

## **Attachment B: Applicable Redmond Zoning Code Sections**

1. Blank Wall Treatments (RZC 21.60.040, S4.ii.E and S6)
2. Administrative Design Flexibility & Development Agreements (RZC 21.76.070.C and L)
3. Marymoor Village Design District Incentive for Public Art (RZC 21.13.220)

**Attachment C1:**

**Applicable Redmond Zoning Code Sections, Blank Wall  
Treatments (RZC 21.60.040, S4.ii.E and S6)**



## ARTICLE III DESIGN STANDARDS

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### RZC 21.60 CITYWIDE DESIGN STANDARDS

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#### 21.60.040 Design Concepts

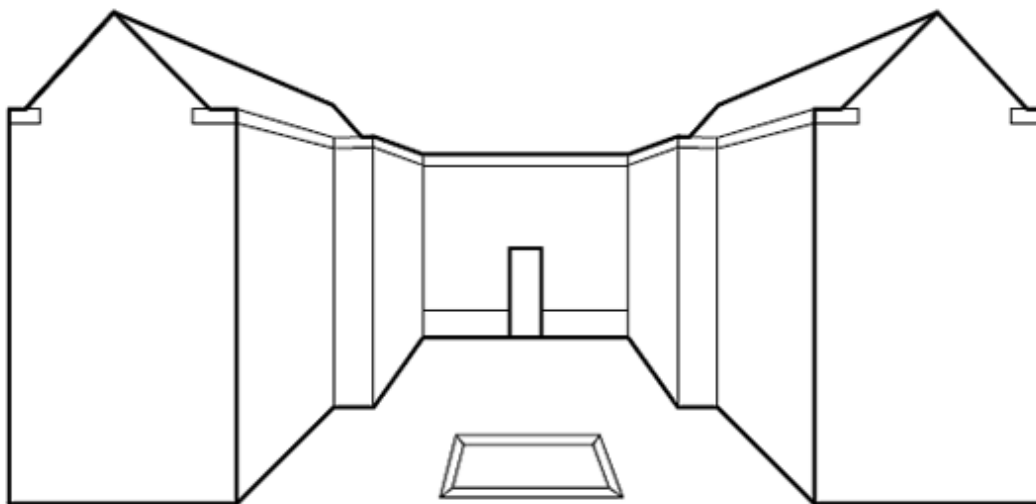
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- A. **Purpose.** The purpose of this section is to establish criteria for building design and review that addresses architectural concepts, building scale, details, materials, colors, blank wall treatment, pedestrian features, and personal safety.
- B. **Buildings.**
1. Architectural Concepts.
    - a. Intent.
      - i. To ensure building design is based on a strong, unified, and consistent architectural concept;
      - ii. To ensure that buildings portray a sense of high architectural integrity;
      - iii. To ensure that new buildings are appropriately designed for the site, address human scale, and become a positive element in the architectural character of the neighborhood;
      - iv. To ensure that new buildings use high-quality building materials and architectural finishes in a manner that exemplifies craftsman quality and durability;
      - v. Consider solar orientation and climate in siting buildings to promote energy conservation.
    - b. Design Criteria.
    - c. Building design should support the vision for the area as defined in the Comprehensive Plan, and development regulations.
      - i. The architectural composition, scale, elements, and details of a building should relate to the site's natural features and the character of the surrounding area. A strong architectural concept will indicate this organizational scheme, and convey the project's architectural character, or the style of the development. The relationship required by this section between a building and the site's natural features and surrounding area is shown when the following concepts are incorporated into the design:
        - A. Building Orientation. Buildings may be oriented around a courtyard, be terraced down a hillside, or respond in design to a prominent feature, such as a corner location, a street, or the river. Other design alternatives include:
- Windows, breezeways, and common areas should be oriented toward shorelines, scenic views, or natural or recreational amenities on the site.



- Buildings and site design should provide a readily identifiable building entry.
- Incorporate substantial areas of windows and outdoor seating areas, and walkways oriented toward the shoreline.
- Outdoor use areas should include landscaping, lighting and street furniture.
- Design buildings so they do not turn their backs to the street or to shoreline public access areas.

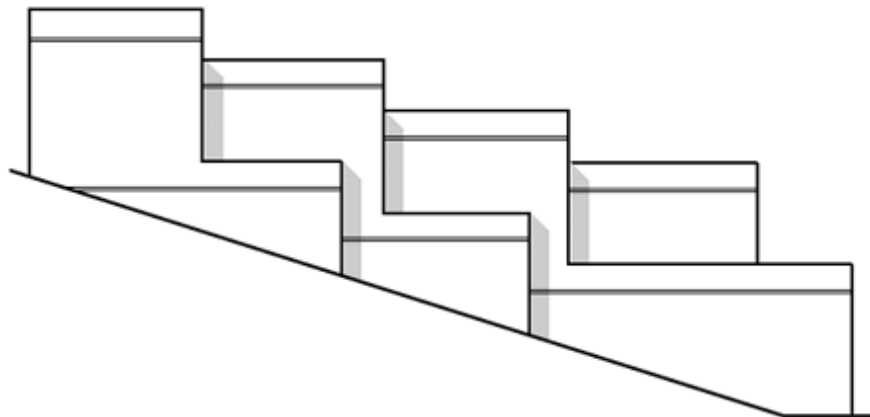
**Figure 21.60.040A**  
**Building Orientation - Common Areas**



Organization Around a Central Exterior Space, such as a Courtyard or Garden, is an Effective Way to Organize a Site for Some Uses, and Create an Amenity.



**Figure 21.60.040B**  
**Building Orientation - Terracing**



Terracing, Dividing a Building into Horizontal Terraces that Step Down a Steep Slope is a Way to Respond Appropriately to Site Conditions. This Organization also Allows for Decks and Balconies.

- B. Architectural Composition. The composition of a building's larger masses and elements should create a unifying concept. The composition should be clear and appropriate to the building's function and context.

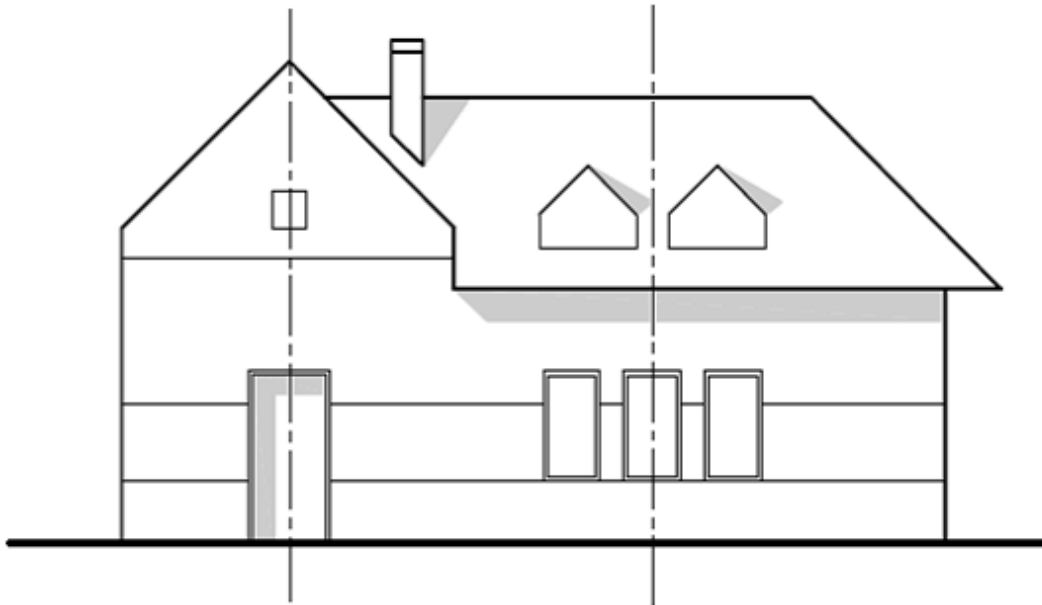
**Figure 21.60.040C**  
**Architectural Composition - Symmetry**



Axial Symmetry is Formal Design Organization in Which the Building Elements on One Side of the Centerline Axis are the Same as on the Other Side.



Figure 21.60.040D  
Architectural Composition - Asymmetry

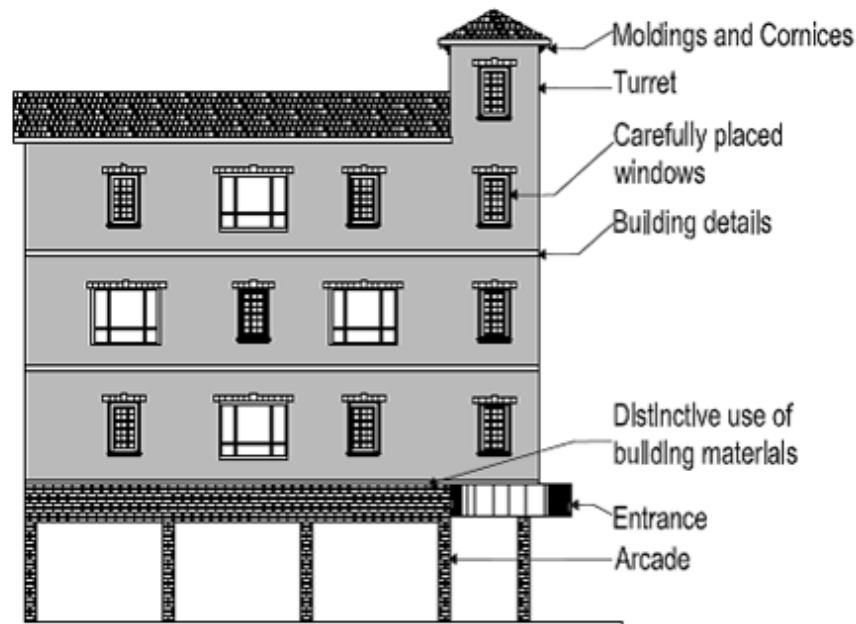


Asymmetry is an Informal Composition in Which Larger Design Elements are Often Visually Balanced by a Number of Smaller Elements Within the Composition.

- C. Orient buildings to retain and offer views to, from, and through the site, where identified as public view corridors or shoreline views, by taking advantage of topography, building location, and style.
- D. Building Elements. Distinctive roof forms, entrances, an arcade or porch, or the articulation or arrangement of doors and windows or other building features should provide for compositional unity and convey a strong architectural concept. (See also RZC 21.60.040.B.2, *Building Scale*.)
- E. Building Details, Materials, and Colors. Moldings, mullions, rooftop features, materials, and colors should display a distinctive architectural style. (See also RZC 21.60.040.B.4, *Building Details, Materials, and Colors*.)



Figure 21.60.040E  
Building Elements



Including strong architectural features such as a turret, or arcade can provide a strong focus or unifying elements in a building.

## 2. Building Scale.

### a. Intent.

- i. To ensure new development is compatible with the goals for the neighborhood and with the architectural scale [the scale of the building(s) in relation to surrounding development] and character of those surrounding developments that meet the intent of the City's design review criteria;
- ii. To ensure buildings are based on human scale (the scale of the building and how it relates to the people that use it);
- iii. To ensure that large buildings reduce their apparent mass and bulk on the elevations visible from streets or pedestrian routes;
- iv. To create a skyline that is visually interesting.

### b. Design Criteria.

- i. The apparent mass and scale of large buildings should be reduced through the use of modulation and articulation that provides a pedestrian scale and architectural interest. The building envelope shall be designed to maintain shoreline view corridors from the site and nearby properties.
- ii. Integration. Large buildings should integrate features along their facades visible from the public right-of-way, and pedestrian routes and entries, to reduce the



apparent building mass and achieve an architectural scale consistent with other nearby structures.

- iii. Facade Modulation. Building facades visible from public streets and public spaces shall be stepped back or projected forward at intervals to provide a minimum of 40 percent facade modulation unless the applicant demonstrates that an alternate design solution provides an equal or greater level of achieving the intent of the section. The minimum depth of modulation shall be one foot, and the minimum width shall be five feet.

Figure 21.60.040F  
Building Scale - Modulation

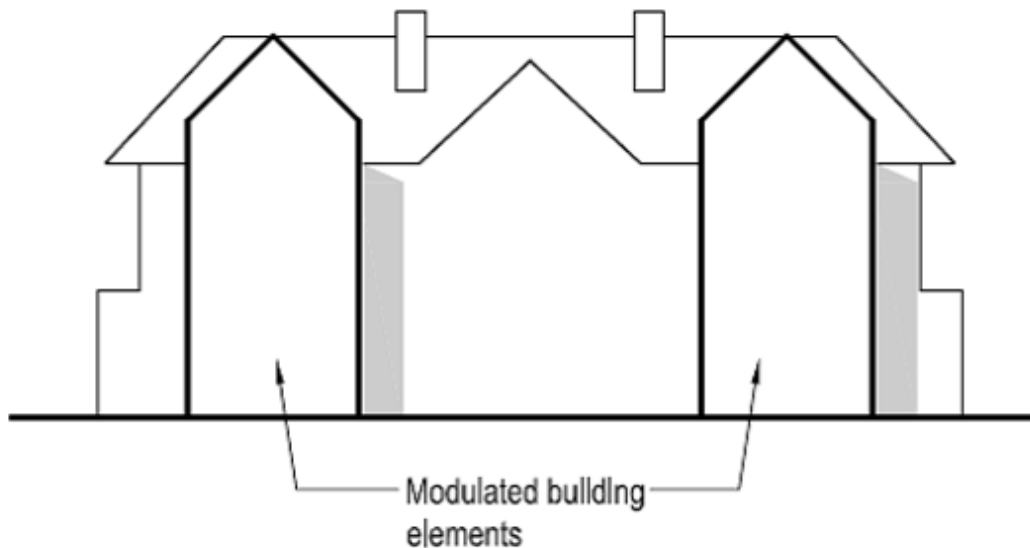
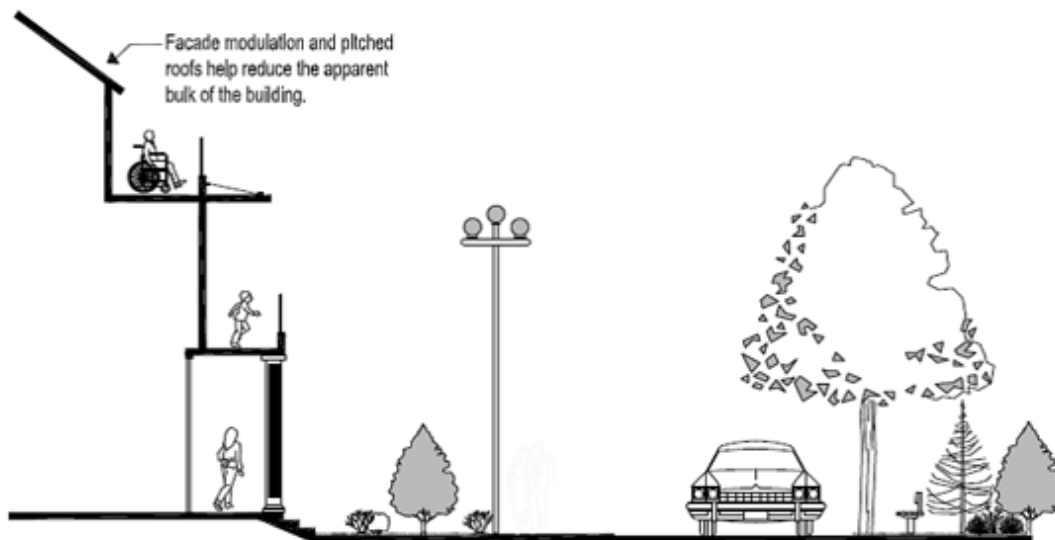


