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Oregon City Municipal Code

Chapter 16.08 Land Divisions - Process and Standards

16.08.005 Definitions.

Whenever the words or terms and their derivatives are used in this chapter, they shall have the meaning herein ascribed to them as described in OCMC 17.04, unless the context dictates application of a different meaning.

16.08.010 - Purpose and general provisions.

- A. **Applicability.** This chapter controls the process and approval standards applicable to land divisions including:
 - 1. Partitions, defined as a single division of land into two or three lots, and/or
 - 2. Subdivisions, defined as a single division of land into four or more lots and/or
 - 3. Master plans and planned unit developments and/or
 - 4. Expedited land divisions.
- B. **Approval** of a land division shall be granted only upon determination by the City that all applicable requirements of this title, ORS Chapter 92, the applicable zoning designation, applicable overlay districts, and OCMC 12.08, 13.12, 15.48, 16.12, 17.41, and 17.50 of the Oregon City Municipal Code are met or can be met with conditions of approval.
- C. **Minor partitions and subdivisions** shall generally follow a Type II process and master plans/planned unit developments shall be processed as a Type III process pursuant to OCMC 17.50. However, if an applicant opts to process a subdivision as an expedited land division, the City shall follow the decision-making process provided by state law and apply the applicable approval standards set forth in this code and elsewhere.
- D. **Purpose.** The purpose of this chapter is to provide a speedy review and decision-making process with relatively clear and objective criteria indicating little discretion, with little opportunity to deviate from the City's dimensional standards. If an applicant wishes greater flexibility in lot pattern or layout, phasing of development, or relief from dimensional or public improvement standards, the appropriate procedure would be a Master Plan / Planned Unit Development pursuant to OCMC 17.65 or an additional application for a variance(s) pursuant to OCMC 17.60.
- E. **Process Overview.** Land division review process requires a two-step process: preliminary and final plats. The preliminary plat, reviewed through a Type II process, provides all of the essential information about the proposal, including layout, number and pattern of lots, location of all existing structures and improvements, significant natural features, development schedule and any other required information. The final plat shall be processed as identified in OCMC 16.08.100.

16.08.025 - Preliminary plat—Required information.

The preliminary plat shall specifically and clearly show the following features and information on the maps, drawings, application form or attachments. The preliminary plat layout may be prepared by a

civil engineer, architect, land use planner or similarly qualified professional. All maps and site drawings shall be at a minimum scale of one inch to fifty feet.

- A. Site Plan. A detailed site development plan drawn to scale by a licensed professional based on an existing conditions plan drawn by a licensed surveyor. The site plan shall include the location and dimensions of lots, streets, existing and proposed street names, pedestrian ways, transit stops, common areas, parks, trails, open spaces, building envelopes and setbacks, all existing and proposed utilities and improvements including sanitary sewer, stormwater and water facilities, total impervious surface created (including streets, sidewalks, etc.), all areas designated as being within an overlay district and an indication of existing and proposed land uses for the site. If required by staff at the pre-application conference, a connectivity analysis shall be prepared by a transportation engineer licensed by the State of Oregon that describes the existing and future vehicular, bicycle and pedestrian connections between the proposed subdivision and existing or planned land uses on adjacent properties. The connectivity analysis shall include shadow plats of adjacent properties demonstrating how lot and street patterns within the proposed land division will extend to and/or from such adjacent properties and can be developed meeting the existing OCMC design standards and adopted Transportation System Plan, street design standards, and adopted concept plans, corridor and access management studies, engineering standards and infrastructure analyses.
- B. Traffic/Transportation Plan. The applicant's traffic/transportation information shall include two elements: (1) A detailed site circulation plan showing proposed vehicular, bicycle, transit and pedestrian access points and connections to the existing system, circulation patterns and connectivity to existing rights-of-way or adjacent tracts, parking and loading areas and any other transportation facilities in relation to the features illustrated on the site plan; and (2) a traffic impact study prepared by a qualified professional transportation engineer, licensed in the State of Oregon, that assesses the traffic impacts of the proposed development on the existing transportation system and analyzes the adequacy of the proposed internal transportation network to handle the anticipated traffic and the adequacy of the existing system to accommodate the traffic from the proposed development. In the preparation of the Traffic/Transportation Plan, the applicant shall reference the adopted Transportation System Plan. The Community Development Director may waive any of the foregoing requirements if determined that the requirement is unnecessary in the particular case.
- C. Natural Features Plan and Topography, Preliminary Grading and Drainage Plan. The applicant shall submit a map illustrating all of the natural features and hazards on the subject property and, where practicable, within 250 feet of the property's boundary. The map shall also illustrate the approximate grade of the site before and after development. Illustrated features shall include all proposed streets and cul-de-sacs, the location and estimated volume of all cuts and fills, and all stormwater management features. This plan shall identify the location of drainage patterns and courses on the site and within 250 feet of the property boundaries where practicable. Features that shall be illustrated shall include the following:
 - 1. Proposed and existing street rights-of-way and all other transportation facilities;
 - 2. All proposed lots and tracts;
 - 3. All trees proposed to be removed prior to final plat with a diameter six inches or greater diameter at breast height (d.b.h);
 - 4. All natural resource areas pursuant to OCMC 17.49, 17.48, 17.44, and 17.42;
 - 5. The location of any known state or federal threatened or endangered species or wildlife habitat or other natural features listed on any of the City's official inventories;
 - 6. All historic areas or cultural features acknowledged as such on any federal, state or city inventory;

