freestanding identification sign among the tenants.

Commented [LK10]: Review with staff.

Formatted: Highlight

Formatted: Highlight

Formatted: Highlight

Formatted: Highlight

4.Option for directory sign in office park and business park districts:

(i)One freestanding directory sign for the sole purpose of uniformly listing the names of the tenants is permitted for each building in which there area multiple tenants in the office complex if the complex chooses not to use wall signs.

(ii)The total sign area of such sign shall not exceed 240 square inches per tenant.(iii)Directory signs shall not exceed five feet in height and shall be located within 20 feet of the building.

5.Options for shopping centers 40,000 square feet or larger. A shopping center consisting of 40,000 square feet or greater will be allowed a second freestanding sign located on the secondary street to which there is access when such center is located at a major intersection. The second sign shall be no larger than 100 square feet plus not more than 50 additional square feet of reader panel. The maximum height of the second sign shall be 50 feet.

Commented [LK11]: What is this?

6.Canopy signs:(i)Size and number.

1.Canopy signs for businesses with canopies that are not attached to a building (ie: gas station islands) shall be computed on the basis of the length of the canopy along the business frontage. The allowable sign area shall be computed at the ratio of 1½ square feet of wall sign for each linear foot of canopy along the business frontage.

2. Signs on canopies attached to a building shall be considered as wall signs and governed by the regulations thereof.

(ii) Location and height. Canopy signs must be flush mounted on the canopy and shall not project above or below the face of the canopy or extend laterally from the canopy. Signs allowed on canopies shall not be of a height greater than 20 feet above finished grade.

b. Temporary signs:

1. Under construction signs. Temporary monument signs for commercial or industrial developments which are under construction may be permitted in addition to permanent signs allowed by this subsection in order to give information concerning leasing, renting, selling, financing, and/or contracting. Such temporary sign shall be removed 12 months from the date of its erection or when the construction of the development is completed, whichever first occurs.

(i) Size and number. Temporary monument signs permitted under this subparagraph shall not exceed 32 square feet in area. Commercial or industrial developments which are ten acres in size or greater are allowed a total of two monument signs while developments smaller than ten acres in size are allowed one monument sign.

(ii) Location and height. Temporary monument signs may be located anywhere on the site provided they are set back a minimum of ten feet from any street frontage and a minimum of 200 feet from street intersections; provided, however, that at least one sign shall be permitted for each tract.

2. Grand opening signs. A wall sign to advertise grand opening celebrations for an individual business establishment shall be permitted for a period not to exceed 14 days. Such 14-day period shall begin on the date of erection of the sign, and the sign shall be totally removed prior to the expiration of the 14th day.

(i) Size and number. One temporary sign (which may be in the form of a banner) of a size not to exceed 32 square feet shall be permitted.

(ii) Location and height. Such sign shall comply with the location and height standards contained in subsection 21.5-7(3)a.1(ii).

(~~Ord. No. 2303, § 7, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 7, 9-4-01; Ord. No. 2003-O-10E, § II, 11-18-03; Ord. No. 2013-O-6A, § 4, 6-18-13~~)

Sec. 21.5-8. - Signs for civic events.

Temporary signs that provide information about and/or direct the public to a special event of civic interest, such as parades, organized holiday festivities or celebrations, special events on the behalf of charitable or nonprofit organizations are allowed provided a sign plan is submitted to and approved by the city council. Such sign plan shall comply with the following general requirements:

(1) One, 32 square foot monument sign may be placed at each major entrance to the event.

(2) Additional signs or banners may be located at specified locations in the city as approved by the city council.

(3) Directional signs shall not exceed 16 square feet in area.

(4) Signs shall be erected only for a time period not to exceed ten days before and two days after the event.

(5) Such signs may be located on private property only with the permission of the property owner. In no case shall a sign be located on a public right-of-way without the consent of the city council.

(Ord. No. 2303, § 8, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 8, 9-4-01)

Sec. 21.5-9. - Signs for areas zoned specific use.

Generally the regulations for wall and monument signs as established by subsection 21.5-7(3) for commercially zoned areas shall apply to areas zoned for specific use. However, more strict rules may be applied by the city council in granting a specific use permit when it is deemed necessary for the protection of adjacent properties and the public interest.

Sec. 21.5-10. - Signs displaying noncommercial messages.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, any sign that may display a commercial message may also display any noncommercial message, either in place of or in addition to the commercial message, so long as the sign complies with other requirements of this section or to other ordinances that do not pertain to the content of the message displayed.

Sec. 21.5-11. - Obsolete signs.