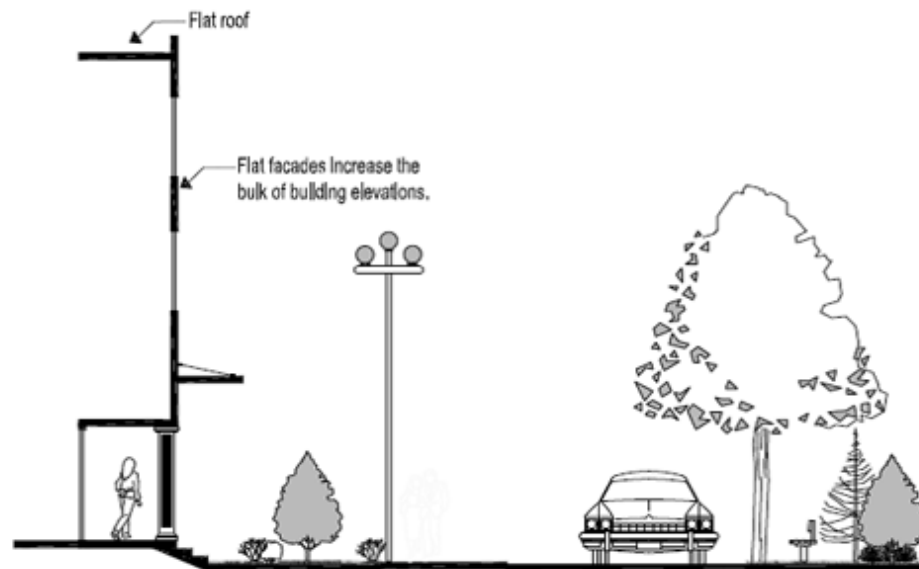




Figure 21.60.040G  
Building Scale



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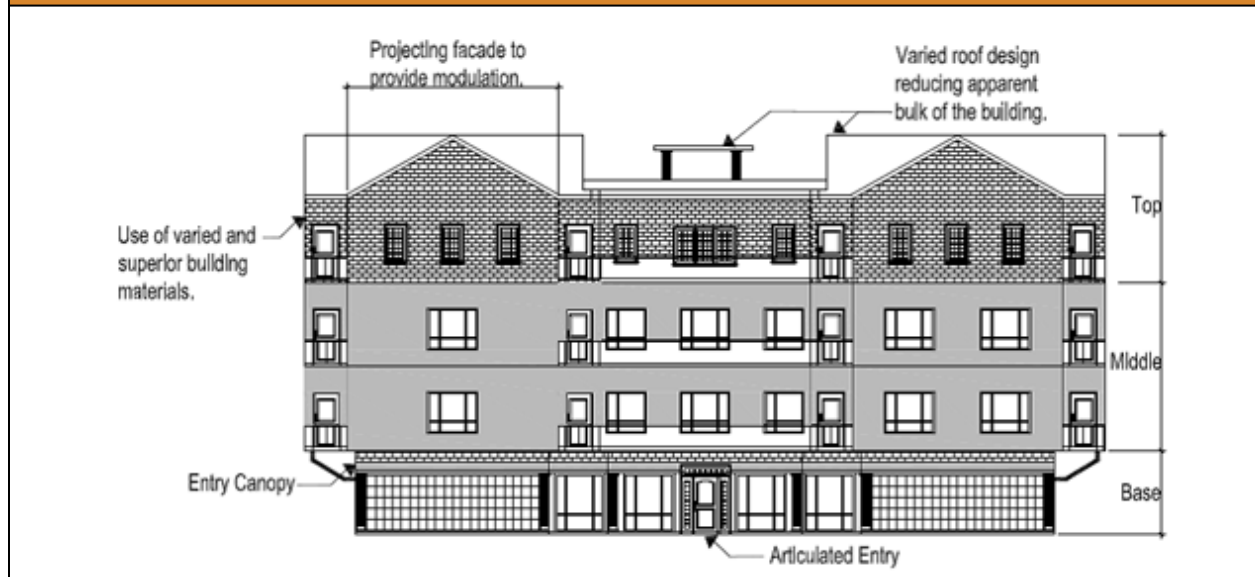
TO BE AVOIDED

- iv. Articulation. Buildings shall be articulated to reduce the apparent scale of buildings. Architectural details that are used to articulate the structure may include reveals, battens, and other three-dimensional details that create shadow lines, or intervals, and break up the flat surfaces of the facade. The following are ways to achieve building articulation:



- A. Tripartite Articulation. Provide tripartite building articulation (building top, middle, and base) to provide pedestrian scale and architectural interest.

**Figure 21.60.040H**  
**Tripartite Articulation**



- B. Window Treatments. Provide articulated window treatments in facades visible from streets and public spaces for architectural interest and human scale with mullions, recesses, as well as applying complementary articulation around doorways and balconies. Articulated window treatments shall be provided in front, rear, and side facades in Neighborhood Commercial zones (NC-1 and NC-2). (See also RZC 21.60.040.B.4, *Building Details, Materials, and Colors*.)
- C. Architectural Elements. The mass of long or large-scale buildings can be made more visually interesting by incorporating architectural elements, such as arcades, balconies, bay windows, dormers, or columns. (See also RZC 21.60.040.B.4, *Building Details, Materials, and Colors*.)
- D. Materials. When there is a change in the building plane, a change in the building materials, colors, or patterns is appropriate. (See also RZC 21.60.040.B.4, *Building Details, Materials, and Colors*.)
- E. Landscaping. Provide a trellis, tree, or other landscape feature within each interval. (See also [RZC 21.32](#), *Landscaping*.)
- F. Upper Story Setback. Setting back upper stories helps to reduce the apparent bulk of a building and promotes human scale.
- G. Small-Scale Additions. In retail areas, small-scale additions to a structure can reduce the apparent bulk by articulating the overall form. Clustering smaller uses and activities around entrances on street-facing facades also allows for small retail or display spaces that are inviting and add activity to the streetscape.



Figure 21.60.040I  
Building Scale

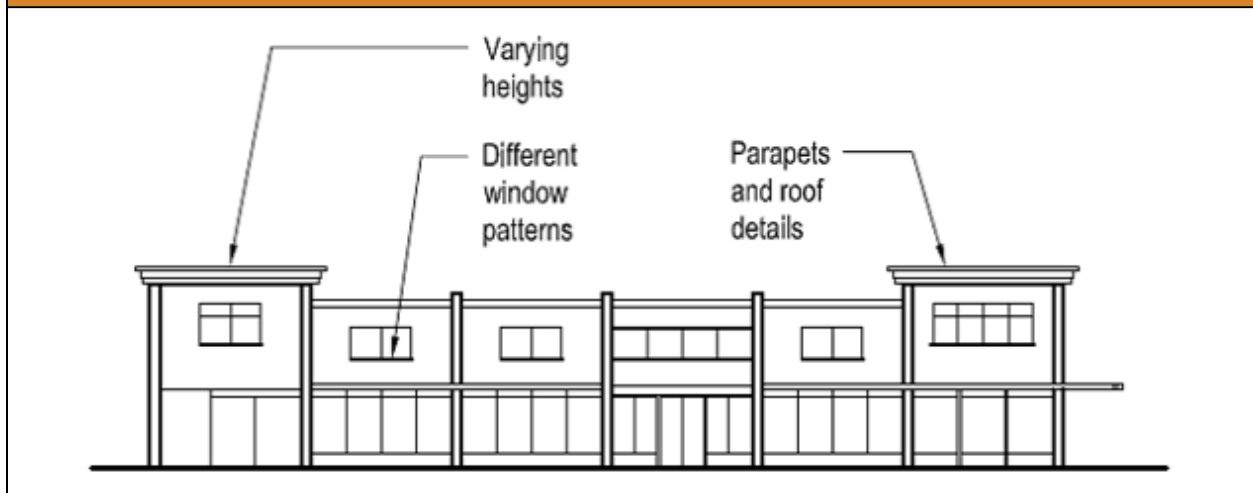
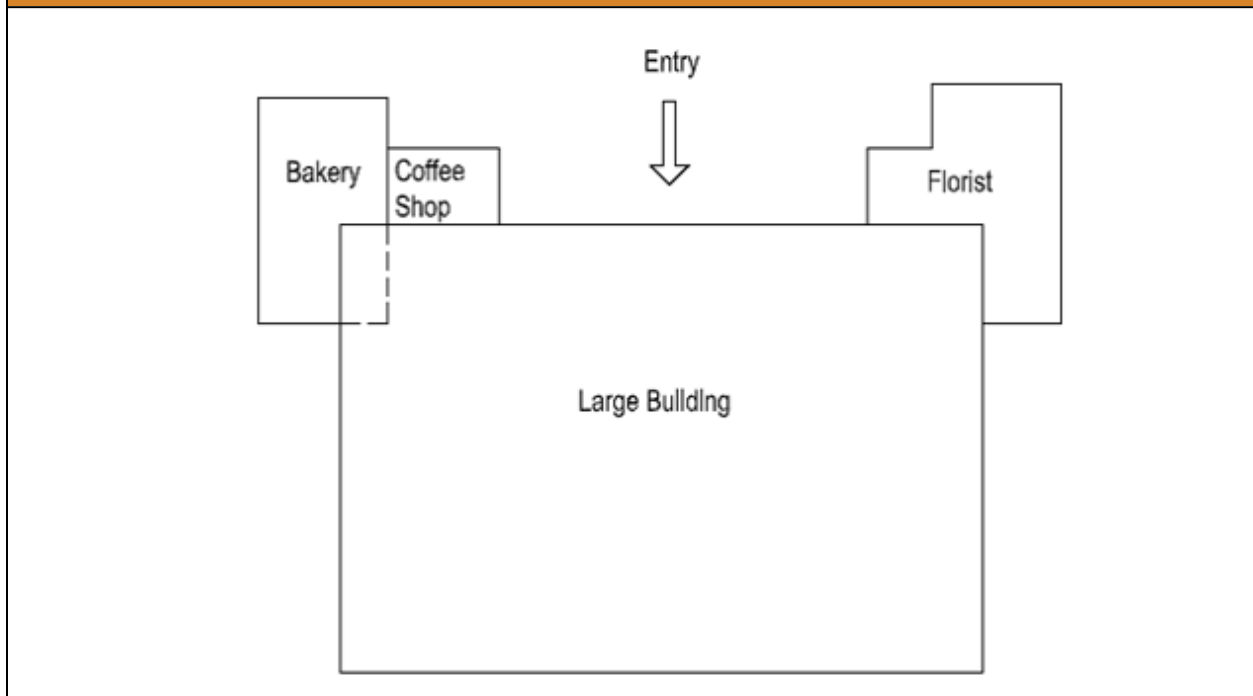


Figure 21.60.040J  
Building Scale - Small-scale Additions



3. Rooflines.

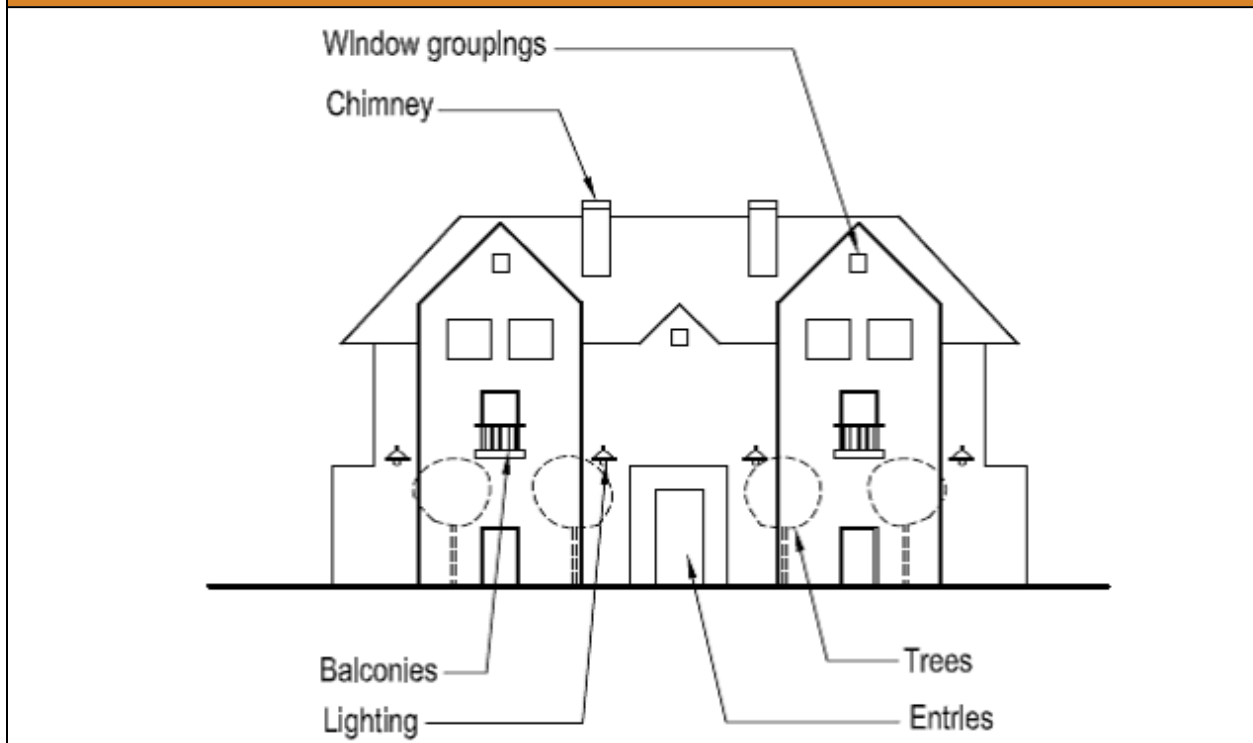
- a. Intent. To promote detailed roof expression to create a variable roofline throughout and to create a skyline that is visually interesting.
- b. Design Criteria.



- i. Building rooflines visible from a public street, open space, or public parking area shall incorporate features to create a varied and visually distinctive roof form through features, such as prominent cornice or fascia, stepped roofs, emphasized dormers, chimneys, gables, or an articulated roofline.
  - ii. The width of any continuous flat roofline should not extend more than 100 feet without modulation. Modulation should consist of either one or a combination of the following treatments:
    - A. For flat roofs or facades with a horizontal eave, fascia, or parapet with at least an eight-foot return, the minimum vertical dimension of roofline modulation is the greater of two feet or one-tenth multiplied by the wall height (finish grade to top of wall) if the segment is 50 feet or less, or at least four feet if the segment is more than 50 feet in length.
    - B. A sloped or gabled roofline segment of at least 20 feet in width and no less than three feet vertical in 12 feet horizontal.
  - iii. Rooftops shall incorporate features which soften rectilinear forms and mechanical equipment, and rooftop penthouses shall be architecturally incorporated into the design of rooflines or into the overall building design.
- 4. Building Details, Materials, and Colors.
  - a. Intent. To provide visual interest, distinct design qualities, and a pleasing transition from the natural to the built environment, and to promote compatibility through architectural detailing and the use of sustainable and high-quality materials.
  - b. Design Criteria.
    - i. Use building materials of high durability and high quality. The use of brick is encouraged on walls or as accents on walls. Large areas of rough-cut wood, wide rough-cut lap siding, or large areas of T-111, plywood, or similar materials are prohibited. Vinyl siding is prohibited on the ground floor of commercial buildings. Wood-textured, cementitious fiberboard products should be considered in lieu of wood siding for commercial buildings.



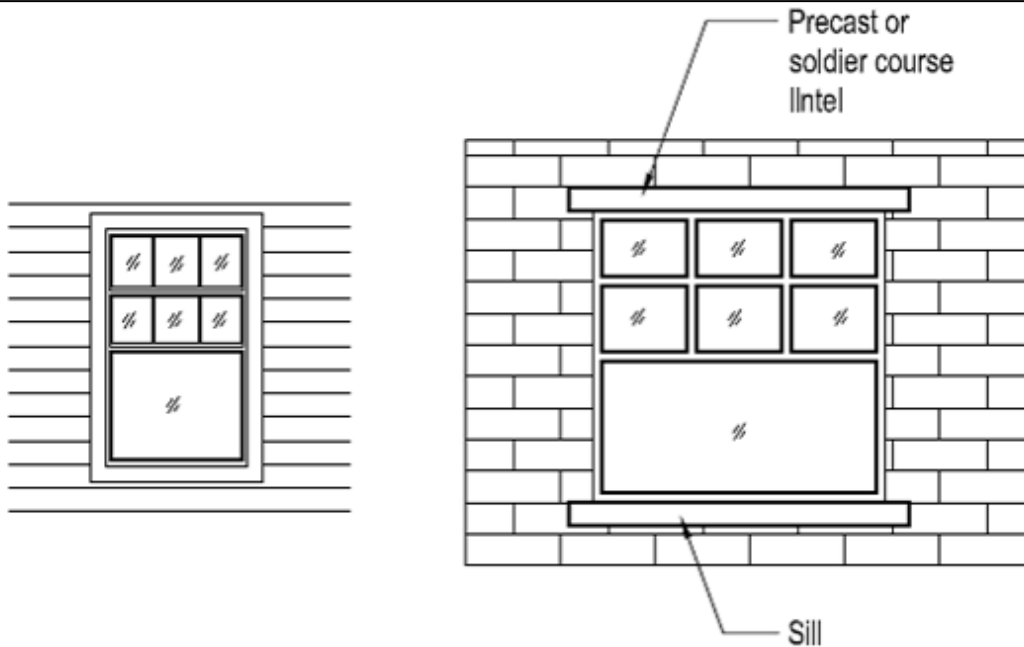
Figure 21.60.040K  
Detailing



- ii. Enhance buildings with appropriate details. The following elements are examples of techniques used on buildings to provide detail.
  - A. Detailed Treatment of Windows and Doors. Examples include decorative lintels, sills, glazing, door design, molding, or framing details around all windows and doors located on facades facing or adjacent to public streets or parks.



