This document contains the redlined draft of a proposed text amendment to create three new Downtown context zone districts that implement the objectives of the Downtown Area Plan Amendment for CPV-Auraria. The districts are intended to apply throughout the area addressed by the plan amendment. The City Council Land Use, Transportation and Infrastructure (LUTI) meeting is scheduled for 11/06/2018.

Redline Document Conventions

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- Additionally, please note that coordination will continue throughout the process to ensure constancy of approach and administration with other ongoing text amendments.

Visit CPV-Auraria zoning and design review web page to learn more about this proposed text amendment. Please send any questions or comments to Kristofer Johnson, Senior City Planner at Kristofer.Johnson@denvergov.org

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND ORGANIZATIONS SHOULD EXPRESS THEIR CONCERNS OR SUPPORT AT THE PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE CITY COUNCIL.
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- I-MX-3 Industrial Mixed Use 3
- I-MX-5 Industrial Mixed Use 5
- I-MX-8 Industrial Mixed Use 8
- I-A Light Industrial
- I-B General Industrial

**CAMPUS CONTEXT**
- CMP-H Campus Healthcare
- CMP-H2 Campus Healthcare 2
- CMP-EI Campus Education Institution
- CMP-EI2 Campus Education Institution 2
- CMP-ENT Campus Entertainment
- CMP-NWC Campus National Western Center

**OPEN SPACE CONTEXT**
- OS-A Open Space Public Parks
- OS-B Open Space Recreation
- OS-C Open Space Conservation
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DIVISION 8.1  NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT DESCRIPTION

SECTION 8.1.1  GENERAL CHARACTER
The Downtown context consists of a mix of multi-unit residential, commercial, office, civic, institutional, and entertainment uses in large buildings containing one or more uses. The Downtown Context is comprised of eight eleven distinct areas: Downtown Core District, Downtown Theater District, Lower Downtown District, Downtown Civic District, Downtown Golden Triangle, Downtown Arapahoe Square District, Downtown Arapahoe Square District 12+, and Downtown Arapahoe Square District 20+. Downtown Central Platte Valley – Auraria Transition District, Downtown Central Platte Valley – Auraria River District, and Downtown Central Platte Valley – Auraria Center District. Throughout the context, residential and nonresidential buildings tend to have similar forms, most often that of the Apartment or General Commercial Building Forms. Historic Structures and landmark districts (Lower Downtown, Downtown, Larimer Square, Civic Center, and Speer Boulevard) are important character defining features of the Downtown Context.

SECTION 8.1.2  STREET, BLOCK, AND ACCESS PATTERNS
The Downtown context consists of a regular pattern of block shapes. Orthogonal and diagonal streets provide connection through this context. Block sizes and shapes are consistent and include detached sidewalks, amenity zones or treelawns, and street, surface, and structured parking. Blocks where the two grids—downtown and directional—meet create a varied pattern of triangular lots. While historically most blocks contained alleys, some have been vacated to accommodate full-block developments.

SECTION 8.1.3  BUILDING ENTRANCES
Entrances to office and residential buildings tend to be directly from the public sidewalk into a lobby. Retail stores and restaurants are typically accessed from the public sidewalk. Parking garage and lot access varies. Larger garages are typically accessed from the street, while smaller facilities may be accessed from the alley.

SECTION 8.1.4  BUILDING PLACEMENT AND LOCATION:
Multi-unit buildings typically have consistent shallow front setbacks or build-to lines. Commercial buildings typically have build-to requirements forming a continuous building wall along the sidewalk.
SECTION 8.1.5 BUILDING HEIGHT
The Downtown Context contains the tallest buildings in the City with maximum heights ranging from unlimited in the core of Downtown and portions of Central Platte Valley – Auraria to 55-85 feet in Lower Downtown and Larimer Square. Allowed heights transition from the core and Central Platte Valley – Auraria to lower intensity contexts.

SECTION 8.1.6 MOBILITY
The highest priority is given to the pedestrian, transit, and alternative modes of transportation. The Downtown context is the center of the Denver region multi-modal transit transportation system. Key elements of this system are: Denver Union Station as the hub of the regional transit system; 16th Street Mall Shuttle, light rail on downtown streets; local, regional and express bus service; bike lanes and access to the Platte River and Cherry Creek Greenway trails; and detached sidewalks on every street.
DIVISION 8.2  DISTRICTS (D-C, D-TD, D-LD, D-CV, D-GT, D-AS-, D-CPV-)

SECTION 8.2.1  DISTRICTS ESTABLISHED

To carry out the provisions of this Article, the following zone districts have been established in the Downtown Context and are applied to property as set forth on the Official Map.

Downtown Neighborhood Context
D-C   Downtown Core District
D-TD  Downtown Theater District
D-LD  Lower Downtown (LoDo) District
D-CV  Downtown Civic District
D-GT  Downtown Golden Triangle District
D-AS  Downtown Arapahoe Square District
D-AS-12+  Downtown Arapahoe Square 12+ District
D-AS-20+  Downtown Arapahoe Square 20+ District
D-CPV-T  Downtown Central Platte Valley - Auraria Transition District
D-CPV-R  Downtown Central Platte Valley - Auraria River District
D-CPV-C  Downtown Central Platte Valley - Auraria Center District

SECTION 8.2.2  DOWNTOWN DISTRICTS

8.2.2.1  General Purpose
The purpose of the Downtown Neighborhood Context Districts is to provide building use, building form, and design standards for this central Denver area. Each of the Downtown Districts is specific to and uniquely applies to a single area within the Downtown Context.

8.2.2.2  Specific Intent

A.  Downtown Core District (D-C)
The Downtown Core District is and must remain Denver’s most prominent public environment; an urban center that is at once comfortable, exciting, and without question the business, entertainment and urban lifestyle center of the region.

B.  Downtown Theater District (D-TD)
The Downtown Theater District is specific to an area of the Central Business District associated with the Denver Performing Arts Center, and which specifically enables over-scale, lively, and dynamic billboards and signage to promote Denver’s preeminent entertainment district.

C.  Lower Downtown (LoDo) District (D-LD)
The Lower Downtown District is specific to the Lower Downtown Historic District.

D.  Downtown Civic District (D-CV)
The Downtown Civic District includes primarily public buildings surrounding and in the vicinity of the Civic Center park, and is intended to promote and continue the signature civic architecture and urban design of buildings and public spaces within the district.

E.  Downtown Golden Triangle District (D-GT)
The Golden Triangle (D-GT) is a neighborhood with a mixture of housing, office, commercial, and retail. It is a neighborhood of active pedestrian-oriented streets and mixed-use development. Historic buildings as well as contemporary structures designed with human scale and detail are a part of the district’s unique character.
F. Downtown Arapahoe Square District (D-AS)
The D-AS zone district is specific to a small area of the Curtis Park neighborhood that is adjacent to the Arapahoe Square neighborhood and was previously zoned B-8-A under Former Chapter 59. D-AS is intended to support a mix of uses that provide a pedestrian friendly transition from the surrounding lower scale neighborhoods to the high-rise scale of downtown.

G. Downtown Arapahoe Square 12+ District (D-AS-12+)
D-AS-12+ applies to mixed-use areas within the Arapahoe Square neighborhood that provide a cohesive, connected and pedestrian-friendly transition between the Downtown Core, D-AS-20+ district and adjacent lower-scale neighborhoods. The district is intended to facilitate development of Arapahoe Square into a cutting edge, densely populated, area that provides a range of housing types and a center for innovative businesses. Typical building heights range from 8 to about 12 stories, with the Point Tower building form providing an opportunity for building heights of about 20 stories in a slender tower.

H. Downtown Arapahoe Square 20+ District (D-AS-20+)
D-AS-20+ applies to mixed-use areas within the Arapahoe Square neighborhood that are adjacent to the Downtown Core and provides a cohesive, connected and pedestrian friendly transition to the Downtown Core and D-AS-12+ district. The district is intended to facilitate the development of Arapahoe Square into a cutting edge, densely populated, area that provides a range of housing types and a center for innovative businesses. Typical building heights range from 12 to about 20 stories, with the Point Tower building form providing an opportunity for building heights of about 30 stories in a slender tower.

I. Downtown Central Platte Valley – Auraria Transition District (D-CPV-T)
The Transition district is located within approximately 1 block of established neighborhoods and buildings adjacent to and within Central Platte Valley – Auraria and supports a wide range of downtown neighborhood uses. This district applies to areas near Water Street and Interstate 25; along Auraria Parkway between Speer Boulevard and approximately 9th Street; and along Speer Boulevard between Auraria Parkway and approximately Chopper Circle/Wewatta Street. The overall intensity of this district is lower than the D-CPV-C district to create an appropriate relationship to surrounding neighborhoods, buildings, and campus environments. A diversity of building scales and intensities will define the area with an emphasis on human-scaled massing at the street level and preserving access to sun, sky, and views as buildings increase in height. The General building form will provide flexibility for multiple building types and uses.

J. Downtown Central Platte Valley – Auraria River District (D-CPV-R)
The River district is located within approximately 1 to 1.5 blocks along both sides of the South Platte River. This district encourages a wide range of uses, particularly ground-floor active uses that engage the river edge, such as retail, eating and drinking establishments, and residential units. There is an emphasis on visual and physical permeability between taller, more slender buildings along the river. The overall intensity of this district is lower than the D-CPV-C district to create an appropriate relationship to the South Platte River. The Point Tower form is prioritized as the primary building form, with an emphasis on human-scaled massing at the street level and preserving access to sun, sky, and views as buildings increase in height. The General building form is limited in height and is intended to provide architectural variety and flexibility for smaller uses and constrained sites. The Point Tower building form provides an opportunity for buildings to be created without height restriction in a slender format.
K. **Downtown Central Platte Valley – Auraria Center District (D-CPV-C)**

The Center district is located within approximately 2 to 3 blocks of existing transit facilities, the Consolidated Main Line, and Pepsi Center, and at the intersection of Interstate 25 and Speer Boulevard. The Center district is generally central in its location within Central Platte Valley – Auraria and also represents the primary center of activity where employment, entertainment, and other higher intensity uses are located. This is the most intense D-CPV zone district and provides the greatest flexibility of building forms to accommodate the widest variety of commercial, entertainment, and residential uses.

A diversity of building scales and intensities will define the area, with an emphasis on human-scaled massing at the street level and preserving access to sun, sky, and views as buildings increase in height. The General building form will provide flexibility for multiple building types and uses. The Standard Tower building form will allow taller buildings with more generous massing standards to encourage a wide variety of tenants and uses. The Point Tower building form provides an opportunity for buildings to be created without height restriction in a slender format.
DIVISION 8.3 DOWNTOWN CORE AND DOWNTOWN THEATER DISTRICTS (D-C, D-TD)

SECTION 8.3.1 DOWNTOWN CORE AND DOWNTOWN THEATER DISTRICTS

8.3.1.1 Generally
The provisions of this Division apply to all lands, uses and structures in the Downtown Core and Downtown Theater districts.

8.3.1.2 Uses Permitted
See Division 8.1 for uses permitted in the Downtown Core and Downtown Theater Districts.

8.3.1.3 Required Downtown Ground Floor Active Uses
In portions of new buildings and outdoor areas along or within 30 feet of the 16th Street pedestrian and transit mall, and in portions of existing buildings and outdoor areas within 30 feet of the 16th Street pedestrian and transit mall that are renovated and where the renovation includes all or a part of the leasable ground floor areas of the building, at least 65 percent of the linear frontage of the property along the 16th Street pedestrian and transit mall shall be occupied by Downtown Ground Floor Active Uses.

8.3.1.4 Permitted Structures

A. Open Space Required
For each structure designed, used or occupied either in whole or in part as a multiple unit dwelling, there shall be provided a minimum of 30 square feet of unobstructed open space for each dwelling unit; such unobstructed open space may be located on the ground or on several usable roofs or balconies, but shall not include space provided for off-street parking; provided however such requirement shall not apply to any structure converted from nonresidential to residential uses.

B. Minimum and Maximum Heights

1. Minimum Heights: The minimum height of structures shall be 2 stories or 30 feet.

2. Maximum Heights: The maximum heights of buildings are not limited except in the following height areas as shown on Exhibit 8.1:
   a. Sunlight Preservation Area 1: See Subsection 8.3.1.4.C. below.
   b. Height Area 1: 200 feet
   c. Height Area 2: 400 feet
b. **Floor area excluded from calculations.**

Gross floor area occupied by Downtown Ground Floor Active Uses (i) which would qualify for a floor area premium pursuant to Section 8.3.1.4.D.2.c, but (ii) for which a floor area premium is not granted because of the restrictions in Section 8.3.1.4.D.2 above limiting the total amount of floor area premiums that may be granted, shall be excluded from the calculation of the gross floor area of a structure or project. Any floor area so excluded from the calculation of gross floor area shall continue to be occupied by Downtown Ground Floor Active Uses.

### 8.3.1.5 Off-Street Parking Requirements

**A. Applicable Standards**

The general off-street parking standards in Division 10.4 of this Code shall apply in the D-C and D-TD and D-CV zone districts, except where the standards stated in this Section 8.3.1.5 conflict, in which case the standards in this Section 8.3.1.5 shall apply.

**B. Amount of Parking Spaces Required**

1. There shall be no minimum off-street parking requirement for any use in the D-C or D-TD or D-CV zone districts.

2. Parking spaces provided in a parking structure to serve office uses in the D-C or D-TD or D-CV zone districts shall comply with the use limitations applicable to a “parking, garage” use stated in Section 11.4.461.

**C. Accessible Parking**

Whenever off-street parking spaces are provided, a minimum number of accessible parking spaces shall be provided according to the requirements of the Denver Building Code and the federal Americans with Disabilities Act.

**D. Bicycle Parking**

The following standard shall apply instead of the general bicycle parking standards in Article 10, Division 10.4, Parking and Loading.

1. All new parking structures shall contain at least 1 designated bicycle parking space for each 20 automobile parking spaces, provided, however, that in no event shall any new parking structure be required to contain more than 50 bicycle parking spaces.

### 8.3.1.6 Design Requirements

**A. Downtown Ground Floor Active Use Street Frontages**

1. New buildings or renovations of existing buildings in which the renovation includes all or part of the leasable ground floor areas of the building shall be designed and constructed to accommodate Downtown Ground Floor Active Uses for at least 65 percent of the linear frontage along the following streets: 16th Street pedestrian and transit mall, Larimer Street, Curtis Street, Tremont Place, Cleveland Place, and any light rail line operating in a street or fixed-guideway transit line operating in a street.

2. Street-facing ground floors of new buildings on named or numbered streets not included in the paragraph above shall provide 60 to 90 percent transparency as measured from floor to floor for at least 65 percent of the linear frontage of the building.

3. In all cases, transparent glass shall possess a minimum .65 light transmission factor.

**B. Minimum Build-to Requirements**

1. **Within the area bounded by the centerlines of 14th Street, 18th Street, Broadway and Colfax and the Larimer/Market Street alley:** Buildings shall be built-to or within 10 feet of the property line adjoining the street for no less than 65% of each separately owned zone lot
DIVISION 8.4 LOWER DOWNTOWN DISTRICT (D-LD)

SECTION 8.4.1 LOWER DOWNTOWN DISTRICT

8.4.1.1 General
The provisions of this Division apply to all lands, uses and structures in the D-LD District.

8.4.1.2 Description of District
The district is intended to provide for and encourage the preservation and vitality of older areas that are significant because of their architectural, historical and economic value. A variety of land uses will be permitted in order to facilitate the reuse of existing structures without jeopardizing or reducing zoning standards promoting the public safety, convenience, health, general welfare and the preservation of the comprehensive plan. New residential development is encouraged. The design of new structures should recognize the style and character of adjoining building exteriors, i.e., cornice lines and building materials and colors should be similar wherever possible.

8.4.1.3 Uses Permitted
See Division 8.1.1, “Uses and Required Minimum Parking,” for uses permitted in the D-LD District.

8.4.1.4 Off-Street Parking Requirements
A. Applicable Standards
All development in the D-LD zone district shall comply with the off-street vehicle parking standards and the bicycle parking standards in Division 10.4, Parking and Loading, of this Code except where the standards stated in this Section 8.4.1.4 conflict, in which case the standards in this Section 8.4.1.4 shall apply in the D-LD zone district.

B. Amount of Parking Spaces Required
1. There shall be no minimum off-street parking requirement for contributing buildings or residential additions to contributing buildings, as such buildings are designated in D.R.M.C., Article III, (Lower Downtown Historic District), of Chapter 30, (Landmark Preservation);
2. One off-street parking space shall be provided for each residential unit of a new residential building or a residential addition to a noncontributing building; provided that, upon qualifying under the provisions of D.R.M.C., Chapter 27, Article IV (Affordable Housing), a 20 percent reduction in the total number of required parking spaces shall be granted;
3. One off-street parking space shall be provided for each 750 square feet of gross floor area for any nonresidential addition to a contributing or noncontributing building, or a new nonresidential building;
4. For zone lots with a mix of residential and any other primary use, off-street parking spaces shall be provided based on the requirements in Subsections B.1 through B.3 above in proportion to the uses in the building provided that, upon qualifying under the provisions of D.R.M.C., Chapter 27, Article IV (Affordable Housing), a 20 percent reduction in the total number of required parking spaces shall be granted if submitted for approval prior to January 1, 2017. This shall be calculated by first calculating the number of parking spaces otherwise required, multiplying that figure by eight tenths (.8) and rounding up to the nearest whole number;
5. “Additional parking” is parking above the required minimums as set forth in Sections 8.4.1.4.B.1 through 8.4.1.4.B.4 above. All structures may provide up to an additional one-half parking space per residential unit and one space per 1,500 square feet of gross floor area of nonresidential uses;
DIVISION 8.6 DOWNTOWN GOLDEN TRIANGLE DISTRICT

SECTION 8.6.1 GOLDEN TRIANGLE DISTRICT

8.6.1.1 Generally
The provisions of this Division apply to all lands, uses and structures in the Golden Triangle district.

8.6.1.2 Uses Permitted
See Division 8.1 for uses permitted in the Golden Triangle District.

8.6.1.3 Permitted Structures.

A. Open Space Required
   For each structure designed, used or occupied either in whole or in part as a multiple unit dwelling there shall be provided in the D-GT district a minimum of 25 square feet of unobstructed open space, for each dwelling unit; such unobstructed open space may be located on the ground or on several usable roofs or balconies but shall not include space provided for off-street parking. Such requirement shall not apply to the construction of multiple unit dwellings through the conversion of buildings originally designed for nonresidential uses.

B. Setbacks from Abutting Street Frontages
   1. Maximum Setback
      Buildings shall be built at or within 5 feet of the zone lot line abutting the street for no less than 65% of each zone lot frontage, unless otherwise provided in this Division 8.6 or in Design Standards and Guidelines adopted for the Golden Triangle neighborhood.

   2. Setbacks from Speer Boulevard
      All structures on zone lots abutting Speer Boulevard shall be set back from Speer Boulevard a distance of at least 10 feet. In addition, any structure over 100 feet tall that is located on a zone lot containing at least 15,000 square feet of area shall have that portion of the structure that is more than 100 feet above ground level set back at least 20 feet from the right-of-way of Speer Boulevard; provided, however, that in lieu of such additional setback, the owner of such property may choose to have the design of such structure reviewed and approved by Community Planning and Development to avoid overshadowing of the Speer Boulevard right-of-way. Such design review shall be conducted pursuant to Section 8.6.1.4, Design Review, below.

C. Maximum Height
   The maximum height of structures shall not exceed 175 feet above the elevation of Broadway Street as measured at the highest point on Broadway directly east or west of the subject property, as the case may be, as determined by the City Engineer. Upon request by the applicant, the Zoning Administrator, after consulting with the Manager and the chairperson of the Planning Board or their designated representatives, may increase the maximum heights by up to 25 feet according to the Administrative Adjustment procedures in Section 12.4.5, in order to compensate for design constraints imposed by unusually high water tables, irregularly shaped Zone Lots not caused by the property owner, and other unusual site conditions not caused by the property owner.

D. Maximum Gross Floor Area in Structures
   1. Basic Maximum Gross Floor Area
      The sum total of the gross floor area of all structures on a zone lot shall not exceed 4 times the area of the zone lot on which the structures are located.
DIVISION 8.7 DOWNTOWN ARAPAHOE SQUARE (D-AS) DISTRICT

SECTION 8.7.1 ARAPAHOE SQUARE DISTRICT (D-AS)

8.7.1.1 Generally
The provisions of this Division 8.7 apply to all lands, uses and structures in the Downtown Arapahoe Square (D-AS) zone district.

8.7.1.2 Uses Permitted
See Division 8.1 for uses permitted in the D-AS District.

8.7.1.3 Permitted Structures

A. Open Space Required
For each structure designed, used or occupied either in whole or in part as a multiple unit dwelling there shall be provided in the D-AS district a minimum of 30 square feet of unobstructed open space for each dwelling unit; such unobstructed open space may be located on the ground or on several usable roofs or balconies but shall not include space provided for off-street parking. Such requirement shall not apply to the construction of multiple unit dwellings through the conversion of buildings originally designed for nonresidential uses.

B. Setbacks from Abutting Street Frontages
Buildings shall be built at or within 10 feet of the zone lot line abutting the street for no less than 65% of each zone lot frontage, unless otherwise provided in this Division 8.7 or in Design Standards and Guidelines adopted for the D-AS District.

C. Maximum Height
In the D-AS district, the maximum height of structures shall not exceed 80 feet.

D. Floor Area in Structures

1. Basic Maximum Gross Floor Area
The sum total of the gross floor area of all structures on a zone lot shall not exceed 4 times the area of the zone lot on which the structures are located.

2. Floor Area Premiums
In addition to the basic maximum gross floor area permitted under Section 8.7.1.3.D.1. above, a premium of additional floor area may be constructed according to the following formulas:

   a. Premium for Housing
   One (1) square foot of floor area premium shall be awarded for each square foot of Residential uses constructed in a new structure or through conversion of all or a part of an existing structure from other uses:

   b. Premium for Residential Support Uses
   One (1) square foot of floor area premium shall be awarded for each square foot of “Residential support uses”, defined to be limited to a retail food sales use, or elementary or secondary school meeting all requirements of the compulsory education laws of the state, or day care center constructed to at least the minimum licensing standards of the Colorado Department of Environmental Health.

   c. Premium for Arts, Entertainment, or Cultural Facility
   One (1) square foot of floor area premium shall be awarded for each square foot of “arts, entertainment, or cultural facility”, defined to be limited to the provision of amusement or entertainment services upon payment of a fee, art gallery, museum, theater, or other similar uses as determined by the Zoning Administrator.
SECTION 8.8.3 PRIMARY BUILDING FORM STANDARDS FOR DOWNTOWN ARAPAHOE SQUARE 12+ AND DOWNTOWN ARAPAHOE SQUARE 20+ DISTRICTS

8.8.3.1 Applicability
All development, except detached accessory structures, in the Downtown Arapahoe Square 12+ (D-AS-12+) and Downtown Arapahoe Square 20+ (D-AS-20+) zone districts.