- D. Archeological Monitoring Recommendation. For all projects that will involve ground disturbance, the applicant shall provide,
1. A letter or email from the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office Archaeological Division indicating the level of recommended archeological monitoring on-site, or demonstrate that the applicant had notified the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office and that the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office had not commented within forty-five days of notification by the applicant; and
 2. A letter or email from the applicable tribal cultural resource representative of the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde, Confederated Tribes of the Siletz, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla, Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs and the Confederated Tribes of the Yakama Nation indicating the level of recommended archeological monitoring on-site, or other written demonstration that the applicant notified the applicable tribal cultural resource representative and that the applicable tribal cultural resource representative had not commented within forty-five days of notification by the applicant.

If, after forty-five days notice from the applicant, the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office or the applicable tribal cultural resource representative fails to provide comment, the City will not require any responsive letter or email as part of the completeness review. For the purpose of this section, ground disturbance is defined as the movement of native soils.

The Community Development Director may waive any of the foregoing requirements if the Community Development Director determines that the requirement is unnecessary in the particular case and that the intent of this chapter has been met.

16.08.030 - Preliminary plat—Narrative statement.

In addition to the plans required in the previous section, the applicant shall also prepare and submit a narrative statement that addresses the following issues:

- A. Description. A detailed description of the proposed development, including a description of proposed uses, number and type of residential units, allocation and ownership of all lots, tracts, streets, and public improvements, the structure of any homeowner's association, and each instance where the proposed subdivision will vary from some dimensional or other requirement of the underlying zoning district.
- B. Timely Provision of Public Services and Facilities. The applicant shall explain in detail how and when each of the following public services or facilities is, or will be, adequate to serve the proposed development by the time construction begins:
 1. Water,
 2. Sanitary sewer,
 3. Storm sewer and stormwater drainage,
 4. Parks, trails and recreation facilities, if determined to be necessary pursuant to the Oregon City adopted Trail Master Plan and / or Parks and Recreation Master Plan
 5. Traffic and transportation, and
 6. Fire and police services

Where adequate capacity for any of these public facilities and services is not demonstrated to be currently available, the applicant shall describe how adequate capacity in these services and facilities will be financed and constructed before recording of the plat;

- C. Drafts of the proposed covenants, conditions and restrictions (CC&Rs), maintenance agreements, homeowner association agreements, dedications, deeds easements, or reservations of public open spaces not dedicated to the City, and related documents for the land division;
- D. Overall density of the land division and the density by dwelling type for each.

16.08.040 – Park and Open Space Requirements.

Additional Public Park and Open Space Requirements in Thimble Creek Concept Plan area- residential development.

A. Each development within the Thimble Creek Concept Plan area that includes residential development must dedicate land for neighborhood parks and open space subject to the location requirements set forth in subsection F as follows:

1. The minimum acreage of land for the South-Central Open Space-Neighborhood Park as provided in the following calculation: (2.6 persons per dwelling units) x (total number of dwelling units proposed) x (4 acres) / (1,000 persons); and
2. The minimum amount of land in acres dedicated for the East Ridge-Thimble Creek Conservation Area shall be 7.5 acres.
3. The entire acreage must be dedicated as part of the final plat or site plan development approval for the first phase of development.

B. If a larger area for a neighborhood park or open space-is proposed than is required based on the per-unit calculation described in subsection (A) for the South-Central Open Space – Neighborhood Park, the City must reimburse the applicant for the value of the amount of land that exceeds the required dedication based on the fee-in-lieu formula expressed in subsection (C).

C. The City may accept a fee-in-lieu as an alternative to this dedication at its discretion or may require a fee-in-lieu if a suitable site meeting the criteria described in subsection (D) of these provisions is not available within the development site. The calculation of the fee-in-lieu or other monetary contribution must meet the following standards:

- 1 The amount of the fee in lieu or other monetary contribution shall be determined by a licensed, City-selected appraiser, retained by the applicant, who will value the excessive dedication in dollars per acre assuming that zoning and other land use entitlements necessary for park or open space development are in place.
2. The fee-in-lieu or other monetary contribution shall be paid concurrent with public dedication.