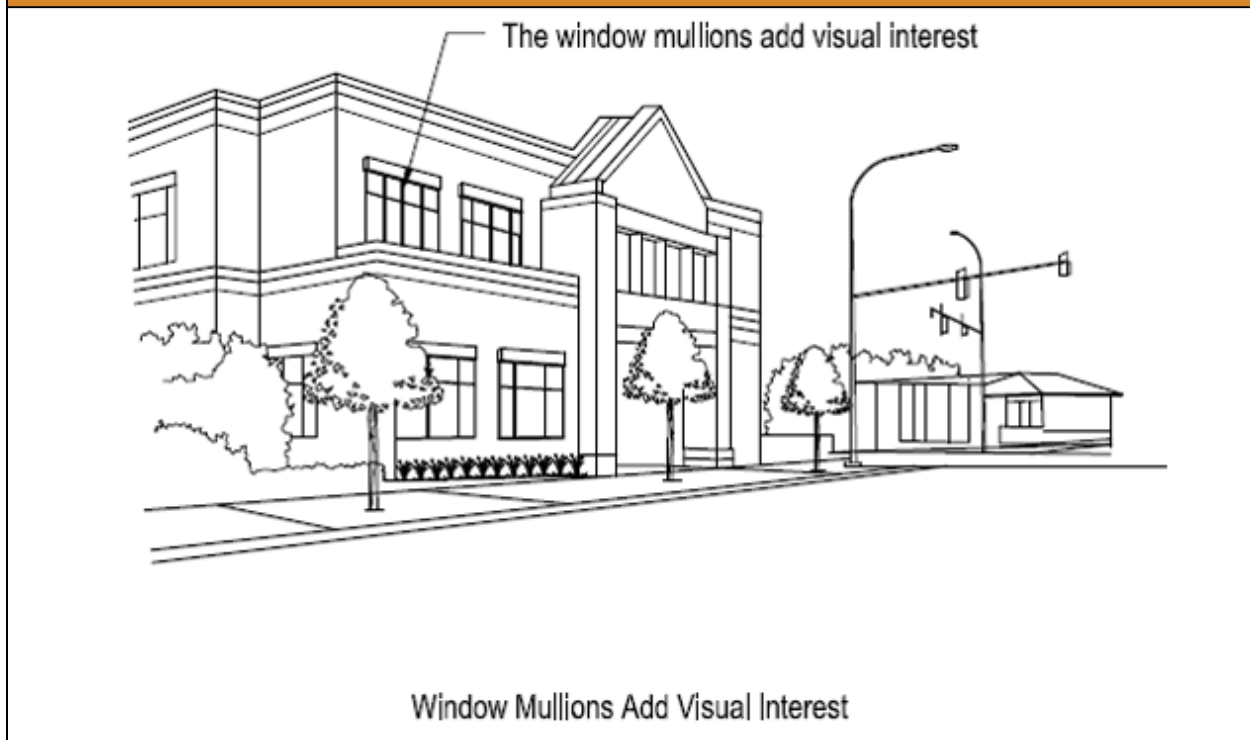
Figure 21.60.040L  
Windows



Multiple-paned windows also help to achieve human scale. Up to 50 percent of the window area can be composed of larger panes. Lintels and sills should be incorporated in masonry and stucco clad buildings. Wood trim should be incorporated into wood clad buildings.



Figure 21.60.040M  
Window Mullions

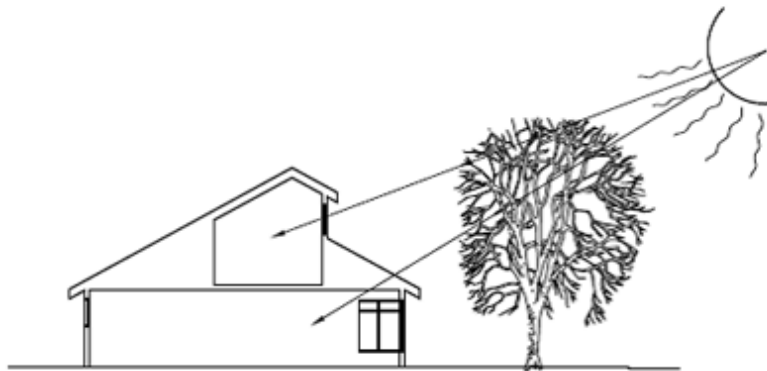


- B. Ornamentation. Examples include ornamental railings, grillwork, landscape guard, and trellises.
  - C. Distinctive Light Fixtures. Examples include lights with a decorative shade or mounting.
  - D. Varied Building Materials. Examples include patterned masonry, shingle, brick, or stone. Also, individualized patterns or continuous wood details, such as shingles in a geometric pattern, decorative moldings, brackets, wave trim or lattice work, ceramic tile, stone, glass block, carrera glass, or similar materials.
  - E. **Artwork or Decorative Paving.** The artwork may be freestanding or attached to the building, and may be in the form of mosaic mural, bas-relief sculpture, light sculpture, water sculpture, fountain, freestanding sculpture, art in pavement, or other similar artwork.
- iii. Avoid the use of building features or design elements that incorporate corporate themes, logos, or colors which do not reflect the neighborhood and community context.
  - iv. High-quality and natural materials and methods should be used to accent visible building features (i.e., wood, stone, brick, etc.). Building design should incorporate and display the natural grain or texture of materials. Wood-textured, cementitious fiber board is also a preferred alternative to wood products for commercial buildings.



- v. Colors used on building exteriors should integrate a building's various design elements or features.
  - vi. Accent colors should use color combinations that complement each other.
  - vii. Softer, muted or earth-toned colors are preferred; however, brighter colors may be approved when contextually appropriate.
  - viii. Use accent colors in a way to enhance or highlight building design, and not in a manner that creates clutter or otherwise detracts from building design.
  - ix. Use color and texture of building materials to provide a transition from natural features such as vegetation and streams to the built environment.
5. Multiple Building Design.
- a. Intent. To promote integrated multiple-building development that is coordinated with and enhances the surrounding built and natural environment and that is organized to meet the goals of Redmond's development regulations.
  - b. Design Criteria.
    - i. Orient buildings to retain and offer views to, from, and through the site, where identified as public view corridors or shoreline views, by taking advantage of topography, building location, and style.
    - ii. Buildings in groups should be related by common styles, materials, roof shapes, or other common or distinctive architectural element. Contrast should be provided by the use of varied materials, color, architectural detailing, building orientation, or building type.
    - iii. Consider solar orientation and climate in siting buildings to promote energy conservation.

Figure 21.60.040N  
Solar Orientation



Building and landscaping designed to capture sun in the winter and provide shade in the summer

- iv. Consider site design that minimizes clearing and grading and other disruptions to the natural character of the site.
- v. Use site and building design for safety techniques described in RZC 21.60.040.B.7, *Building Design for Safety*.

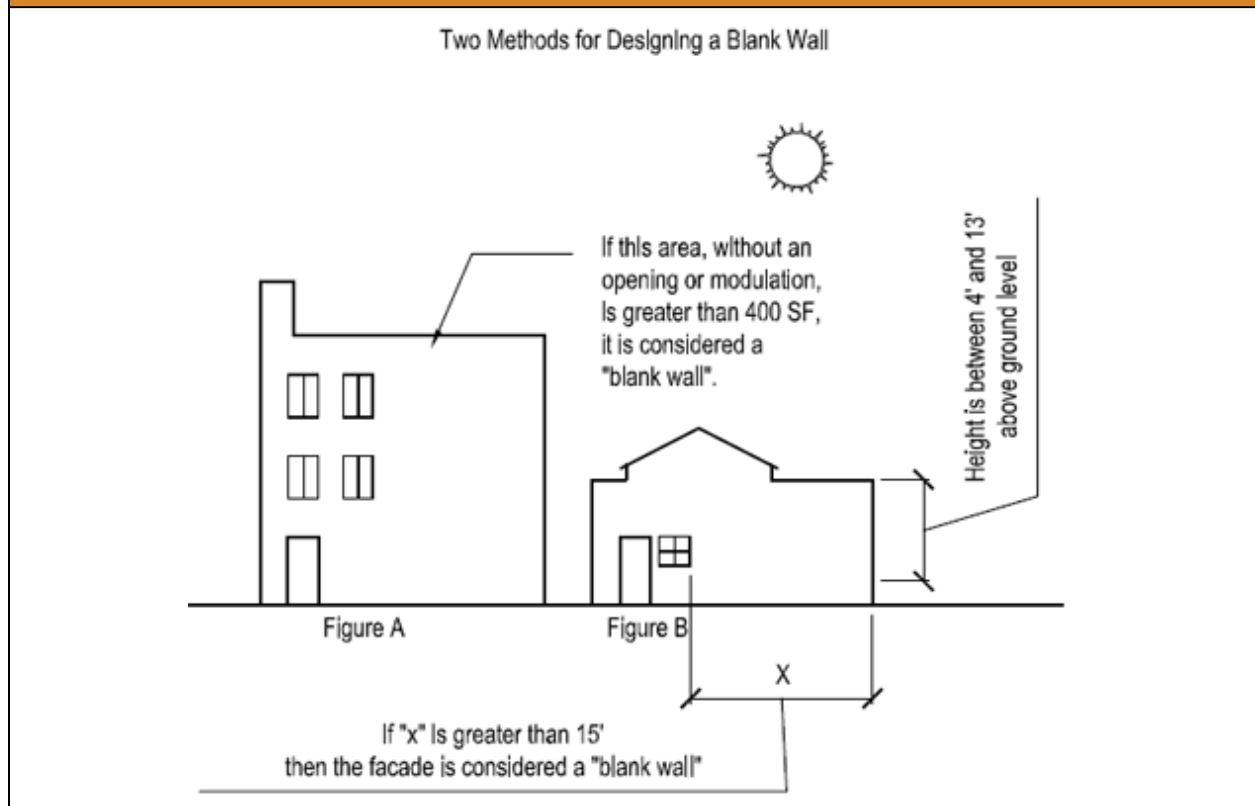




- vi. Orient buildings, entries, and activities to encourage use of outdoor areas and streets.
  - vii. Maintain adequate space between buildings to allow for landscaping or buffering. Avoid creating fragmented and unrelated landscape strips and edging.
  - viii. In residential developments, incorporate open space, privacy, and separation, while maintaining safety, from adjacent units through careful location of building entrances, windows, fences, walls, and landscaping.
6. Blank Walls.
- a. Intent. To reduce the appearance and mass of large walls through the use of various architectural and landscaping treatments.
  - b. Design Criteria.
    - i. Avoid the use of large, blank walls.
    - ii. All blank walls shall be treated in one or more of the following ways:
      - A. Installing windows or a vertical trellis in front of the wall with climbing vines or plant materials;
      - B. Providing a landscaped planting bed at least five feet, zero inches wide or raised planter bed at least two feet, zero inches high and three feet wide in front of the wall, with plant materials that obscure or screen at least 50 percent of the wall's surface within three years;
      - C. Providing artwork (mosaic, mural, sculpture, relief, etc.) over at least 50 percent of the blank wall surface;
      - D. Proposing alternative techniques or by providing an architectural justification for the blank wall as part of the Design Review process.



**Figure 21.60.0400**  
**Blank Wall Treatment**

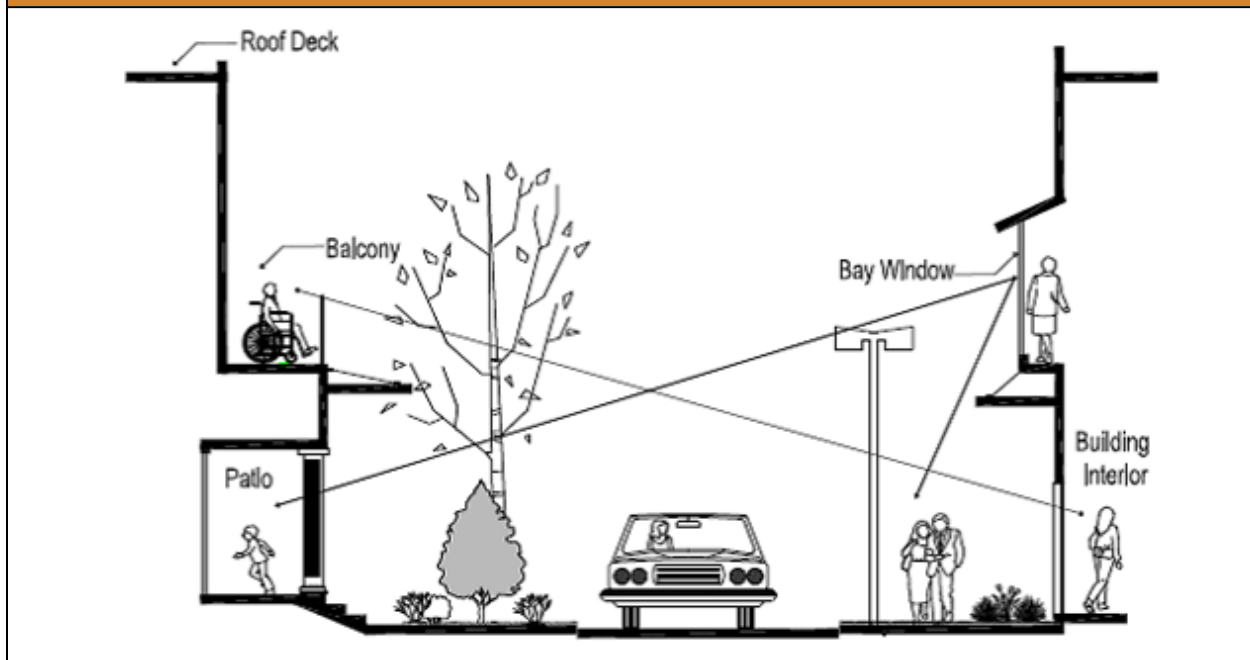


7. Building Design for Safety.

- a. Intent. To promote building designs which increase safety of employees, residents, and visitors.
- b. Design Criteria.
  - i. Building design should allow for informal observation of exterior semipublic and public areas, including play areas, open spaces, pathways, and parking lots.



Figure 21.60.040P  
Site Design for Safety



- ii. Areas such as laundry rooms and fitness rooms should incorporate windows to increase visibility.
- iii. Doors to stairways, parking, and similar areas should be open or have windows to allow users to see through to the other side.
- iv. Increase personal safety by considering the following in the design of building entries.
  - A. Avoid hidden building entries and ensure good sight lines into entries.
  - B. Sufficiently light doorways and alcoves.
- v. When security surveillance devices are proposed, they should be designed to blend with the site and buildings to the extent possible.

### C. Landscaping.

#### 1. Planting Design.

##### a. Intent.

- i. Planting design is an integral part of the overall site and community design, and should complement the architecture, other site elements and the visual appearance of the neighborhood, as well as the Northwest environment. The landscape plan should help reduce impacts to and create a transition to adjacent natural features, such as critical areas and shorelines. The landscape plan should be based on a well-defined concept, addressing criteria for function, design, horticulture, maintenance, and irrigation.
- ii. The planting design should be a composition of plant materials that creates an appropriate visual character, such as stylized, formal, informal, or natural. The



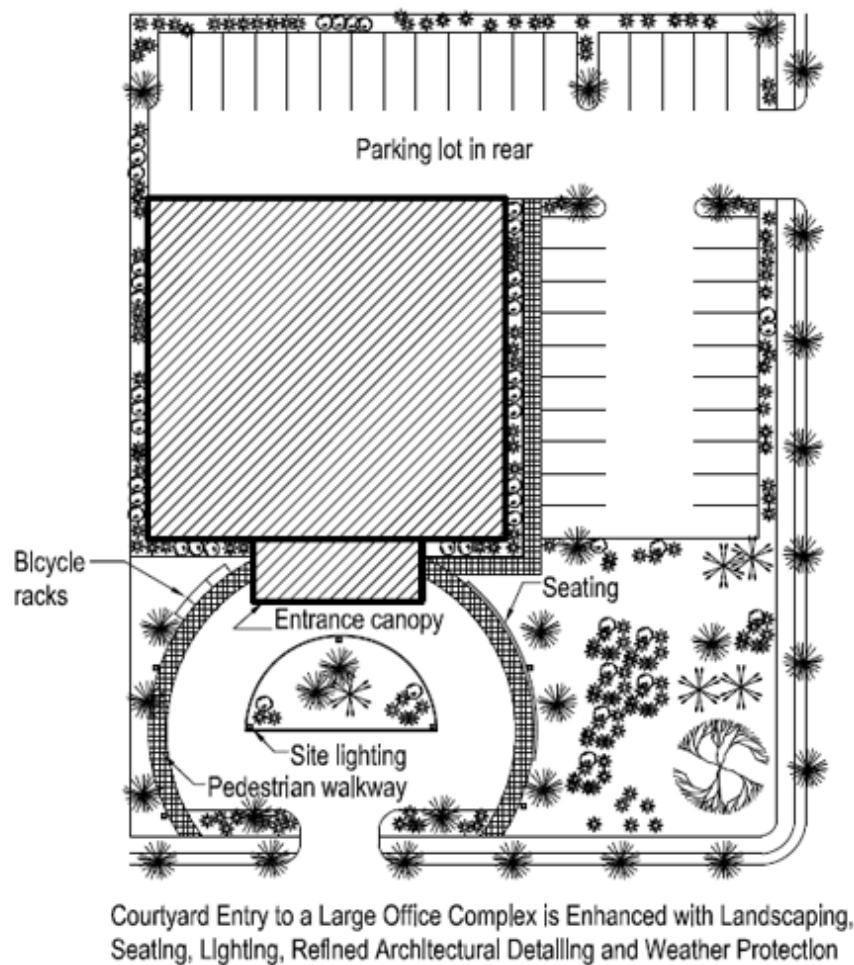
design should include a suitable combination of trees, shrubs, groundcover plants, vines, lawns, and herbaceous material, including native and Northwest-adapted plants. The number, size, and arrangement should be carefully selected to balance color, texture, form, line, proportion, and scale in both the horizontal and vertical plane.

b. Design Criteria.