8.8.3.2 General Standards
A. Combining standards from different building forms for the same structure is prohibited, except where expressly allowed.

B. At an applicant’s request, a primary structure with an existing assigned building form may be assigned a different permitted building form if:
   1. The structure fully conforms with all applicable standards of the new building form; or,
   2. The existing assigned building form is no longer a permitted form in the applicable zone district.

8.8.3.3 District Specific Standards Summary
The maximum number of structures per zone lot and building forms allowed by zone district is summarized below:

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<tr>
<th>Building Forms</th>
<th>Downtown Arapahoe Square 12+ (D-AS-12+)</th>
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No Maximum

- ■ = Allowed
- □ = Allowed subject to geographic limitations

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GENERAL

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Height Exceptions

See Section 8.910.1.1

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Build-to Exceptions and Alternatives

See Sections 8.8.6.1 and 8.8.7.1

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**PARKING**

Surface Parking between building and Primary Street

Not Allowed

Surface Parking Screening Required

See Section 10.5.4.4

Vehicle Access, 3 or more side-by-side dwelling units in one structure

From Alley; or Street access allowed when no Alley present

Vehicle Access, all other permitted uses

Shall be determined as part of Site Development Plan Review

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**USES**

(1) All permitted Primary Uses shall be allowed within this building form. See Division 8.191 Uses and Minimum/Maximum Parking Requirements; and (2) 100% of the portion of the Street Level building frontage that meets the minimum Primary Street build-to requirement shall be occupied by Street Level active uses as described in Section 8.8.5.1.

*Does not apply to Park Avenue northwest of Broadway or southeast of Welton Street (requirements for “All Other Streets” apply)
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C. Point Tower

20th Street or Broadway

- (A) Max Height in Feet
- (B) Build-to Percentage
- (C) 20th/Broadway No Upper Story Setback
- (D) 21st/Park Upper Story Setback
- (E) Minimum Upper Story Setback
- (F) Wall Length within Upper Story Setback
- (G) Maximum Floor Plate
- (H) Street Level Transparency
- (I) Pedestrian Access
- (J) Parking Limitation Above the Street Level

21st Street or Park Avenue

- (A) Max Height in Feet
- (B) Build-to Percentage
- (C) 20th/Broadway No Upper Story Setback
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All Other Streets

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- (B) Build-to Percentage
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- Primary Street (min) 0’
- Side Interior (min) 0’
- Rear, alley and no alley (min) 0’

### PARKING

- Surface Parking between building and Primary Street Not Allowed
- Surface Parking Screening Required See Section 10.5.4.4
- Vehicle Access, 3 or more side-by-side dwelling units in one structure From Alley; or Street access allowed when no Alley present
- Vehicle Access, all other permitted uses Shall be determined as part of Site Development Plan Review

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### BUILDING CONFIGURATION

| Point Tower Floor Plate above 5 stories and 70’(max area / max linear dimension) 10,000 11,000 square feet / 165’ |
| Tower Floor Plate Linear Dimension Alternative (max) 180’ - See Section 8.8.6.4 |

### STREET LEVEL ACTIVATION

- Street Level Transparency, Primary Street (min for non-residential/ min for residential only buildings) 60%/ 40%
- Street Level Transparency Alternatives See Section 8.8.6.3
- Pedestrian Access, Primary Street Entrance

### LIMITATION ON VISIBLE PARKING ABOVE STREET LEVEL

- Limitation on Visible Parking above Street Level, Primary Street (min % of Primary Street-facing zone lot width) 70% See Section 8.8.5.2

### USES

(1) All permitted Primary Uses shall be allowed within this building form. See Division 8.101 Uses and Minimum/Maximum Parking Requirements; and (2) 100% of the portion of the Street Level building frontage that meets the minimum Primary Street build-to requirement shall be occupied by Street Level active uses as described in Section 8.8.5.1.

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### DETACHED ACCESSORY STRUCTURES

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<td>SETBACKS</td>
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<td>B Primary Street</td>
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<td>C Side Interior (min)</td>
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See Section 8.910.1 for Design Standard Exceptions
8.8.6.3 Street Level Transparency Alternatives in D-AS-12+ and D-AS-20+ Districts

A. Intent
To provide visual interest on building facades, to activate the public street and sidewalk, and enhance the visual quality of the built environment along Street Level facade areas where windows do not provide sufficient transparency.

B. Allowance
The following alternatives may be used singularly or in combination as alternatives to a required transparency standard and may count toward required transparency no more than as described in the table below, if all alternatives meet the requirements stated in Section 13.1.6.3.A.5:

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8.8.6.4 Tower Floor Plate Linear Dimension Alternative in D-AS-12+ and D-AS-20+ Zone Districts

A. Intent
To allow a flexible alternative in special circumstances for creative designs that do not meet the specific Tower Floor Plate Linear Dimension requirements set forth in the building form tables.

B. Applicability
This Section 8.8.6.4 applies to the Tower Floor Plate Linear Dimension maximum above 5 stories/70 feet in the Point Tower building form in the D-AS-12+ and D-AS-20+ zone districts.

C. Allowance
The Zoning Administrator may approve an alternative Tower Floor Plate Linear Dimension that does not meet the specific requirements set forth in the building form table, up to the maximum dimension listed in the Tower Floor Plate Linear Dimension Alternative, where the alternative is found to meet the design standards and guidelines for Tower Floor Plate Linear Dimension in the Design Standards and Guidelines for Arapahoe Square.

SECTION 8.8.7 DESIGN STANDARD EXCEPTIONS FOR DOWNTOWN ARAPAHOE SQUARE 12+ AND DOWNTOWN ARAPAHOE SQUARE 20+ DISTRICTS

8.8.7.1 Required Build-To Exceptions in D-AS-12+ and D-AS-20+ Districts

A. Civic, Public & Institutional Uses

1. Intent
To accommodate signature entrance architecture, gathering spaces, plazas, or community amenities along the front facades of structures containing civic, public and institutional uses.

2. Standard
Structures containing one or more uses in the Civic, Public & Institutional Use Classification are not required to meet the Primary Street and Side Street Build-To standards.
DIVISION 8.9 DOWNTOWN CENTRAL PLATTE VALLEY – AURARIA TRANSITION, RIVER, AND CENTER DISTRICTS (D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, D-CPV-C)

The following Intent Statements are intended to provide further information regarding intent and performance expectations for the district, site and building design standards.

SECTION 8.9.1 GENERAL INTENT

The Intent of this Division 8.9 Design Standards for Downtown Central Platte Valley – Auraria Transition, River, and Center zone districts is to:

8.9.1.1 Implement the recommendations of applicable adopted plans such as the Denver Comprehensive Plan, Blueprint Denver, and Denver Downtown Area Plan Amendment.

8.9.1.2 Implement the General Purpose and Specific Intent for the Downtown Central Platte Valley – Auraria Transition, River, and Center zone districts provided in Section 8.2.2.2.

8.9.1.3 Enhance and promote Denver’s physical character, including access to parks and open space, tree lined streets, generous sidewalks and public space, interconnected street networks, and convenient access to transit and alternative modes of transportation.

8.9.1.4 Prioritize the pedestrian realm as a defining element of neighborhood character.

8.9.1.5 Promote walking, biking, transit, and alternative modes of transportation that decrease reliance on vehicle access and parking.

8.9.1.6 Promote development of a vibrant sense of place in Downtown Central Platte Valley – Auraria.

8.9.1.7 Further establish a sense of human scale design in Downtown Central Platte Valley – Auraria.

8.9.1.8 Encourage innovative and unique design solutions that help define a special character for Downtown Central Platte Valley – Auraria.

8.9.1.9 Support context-sensitive relationships within Downtown Central Platte Valley – Auraria and to adjacent buildings and neighborhoods through appropriately scaled building design.

8.9.1.10 Promote long-term environmental, social, and economic responsibility.

8.9.1.11 Support an integrated arrangement of residential, employment, retail, service, and open space uses that are conveniently located to and compatible with each other.

8.9.1.12 Maximize pedestrian amenities near transit facilities and along the primary pedestrian connections to transit facilities.

8.9.1.13 Engage the South Platte River as a natural, recreational, and active use amenity that contributes to the character, environmental quality, mobility connections, and vibrancy of the neighborhood.

SECTION 8.9.2 BUILDING FORM INTENT FOR DOWNTOWN CENTRAL PLATTE VALLEY – AURARIA TRANSITION, RIVER, AND CENTER DISTRICTS

8.9.2.1 Height

A. Encourage building forms that fully realize the urban character and intensity envisioned for the Downtown context.

B. Allow a variety of building heights appropriate for a downtown urban location.

C. Establish a minimum height that is appropriate for a downtown urban location.
D. Ensure building heights and scaling elements provide appropriate transitions to surrounding areas.

E. Allow additional development intensity in exchange for equivalent community benefits.

8.9.2.2 **Floor Area Ratio**

A. Encourage design creativity and a variety of building configurations.

B. Include all contributors to building massing, including parking, in the determination of overall building intensity and scale.

8.9.2.3 **Siting**

A. **Required Build-To**
   1. Provide a consistent street edge to enhance the character of the neighborhood and promote pedestrian activity.
   2. Reinforce the character and quality of public streets with buildings that provide consistent siting, pedestrian orientation and access to the street.

B. **Setbacks**
   1. Site buildings to be consistent with the intended character and functional requirements of the Downtown context.
   2. Site buildings to define the street edge/public realm consistent with the context.
   3. Create appropriate transitions between the public realm and adjacent exterior amenities and building elements.
   4. Create appropriate transitions between the public realm and adjacent residential uses.
   5. Establish additional visual and physical space adjacent to the South Platte River.

C. **Parking and Service Access Locations**
   1. Minimize the visual impacts of parking structures on streets and surrounding properties.
   2. Minimize conflicts between pedestrians and vehicles.
   3. Ensure parking and service access is located appropriately to minimize impacts on the surrounding urban environment.

8.9.2.4 **Design Elements**

A. **Building Configuration**
   1. Define appropriate sizes and separation distances on upper stories of buildings to support access to sun, sky, and views.
   2. Limit excessively long and monotonous building facades.
   3. Encourage variation in building form, especially in the design of larger buildings.

B. **Incremental Mass Reduction**
   1. Provide appropriate pedestrian scale, height, variety, and massing along the street.
   2. Maintain the general appearance of a predominantly 2- to 8-story height near the public sidewalk edge.
3. Proportionally shape and taper building massing as height increases.
4. Support access to sun, sky, and views.

C. Transparencies
1. Maximize transparency at the Street Level to activate the street.
2. Utilize doors and windows to establish scale, variation, and patterns on building facades that provide visual interest and reflect uses within the building.
3. Limit the use of highly reflective glass to avoid reflected glare onto neighboring streets and properties and promote engagement between building activities and the sidewalk.

D. Entrances
1. Prioritize the pedestrian realm as a defining element of neighborhood character.
2. Provide convenient access to buildings and active uses from the street.
3. Establish a direct relationship to the street through access, orientation and placement consistent with the context.
4. Create visually interesting and human-scaled facades.

E. Limitation on Visible Parking Above the Street Level
1. Promote structured parking designs that are compatible in character and quality with adjoining buildings, open spaces and streetscapes.
2. Create visual interest and activity on building facades above the street level.

F. Street Level Active Uses
1. Reinforce the character and quality of a vibrant public realm with active uses that support pedestrian activity and sense of place.
2. Discourage residential uses at street level along key street corridors intended to have the highest concentration of retail commercial activity.

8.9.2.5 Specific Building Form Intent
A. General
To provide a base set of design standards for the zone districts including enhanced requirements for design elements such as Transparencies, Active Use, and Build-To. The building form allows for a variety of site configurations and all uses are allowed.

1. D-CPV-T
To create a transition from higher intensity districts to surrounding established lower-scale neighborhoods, buildings, and campus environments while allowing a variety of building types and uses.

2. D-CPV-R
To allow increased flexibility for the development of smaller buildings, constrained lots, and community-serving uses.

3. D-CPV-C
To allow increased flexibility for the greatest variety of building types and uses in exchange for a relatively low level of intensity.

B. Standard Tower
To allow tall buildings that accommodate a variety of building uses by meeting flexible upper-story size limitations, applying enhanced design quality standards, and establishing a human...
scale relationship with the street. The building form allows for a variety of site configurations and all uses are allowed. Residential uses shall not make up a majority of the gross floor area located within the upper stories.

C. **Point Tower**

To promote tall, slender buildings that preserve access to sun, sky, and views by meeting rigorous upper story size limitations, applying enhanced design quality standards, and establishing a human scale relationship with the street. The building form allows for a variety of site configurations and all uses are allowed.

### SECTION 8.9.3 PRIMARY BUILDING FORM STANDARDS FOR DOWNTOWN CENTRAL PLATTE VALLEY – AURARIA TRANSITION, RIVER, AND CENTER DISTRICTS

**8.9.3.1 Applicability**

All development, except detached accessory structures, in the Downtown Central Platte Valley – Auraria Transition, River, and Center (D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C) zone districts shall comply with this Section's primary building form standards.

**8.9.3.2 General Standards**

A. Combining standards from different building forms for the same structure is prohibited, except where expressly allowed.

B. **At an applicant’s request, a primary structure with an existing assigned building form may be assigned a different permitted building form if:**

1. The structure fully conforms with all applicable standards of the new building form; or
2. The existing assigned building form is no longer a permitted form in the applicable zone district.
### District Specific Standards Summary

The maximum number of structures per zone lot and building forms allowed by zone district are summarized below:

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8.9.3.4 District Specific Standards

A. General
## GENERAL

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### PARKING

#### Surface Parking between Building and Primary Street/South Platte River Frontage

Not Allowed

#### Surface Parking Screening Required

See Section 10.5.4.4

#### Vehicle Access

Shall be determined as part of Site Development Plan Review

### DESIGN ELEMENTS

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### STREET LEVEL ACTIVATION

#### Street Level Transparency, Primary Street

( min for non-residential/min for residential-only buildings) 60% / 40%

#### Pedestrian Access, Primary Street

Entrance

#### Additional Pedestrian Access, Primary Street

(min required for each Street Level Dwelling Unit) Dwelling Unit Entrance with Entry Feature

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### STANDARD TOWER

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| FLOOR AREA RATIO (max) | 20.0 |

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### OPEN SPACE BY ZONE LOT SIZE OR WIDTH

| Private Open Space on Lots >50,000 sf or >250' Wide (min) | 5% |

### PARKING

| Surface Parking between Building and Primary Street/South Platte River Frontage | Not Allowed |
| Surface Parking Screening Required | See Section 10.5.4.4 |
| Vehicle Access | Shall be determined as part of Site Development Plan Review |

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| H Tower Floor Plate Separation (min) | 80' (Floor Plate Area ≤ 22,000 square feet) |
| Tower Floor Plate Separation Alternative (min) | 100' (Floor Plate Area > 22,000 square feet) |

| I Upper Story Setback above 8 stories and 110’ (min % of zone lot width/min setback) | 65% / 15' |
| Limitation on Visible Parking Above Street Level (min % of Primary Street-facing Zone Lot Width) | 70% - See Section 8.9.5.4 |

### INCREMENTAL MASS REDUCTION FOR LOTS > 25,000 SF

| J Incremental Mass Reduction for Stories 1-5 | 15% |
| J Incremental Mass Reduction for Stories 6-8 | 25% |

### STREET LEVEL ACTIVATION

| Street Level Transparency, Primary Street (min for non-residential/min for residential-only buildings) | 60% / 40% |
| Pedestrian Access, Primary Street | Entrance |
| Additional Pedestrian Access, Primary Street (min required for each Street Level Dwelling Unit) | Dwelling Unit Entrance with Entry Feature |

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C. **Point Tower**
## Point Tower

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See Sections 8.9.5-8.9.7 for Supplemental Design Standards, Design Standard Alternatives, and Design Standard Exceptions
SECTION 8.9.4 DETACHED ACCESSORY BUILDING FORM STANDARDS FOR DOWNTOWN CENTRAL PLATTE VALLEY – AURARIA TRANSITION, RIVER, AND CENTER DISTRICTS

8.9.4.1 Applicability
All detached accessory structures in the Downtown Central Platte Valley – Auraria Transition, River, and Center (D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C) zone districts.

8.9.4.2 General Standards
A. Combining standards from different building forms for the same structure is prohibited.
B. Detached Accessory Structures Allowed
Allowed detached accessory structures include, but are not limited to the following:

1. Structures, Completely Enclosed: (See Division 13.3, Definitions of Words, Terms and Phrases.)
   Examples include, but are not limited to, sheds, utility buildings, playhouses, cabanas, pool houses, garages, guard houses, and other similar Completely Enclosed Structures.

2. Structures, Partially Enclosed: (See Division 13.3, Definitions of Words, Terms and Phrases.)
   Examples include, but are not limited to, carports, gazebos, porches, trellises, chicken coops, and other similar Partially Enclosed Structures.

3. Structures, Open: (See Division 13.3, Definitions of Words, Terms and Phrases.)
   Examples include, but are not limited to, pools and associated surrounds, hot tubs and associated surrounds, decks, balconies, recreational and play facilities, non-commercial barbecues, outside fireplaces, outdoor eating areas, and other similar Open Structures.

4. Utilities, and Equipment Common and Customary to the Primary Structure and/or Use
   Examples include, but are not limited to the following:
   a. Radio and Television Receiving Antennas and Support Structures
      Permitted accessory radio and television receiving antennas and support structures shall include satellite dishes less than 32 inches in diameter, and one amateur radio sending and receiving antenna and support structures provided for same.
   b. Solar thermal and photo-voltaic energy systems
   c. Air conditioning units
   d. Pool pumps, heating and water filtration systems
   e. Mailboxes including individual mailbox structures and cluster box units (CBUs)
   f. Other similar Detached Accessory Structures, Utilities, and Equipment Common and Customary to the Primary Structure and/or Use

5. Fences, Walls and Retaining Walls
   All accessory fences, walls and retaining walls shall comply with the fence and wall standards in Division 10.5, instead of this Section 8.9.4, Detached Accessory Building Form Standards.

6. Detached Accessory Structures Not Listed
   a. The Zoning Administrator shall determine and impose limitations on accessory structures not otherwise listed as allowed in an applicable Use Table in Articles 3 through 9, or not otherwise covered by the standards in this Section 8.9.4.
   b. All such determinations shall be reviewed according to the procedures and review criteria stated in Section 12.4.6, Code Interpretations and Determination of Unlisted Amendment: 3

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Uses. In addition to the criteria stated in Section 12.4.6, the Zoning Administrator shall determine whether a proposed accessory structure is common and customary to the primary structure on the zone lot or to a specific primary use, and if the structure is incidental to the primary structure(s) on the zone lot or to a specific primary use.

c. The Zoning Administrator may impose limitations on the proposed accessory structure, which shall be uniform throughout the zone district, and taking into consideration the size of the accessory structure, the total number of structures on the zone lot, and the effect on adjacent property.

d. Matters that may be regulated according to this Section shall include, but shall not be limited to, the size, area and number of accessory structures, except as specifically permitted or excluded by Articles 3 through 9, or by this Section 8.9.4.

C. At an applicant’s request, a detached accessory structure with an existing assigned building form may be assigned a different permitted detached accessory building form if:

1. The structure fully conforms with all applicable standards of the new detached accessory building form; or

2. The existing assigned detached accessory building form is no longer a permitted building form in the applicable zone district.

8.9.4.3 Supplemental Standards

A. Additional Standards for Detached Accessory Structures in Downtown Central Platte Valley – Auraria Transition, River, and Center Zone Districts

1. Public Art
   A detached accessory structure may be allowed to exceed any Detached Accessory Building Form standard if it is a “work of public art” as defined by Section 20-86 of the Denver Revised Municipal Code, as determined by the Zoning Administrator with input from Denver Arts and Venues, and if the Zoning Administrator determines that such exception (1) will have no adverse impacts on abutting property, and (2) shall not substantially harm the public health, safety, and general welfare.

B. Additional Standards for Structures Accessory to Single Unit Dwellings

1. Required Building Materials
   All structures accessory to primary single unit dwelling use shall be constructed of materials that are (1) compatible with the materials employed on the primary building, (2) durable, and (3) are not constructed from salvage doors, or other similar materials as designated by the Zoning Administrator.

C. Additional Standards for Detached Accessory Structure Building Forms

1. Applicability
   This section applies to the Detached Accessory Structure accessory building forms only.

2. Limit on Gross Floor Area
   If an accessory use is operated partially or entirely in one or more detached accessory structures, the gross floor area of such detached accessory structures shall not exceed 10 percent of the area of the zone lot, provided that this limitation shall not apply to detached accessory structures with vehicle access doors.
8.9.4.4 **District Specific Standards Summary**

The maximum number of structures per zone lot and building forms allowed by zone district is summarized below:

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<th>Downtown Central Platte Valley – Auraria Transition, River, and Center (D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C) Zone Districts</th>
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<tr>
<td>Detached Accessory Dwelling Unit</td>
<td>Other Detached Accessory Structures</td>
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<td>No Maximum</td>
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- ■ = Allowed
- □ = Allowed subject to limitations
8.9.4.5 District Specific Standards

A. Detached Accessory Structures

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# Detached Accessory Structures

**Height**

| A | Stories (max) | 1 |
| A | Feet (max) | 17' |

**Siting**

- **Additional Standards**: See Section 8.9.4.3

**Setbacks**

- **Primary Street**: 5'
- **Side Interior (min)**: 0'
- **Rear (min)**: 0'

**Design Elements**

- **Gross Floor Area (max)**: 10% of the Zone Lot, provided this restriction shall not apply to the parking of vehicles. See Section 8.9.4.3

**Uses**

- **Accessory Uses Only**

*See Section 8.10.1 for Design Standard Exceptions*
SECTION 8.9.5  SUPPLEMENTAL DESIGN STANDARDS FOR DOWNTOWN CENTRAL PLATTE VALLEY – AURARIA TRANSITION, RIVER, AND CENTER DISTRICTS

### 8.9.5.1 Street Level Active Uses in D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C Zone Districts

**A. Intent**

To promote activity on the street and sidewalk, enhance safety and encourage a vibrant urban environment.