Signs which have been abandoned or have become obsolete due to closing of a business, change in the nature of the business establishment, or for any other reason rendering the sign nonapplicable to the property upon which it is displayed, shall be removed by the owner of the building or premises upon which it is situated within 60 days from the date of the action that caused the sign to be abandoned or obsolete. A condition of approval for all sign erection or use permits shall be that the permit holder or owner of the building or premises, at his own expense, remove any abandoned or obsolete sign. New signs for buildings or property on which an abandoned sign is located shall not be approved until the abandoned or obsolete sign is removed, however, approval may be given on the condition that the abandoned or obsolete sign is removed before a new sign is erected.

Sec. 21.5-12. - Nonconforming signs.

(a) Signs erected without a permit either prior to or after the adoption of this section, are illegal signs if a permit was required for its erection according to the law in effect at the time the sign was erected. It

shall be unlawful to maintain any illegal sign. It is a defense to prosecution under this subsection if the sign has been made to comply with the provisions of this section so that a permit may be issued.

(b) All signs which were legally erected pursuant to a valid permit or legally maintained and which do not conform to the provisions of this section are nonconforming signs. Nonconforming signs shall be removed or modified so as to conform with the requirements of this section within six years of the date the sign became nonconforming, with the following exceptions:

(1) The conformity dates for the removal or modification of those signs for which the conformity date is required to be extended or for which financial compensation is required under state or federal law shall be extended for so long as the conformity date extension or financial compensation continues to be required by state or federal law.

(2) Signs which constitute a hazard to pedestrian or vehicular traffic, unauthorized signs or portions thereof which are located on or extend over public property, snipe signs, signs with spinners, streamers, pennants or the like, and portable signs shall be removed or made to conform within 60 days after the effective date of this section.

(3) No nonconforming sign shall be repaired or renovated at a cost in excess of 50 percent of the replacement cost of the total sign structure, unless such sign is brought into conformity with this section. No nonconforming sign shall be repaired or renovated where the effect of such repair or renovation shall be to enlarge or increase the structure of the nonconforming sign. For the purposes of this subsection, routine maintenance shall not be considered to be repair or renovation.

Sec. 21.5-13. - Variance.

(a) A relaxation of the terms of this section may be permitted where such variance will not be contrary to the public interest and where, because of conditions peculiar to the property and as the result of the actions of the applicant, a literal enforcement of this section would result in unnecessary and undue hardship. A variance is authorized under this subsection only for height, sign area, freestanding sign or ground sign and length of time allowed to remove or to make conform a nonconforming sign.

(b) Any variance sought under this subsection shall be submitted to the ~~city council~~ZBA in accordance with the provisions provided in section 21.5-17 of this chapter.

Sec. 21.5-14. - Exceptions and exemptions.

In order to provide for unique circumstances that have a peculiar public need, the following type signs shall be exempt from the provisions of this section:

(1) Any sign erected and maintained pursuant to and in discharge of any governmental function or required by any law, ordinance, or governmental regulation.

(2) Commemorative plaques and identification emblems of recognized historical societies and organizations. Size?

(3) Decorations clearly incidental, customary, and commonly associated with a national, local, ethnic, or religious holiday. Such decorations may be displayed for only the length of time that such holiday or event is normally and customarily celebrated by the public.

(4) Nameplates not exceeding two square feet for residents or occupants of commercial, industrial, and professional buildings or dwellings, apartments, boarding or rooming houses, or other similar facilities.

(5) Monument signs erected by residential homeowner associations at major entrances to the subdivision for which it is associated. Such monument signs shall not exceed 16 square feet in area.

(6) Monument signs erected on-site by public and private developments directing or denoting the entrance, exit, parking, and direction of traffic flow, providing such signs are not prohibited or further regulated by other provisions of this section or other ordinances of the city. Such signs shall not exceed two square feet in area.

(7) Protection or security signs erected by the occupants of a premises denoting no trespassing or security devices. Such signs shall not exceed four square feet.

(8) Flag of any governmental entity provided that such flag is flown in accordance with established rules of etiquette. There shall be no flag poles mounted on roofs nor flags displayed on or from roofs. Height?  
And number on each lot?

(9) Political signs. Temporary political campaign signs provided that:

a. Signs advertising for or against the passage of any measure or the election of any candidate which are prohibited, except within 90 days before the election to which they relate and 14 days after said election. Such signs may remain in place between a primary election and general election, and between a general election and a runoff, provided that the measure or candidate will be on the general or runoff election, as applicable.

b. No such sign shall be more than 20 square feet in sign area. This limitation shall not apply to billboards that exist and are in compliance with this chapter.

c. No permit shall be required for the erection of a temporary political sign.

d. Political signs shall not be allowed in the right-of-way of any street, nor on any city property. (10) Signs located in the interior of a building which are designed and located to be viewed by the general public outside of the building area viewed by the public.

(11) Signs on vehicles regulated by the city or any other governmental unit.

(12) Signs on licensed commercial vehicles, including trailers; provided, however, that such vehicles shall not be used as parked or stationary outdoor signs and further provided that such vehicles or trailers are not designed or constructed for the primary purpose of providing an advertising medium.