- i. Retention and Enhancement of Existing Vegetation. Preserve as much native noninvasive vegetation as possible, particularly adjacent to buffers of critical areas and shorelines. Replant developed areas with stands of non-dwarf evergreens in natural and random patterns where possible.
- ii. Usable Open Space and Public View Corridors. Provide space on-site for active or passive recreational purposes. When located in an identified public view corridor, this open space may also provide views through a development to important features, such as the Lake Sammamish, Sammamish River, and the river valley; Bear Creek; or panoramic mountain views.
- iii. Transition. Provide plantings that provide a clear transition in design between adjacent sites, within a site, and from native vegetation areas. To lessen impacts and provide transitions to natural areas, use native plants as much as possible adjacent to the buffers of critical areas and shorelines. Design foundation plantings to create an effective change from public to private space and from the vertical to horizontal plane at building edges.
- iv. Mitigation of Adverse Visual Impacts. Provide planting to soften the visual impact of less desirable development and structures, such as large blank walls, dumpster areas, service areas, and large areas of pavement.
- v. Definition or Emphasis. Use planting to highlight significant site features and to define site use areas and circulation corridors without interfering with the use of such areas. Examples include site and building entrances, pedestrian walkways, and focal points, such as gathering areas or plazas.



Figure 21.60.040Q  
Landscaping



- vi. Safety. Use planting landscaping which minimizes disruption of sight lines along pathways.
- vii. Water Conservation. Plants and techniques that reduce water consumption are encouraged.
- viii. Design. Plants should be selected and arranged according to the following design criteria:
  - A. Variety. Select a variety of plants providing interest, accent and contrast, using as many native species as possible.
  - B. Consistency. Develop a planting design conforming to the overall project design concept and adjoining properties.
  - C. Appropriateness. Select plants with an awareness of their growth requirements, tolerances, ultimate size, preferences for soil, climate, and sun exposure, and negative impacts.



D. Density. Provide adequate plant quantity, size, and spacing to fulfill the functional and design objectives within the stipulated time.

2. Parking Lot Landscaping.

a. Intent.

- i. To improve the aesthetic appearance of parking lots;
- ii. To reduce the summertime heat and glare buildup within and adjacent to parking lots;
- iii. To provide landscaped areas within parking areas in addition to landscape buffers around the perimeter of parking lots;
- iv. To provide screening and break up the expanse of paved areas.

b. Design Criteria.

- i. Cluster interior parking lot landscaping when possible to conserve significant portions of existing tree cover as an amenity to the site. (See also [RZC 21.32, Landscaping.](#))
- ii. Disperse interior parking lot landscaping throughout a parking lot when no significant existing vegetation exists.
- iii. Shade trees shall be used to shade parking lots and driveways to reduce summer heat loads.
- iv. Provide landscaped areas within parking areas in addition to landscape buffers around the perimeter of parking lots to effectively screen vehicles.
- v. All parking lots shall be planted with sufficient trees so that within 10 years 50 percent of the surface area of the lot is shaded. Additionally, parking lots shall be screened from streets by non-bermed landscaped treatments.

**D. Accessory Standards**

1. Screening for Garbage/Recycling Enclosures and Rooftop Mechanical.

a. Intent.

- i. To reduce the visual and physical impacts of service areas, mechanical equipment, trash and recycling containers, and other similar uses on other on-site uses, the street environment, adjacent shoreline areas, and other public open spaces, and adjacent properties, while maintaining accessibility for service providers and users.
- ii. To mitigate the off-site visual impacts of service and mechanical equipment areas when siting alone does not adequately mitigate impacts.

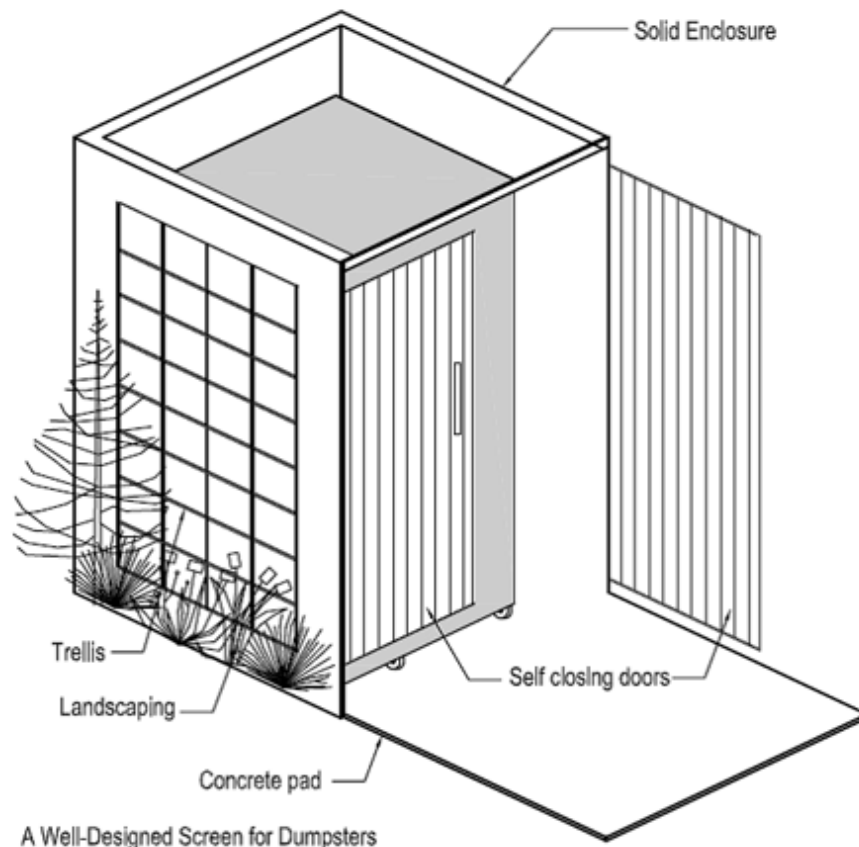
b. Design Criteria.

- i. Services and outdoor storage areas, large utility cabinets and mechanical equipment, and waste receptacles (trash dumpsters, compactors, and mechanical equipment) shall be located away from highly visible areas, such as streets, pedestrian walkways, and public shoreline areas, to minimize visual, noise, or physical impacts on the site, street environment, adjacent public open spaces, and adjacent properties.



- ii. All garbage receptacles and recycling bins not located within parking garages shall be enclosed by a freestanding enclosure that is architecturally consistent with the building. Locate waste receptacles in areas convenient for on-site use and accessible for collection.
- iii. Service elements and outdoor storage areas (dumpsters, refuse, and recycling collection areas) shall be screened from view with a solid visual barrier, using materials and colors consistent with the design of the primary structure(s) on the site, and at a minimum shall be as high as the service element being screened. Utility cabinets and small-scale service elements may be screened with landscaping or structures.

**Figure 21.60.040R**  
**Garbage/Recycling Enclosures**



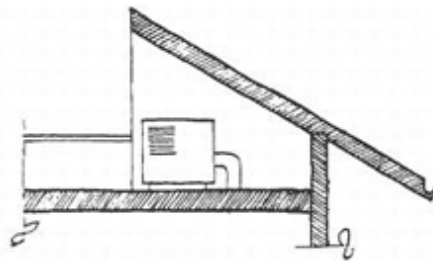
- iv. All mechanical equipment, including air conditioners, heaters, vents, and similar equipment, rooftop and ground-mounted, shall be fully screened from public view both at grade and from higher buildings with the exception of solar panels and roof-mounted wind turbines. Screening shall be located so as not to interfere with operation of the equipment. All mechanical equipment shall meet the applicable requirements of the Uniform Mechanical Code and Uniform Plumbing Code and:



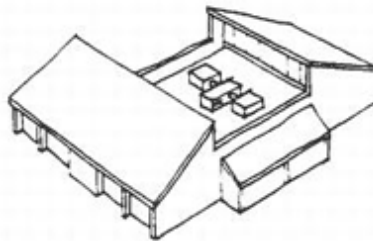


- A. The screening materials shall be of material requiring minimal maintenance, and shall be as high as the equipment being screened.
- B. For ground-mounted equipment, landscaping may be used if a solid screen is provided at time of planting.
- C. For rooftop equipment, all screening devices shall be well integrated into the architectural design through such elements as parapet walls, false roofs, roof wells, clerestories, or equipment rooms. Screening walls or unit-mounted screening is allowed but less desirable. Wood generally shall not be used. Louvered designs are acceptable if consistent with building design style.

**Figure 21.60.040S  
Rooftop Screening**



**Section of mechanical penthouse.**

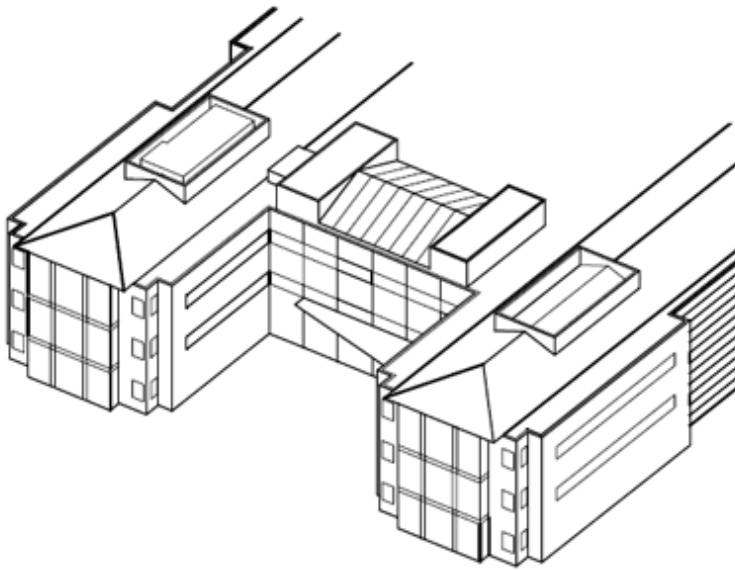


**Mechanical equipment screen by clerestory roofs and parapets.**





Figure 21.60.040T  
Rooftop Screening

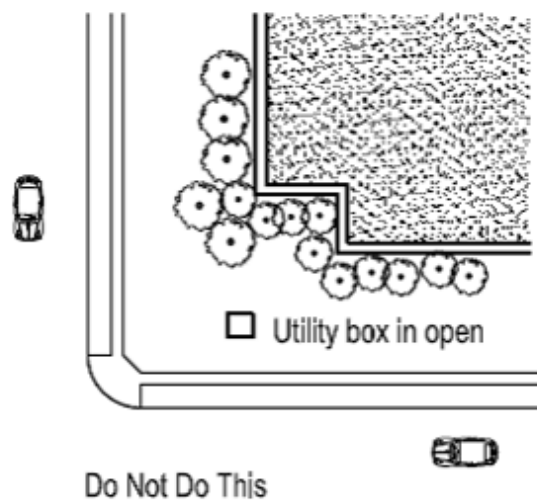
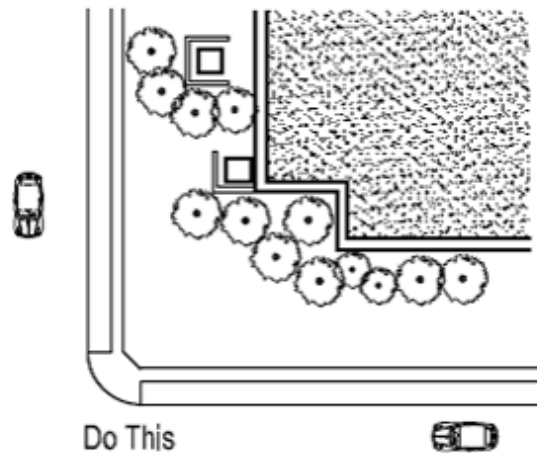


Roof wells conceal mechanical equipment

- v. Design screening with consideration of views from adjoining hillsides and from other areas of high public visibility, such as streets and shoreline areas, with special consideration for views from SR 520, Redmond Way, other major arterials, Marymoor Park, and the Sammamish River Trail.
- vi. Design and select landscaping and structural materials of sufficient size, quantity, and height to effectively screen service elements and to make those elements meet the requirements of iv above.
- vii. Screening should incorporate landscaping.
- viii. All utility meters shall be fully screened from view from a public right-of-way. If enclosed in cabinets visible from public rights-of-way, exterior surfaces shall be finished with material compatible and complementary to the architecture of the building.



Figure 21.60.040U  
Screening of Utility Vaults and Mechanical Equipment



Use Landscaping and Other Site Design Methods to Screen Utility Vaults and Mechanical Equipment.

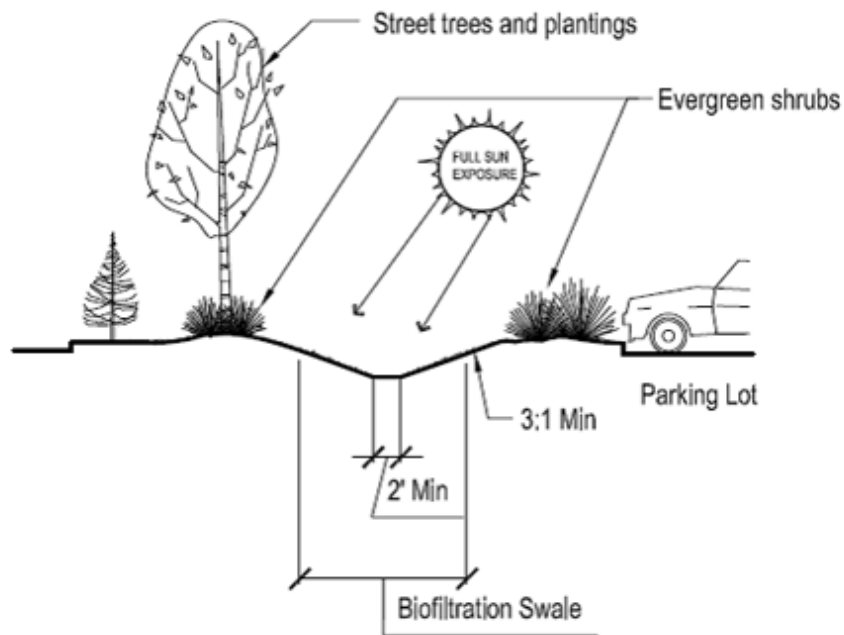
- A. Screening structures shall comply with the Building Code, and a building permit may be required. Applicants may wish to contact the Building Division for all requirements.
2. Stormwater Facilities.
  - a. Intent.
    - i. To provide options for stormwater facilities that are visually attractive;
    - ii. To incorporate open stormwater facilities into project site design and landscaping as a design amenity for active or passive recreation;
    - iii. To avoid potential hazards between persons and stormwater facilities.



b. Design Criteria.

- i. Design stormwater facilities to appear as naturally occurring features.
- ii. Stormwater facilities shall be designed to address the following:
  - A. Incorporate screening elements and landscaping into biofiltration swale design so the swale is located and designed as an attractive landscaping feature.
  - B. The swale or pond shall be oriented so it does not impede pedestrian circulation or shared parking between two or more properties.

**Figure 21.60.040V  
Biofiltration Swale Cross Section**



- C. Trees may be planted near biofiltration swales as long as they are a minimum of eight feet from the swale, and they will not inhibit vegetative growth within the swale.
- D. Drainage swales shall be planted with shrubs or grasses (sedges, for example) which are tolerant to standing water or wet conditions.
- E. Pedestrian bridges are acceptable where such crossings are necessary.
- F. Incorporate landscaping and screening to visually enhance the swale without reducing maintainability and sun exposure.
- G. Adjacent to natural shoreline areas, above-ground stormwater facilities shall be landscaped with native plants, and should include snags, nest boxes, or other habitat features as appropriate for the scale, function, and location of the facility.