**B. Applicability**

This Section 8.9.5.1 applies to all primary building forms in the D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C zone districts.

**C. Street Level Active Uses**

1. **Street Level active uses include all permitted primary uses except the following:**

   - a. Automobile Services, Light;
   - b. Mini-storage Facility; or
   - c. Wholesale Trade or Storage, Light.

2. **Street Level active uses include all permitted accessory uses except the following:**

   - a. Car Wash Bay Accessory to Automobile Services or Hotel Uses; or
   - b. Drive Through Facility Accessory to Eating/Drinking Establishments and to Retail Sales, Service, and Repair Uses.

3. **Street Level active uses shall not include Parking Spaces or Parking Aisles.**

4. **Street Level active uses shall occupy Street Level floor area for a minimum depth of 15 feet (may include the depth of a recessed entrance allowed to meet minimum pedestrian access standards and insets for building articulation up to 10 feet in depth).**

5. **The portion of the building facade that meets the Street Level active use requirement shall contain at least one window or door that meets the transparency requirement standards in Section 13.1.6.3.A.4.**

### 8.9.5.2 Street Level Active Non-Residential Uses in D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C Zone Districts

**A. Intent**

To promote activity on the street and sidewalk, enhance safety and encourage a vibrant urban environment with uses accessible to the general public.

**B. Applicability**

This Section 8.9.5.2 applies to all Primary Street frontages facing Water Street, 7th Street, 9th Street, Elitch Circle, or Chopper Circle, or renamed extensions thereof if applicable, of all primary building forms in the D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C zone districts.

**C. Allowance**

1. **Street Level active non-residential uses include all permitted primary uses except the following:**

   - a. Dwelling, Single Unit;
   - b. Dwelling, Two Unit;
   - c. Dwelling, Multi-Unit;
   - d. Dwelling, Live / Work;
e. Automobile Services, Light;

f. Mini-storage Facility; or

g. Wholesale Trade or Storage, Light.

2. Street Level active non-residential uses include all permitted accessory uses except the following:

a. Accessory uses associated with primary uses prohibited by Section 8.9.5.2.C.1;

b. Outdoor Storage, General;

c. Outdoor Storage, Limited;

d. Car Wash Bay Accessory to Automobile Services or Hotel Uses; or

e. Drive Through Facility Accessory to Eating/Drinking Establishments and to Retail Sales, Service, and Repair Uses.

3. Street Level active non-residential uses shall not include Parking Spaces or Parking Aisles.

4. Street Level active non-residential uses shall occupy Street Level floor area for a minimum depth of 15 feet (may include the depth of a recessed entrance allowed to meet minimum pedestrian access standards).

5. The length of any build-to alternatives permitted by Section 8.9.6.1 shall not apply toward the required percentage of Street Level building frontage that must be occupied by Street Level active non-residential uses.

8.9.5.3 Limitation on Primary Residential Uses Above 8 Stories in the Standard Tower Building Form in the D-CPV-C Zone District

A. Intent
To promote slender buildings and preserve access to sun, sky, and views by limiting use of the Standard Tower building form to primarily non-residential uses that require greater flexibility in Tower Floor Plate design standards than is allowed in the Point Tower building form.

B. Applicability
This Section 8.9.5.3 applies to the Standard Tower building form in the D-CPV-C zone districts.

C. Limitation on Primary Residential Uses

1. For purposes of this standard, Primary Residential Uses include all permitted uses listed under the Residential Primary Use Classification in Section 8.11.4, including but not limited to:

a. Dwelling, Multi-Unit;

b. Dwelling, Live / Work; or

c. Student Housing.

2. The total Gross Floor Area of all Primary Residential Uses located above 8 Stories and 110’ shall not exceed the maximum percentage, specified in the building form table, of the total Gross Floor Area of the Structure located above 8 Stories and 110’. Note that the percentage of Gross Floor Area of Primary Residential Uses on any individual Story above 8 Stories and 110’ may exceed the percentage specified in the building form table.

8.9.5.4 Limitation on Visible Parking Above Street Level in D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C Zone Districts

A. Intent
To minimize the visibility, and impacts of structured parking and promote visual interest on upper story building facades.
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B. **Applicability**
This Section 8.9.5.4 applies to all primary building forms in the D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C zone districts.

C. **Allowance**
1. Uses that meet the Limitation on Visible Parking above Street Level shall include all primary uses, but shall not include Parking Spaces or Parking Aisles for the minimum percentage of the Primary Street-facing Zone Lot Width specified in the building form table.
2. Uses that meet the Limitation on Visible Parking above Street Level shall occupy floor area above Street Level for a minimum depth of 15 feet from the Primary Street frontage (may include the depth of recessed balcony or terrace areas and insets for building articulation up to 10 feet in depth).

8.9.5.5 **Incentive Height in D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C Zone Districts**

A. **Intent**
Implement specific adopted plan policies for the Central Platte Valley - Auraria area to provide affordable housing and other community benefits in excess of standard requirements.

B. **Applicability**
This Section 8.9.5.5 applies to all primary building forms in the D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C zone districts in conjunction with applicable requirements in D.R.M.C. Chapter 27, Article VI Incentives for Affordable Housing.

C. **Maximum Base Height**
1. Maximum Base Height shall be the maximum height in stories and feet set forth in the building form tables.
2. Structures that do not exceed the maximum Base Height shall not be subject to the requirements set forth in Section 8.9.5.5.E Requirements for Structures Using Incentive Height.

D. **Maximum Incentive Height**
1. Structures that meet the requirements set forth in Section 8.9.5.5.E Requirements for Structures Using Incentive Height may exceed the maximum Base Height and instead develop to the maximum Incentive Height set forth in the building form tables.

E. **Requirements for Structures Using Incentive Height**
1. No building permit for development of a Structure exceeding Base Height within the D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, or D-CPV-C districts shall be issued by the City unless the Structure meets the specific incentive requirements set forth in D.R.M.C. Chapter 27, Article VI Incentives for Affordable Housing and any applicable approved Rules and Regulations as evidenced in writing by the Office of Economic Development.
2. No building permit for development of a Structure exceeding Base Height within the D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, or D-CPV-C districts shall be issued by the City for a Structure where the square footage of Parking Spaces or Parking Aisles located above the maximum Base Height comprises 80% or more of the total gross square footage of all uses located above the maximum Base Height, with the exception of a Structure exceeding Base Height that is on a zone lot covered by an affordable housing plan as described in D.R.M.C. Chapter 27, Article VI Incentives for Affordable Housing.

**Review Note:**
D.R.M.C. Chapter 27, Article VI Incentives for Affordable Housing will be proposed for amendment to include increased on-site affordable housing requirements for the D-CPV zone districts, similar to the increased requirements for structures using incentive height in the existing 38th and Blake Station Area Incentive Overlays.

The proposed amendment would also require a detailed affordable housing plan for large/phased developments (note that negotiation is underway for such an agreement at River Mile).

See the separate ‘Draft Summary of Affordable Housing Requirements in D-CPV Zone Districts’ attached to this public review draft for more information.

Note: Section E.2. at right includes allowance for 80% parking use in incentive height. Existing IO-1 overlay is written to allow only 50%. If we move forward with 80% in D-CPV, it would make sense to adjust to 80% in IO-1 as part of this text amendment.

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SECTION 8.9.6  DESIGN STANDARD ALTERNATIVES FOR DOWNTOWN CENTRAL PLATTE VALLEY – AURARIA TRANSITION, RIVER, AND CENTER DISTRICTS

8.9.6.1  Required Build-To Alternatives in D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C Zone Districts

A.  **Intent**

To help define the public realm and enhance the visual quality of the built environment where it is not possible to define the street and public sidewalk edge with building facades.

B.  **Allowance**

The following alternative may be used as an alternative to a required build-to standard and may count toward the required build-to no more than as described in the table below, provided it meets the requirements stated in Section 13.1.5.7.E:

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<th>REQUIRED BUILD-TO ALTERNATIVE</th>
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8.9.6.2  Street Level Transparency Alternatives in D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C Zone Districts

A.  **Intent**

To provide visual interest on building facades, to activate the public street and sidewalk, and enhance the visual quality of the built environment along Street Level facade areas where windows do not provide sufficient transparency.

B.  **Allowance**

The following alternatives may be used singularly or in combination as alternatives to a required transparency standard and may count toward required transparency no more than as described in the table below, if all alternatives meet the requirements stated in Section 13.1.6.3.A.5:

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8.9.6.3  Tower Floor Plate Linear Dimension Alternative in D-CPV-R and D-CPV-C Zone Districts

A.  **Intent**

To allow a flexible alternative in special circumstances for creative designs that do not meet the specific Tower Floor Plate Linear Dimension requirements set forth in the building form tables.

B.  **Applicability**

This Section 8.9.6.3 applies to the Tower Floor Plate Linear Dimension maximum above 5 stories/70 feet in the Point Tower building form in the D-CPV-R zone district and Tower Floor Plate Linear Dimension maximum above 8 stories/110 feet in the Standard Tower and Point Tower building forms in the D-CPV-C zone district.
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C. Allowance
The Zoning Administrator may approve an alternative Tower Floor Plate Linear Dimension that does not meet the specific requirements set forth in the building form tables, up to the maximum dimension listed in the Tower Floor Plate Linear Dimension Alternative, where the alternative is found to meet the design standards and guidelines for Tower Floor Plate Linear Dimension in the Design Standards and Guidelines for Downtown Central Platte Valley – Auraria.

8.9.6.4 Tower Floor Plate Separation Alternative in D-CPV-R and D-CPV-C Zone Districts

A. Intent
To allow a flexible alternative in special circumstances for creative designs that do not meet the specific Tower Floor Plate Separation requirements set forth in the building form tables.

B. Applicability
This Section 8.9.6.4 applies to the Tower Floor Plate Separation minimum above 5 stories/70 feet in the Point Tower building form in the D-CPV-R zone district and Tower Floor Plate Separation minimum above 8 stories/110 feet in the Standard Tower building forms in the D-CPV-C zone district.

C. Allowance
The Zoning Administrator may approve an alternative Tower Floor Plate Separation that does not meet the specific spacing requirements set forth in the building form tables, up to the minimum separation listed in the Tower Floor Plate Separation Alternative, where the alternative is found to meet the design standards and guidelines for Tower Floor Plate Separation in the Design Standards and Guidelines for Downtown Central Platte Valley – Auraria.

SECTION 8.9.7 DESIGN STANDARD EXCEPTIONS FOR DOWNTOWN CENTRAL PLATTE VALLEY – AURARIA TRANSITION, RIVER, AND CENTER DISTRICTS

8.9.7.1 Required Build-To Exceptions in D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C Zone Districts

A. Civic, Public & Institutional Uses

1. Intent
To accommodate signature entrance architecture, gathering spaces, plazas, or community amenities along the front facades of structures containing civic, public and institutional uses.

2. Standard
Structures containing one or more uses in the Civic, Public & Institutional Use Classification are not required to meet the Primary Street Build-To standards.

8.9.7.2 Setback Encroachments

A. Intent
To allow minor elements to encroach into a setback while maintaining an open and unobstructed minimum setback space.

B. Standard
Required minimum setbacks shall be open and unobstructed. The following setback encroachments, including residential setbacks but excluding required upper story setbacks, are allowed:
1. **Architectural Elements**

To allow for minor elements which add to the architectural character of buildings, while maintaining an open and unobstructed setback space.

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<td>Belt Courses, sills, lintels, pilasters, pediments, cornices; chimneys and fireplace insert vents, not exceeding 6’ in width</td>
<td>All D-CPV-T/R/C Zone Districts</td>
<td>All building forms</td>
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**Intent:** To allow common, minor decorative elements which are integral to a building.

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Canopies providing cover to an entrance:
- The width shall be no greater than 25% of the width of the face of the building or 20’, whichever is less; and
- Shall be open on three sides.

**Intent:** Provide protection from the weather for pedestrians entering the building and define street entrances to the building.

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### Gutters and Roof Overhang

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<td>All D-CPV-T/R/C Zone Districts</td>
<td>All building forms</td>
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**Intent:** To allow features of structures intended to repel weather.

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### Porches (1-Story or multi-Story), Decks, Patios, Exterior Balconies, Stoops, and above-grade stairways at the Street Level connected to a Porch:

- May be covered;
- All sides shall be at least 50% open except for any side abutting a building facade or fire wall.

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<td>All D-CPV-T/R/C Zone Districts</td>
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**Intent:** To promote elements which provide for street activation and human scale.
## Projecting Windows:
- Shall be a minimum of 1.5' above finished floor;
- Shall not extend floor to ceiling; and
- No individual projection shall be more than 10' in horizontal length at the opening along the face of the building.

### Intent:
To allow for improved interior daylighting.

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## Shading devices: Building elements, such as awnings, designed and intended to control light entering a building

### Intent:
To allow for elements either integral or attached to a building which control light entering through windows.

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2. Site Elements
To allow for minor screening and parking elements while maintaining an open and unobstructed setback space.

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<td>Drive or Driveway</td>
<td>All D-CPV-T/R/C Zone Districts</td>
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Intent: To allow a Drive or Driveway to access an Off-Street Parking Area, but restrict the location where it is impactful due to proximity to adjacent properties.

*Exception: A Drive or Driveway may encroach any distance into a Side Interior setback where:
  • The Side Interior setback Abuts a public Alley;
  • Other public right-of-way, or an easement for public access Abutting a public Alley; or
  • Where a shared access agreement allows the Drive or Driveway to provide shared access to more than one Abutting Zone Lot.

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<td>Flatwork providing pedestrian access to entrances and buildings:</td>
<td>All D-CPV-T/R/C Zone Districts</td>
<td>Any distance</td>
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Intent: To provide pedestrian access to entrances and buildings, but restrict coverage and width to ensure adequate openness.
### 3. Service & Utility Elements

To allow for minor service and utility elements while maintaining an open and unobstructed setback space.

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**Barrier-free access structures providing access to existing buildings as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act or Denver Accessibility Standards, when no alternative locations are available.**

- Setback encroachments for required barrier-free access structures are only allowed for expansions, enlargements, and alterations to existing buildings.
- Such barrier-free access structures shall be designed to be compatible with the character of the building, as determined by the Zoning Administrator.

**Intent:** To provide flexibility in the location of required barrier-free access to existing buildings.

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**Enclosed structure that is below the original grade and completely underground, of any setback space, except as otherwise restricted by this Code.**

**Intent:** To allow below grade structures that do not disrupt the streetscape.

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<td><strong>Gas and electric meters</strong></td>
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**Intent:** To allow for functional siting.

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<td><strong>Emergency egress, when required by Denver Fire Code, such as fire escapes, fire escape ladders, and outside stairways, including landing(s) which do not exceed the minimum required dimensions for a landing as defined in the Denver Building And Fire Code and excluding above-grade walkways</strong></td>
<td>All D-CPV-T/R/C Zone Districts</td>
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**Intent:** To provide for egress from a building only for emergency purposes.

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Pedestrian Bridge where the encroachment is necessary to complete a connection for a continuous, publicly accessible pedestrian/bicycle route provided Public Works has approved a right-of-way encumbrance.

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**Intent:** To allow for above-grade connections that support continuous publicly accessible pedestrian/bicycle routes.

Utility pedestals, transformers or other similar equipment, excluding mechanical equipment:
- Shall not exceed 3' in height.

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**Intent:** To allow for functional siting.
**Window well and/or emergency basement egress areas:**
- Shall be below grade.

**Intent:** To allow for emergency egress

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Article 8. Downtown Neighborhood Context
Division 8.10 Design Standards

DIVISION 8.10 DESIGN STANDARDS

SECTION 8.10.1 DESIGN STANDARD EXCEPTIONS

8.10.1.1 Height Exceptions

A. Intent
To allow building features to exceed maximum height for utility purposes and/or limited recreation or building amenities in the higher intensity zone districts/larger forms.

B. Applicability and Standards:
1. The following building features are allowed to exceed height in feet, stories, bulk plane and upper story setbacks as described in the table below, subject to the standards in this section 8.10.1.1.B.
2. Unoccupied elevator penthouses, stair enclosures, and enclosed or unenclosed mechanical equipment including vertical or sloped screen walls for such equipment granted an exception for height in stories shall only be as large as necessary to achieve the intended function of the feature and shall not exceed the minimum required dimensions defined in the Denver Building and Fire Code.
3. An elevator lobby granted an exception for height in stories shall be no larger in area than the area of the elevator shaft which it abuts, measured to the exterior walls.
4. Unoccupied building features shall not include space for living, sleeping, eating, cooking, bathrooms, toilet compartments, closets, halls, storage, or similar space.
5. Where a building feature exceeds either the maximum height in feet or the maximum height in stories as allowed in this section, all standards for the applicable feature in the table below shall apply.

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<td>Eaves</td>
<td>All D-Zone Districts</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Any distance when attached to a feature that meets the definition of a Story</td>
<td>Not applicable</td>
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<td>Unoccupied spires, towers, flagpoles, antennas, chimneys, flues and vents</td>
<td>All D-Zone Districts</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>28’</td>
<td>Not applicable</td>
<td>Any distance</td>
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<td>Unoccupied cooling towers and enclosures for tanks</td>
<td>All D-Zone Districts</td>
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<td>Yes</td>
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<td>Unoccupied elevator penthouses, stair enclosures, and enclosed or unenclosed mechanical equipment including vertical or sloped screen walls for such equipment</td>
<td>Yes, from the perimeter of the portion of the building facing the Primary Street or Side Street. Yes, from the perimeter of the portion of the building facing the zone lot line adjacent to a Protected District. No, all others.</td>
<td>28’</td>
<td>1 story</td>
<td>Not allowed</td>
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<td>Elevator lobbies</td>
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<td>Open Structures</td>
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<td>Parapet Wall and/or Safety Railing</td>
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<td>Flush-mounted solar panels</td>
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<td>No</td>
<td>Any distance</td>
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<td>Any distance</td>
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<td>Evaporative coolers</td>
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<td>Accessory water tanks</td>
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<td>Any distance</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pedestrian bridge</td>
<td>All D- Zone Districts</td>
<td>Not applicable</td>
<td>Not applicable</td>
<td>28’</td>
<td>Any number</td>
<td>Any distance</td>
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### 8.10.1.2 Setback Exceptions

**A. Intent**

To promote compatible building character along Parkways, when Parkway setbacks are more restrictive than this Code’s setbacks.

**B. Standard**

In all D- zone districts, where a zone lot has street frontage on a Parkway designated under D.R.M.C., Chapter 49, the greater of the following street setbacks shall apply:

1. The street setback required by the applicable building form standards in this Code; or

2. The required Parkway setback established under D.R.M.C., Chapter 49.

### SECTION 8.10.2 REFERENCE TO OTHER APPLICABLE DESIGN STANDARDS

See Article 10, General Design Standards.

### SECTION 8.10.3 SURFACE PARKING LOT LANDSCAPING

**A. Applicability**

1. Surface Parking as a primary use in the D-C, D-TD, D-LD, D-GT, D-AS and D-CV zones shall be landscaped according to this Section 8.9.10.3.
B. Street Tree Planting Required

1. Street trees shall be required on all street frontages for all proposed new parking areas.

2. Such trees shall be located on the public right-of-way where the available space between the flow line (face of curb) and the right-of-way/private property line is at least 10 feet wide and where no unusual problem or physical constraint exists. If such problem or constraint does occur in this situation, then the trees shall be located on private property.

C. Screening Device Required

1. In addition to required street tree planting, a decorative screening device is required that conforms to city design concepts or a similar screening device as may be acceptable to the Zoning Administrator. The height of such device may vary between 2 feet and 4 feet. Such screening device shall be located on private property.

2. Except for required street tree planting and additional standards in Section 8.910.3.D, no tree lawn, landscaping or interior landscaping is required; however, owners may submit for Zoning Administrator review proposals for alternative designs that incorporate landscaping (sod and/or shrubs) with the screening device.
D. Additional D-GT and D-AS Zone District Parking Lot Landscaping Requirements

1. Tree Lawn Required
   a. In addition to required street tree planting, a street front tree lawn at least 8 feet wide shall be required between the flow line and the parking lot. If the space between the flow line and the property line is inadequate to install an 8-foot wide tree lawn, the width of such tree lawn may be reduced; however, in no case shall it be reduced to less than 5 feet in width. Further, if such 5-foot wide tree lawn is located partially on private property, that portion on private property shall be counted toward the satisfaction of the 5% area requirement of Section D.2 below.
   b. “Tree lawn” for the purposes of this provision is defined as a linear strip of ground which contains trees as required by Section 8.9.4.10.3.B above.
   c. A tree lawn is generally located on the public right-of-way, but may in some cases be partially located on private property.

2. Additional Parking Lot Landscaping Requirement
   An area of landscaping equal to 5% of the parking area shall be provided in addition to street tree and tree lawn landscaping areas. This additional landscaped area may be located:
   a. In the interior of the parking area according to the standards in Section 10.5.4.5, Interior Surface Parking Lot Landscaping Standards; or
   b. Along the street front as an addition to the tree lawn in the case of attached sidewalks; or
   c. With detached sidewalks, this area may be in the form of a landscaped planting strip with a minimum width of 5 feet located between the sidewalk and the parking area.

3. Pedestrian Access
   A 3-foot-wide opening for pedestrians shall be located a maximum of 80 feet apart along all public street and alley frontages of the parking lot.

4. Variations Allowed
   Variations in the arrangement or location of the tree lawn may be allowed depending on the location of existing sidewalks or on the quality of design proposals made by the developer according to the minimum widths set forth in Section 8.9.4.10.3.D.1 above.
Illustration 3: D-C, D-TD, D-LD, D-CV, and D-AS and D-GT Zone Districts

Applicable where right-of-way (flow line to property line) is 15.5' or more and sidewalk is detached.

Illustration 4: D-C, D-TD, D-LD, D-CV, and D-AS and D-GT Zone Districts

Applicable where right-of-way (flow line to property line) is at least 13.5' and sidewalk is attached.