(13) Directory signs, menu boards and the like which are designed to be read from a distance no greater than ten feet. Size and numbe?

(14) Banners and balloons for an individual business establishment in commercial zones shall be permitted provided that:

a.No more than one banner may be displayed at any one time per business as long as maintained as specified in subsection(14);

b.No banner or balloon shall be displayed above the first floor of any building;

c.A banner or balloon shall be attached to the building front or side but not the rear of a building;

d.No banner or balloon shall obstruct vehicular or pedestrian traffic;

e.A banner or balloon shall be constructed of weather-resistant materials;

~~f.Each calendar year a schedule of events and celebrations which indicate the days such banners or balloons shall be displayed is submitted to and approved by the city;~~

g.Grand opening balloons or banners are allowed for a maximum of 14 consecutive days; 4 times /year?

~~h.Any amendment to the schedule of events and celebrations which indicated the days such banners or balloons shall be displayed is submitted to and approved by the city;~~

i.The banners or balloons may not be tattered, torn or faded in appearance.

(15)Civic and church signs. The city council may erect, or approve and permit to be erected, entrance signs at or near the city limits for the benefit of visitors, on which may be listed institutional names, churches, and points of interest. Civic organizations and churches may be permitted to place their insignias thereon. In addition, each church or institution may erect a maximum of four directional signs as long as each does not exceed four square feet.

(16)Administrative special exception for not for profit entities. Temporary yard size signs may be placed in private yards and other **approved areas** so long as the signs are for a public interest event or to promote an event sponsored by a nonprofit, school (including sports teams), civic, church, governmental or other public interest entity. Prior written permission must be obtained from the city manager/~~city attorney~~ or designee and said permission shall be effective for no longer than 14 days. Removal of the signs must be provided for in the request for this permission and a responsible party must be named for said sign removal; said party shall be subject to prosecution in municipal court under the sign ordinance for any failure to timely remove the signs or placement in unapproved areas.

**Commented [LK12]:** Where is the list of these?  
**Formatted:** Highlight

(17)Spinners or pennants. No more than two spinners or pennants may be displayed at a shopping center at any one time and no more than one spinner or pennant may be displayed at a business at any one time. Size?

(18)Pole banner. No more than one pole banner may be displayed at a business at any one time and it may not be placed within any city or public right-of-way. Size?

(19)Inflatables. No more than one inflatable may be displayed at a business at any one time. Size?

**Commented [LK13]:** These can be a problem.

(20)Signs promoting Angleton Revitalization Corporation and/or Keep Angleton Beautiful Programs. Sign promoting event or program sponsored by Angleton Revitalization Corporation and/or Keep Angleton Beautiful may not exceed two square feet.

(Ord. No. 2303, § 14, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 14, 9-4-01; Ord. No. 2003-O-10E, § II, 11-18-03; Ord. No. 2008-O-2D, § 1, 2-26-08; Ord. No. 2013-O-6A, § 5, 6-18-13; Ord. No. 2015-O-6A, § 1, 6-9-15)

Sec. 21.5-15. - Sign administration and enforcement.

(a) Sign administration. City Manager of designee ~~Each building official~~ shall also serve as a sign inspector. ~~The head building official shall be the head sign inspector.~~ The head-sign inspector is empowered to delegate his duties and powers under this chapter to other persons serving under the ~~head~~-sign inspector. The sign inspector and such other persons shall constitute the sign administration section.

(b) Powers and duties. The sign inspector shall have the duty, power, and authority to enforce and administer all provisions of all ordinances and laws applicable to signs, including but not limited to the following:

(1) Making inspections

(2) Investigating possible violations.

(3) Taking actions to enforce compliance.

(4) Inspection of every sign for which a permit is required, at the point of manufacture, at the erection site, or at any places; provided that such inspections shall not occur outside the city limits without the consent of the permittee or applicant.

(5) Upon presentation of proper identification to the owner, agent, or tenant in charge of such property, the sign inspector or representative may enter any place or structure for the purpose of inspecting or investigating signs or sign structures or performing his duties under this chapter. Such identification is not required in an emergency or potential emergency that may involve injury to persons or property, or in any case of the owner, agent, or person in charge cannot be found with reasonable diligence.