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**Attachment C2a:**

**Applicable Redmond Zoning Code Section  
RMZ 21.76.070 C and L**



## ARTICLE VI REVIEW PROCEDURES

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### RZC 21.76 REVIEW PROCEDURES

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#### 21.76.070 LAND USE ACTIONS AND DECISION CRITERIA

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- A. **Purpose.** The purpose of this chapter is to establish the procedures (if different than the standard review type) and the decision criteria for each development application or special procedure. With the exception of Criteria Applicable to all Land Use Permits in RZC 21.76.070.B below, the actions are listed in alphabetical order.
- B. **Criteria Applicable to All Land Use Permits.**
1. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to provide general criteria that ensure overall consistency between proposed land use permits, and applicable regulations, and the Comprehensive Plan.
  2. Scope. The decision criteria below shall apply to all land use permits.
  3. Criteria.
    - a. Consistency. Land use permits are reviewed by the City to determine consistency between the proposed project and the applicable regulations and Comprehensive Plan provisions.
      - i. A proposed project's consistency with the City's development regulations shall be determined by consideration of:
        - A. The type of land use;
        - B. The level of development, such as units per acre or other measures of density;
        - C. Availability of infrastructure, including public facilities and services needed to serve the development; and
        - D. The character of the development, such as development standards.
      - ii. Upon review of a land use permit and accompanying site plan, the decision maker shall determine whether building design and/or site design complies with the following provisions:
        - A. The Comprehensive Plan, RZC 21.02, Preface, RZC Article I, Zone-Based Regulations, RZC Article II, Citywide Regulations, and the Appendices that carry out these titles;
        - B. The provisions of RMC Title 15, Buildings and Construction, that affect building location and general site design;
        - C. The Washington State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) if not otherwise satisfied;



- D. RZC [Article VI, Review Procedures](#), to the extent it provides the procedures to ensure compliance with the requirements in subsections B.3.a.ii.B and B.3.a.ii.C of this section.
  - E. Both within and outside Transition Overlays, decision makers authorized by the RZC to decide upon discretionary approvals may condition such approvals and development permits, including but not limited to site plan approvals, to minimize adverse impacts on other properties and uses, and to carry out the policies of the Comprehensive Plan.
- b. Limitations on Review. During project review, the City shall not reexamine alternatives to or hear appeals on the items identified in subsection B.3.a.i of this section, except for issues of code interpretation.
  - c. Burden and Nature of Proof. The burden of proof for demonstrating that the application is consistent with the applicable regulations is on the proponent. The project application must be supported by proof that it conforms to the applicable elements of the City's development regulations and the Comprehensive Plan, and that any significant adverse environmental impacts have been adequately addressed.
- C. **Administrative Design Flexibility.**
- 1. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to promote creativity in site design, allow flexibility in the application of standards in certain zones, and to achieve the creation of sites and uses that **may benefit the public** by the application of flexible standards not otherwise possible under conventional development regulations.
  - 2. Scope. Administrative design flexibility shall only be considered for adjusting standards in the categories listed below for each type of land use. Requests for adjustment to standards not listed shall be processed as a variance as set forth in RZC [21.76.070.BB, Variances](#).
  - 3. Process Type. Requests for administrative design flexibility shall be processed and decided as part of the decision on the underlying permit.
  - 4. Decision Criteria.
    - a. Criteria for Projects Other Than in Downtown, Overlake, or Marymoor Design District zones.
      - i. Criteria for Non-Single-Family Projects.
        - A. Superiority in achieving the Comprehensive Plan neighborhood goals and policies, and superior design in terms of architecture, building materials, site design, landscaping, and open space. Projects shall seek to create greater amounts of privacy, maintenance of views, preservation of trees, preservation of historic resources, vegetation and habitat, and provide for adequate security.
        - B. The applicant must prove that the project meets the criteria outlined above, based on:
          - 1. Measurable improvements, such as an increase in the number of trees saved, increased amount of open space, or increased landscaping area;
          - 2. Objective improvements, such as increased solar access or increased privacy; and



3. Conceptual architectural sketches, showing two sketches (with and without administrative design flexibility), indicating the improvement gained by application of the administrative design flexibility.
- C. Criteria for Additions or Modifications to Existing Single Family Structures.
  - ii. The modification will not have a significant adverse impact on adjoining property owners;
  - b. The modification shall not be unduly injurious to property owners in the vicinity or their enjoyment of their property;
  - c. The request is due to special physical circumstances relating to the size, shape, topography, location, or surroundings of the subject property;
  - d. The project otherwise complies with the requirements of the RZC.
5. Residential Flexible Standards. Administrative design flexibility in residential zones is limited to the following development standards:
  - a. Setbacks. Front, side, and rear setbacks may be reduced up to 20 percent in all residential zones, provided that setbacks from Lake Sammamish shall not be eligible for design flexibility. A minimum of 18 feet of driveway shall be provided between the garage, carport, or other fenced parking area and the street property line except when alleys are used for vehicular access.
  - b. Impervious Surface. In the R-8 through R-20 zones, the impervious surface area can be increased an additional five percent.
6. Commercial Flexible Standards. Administrative design flexibility is limited to the Neighborhood Commercial zones (NC-1 and NC-2) and General Commercial (GC) zoning districts. Administrative design flexibility is further limited to the following standards:
  - a. Lot coverage/impervious surface may be increased an additional five percent.
  - b. Minimum building setbacks may be reduced up to 20 percent.
7. Business and Manufacturing Park Flexible Standards. Administrative design flexibility is limited to the Business Park (BP), Manufacturing (MP) and Industrial (I) zones. Administrative design flexibility is further limited to the following standards:
  - a. Lot coverage/impervious surface may be increased an additional five percent.
  - b. Minimum building setbacks may be reduced up to 20 percent.
8. Decision Criteria for Downtown, Overlake, and the Marymoor Design District.
  - a. Deviation from standards listed in subsection C.8.b below may be allowed if an applicant demonstrates that the deviations would result in a development that:
    - i. Better meets the intent of the goals and policies for the zone in which the site is located;
    - ii. Is superior in design in terms of architecture, building materials, site design, landscaping, and open space; and
    - iii. Provides benefit in terms of desired use and activity.
  - b. Standards that may be modified by application of administrative design flexibility are as follows:





- i. Parking Lot Location. Requirements for the location of on-site parking may be modified within the development (except for parking within residential yard areas) to provide for greater joint-use and quasi-public parking opportunities and uses which are highly desirable in the subject design area.
- ii. For Downtown, mid-block pedestrian walkways and vehicular lanes, per RZC [21.10.150, Pedestrian System](#), may be modified to allow variations in locations and minimum widths for these items to provide superiority in site design and function which benefits both the property owner and public.
- iii. Street standards for attached dwelling unit subdivision developments.
- iv. Other Site Requirements and Standards. All other site requirements and standards except density, number of stories, and FAR may be modified within the development to provide superiority in site design; i.e., greater amounts of privacy, maintenance of views, greater environmental benefit, **distinctive and high quality of design**, improved pedestrian access, preservation of vegetation, provision of usable open space, and adequate light, air, and security.

#### D. Administrative Interpretation.

1. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to provide for the interpretation of the Zoning Code. The primary objective of administrative interpretation is to ascertain the intent of the code provision at issue and to give effect to that intent. Administrative interpretation shall not be used to amend or change the code.
2. Scope. The RZC shall be interpreted whenever any of its provisions, or the application of such provisions to any specific set of circumstances, is ambiguous; i.e., where the Code is subject to two or more reasonable interpretations.
3. Procedures. The Code Administrator shall be responsible for interpreting the provisions of this code, except where expressly provided otherwise. Any interested person may apply for an interpretation of this code. Applications for administrative interpretation are processed as Type I reviews.
4. Decision Criteria.
  - a. The provisions of the RZC shall be considered to be the minimum requirements adopted for the promotion and protection of the public health, safety, and general welfare, and all administrative interpretations shall be made in this context.
  - b. The RZC is not intended to interfere with, abrogate, or annul any easements, covenants, or other agreements between parties, except where the agreements may conflict with the enforcement of the RZC.
  - c. In the case of conflicts between parts of the RZC or between the RZC and other rules, regulations, resolutions, ordinances, or statutes lawfully adopted by other authority having jurisdiction within the City, the most restrictive shall govern. In the case of conflicts between the text, maps, and charts of the RZC, the text shall govern unless otherwise stated.
  - d. Interpretation of the Official Zoning Map shall be as set forth in RZC [21.04.020.B](#).
  - e. Interpretation of the Redmond Comprehensive Plan is to be made recognizing that the boundaries of the plan categories are not exact but illustrate general relationships and locations.





5. Administrative interpretation shall utilize generally recognized principles of statutory and ordinance interpretation adopted by the courts of this state.

**E. Alteration of Geologic Hazard Areas.**

1. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to provide for the construction of streets and/or utilities that are identified on an adopted City plan, where no reasonable alternative to locating in a Landslide Hazard Area exists.
2. Scope. An Alteration of Geologic Hazard Areas is an exception for streets and utilities identified in an adopted plan as of October 1, 1997, such as the Comprehensive Plan, Capital Facility Plan, Transportation Improvement Plan, or Utility Facility Plan, from strict adherence to [RZC 21.64](#), *Critical Areas Regulations*, as the chapter relates to Landslide Hazard Areas.
3. Decision Criteria.
  - a. There must be no reasonable alternative to locating in a Landslide Hazard Area. Alternative locations which would avoid impact to the Landslide Hazard Area must be shown to be economically or functionally infeasible.
  - b. A geotechnical evaluation must be conducted to identify the risks of damage from the proposal, both on-site and off-site, and to identify measures to eliminate or reduce risks. The proposal must not increase the risk of occurrence of the potential geologic hazard.
  - c. Impacts shall be minimized by limiting the magnitude of the proposed construction to the extent possible. Any impacts must be eliminated or mitigated by repairing, rehabilitating, restoring, replacing, or providing substitute resources consistent with the mitigation and performance standards set forth in [RZC 21.64.010.L](#) and [21.64.010.M](#).

**F. Archeological Sites.** The decision criteria for archeological sites are found in [RZC 21.30](#), *Historic and Archeological Resources*.

**G. Binding Site Plan.** The decision criteria for binding site plans are found in [RZC Article V](#), *Land Division*.

**H. Boundary Line Adjustment.** The decision criteria for boundary line adjustments are found [RZC Article V](#), *Land Division*.

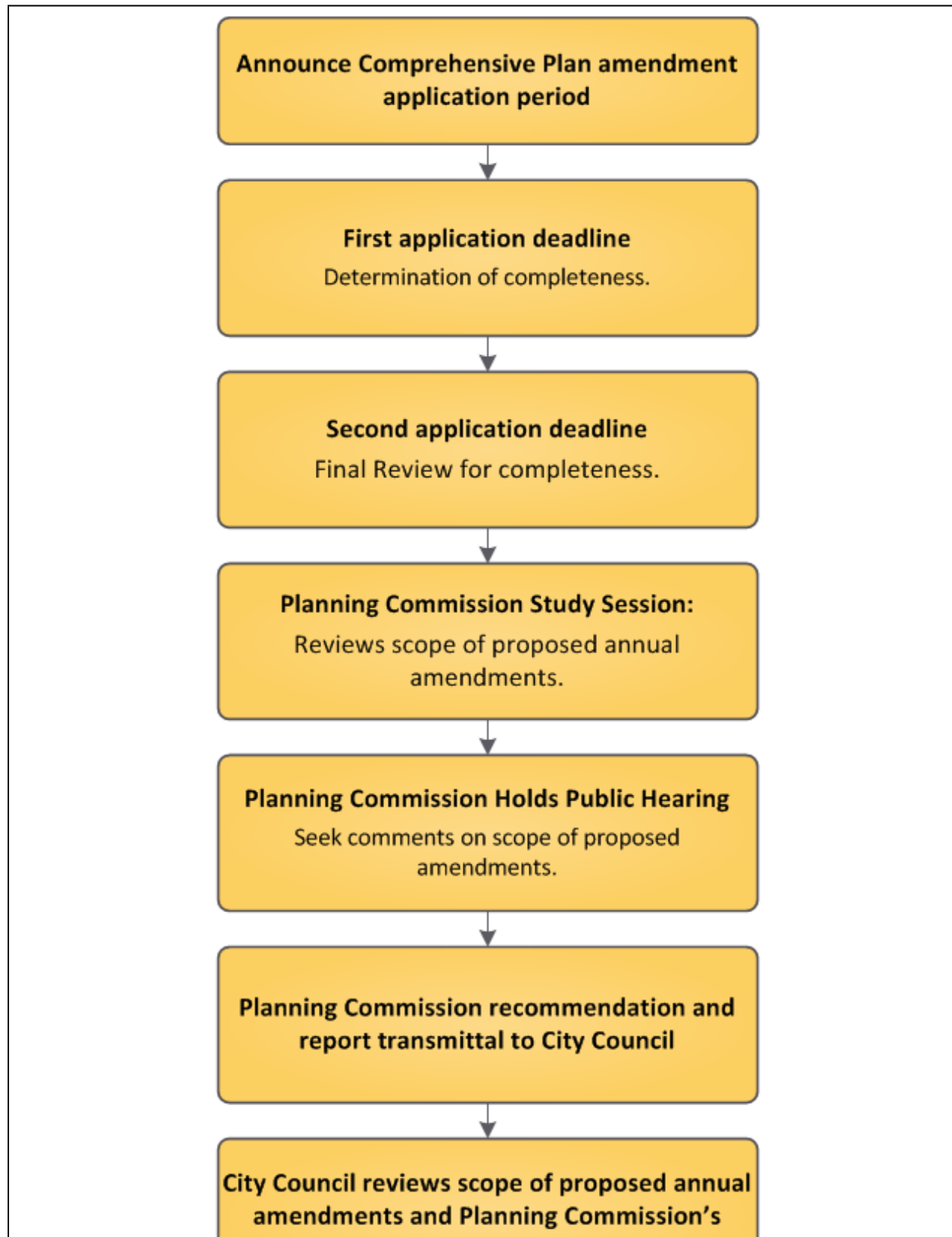
**I. Certificate of Appropriateness.** The decision criteria for certificate of appropriateness are found in [RZC 21.30](#), *Historic and Archeological Resources*.

**J. Comprehensive Plan Map and/or Policy Amendment.**

1. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to provide a mechanism to allow modifications to the City's Comprehensive Plan Map or policies.
2. Procedure for establishing the scope of annual Comprehensive Plan amendments and concurrent Zoning Code amendments (the "docketing process"). The Growth Management Act, RCW 36.70A, provides that Comprehensive Plan amendments can occur no more than once a year with limited exceptions. For any given year, the City establishes an application process with due date, as shown in Figure 21.76.070A. Applications received after the due date may be considered as part of the following year's Comprehensive Plan docketing process.
  - a. Sequence for establishing the annual docket. Figure 21.76.070A identifies major steps involved in establishing the annual Comprehensive Plan docket.



Figure 21.76.070A  
Flow Chart for Annual **Docketing** Process





- b. Criteria for including proposed Comprehensive Plan amendments in a given docket cycle. The following criteria will be used in determining which proposed Comprehensive Plan amendments will be given further consideration. Applications not included in an annual docket may be submitted in subsequent annual docketing processes, and would be evaluated again for consistency with criteria.
  - i. Amending the Comprehensive Plan is the most appropriate mechanism available, as the desired outcome cannot be addressed as a regulatory, budgetary, or programmatic measure;
  - ii. The proposed Comprehensive Plan amendment is best addressed as an individually docketed item, instead of evaluating as part of a periodic update to Redmond's Comprehensive Plan, neighborhood plan update, or other planning processes such as those led by neighboring jurisdictions, regional, or state agencies;
  - iii. The proposed Comprehensive Plan amendment is consistent with existing local, state, and federal laws;
  - iv. The proposed Comprehensive Plan amendment is timely with respect to other City and community initiatives, and planned public and private development activity;
  - v. City Council, Planning Commission, and staff will have sufficient information necessary to analyze the proposal, develop a recommendation, and make an informed decision within the docket year;
  - vi. The proposed Comprehensive Plan amendment is consistent with overall vision, policies, and adopted functional plans; and
  - vii. The proposed Comprehensive Plan amendment or similar amendment has not been considered or rejected within the last two years.
- 3. Criteria for evaluation and action on proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendments. Once the scope of annual Comprehensive Plan amendments is confirmed via the docketing process described in RZC [21.76.070.J.2](#), each item is reviewed individually and acted on using the criteria below per Redmond Comprehensive Plan Policy PI-16. The review process shall follow Type VI (legislative) permit procedures as described in RZC [21.76.050](#).
  - a. Consistency with the Growth Management Act (GMA), the State of Washington Department of Commerce Procedural Criteria, and the King County Countywide Planning Policies (CPPs);
  - b. Consistency with the Comprehensive Plan policies and the designation criteria;
  - c. Consistency with the preferred growth and development pattern in Section B of the Land Use Element of the Comprehensive Plan;
  - d. The capability of the land, including the prevalence of critical areas;
  - e. The capacity of public facilities and whether public facilities and services can be provided cost-effectively at the intensity allowed by the designation;
  - f. Whether the allowed uses are compatible with nearby uses;
  - g. If the purpose of the amendment is to change the allowed use in an area, the need for the land uses that would be allowed by the Comprehensive Plan amendment and whether the amendment would result in the loss of the capacity to meet other needed



- land uses, especially whether the proposed amendment complies with the policy on no net loss of housing capacity; and
- h. For issues that have been considered within the last four annual updates or Comprehensive Land Use Plan amendments, whether there has been a change in circumstances that makes the proposed plan designation or policy change appropriate or whether the amendment is needed to remedy a mistake.
  4. Exemptions. Changes in the organization, format, appearance, profiles, narrative, illustrations, examples or other nonmaterial changes to the Comprehensive Plan may be made by the Department of Planning and Community Development and are exempt from this section. Amendments to facility plans for City-managed utilities shall follow those procedures described in the Capital Facilities Element of the Redmond Comprehensive Plan.
  5. Approval by Ordinance. All amendments shall be approved by ordinance by the Redmond City Council.
  6. Proposed Amendments for a Neighborhood Commercial Designation. The following additional procedures apply for proposed amendments to the Comprehensive Land Use Plan Map and Zoning Map for a Neighborhood Commercial designation.
    - a. Conceptual Site Plan. The applicant shall include with the application a conceptual site plan, indicating proposed land uses, vehicular and nonmotorized access and parking, building height, building entrances, landscaping, open space, and community gathering areas. Architectural design, exact building shapes, and other detailed information required in a site plan shall not be required. The plan shall demonstrate feasibility of compliance with Redmond's Comprehensive Plan policies and Redmond Zoning Code regulations associated with Neighborhood Commercial land use and zoning designation, RZC [21.14.010](#), *Neighborhood Commercial (NC-1)* or RZC [21.14.015](#), *Neighborhood Commercial (NC-2)*.
    - b. Neighborhood Meeting. Applicants are required to hold a neighborhood meeting between two and eight weeks following submittal of the application. City staff shall be invited to attend the meeting. Notice of the meeting shall be mailed at least 21 days prior to the meeting to all property owners and residents within the respective neighborhood boundaries of the proposed project and to any other person known to the City to have expressed an interest in the individual amendment. The notice shall include the conceptual site plan. Neighborhood meeting purpose and requirements shall also apply, RZC [21.76.060.C](#), *Neighborhood Meetings*.
    - c. Availability of Application. The application, including the conceptual site plan, shall be available for public review at the Development Services Center for a minimum of fourteen days prior to the neighborhood meeting.
    - d. Comments from Neighborhood Meeting. The applicant shall consider the comments received at the neighborhood meeting and shall consider recommendations from City staff, if any, regarding potential revisions to the conceptual site plan to address neighborhood concerns. The applicant shall either (a) submit a revised conceptual site plan incorporating any such revisions, or (b) advise the City that no revisions will be made, within 60 days from the date of the neighborhood meeting. If the applicant does not resubmit or notify the City within the 60-day period, the City will process the application as submitted without revisions.