D. Neighborhood park and open space sites proposed for dedication must be located within the South-Central Open Space Network & East Ridge Thimble Creek Conservation Area Park locations as shown in Figure 16.08.040 -1- and meet the following locational and dimensional standards:

1. South Central Open Space-Neighborhood Park
 - a. 30-foot ped/bikeway string along the east side of Center Parkway to be located in a shared-use path and will not be considered part of a pearl.
 - b. Up to 4 pearls of various sizes spread along the open space network
 - c. Min sizes pearl: 2 acres minimum.
 - d. Maximum size pearl: none
 - e. Min combined size of all pearls: 10 acres
 - f. Min average pearl width: 200 feet

- g. Min average pearl depth: 200 feet
- h. At least 5 acres to be developed with active recreation components
- i. The first pearl dedicated must be at least 3 acres in size
- 2. East Ridge- Thimble Creek Conservation Area shall include:
 - a. ½ of area between the Thimble Creek stream buffer and the 490-foot elevation ridgeline to be open space;
 - b. Two public viewpoints separated by at least 400 feet with a minimum size of .35 acre at less than 10% slope for each viewpoint. One of the viewpoints must be visible from a passing vehicle on the Ridge Parkway;
 - c. 700-foot non-interrupted view corridor along open space from the east edge of the Ridge Parkway; and
 - d. Provide a pedestrian-oriented forest trail from one view-point to another along the Ridge Parkway

16.08.045 - Frontage width requirement.

Each lot shall abut upon a street other than an alley for a width of at least twenty feet unless flag lots are provided pursuant to OCMC 16.08.050, except for Cluster Housing development pursuant to OCMC 17.20.020.

16.08.050 - Flag lots.

- A. Flag lots shall not be permitted except where the applicant can show that the existing parcel configuration, topographic constraints or the location of a pre-existing dwelling unit precludes a land division that meets the minimum density, dimensional standards of the underlying zone, and except where street connectivity is not practicable as determined by the City Engineer.
- B. A shared joint accessway shall be provided unless the existing topography of the site or the pre-existing dwelling unit is located on the property to prevent a joint accessway. A perpetual reciprocal access easement and maintenance agreement shall be recorded for the joint accessway, in a form acceptable to the City Attorney.
- C. Accessways shall have a pavement width of at least sixteen feet to service one or two units or twenty feet to service three or more units. A fire access corridor of at least twenty feet shall be provided to all parcels with a minimum pavement width of sixteen feet to service two units or twenty feet to service three or more units. At least six inches of shoulder on each side of the fire access corridor shall be provided in order that construction work does not infringe on adjacent properties. A narrower pavement width may be approved by the Fire District and City Engineer. The City Engineer and/or Fire District may require that additional fire suppression devices be provided to assure an adequate level of fire and life safety. The City Engineer and/or Fire District may prohibit vehicular obstruction, including trees, fences, landscaping and structures within the fire access corridor.

If the proposed accessway exceeds 150 feet in length the accessway shall conform to Fire District standards and shall be paved to a minimum width of twenty feet unless an alternative is approved by the Planning Division and Fire District. If more than two residences are served, a turnaround for emergency vehicles shall be provided. The turnaround shall be approved by the City Engineer and Fire District.

- D. The pole portion of the flag lot shall connect to a street.

- E. The pole shall be at least ten feet wide for the entire length.
- F. The pole shall be part of the flag lot and shall remain under the same ownership as the flag portion of the lot.

16.08.053 Tracts

Tracts which cannot be developed with a home or office, commercial, residential, institutional, industrial, parking or other uses as determined by the City Engineer or Community Development Director are not subject to compliance with the dimensional standards of the zoning designation, frontage requirements, or flag lot standards.

16.08.060 - Building sites.

- A. The size, width, shape and orientation of building sites shall be rectangular or square to the maximum extent practicable.
- B. Sites abutting an alley shall gain vehicular access from the alley unless deemed impracticable by the decision maker.
- C. Adequate access for emergency services (fire and police) shall be provided.

16.08.063 - Minimum density.

All layouts shall achieve at least the minimum density of the base zone for the net developable area as defined in OCMC 17.04. Alternatively, a site may be partitioned into two lots, though one of the lots shall not contain sufficient lot area to allow further division.

16.08.065 – Lot size reduction.

A subdivision in the R-10, R-8, R-6, R-5, or R-3.5 dwelling district may utilize lot size reduction for up to twenty-five percent of the lots proposed for single-family detached residential use. Fractions resulting from the twenty-five percent calculation shall be rounded down. The reduced-size lots may be up to ten percent less than the required minimum lot area of the applicable zoning designation provided the average lot size of all proposed single-family detached residential lots meet the minimum requirement of the underlying zone. Any area within a powerline easement on a lot shall not count towards the lot area for that lot. Lot size reduction is only permitted through a subdivision or, master plan and planned unit developments processes and may not be used for minor partitions or any other residential uses.

The average lot area is determined by first calculating the total net developable area devoted to single-family detached dwelling units, subtracting the powerline easement areas, open space, tracts, stormwater facilities, roads, right-of-way, or accessways and dividing that figure by the proposed number of single-family detached dwelling lots.

A lot that was created pursuant to this section may not be further divided unless the average lot size requirements are still met for the entire subdivision.