Whenever the sign inspector is denied admission to enter any privately owned place or structure, such inspection shall be made only under authority of a duly issued warrant. In applying for such a warrant, the sign inspector shall submit to the issuing authority his affidavit setting forth his belief that a violation of a sign law exists with respect to the place sought to be inspected and his reasons for such belief. Such affidavit shall designate the location of such place and the name of the person believed to be the owner, operator, or occupant thereof. If the magistrate finds that probable cause exists for entry on the premises in question, he shall issue a warrant authorizing the entry, and the warrant shall describe the premises with sufficient certainty to identify same. Any warrant so issued shall constitute authority for the sign inspector to enter upon and inspect the premises described therein. (6) Upon notice and issuance of a stop order from the sign inspector, all persons shall immediately stop work on any sign being conducted in a manner contrary to law or in a dangerous or unsafe manner. Such notice and order shall be in writing and shall be given to the owner of the property, or to his agent, or to the person doing the work, and shall state the conditions under which work may be resumed. If said person cannot be easily found, then such notice shall be attached to the sign or sign site. Where an emergency exists, written notice shall not be required to be given by the sign inspector. Following the issuance of a stop order, the sign inspector may initiate proceedings to revoke any permit issued for the work covered by such stop order, unless the cause of the stop order is resolved to the sign inspector's reasonable satisfaction. (7) In accordance with any agreement between the City of Angleton and the State of Texas or the United States Government, the sign administrator is hereby authorized to enforce any applicable

terms and provisions of the Texas Highway Beautification Act, V.T.C.A., Transportation Code Ch. 391, the "Agreement for Carrying out National Policy Relative to Control of Outdoor Advertising," entered into between the United States of America and the State of Texas, by instrument dated May 2, 1972, and any supplements or amendments to said Acts or agreements, and any rules or regulations promulgated by the State of Texas or the Texas Highway Department, pursuant to the said Act or agreements, with regard to signs.

(Ord. No. 2303, § 15, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 15, 9-4-01; Ord. No. 20210413-009 , § 2(Exh. A), 4-13-21)

**Commented [LK14]:** Any issues with following this procedure?

Sec. 21.5-16. - Revocation of permits.

(a)Sign inspection. The sign inspector shall make the determination regarding location of any license or permit. Decisions of the sign inspector may be appealed to the board of adjustments as provided herein.

(b)Revocation. After a hearing, the sign inspector may revoke any permit or license issued hereunder for any violation of any applicable law. The sign inspector shall mail or deliver notice of the hearing to the owner, lessor, permittee, or licensee at least ten days before the hearing on the proposed revocation. The owner, lessor, permittee, or licensee and the city may present relevant evidence at the hearing. The owner, lessor, permittee, or licensee may choose to be represented by an attorney at his own expense.

(Ord. No. 2303, § 16, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 16, 9-4-01)

Sec. 21.5-17. - Appeals.

Any person aggrieved by any action of the sign inspector may appeal to the city council by notifying the city secretary of such appeal in writing within ten days after the action of the sign inspector. The city council shall hear the appeal within 45 days after said notice. The procedure shall be the same as for revocation of a permit.

(Ord. No. 2303, § 17, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 17, 9-4-01; Ord. No. 2003-O-10E, § II, 11-18-03)

Sec. 21.5-18. - Fees.

All fees of any nature under this chapter shall be nonrefundable.

Permit fees shall be as follows:

Permit Fees

**Commented [LK15]:** Not needed here.

~~(1)Class I sign .....\$100.00(2)Class II sign .....40.00(3)Temporary, nonprofit, portable signs .....0.00~~

(Ord. No. 2303, § 18, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 18, 9-4-01; Ord. No. 2013-O-6A, § 6, 6-18-13)

Sec. 21.5-19. - Sign companies.

(a)Signs regulated by the State of Texas may only be installed by a state licensed electrical sign contractor that is registered with the City of Angleton.

(b)Signs not regulated by the State of Texas may only be installed by a general contractor licensed by the City of Angleton.

(c)Signs under 16 square feet in size and signs painted on existing walls and/or screening fences are exempt from the above requirements.

(Ord. No. 2303, § 20, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 19, 9-4-01; Ord. No. 2013-O-6A, § 7, 6-18-13)

Sec. 21.5-19.5. - Structural requirements for permanent signs.

It shall be the sole responsibility of the owner of the permitted sign to ensure compliance with the structural requirements designated below:

(1)Design.

a.General. All signs and sign structures shall be designed and constructed to resist wind forces as specified Chapter 16 of the 2000 International Building Code—General Provisions. All bracing systems shall be designed and constructed to transfer lateral forces to the foundations. For signs on buildings, the dead and lateral loads shall be transmitted through the structural frame of the building to the ground in such manner as not to overstress any of the elements of the building.

The overturning moment produced from lateral forces shall in no case exceed two-thirds of the dead-load-resisting moment for all signs. Uplift due to overturning shall be adequately resisted by proper anchorage to the ground or to the structural frame of the building for all signs. The weight of earth superimposed over footings may be used in determining the dead-load-resisting moment. Such earth shall be carefully placed and thoroughly compacted.