Illustration 5: D-C, D-TD, D-LD, D-CV, and D-AS and D-GT Zone Districts

Applicable where right-of-way (flow line to property line) is at least 12.5' or more and sidewalk is attached.
DIVISION 8.11 USES AND REQUIRED MINIMUM/_MAXIMUM PARKING REQUIREMENTS

SECTION 8.11.1 APPLICABILITY

8.11.1.1 This Division 8.11 sets forth the land uses permitted, and the required zoning procedure, and the minimum/maximum parking requirements in all the Downtown Neighborhood Context zone districts with the exception of the D-LD zone district (see Section 8.4.1.1). It also provides minimum off-street vehicle parking requirements for the D-GT, D-AS, D-AS-12+, and D-AS-20+ zone districts, as well as minimum bicycle parking requirements for the D-GT, D-AS, D-AS-12+, and D-AS-20+ zone districts (see Section 8.3.1.5 for more information on vehicle and bicycle parking in the D-C, D-TD and D-CV zone districts). Minimum off-street vehicle parking requirements and bicycle parking requirements for the D-LD zone district are provided in Section 8.4.1.4.

8.11.1.2 See Section 8.3.1.5 for more information on vehicle and bicycle parking in the D-C, D-TD and D-CV zone districts.

8.11.1.3 Maximum parking requirements apply only in the D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R and D-CPV-C zone districts as set forth in Section 8.11.5.

8.11.1.4 Note that the D-C, D-TD, D-CV, D-AS-12+, and D-AS-20+, D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R and D-CPV-C zone districts have no minimum off-street vehicle parking requirement.

8.11.1.5 Uses not listed are prohibited, unless the Zoning Administrator specifically permits the unlisted use according to Section 12.4.6, Code Interpretations and Determination of Unlisted Uses.

8.11.1.6 For number of primary and accessory uses allowed per Zone Lot, see Section 1.2.3.5, Number of Uses and Structures Allowed per Zone Lot.

SECTION 8.11.2 ORGANIZATION OF USE & MINIMUM PARKING TABLE

8.11.2.1 Organized by Primary, Accessory and Temporary Uses

The Use and Minimum Parking Table first presents all primary uses, then all accessory uses, and finally all temporary uses. Primary uses are arranged hierarchically within the table by use classification, category of primary uses, and then by specific use type. Accessory uses are organized by whether such use is accessory to a primary residential use or to a primary nonresidential use. Temporary uses are presented alphabetically ordered in the last division of the table.

8.11.2.2 Primary Use Classifications, Categories & Specific Use Types

A. Primary Use Classifications

All primary land uses in the Use and Minimum Parking Table are organized into one of the following five general land use classifications:

1. Residential Uses
2. Civic, Public & Institutional Uses
3. Commercial Sales, Service & Repair Uses
4. Industrial, Manufacturing & Wholesale Uses
5. Agriculture

B. Primary Use Categories & Specific Use Types

Primary uses are further organized into use categories and specific use types listed under each general primary land use classification. The Use and Minimum Parking Table is organized into the above five general land use classifications, use categories and specific use types.
C. Classifications & Categories Are Mutually Exclusive
The general land use classifications and use categories listed in the Use and Parking Table are intended to be mutually exclusive; that is, a use classified into one use category, such as “lodging accommodations,” cannot be classified in a different use category, such as “group living,” unless otherwise expressly allowed by this Code.

SECTION 8.11.3 EXPLANATION OF USE & MINIMUM PARKING TABLE ABBREVIATIONS

8.11.3.1 General Explanation of Table Cell Entries
In each of the table cells, the entry will indicate first whether use limitations apply to the specific use, and then separated by a hyphen, the type of zoning review required prior to establishment of the use under this Code. For example, as described in more detail below, a cell entry “L-ZPIN” means, first, the use is subject to use limitations (the “L”), and, second, that the use is subject to zoning permit review with information notice (the “ZPIN”) prior to its establishment.

8.11.3.2 Permitted, Limited, Not Permitted

A. Permitted Use - No Use Limitations Apply (“P”)
A “P” in a table cell indicates that the use is permitted in the respective zone district, and is not subject to use limitations.

B. Permitted Use - Subject to Use Limitations (“L”)
“L” in a table cell indicates the use is permitted in the zone district subject to compliance with the use limitations referenced in the last column of the use table (“Applicable Use Limitations”).

C. Uses Not Permitted (“NP”)
“NP” in a table cell indicates that the use is not permitted in the specific zone district.

8.11.3.3 Zoning Procedure

A. Use Subject to Zoning Permit Review (“ZP”)
“ZP” in a table cell indicates that the use is permitted in the respective zone district only if reviewed and approved according to the requirements in Section 12.4.1, Zoning Permit Review.

B. Use Subject to Zoning Permit Review with Informational Notice (“ZPIN”)
“ZPIN” in a table cell indicates that the use is permitted in the respective zone district only if reviewed and approved according to the public notice and procedural requirements in Section 12.4.2, Zoning Permit Review with Informational Notice. Such uses shall comply with any applicable use limitations noted in the last column of the use table (“Applicable Use Limitations”), as well as the review criteria stated in Section 12.4.2, Zoning Permit Review with Informational Notice.

C. Use Subject to Zoning Permit with Special Exception Review (“ZPSE”)
“ZPSE” in a table cell indicates that use is generally appropriate in the neighborhood context and zone district, yet may have the potential for limited impacts on adjacent properties or on the established character of the neighborhood context or zone district. “ZPSE” uses are subject to a Board of Adjustments public hearing according to Section 12.4.9, Zoning Permit with Special Exception Review, which grants the Board of Adjustment the authority to impose conditions on the specified use to mitigate any potential impacts. Such uses shall comply with any applicable use limitations noted in the last column of the use table (“Applicable Use Limitations”), as well as the review criteria stated in Section 12.4.9, Zoning Permit with Special Exception Review.

D. Uses Where More Than One Zoning Procedure Is Indicated
Where a table cell shows more than one zoning procedure applies to a use, for example “L-ZP/ZPIN”, the referenced use limitation (last table column) will indicate which zoning procedure applies in a specific case. For example, a table cell may indicate “L-ZPIN/ZPSE” for a use. This means that the ZPIN zoning procedure will apply, unless the applicable use limitation specifies the ZPSE zoning procedure is triggered (e.g., by proximity to a Protected District).
**8.11.3.4 Enclosure of Uses**

All primary, accessory and temporary uses must be established, operated and maintained within a completely enclosed structure, unless otherwise specifically allowed by this Code. The Use and Parking Tables in Articles 3-9 indicate when a use may be established, operated or maintained outside a completely enclosed structure by including an asterisk “*” next to the specific use type. For example, the asterisk following the “Telecommunication Tower*” use type in the tables indicates that a telecommunication tower land use need not be enclosed.

### SECTION 8.11.4  DISTRICT SPECIFIC STANDARDS (USE & MINIMUM PARKING TABLE)

**KEY:**  
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| Community/ Public Services | **Community Center**  
- No Parking Requirements  
- L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP |
|  | **Day Care Center**  
- D-GT, D-AS, & D-AS-12+/20+  
- D-CV, D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Vehicle: 1/1,000 s.f. GFA  
- D-GT, D-AS, & D-AS-12+/20+  
- D-CV, D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1/10,000 s.f. GFA (0/100)  
- D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1/5,000 s.f. GFA (0/100) | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP |
|  | **Postal Facility, Neighborhood**  
- D-AS & D-GT Districts - Vehicle: 1.25/1,000 s.f. GFA  
- D-GT, D-AS, & D-AS-12+/20+  
- D-CV, D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1/7,500 s.f. GFA (20/80)  
- D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1/4,000 s.f. GFA (20/80) | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP |
|  | **Postal Processing Center**  
- D-AS & D-GT Districts - Vehicle: 1/1,000 s.f. GFA  
- D-GT, D-AS, & D-AS-12+/20+  
- D-CV, D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1/7,500 s.f. GFA (20/80)  
- D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1/4,000 s.f. GFA (20/80) | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | NP | P-ZP | NP |
|  | **Public Safety Facility**  
- D-AS & D-GT Districts - Vehicle: 1/1,000 s.f. GFA  
- D-GT, D-AS, & D-AS-12+/20+  
- D-CV, D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1/10,000 s.f. GFA (0/100)  
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|  | **Hospital**  
- D-AS & D-GT Districts - Vehicle: 1/1,000 s.f. GFA  
- D-GT, D-AS, & D-AS-12+/20+  
- D-CV, D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1/10,000 s.f. GFA (0/100)  
- D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1/5,000 s.f. GFA (0/100) | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP |
|  | **Correctional Institution**  
- D-AS & D-GT Districts - Vehicle: 1/1,000 s.f. GFA  
- D-GT, D-AS, & D-AS-12+/20+  
- D-CV, D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1/10,000 s.f. GFA (0/100)  
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| Cultural/Special Purpose/Public Parks & Open Space | **Cemetery**  
- D-AS & D-GT Districts - Vehicle: 1/1,000 s.f. GFA  
- D-GT, D-AS, & D-AS-12+/20+  
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|  | **Library**  
- D-AS & D-GT Districts - Vehicle: 1/1,000 s.f. GFA  
- D-GT, D-AS, & D-AS-12+/20+  
- D-CV, D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1/10,000 s.f. GFA (0/100)  
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|  | **Museum**  
- D-AS & D-GT Districts - Vehicle: 1/1,000 s.f. GFA  
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|  | **City Park**  
- D-AS & D-GT Districts - Vehicle: 1/1,000 s.f. GFA  
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|  | **Open Space - Conservation**  
- No Parking Requirements | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP |
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**USE CATEGORY** | **SPECIFIC USE TYPE** | **APPLICABLE USE LIMITATIONS**
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**Education** | Elementary or Secondary School  
- D-AS & D-GT & D-AS Districts - Vehicle: 1/1,000 s.f. GFA  
- D-GT, D-AS, & D-AS-12+/20+ & D-GT Districts - Bicycle: 1/10,000 s.f. GFA (0/100)  
- D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1/5,000 s.f. GFA (0/100)  
- D-AS & D-GT & D-AS Districts - Vehicle: 1/1,000 s.f. GFA  
- D-GT, D-AS, & D-AS-12+/20+ & D-GT Districts - Bicycle: 1/10,000 s.f. GFA (0/100)  
- D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1/5,000 s.f. GFA (0/100) | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | § 11.3.8
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**University or College** |  
- D-AS & D-GT & D-AS Districts - Vehicle: 1/1,000 s.f. GFA  
- D-GT, D-AS, & D-AS-12+/20+ & D-GT Districts - Bicycle: 1/10,000 s.f. GFA (0/100)  
- D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1/5,000 s.f. GFA (0/100)  
- D-AS & D-GT & D-AS Districts - Vehicle: 1/1,000 s.f. GFA  
- D-GT, D-AS, & D-AS-12+/20+ & D-GT Districts - Bicycle: 1/10,000 s.f. GFA (0/100)  
- D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1/5,000 s.f. GFA (0/100) | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | § 11.3.8
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**Vocational or Professional School** |  
- D-AS & D-GT & D-AS Districts - Vehicle: 1/1,000 s.f. GFA  
- D-AS-12+/20+ - Vehicle: No Requirement  
- D-GT, D-AS, & D-AS-12+/20+ & D-GT Districts - Bicycle: 1/10,000 s.f. GFA (0/100)  
- D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1/5,000 s.f. GFA (0/100)  
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**Public and Religious Assembly** |  
- All Types  
  - No Parking Requirements | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP

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**COMMERCIAL SALES, SERVICES, & REPAIR PRIMARY USE CLASSIFICATION**

**Adult Business** |  
- All Types | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP

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**Arts, Recreation & Entertainment** |  
- Arts, Recreation and Entertainment Services, Indoor  
  - D-AS & D-GT & D-AS Districts - Vehicle: Artist Studio: 0.3/1000 s.f GFA  
  - D-AS & D-GT & D-AS Districts - Vehicle: All Others: 1.25/1,000 s.f GFA  
  - D-GT, D-AS, & D-AS-12+/20+ & D-GT Districts - Bicycle: 1/7,500 s.f. GFA (20/80)  
  - D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1/4,000 s.f. GFA (20/80) | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP

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**Arts, Recreation & Entertainment** |  
- Arts, Recreation and Entertainment Services, Outdoor*  
  - D-AS & D-GT & D-AS Districts - Vehicle: 1.25/1,000 s.f GFA  
  - D-GT, D-AS, & D-AS-12+/20+ & D-GT Districts - Bicycle: 1/7,500 s.f. GFA (20/80)  
  - D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1/4,000 s.f. GFA (20/80) | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZPIN | L-ZPIN | L-ZPIN | L-ZPIN | § 11.4.3

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**Sports and/or Entertainment Arena or Stadium** |  
- All Types | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP

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**Nonresidential Uses in Existing Business Structures In Residential Zones** |  
- Not Applicable

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**Parking of Vehicles**

- **No Parking Requirements**
  - Parking, Garage
  - Parking, Surface

**Eating & Drinking Establishments**

- **No Parking Requirements**
  - All Types

**Bed and Breakfast Lodging**

- **No Parking Requirements**
  - D-AS & D-GT Districts - Vehicle: 2.5 / 1,000 s.f. GFA
  - D-GT, D-AS, D-AS-12+/20+ & D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1 / 1,000 s.f. GFA (0 / 100)

**Lodging Accommodations, All Others**

- **No Parking Requirements**
  - D-AS & D-GT Districts - Vehicle: 1.25 / 1,000 s.f. GFA
  - D-GT, D-AS, D-AS-12+/20+ & D-CPV-T/R/C & D-GT Districts - Bicycle: 1 / 7,500 s.f. GFA (20 / 80)

**Office**

- **No Parking Requirements**
  - D-AS & D-GT Districts - Vehicle: 1.25 / 1,000 s.f. GFA
  - D-GT, D-AS, D-AS-12+/20+ & D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1 / 4,000 s.f. GFA (20 / 80)

**Retail Sales, Service & Repair (Not Including Vehicle or Equipment Sales, Service & Repair)**

- **No Parking Requirements**
  - D-AS & D-GT Districts - Vehicle: 1.25 / 1,000 s.f. GFA
  - D-GT, D-AS, D-AS-12+/20+ & D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1 / 4,000 s.f. GFA (20 / 80)

**Animal Sales and Services, Household Pets Only**

- **No Parking Requirements**
  - D-AS & D-GT Districts - Vehicle: 1.25 / 1,000 s.f. GFA
  - D-GT, D-AS, D-AS-12+/20+ & D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1 / 4,000 s.f. GFA (20 / 80)

**Animal Sales and Services, All Others**

- **No Parking Requirements**
  - D-AS & D-GT Districts - Vehicle: 1.25 / 1,000 s.f. GFA
  - D-GT, D-AS, D-AS-12+/20+ & D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1 / 4,000 s.f. GFA (20 / 80)

**Food Sales or Market**

- **No Parking Requirements**
  - D-AS & D-GT Districts - Vehicle: 1.25 / 1,000 s.f. GFA
  - D-GT, D-AS, D-AS-12+/20+ & D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1 / 4,000 s.f. GFA (20 / 80)
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Retail Sales, Service & Repair (Not Including Vehicle or Equipment Sales, Service & Repair) | Pawn Shop  
- D-AS, D-GT & D-AS-12+20+ Districts - Vehicle: 1.25/1,000 s.f. GFA  
- D-GT, D-AS, & D-AS-12+/20+ & D-GT Districts - Bicycle: 1/7,500 s.f. GFA (20/80)  
- D-CPV-T/R/C Districts - Bicycle: 1/4,000 s.f. GFA (20/80) | L-ZP L-ZP NP NP L-ZPIN L-ZPIN NP §11.4.14
Retail Sales, Service & Repair -- Outdoor* | | |
Retail Sales, Service & Repair - Firearms Sales | | |
Retail Sales, Service & Repair, All Others | | |
Automobile Emissions Inspection Facility | | |
Vehicle / Equipment Sales, Rentals, Service & Repair | | |
Automobile Services, Light | | |
Automobile Services, Heavy | | |
Automobile / Motorcycle / Light Truck Sales, Rentals, Leasing; Pawn Lot or Vehicle Auctioneer* | | |
Heavy Vehicle/ Equipment Sales, Rentals & Service* | | |

### INDUSTRIAL, MANUFACTURING & WHOLESALE PRIMARY USE CLASSIFICATION

**Communication Services** | Antennas Not Attached to a Tower*  
- No Parking Requirements | L-ZP L-ZP L-ZP L-ZP L-ZP L-ZP §11.5.2

**Telecommunications Towers** | No Parking Requirements | L-ZP/ZPIN/ZPIN L-ZP/ZPIN/ZPIN L-ZP/ZPIN/ZPIN L-ZP/ZPIN/ZPIN ZPIN/ZPIN/ZPIN §11.5.2

**Telecommunications Tower - Alternative Structure** | No Parking Requirements | L-ZP/ZPIN L-ZP/ZPIN L-ZP/ZPIN L-ZP/ZPIN L-ZP/ZPIN ZPIN/ZPIN §11.5.2

**Telecommunication Facilities -- All Others** | No Parking Requirements | L-ZPIN L-ZPIN L-ZPIN L-ZPIN L-ZPIN L-ZPIN §11.5.2
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| Wholesale, Storage, Warehouse & Distribution | Mini-storage Facility  
- D-AS & D-GT & D-AS Districts - Vehicle: 0.1/1,000 s.f. GFA  
- Bicycle: No requirement | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | NP | NP | NP | §11.5.23 |
| | Vehicle Storage, Commercial*  
- D-AS & D-GT & D-AS Districts - Vehicle: .5/1,000 s.f. GFA  
- Bicycle: No requirement | L-ZP/ZPSE | L-ZP/ZPSE | L-ZP/ZPSE | L-ZP/ZPSE | L-ZP/ZPSE | L-ZP/ZPSE | L-ZP/ZPSE | §11.5.24 |
| | Wholesale Trade or Storage, General | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP |
| | Wholesale Trade or Storage, Light  
- D-AS & D-GT & D-AS Districts - Vehicle: .5/1,000 s.f. GFA  
- Bicycle: No requirement | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | P-ZP | L-ZP/ZPSE | L-ZP/ZPSE | §11.5.26 |

**Agriculture Primary Use Classification**

| Agriculture | Aquaculture* | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP |
| Garden, Urban*  
- D-AS & D-GT & D-AS Districts - Vehicle: .5/1,000 s.f. GFA  
- Bicycle: No requirement | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | NP | §11.6.2 |
| Husbandry, Animal* | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP |
| Husbandry, Plant* | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP | NP |
| Plant Nursery  
- D-AS & D-GT & D-AS Districts - Vehicle: .5/1,000 s.f. GFA  
- Bicycle: No requirement | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | L-ZP | NP | §11.6.5 |
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**USE CATEGORY**

**SPECIFIC USE TYPE**

D-C, D-TD, D-CV, D-AS-12+/20+, D-CPV-T/R/C Districts have no minimum vehicle parking requirement. D-CPV-T/R/C maximum vehicle parking requirements are provided in Section 8.11.5. D-C, T-TD, D-CV bicycle parking requirements are provided in Section 8.3.4.1. D-LD vehicle parking requirements are provided in Section 8.4.1.4.

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**ACCESSORY TO PRIMARY RESIDENTIAL USES USE CLASSIFICATION**

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**Unlisted Accessory Uses**  
Unlisted Accessory Uses  
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§11.7; §11.10.1

**Amusement Devices Accessory to Eating/Drinking Establishments, College/University and Theater Uses**  
L-ZP  
L-ZP  
L-ZP  
L-ZP  
L-ZP  
L-ZP  
§11.7; §11.10.2

**Automobile Rental Services Accessory to Certain Retail Uses**  
NP  
NP  
NP  
NP  
NP  
NP  
NP  
§11.7; §11.10.3

**Book or gift store; media recording and production facilities accessory to public libraries, museums, places of religious assembly, colleges or universities**  
L  
L  
L  
L  
L  
L  
¥  
§11.7; §11.10.4

**Car Wash Bay Accessory to Automobile Services**  
NP  
NP  
NP  
NP  
NP  
NP  
NP  
§11.7; §11.10.5

**College Accessory to a Place for Religious Assembly**  
L  
L  
L  
L  
L  
L  
§11.7; §11.10.6

**Drive Through Facility Accessory to Eating/Drinking Establishments and to Retail Sales, Service, and Repair Uses**  
NP  
NP  
NP  
NP  
NP  
L-ZP  
NP  
NP  
§11.7; §11.10.7

**Emergency Vehicle Access Point**  
NP  
NP  
NP  
NP  
NP  
NP  
NP  
§11.7; §11.10.8

**Garden**  
L  
L  
L  
L  
L  
L  
¥  
§11.7; §11.10.9

**Keeping of Animals**  
L-ZP/L-ZPIN  
L-ZP/L-ZPIN  
L-ZP/L-ZPIN  
L-ZP/L-ZPIN  
L-ZP/L-ZPIN  
L-ZP/L-ZPIN  
L-ZP/L-ZPIN  
§11.7; §11.10.10

**Nonresidential Uses in Existing Business Structures In Residential Zones - Accessory Uses**  
Not Applicable  
§11.7; §11.10.11

**Occasional Sales, Services**  
L-ZP  
L-ZP  
L-ZP  
L-ZP  
L-ZP  
L-ZP  
¥  
§11.7; §11.10.12

**Outdoor Eating and Serving Area Accessory to Eating/Drinking Establishment Use**  
L-ZP  
L-ZP  
L-ZP  
L-ZP  
L-ZP  
L-ZP  
¥  
§11.7; §11.10.13

**Outdoor Entertainment Accessory to an Eating/Drinking Establishment Use**  
L-ZPIN/ZPSE  
L-ZPIN/ZPSE  
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L-ZPIN/ZPSE  
L-ZPIN/ZPSE  
L-ZPIN/ZPSE  
¥  
§11.7; §11.10.14

**Outdoor Retail Sale and Display**  
L-ZP/ZPSE  
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L-ZP/ZPSE  
L-ZP/ZPSE  
L-ZP/ZPSE  
L-ZP/ZPSE  
¥  
§11.7; §11.10.15

**Outdoor Storage, General**  
NP  
NP  
NP  
NP  
NP  
NP  
NP  
§11.7; §11.10.16

**Outdoor Storage, Limited**  
L  
L  
L  
L  
L  
¥  
§11.7; §11.10.17

**Rental or Sales of Adult Material Accessory to a Permitted Bookstore Retail Sales Use**  
L  
L  
L  
L  
L  
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<td>Amusement / Entertainment - Temporary*</td>
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<td>Bazaar, Carnival, Circus or Special Event*</td>
<td>L-ZP</td>
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<td>Building or yard for construction materials*</td>
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<td>Concrete, Asphalt, and Rock Crushing Facility*</td>
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<td>Fence for Demolition or Construction Work</td>
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SECTION 8.11.5  MAXIMUM VEHICLE PARKING REQUIREMENTS FOR DOWNTOWN CENTRAL PLATTE VALLEY – AURARIA TRANSITION, RIVER AND CENTER DISTRICTS

A. Intent

1. To promote active, transit-supportive development that leverages the regional transit infrastructure investment in the Downtown Central Platte Valley - Auraria districts.