When a lot abuts a public alley, an area equal to the length of the alley frontage along the lot times the width of the alley right-of-way measured from the alley centerline may be added to the area of the abutting lot in order to satisfy the lot area requirement for the abutting lot. It may also be used in calculating the average lot area.

16.08.070 - Through lots.

Through lots and parcels shall be avoided except where they are essential to provide separation of residential development from major arterials or to overcome specific disadvantages of topography of existing development patterns. A reserve strip may be required. A planting screen restrictive covenant may be required to separate residential development from major arterial streets, adjacent nonresidential development, or other incompatible use, where practicable. Where practicable, alleys or

shared driveways shall be used for access for lots that have frontage on a collector or minor arterial street, eliminating through lots.

16.08.075 - Building site—Lot and parcel side lines.

The lines of lots and parcels, as far as is practicable, shall run at right angles to the street upon which they face, except that on curved streets they shall be radial to the curve. Lot and parcel side lines for cluster housing projects proposed consistent with the standards in OCMC 17.20.020 are not subject to this standard.

16.08.080 - Setbacks and building location.

This standard ensures that lots are configured in a way that development can be oriented toward streets to provide a safe, convenient and aesthetically pleasing environment for pedestrians and bicyclists. Houses oriented in this manner assure a sense of openness by avoiding the “bowling alley” effect caused by uninterrupted, continuous privacy fences along higher volume streets. The objective is for lots located on a neighborhood collector, collector or minor arterial street to locate the front yard setback on and design the most architecturally significant elevation of the primary structure to face the neighborhood collector, collector or minor arterial street,

- A. The front setback of all lots located on a neighborhood collector, collector or minor arterial shall be orientated toward the neighborhood collector, collector or minor arterial street.
- B. The most architecturally significant elevation of the house shall face the neighborhood collector, collector or minor arterial street.
- C. On corner lots located on the corner of two local streets, the main façade of the dwelling may be oriented towards either street.
- D. The decision maker may approve an alternative design, consistent with the intent of this section, where the applicant can show that existing development patterns preclude the ability to practically meet this standard.

16.08.085 - Division of large lots.

Where land is to be divided into lots or parcels capable of redivision in accordance with this chapter, the Community Development Director shall require an arrangement of lots, parcels, buildings on lots, utilities and streets which facilitates future redivision. In such a case, development limitations including building locations and setback lines may be required and made a matter of record in order to preserve future right-of-way or building sites.

16.08.095 - Prohibition on Additional Private Restrictions on Housing Types.

Private restrictions on the provision of accessory dwelling units, corner duplexes, or internal conversions executed after July 1, 2019 shall be prohibited. Conditions, Covenants, and Restrictions (CC&Rs) or similar legal instrument submitted with residential plats submitted for final plat approval after July 1, 2019 shall not prohibit or impose additional restrictions on accessory dwelling units, corner duplexes, and/or internal conversions to the extent permitted in the OCMC in place at the time of final plat submittal, and shall not impose additional restrictions on Accessory Dwelling Units and internal conversions through any future amendment.

16.08.100 - Final plat—Application requirements and approval standards.

- A. The final plat shall contain, or be accompanied by, the following information:
 - 1. The planning file number, located just below the title block;

2. The lines and names of all streets or other public and private ways, pedestrian/bicycle accessways, parks, playgrounds and easements intended to be dedicated for public use, or granted for use of the owners within the petition;
 3. The length and bearings of all straight lines, curves, radii and arcs of all curves.
 4. Street center line control based on recorded city control surveys for street center lines, if applicable;
 5. The names or official reference numbers of all recorded subdivision or partition plats immediately adjacent to the land division;
 6. Building envelopes indicating compliance with setbacks. This shall be shown on a separate copy of the final plat;
 7. All homeowners' agreements, maintenance agreements, articles of incorporation, bylaws and CC&Rs. These matters shall be reviewed and verified by the city attorney for conformance with state and local requirements before recording with the final plat;
 8. A declaration shall appear on the face of the final plat that conforms with the City's final plat review checklist as published by the City Engineer.
- B. The final plat shall be reviewed through a Type I process unless the final plat deviates significantly from the approved preliminary plat. A significant deviation is defined as a modification to the preliminary plat that exceeds the threshold situations discussed in subsection (C) below, in which case the deviation shall cause the land division to be reviewed again and processed in the same manner as was the preliminary plat. The applicant shall apply for final plat approval to the City and shall pay the applicable fees as set forth on the City's adopted fee schedule. The final plat is processed as a Type I decision by the City so long as the final plat is consistent with the approved preliminary plat including any conditions attached thereto and required permits for access to facilities owned by another jurisdiction.
- C. A Type II review is required in order to modify a preliminary plan approval in the following respects:
1. any increases in the number of lots as part of a previously approved partition;
 2. (2) increasing the number of lots in a subdivision by no more than one additional lot; and/or (3) a significant change in the location of a street. However, the City is entitled to rely upon the prior decision and findings for those portions of the subdivision that the applicant does not propose to modify. If such a review is necessary, the review shall be limited only to those aspects of the final subdivision plat that deviate from the approved preliminary subdivision plat.