- e. Neighborhood Commercial Review Panel.
  - i. After receipt of the revised conceptual site plan or after 60 days has passed from the date of the neighborhood meeting, the City shall schedule the application for review by a Neighborhood Commercial Review Panel consisting of the following representatives to be appointed by the Mayor:
    - A. One member of the Redmond Planning Commission
    - B. Two members of the Redmond Design Review Board;
    - C. One member of the Redmond Technical Committee;
    - D. Three citizen representatives, to be selected according to the following order of priority:
      - 1. Members of any active Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) for the neighborhood in which the proposal is located; or
      - 2. Members of any former CAC for the neighborhood in which the proposal is located;
    - E. In instances where there is no representative who meets the criteria set forth in subsection J.6.e.i.D above of this section, the Mayor may appoint a member of a Redmond board, commission, or committee, or an active civic leader from the neighborhood in which the project is located.
    - F. In addition to the seven representatives identified above, a Youth Advocate member is encouraged to participate on the review panel as a nonvoting member.
  - ii. The Neighborhood Commercial Review Panel shall provide a recommendation to the Technical Committee regarding whether the application for a Comprehensive Land Use Plan Map and Zoning Map amendment should be approved, modified, or denied, and shall include any recommended conditions for approval.
  - iii. The Neighborhood Commercial Review Panel's recommendation shall be included as an attachment to the Technical Committee Report and to the Planning Commission Report, and referenced in the findings of fact. (Ord. 2614)

### **K. Conditional Use Permit.**

- 1. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to establish the criteria that the City will use in making a decision upon an application for a Conditional Use Permit. A conditional use is a use which may be appropriate on a specific parcel of land within a given zoning district under certain conditions, but which is not appropriate on all parcels within the same zoning district. A Conditional Use Permit allows the City to consider the appropriateness of the use on a specific parcel in terms of compatibility with other uses in the same zone and vicinity and to impose conditions to ensure such compatibility.
- 2. Scope. A Conditional Use Permit shall be required for any land use designated as requiring a Conditional Use Permit in the applicable permitted use chart, unless otherwise noted in the chart.





3. Phasing. A project may be developed in phases. If more than three years have lapsed since final approval of the project, uncompleted divisions shall be subject to the current City standards.
4. Decision Criteria. The City may approve or approve with modifications the conditional use only if the applicant demonstrates that:
  - a. The conditional use is consistent with the RZC and the Comprehensive Plan;
  - b. The conditional use is designed in a manner which is compatible with and responds to the existing or intended character, appearance, quality of development, and physical characteristics of the subject property and immediate vicinity;
  - c. The location, size, and height of buildings, structures, walls and fences, and screening vegetation for the conditional use shall not hinder neighborhood circulation or discourage the permitted development or use of neighboring properties;
  - d. The type of use, hours of operation, and appropriateness of the use in relation to adjacent uses minimize unusual hazards or characteristics of the use that would have adverse impacts;
  - e. The conditional use is such that pedestrian and vehicular traffic associated with the use will not be hazardous or conflict with existing and anticipated traffic in the neighborhood;
  - f. The conditional use will be supported by adequate public facilities or services, and will not adversely affect public services to the surrounding area or conditions are established to mitigate adverse impacts on such facilities.

#### L. **Development Agreement.**

1. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to provide a mechanism whereby developers and the City can be certain that upon approval a project may proceed in accordance with existing policies and regulations, and that public facilities and services will be adequate to serve existing and new development at such time as development occurs. Development agreements are authorized by RCW 36.70B.170, et seq.
2. Scope. Any person having ownership or control of real property within the City desiring to enter may apply for a development agreement in order to set forth the development standards and other provisions that will apply to and govern and vest the development, use, and mitigation of the development of the real property for the duration specified in the agreement.
3. Decision Criteria. A development agreement may be entered into if the following criteria are met:
  - a. The agreement must be consistent with the applicable development regulations for the property;
  - b. All impacts of the development must be mitigated by the measures set forth in the agreement or the agreement must provide a mechanism for analyzing and mitigating such impacts as they occur;
  - c. The agreement must reserve the City's authority to impose new or different regulations to the extent required by a serious threat to public health and safety;
  - d. The duration of the agreement must be reasonable in light of the anticipated build-out period for the proposed development and the needs of the City; and





- e. **The agreement must be in the public interest and provide a public benefit.**

4. Approving Deviations. The City Council may approve deviations from development standards through a development agreement when the agreement concerns the design, construction, or operation of high-capacity transit facilities constructed by or for a regional transit authority established by Chapter 81.112 RCW, except for surface parking lots outside of the high-capacity transit right-of-way and identified station sites. In approving such deviations, the City Council must find that the deviations facilitate the design, construction, or operation of high-capacity transit facilities in Redmond, and that the development agreement meets the provisions of subsection (3)(b) through (3)(e) of this section.

### **M. Essential Public Facilities.**

1. Purpose. The purpose of this section is, as required by state law, to provide a process to site necessary public uses that may otherwise be difficult to site. This process also provides for greater involvement of the community and identifies and minimizes adverse impacts. Essential public facilities are defined in [RZC 21.78, Definitions](#).
2. Scope. This section establishes the criteria that the City will use in making a decision upon an application for an essential public facility. This section provides an alternative process for permitting those uses which qualify as essential public facilities under the criteria set forth below. A proposal may be reviewed as an essential public facility under this section when the applicant makes a written request for such review to the Administrator, or when the Administrator requires that a proposal be reviewed as an essential public facility. A proposal qualifies as an essential public facility when:
  - a. The facility meets the definition of Essential Public Facility.
  - b. The facility is a type difficult to site because of one of the following:
    - i. The facility needs a type of site of which there are few sites
    - ii. The facility can locate only near another public facility,
    - iii. The facility has or is generally perceived by the public to have significant adverse impacts that make it difficult to site, or
    - iv. The facility is of a type that has been difficult to site in the past;
  - c. There is need for the facility, and Redmond is in the facility service area.
3. Procedure. Applications that seek approval for an essential public facility shall follow the procedures established in [RZC 21.76.050.I](#) for a Type IV permit process. In addition to the decision criteria described in subsection M.5 below, Secure Community Transition Facilities shall also be consistent with subsection M.7 below.
4. Review Process - Alternative Sites/Public Involvement.
  - a. An applicant may have one or more alternative sites considered at the same time during this process.
  - b. The Administrator has the authority to require the consideration of sites outside the City of Redmond, except where the facility is a state or regional facility for which a siting decision has already been made.
  - c. A public involvement process shall be required. The purpose of the public involvement process is to involve the persons within the zone of likely and foreseeable impacts, and



to assist in the development of potential incentives or modifications which would make siting of that facility more acceptable.

- i. The applicant shall propose an acceptable public involvement process to be reviewed and approved by the Administrator.
  - ii. Public involvement activities shall be conducted by and paid for by the applicant.
  - iii. The public involvement process shall be initiated by the applicant as early as feasibly possible.
- d. The Administrator may require a multi-jurisdictional review process if the facility serves a regional, countywide, statewide, or national need, if such a process has not been conducted prior to submittal of the application. If this process is required, the applicant shall design an acceptable process to be reviewed and approved by the Administrator. If such a process has already been conducted, no additional multi-jurisdictional process will be required. Applicants shall be required to pay for any process conducted. This requirement is not applicable to Secure Community Transition Facilities.
- e. An analysis of the facility's impact on City finances shall be undertaken.

### 5. Decision Criteria.

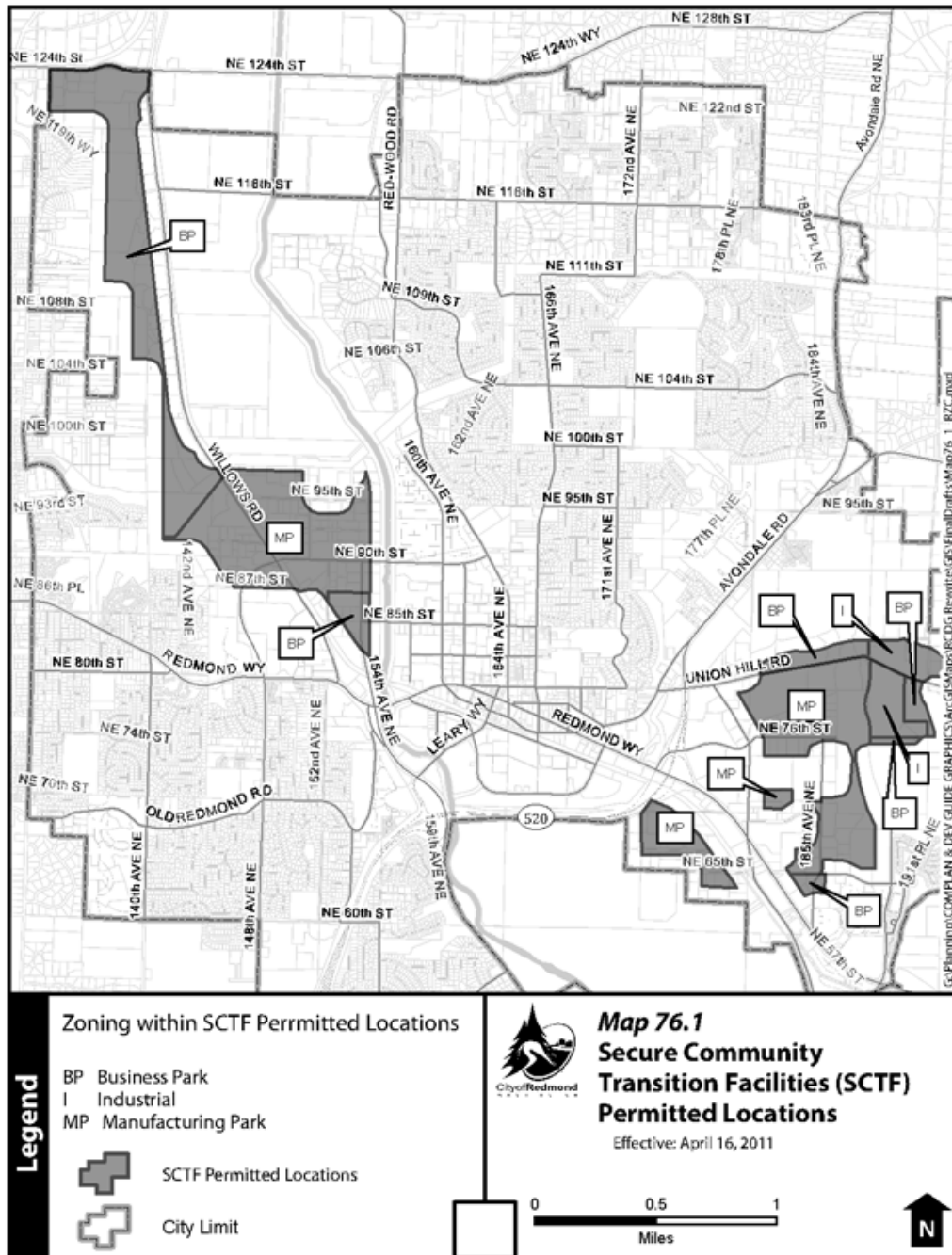
- a. Except where the facility is a state or regional facility for which a siting decision has already been made, alternative sites covering the service area of the proposed facility must be considered, and the site proposed must be the most appropriate site taking into consideration the requirements of the facility and the impacts on surrounding uses and the environment;
- b. A determination must be made that there is a public need for the facility, unless the facility is a state or regional facility for which need has already been established;
- c. The impact of the facility on the surrounding uses and environment, the City, and the region must be minimized;
- d. Conditions and/or mitigation measures relative to the design and/or operation of the facility must be identified and imposed to make the facility compatible with the surrounding uses and the environment to the extent practicable;
- e. A package of incentives must be developed that would make siting the facility within the community more acceptable;
- f. A determination must be made as to whether the factors that make the facility difficult to site can be modified to increase the range of available sites or to minimize impacts on affected areas and the environment, except where the facility is a state or regional facility for which a siting decision has already been made;
- g. The proposal shall comply with any applicable mitigation measures identified in the financial impact analysis;
- h. The proposed facility must be consistent with the Redmond Comprehensive Plan, unless the Comprehensive Plan would preclude the location of such facilities anywhere within the City;
- i. The facility must comply with any applicable state siting and permitting requirements; and



- j. Alternative sites shall cover the service area of the proposed facility. This criteria is not applicable to Secure Community Transition Facilities.
- 6. The City shall not deny or condition an essential public facility in such a manner as to preclude the siting or expansion of any state or regional essential public facility in the City. In the event that a state or regional essential public facility cannot, by the imposition of reasonable conditions of approval, be made to meet the decision criteria in subsection M.5 above, the City shall approve the siting or expansion of the state or regional essential public facility with such reasonable conditions of approval as may allow the essential public facility to meet the decision criteria to the maximum extent practicable.
- 7. Secure Community Transition Facilities.
  - a. Purpose and Intent. The purpose and intent of requiring standards for Secure Community Transition Facilities (SCTFs) is to comply with RCW Chapter 71.09, while maintaining compatibility with other land use and services permitted within the City.
  - b. Applicability. The standards in this section apply to all SCTFs, and are not subject to variance. These standards are in addition to the general standards applicable to essential public facilities found elsewhere in this subsection RZC 21.76.070.M.
  - c. Siting Criteria.
    - i. SCTFs should be located near transit facilities, where practical.
    - ii. SCTFs are only permitted in the areas designated on Map 76.1, Secure Community Transition Facilities (SCTF) Permitted Locations, adopted by this reference and set forth as paragraph M.7.f of this subsection.
    - iii. No SCTF shall be permitted to locate within one mile, as measured nearest property line to nearest property line, from any existing SCTF, work release, pre-release, or similar facility, as defined in RCW 71.09.250(8).
  - d. On-Site Facilities Required. Each SCTF shall have the capability to provide on-site dining, on-site laundry or laundry service, and on-site recreation facilities to serve the residents.
  - e. Application materials. In addition to the regular application materials required for land use review, an application for an SCTF shall also include:
    - i. A description of the siting process used for the SCTF, including alternative locations considered;
    - ii. An analysis showing that consideration was given to potential sites such that the siting of the facility will not result in a concentration of similar facilities in a particular neighborhood, community, jurisdiction, or region;
    - iii. Proposed mitigation measures, including the use of buffering from adjoining uses;
    - iv. A general overview of planned security for the facility;
    - v. A schedule and analysis of all public input solicited or to be solicited during the siting process; and
  - f. Map 76.1, Secure Community Transition Facilities (SCTF) Permitted Locations.