2. To reduce the number of vehicle trips within and around the Downtown Central Platte Valley - Auraria districts and encourage alternative travel modes such as walking, biking, and transit.

3. To promote the efficient development of land in the Downtown Central Platte Valley - Auraria districts by limiting the amount of land dedicated to vehicle parking.

B. Applicability

This Section 8.11.5 applies to all Structures in the D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R and D-CPV-C zone districts.

C. Vehicle Parking Standards

The following table establishes the maximum vehicle parking allowed in the D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R and D-CPV-C zone districts based on the allowed primary uses by zone district.
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<td>Household Living</td>
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<td>Dwelling, Single Unit</td>
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<td>All other specific use types within the Household Living Use Category</td>
<td>0.7/Unit for each unit with 0-1 bedrooms, 1.0/Unit for each unit with 2 bedrooms, 1.3/Unit for each unit with 3+ bedrooms</td>
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<tr>
<td>Group Living</td>
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<td>Residence for Older Adults</td>
<td>0.7/Unit for each unit with 0-1 bedrooms</td>
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<tr>
<td>Rooming and Boarding House</td>
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<td>Shelter for the Homeless</td>
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ARTICLE 9. SPECIAL CONTEXTS AND DISTRICTS
2. Incentive Height in Transition Areas

To promote compatibility with lower-scale districts, neighborhoods or street frontages, a reduced maximum Incentive Height shall apply in transitional areas as set forth in Sections a and b below. Where the provisions of both Sections a and b apply, the maximum Incentive Height shall be the lower of the applicable maximum heights.

a. Height Transition Adjacent to Specific Streets

The maximum Incentive Height shall be as follows within the specified distance of a Primary or Side Street Zone Lot line fronting the following streets:

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<td>West of Williams Street*</td>
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<tr>
<td>LAFAYETTE STREET</td>
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<tr>
<td>West of Franklin Street*</td>
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<td>8</td>
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<td>MARION STREET</td>
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<td>From 300’ South of Walnut Street to 36th Avenue</td>
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<td>5</td>
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<td>Northwest of Walnut Street</td>
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* A portion of this area may be subject to a reduced maximum Incentive Height adjacent to a Protected District. See Section 9.4.6.6.E.2.b.

b. Height Transition Adjacent to a Protected District

The maximum Incentive Height shall be 75 feet within 175 feet of a Protected District unless further limited by Section 9.4.6.6.E.2.a.

F. Requirements for Structures Using Incentive Height

1. No building permit for development of a Structure exceeding Base Height within this IO-1 district shall be issued by the City unless the Structure meets the specific incentive requirements set forth in D.R.M.C. Chapter 27, Article VI Incentives for Affordable Housing and any applicable approved Rules and Regulations as evidenced in writing by the Office of Economic Development.

2. No building permit for development of a Structure exceeding Base Height within this IO-1 district shall be issued by the City for a Structure where the square footage of Parking Spaces or Parking Aisles located above the maximum Base Height comprises 80% or more of the total gross square footage of all uses other than Parking Spaces or Parking Aisles located above the maximum Base Height.
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DIVISION 10.4 PARKING AND LOADING

SECTION 10.4.1 INTENT
The intent of Parking Standards, in conjunction with the building form standards according to Articles 3 through 9, is to:

10.4.1.1 Balance the provision of adequate off-street parking to meet demand with city-wide objectives to encourage pedestrian-friendly environments and the use of multiple modes of transportation, including mass transit and bike parking requirements to reduce vehicle parking demand.

10.4.1.2 Provide a variety of mechanisms to meet parking needs while promoting development and reinvestment in existing buildings, including Historic Structures.

10.4.1.3 Recognize, through parking reductions, the parking efficiencies gained through mixed use development, mixed income development, development proximate to rail and bus transit, and their impact on parking demand.

10.4.1.4 Promote bicycle use by providing safe and convenient bike parking through minimum requirements for type of bike parking facility and amount of bicycle spaces.

10.4.1.5 Encourage comprehensive, efficient, multi-site parking strategies.

10.4.1.6 Minimize the visual impacts of Off-Street Parking Areas, structures and garages on streets, open spaces, and adjoining development.

10.4.1.7 Design surface parking and parking structures to be visually compatible with the surrounding development, convenient for users, and mitigate the negative impact of vehicle noise, headlights, lighting and mechanical systems.

10.4.1.8 Integrate the function and appearance of parking structures into building groups so as to minimize negative impacts on public space and the pedestrian environment.

10.4.1.9 Design parking structure facades to reflect the predominant fenestration patterns of area buildings and to the extent possible wrap street facing elevations with active uses, especially at the Street Level.

SECTION 10.4.2 GENERAL APPLICABILITY

10.4.2.1 Vehicle and Bicycle Parking Required

A. The owner and operator of any land area, structure, or primary use that generates a vehicle and bicycle parking requirement under this Code shall have joint and several responsibility for providing all parking required by this Division 10.4 and maintaining that parking in accordance with the provisions of this Division.

B. For land, structures, or primary uses, occupied or operated on June 25, 2010, the number of existing off-street parking spaces shall not be reduced below the lesser of the number of spaces required under this Division 10.4 or the number of spaces legally established, including taking into account any exceptions allowed.

C. Minimum/Maximum Amount Required
All primary uses shall provide the minimum number of vehicle and bicycle parking spaces consistent with the context-specific minimum or maximum parking ratios according to Articles 3 through 9, unless otherwise exempt, or reduced or allowed according to this Division 10.4.

1. Exception for Expansions
If land area, structures, or primary uses are enlarged or expanded, minimum parking (in addition to any existing spaces) shall be provided for the additional increment only.
2. **Exception for Change of Use**

This Section 10.4.2.1.C.2 shall apply **only** to **maximum and minimum required** vehicle parking requirements as stated below.

a. **General Exception**

If land area, structures, or primary uses are changed from one primary use to any other primary use which requires more parking spaces than the previous primary use, the following shall apply:

i. If the new use's **minimum** parking requirement exceeds the previous use's **minimum** parking requirement by 25 percent or less, no additional parking spaces shall be required; or

ii. If the new use's **minimum** parking requirement exceeds the previous use's **minimum** parking requirement by more than 25 percent, additional off-street parking spaces shall be provided equal to the number that exceeds 125 percent of the previous use's **minimum** parking requirement.

a) For example: The new use has a parking requirement that results in 126 required parking spaces. The previous use had a parking requirement that resulted in 100 required parking spaces. The new use shall only have to provide 1 additional parking space.

iii. If additional vehicle parking is required per this subsection, "Exception for Change of Use," a credit may be taken against the minimum number of vehicle parking spaces required by this subsection in the amount of 1 space for each 25 feet of abutting street frontage, up to a maximum credit of 4 vehicle parking spaces.

b. **Exemption for Change in Use in Existing Buildings Built Prior to 1967**

In all Mixed Use Commercial Zone Districts **where minimum vehicle parking requirements apply**, buildings shall be exempt from providing additional parking in the event of a change of use, provided all of the following are met:

i. The building was built before 1967,

ii. The building meets the required build-to requirements of the subject property’s zone district, and

iii. The building meets the minimum height requirement of the subject property’s zone district.

c. **Exception for Change in Use Subject to Maximum Vehicle Parking Standards**

In areas subject to maximum vehicle parking standards, if land area, structures, or primary uses providing off-street parking are changed from one primary use to any other primary use that has a lower maximum number of parking spaces allowed than the previous primary use, the following shall apply:

i. If the parking spaces from the previous primary use are equal to or less than 125 percent of the allowed parking maximum under the new primary use, then parking spaces may continue to be utilized by the uses located on that zone lot, and may be used jointly, or may be provided as shared vehicle parking according to Section 10.4.5.4, Shared Vehicle Parking; or

ii. If the parking spaces from the previous primary use are greater than 125 percent of the allowed parking maximum under the new primary use, then parking spaces exceeding 125 percent of the maximum parking allowed under the new primary use shall be provided as shared vehicle parking according to Section 10.4.5.4, Shared Vehicle Parking.

a) Example: The maximum parking allowed under a new primary use equals 60 parking spaces. The existing parking spaces from a previous primary use equals 100 parking spaces. The new primary use shall be
required to provide 25 spaces as shared vehicle parking (60 maximum allowed spaces multiplied by 125 percent = 75 allowed spaces. 100 existing spaces minus 75 allowed spaces = 25 spaces required to be provided as shared vehicle parking).

SECTION 10.4.3 BICYCLE PARKING

10.4.3.1 Applicability

Section 10.4.2, General Applicability, shall apply, with the following exceptions:

A. This Section 10.4.3 Bicycle Parking shall not apply in the D-C, D-TD, or D-CV zone districts. See Section 8.3.1.5, Off-Street Parking Requirements, for applicable bicycle parking standards for these districts.

10.4.3.2 Calculation

A. When a primary use’s required amount of bicycle parking is 2 spaces or less, the use shall provide a minimum of 2 bicycle parking spaces in a fixed rack bicycle parking facility.

B. In determining the number of bicycle parking spaces required, fractional spaces are rounded to the nearest whole number, with one-half counted as an additional space.

C. In determining the number of bicycle parking spaces that must be sited in an enclosed bicycle facility or a fixed rack bicycle facility, fractional spaces are rounded to the nearest whole number, with one-half counted as an additional space.

D. All required spaces “per square feet” are measured as gross floor area, unless otherwise specified.

E. For residential uses, the bicycle parking requirement shall be calculated separately for separate residential buildings.

F. Where any building or zone lot contains two or more uses having different bicycle parking requirements, the bicycle parking requirements for each use shall apply proportionally to the extent of that use’s gross floor area in the building or on the zone lot.

10.4.3.3 Bicycle Parking Exceptions

A. Reductions in Required Amount by Administrative Adjustment

The Zoning Administrator may adjust the bicycle parking requirement in one of the following ways as described below according to Section 12.4.5, Administrative Adjustment.

1. A reduction in the overall number of bicycle parking spaces required for a primary use, up to a maximum 20% reduction. A reduction in the overall number of spaces does not change the proportional (%) distribution of the required spaces to an enclosed or fixed bicycle rack parking facility; or

2. An adjustment in the number of bicycle parking spaces that must be provided in either an enclosed or fixed bicycle rack parking facility, up to a maximum 20% adjustment, provided any reduction in the number of spaces provided in one type of parking facility shall be providing in the other type of parking facility.

a. For example: When a total of 20 bicycle parking spaces is required and 10 shall be provided in an enclosed storage facility and 10 shall be provided in a fixed bicycle rack parking facility, the Zoning Administrator may grant an adjustment to the amount that must be enclosed, resulting in a reduction from the original 10 enclosed spaces to 8 enclosed spaces. That would require a total of 12 spaces in a fixed bicycle rack parking facility.
B. Preservation of Existing Trees
If, in order to comply with bicycle parking requirements, it would be necessary to remove mature, existing trees, the Zoning Administrator may allow reasonable reductions in the number of required bicycle parking spaces. Requests for this exception from the minimum bicycle parking requirements shall be reviewed according to Section 12.4.5, Administrative Adjustment.

10.4.3.4 Required Types of Bicycle Parking Facilities
In order to meet the minimum required bike parking spaces, there are two types of bicycle parking facilities that may be required. The description and minimum standards for each type of bicycle parking facility are as follows. Such facilities may be placed on private property or within the public right-of-way. Facilities in the public right-of-way require a permit by Public Works.

A. Enclosed Bicycle Parking Facility
An enclosed bicycle parking facility shall be provided through various methods provided it meet the following minimum standards:

1. Shall provide enclosed bicycle storage in lockers, a room within a building, or within a parking structure.
2. All types of enclosed bicycle storage shall be easily accessible to all building occupants and to public entrances and walkways, secure, well lighted and weather resistant.
3. Each storage space shall provide a minimum of 15 square feet in area. The Zoning Administrator may reduce the minimum area up to 6 square feet if a more efficient layout is provided.

B. Fixed Bicycle Rack Parking Facility
A fixed bicycle rack parking facility shall be provided through various methods provided it meet the following minimum design standards:

1. Fixed bicycle racks shall be securely anchored.
2. Fixed bicycle racks must be publicly accessible to building entrances and walkways.
3. Spacing of the racks shall provide clear and maneuverable access.
4. Where two bikes can be locked on both sides without conflict, each side can be counted as one required space.

SECTION 10.4.4 MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM VEHICLE PARKING REQUIRED

10.4.4.1 Applicability
Section 10.4.2, General Applicability, shall apply.

10.4.4.2 Calculations

A. General Rule

1. In determining the minimum number of vehicle parking spaces required or the maximum number of vehicle parking spaces allowed, fractional spaces are rounded to the nearest whole number, with one-half counted as an additional space.
2. Except when shared parking is allowed (see Section 10.4.5.4 Shared Vehicle Parking), when a zone lot is used for a combination of uses, the minimum vehicle parking requirement shall be the sum of the requirements for each use and may be used jointly. In areas where maximum vehicle parking standards apply, except when shared parking for off-site uses is being provided according to Section 10.4.5.4, Shared Vehicle Parking, where a zone lot contains multiple primary uses subject to maximum parking standards, the total amount of parking provided on the zone lot shall not exceed the aggregate maximum parking allowed for those uses, and may be used jointly.
3. Vehicle queuing spaces serving permitted fuel pumps that meet the dimensional standards for a 0° parking space as required in Section 10.4.6, may count toward the minimum required number of vehicle parking spaces.

**B. Gross Floor Area for Purposes of Calculating Parking Amounts**

For the purposes of complying with this Division’s minimum and maximum required parking requirements, gross floor area shall mean the sum of the gross horizontal areas of all of the floors of a building, including interior balconies and mezzanines, but excluding exterior balconies. All horizontal dimensions of each floor are to be measured by the exterior faces of walls of each such floor. The floor area of a building shall include the floor area of accessory buildings on the same zone lot, measured the same way. In computing gross floor area, the following shall be excluded:

1. Any floor area devoted to mechanical equipment serving the building, provided that the floor area of such use occupies not less than 75 percent of the floor area of the story in which such mechanical equipment is located;
2. Any floor area used exclusively as parking space for vehicles or bicycles; and
3. Any floor area that serves as a pedestrian mall or public access way to shops and stores.

**C. “Unit” for Purposes of Calculating Parking Amounts**

For the purposes of complying with this Division’s minimum and maximum required parking requirements, the term “unit” shall mean, as applicable, either:

1. A dwelling unit in a household living use, as “dwelling unit” is defined in Article 11, Use Limitations and Definitions, Article 13, Rules of Measurement & Definitions;
2. A habitable room, which may or may not contain kitchen or bathing facilities, intended for occupancy by a resident in a group living use.

**D. Guest Parking in Districts with Maximum Vehicle Parking Standards**

1. **Intent**
   To allow flexibility for a limited amount of guest parking in zone districts with maximum vehicle parking standards.

2. **Applicability**
   This Section 10.4.4.2.D applies to all residential primary uses in zone districts where maximum vehicle parking standards apply.

3. **Standards**
   a. On a zone lot containing at least 3 and no more than 19 dwelling units, one additional vehicle parking space may be provided for guest parking.
   b. On a zone lot containing 20 or more dwelling units, one additional vehicle parking space may be provided for guest parking for every 20 dwelling units. For example, a 42-unit development may provide two additional parking spaces for guest parking.
   c. Except when shared parking is being provided on a separate zone lot according to Section 10.4.5.4, Shared Vehicle Parking, all guest parking must be located on the same zone lot as the residential primary use for which it is being provided.

**10.4.4.3 Accessible Vehicle Parking**

All primary uses subject to this Division 10.4 shall provide accessible parking for disabled persons that complies with the Denver Building and Fire Code and with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, provided, however, that the amount of accessible parking provided for multi-unit dwelling uses shall be no less than one (1) space for each dwelling unit constructed for occupancy by a disabled person.
10.4.4.4 Maximum Vehicle Surface Parking for Transit Oriented Development

A. Intent
To promote active, transit-supportive development and uses proximate to transit stations, thereby leveraging regional investment in transit infrastructure and promoting livability and sustainability in Denver’s transit neighborhoods.

B. Applicability
1. This Section 10.4.4.4 shall apply to all uses located within 1/4 mile of the outer boundary of a Rail Transit Station Platform in all zone districts except the CMP and zone districts; and
2. This Section 10.4.4.4 shall apply only to limit the amount of Surface Parking.
3. If a structure or use is exempt according to Section 10.4.5 Vehicle Parking Exceptions, or Section 9.4.5.11.H Vehicle Parking Exception for Transit Oriented Development in the DO-7 District, from minimum parking requirements, this subsection’s maximum parking standard shall still apply, based on the minimum amount otherwise required by the underlying zone district for such use or structure absent any exemption or reduction.
   a. If the underlying zone district does not include minimum parking requirements, this subsection’s maximum parking standard shall still apply, based on the minimum requirement otherwise required for the subject use or uses in the C-MX Zone Districts.
4. All distance and spacing requirements shall be measured according to the rule of measurement found in Section 13.1.11, Measurement of Separation or Distance.

C. Maximum Vehicle Surface Parking Permitted
For all applicable zone districts where minimum parking requirements apply, Surface Parking spaces shall not exceed 110 percent of the minimum parking spaces required by the subject property’s zone district, except that up to 1 vehicle surface parking space per dwelling unit shall be allowed even if exceeding the 110 percent. For all applicable zone districts where maximum vehicle parking standards apply, the more restrictive standard shall determine the maximum vehicle Surface Parking allowed.

10.4.4.5 Location of Required Vehicle Parking
Required vehicle parking spaces shall be located on the same zone lot as the primary use for which provided, except as allowed below:

A. As allowed in Section 10.4.5.4, Shared Vehicle Parking, or

B. Off-Site Vehicle Parking
A primary use’s required vehicle parking may be located on a Zone Lot different from the Zone Lot containing the primary use (“off-site vehicle parking”), subject to compliance with the following standards:

1. The subject Primary Use may provide off-site vehicle parking provided that the parking spaces on the off-site Zone Lot are not required vehicle parking spaces for any other Primary Use(s) (See Section 10.4.5.4 Shared Vehicle Parking for that scenario).
2. Parking requirements may be met off the zone lot by ownership or a current lease of parking spaces on another zone lot and dedicated to the primary use being served. Divesting ownership or terminating lease of the required parking spaces shall result in termination of the zoning permit until the parking deficiency is remedied.
3. Off-site parking shall be located within a “walking distance” of 1,500 feet from the use served by the remote parking. “Walking distance” shall be measured from the primary entrance of the primary use served along a connection that meets ADA requirements.
C. Vehicle Parking Reduction for Small Lots in the C-CCN Zone Districts

1. In the C-CCN zone districts, zone lots which are equal to or smaller than 9,375 square feet in area on October 27, 2014, shall be granted a 67 percent reduction in the total number of required vehicle parking spaces.

2. This vehicle parking reduction shall not be allowed in combination with any vehicle parking reduction allowed under section 10.4.5.3.B.

10.4.5.4 Shared Vehicle Parking

A. Applicability

1. An applicant may request shared parking to meet the minimum/maximum vehicle parking requirements for mixed use developments, or for multiple uses that are located near one another, and which have different peak parking demands and/or operating hours.

2. Parking spaces that may be shared according to this subsection:
   a. Shall be located on a zone lot (on-street parking spaces are not eligible), and
   b. Shall be capable of being specifically allocated or reserved for the primary uses served (spaces in a surface lot or garage that are accessible by the general public are not eligible), except that this provision shall not apply in areas where only maximum parking standards apply;
   c. However, in the event that a shared parking entity has been formed and is fully operational, the documented parking spaces allocated to the zone lot will count toward the vehicle parking requirement. Although allocated to a specified zone lot, said spaces need not be reserved for said specified zone lot.
   d. When located on a Zone Lot subject to a vehicle Surface Parking maximum, each shared vehicle Surface Parking space shall be counted only once in the calculation of vehicle Surface Parking spaces that contribute to the maximum.

B. Shared Parking Where Maximum Parking Standards Apply

1. When located on a Zone Lot subject only to a vehicle Surface Parking maximum according to section 10.4.4.4, each shared vehicle Surface Parking space shall be counted only once in the calculation of vehicle Surface Parking spaces that contribute to the maximum allowed.

2. When shared vehicle parking is required for a change of use according to Section 10.4.2.1.C.2.c, the number of shared spaces provided may exceed the number required to be shared according to that section. Shared spaces shall be counted only once in the calculation of the number of spaces that contribute to the maximum parking allowed for each Primary Use included in the parking analysis.

3. In all other areas subject to maximum vehicle parking standards the following shall apply:
   a. Parking may be shared between Primary Uses located on separate Zone Lots according to this subsection.
   b. Surface Parking and/or Garage Parking shall only be permitted as a Primary Use on a Zone Lot if the spaces are provided as shared vehicle parking according to this subsection.

C. Shared Amount Allowed

The Zoning Administrator shall determine the total amount of parking allowed to be shared based upon the shared parking analysis.
D. Process for Review and Approval
Requests for shared parking shall be processed according to Section 12.4.3, Site Development Plan Review. In addition to the requirements for a Site Development Plan, requests for shared parking shall comply with this Section’s standards and criteria.

E. Shared Parking Analysis Required
A parking analysis shall be submitted as part of the Site Development Plan application which clearly establishes that the subject uses will use the shared parking spaces at different times of the day, week, month, or year. The analysis shall reference a shared parking study prepared by a Qualified Professional. A shared parking study shall, at a minimum, address:

1. The intensity and type of activities and the composition of uses;
2. Hours of operation of the uses;
3. The rate of turnover for proposed shared spaces;
4. Distances of shared parking spaces from the uses they serve; and
5. The anticipated peak parking and traffic loads for the site.
6. Parking spaces reserved for a specific tenant or dwelling unit shall not be included in the shared parking calculation.
7. In areas subject to minimum parking requirements, if the shared parking spaces are located on a different zone lot than the primary use(s) served, such off-site spaces shall be located within a walking distance no greater than 1,500 feet from the use served. This provision shall not apply in areas where only maximum parking standards apply.
   a. “Walking distance” shall be measured from the primary entrance of the primary use served along a connection that meets ADA requirements.
   b. The Zoning Administrator may increase the allowed distance or waive the standard entirely when there is a shared parking entity and support in the shared parking analysis.
8. In areas subject to maximum parking requirements, when multiple off-site Primary Uses are included, the number of shared spaces shall be specified for each off-site Primary Use contributing to the maximum parking allowed.