16.08.105 - Filing and recording of final plat.

Following approval of the final plat, the City shall file with the county recording officer the confirmed and approved copy of the final subdivision plat together with all pertinent documents approved as to form by the City Attorney.



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Chapter 17.04 Definitions

17.04.005 - Generally.

- A. As used in this title, words in the present tense include the future; the singular number includes the plural and the plural number includes the singular; unless the context clearly indicates the contrary, the word "shall" is mandatory and not discretionary; the word "may" is permissive; the masculine gender includes the feminine and neuter; and the term "this title" shall be deemed to include the text of this title and accompanying zoning maps and all amendments hereafter made thereto.
- B. Whenever the following words or terms and their derivatives are used in this title, they shall have the meaning herein ascribed to them, unless the context makes such meaning repugnant thereto.

17.04.006 3-4 plex residential

"3-4 plex residential" is a building located on one lot and containing three to four dwelling units in any vertical or horizontal arrangement. The units in a 3-4 plex shall share a common structural wall or a common floor/ceiling.

17.04.010 - Accessory building or accessory structure.

"Accessory building" or "accessory structure" means a detached building or structure subordinate in size and use, but located on the same lot as, a principal building.

17.04.015 - "Accessory Dwelling Unit" (ADU).

"Accessory Dwelling Unit" (ADU) means a residential dwelling unit located on the same lot as a single-family dwelling, that is not a recreational vehicle. The habitable living unit provides basic living requirements including permanent cooking and toilet facilities, and may be either attached to the same building as the single-family dwelling unit or in a detached building.

17.04.020 - Access control.

"Access control" means the regulation of public access rights to and from properties abutting public rights-of-way by the construction of physical barriers or conveyance to the city of a property interest (reserve strip) that prevents access to the public right-of-way.

17.04.025 - Accessway.

"Accessway" means any public or private way that is created to provide ingress or egress for persons to one or more lots, parcels, areas, or tracts of land. The term "accessway" includes highway, streets, roads, avenues, alleys or similar designations.

17.04.030 - Accessway, pedestrian/bicycle.

"Accessway, pedestrian/bicycle" means any off-street path or way as described in OCMC 12.04, intended primarily for pedestrians or bicycles and which provides direct routes within and from new developments to residential areas, retail and office areas, transit streets and neighborhood activity centers.

17.04.035 - Access, vehicular.

"Vehicular access" means an improved roadway, either public or private, providing automobile entrance and/or exit from an approved public street.

17.04.037 - After-Hours Public Parking.

"After-hours public parking" means utilization of parking, not within the right-of-way, by the public with or without charge when the associated primary use is not active.

17.04.040 - Alley.

"Alley" means a public or private way not more than 20feet wide that provides access to a property or properties from a side other than the designated front of the property.

17.04.045 - Alteration.

"Alteration" means the addition to, removal of or from, or physical modification or repair of, any exterior part or portion of a landmark or structures in an historic or conservation district. In an historic district any physical change shall be considered a form of alteration and shall be treated as such, except repair and maintenance or change of copy.

17.04.050 - Amateur radio operators.

"Amateur radio operator" means a ham radio operator, as licensed by the United States Government.

17.04.055 - Anadromous fish-bearing stream.

"Anadromous fish-bearing stream" means a stream or portion of a stream which is identified by resolution of the City Commission as spawning or rearing habitat for those species of fish which return to rivers from the sea for breeding.

17.04.060 - Antenna.

"Antenna" means any pole, panel, rod, reflection disc or similar device used for the transmission or reception of radio frequency signals, including, but not limited to omni-directional antenna (whip), directional antenna (panel), micro cell, and parabolic antenna (dish). The antenna does not include the support structure or tower.

17.04.070 - Applicant.

"Applicant" means the party or parties who submit an application seeking development approval through an administrative, quasi-judicial or legislative procedure under OCMC Chapter 16 or 17.

17.04.075 - Application.

"Application" means any request for approval of a permit or a legislative amendment to the City's land use regulations, comprehensive plan or related zoning maps.

17.04.080 - Approval criteria and approval standards.

"Approval criteria" and "approval standards" mean all standards which must be met in order to approve an application. Depending upon the specific application, approval criteria include standards contained in this Code, the Oregon City Comprehensive Plan and applicable state law.

17.04.081 - Aquifer.

"Aquifer" is a geologic formation, group of formations, or part of a formation that contains sufficient saturated permeable material to yield significant quantities of water to wells and springs.

17.04.082 - Arborist, certified.

"Certified Arborist" means a professional tree service provider whose certification is regulated and current and maintained with the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA). To use the term "Certified Arborist", an individual must have three years of experience and have passed an ISA certification exam that tests a variety of tree care knowledge.