**Map 76.1**  
**Secure Community Transition Facilities Map**



*Note: Online users may click the map for a full-size version in PDF format.*

**N. Final Plat.** The decision criteria for Final Plats are found in RZC [Article V](#), *Land Division*.



- O. **Historic Landmark Designation.** The decision criteria for Historic Landmark Designations are found in [RZC 21.30](#), *Historic and Archeological Resources*.
- P. **Master Planned Development (MPD).**
1. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to provide a mechanism to allow the master planning of sites where development is proposed to occur in phases, where coordination of public facilities is needed, when a master plan is needed to determine how best to develop the area, when a master plan is needed to integrate various uses, or when multiple ownerships are to be coordinated into a unified development. The MPD process establishes conditions of approval for all concurrent and subsequent development applications; and thereby ensures that infrastructure, public services, and open space and recreation areas will be provided in a timely manner and be tailored to the MPD site. The MPD process also provides long-term guidance for a large area so that the continuity of development is maintained.
  2. Applicability. MPDs are:
    - a. Allowed in all zones for projects encompassing at least three acres (for multifamily, commercial, and mixed use) or 50 dwelling units (for single-family);
    - b. Required in the Overlake Village Subarea, Marymoor Design District, and Northeast Design District for all projects encompassing at least three acres;
    - c. Optional in the Overlake Village Subarea and in Downtown zones for projects encompassing less than three acres; and
    - d. Required in the East Sammamish Valley area pursuant to [RZC 21.08.190.B](#), *East Sammamish Valley Master Plan Requirement*.
  3. Scope of Approval. The MPD approval shall constitute a limitation on the use and design of the site.
    - a. MPD Term. Development plans may include multiple phases to be developed successively over a period of no more than five years (10 years for MPDs located in Overlake Village, the Marymoor Design District, and the Northeast Design District and MPDs greater than 10 acres in Downtown). If after this time period uncompleted phases remain, the applicant may request of the Technical Committee one extension of no more than five years. The Technical Committee may grant the extension if the applicant demonstrates economic hardship, change of ownership, unanticipated construction and/or site design problems, or other circumstances beyond his/her control determined acceptable by the Technical Committee. The MPD approval shall expire no more than 10 years from the original approval (15 years for MPDs located in Overlake Village, Marymoor Design District, and the Northeast Design District and MPDS greater than 10 acres in Downtown). If an MPD is accompanied by a development agreement, the applicant shall have the option of having the term of the MPD coincide with that of the development agreement, even if the term of the development agreement exceeds the ordinarily allowable MPD timeframe.
    - b. MPD and Subdivision. An MPD that requires platting shall not receive final plat approval until the City has granted an MPD approval.
    - c. Approval Process. The approval process includes the City's review and consideration of the general project concept, including its intensity and overall design. Each land use





permit associated with the MPD would then relate to specific site and development requirements as defined by the approval and the RZC.

4. Procedures. MPDs shall be processed using the following procedures:

- a. MPDs in the Overlake Village Subarea, Marymoor Design District, and Northeast Design District that are larger than three acres in size and MPDs in the Downtown that are larger than ten acres in size shall follow a Type V process as set forth in RZC [21.76.050.J](#).
  - i. A recommendation from the Design Review Board shall be required.
  - ii. The applicant shall host two neighborhood meetings: one early in the PREP process if PREP is used, and a second pursuant to RZC [21.76.060.C](#). The second neighborhood meeting shall be held no later than 60 days before the public hearing.
  - iii. MPD approval extensions and MPD amendments that meet the criteria for administrative modifications shall be reviewed under RZC [21.76.090](#), *Post-Approval Actions*.
- b. All other MPDs shall follow the process that is followed for the underlying land use permit. For example, an MPD that accompanies a site plan entitlement would follow a Type II process.
  - i. A neighborhood meeting to gather public input shall be held prior to the applicant making a formal application for the underlying land use permit.
  - ii. MPD approval extensions and MPD amendments that meet the criteria for administrative modifications shall be reviewed under RZC [21.76.090.D](#), *Administrative Modifications*.
- c. A Master Plan shall be completed prior to approval of any subdivision, binding site plan, or issuance of land use permit approval for any development. The following actions are exempt from this requirement:
  - i. Alterations to a building that qualify for review as an Administrative Modification under RZC [21.76.090.D](#).
  - ii. Public projects, such as parks, utility, and street improvements, including subdivision of property for land acquisition, or acquisition of other property rights required for such projects.
  - iii. Actions exempt from subdivision requirements as listed in RZC [21.74.010.B.2](#).
  - iv. Relocation of structures displaced by public projects.

5. Decision Criteria. Master Planned Developments shall meet the following criteria:

- a. All elements of the MPD shall support and be consistent with the RZC and all applicable Comprehensive Plan policies.
- b. MPDs proposed in the Overlake Village Subarea shall be consistent with the Overlake Master Plan and Implementation Strategy, and shall include the items listed in 5.d below in addition to the following:
  - i. A height and bulk study that demonstrates how building mass, height, and scale relate to open spaces, pedestrian pathways, streets, and other buildings;
  - ii. An analysis of shading effects of taller buildings (for sites smaller than three acres, only required if the Technical Committee or Design Review Board determine based upon the height and bulk study that analysis of shading effects is needed); and



- iii. Phasing plan for bonus features and affordable housing component showing that the completion of improvements of bonus features and affordable housing shall be commensurate with the progress on the construction of the development (for sites smaller than three acres, only required if the Technical Committee determines necessary).
  - c. MPDs proposed in the Marymoor Design District shall include a phasing plan for bonus features and affordable housing as described in 5.b.iii above in addition to the items listed in 5.d below.
  - d. All MPDs shall include the items listed below:
    - i. A design concept that is in conformance with all applicable Comprehensive Plan policies and development regulations;
    - ii. Conceptual site plan indicating all proposed land uses (architectural design, exact building shapes, locations, and other detailed information required in a site plan shall not be required);
    - iii. Transportation and circulation plan indicating the layout and conceptual design of all streets, pedestrian pathways, parking, and location of transit facilities (as available), in plan view and cross section for streets (cross sections only required for projects in the Downtown);
    - iv. Location of proposed space for parks, open space, and any cultural facilities;
    - v. Phasing plan describing anticipated time frames for development and showing that completion of affordable housing shall be commensurate with the progress on the construction of the development;
    - vi. Location of any environmentally critical areas;
    - vii. Landscape and tree retention concepts, including consideration of the health and structural stability of retained trees, as determined by an arborist report;
    - viii. Preliminary plan indicating required connections to adjacent properties for transportation and open space systems;
    - ix. Overall approach to sustainable design, including consideration of the use of environmentally sustainable materials such as permeable pavement, where possible; and
    - x. Preliminary plan for other major infrastructure improvements (may be waived by the Technical Committee for sites in Overlake smaller than three acres).
  - e. The Master Plan must comply with all site requirements or design guidelines that would ordinarily apply to projects developed in the underlying zone.
  - f. Property included in an MPD must be under the same ownership, or there must be a signed agreement establishing control over multiple ownerships.
6. Vesting. Where MPDs are required, they must be completed in conjunction with a development agreement, as described in RCW Chapter 36.70B, in order to vest to development regulations in place at the time of the agreement. Where MPDs are optional, applicants wishing to vest may pursue a development agreement as described in RCW Chapter 36.70B.
7. Nothing in this section shall preclude the acquisition of land prior to application or approval of a master plan.



Q. **Plat Alteration.** Decision criteria for plat alterations are found in RZC [Article V](#), *Land Division*.

R. **Plat Vacation.** Decision criteria for plat vacations are found in RZC [Article V](#).

S. **Preliminary Plat.** Decision criteria for preliminary plats are found in RZC [Article V](#).

T. **Reasonable Accommodations for Persons with Disabilities.**

1. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to comply with the requirements of the Federal Fair Housing Act and Fair Housing Act Amendments. The Federal Fair Housing Act and Fair Housing Act Amendments require that reasonable accommodations be made in the rules, policies, practices, or services when such accommodations may be necessary to afford disabled persons equal opportunity to use and enjoy a dwelling. The rights created by the statutes are requirements of federal law, and shall be interpreted and applied in accordance with federal case law.
2. Scope. The Administrator or his/her designee is therefore authorized to make reasonable accommodations in the provisions of the RZC as such provisions apply to dwellings occupied or to be occupied by disabled persons as defined by the Federal Fair Housing Act and Fair Housing Act Amendments.
3. Procedure.
  - a. Request. A request for a reasonable accommodation in the form of a modification of the State Building Code, including but not limited to, the Group LI requirements may be made to the Administrator or his/her designee. Such accommodation shall be reasonable, personal to the applicant, and granted pursuant to the definitions and requirements of the Fair Housing Act and Fair Housing Act Amendments as the same exists or is hereafter amended.
  - b. Decision. The written decision of the Administrator or his/her designee shall be provided to the applicant and copies of the decision posted at the post office, city hall, library, and on or near the subject site, and mailed to all property owners within 300 feet of the subject site.
  - c. Recording of Decision. Notice of the decision of the Administrator or his/her designee shall be recorded with the King County Department of Records and Elections to apprise prospective purchasers of the reasonable accommodation granted hereunder. All such notices shall conspicuously state that all accommodations granted under this section are personal to the applicant and that they expire when the applicant terminates his/her occupancy at the subject site.
  - d. Appeals. The decision of the Administrator or his/her designee shall be appealable only to King County Superior Court as provided in RCW Chapter 36.70C. The petition for review must be filed and served upon all necessary parties as set forth in state law and within the 21-day time period set forth in RCW 36.70C.040.
4. Criteria. The Administrator or his/her designee may determine that such reasonable accommodations may be necessary in order to comply with the Federal Fair Housing Act and Fair Housing Act Amendments. All such accommodations shall be personal to the applicant and shall expire immediately if the disabled applicant terminates occupancy at the subject site.

U. **Reasonable Use Exception (Critical Areas/Hazardous Liquid Pipelines and High Capacity Transit Corridor Preservation)**





1. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to provide a mechanism to allow relief from [RZC 21.64, Critical Areas Regulations](#); [RZC 21.26, Hazardous Liquid Pipelines](#); or [RZC 21.28, High Capacity Transit Corridor Preservation](#), when strict adherence to such regulations would deny all reasonable economic use of private property, or in the case of a public project, where application of the Critical Areas regulations would prohibit construction of the public project. In such cases, the applicant may seek a Reasonable Use Exception from the standards listed above.
2. Scope. Any person seeking relief from strict adherence to the standards and regulations as provided in [RZC 21.64, Critical Areas Regulations](#); or the strict application of setback requirements provided in [RZC 21.26, Hazardous Liquid Pipelines](#); or [RZC 21.28, High Capacity Transit Corridor Preservation](#), may apply for a Reasonable Use Exception. If an applicant demonstrates to the satisfaction of the approval authority that strict application of these standards would deny all reasonable economic use of the property, or in the case of public projects, where the Critical Areas regulations would prohibit construction of the public project, development may be permitted subject to appropriate conditions.
3. Decision Criteria - Critical Areas Reasonable Economic Use (Private). An applicant for a private project seeking relief from the strict application of [RZC 21.64, Critical Areas Regulations](#), shall demonstrate the following:
  - a. No reasonable economic use with less impact on the critical area and the buffer is feasible and reasonable; and
  - b. There is no feasible and reasonable on-site alternative to the activities proposed, considering possible changes in site layout, reductions in density, and similar factors. The application for an exception shall include an analysis of whether there is any practicable on-site alternative to the proposed development with less impact, including other allowed uses, reduction in density, phasing of project implementation, change in timing of activities, revision of lot layout, or related site planning considerations that would allow a reasonable use with less adverse impacts to the critical area; and
  - c. The proposed activities, as conditioned, will result in the minimum possible impacts to affected critical areas; and
  - d. The proposed development does not pose an unreasonable threat to the public health, safety, or welfare on or off the development proposal site and is consistent with the public interest; and
  - e. All reasonable mitigation measures have been implemented or assured; and
  - f. Any development permitted in the critical area is the minimum necessary to allow for reasonable economic use of the property; and
  - g. The inability to derive reasonable economic use is not the result of the applicant's actions.
4. Decision Criteria - Critical Areas Reasonable Use (Public Project). A public agency proposing a public project, where strict application of [RZC 21.64, Critical Areas Regulations](#), would prohibit construction of the public project, may apply for a Reasonable Use Exception. Requests for relief from [RZC 21.64.060.A.1.b, Landslide Hazard Areas](#), shall apply for an Alteration of Geologic Hazard Areas as noted in [RZC 21.76.070.E, Alteration of Geologic Hazard Areas](#). If the public agency or City department demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Technical Committee that strict application of these standards would



deny construction of a public project, the project may be permitted subject to following criteria.

- a. There is no feasible and reasonable on-site alternative to the activities proposed. The application for an exception shall include an analysis of whether there is any practicable on-site alternative to the proposed development with less impact, including reduction or revision of project scope, phasing of project implementation, change in timing of activities, or related site planning considerations that would allow a project design with less adverse impacts to the critical area; and
  - b. The proposed public project, as conditioned, will result in the minimum possible impacts to affected critical areas; and
  - c. The proposed public project does not pose an unreasonable threat to the public health, safety, or welfare on or off the project site, and is consistent with the public interest; and
  - d. All reasonable mitigation measures have been implemented or assured; and
  - e. Any development permitted in the critical area is the minimum necessary to construct and operate the public project.
  - f. The public agency or appropriate City department shall provide an analysis of mitigation opportunities in order to evaluate whether the proposal minimizes the impact on the critical area.
  - g. If a public project cannot be constructed without modification of required setbacks, building height, and/or lot coverage limits, buffers, and landscape widths, the public agency or City department shall modify the fixed regulations only to the extent necessary to allow construction of the public project, while providing as much critical area protection as is possible under the circumstances and while maintaining appropriate public health and safety standards. Such modifications shall only be allowed upon obtaining the applicable land use permit, such as a variance or administrative design flexibility.
  - h. Adequate mitigation and monitoring shall be required to address the adverse impacts on critical areas and their ecological functions and values of any modification of the required regulations under this provision.
  - i. Any public project requiring a reduction of the standards applicable within a critical area in order to provide the necessary public project shall be located as far from the critical area as practical. Total building coverage and all other impervious surfaces shall be minimized, as appropriate, to limit intrusion into the critical area.
  - j. The public project shall use, to the maximum extent possible, the best available construction, design, and development techniques that result in the least impact to ecological functions and values of the critical area.
  - k. Any net loss of function of the critical area on the site and adverse impacts to wetland or riparian stream corridor functions upstream or downstream from the site shall be minimized to the maximum extent practicable.
5. Decision Criteria - Reasonable Economic Use-Hazardous Liquid Pipelines. The required setback from the hazardous liquid pipeline corridor shall not deny all reasonable economic use of property. If an applicant demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Hearing Examiner that strict application of the required setback would deny all reasonable economic use of



the property, the setback may be lessened subject to appropriate conditions. An applicant for relief from strict application of the required setback shall demonstrate the following:

- a. No reasonable economic use of the applicant's property can be made if the required setback is strictly applied;
- b. The proposed setback is the minimum necessary to provide the applicant with a reasonable economic use of the property;
- c. All reasonable mitigation measures have or will be implemented or assured;
- d. The inability to derive any reasonable economic use is not the result of the applicant's actions or those of the applicant's predecessors in title; and
- e. The pipeline location has been definitively determined.
- f. As a condition of any relief granted under this section, the applicant shall be required to record an instrument against the title of the property notifying all subsequent purchasers of the fact that a lesser setback from the pipeline has been approved and of any and all conditions placed on the grant of relief.

6. **Decision Criteria - Reasonable Economic Use-High Capacity Transit Corridor Preservation.** The application of regulations outlined in [RZC 21.28, High Capacity Transit Corridor Preservation](#), shall not deny all reasonable economic use of private property. If an applicant demonstrates to the satisfaction of the decision-making body for the underlying land use permit that strict application of the regulations would deny all reasonable economic use of the property, the requirements may be lessened subject to appropriate conditions. An applicant for relief from strict application of the standards shall demonstrate the following:

- a. Strict application of these regulations would prevent all reasonable economic use of the property;
- b. There is no feasible and reasonable on-site alternative to the activities proposed; the applicant shall include an analysis of whether there is any practicable on-site alternative to the proposed development with less impact to these regulations, including other allowed uses, reduction in density, phasing of project implementation, change in timing of activities, or related site planning considerations that would allow a reasonable use in conjunction with the application of these regulations; and
- c. The inability to derive reasonable economic use is not the result of the applicant's actions.
- d. If a reasonable economic use of a site cannot exist without modification of required setbacks, the City shall modify the fixed regulations only to the extent necessary to provide for reasonable use of the property while providing as much setback area for transit as is possible under the circumstances.

V. **Shoreline Exemption, Shoreline Substantial Development Permit, Shoreline Conditional Use Permit and Shoreline Variance.** See [RZC 21.68, Shoreline Master Program](#).

W. **Short Plat.** Decision criteria for short plats can be found in [RZC Article V, Land Division](#).

X. **Sign Permit/Program.**

1. **Purpose.** The purpose of this section is to provide a mechanism for reviewing sign permits and sign programs in order to ensure that signs are constructed and maintained in a safe manner and that signs are located so as to provide effective communication while avoiding



visual clutter that is potentially harmful to traffic and pedestrian safety, property values, business opportunities, and community appearance.

2. Scope. All signs require a building permit before being erected, altered, or relocated. All signs and sign programs for new development shall be reviewed as part of the land use permit process required in this chapter and shall be subject to environmental review unless categorically exempt under SEPA. The Administrator shall review all building permits for signs that do not require another land use permit in order to determine compliance with the criteria set forth in this section.
3. Decision Criteria. All signs and sign programs shall comply with this section and the requirements set forth in [RZC 21.44](#), *Signs*, and [RZC Article III](#), *Design Standards*.