F. Withdrawal from Participation in Plans or Programs
1. Upon application to the Zoning Administrator, the owners of the properties and land uses participating in a special parking arrangement authorized by this Section 10.4.5.4 may withdraw, either partially or completely, from any such arrangement or program, provided all uses, land, and structures remaining under such arrangement or program will comply with all conditions and limitations of the arrangement or program, and all primary uses, land and structures withdrawn from such arrangement or program can comply with this Division and the applicable zone district parking requirements. The Zoning Administrator shall keep the special parking arrangement/program withdrawal among its records and record the withdrawal in the Denver County real property records.
2. The Zoning Administrator may allow withdrawal from a special parking arrangement authorized by this Section 10.4.5.4 to result in a permanent deficiency of the required amount of parking spaces that was otherwise allowed as part of the special parking arrangement if the owner(s) demonstrates that best efforts, as determined by the Zoning Administrator, were made to maintain and continue the authorized special parking arrangement.
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<td>Public Use High</td>
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<td>Public Use Low</td>
<td>No Requirement</td>
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SECTION 10.5.3 TREE PRESERVATION - RESIDENTIAL ZONE DISTRICTS

10.5.3.1 Applicability - Preservation of Established Trees in Residential Primary and Side Street Setbacks
As a condition of any permit to demolish or construct any building containing a single unit dwelling, two-unit dwelling, or multi-unit dwelling in a Residential Zone District, the owner of the zone lot shall be required to preserve any established tree not otherwise diseased or decayed within the primary and side street setback areas of the zone lot.

10.5.3.2 Preservation Measures Required
In order to protect an established tree from damage or destruction and to enhance the tree’s chance of survival after construction activities on the zone lot are completed, the owner shall take and maintain throughout the course of demolition or construction the following measures:

A. Erect and maintain temporary fencing surrounding the area beneath the tree in order to mitigate the chance of impact injuries to the tree during demolition or construction;
B. Refrain from operating construction equipment or storing construction materials beneath the canopy of the tree or engaging in other activities that would cause the undue compaction of the soil in the tree’s root zone; and
C. Refrain from any excavation beneath the canopy of the tree that would cause undue destruction of the tree’s roots.

10.5.3.3 Permit for Tree Removal
The owner may be relieved from the requirements of this Section only upon obtaining a permit for tree removal from the City Forester according to the provisions of Sections 57-20(b) and 57-25 of the D.R.M.C.

10.5.3.4 Definition of “Established Tree”
See Article 13, Rules of Measurement and Definitions, for the definition of “established tree.”

SECTION 10.5.4 LANDSCAPING STANDARDS

10.5.4.1 Applicability and Exceptions

A. Applicability

1. This Section 10.5.4 shall apply to development in all zone districts, except residential development in all SU or TU zone districts.
2. Whenever the area of an existing surface parking lot is expanded or when a new area is constructed, the entire Off-Street Parking Area shall be landscaped according to this Section 10.5.4.
3. For Surface Parking as a Primary Use in the D-LD, D-CV, D-C, D-TD, D-GT and D-AS zone districts, Section 8.910.3, Surface Parking Lot Landscaping, shall apply rather than this Section 10.5.4.
5. See the City of Denver Streetscape Design Manual for additional provisions.

B. Exceptions

1. Process for Exception Requests
All requests for exceptions from the general site and surface parking landscaping requirements shall be reviewed according to Section 12.4.5, Administrative Adjustments.
10.5.4.4 Perimeter Surface Parking Lot Landscaping Standards

A. Applicability
Section 10.5.4.1, Applicability and Exceptions, shall apply.

B. Perimeter Surface Parking Lot Landscaping Standards Abutting Street Right-of-Way

1. Standards

   a. To the maximum extent feasible, on-site drainage required for a zone lot shall be integrated into the perimeter planting strip.

   b. Alternatives to required landscape, fence and wall materials may be allowed to better match primary building materials used on the site according to Section 12.4.5, Administrative Adjustment.

   c. The following shall be provided within zone lot boundaries between the boundary of any surface parking lot and street rights-of-way (except as noted):

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<th>CONTEXT AND/OR DISTRICT</th>
<th>PERIMETER PLANTING STRIP REQUIRED</th>
<th>PLANTINGS REQUIRED WITHIN THE PERIMETER PLANTING STRIP</th>
<th>GARDEN WALL REQUIRED</th>
<th>GARDEN WALL HEIGHT</th>
<th>GARDEN WALL MATERIALS</th>
<th>PEDESTRIAN ACCESS REQUIRED</th>
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<tr>
<td>Suburban Neighborhood Context I-A and I-B Zone Districts I-MX Zone Districts with Industrial Building Form (See Figure 10.5-4)</td>
<td>Yes, minimum width of 10’</td>
<td>1 deciduous canopy tree for every 25’ of linear frontage. Spacing of trees may vary, the maximum spacing is 40’.</td>
<td>No; however may reduce perimeter planting strip width to 5’ if provide a garden wall</td>
<td>Min 30 inches; Max 42 inches</td>
<td>Masonry or Ornamental fence with masonry piers spaced not more than 25’</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td>Urban Edge, Urban, General Urban Neighborhood Contexts Campus Master Planned Contexts I-MX Zone Districts with General Building Form (See Figure 10.5-5)</td>
<td>Yes, minimum width of 5’</td>
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<td>Urban Center Neighborhood Context (See Figure 10.5-6)</td>
<td>Not Required</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td>Downtown Neighborhood Context D-AS-12+, D-AS-20+, D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C Districts only (See Figure 10.5-5)</td>
<td>Yes, minimum width of 8’ (may be located in street right-of-way)</td>
<td>1 deciduous canopy tree for every 25’ of linear frontage. Spacing of trees may vary, the maximum spacing is 40’.</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Min 30 inches; Max 42 inches</td>
<td>Yes; Min. 3’ wide access at max. of 80’ intervals along all public street and alley frontages of the parking lot</td>
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See Section 8.910.3 in Article 8.
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The applicant shall pay the fee for review of a comprehensive sign plan for large facilities at the same time the application is submitted.

SECTION 10.10.4 SIGN AREA / VOLUME MEASUREMENT

10.10.4.1 General
The area of a sign shall be measured in conformance with the regulations according to this Section, provided that the structure or bracing of a sign shall be omitted from measurement, unless such structure or bracing is made part of the message or face of the sign. Where a sign has 2 or more display faces, the area of all faces shall be included in determining the area of the sign unless the display faces join back to back, are parallel to each other and not more than 48 inches apart, or form a V type angle of less than 90 degrees. See special rules for measuring the volume/area of projecting signs below.

10.10.4.2 Sign With Backing
The area of all signs with backing or a background material or otherwise, that is part of the overall sign display shall be measured by determining the sum of the areas of each square, rectangle, triangle, portion of a circle or any combination thereof which creates the smallest single continuous perimeter enclosing the extreme limits of the display surface or face of the sign including all frames, backing, face plates, non structural trim or other component parts not otherwise used for support. See special rules for measuring the volume/area of projecting signs below.

10.10.4.3 Signs Without Backing
The area of all signs without backing or a background, material or otherwise, that is part of the overall sign display shall be measured by determining the sum of the area of each square, rectangle, triangle, portion of a circle or any combination thereof which creates the smallest single continuous perimeter enclosing the extreme limits of each word, written representation (including any series of letters), emblems or figures of similar character including all frames, face plates, non structural trim or other component parts not otherwise used for support. See special rules for measuring the volume/area of projecting signs below.
10.10.12.4 Joint Identification Signs

Subject to the conditions hereinafter set forth and upon application to and issuance of a zoning permit therefore, joint identification signs are permitted for three or more uses by right on the same zone lot as the sign, excluding parking. The following joint identification signs are in addition to all other signs:

A. Permitted sign types: Wall and ground.

B. Permitted maximum number: 1 sign for each front line of the zone lot.

C. Permitted area: The greater number of the following:
   1. 100 square feet; or
   2. 1 square foot of sign area for each 2 linear feet of street frontage of the zone lot; provided, however, that the total area of all signs on the zone lot shall not exceed 200 square feet.

D. Permitted maximum height above grade: 25 feet.

E. Permitted location: Shall be set in at least 5 feet from every boundary line of the zone lot.

F. Permitted illumination: May be illuminated and all direct illumination shall not exceed 25 watts per bulb.

G. Prohibited: Flashing signs are prohibited and animated signs are prohibited.

SECTION 10.10.13 DOWNTOWN ZONE DISTRICTS SIGN STANDARDS

10.10.13.1 General

A. Signs may be erected, altered and maintained only for and by a use by right in the district in which the signs are located; shall be located on the same zone lot as the use by right and shall be clearly incidental, customary and commonly associated with the operation of the use by right.

B. Provided, however, that off-site advertising devices may be allowed in the D-TD district pursuant to a district sign plan according to Section 10.10.14.

C. The sign standards contained within this Section apply to the following zone districts: D-LD; D-CV; D-GT; D-AS; D-AS-12+; D-AS-20+; D-CPV-T; D-CPV-R; D-CPV-C; D-C; and D-TD.

10.10.13.2 Permanent Signs

Permanent signs shall comply with the following standards:

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<th>D-LD; D-CV; D-GT; D-AS; D-AS-12+; D-AS-20+; D-CPV-T; D-CPV-R; D-CPV-C</th>
<th>D-C; D-TD</th>
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<td><strong>Contents</strong></td>
<td>Identification by letter, numeral, symbol or design of the use by right by name, use, hours of operation, services and products offered, events and prices of products and services; and/or any sign or signs that do not come within the definition of off-site commercial sign.</td>
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<td><strong>Sign Types</strong></td>
<td>Wall, window, ground and arcade.</td>
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<td><strong>Maximum Number</strong></td>
<td>Each use may have the greater number of the following: 5 signs; or 3 signs for each front line of the zone lot on which the use by right or conditional use is located.</td>
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<th>Maximum Sign Area</th>
<th>Dwelling, Multiple Unit: One square foot of sign area for each dwelling unit in a multiple unit dwelling; not, however, to exceed 192 square feet of total sign area for any use and not more than 64 square feet of sign area to be applied to any 1 street frontage. Hospitals: 2 square feet of sign area for each 5 linear feet of street frontage of the zone lot not, however, to exceed 96 square feet of sign area to be applied to any 1 street front and not more than 2 street fronts, 1 contiguous with the other, shall be used. University or College: The following regulations shall apply to the campus. 2 square feet of sign area for each 5 linear feet of street frontage of the zone lot; provided, however, that: The total area of all signs along any 1 street front shall not exceed 150 square feet of sign area; and no sign over 50 square feet shall be located within 100’ of the zone lot line or campus boundary. All Others: 80 square feet, or the total permitted sign area for each use by right shall be determined by one of the following provisions; provided, however, that no sign shall exceed 200 square feet in area nor shall the total sign area of any use exceed 600 square feet: • For a zone lot having but 1 use by right. 1.5 square feet of sign area for each linear foot of front line of the zone lot for the first 100’ of the front line and 1 square foot of sign area for each linear foot of zone lot front line thereafter; provided, however, in computing the area of such signs, the measurements of not more than 2 front lines, 1 contiguous with the other, shall be used. • For a zone lot having 2 or more uses by right. For each use by right 2.5 square feet of sign area for each horizontal linear foot of that portion of building frontage occupied by the use by right, for the first 100’ of building frontage, then .5 square foot of sign area for each horizontal linear foot of building frontage thereafter.</th>
<th>Ground level uses by right with street frontage: Sign area shall be based on 1 or the other of the following provisions provided, however, that the total sign area of any use by right shall not exceed 600 square feet and the sign area permitted by this Section shall not be combined with the sign area permitted by any other Section of this chapter. Zone lot with 1 use by right: 2 square feet of sign area for each linear foot of the front line of the zone lot. All measurements shall be applied to each street front separately. Zone lot with more than 1 use by right: 4 square feet of sign area for each linear foot of that portion of the building frontage occupied by a ground level use by right. The resulting sign area is to be applied only to that portion of the building occupied by the use by right and all measurements shall be applied to each street front separately. Uses by right other than ground level uses by right with street frontage: 1 square foot of sign area for each foot of the front line of the zone lot on which the building is located or 3 percent of the exterior wall surface of the building whichever is greater. All measurements shall be applied to each building front separately.</th>
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<td>Maximum Height Above Grade</td>
<td>Wall and window signs: The roof line of the building to which the sign is attached. Ground and arcade signs: 32’.</td>
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<td>Location</td>
<td>Shall be set back at least 5’ from every boundary line of the zone lot in districts requiring a setback for structures; otherwise need not be set back from the boundary lines of the zone lot. Wall signs may project into the required setback space the permitted depth of the sign. In districts not requiring a building setback, wall signs attached to walls which are adjacent to a street right-of-way line may project into the right-of-way in accordance with D.R.M.C. Section 49-436. In no case shall there be more than 5 signs applied to any street front.</td>
<td>No setback is required from any boundary line of the zone lot. Wall signs attached to walls which are adjacent to a street right-of-way line may project into the right-of-way in accordance with D.R.M.C. Section 49-436.</td>
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<td>Illumination</td>
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<td>Animation</td>
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10.10.13.3 Temporary Signs
Subject to the conditions hereinafter set forth and upon application to and issuance of a zoning permit therefore, signs identifying or advertising new construction, remodeling, rebuilding, development, sale, lease or rental of either a use by right or a designated land area; each such permit shall be valid for a period of not more than twelve (12) calendar months and shall not be renewed for more than 1 successive period at the same location.

A. Permitted sign types: Wall, window or ground.

B. Permitted maximum number: 2 signs for each front line of the zone lot or designated land area on which the signs are located.

C. Permitted sign area:
   1. D-C and D-TD: 64 square feet for each front line of the zone lot or designated land area on which the signs are located. Computations shall be made and sign area shall be applied to each front line separately.
   2. D-LD, D-CV, D-GT, D-AS, D-AS-12+, and D-AS-20+, D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C: 64 square feet for each front line of the zone lot or designated land area on which located, but not more than 32 square feet per sign.

D. Permitted maximum height above grade:
   1. D-C and D-TD: 20 feet.

E. Permitted location: No limitation.

F. Permitted illumination:
   1. D-C and D-TD: May be illuminated but only from a concealed light source.
   2. D-LD, D-CV, D-GT, D-AS, D-AS-12+, and D-AS-20+, D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C: May be illuminated but only from a concealed light source; and shall not remain illuminated between the hours of 11:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

G. Prohibited: Flashing signs are prohibited and animated signs are prohibited.

10.10.13.4 Joint Identification Signs for D-LD; D-CV; D-GT; D-AS; D-AS-12+, and D-AS-20+, D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C
Subject to the conditions hereinafter set forth and upon application to and issuance of a zoning permit therefore, joint identification signs are permitted for three or more uses by right on the same zone lot as the sign, excluding parking. The following joint identification signs are in addition to all other signs:

A. Permitted sign types: Wall and ground.

B. Permitted maximum number: 1 sign for each front line of the zone lot.

C. Permitted area: The greater number of the following:
   1. 100 square feet; or
   2. 1 square foot of sign area for each 2 linear feet of street frontage of the zone lot; provided, however, that the total area of all signs on the zone lot shall not exceed 200 square feet.

D. Permitted maximum height above grade: 25 feet.

E. Permitted location: Shall be set in at least 5 feet from every boundary line of the zone lot.
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10.10.16.1 General
The provisions of this Section 10.10.16 shall apply to the D-C, D-TD, D-LD, D-CV, D-AS, D-AS-12+, AND D-AS-20+, D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C districts. The other provisions of this Division 10.10 (Signs) shall remain in full force and effect in the D-C, D-TD, D-LD, D-AS, D-AS-12+, AND D-AS-20+, D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C districts, and there is no requirement that proposed signs be submitted for approval pursuant to this Section. However, an application for a sign may be submitted pursuant to the provisions of this Section in which case this Section will be applicable with respect to the issuance of the sign permit.

10.10.16.2 Purpose
The purpose of this Section is to create the policy for a comprehensive and balanced system of signs and street graphics to facilitate the enhancement and improvement of the D-C, D-TD, D-LD, D-AS, D-AS-12+, AND D-AS-20+, D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C districts through the encouragement of urban, innovative signs and street graphics which will aid in the creation of a unique downtown shopping and commercial area, facilitate an easy and pleasant communication between people and their environment and avoid the visual clutter that is potentially harmful to traffic and pedestrian safety, property values, business opportunities, and community appearance. To accomplish these purposes, it is the intent of this Section to encourage and to authorize the use of signs and street graphics which are:

A. Compatible with and an enhancement of the character of the surrounding district and adjacent architecture when considered in terms of scale, color, materials, lighting levels, and adjoining uses.

B. Compatible with and an enhancement of the architectural characteristics of the buildings on which they appear when considered in terms of scale, proportion, color, materials and lighting levels.

C. Appropriate to and expressive of the business or activity for which they are displayed.

D. Creative in the use of unique 2 and 3 dimensional form, profile, and iconographic representation; employ exceptional lighting design and represent exceptional graphic design, including
E. Of high quality, durable materials appropriate to an urban setting.

10.10.16.3 Permitted Maximum Sign Area

The other provisions of this Division 10.10 (Signs) pertaining to the D-C, D-TD, D-LD, D-AS, D-AS-12+, and D-AS-20+, D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C districts are applicable, and the sign area allowable under this Section shall be deducted from the permitted maximum sign area. A cubic foot of sign or graphic volume is considered to be equivalent to a square foot of sign area.

10.10.16.4 Projecting Graphics Permitted

A projecting graphic is a sign or street graphic attached to and projecting from the wall of a building and not in the same plane as the wall.

A. The following limitations apply to projecting graphics:

1. Each use may display 1 projecting graphic adjacent to every street upon which the use has frontage, provided that the approval of the manager of public works has been given pursuant to the provisions of Section 49-436 of the Revised Municipal Code.

2. Projecting graphics must clear sidewalks by at least 8 feet in height and may project no more than 7 feet out from a building.

3. Projecting graphics shall be mounted no less than 6 inches and no more than 1 foot away from the building wall or the furthest projecting elements (belt courses, sills, etc.) which are adjacent to it on the building facade.

4. Allocation of allowable sign volume. For uses that are located at the Street Level and have entries with direct access to a public sidewalk, court or plaza the allowable projecting sign volume will be allocated on the following basis:

   a. Uses that occupy up to 49 linear feet of building frontage may have up to 30 cubic feet of projecting sign volume. However, to avoid crowding of signage types, uses that occupy less than 30 linear feet of exterior building frontage will be limited to utilizing either a projecting sign as allowed under these regulations, or any other non projecting sign types as currently allowed.

   b. Uses that occupy between 50 and 74 linear feet of building frontage may have up to 64 cubic feet of projecting sign volume.

   c. Uses that occupy 75 linear feet or more of building frontage may have up to 96 cubic feet of projecting sign volume.

   d. Uses occupying corner locations may base the maximum allowable volume of their signage on the length of the 1 actual building frontage on which it is placed.

5. The calculation of sign volume. The volume of a projecting sign will be calculated as the volume within a rectilinear form that could be constructed to enclose the primary form of the sign. Minor sign elements may project beyond the primary boundaries of this volume at the discretion of the review committee. Minor elements will be defined as those parts of the sign which add to the design quality without adding significantly to the perceived volume and mass of the sign. No dimension (height, width or depth) shall be considered to be less than 1 feet-0 inches for the purposes of calculating sign volume.

6. Multiple projecting signs. The total sign volume allowed for a single use may be broken into multiple projecting signs, not to exceed 1 per 25 linear feet of the actual building frontage adjacent to a public walk, court or plaza only at the discretion of the review committee based on the following criteria:

   a. Multiple signs significantly enhance the creative impact of the signage concept.
a. The appropriateness of flashing signs, where otherwise allowed, will be based on the character and uses of the face block, existing uses within the building and the surrounding vicinity, and the protection of public safety.

b. Use of flashing signs shall be limited to entertainment uses such as, by way of example and not by way of limitation, theaters, movie houses, restaurants, and cabarets, and is limited to the times the business is open.

3. Fully illuminated plastic sign boxes with internal light sources will not be allowed.

10.10.16.5 **Design Review Committee**

There is hereby created a separate Design Review Committee for each of the D-C, D-TD, D-LD, D-AS, D-AS-12+, D-AS-20+, D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C districts, which shall be composed and comprised as hereinafter set forth, and which shall have the powers and authorities described herein.

A. Within the D-C, D-TD, D-AS, D-AS-12+, D-AS-20+, D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C zone districts, when signage is proposed on a zone lot with landmark designation or located in a landmark district, the Denver Landmark Preservation Commission shall be the Design Review Committee.

B. Within the D-C and D-TD districts, except as provided by Section 10.10.16.5.A above, the Design Review Committee shall be comprised of 7 members as follows:

1. 1 property owner, who owns property in the D-C or D-TD district;
2. 2 business operators, who operate businesses in the D-C or D-TD district;
3. 1 member of Downtown Denver, Inc., nominated by Downtown Denver, Inc.;
4. 2 design professionals;
5. 1 resident of Denver, with preference given to a resident of the D-C or D-TD district; and
6. The Manager, or his designee, who shall serve as an ex officio member.

Members of the D-C and D-TD Design Review Committee shall be nominated by downtown businesses, residents and property owners in the D-C and D-TD districts and shall be appointed by the mayor. The term of membership on the Design Review Committee is 3 years with initial appointments being of 3 appointees for 1 year terms, 2 appointees for 2 year terms and 2 appointees for 3 year terms.

C. Within the D-LD district, the Lower Downtown Design Review Board shall comprise the Design Review Committee.

D. Within the D-AS, D-AS-12+, D-AS-20+, D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C districts, except as provided by Section 10.10.16.5.A above, the planning office staff shall act as the Design Review Committee.

E. Each Design Review Committee shall meet monthly or within 14 calendar days of a special request.

F. Authority is hereby expressly granted to the applicable Design Review Committee to review and recommend approval to the Zoning Administrator of applications for signs and street graphics in the applicable district pursuant to the provisions of this Section.

10.10.16.6 **Design Review**

Applications for sign permits submitted for approval pursuant to the provisions of this Section shall be forwarded to the applicable Design Review Committee by the department of zoning administration. The applicable Design Review Committee shall prepare a recommendation and submit it to the
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Division 11.4 Commercial Sales, Service and Repair Primary Use Limitations

CPV-C Zone Districts
In all C-CCN, and D-AS-12+, and D-AS-20+, D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C zone districts, where permitted with limitations, the following limitations shall apply and control in case of any conflict with the more general limitations in Section 11.4.1.9.4:

A. Intent
Improve the pedestrian experience in important mixed-use districts through Street Level active uses. While Automobile Services uses provide a desirable neighborhood service, such uses do not invite the high-intensity customer, visitor, and resident interactions throughout the day and night that substantially contribute to the activation, economic vitality, and safety of vibrant mixed-use neighborhoods. Street Level area set aside in buildings for non-Automobile Services uses according to this limitation is intended to be adequately configured and dimensioned to support the feasible use of such space for Street Level active uses.