17.04.083 – Arcade, pedestrian.

A covered area contiguous to a street or plaza that is open and unobstructed to a height of not less than 10 feet and that provides public access to building entrances, retail space and/or public space. An arcade may include building columns, landscaping, statuary, pools, or fountains as part of the arcade for the purpose of computing area. The term "arcade" shall not include off-street loading areas, driveways, off-street parking areas, or open pedestrian walkways.

17.04.085 - Architect.

"Architect" means an architect licensed by the State of Oregon.

17.04.090 - Architectural significance.

"Architectural significance" for the purposes of OCMC 17.40 means that the structure or district:

1. Portrays the environment of a group of people in an era of history characterized by a distinctive architectural style;
2. Embodies those distinguishing characteristics of an architectural-type specimen;
3. Is the work of an architect or master builder whose individual work has influenced the development of the city; or
4. Contains elements of architectural design, detail, materials or craftsmanship which represents a significant innovation.

17.04.095 - Arterial.

"Arterial" means any street so designated in the city's transportation master plan.

17.04.100 - Attachment.

"Attachment" means for the purposes of OCMC 17.80, an antenna or other piece of related equipment affixed to a transmission tower, building, light, utility pole, or water tower.

17.04.105 - Area of special flood hazard.

"Area of special flood hazard" means the land in the floodplain within a community subject to a one percent or greater chance of flooding in any given year.

17.04.110 - Array.

"Array" means the combination of antennas mounted on a support structure or support tower.

17.04.115 - Assisted living facility.

"Assisted living facility" means a facility established for profit or nonprofit, which provides nursing care and related medical services on a 24-hour-per-day basis to sixteen or more individuals because of illness, disease, or physical or mental infirmity. Provides care for those persons not in need of hospital care. Patients do not reside in self-contained dwelling units.

17.04.120 - Auxiliary support equipment.

"Auxiliary Support Equipment" means for the purposes of OCMC 17.80 all equipment necessary to provide wireless communication signals and data, including but not limited to, electronic processing devices, air conditioning units, and emergency generators. For the purpose of this chapter, auxiliary support equipment shall also include the shelter, cabinets, and other structural facilities used to house and shelter necessary equipment. Auxiliary support equipment does not include support towers or structures.

17.04.125 - Bankfull stage or bankfull flow.

"Bankfull stage" or "bankfull flow" means the stage or elevation of a stream at which water overflows the natural banks of streams or other waters of this state. The bankfull stage or flow may be approximated using either the 2-year recurrence interval flood elevation or one foot measured vertically above the ordinary mean high water line.

17.04.130 - Base flood.

"Base flood" means the flood having a one percent chance of being equaled or exceeded in any given year. Also referred to as the one hundred-year flood.

17.04.135 - Basement.

"Basement" means a story partly underground. A basement shall be counted as a story in accordance with the accepted Building Division definitions.

For the purpose of OCMC 17.42 basement means any area of the building having its floor subgrade (below ground level) on all sides.

17.04.140 – Base flood elevation.

"Base flood elevation" means the elevation of the base flood or one hundred-year storm as defined in FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) flood insurance studies, or the highest flood of record since the adoption of the flood insurance maps, or, in areas without FEMA floodplains, the elevation of the twenty-five-year storm, or the edge of mapped floodprone soils or similar methodologies whichever is higher.

17.04.145 - Bed and breakfast inns/boardinghouse.

"Bed and breakfast inns and boardinghouses means building(s) which provides overnight accommodations to the public for fewer than 30 consecutive days.

[Chapter 17.04.147 Beaver Creek Road Concept Plan](#)

[The Beaver Creek Road Concept Plan was renamed the Thimble Creek Concept Plan in 2020. Any reference to the Beaver Creek Road Concept Plan refers to the Thimble Creek Concept Plan.](#)

17.04.150 - Beneficial uses or beneficial water uses.

"Beneficial uses" or "beneficial water uses" means, as defined by the Oregon Department of Water Resources, use of an in stream public use of water for the benefit of an appropriator for a purpose consistent with the laws and the economic and general welfare of the people of the state and includes, but is not limited to, domestic, fish life, industrial, irrigation, mining, municipal, pollution abatement, power development, recreation, stock water and wildlife uses.

17.04.153 - Board.

"Board" for the purposes of OCMC 17.40 means the historic review board.

17.04.154 – Building.

"Building" means structure.

17.04.155 - Building, compatible.

"Compatible building" means for the purposes of OCMC 17.40, buildings in the Canemah National Register Historic District, which date from 1910 to the 1950's.

17.04.160 - Building, historic.

"Historic building" means for the purposes of OCMC 17.40, any primary, secondary or compatible building in the Canemah National Register Historic District, or any locally designated structure elsewhere in the City.

17.04.165 - Building of primary historic significance.

"Building of primary historic significance" shall include buildings in the Canemah National Register Historic district shall include buildings dating from prior to 1880 which are primarily one and one-half or two-story frame structures built in the Gothic Revival and Classic Revival styles. These buildings are primarily single-family dwellings.