### **Y. Site Plan Entitlement.**

1. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to ensure that site plans reviewed individually or collectively by the Technical Committee, Design Review Board, Landmarks and Heritage Commission, and Code Administrator achieve the following purposes:
  - a. Compliance with the provisions of the RZC and all other applicable law;
  - b. Coordination, as is reasonable and appropriate, with other known or anticipated development on private properties in the area and with known or anticipated right-of-way and other public projects within the area;
  - c. The encouragement of proposals that embody good design principles that will result in high-quality development on the subject property;
  - d. The adequacy of streets and utilities in the area of the subject property to serve the anticipated demand from the proposal.
  - e. Determination that the proposed access to the subject property is the optimal location and configuration for access.
2. Scope. Review and approval of a Site Plan Entitlement is required for any public, semi-public, or private proposal for new construction or exterior modification to a building or site, including multifamily, attached dwelling units in non-single-family zones, commercial, industrial, utility construction, expansion, or exterior remodeling of structures, parking, or landscaping, where the proposed use is shown as permitted in the applicable permitted use chart. All of the above projects require the review and approval of a Site Plan Entitlement except for:
  - a. Detached single-family residential buildings.
  - b. Tenant improvements not encompassing or requiring modification to the exterior of an existing building; and
  - c. Any action noted above which meets the criteria to be reviewed as an Administrative Modification as provided in [RZC 21.76.090.D](#).
3. Decision Criteria.
  - a. The Technical Committee, composed of the Departments of Planning and Public Works, shall review all Development Review permits with the State Environmental Policy Act and the RZC.
  - b. The Landmarks and Heritage Commission will review all Certificates of Appropriateness for compliance with the RZC.



Z. **Temporary Use Permit.** See [RZC 21.46](#), *Temporary Uses*.

AA. **Tree Removal Permit.** See [RZC 21.72.020](#), *Tree Removal Permits Required*.

BB. **Variances.**

1. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to provide a mechanism by which the City may grant relief from certain regulations, where practical difficulty renders compliance with the provisions of that code an unnecessary hardship, where the hardship is a result of the physical characteristics of the subject property, and where the purpose of that code and of the Comprehensive Plan can be fulfilled.
2. Scope. This section is to provide for the consideration of variances from the strict application requirements of [RZC Article I](#), *Zone-Based Regulations*, and [RZC Article II](#), *Citywide Regulations*, when unique specified circumstances occur.
3. Decision Criteria. Variances may be approved only upon a finding that:
  - a. The variance will not constitute a grant of special privilege inconsistent with the limitation upon uses of other properties in the vicinity and land use district of the subject property; and
  - b. Such variance is reasonably necessary, only because of special physical circumstances relating to the size, shape, topography, location, or surroundings of the subject property to provide it with use rights and privileges permitted to other properties in the vicinity and in the land use district of the subject property; and
  - c. The conditions or situations giving rise to the variance application have not been created or caused by the applicant or recent prior owner of the subject property; and
  - d. Strict adherence to the regulation from which the variance is requested would create unnecessary hardship for the property owner; and
  - e. The variance is the minimum necessary to grant relief to the applicant; and
  - f. The variance does not relieve an applicant from conditions established during prior permit review; and
  - g. All approved variances otherwise comply with the requirements of the RZC and the Comprehensive Plan.
4. Limitation. The variance procedures shall not be used to deviate from the permitted uses requirements of the permitted land use charts contained in [RZC Article I](#), *Zone-Based Regulations*. Instead, the procedures for amending the text of the RZC and the Zoning Map, pursuant to [RZC 21.76.070.EE](#), *Zoning Code Amendment – Text*, and [RZC 21.76.070.FF](#), *Zoning Code Amendment – Zoning Map* shall be utilized.
5. Recording. Variances shall be recorded with the King County Department of Records and Elections.

CC. **Willows Rose Hill Demonstration Project.**

1. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to provide the procedures and requirements for the Willows Rose Hill Demonstration Project provided for in Comprehensive Plan Policy N-WR-E-4 and [RZC 21.08.290.F.4](#).
2. Procedure. The Willows Rose Hill Demonstration Project shall follow the procedures established in [RZC 21.76.050.H](#) for a Type III permit process.





3. Decision Criteria. The proposed demonstration project shall comply with the following criterion:
  - a. The applicant has sought input from the neighborhood in developing the project design using such methods as neighborhood meetings (a minimum of two) and/or design charrettes that take place prior to application submittal, as well as a minimum of one neighborhood meeting after the application is submitted;
  - b. The proposal meets the criteria for Site Plan Entitlement as listed in RZC 21.76.070.Y;
  - c. The proposal shall comply with Comprehensive Plan Policies adopted for the Willows/Rose Hill Neighborhood;
  - d. A neighborhood park is included in the proposal;
  - e. The proposal maintains the traditional character and quality of detached single-family dwellings, such as visible single-entries, pitched roofs, window frames, and porches; and
  - f. The proposal offers a range of ownership housing choices, including cottages and triplexes and/or fourplexes;
  - g. Only one Demonstration Project shall be permitted.

## DD. Wireless Communication Facilities.

1. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to provide a mechanism to address issues of safety and appearance associated with Wireless Communication Facilities and to provide adequate siting opportunities at appropriate locations within the City to support existing communications technologies as needed for Redmond businesses and institutions to stay competitive. See (RZC 21.56.030(C) and (D) for siting hierarchy.
2. Collocation requirements. All new Antenna Support Structures shall be constructed in a manner that would provide sufficient structural strength to allow the collocation of additional antennas from other service providers.
3. Construction plans and final construction of the WCF shall be approved by the City's Building Division, when applicable.
4. Time frame for Review. Refer to RZC 21.76.040(F).
5. Scope. The chart below identifies the process type based upon the type of facility and its location (Note that appropriate permits or lease agreement may be required per [RMC Chapter 12.14](#)):

Table 21.76.070 Wireless Communication Facilities Review Process			
Wireless Communication Facility Type (WCF)	Zone	Structure	Land Use Permit Type
Small satellite dish antenna	All	All	None required
Large satellite dish antenna	All	All	Type I
Amateur radio tower	All	All	Type I
Temporary Wireless Communication Facility	All	See definition of Temporary WCF	Type I
New Antenna Support Structures for Macro and Small Cell Facilities and New Antenna Support Structures for Macro and Small Cell Facilities that exceed height limits established in RZC 21.56	All Zones	Tower	Type II



Collocation of new antennas; removal or replacement of existing antennas; and associated ground mounted equipment enclosures on previously approved Structure Mounted Facilities and that comply with size and concealment requirements established in RZC 21.56.	All	All structures except Towers	None required
Collocation of new antennas; removal or replacement of existing antennas; and associated ground mounted equipment enclosures on existing Antenna Support Structures that are not an Eligible Facilities Request and comply with height limits established in RZC 21.56.	All	Tower	Type I (None required for removal of antennas)
Eligible Facilities Request	All	All	None required, however see RZC 21.56.020(B)(4)
Macro Cell Facility, Small Cell Facility and Small Cell Network mounted to a Structure Mounted Facility and associated Equipment Enclosures	All nonresidential zones	Nonresidential, Mixed Use & Multifamily Structures	Type I
	R-20 and R-30	Multifamily Use, Nonresidential & Mixed Use Structures	Type II
	All residential zones except R-20 and R-30	Nonresidential Structures	Type II
Macro Cell Facility, Small Cell Facility and Small Cell Network attached to Utility Poles, Light Poles and Miscellaneous Poles	All residential zones	Existing and Replacement Utility Poles, Light Poles and Miscellaneous Poles and New Light Poles subject to a lighting analysis (All other new poles are to be regulated as a New Antenna Support Structure)	Type II None required for Small Cell Facilities located within public rights-of-way, see RMC Chapter 12.14, Telecommunications for additional requirements
			Type II if located within Special Design Areas
Macro Cell Facility, Small Cell Facility and Small Cell Network attached to Utility Poles, Light Poles and Miscellaneous Poles	All non-residential zones	Existing and Replacement Utility Poles, Light Poles and Miscellaneous Poles and New Light Poles subject to a lighting analysis (All other new poles are to be regulated as a New Antenna Support Structure)	Type I None required for Small Cell Facilities located within public rights-of-way, see RMC Chapter 12.14, Telecommunications, Article III, for additional requirements
			Type II if located within Special Design Areas

6. Decision Criteria. All proposed wireless communication facilities shall not be approved unless the development regulations and design standards provided in [RZC 21.56, Wireless Communication Facilities](#), are met.



### EE. Zoning Code Amendment - Text.

1. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to provide the procedures and requirements for amending the text, maps and charts of the RZC, exclusive of the Zoning Map, and to ensure that such amendments are consistent with the goals and policies of the Comprehensive Plan.
2. Scope. Amendments to the RZC include amendments, additions and deletions to the text, maps, or charts of the RZC, except amendments to the Zoning Map as set forth in RZC .FF below.
3. Procedure. Zoning Code amendments shall follow the permit process established in RZC [21.76.050.K](#), *Type VI Review*, and appropriate state statutes.
4. Amendment Criteria. All amendments to the RZC processed under this section shall be in conformance with the Comprehensive Plan.
5. Exemptions. Non-substantive changes in the organization, format, appearance, profiles, narrative, illustrations, examples, or other nonmaterial changes to the RZC may be made by the Department of Planning and Community Development and are exempt from this section. Amendments to facility plans for City-managed utilities shall follow those procedures described in Utilities Element of the Comprehensive Plan.
6. Approval by Ordinance. All amendments shall be approved by ordinance by the Redmond City Council.

### FF. Zoning Code Amendment - Zoning Map.

1. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to establish the procedures and amendment criteria for amending the Official Zoning Map, adopted pursuant to RZC [21.04.020.A](#), *Establishment of Zoning Map*.
2. Procedure.
  - a. Zoning Code amendments to the Official Zoning Map that are consistent with the Comprehensive Plan shall follow the permit process established in RZC [21.76.050.I](#), *Type IV Review*.
  - b. Zoning Code amendments to the Official Zoning Map that require a concurrent amendment to the Comprehensive Plan shall follow the permit process established in RZC [21.76.050.K](#), *Type VI*.
3. Conditions to Amendment. The City Council may require the applicant to submit a conceptual site plan prior to final approval being granted on an amendment to the Zoning Map. The City may require the applicant to enter into a development agreement with the City as a condition of the Zoning Map amendment and may, through that agreement, impose development conditions designed to mitigate potential impacts of the amendment and development pursuant thereto.
4. Special Application Requirements. No application shall be filed nor accepted for filing which on its face will not comply with the Comprehensive Plan, unless an application for a Comprehensive Plan amendment is submitted and the two applications are processed concurrently. A Zoning Map Amendment application shall require signatures of owners representing 75 percent of the subject area and signatures representing 75 percent of the owners of property in the subject area if the area of the amendment comprises only





contiguous parcels under common ownership, or meets two or more of the following criteria: it contains up to five property owners, it consists of a small portion of a zone or neighborhood planning area, or it contains only land area with related physical characteristics. In no case shall the signature requirement apply to Zoning Map amendments that are proposed and processed concurrently with enabling Comprehensive Plan map or text amendments or Zoning Code text amendments.

5. Amendment Criteria. The following factors are to be taken into account by the Planning Commission and the City Council when considering a map amendment:
  - a. The amendment complies with the Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map, policies, and provisions;
  - b. The amendment bears a substantial relation to the public health and safety;
  - c. The amendment is warranted because of changed circumstances, a mistake, or because of a need for additional property in the proposed zoning district;
  - d. The subject property is suitable for development in general conformance with zoning standards under the proposed zoning district;
  - e. The amendment will not be materially detrimental to uses or property in the immediate vicinity of the subject property;
  - f. Adequate public facilities and services are likely to be available to serve the development allowed by the proposed zone;
  - g. The probable adverse environmental impacts of the types of development allowed by the proposed zone can be mitigated, taking into account all applicable regulations or the unmitigated impacts are acceptable; and
  - h. The amendment complies with all other applicable criteria and standards in the RZC.
6. Approval. All amendments shall be approved by ordinance by the Redmond City Council.

(Ord. 2614; Ord. 2652; Ord. 2709; Ord. 2740; Ord. 2753; Ord. 2803; Ord. 2883; Ord. 2919; Ord. 2931)

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**Attachment C1:**  
**Marymoor Village Design District Incentive**  
**for Public Art (RZC 21.13.220)**



## ARTICLE I ZONE BASED REGULATIONS

### RZC 21.13 SOUTHEAST REDMOND REGULATIONS

#### 21.13.220 MDD Incentive Program

- A. **Purpose.** The purpose of this section is to enhance the character and overall livability of the Marymoor Design District. The incentive program encourages features that implement subarea goals and respond to needs for public amenities and environmental sustainability. The incentive program reduces the cost of these features by allowing increased building height and floor area. This section also indicates priorities for provision of these desired features.
- B. **Features and Incentives.**
1. Table 21.13.220A, Features and Incentives, indicates features and maximum incentives available in each zone. Following the table, subsection D explains the features in detail.
  2. Applicants must provide all applicable Priority Items in order for incentives for Other Items.
  3. The same land area may not be used to qualify for two bonus features. For example, an applicant whose site is shown for a park on Map 13.1, *Marymoor Design District Map*, and who satisfies that requirement must provide additional space for a community food garden in order to receive additional development incentives.
- C. **Restrictions.**
1. Features provided through this program for parks and plazas may not be counted toward satisfaction of the minimum open space requirements in RZC 21.13.190, *MDD Residential Usable Open Space*.
  2. Transfer of Development Rights may not be used to exceed the maximum building height allowed through this program.

Table 21.13.220A Features and Incentives		
Feature	Applicable Performance Areas	Maximum Incentive
Priority Items		
Master plan	1, 2, 4, 5	Height: 1 story for buildings representing half of total gross floor area. FAR: 0.25 each for residential (where allowed) and non-residential.
Multifamily component exceeds 50 percent of total gross floor area	1	Height: 1 story for all buildings and one-half story for buildings representing half of total gross floor area.
Park or Plaza	2, 5	Height: 1 story for all buildings. FAR: 0.25 each for residential and non-residential.



Increase ecological score to 35 by incorporating items 7 and 14, or item 13	1, 2, 4, 5	Height: 1 story for buildings representing half of total gross floor area (MDD4 only). FAR: 0.2 each for residential (where allowed) and non-residential.
Other items		
Increase ecological score to 35 by incorporating items 7 and 14, or item 13	3	Height: 1 story for all buildings.
Incorporate community food garden(s) of 4,000 square feet each	2, 3, 5	For MDD2 and MDD5: Height: 1 story for buildings representing half of total gross floor area. For MDD3: 75 percent maximum impervious surface area (up from 70 percent) when three food gardens are provided.
20 percent of homes affordable at 80 percent of area median income	3	0.45 FAR increase, to 1.35, inclusive of all units and bonuses.
Reduce impervious surface area to 60 percent	3	Height: 1 story for all buildings.
Arts (or in lieu contribution)	1, 2, 4, 5	FAR: 0.2 each for residential (where allowed) and non-residential.
Structured parking	1, 2, 4, 5	Height: 1 story, except no height bonus in MDD4. FAR: 0.25 each for residential (where allowed) and non-residential.

## D. Features Explained

1. Master plan. Complete a master plan as described in RZC [21.13.050](#), *MDD Master Planning*.
2. Multifamily component exceeds 50 percent of total gross floor area. Submit and receive approval for a land use entitlement where 50 percent of the total project gross floor area is allocated to multifamily uses.
3. Park or Plaza. Dedicate and improve at least one acre of land for a park with neighborhood park amenities, or an urban plaza, accessible to the public from the public way. The preferred location for one park or plaza is the northeast corner of 174<sup>th</sup> Ave NE and NE 68<sup>th</sup> St. The preferred location for the other park or plaza is the northeast corner of 177<sup>th</sup> Ave NE and NE 63<sup>rd</sup> St. The City may approve modifying the location provided the modified location equally or better achieves the following goals: providing two parks/plazas in the Marymoor Subarea, and distributing the parks/plazas so as to be conveniently and safely accessible to those in the Marymoor Subarea.
4. Increase ecological score to 35 by incorporating items 7 and 14, or item 13: incorporate vegetated walls and landscaped roofs, or incorporate green roofs according to the standards described in RZC [21.32.060](#), *Ecological Score Requirements*.
5. Incorporate community food garden(s) of 4,000 square feet each: provide land and planting-ready beds with appropriate soil and solar access for community food garden(s) open, at minimum, to residents, employees or other tenants of the development.
6. 20 percent of homes affordable at 80 percent of area median income: start with the number of required affordable homes (10 percent) and double that number.
7. Reduce impervious surface area to 60 percent: design the site to reduce total impervious surface area to 60 percent.



8. **Arts (or in lieu contribution):** commit one percent of total construction costs to art viewable by the public from the public way. Total construction cost is the sum of all construction costs shown on all building permits associated with the development. In lieu of providing public art, a development using this bonus may contribute one percent of total construction costs to the Arts Activity Fund or other City fund having a similar purpose.
9. Structured parking: provide at least half of all on-site parking in a parking structure rather than a surface lot.

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