B. Limitations
1. Permitted Automobile Services uses are limited to routine maintenance and minor repair of automobiles, which may include greasing, tire repair, wheel alignment, brake repair, muffler replacement, engine tune-up, flushing of radiators, servicing of air conditioners, and other similar minor repair and servicing activities.

2. All Automobile Services uses shall be operated in a completely enclosed structure with no outdoor displays, sales, or storage.

See also C-CCN zone district use limitations related to Street Level Household Living uses in Section 11.2.5, C-CCN zone district supplemental design standards in Section 7.3.5.1 related to permitted Street Level active uses in structures or buildings containing parking spaces, and Street Level active use requirements for the D-AS-12+ and D-AS-20+ zone districts in Section 8.8.5.1, and Street Level active use and Street Level active non-residential use requirements for the D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C zone districts in Sections 8.9.5.1 and 8.9.5.2.

3. Accessory fuel sales, including the sale of compressed natural gas or liquefied petroleum, are prohibited, except accessory electric charging of vehicles shall be permitted.

4. Accessory trailer rental is prohibited.

5. Washing, cleaning, and/or waxing of automobiles by hand or with manually or automatically operated equipment is permitted only as accessory to the primary Automobile Services use, and shall be located in the same building as the primary Automobile Services use.

6. In the C-CCN zone districts, when located in a building that abuts one or more named or numbered public streets, Automobile Services uses may be located:
   a. On any story above or below the Street Level, and/or
   b. On the Street Level, but only if 100% of the building’s street frontage(s) is occupied by one or more primary uses other than the Automobile Services use. Internal pedestrian-only access to the Automobile Services use from the primary street side(s) of the building is permitted (e.g., a pedestrian lobby or waiting area), and such area may be credited toward compliance with the 100% Street Level use frontage requirement.

11.4.17.4 All Zone Districts
In all zone districts, where permitted with limitations:

A. Outdoor public address or loudspeaker systems are prohibited.
11.5.23.3 All I-A and I-B Zone Districts
In all I-A and I-B zone districts, where the Zone Lot is located within 1/4 mile of a Rail Transit Station Platform, and where permitted with limitations, a Mini-Storage Facility use shall not have individual entrances to storage units from the exterior of the structure.

SECTION 11.5.24 VEHICLE STORAGE, COMMERCIAL

11.5.24.1 All Downtown Neighborhood Context Districts
In all Downtown Neighborhood Context zone districts, where permitted with limitations:

A. Vehicle Storage is limited to enclosed garage storage for commercial and public utility vehicles only.

B. Commercial storage of automobiles and light trucks, vans and sport utility vehicles limited to a capacity of not more than one-and-one-half tons shall be reviewed according to Section 12.4.9, Zoning Permit with Special Exception Review.

11.5.24.2 I-A, I-B Zone Districts
In I-A, I-B zone districts, where permitted with limitations:

A. The Vehicle Storage use shall be located at least 500 feet from a Residential Zone District.

B. This requirement may be reduced or eliminated by the Zoning Administrator if the applicant proves by a preponderance of the evidence that the proposed use, site design, its traffic generation, and other external effects indicates a smaller separation will have no significant effect on the nearby Residential Zone District.

11.5.24.3 All CC Zone Districts
In all CC zone districts, where permitted with limitations, Vehicle Storage, Commercial shall be limited to the assembling or standing of operable vehicles having a capacity of not more than one and one-half tons.

SECTION 11.5.25 WHOLESALE TRADE OR STORAGE, GENERAL

11.5.25.1 I-MX, I-A, I-B Zone Districts
In the I-MX, I-A, I-B zone districts, where permitted with limitations, all Wholesale Trade or Storage, General uses shall be located a minimum of 500 feet from a Residential Zone District.

SECTION 11.5.26 WHOLESALE TRADE OR STORAGE, LIGHT

11.5.26.1 All CC, MX, MS, CMP, and D-AS-12+, and D-AS-20+, D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C Zone Districts
In all CC, MX, MS, CMP, and D-AS-12+, and D-AS-20+, D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C zone districts, where permitted with limitations:

A. A Wholesale Trade or Storage, Light use proposed on a zone lot greater than 25,000 square feet or is proposed to operate between 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. shall be reviewed according to Section 12.4.9, Zoning Permit with Special Exception Review.

B. A Wholesale Trade or Storage, Light use proposed on zone lots fronting 56th Avenue, Tower Road, or Pena Boulevard, or within 300 feet of any boundary with any portion of Adams County other than the Rocky Mountain Arsenal, shall be reviewed according to Section 12.4.2, Zoning Permit Review with Informational Notice, in order to permit review and comment by adjacent jurisdictions.
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12.2.7.2 Review Authority

A. Within the C-CCN zone districts, the Cherry Creek North Design Advisory Board shall review and make recommendations to the Development Review Committee or the Zoning Administrator as specified in adopted rules and regulations, as may be amended from time to time.

SECTION 12.2.8 DOWNTOWN ARAPAHOE SQUARE DESIGN ADVISORY BOARD

12.2.8.1 Creation

A. The Downtown Arapahoe Square Design Advisory Board shall consist of seven members appointed by the Mayor. The seven members shall include individuals from the following categories: four design professionals, including architects, landscape architects, and urban designers, at least one of whom shall be a landscape architect; one owner of property in the Arapahoe Square downtown area; one resident or community representative of the downtown area (including the Ballpark, Curtis Park and Enterprise Hill areas, as well as other nearby parts of the Five Points, Central Business District and Union Station statistical neighborhoods); and one representative of the development/construction industry, including but not limited to engineers, contractors, and developers. All board members must be residents of Denver.

B. The members of the board shall be appointed by the Mayor for terms of three years and shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor. Terms of office shall be staggered by making the appointments so that approximately one-third of the members’ terms expire each year. Vacancies shall be filled by the mayor within 30 days from the date on which the vacancy occurs.

12.2.8.2 Board Meetings

A. All meetings of the Downtown Arapahoe Square Design Advisory Board shall be open to the public and allow opportunity for public comment.

12.2.8.3 Review Authority

A. The Downtown Arapahoe Square Design Advisory Board shall review and make recommendations to the Development Review Committee or Zoning Administrator for all projects submitted for review within the Downtown Arapahoe Square 12+ (D-AS-12+), Downtown Arapahoe Square 20+ (D-AS-20+), Downtown Central Platte Valley – Auraria Transition (D-CPV-T), Downtown Central Platte Valley – Auraria River (D-CPV-R), and Downtown Central Platte Valley – Auraria Center (D-CPV-C) zone districts, as specified in adopted rules and regulations, which may be amended from time to time. The Zoning Administrator shall conduct all review and approval of projects submitted before April 1, 2019.

Review Note:
The Arapahoe Square Design Advisory Board will be replaced (not simply renamed) by the new Downtown Design Advisory Board that will have review authority over D-CPV-T/R/C and D-AS-12+/20+ zone districts. Existing members of the Arapahoe Square Design Advisory Board will be eligible as candidates for the new Board.
ARTICLE 13. RULES OF MEASUREMENT & DEFINITIONS
One-tenth of 1 foot = 0.10

For a 75-foot width threshold at issue, 25 feet goes into 75 feet 3 times (75 divided by 25 = 3)

\(0.1 \times 3 = 0.30\)

75 feet minus 0.30 feet = 74.7 feet, which is the minimum endpoint of a survey measurement that will get applied as equivalent to 75 feet.

75 feet plus 0.30 feet = 75.3 feet, which is the maximum endpoint of a survey measurement that will get applied as equivalent to 75 feet.

13.1.5.2 Determination of Primary Street Zone Lot Line, Side Street Zone Lot Line, Side Interior Zone Lot Line, and Rear Zone Lot Line for All Zone Districts EXCEPT CC, MX, MS, C-CCN, D-AS-12+, and D-AS-20+, D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C Zone Districts

A. General Provisions

1. Intent
   To provide a reference of measurement for standards related to form and building placement (e.g. Build-to, Setback).

2. General Requirements
   a. A primary street zone lot line or a side street zone lot line may abut a zone lot line abutting a private street if approved by the Zoning Administrator.
   b. Once designated for a zone lot, zone lot line designations cannot be changed after development (e.g., a primary street cannot, for purposes of subsequent development, be re-designated a side street) unless all requirements of the zone district can be met.

3. Criteria for Zoning Administrator Determinations
   a. Where identified in the following sections, the Zoning Administrator shall designate a zone lot’s Primary Street, Side Street, Side Interior and Rear Zone Lot Lines, based on an analysis, at a minimum, of:
      i. The prevailing building orientation and setback patterns of buildings located on the same face block(s) as the subject zone lot;
      ii. Block and lot shape;
      iii. The functional street classification of all abutting streets as adopted by the Public Works Department;
      iv. The future street classification of all abutting streets as adopted in Blueprint Denver;
      v. Guidance provided in any applicable General Development Plan or regulating neighborhood plan, such as designation of pedestrian priority streets in such plan; and
      vi. In a Campus zone district, guidance provided in any applicable Campus Master Plan or similar document formally adopted by the primary campus user (e.g., a university or college) to guide land development within the campus, such as designation of pedestrian priority streets in such plan.

   b. The Zoning Administrator shall have authority to designate a Zone Lot’s Primary Street Zone Lot Line(s) contrary to the results in Section 13.1.5.2 when:
      i. The Zone Lot contains a Historic Structure, and
      ii. The Zone Lot is located within a Residential Zone District, and
13.1.5.5 Determination of Primary Street, Side Interior, and Rear Zone Lot Lines for all C-CCN, D-AS-12+, and D-AS-20+, D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C Zone Districts

A. Intent
To provide a reference of measurement for standards related to form, building placement, and design elements (e.g. Build-to, Setbacks, Transparency) in Cherry Creek North (C-CCN), Downtown Arapahoe Square 12+ (D-AS-12+), and Downtown Arapahoe Square 20+ (D-AS-20+), Downtown Central Platte Valley - Auraria Transition (D-CPV-T), Downtown Central Platte Valley - Auraria River (D-CPV-R), and Downtown Central Platte Valley - Auraria Center (D-CPV-C) zone districts.

B. General Requirements
1. Each Zone Lot Line shall have a designation of Primary Street, Side Interior or Rear.

C. Criteria for Zoning Administrator Determinations
The Zoning Administrator shall designate a zone lot’s Side Interior and Rear Zone Lot Lines, as applicable, based on an analysis of:

1. Guidance provided in any applicable General Development Plan, regulating plan, and/or Urban Design Standards and Guidelines.

2. If criterion C.1 does not apply, then the following criteria shall be used:
   a. The prevailing building orientation and setback patterns of buildings located on the same face block(s) as the subject zone lot; and
   b. Block and lot shape.
D. Determining Zone Lot Lines

1. All Zone Lots - Primary Street Zone Lot Lines
   a. The Zoning Administrator shall designate all Zone Lot Lines abutting a street to be Primary Street zone lot lines.
   b. In D-CPV-R zone districts only, any Zone Lot Line that abuts, and is roughly parallel to, the South Platte River, or a street that is adjacent to the South Platte River shall be designated as a Primary Street Zone Lot Line.
   c. In D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C zone districts only, any Zone Lot Line that abuts a Public Park shall be designated as a Primary Street Zone Lot Line.

2. Interior Zone Lots
   For interior zone lots in all C-CCN, D-AS-12+, D-AS-20+, D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C zone districts:
   a. The Primary Street Zone Lot Line shall be the Zone Lot Line abutting the named or numbered street.
   b. The Rear Zone Lot Line shall be the Zone Lot Line(s) opposite the Primary Street.
   c. The Side Interior Zone Lot Line shall be the remaining Zone Lot Lines.

See Figure 13.1-54.
3. **Corner Zone Lots, Double Frontage Zone Lots, and Zone Lots with Frontage on 3 or More Streets/Full Block**

For all corner zone lots, double frontage zone lots, and zone lots with frontage on 3 or more streets or a full block in all C-CCN, D-AS-12+, D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R, and D-CPV-C zone districts:

a. All Zone Lot Lines abutting a named or numbered street shall be Primary Street Zone Lot Lines.

b. The Zoning Administrator shall determine the Side Interior and Rear Zone Lot Lines, as applicable. See Figure 13.1-55

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**Figure 13.1-55**

- **P** - Primary Street
- **SI** - Side Interior
- **R** - Rear
- **ZA** - Zoning Administrator
13.1.5.6 Determination of Primary Street, Side Street, Side Interior, and Rear Zone Lot Lines in the DO-7 Overlay District

A. Intent
To provide a reference of measurement for standards related to form and building placement while promoting pedestrian-oriented frontages and an active riverfront experience with visual interest and variety in the DO-7 district.

B. General Requirements
The general requirements set forth for all CC, MX, and MS Zone Districts in Section 13.1.5.4.B General Requirements shall apply in addition to the requirements set forth in this Section 13.1.5.6.

C. Criteria for Zoning Administrator Determinations
For all Underlying Zone Districts, the Zoning Administrator shall designate a Zone Lot's Primary Street, Side Street, Side Interior and Rear Zone Lot Lines, as applicable, based on an analysis of the provisions set forth in Section 13.1.5.4.C Criteria for Zoning Administrator Determinations, except that:

1. In lieu of the provisions set forth in Section 13.1.5.4.C.2.a, the Zoning Administrator may designate more than one Primary Street Zone Lot Line in any Underlying Zone District where:
   a. Guidance provided in any applicable General Development Plan, regulating plan, and/or Urban Design Standards and Guidelines, such as designation of pedestrian priority streets in such plan, indicates the need for designation of multiple Primary Streets.
   b. The Blueprint Denver Street Classification of all Abutting streets, per the table in Section 13.1.5.4.C.2.b indicates Primary Street designation for more than one Abutting street.

2. The Zoning Administrator shall designate Zone Lot Lines that Abut named streets (such as Wynkoop and Larimer streets) as Primary Street Zone Lot Lines, except that:
   a. Any Zone Lot Line that is Adjacent to 35th Street shall also be designated as a Primary Street Zone Lot Line in addition to the named street.
   b. Where a corner Zone Lot Abuts more than one named street, the Zoning Administrator may elect to designate only one of the named streets as a Primary Street based on an analysis of the Blueprint Denver Street Classification of each named street.

3. Any Zone Lot Line that Abuts, and is roughly parallel to, the South Platte River, or a Street that is Adjacent to the South Platte River, shall be designated as a Primary Street Zone Lot Line. See Figure 13.1-56.

4. Any Zone Lot Line that Abuts a Public Park shall be designated as a Side Street Zone Lot Line.

D. Corner Zone Lot, Double Frontage Zone Lot, or Zone Lot with Frontage 3 or More Streets
In lieu of the provisions set forth in Sections 13.1.5.4.E-G, the Zoning Administrator shall designate a Zone Lot’s Primary Street, Side Street, Side Interior and Rear Zone Lot Lines, as applicable according to the criteria set forth in Section 13.1.5.6.C. See Figure 13.1-56.
13.1.5.8 Setbacks

A. Intent
   To provide adequate separation for privacy and access to sunlight.

B. Rules of Measurement
   Setbacks provide a minimum horizontal distance between a zone lot line and the location of uses and structures on a zone lot, measured as follows: See Figure 13.1-67

1. Primary and Side Street setbacks are measured perpendicular to the zone lot line at the edge of the right-of-way abutting a name or numbered street or an easement for public access Abutting the right-of-way of a named or numbered street.

2. Side Interior and Rear setbacks are measured perpendicular to the side interior or rear zone lot line abutting another zone lot, a public alley, or an easement for public access Abutting an Alley.

3. Where a Side Interior setback standard is stated as “min one side/min combined:”
   a. One side interior setback shall meet the standard meeting the “min one side” and the total of both side interior setbacks shall be equal to or greater than the standard of the “min combined.”
   b. If zone lot has only one Side Interior Zone Lot Line, the “min one side” standard shall apply.

4. Primary street and rear setbacks extend across the full width of the zone lot, overlapping with the side interior and side street setbacks as applicable.
   a. Where a minimum percentage of Zone Lot Width is specified for a Primary Street Setback, the minimum percentage of Zone Lot Width at the Primary Street Zone Lot Line specified in the building form table shall be required to meet the minimum Primary Street Setback.

5. Side interior and side street setbacks extend the full length of the side zone lot lines, overlapping with both the primary street and rear setbacks.

6. Side interior setbacks in the Town House building form for Dwelling Units Oriented to the Street shall apply only to the length of the side interior Zone Lot lines where a line extended perpendicular from the side interior Zone Lot line intersects any exterior building facade of a Side-by-Side Dwelling Unit Oriented to the Primary Street. See Figure 13.1-66

Figure 13.1-66
### Article 13. Rules of Measurement & Definitions

#### Division 13.1 Rules of Measurement

#### 13.1.5.14 Surface Parking Between Building and Primary Street/Side Street

**A. Rule of Measurement**

For the purposes of determining if an area is between a Building and a Primary Street/Side Street, extend a line perpendicular from the Primary or Side Street Zone Lot Line. If any portion of said line touches the Building Facade, then said line is between the Building and such Street. See Figure 13.1-73.

![Figure 13.1-73](image)

*Not to Scale. Illustrative Only.*

#### 13.1.5.15 Floor Area Ratio (FAR)

**A. Rule of Measurement - FAR**

Floor area ratio (FAR) is the ratio of gross floor area of a building to the area of the zone lot on which the building is located. For example, 43,560 square feet of building on one acre of land (43,560 sq. ft.) would equal a 1:1 floor area ratio. See Figure 13.1-74

**B. Calculation of Gross Floor Area**

For purposes of calculating FAR, “gross floor area” means the sum of the gross horizontal areas of the several floors of a building, including interior balconies and mezzanines, but excluding exterior balconies. All horizontal dimensions of each floor are to be measured by the exterior faces of walls of each such floor. The floor area of a building shall include the floor area of accessory buildings on the same zone lot, measured the same way. In computing gross floor area there shall be excluded the following exclusions shall apply:

1. Any floor area devoted to mechanical equipment serving the building, provided that the floor area of such use occupies not less than 75 percent of the floor area of the story in which such mechanical equipment is located.
2. Any floor area in a story in which the floor above is less than 6 feet above the finished grade for more than 50% of the total building perimeter.
3. Any floor area used exclusively as parking space for motor vehicles and/or bicycles. This exclusion shall not apply in the D-CPV-C zone district where any floor area used exclusively as parking space for vehicles and/or bicycles shall be included in the calculation of gross floor area.

4. Any floor area that serves as a pedestrian mall or public access way to shops and stores.

5. For purposes of calculating parking amounts, see rule provided in Article 10, Division 10.4 Parking and Loading.

Figure 13.1-74

SECTION 13.1.6 DESIGN ELEMENT FORM STANDARDS

The design element form standards of this Code are defined and measured as set forth below.

13.1.6.1 Building Configuration

A. Front or Side Wall Length / Overall Structure Length or Width

1. The length of the front or side wall of a structure, or the overall structure length, shall be measured parallel to the primary street, side street, or side interior zone lot line and includes the length of a Completely Enclosed structure plus the length of any portion of any attached Partially Enclosed structure(s), as shown in Figure 13.1-75 below.

2. The overall structure width includes the length of a Completely Enclosed structure plus the length of any portion of any attached Partially Enclosed structure(s) and shall be measured parallel to the primary street zone lot line or the side street/side interior zone lot line, whichever zone lot line is shorter.

3. The Zoning Administrator shall determine the zone lot line corresponding with the overall structure width in cases where the length of the primary street zone lot line and side street/side interior zone lot line are equal.
E. **Point Tower Floor Plate**

1. **Intent**
   To preserve sky exposure and encourage architectural variety by reducing the horizontal scale and ensuring appropriate spacing of the tower portion[s] of Standard Tower and Point Tower building forms.

2. **Applicability**
   Tower Floor Plate standards required by the building form table shall apply to all Structures built under the Standard Tower and Point Tower building forms.

3. **Rules of Measurement**
   a. **Tower Floor Plate Area**
      Point Tower Floor Plate Area shall be measured as the area of the Floor Plate of the largest Habitable Story located above the specified height in the building form table. See Figure 13.1-85
   b. **Tower Floor Plate Linear Dimension**
      Tower Floor Plate Linear Dimension shall be measured as the longest horizontal linear distance between two points on the exterior faces of exterior walls of any Story located above the specified height in the building form table. See Figure 13.1-85.
   c. **Tower Floor Plate Separation**
      Tower Floor Plate Separation shall be measured as the shortest horizontal linear distance between two or more separate Structures, including Exterior Balconies, regardless of Zone Lot, located above the specified height in the building form table. See Figure 13.1-85.

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**Figure 13.1-85**

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*Not to Scale. Illustrative Only.*
b. **Percentage of Zone Lot Width for a Limitation on Visible Parking Above Street Level**

At every story above the Street Level, exterior street-facing building walls within the minimum specified building form table percentage of Zone Lot Width specified in a building form table at the Primary Street Zone Lot Line shall be required to meet the Limitation on Visible Parking above Street Level. See Figure 13.1-92.

**Review Note:**
Revisions to rules of measurement for Limitation on Visible Parking Above Street Level clarify that every story must meet the limitation.

J. **Street-facing Courtyard Width and Depth**

1. The street-facing courtyard width shall be measured as the distance between the two closest edges of the exterior walls facing each other across the courtyard, shown as “A” in Figure 13.1-93.

2. The street-facing courtyard depth shall be measured as the horizontal distance between the primary street zone lot line and the closest facade of the exterior building wall facing the primary street, measured perpendicular to the zone lot line, shown as “B” in Figure 13.1-92.
Backhaul or Backhaul Network: The lines that connect a provider’s tower/cell sites to one or more cellular telephone switching offices, and/or long distance providers, or the public switched telephone network.

Balcony, Exterior: A projecting cantilevered platform on a building that is not supported on the ground by posts, columns, or similar supporting structural members. Generally, an exterior balcony is intended to be used for outdoor living, gardening, or other actively used outdoor space. An exterior balcony shall not include a landing abutting an entry to habitable space, provided such landing does not exceed the minimum required dimensions for a landing as defined in the Building Code.