17.04.170 - Building of secondary historic significance.

"Building of secondary historic significance" shall include buildings in the Canemah National Register Historic District dating from 1880 to 1940 which are predominantly rural farm house style and bungalows. These buildings are primarily single-family dwellings.

17.04.175 - Camouflage.

"Camouflage" for the purposes of OCMC 17.80 means the design and construction of a wireless communications facility (WCF) to resemble an object that is not a wireless communication facility and which is typically present in the environment.

17.04.177 - Cargo container.

A standardized, reusable vessel that is or appears to be: (1) originally, specifically or formerly designed for or used in the packing, shipping, movement or transportation of freight, articles, goods or commodities, or (2) designed for being mounted or moved on a rail car, or (3) designed for or capable of being mounted on a chassis or bogie for movement by truck trailer or loaded on a ship.

17.04.178 - Carpool.

"Carpool" means a group of two or more commuters, including the driver, who share the ride to or from work, school or other destination.

17.04.180 - Certified engineering geologist.

"Certified Engineering Geologist" is any registered geologist who is certified in the specialty of engineering geology under provisions of ORS 672.505 to 672.705.

17.04.185 - Citizen Involvement Committee.

"Citizen Involvement Committee" means an officially recognized advisory body on citizen involvement with one representative from each neighborhood association.

17.04.190 - City.

"City" means the City of Oregon City.

17.04.195 - City Engineer.

"City Engineer" means the engineer manager for the city, their duly authorized representative(s), or the City's duly authorized representative(s) as designated by the City manager.

17.04.196 - City Transportation Engineer.

"City Transportation Engineer" means the transportation planning engineer for the City, their duly authorized representative(s), or the City's duly authorized representative(s) as designated by the City Manager.

17.04.197 - Cluster housing

"Cluster housing" means a cluster of four or more dwelling units around a central common space sharing site amenities such as parking and landscaping in a coherent site design, located either on a single lot or individually platted lots.

17.04.200 - Code.

"Code" means the Oregon City Municipal Code.

17.04.205 - Commercial vehicles.

"Commercial vehicle" means a vehicle of over eight thousand pounds gross weight that is designed for or being used to transport merchandise, or a vehicle of less than 8,000 pounds gross weight.

17.04.210 - Collector.

"Collector" means any street so designated in the city's transportation master plan.

17.04.215 - Collocation.

"Collocation" or "Co-location" means the use of a common wireless communications support structure or tower for two or more antenna arrays.

17.04.220 - Community Development Director.

"Community Development Director" means the manager of the Planning Division or the Community Development Director 's designee.

17.04.225 - Comprehensive plan.

"Comprehensive plan" means the City of Oregon City Comprehensive Plan.

17.04.227 – Concept plan area.

"Concept plan area" is a defined area for which there is an adopted concept plan, including the South End Concept Plan area, the Beavercreek Road Concept Plan area, and the Park Place Concept Plan area.

17.04.230 - Construction area.

Defined as right-of-way, public utility easements, and within the building footprint of a building site for any mixed-use, commercial or industrial development, or if a residential development, within the allowable building footprint permitted by the setback requirements of the zone district.

17.04.235 - Constructed wetlands.

"Constructed wetlands" means wetlands developed as a water quality or quantity facility, subject to change and maintenance as such. These areas must be clearly defined and separated from naturally occurring or created wetlands.

17.04.255 - Commercial vehicles.

"Commercial vehicle" means:

- A. A vehicle of over eight thousand pounds gross weight that is designed for or being used to transport merchandise, or a vehicle of less than eight thousand pounds gross weight with the business name of the user permanently exhibited on one or both of its sides that is designed and being used to transport merchandise;
- B. A station wagon or other vehicle with the business name of the user permanently exhibited on one or both of its sides, when used for transporting merchandise.

17.04.260 Corner duplexes

"Corner duplex" means a building containing two dwelling units on one lot, located on a corner lot, where the units share a common structural wall or a common floor/ceiling and are not a primary or Accessory Dwelling Units.

17.04.265 - Created wetlands.

"Created wetlands" means wetlands developed in an area previously identified as a non-wetland to replace, or mitigate wetland destruction or displacement. A created wetland shall be regulated and managed the same as an existing wetland.

17.04.267 - Crest.

"Crest" of slope means the point of curvature where the ground surface descends from the top of a slope.

17.04.270 - Cul-de-sac.

"Cul-de-sac" means a street not more than three hundred fifty feet in length having one end open to traffic and being terminated by a vehicle turnaround. The cul-de-sac is measured from the edge of the right-of-way of the intersecting street to the edge of the pavement at the end of the cul-de-sac.

17.04.275 - Day care facility.