The allowable stresses in wire ropes and steel guy rods and their fastening shall not exceed one-fourth of their rated tensile strength.

b.Wind loads. All signs and sign structures shall be designed to resist wind loads as prescribed in wind design requirements of Chapter 16 of the 2000 International Building Code

.c. Vertical design loads. Vertical design loads, except roof live loads, shall be assumed to be acting simultaneously with the wind loads.

d. Working stresses. All signs shall be designed to conform to the requirements of Chapter 16 of the 2000 International Building Code—General Provisions regarding allowable working stresses. The working strength of chains, cables, guys or steel rods shall not exceed one-fifth of the ultimate strength of such chains, cables, guys or steel rods.

(2) Construction. a. General. The supports for all signs or sign structures shall be placed in or upon private property and shall be securely built, constructed and erected in conformance with the requirements of the 2000 International Building Code.

b. Materials. Materials for construction of all signs and sign structures shall be of the quality and grade as specified for buildings in the 2000 International Building Code, Chapter 16.

c. Nonstructural trim. Nonstructural trim and portable display surfaces may be of wood, metal, approved plastics, or any combination thereof, consistent with the 2000 International Fire Code.

d. Anchorage. Members supporting un-braced signs shall be so proportioned that the bearing loads imposed on the soil in either direction, horizontal or vertical, shall not exceed the safe values stated in Chapter 16 of the International Building Code. All ground signs shall be anchored to resist the wind load specified in the building code acting in any direction. Anchors and supports shall be designed for safe bearing loads on the soil and for an effective resistance to pullout amounting to a force 25 percent greater than the required resistance to overturning.

e. Signs attached to masonry. Signs attached to masonry, concrete or steel shall be safely and securely fastened thereto by means of metal anchors, bolts or approved expansion screws of sufficient size and anchorage to support safely the loads applied.

f. Wooden blocks. No wooden blocks or plugs or anchors with wood used in connection with screws or nails shall be considered proper anchorage, except in the case of signs attached to wood framing whenever anchors or supports consist of wood embedded in the soil, the wood shall be pressure treated with a preservative approved by the sign administrator.

g. Un-braced parapet wall. No anchor or support of any sign will be connected to or supported by an un-braced parapet wall, unless such wall is designed in accordance with the requirements for parapet walls specified in the International Building Code.

h. Display surfaces. Display surfaces in all types of signs may be made of metal, wood, glass or "approved plastics", unless otherwise prohibited herein or prohibited by the 2000 International Fire Code. (3) Electrical requirements. All electrical fixtures, equipment and appurtenances installed in conjunction with a sign shall be designed and installed in accordance with the 1999 National Electrical Code published by the National Fire Protection Association.

(Ord. No. 2003-O-10E, § II, 11-18-03)

Sec. 21.5-20. - Sign maintenance and removal.

(a)Maintenance. All signs shall be thoroughly and continuously maintained in a safe condition. All signs shall be painted at least every two years, and the paint shall be kept in good condition, except for parts made of galvanized or noncorroding metal or treated with effective wood preservative. All parts shall be free from deterioration, termite infestation, rot, or loosening. All signs shall be able to withstand safely at all times the wind pressures specified in any applicable law. If any sign is not so maintained, the sign inspector shall give written notice to the owner, lessee, or permittee thereof to so maintain the sign, and said person shall comply with said notice.

(b)Unsafe signs. If any sign in the opinion of the sign inspector becomes insecure, in danger of falling, or otherwise unsafe, the sign inspector shall give written notice of the condition of the sign to the owner, lessor, or permittee of the sign. Said person shall correct the unsafe condition of the sign in a manner to be approved by the sign inspector in conformity with the provisions of this chapter.

(c)Unlawful signs. If any sign is installed, erected, constructed, altered, maintained, or used in violation of any of the terms of this chapter, the sign inspector shall give written notice to the owner, lessee, permittee of the sign to alter the sign so as to comply with this chapter, and said person shall do so.

(d)Removal of signs.

(1)Any notice to bring any sign into compliance with this chapter shall state that the sign may be subject to removal after a hearing. If such order is not complied with within 30 days, the sign inspector may initiate proceedings to revoke the permit and remove the sign at the expense of the owners, lessee, or permittee. Any sign company which received a permit for any removed sign or sign covered by a revoked permit shall be deemed to have forfeited the performance bond required by this chapter, and the sign inspector shall apply the proceeds of said bond to the removal of the sign.

(2)Any abandoned sign may be removed by the city at the expense of the owner, lessee, or permittee of the sign or the premises.

(3)The city shall be entitled to a lien against any premises from which the city removes a sign, to secure reimbursement to the city of all costs of removal.

(4)Any sign in violation of this chapter may be seized, transported, and impounded by the sign inspector after a hearing as provided herein. The custodian of the storage area shall maintain records of where such signs were located when they were impounded and the date of impoundment, and shall hold the signs in the storage area for a period of not more than 30 days. Any sign so held may be redeemed by the owner thereof upon the payment of a fee to the city consisting of a total of \$50.00 for seizing the sign plus \$5.00 per day storage fee for each day or part of a day the sign is stored. Such fee shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any fine imposed upon such owner for violation of this chapter. Any sign impounded and stored and not redeemed by the owner thereof within 30 days may be destroyed or sold at auction by the city.