Base Height: The maximum Building Height established in the Underlying Zone District, including any Building Height limits associated with proximity to a Protected District, to which Structures can be constructed without meeting the additional requirements set forth in the Underlying Zone District or an Incentive Overlay District.

Berm: A mound of earth, or the act of pushing earth into a mound, usually for the purpose of shielding or buffering uses, or to control the direction of water flow.

Billboard: See “Outdoor General Advertising Device”.

Block: A tract of land bounded by platted streets, public parks, cemeteries, railroad rights-of-way, shore lines, or corporate boundaries of the city.

Block, Square: A block with contiguous sides, where the difference in length between the sides of the block is no greater than 50 feet.

Block, Oblong: A block with contiguous long and short sides, where the long side of the block is 50 feet or more greater in length than the short side of the block.

Block Face: See definition of “Face Block.”

Breezeway: See definition of “Tunnel/Breezeway”.

Build-to: An alignment at the primary street or side street setback line of a zone lot, or within a range of setback from the zone lot line abutting a street, along which a street-facing, primary building wall must be built.

Building: Any covered structure intended for the shelter, housing or enclosure of any person, animal or chattel.

Building, Principal or Primary: A building in which is conducted the principal or primary use of the zone lot on which it is situated.

Building Form Standards: Standards applicable to the development of buildings and structures in this Code which, taken together, regulate building height (Building Height Standards), building siting (Siting Standards), building design elements (Design Element Standards), and the permitted use of buildings (Use Building Form Standards).

Building Front or Frontage: That exterior wall of a building facing a front line of the zone lot.

Building Height: The height of a building, measured in accordance with the Rules of Measurement (see Division 13.1 of this Article.)
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**Floor Area, Habitable:** The aggregate of the horizontal area of all rooms used for habitation, such as living room, dining room, kitchen, and bedroom(s), but not including hallways, stairways, cellars, service rooms, utility rooms, bathrooms, closets, unheated areas such as enclosed porches.

**Floor Area Ratio (FAR):** See the Rule of Measurement within this Article 13.

**Floor Plate:** The sum of the gross horizontal area of a single floor of a building structure, including interior and exterior balconies, but excluding exterior balconies; all horizontal floor dimensions are measured from the exterior faces of the exterior walls.


**Food:** Any raw, cooked or processed edible substance, ice, beverage, or ingredient used or intended for use or for sale in whole or in part for human consumption. For purposes of this Code, “Food” shall not include “Marijuana Concentrate” as defined in this Division 13.3.

**Footcandle (F.C.):** A unit of illuminance equivalent to one lumen per square foot.

**Former Chapter 59:** Chapter 59 of the Denver Revised Municipal Code as filed with the Denver City Clerk at City Clerk Filing No. 10-512-A on May 20, 2010. Former Chapter 59 remains in full force and effect for any land not re-zoned to zone districts in the Denver Zoning Code.

**Freeways:** Those streets designed to carry large volumes of through traffic at high speeds by restriction of abutting private property from rights of direct access by vehicles and pedestrians.

**Front Porch:** See “Porch, Front”.

**Frontage:** All of the zone lot fronting on one side of an intersecting or intercepting street, or between a street and right-of-way, end of dead-end street, waterway, or City boundary measured along the street line. An intercepting street shall determine only the boundary of the frontage on the side of the street that it intercepts.

**Full Cutoff Lighting Fixture:** A light fixture that has a light distribution pattern that results in no light being permitted at or above a horizontal plane located at the bottom of the luminaire.

**Fully Shielded Lighting Fixture:** A light fixture that provides internal or external shields and louvers that prevents light emitted by the light fixture from causing glare or light trespass.
Impervious Material: A surface that has been compacted or covered with a layer of materials that is highly resistant to infiltration by water. Impervious materials include, but are not limited to, surfaces such as compacted sand, lime rock, or clay; asphalt concrete, driveways, retaining walls, stairwells, stairways, walkways, decks and patios at grade level, and other similar structures.

Incentive Height: Additional Building Height permitted above the Base Height for development meeting the additional requirements set forth in the Underlying Zone District or an Incentive Overlay District.

Industrial Zone District: The Industrial A ("I-A") and the Industrial B ("I-B") Zone Districts, but not including the Industrial Mixed Use ("I-X" or "M-IMX") Zone Districts established by this Code.

Involuntary Demolition or Involuntarily Destruction: The destruction or demolition of a structure caused by natural forces (e.g., accidental fire; flood; tornado) and not by man-made forces.
Parapet Wall: That part of any wall that extends entirely above the surface of the adjacent roof.

Parking, Accessory: A specific type of accessory use, comprised of surface or garage (structured) parking located on the same zone lot as the primary use such parking is required or intended to serve.

Parking Aisle: Parking "Aisles" mean the part of the parking lot that directly abut parking stalls and are used for vehicular access to the parking stalls.

Parking, Commercial: An open, hard-surfaced area or structure, other than street or public way, to be used for the storage, for limited periods of time, of operable passenger automobiles and commercial vehicles, and available to the public, whether for compensation, free, or as an accommodation to clients or customers.

Parking, Shared or Shared Parking: Joint or shared use of parking spaces available to multiple land uses with different parking demand patterns throughout the day. General parking lots and/or on-street parking is another form of shared parking. Parking facilities can be shared in several ways:

1. Shared Rather Than Reserved Spaces: Motorists share parking spaces, rather than being assigned a reserved space.
2. Share Parking Among Uses: Parking can be shared among multiple land uses.
3. Public Parking Facilities: Public parking, including on-street, municipal off-street, and commercial (for profit) facilities generally serve multiple destinations. Converting from free, single-use to paid, public parking allows more efficient, shared use.
4. In Lieu Fees: Developers help fund public parking facilities instead of providing private facilities serving a single destination. This tends to be more cost effective and efficient. It can be mandated or optional.
5. Special Parking Assessment: A special assessment or tax to fund parking facilities in an area as an alternative to each property supplying its own facilities. This is often implemented through an improvement district.

Parking, Tandem: The parking of 2 vehicles either end to end, vertically stacked, or front to back in a parking space, such that if both vehicles are parked, one vehicle must be moved in order for the other vehicle to exit the parking space.

Parking Area, Off-Street: See "Off-Street Parking Area".

Parking Ratio: A ratio expressing the number of parking spaces per dwelling unit, or per certain amounts of square footage or commercial space, or per number of occupants or employees.

Parking Space: A storage area for a motor vehicle that is directly accessible to an access aisle, street, or alley, and which is not located on a public right-of-way unless specifically permitted by this Code.

Parking, Surface: A storage area for motor vehicles that is not within a completely enclosed structure, including surface parking lot, deck parking and tuck-under parking.
October 31, 2018

The adopted 2018 Downtown Area Plan Amendment for the Central Platte Valley-Auraria area recommends creation of new zone districts to help implement the vision for a new downtown neighborhood. City Council members Albus Brooks and Rafael Espinoza have proposed to implement the plan vision through a Denver Zoning Code (DZC) text amendment to establish three new zone districts (the D-CPV districts) within Article 8 (Downtown Neighborhood Context) of the DZC.

The proposed DZC amendment includes references to neighborhood design quality and the establishment of Design Standards and Guidelines (DSG) to apply in coordination with new zoning standards. This document provides a brief summary of the proposed DSG and Design Review requirements currently under development. It is intended to support discussion/comments on DZC text amendment LUTI draft dated 10/31/18.

General Overview of Proposed DSG and Design Review Applicable in D-CPV Zone Districts

The adopted Downtown Area Plan Amendment calls for the Central Platte Valley-Auraria district to become a vibrant mixed-use urban neighborhood with a variety in building types, high quality materials, and an elevated design character throughout.

To implement Plan Amendment objectives, new DSG are being developed to provide additional direction on more qualitative design aspects that cannot be fully addressed through zoning alone. The Arapahoe Square Design Standards and Guidelines (2016) serves as a basis for the new DSG, with revised and/or added standards and guidelines as applicable. Subjects will include, but not be limited to:

- Site Design
- Building Scale and Massing
- Architecture and Details
- Streetscape Guidelines
- Sign Design

The DSG and Design Review process would be administered by Community Planning and Development staff and a new Downtown Design Advisory Board. The Downtown Design Advisory Board would be comprised of seven members representing the downtown area and have oversight over CPV-Auraria and Arapahoe Square (as detailed in the proposed draft text amendment). The goal is to eventually also include Golden Triangle and potentially the Downtown Core under the review of the
Downtown Design Advisory Board to provide a more consistent and comprehensive approach to design review in downtown.

Next Steps
Because the DSG are created as Rules and Regulations, they will not follow the specific public adoption process required for DZC text amendments. A Planning Board public hearing will be scheduled prior to the adoption of the text amendment as the DSG are intended to become effective in coordination with the zoning. Tentative dates associated with review and potential adoption of the DZC text amendment and associated DSG and Design Review requirements are provided below (all dates subject to change):

- **November 6**: LUTI committee meeting for DZC text amendment
- **November 12**: Draft of DSG posted for public review
- **December 17**: City Council public hearing for DZC text amendment
- **December 19**: Planning Board public hearing for DSG and Design Review

For more information, including a current draft of the DZC text amendment establishing the D-CPV-T, D-CPV-R and D-CPV-C zone districts, visit: [www.denvergov.org/content/denvergov/en/community-planning-and-development/zoning/text-amendments/Central_Platte_Valley-Auraria_Plan_Implmentation.html](http://www.denvergov.org/content/denvergov/en/community-planning-and-development/zoning/text-amendments/Central_Platte_Valley-Auraria_Plan_Implmentation.html)
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Proposed Height Incentive System

October 28, 2018

The Downtown Area Plan Amendment for Central Platte Valley-Auraria, adopted by the Denver City Council in June 2018, recommends creation of new zone districts to promote development that is transit-oriented and provides benefits to the community, such as integrated affordable housing and space for community-serving uses. The Plan Amendment calls for the Central Platte Valley-Auraria district to “develop into a place that welcomes and attracts people of all ages, races, religions, or incomes who want to live, work or play downtown.” To promote this objective, the plan specifically calls for:

▪ "A variety of market-rate and affordable housing to accommodate diverse households and incomes in the plan area” (plan page 60)
▪ “Requirements to ensure that affordable and workforce housing is provided in the plan area” – including requirements beyond those included in the citywide linkage fee (plan page 60)
▪ “Housing that is appropriately located throughout the plan area” (plan page 61)
▪ “Leveraging increases in allowed building intensity to promote community benefits” – including zoning incentives or negotiated development agreements to provide community benefits such as affordable housing (plan page 86)

City Council members Albus Brooks and Rafael Espinoza have proposed to implement the plan vision through a Denver Zoning Code (DZC) text amendment to establish three new zone districts (the D-CPV zone districts), along with companion legislation to establish related affordable housing requirements in Chapter 27 of the Denver Revised Municipal Code (DRMC).

This document provides a summary of a proposed incentive system that would allow taller building heights in the D-CPV zone districts for development that provides increased affordable housing and other specific community benefits. To obtain the right to build to incentive heights, developers would have to meet certain requirements for affordable units, fees or community-serving space. The requirements are calculated using the square footage of various uses in a project.
Background: Development with Affordable Housing Fee or Build Alternative

The Denver City Council adopted the Affordable Housing Fee in 2016 with the goal of building a multi-million dollar fund for affordable housing. All new development projects citywide must either pay this fee or result in the construction of a certain number of affordable units. Required fees and/or units are based on the gross square footage (GSF) of a development and requirements vary depending on the type of development (e.g. commercial, residential, industrial, etc.). They are calculated as follows, according to formulas established in the ordinance:

**Fee:** Development type-specific fee \* GSF = $ Fee project must pay

**Units:** Development use-specific “Build Alternative” coefficient \* GSF/1,000 = X units (note: unit fractions above 0.5 are rounded to the next whole unit)

As described in the following pages, the proposed incentive height system for the D-CPV zone districts is based on multiples of the formulas above. The example scenarios below show how the citywide fee works for a typical development anywhere in the city. This same system would apply to any development in the D-CPV zone districts that does not propose to use incentive height.

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**Example Residential Development That Does Not Use Incentive Heights**

5 Stories  
Residential  
Total Floor Area: 75,000 GSF  
Approx. 75 total units in structure

**Fee:** $1.55\(^1\) \* 75,000 square feet = $116,250

**Units:** 0.0168\(^2\) \* (75,000/1,000) = 1 affordable unit

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**Example Commercial Development That Does Not Use Incentive Heights**

5 Stories  
Commercial  
Total Floor Area: 75,000 GSF

**Fee:** $1.76\(^3\) \* 75,000 square feet = $132,000

**Units:** 0.0228\(^4\) \* (75,000/1,000) = 1 affordable unit

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Images: Kane Realty Corp. (top), Minneapolis Star-Tribune (bottom)

1. $1.55 is the fee per square foot required of residential development per the Affordable Housing Fee Ordinance, adjusted for inflation as of July 1, 2018
2. 0.0168 is the coefficient used to calculate Build Alternative unit requirements for residential development per the Affordable Housing Fee Ordinance
3. $1.76 is the fee per square foot required of commercial development per the Affordable Housing Fee Ordinance, adjusted for inflation as of July 1, 2018
4. 0.0228 is the coefficient used to calculate Build Alternative unit requirements for commercial development per the Affordable Housing Fee Ordinance
Development Using Proposed Incentive Height

To implement plan amendment objectives, the proposed new D-CPV districts set a 5-story (‘base height’) threshold for application of special affordable housing requirements beyond those required by the citywide linkage fee system.

Development to base heights would be assessed according to the citywide system described in the preceding page. Above the base height, citywide requirements would apply, plus additional fees or units calculated at six times the citywide requirement. This means that development above the base height would generate a requirement for seven times the total fee or build alternative units that would be required for development that does not exceed the base height. The special requirements would apply up to the maximum overall height (‘incentive height’), which is proposed to vary from 12 stories, to unlimited height, depending on the zone district.

Additional details related to incentive height application to residential and non-residential projects, as well as an option to prepare an affordable housing plan for a larger project, are summarized on the following pages.

Affordable Unit Requirements

Residential units provided to meet incentive height requirements must be:

- Affordable to households earning below 80% Area Median Income (matches citywide requirements)
- Similar in size and configuration to the market rate units that generated the requirement.
- Located within the development, or in the D-CPV Zone Districts (may partner with other developers to provide units)

Affordable Housing Plan Option for Large/Phased Projects

The proposed system includes an option for large/phased projects, including projects with multiple buildings/phases, or projects that use special infrastructure financing mechanisms, to obtain incentive height through preparation of a customized affordable housing plan.

See page 8 for more information on the affordable housing plan option for large/phased projects.
Residential Structures Using Incentive Height

When a residential structure seeks to make use of incentive height, the project would be required to integrate affordable residential units on the subject property or within the surrounding D-CPV zone districts. Structures with more than 50% of their floor area devoted to residential uses would not be allowed to pay fees in lieu of producing affordable units. The number of units required for a structure to obtain incentive height is proposed to be six times what would be required by the “Build Alternative” section of the Affordable Housing Fee ordinance for square footage above the base height, plus the units that would be required based on the square footage of the entire structure.

EXAMPLE SCENARIO: RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE USING INCENTIVE HEIGHT

This example scenario considers a 12-story residential structure with a total square footage (GSF) of 180,000 square feet. In this scenario, the first 5 stories (base height) comprise 75,000 square feet, while the 7 stories above (incentive height) produce an additional 105,000 square feet of residential units.

Using the proposed incentive system, the affordable unit requirement would be calculated in two steps using coefficients derived from the citywide Affordable Housing Fee Build Alternative. First, calculate the number of Build Alternative units required based on the total square footage of the structure. Next, calculate the additional number of units required above the base height, using the square footage above the 5th story and the standard Build Alternative coefficient (0.0168 for residential development) multiplied by six:

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\text{Unit Requirement above Base: } \left( \frac{\text{GSF}}{1000} \times (\text{Citywide Affordable Housing "Build Alternative" coefficient} \times 6) \right) = \text{X units above Base (note: unit fractions above 0.5 are rounded to the next whole unit)}
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The unit requirement calculation for this example scenario is illustrated below.
Commercial/Mixed-Use Commercial Structures Using Incentive Height

Commercial or mixed-use structures with less than 50% of their floor area devoted to residential uses would have three options for obtaining incentive height:

1. Payment of the citywide Affordable Housing Fee plus fees for development above the base height;
2. Construction of affordable residential units (on- or off-site, but within a surrounding D-CPV zone district);
3. Payment of the citywide Affordable Housing Fee and provision of subsidized space for community-serving or nonprofit uses.

Examples of community-serving uses that could be considered for option 3 include arts-related activities like maker spaces and studios; retail of goods needed in the community (e.g. pharmacies, grocery stores); needed services, such as child care and medical clinics; and nonprofit organizations. Applicants would be required to enter into an agreement with the Denver Office of Economic Development, which would consider the proposed use in light of area needs. The value of the space provided must be equal to the waived incentive fees.

**EXAMPLE SCENARIO: COMMERCIAL STRUCTURE USING INCENTIVE HEIGHT**

This example scenario considers a 12-story commercial office building with a total square footage (GSF) of 180,000 square feet. As with the residential development scenario, in this example the first 5 stories (base height) comprise 75,000 square feet, while the 7 stories above (incentive height) includes an additional 105,000 square feet of commercial space.

Example calculations for the fee, unit and community-serving use options available to this example commercial structure are provided on the following page.
**Proposed Height Incentive System for CPV-Auraria Zone Districts**

**Base Height**
- 5 Stories
- 75,000 GSF

**Incentive Height**
- 7 Additional Stories
- 105,000 GSF

**Example Commercial Structure Fee Option**

**Incentive Fee:**
\[(1.76 \times 6) \times 105,000 \text{ square feet} = 1,108,800 \]

**Citywide Fee:**
\[1.76 \times 180,000 \text{ square feet} = 316,800\]

**Total Fee:** $1,425,600

**Example Commercial Structure Unit Option**

**Incentive Units:**
\[(105,000/1000) \times (0.0228 \times 6) = 14 \text{ affordable units}\]

**Citywide Units:**
\[(180,000/1000) \times 0.0228 = 4 \text{ affordable units}\]

**Total Affordable Units:** 18

**Example Commercial Structure Community-Serving Use Option**

**Community Serving Use:** Negotiated Community-Serving Use Agreement with Office of Economic Development to provide community-serving uses in lieu of incentive fee. Agreement should provide value equal to waived incentive Fee.

**Citywide Fee:**
\[1.76 \times 180,000 \text{ square feet} = 316,800\]

**Total Requirement for Incentive Height:** $316,800 + Community-Serving Uses

*Example Office Structure Using Incentive Height*
EXAMPLE SCENARIO: MIXED-USE COMMERCIAL STRUCTURE USING INCENTIVE HEIGHT

This example scenario considers a structure with a 5-8 story podium supporting a 38 story hotel tower and a 28 story residential tower. The total square footage (GSF) is 900,000 square feet with 500,000 square feet of hotel and 400,000 square feet of residential (about 400 total residential units). 416,666 square feet of hotel and 333,333 square feet of residential is located above the base height. Because the structure contains more than 50% non-residential square footage (the hotel) it would have the option to build units, pay an increased affordable housing fee or pay an affordable housing fee and execute a community-serving use agreement.

Example calculations for the unit and fee options are provided below.

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| Citywide Fee: | $1.76 x 500,000 GSF (Hotel) + $1.55 x 400,000 GSF (Residential) = $1,500,000 |
| Total Fee:    | $8,949,996 |

| Incentive Units: | (.0228 x 6) x (416,667 GSF/1,000) (Hotel) + (.0168 x 6) x (333,333 GSF/1,000) (Residential) = 91 units |
| Citywide Required Units: | .0228 x (500,000 GSF/1,000) (Hotel) + .0168 x (400,000 GSF/1,000) (Residential) = 18 units |
| Total Affordable Units: | 109 |
Affordable Housing Plan Option for Large/Phased Projects

The proposed system also includes an option for 'large/phased projects' to obtain incentive height through preparation of a customized affordable housing plan. Such a plan would provide flexibility for large projects to meet affordable housing objectives, including units affordable at a variety of income levels, for-sale/for-rent units and units with two or more bedrooms to better accommodate families.

Large/phased projects eligible for an option to prepare an affordable housing plan to obtain incentive height would include developments that:

- Include 500 or more residential units;
- Will be built on 5 or more acres;
- Will be built in more than one phase;
- Will use one or more City-approved financing tools, such as tax increment financing (TIF) or a metro district

An affordable housing plan for a large/phased project would be required to address:

- Provision of affordable housing units within the area of the plan (generally integrated into buildings with market rate housing, although some housing may be provided in stand-alone tax credit buildings).
- A required quantity of affordable housing units that is comparable to, or greater than, the quantity of affordable housing units that would have resulted from application of the incentive height formulas applicable to a D-CPV zone district that are not subject to an affordable housing plan (note that the plan may provide additional credit for units with two+ bedrooms or units affordable to households earning 60% or less of Area Median income).
- Provision of units affordable to households at a variety of income levels, consistent with the City Council-adopted five-year housing plan, including units affordable below 30%, 60% and 80% of Area Median Income.
- Unit tenure (for-sale/for-rent) of required affordable housing units (if a development includes market rate for-sale housing, it should also include affordable for-sale units).
- Size and type of required affordable housing units (shall be roughly proportional to the size/type of market rate units) - note that the calculation method for required affordable housing may provide greater ‘unit equivalency’ credit for larger units.
- Length of time that units will be designated as affordable (the dedication period shall be no shorter in duration than citywide standards for build alternative units in effect when the plan is executed).
- A method for non-residential development to support the production of affordable housing and/or community-serving uses.
- Specific targets or milestones for provision of required affordable housing unit to ensure that affordable housing units are provided throughout the various phases of a large project.

An affordable housing plan would be executed as a legal development agreement that runs with the land rather than being attached to a specific property owner.

Next Steps

The proposed Denver Zoning Code and Denver Revised Municipal Code text amendments that would establish the height incentive system described in this document must be adopted by the Denver City Council. Tentative adoption schedule:

- November 6, 2018: City Council Land Use & Transportation Committee
- December 17, 2018: City Council public adoption hearing

Members of the public are invited to speak at the public adoption hearing. Comments received prior to meetings and hearings will be conveyed to City Council.

Comments and Project Updates

Please email questions and comments to Principal City Planner Abe Barge at abe.barge@denvergov.org

For more information and project updates, please visit the project web site, accessible from the Denver Zoning Code Text Amendments page at www.denvergov.org/textamendments