(5)The removal of any sign by the city or the sign inspector under any provision of this chapter shall require a hearing before the board of adjustment and a determination by said board that the sign should be removed. The procedure shall be the same as for revocation of a permit.

(Ord. No. 2303, § 20, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 20, 9-4-01)

Sec. 21.5-21. - Signs resembling official signs.

No sign shall resemble any official marker erected by any governmental unit, or by reason of position, shape, or color conflict with the proper functioning of, or be confusing with, any traffic sign, signal, or emergency vehicle. Use of words such as "stop," "look," "danger," or any other word, phrase, symbol, or character in such a manner as to interfere with, mislead, or confuse any driver or traffic is prohibited.

(Ord. No. 2303, § 21, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 21, 9-4-01)

Sec. 21.5-22. - Proper shielding of lighted signs; interference with drivers of motor vehicles.

No sign shall contain lights which are not effectively shielded so as to prevent light from being directed at any portion of a street or highway from which the lights or light rays are visible and which are of such intensity or brilliance as to cause glare or to impair the vision of the driver of any motor vehicle, or which otherwise interfere with any driver's operation of a motor vehicle.

(Ord. No. 2303, § 22, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 22, 9-4-01)

Sec. 21.5-23. - Signs not to create easements.

No permit for a sign shall create any easement.

(Ord. No. 2303, § 23, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 23, 9-4-01)

Sec. 21.5-24. - Accumulation of rainwater prohibited.

All signs shall be constructed so as to prevent the accumulation of rainwater in the signs.

(Ord. No. 2303, § 24, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 24, 9-4-01)

Sec. 21.5-25. - Locations.

(a) No person shall place, construct, reconstruct, erect, or use any sign, or cause any of said things to be done, on any private or public property of any nature whatsoever, without the permission of the person or governmental entity owning or controlling the property. If such governmental entity is the city, then the city administrator, in his/her discretion, may grant or deny such permission, and any such permission must be in writing.

(b) No sign shall be erected nearer than ten feet horizontally or eight feet vertically from any utility pole.

(c) Roof signs must have one foot of open space between the roof line and the bottom of the sign and three feet of open space between the sign structure and the edge of the roof, and between sign structures.

(Ord. No. 2303, § 25, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 25, 9-4-01)

Sec. 21.5-26. - Other laws.

(a) This chapter shall in no way impair the application of or excuse full compliance with all fees, permits, and other provisions of the building code, electrical code, or any other applicable ordinances or laws. To the extent of any conflict, this chapter shall control.

(b) This chapter shall not impair any private restrictions or agreements regulating signs, to the extent that such private restrictions or agreements are more restrictive than this chapter.

(Ord. No. 2303, § 26, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 26, 9-4-01)

Sec. 21.5-27. - Nonliability.

The city and its officers, agents, and employers shall not be liable for any action, nonaction, event, situation, or any other matter in any way related to this chapter. This chapter shall not limit any liability of any person except the city.

(Ord. No. 2303, § 27, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 27, 9-4-01)

Sec. 21.5-28. - Violations and penalties.

Any person violating any provision of this chapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Each day or portion of a day that a violation continues shall be a separate offense. If a sign violates any provision of any ordinance, the owner, lessee, permittee, and licensee of the sign and the premises where the sign is located shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Each offense under this chapter shall be punishable by a fine of not more than \$2,000.00.

(Ord. No. 2303, § 28, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 28, 9-4-01)

Sec. 21.5-29. - Notice.

Any written notice required or allowed by this chapter shall be deemed received when deposited in the United States first class mail, addressed to the address supplied by the addressee to the city, or to any

address that the sign inspector believes correct, or when actually received by any means, whichever is earliest.

(Ord. No. 2303, § 29, 6-15-93; Ord. No. 2507, § 29, 9-4-01)

Sec. 21.5-30. - View obstruction of signs.

It shall be unlawful for anyone to maintain trees, shrubs or other vegetative material upon any sign without keeping the same properly trimmed so as to provide a minimum clearance of nine feet measured from the terrain below the sign to the lowest limb, branch or part thereof, extending over the sign. It shall further be unlawful not to keep such trees, shrubbery or other brush sufficiently trimmed, pruned, or cut so that the same will not obstruct the view of any section of any sign.

( Ord. No. 20201027-006 , § 2, 10-27-20)

Proposed Chapter Outline:

Formatted: Font color: Red

CHAPTER 10 SIGNS

Section 10.1 Purpose, Applicability, and Effect

Section 10.2 Calculations

Section 10.3 General Requirements

- (1) Permits Required
- (2) General Permit Procedures
- (3) Permits to Construct or Modify Sign

Section 10.4 Types of Signs

- (1) Freestanding
  - a. Permanent Freestanding
    - i. Monument
    - ii. Pole
    - iii. Other
    - iv. Incidental
    - v. Electronic Signs/Flashing Signs
    - vi. Changeable Copy Sign
    - vii. Electronic Reader Board Signs (ERBS)
    - viii. Off-site or On-site Event Signs – Non-residential
    - ix. Off-site or On-site Event Signs – Residential
    - x. Flags
    - xi. Home-occupation Signs
- (2) Building
  - a. Wall
  - b. Building marker/historic sign
  - c. Canopy
  - d. Projecting

- e. Roof
- f. Roof, Integral
- g. Street Address
- h. Wall Window
- i. Open Signs (Neon)
- j. Electronic Reader Board
- k. Auxiliary Sign
- l. Home-occupation Signs

(3) Temporary

- a. A-Frame
- b. Building
- c. Banner
- d. Beacon
- e. Daily Display/Promotional Signs
- f. Holiday Signs
- g. Inflatable Signs
- h. Moving Signs
- i. Portable Signs
- j. Yard Signs
- k. Real Estate Signs

(4) Others

- a. Subdivision Signs
- b. Home Builder Signs
- c. Kiosk Signs
- d. Master Signage Plan
  - i. Multi-Tenant
  - ii. Multi-Lot
- e. Traffic Control Sign (private property)
- f. Vehicular Signs
- g. Sidewalk Signs
- h. Signs in Public ROW

Section 10.5 Exempt Signs

Section 10.6 Prohibited Signs

Section 10.7 Nonconforming Signs

Section 10.8 Abandoned and Dilapidated Signs and Supporting Structures

Section 10.9 Political Signs

Section 10.10 Sign Matrix

Recommended Sign Matrix with Angleton's information

Formatted: Highlight

Type of Sign	Maximum Area based on zoning category (square feet)	Number	Is included in total wall sign calculation?	Height (ft.)	Setback from the street (ft.)	Allowed in what zones	Duration
<b>Freestanding Signs</b>							
Monument	MUZ-30; OS, NS & CF-20; LO-72	1 per street frontage	No	MUZ-10; NS, CF, OS, LO-8	MUZ, NS, CF, LO, OS-10	Only in non-residential (MUZ, NS, CF, LO, OS)	Permanent
ERBS Freestanding Only	12 square feet. per sign face	One per sign	No	Contained within the freestanding sign	NA	Only in non-residential zones	Permanent
Off-site or On-site Event Signs-Non-Residential	Ons-site-6 square feet. Off-site-12 square feet	Off-site-3 per event; On-site-one per event	No	NA	10	Only in non-residential zones	Off-site events-two (2) days prior to the event and must be removed within one (1) day after the event. On-site events-fourteen (14) days prior to the event and must be removed within (1) day after the event.
Off-site or On-site Event Signs-Residential	6 square feet	Off-site-3 per event; On-site-one per event				Only in residential zones	Two (2) days prior to the event and must be removed within one (1) day after the event
Flag	100 square feet	3 per lot	No	35' if mounted on the ground. 12' if mounted on	15	All zones	Permanent

Type of Sign	Maximum Area based on zoning category (square feet)	Number	Is included in total wall sign calculation?	Height (ft.)	Setback from the street (ft.)	Allowed in what zones	Duration
				top of a building.			
Multi-tenant signs	20% increase in the maximum sign area	1 per street frontage . Additional sign for frontage greater than 600'.	No	As per the zoning district	10', except 15' from any property line on IH-10	Only in non-residential (MUZ, NS, CF, LO, OS)	Permanent
Multi-user signs	20% increase in the maximum sign	1 per street frontage . Additional sign for frontage greater than 600'.	No	As per the zoning district	10', 15' from any property line on IH-10	Only in non-residential (MUZ, NS, CF, LO, OS)	Permanent
Incidental - E.g., no parking", "enter", "exit", "loading only", "telephone", and other similar directives	2 square feet per sign	One Directional sign per driveway or location	No	4	10	MUZ, NS, LO, OS, CF	Permanent
<b>Building</b>							
Building Marker- All zones (Historic)	2 square feet	1 per façade	No	NA	NA	All zones	Permanent
Canopy	2 square feet/per linear feet of building	1 per canopy	Yes	NA	NA	Only in non-residential zones	Permanent

Type of Sign	Maximum Area based on zoning category (square feet)	Number	Is included in total wall sign calculation?	Height (ft.)	Setback from the street (ft.)	Allowed in what zones	Duration
Incidental on the building (directional, loading, no parking, etc.) - Only in non-residential zones	2 square feet	One sign per facade. Additional if required. To be determined by staff.	No	NA	NA	Only in non-residential zones	Permanent
Marquee	2 square feet/per linear feet of building.	NA	Yes	NA	NA	Only in non-residential zones	Permanent
Street Address	2 square feet sign.	1 per staff frontage	No	NA	NA	All zones	Permanent
Suspended	2 square feet	1 per building street frontage	Yes	NA	NA	MUZ, NC, LO, CF, OS	Permanent
Temporary Wall Sign	30 square feet/per building street frontage	1 per building street frontage	No	NA	NA	All zones	Not to exceed 30 days
Wall	2 square feet/per linear feet of building.	NA	Yes	NA	NA	Only in non-residential zones	Permanent
Window	2 square feet/per linear feet of building	NA	Yes	NA	NA	Only in non-residential zones	Permanent
<b>Others</b>							
Banners (in public ROW)	Allowed only for city purposes, not allowed for any kind of private purposes						

Type of Sign	Maximum Area based on zoning category (square feet)	Number	Is included in total wall sign calculation?	Height (ft.)	Setback from the street (ft.)	Allowed in what zones	Duration
Neighborhood Watch Signage-Allowed on private property	2	As required	No	6	NA	All zones	Permanent
Kiosk Signs	8X4	NA	NA	NA	10	MUZ, NS, LO, OS, CF	
Homebuilder Signs	32 square feet	One per 100' of street frontage	No	NA	10	Only in residential zones	Within 30 days after 90% of the homes are sold
<b>Exempt</b>							
Any public notice or warning required by a valid and applicable federal, state, or local law, regulation, or ordinance	NA	NA	No	NA	NA	All zones	NA
Informational sign used by the City for the primary purpose of public notifications	NA	NA	No	NA	NA	All zones	NA
Temporary real estate signs such as coming soon, that advertise the property on which the sign is located for sale or lease	R1-R4, NR, RR-6; MUZ, NS, LO-64	1 per street frontage	No	R1-R4, NR, RR-3; MUZ, NS, LO-12	10	All zones	7 days after the property is sold/leased
Works of art that do not include a commercial message	NA	NA	No	NA	10	All zones	Permanent
Holiday lights and decorations with no commercial message	NA	NA	No	NA	NA	All zones	Temporary
Traffic control signs on private property	2	As required	No	3	As required	All zones	Permanent

Type of Sign	Maximum Area based on zoning category (square feet)	Number	Is included in total wall sign calculation?	Height (ft.)	Setback from the street (ft.)	Allowed in what zones	Duration
Temporary signs advertising a "garage sale"	6	3	No	4'	1	All zones	May not be posted earlier than three days before the sale and must be removed within one day after the sale
Temporary signs placed on construction sites identifying the contractor, engineer, architect, or developer	64	1 per street frontage	No	8'	10	All zones	7 days after the completion of the project
Permanent subdivision identification signs approved by the City Council as part of the platting process or later	120	1 per subdivision entry	No	10	10, or in conformance with visibility triangle	All zones	May not be posted earlier than three weeks before and must be removed within one day after the event
Temporary signs for special events such as charitable, church, or community activities	64	1 per street frontage	No	8'	10'	All zones	May not be posted earlier than three weeks before and must be removed within one day after the event
Model home signs	32	1 per model home lot	No	5	10'	Residential Zones	Within 30 days after 90% of the homes are sold
No Trespassing, No Hunting, and No Fishing Signs placed by the Landowner, within private property.	2 square feet	NA	No	8'	10'	All zones	Permanent

Type of Sign	Maximum Area based on zoning category (square feet)	Number	Is included in total wall sign calculation?	Height (ft.)	Setback from the street (ft.)	Allowed in what zones	Duration
Political and Campaign signs	36	2	No	8	10'	All zones	Within 2 days after the election
Water tower or a water storage device	NA	NA	No	NA	NA	All zones	NA
Yard signs such as announcement signs, happy birthday etc.	NA	NA	No	NA	NA	Residential Zones	30 days
Scholastic signs such as Longhorns, Aggies etc. that meet HOA guidelines	NA	NA	No	4'	NA	Residential Zones	NA
<b>Not Permitted</b>							
Beacons							
Vehicles used solely as signs							
Pole							
Illuminated Signs							
Roof							
Electronic Signs/Flashing Signs							
Roof, Integral							
Obscene Signs							
Inflatable signs and tethered balloons,							
Sidewalk/sandwich signs							
Moving Signs, Trailer Signs, Vehicular Signs, Pennants, Small flags							
Off-Premises Signs (except City-owned Directional Signs)							
Neon Open							
Changeable Copy Sign							
Snipe Signs - utility poles etc.							
Auxiliary Signs							

Type of Sign	Maximum Area based on zoning category (square feet)	Number	Is included in total wall sign calculation?	Height (ft.)	Setback from the street (ft.)	Allowed in what zones	Duration
Electronic Reader Boards-Wall							
Home Occupation Signs-Building and Freestanding							
Animated Signs							
Human or hand-held signs not otherwise exempt							