"Day care facility" means a facility that provides regular day care services to children under thirteen years of age, including a day nursery, nursery school group or similar unit operating under any name. A day care facility shall not include services provided by a physician or nurse, or facilities operated primarily for education or supervised training or instruction, or day care provided by a "babysitter" or "family day care provider" as defined in this chapter. A day care facility caring for ten or more children shall satisfy the certification requirements of the Children's Services Division.

17.04.280 - Debris.

"Debris" means discarded man-made objects that would not occur in an undeveloped stream corridor or wetland. Debris includes, but is not limited to, tires, vehicles, litter, scrap metal, construction waste, lumber, plastic or styrofoam. Debris does not include objects necessary to a use allowed by this Code, or ornamental and recreational structures. Debris does not include existing natural plant materials

or natural plant materials which are left after flooding, downed or standing dead trees or trees which have fallen into protected water features.

17.04.285 - Decision-maker.

"Decision-maker" means the city entity rendering a decision on an application. For applications made under this title, the decision-maker will be either the City Engineer, Community Development Director, Public Works Director, or their designee or the Planning Commission or the City Commission or as designated by OCMC 17.50.

17.04.290 - Demolish.

"Demolish" means to raze, destroy, dismantle, deface or in any other manner cause partial or total ruin of the designated landmark or structure in an historic or conservation district.

17.04.295 - Design flood elevation.

"Design flood elevation" means the base flood elevation or twelve inches greater than the base flood elevation for residential uses, as defined by FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency)

17.04.300 - Development.

"Development" means a building or grading operation, making a material change in the use or appearance of a structure or land, dividing land into two or more parcels, partitioning or subdividing of land as provided in ORS 92.010 to 92.285 or the creation or termination of an access right.

For the purpose of OCMC 17.42 "development" means any man-made change to improved or unimproved real estate, including but not limited to buildings, or other structures, mining, dredging, filling, grading, paving, excavation or drilling operations.

For the purpose of OCMC 17.47, "development" means any man-made change to improved or unimproved real estate, including but not limited to the construction of buildings or other structures, sewers, streets or other structures or facilities, mining, dredging, paving, filling or grading in amounts greater than ten cubic yards on any lot or excavation. In addition, any other activity that results in the removal of more than ten percent of the existing vegetation in the water quality resource area on a lot is defined as "development." "Development" does not include the following:

1. Stream enhancement or restoration projects approved by the City;
2. Farming practices as defined in ORS 30.930 and farm use as defined in ORS 215.203, except that buildings associated with farm practices and farm uses are subject to the requirements of this chapter; and
3. Construction on lots in subdivisions meeting the criteria of ORS 92.040(2)(1995).

For the purpose of OCMC 17.49, "development" means any man-made change defined as the construction of buildings or other structures, mining, dredging, paving, filling, grading, or site clearing, and grubbing in amounts greater than ten cubic yards on any lot or excavation. In addition, any other activity that results in the removal of more than ten percent of the existing vegetation in the water quality resource area on a lot is defined as development. Development does not include the following:

1. Stream enhancement or restoration projects approved by the City;
2. Farming practices as defined in ORS 30.930 and farm use as defined in ORS 215.203, except that buildings associated with farm practices and farm uses are subject to the requirements of this chapter; and
3. Construction on lots in subdivisions meeting the criteria of ORS 92.040(2) (1995).

17.04.305 - Development site.

"Development site" means any lot or lots on any part of which development is taking place.

17.04.310 - Direct.

"Direct" when used in connection with pedestrian or bicycle access, means the shortest practicable connection or access between two points, which in no instance should involve out-of-direction travel more than fifty percent longer than the straight line distance between two points.

17.04.315 - Director.

"Director" means the Director of Community Development or designee.

17.04.320 - Disturb.

"Disturb" means man-made changes to the existing physical status of the land, which are made in connection with development. The following uses are excluded from the definition:

1. Enhancement or restoration of the water quality resource area;
2. Planting native cover identified in the Oregon City native plant list as adopted by Oregon City Commission resolution;
3. Installation of erosion control measures pursuant to an approved erosion and sediment control plan under Chapter 17.47.

17.04.325 - District.

"District" means the area within a designated historic district, conservation district or historic corridor as provided by the zoning maps of the city.

17.04.330 - Dormer.

"Dormer" is a window vertical in a roof or the roofed structure containing such a window. A dormer is considered an alteration to a building, as it stays within the roof line and does not increase the floor area dimensions.

17.04.333 Duplex

"Duplex" means a building containing two dwelling units on one lot. The units in a duplex must share a common structural wall or a common floor/ceiling and are not primary or Accessory Dwelling Units.

17.04.335 - Dwelling unit.

"Dwelling unit" means a habitable living unit that provides basic living requirements including permanent cooking, and toilet facilities.

17.04.355 - Elevated building.

"Elevated building" for insurance purposes means a nonbasement building which has its lowest elevated floor raised above ground level by foundation walls, shear walls, post, piers, pilings, or columns.

17.04.360 - Emergency.

"Emergency" means any man-made or natural event or circumstance causing or threatening loss of life, injury to person or property, and includes, but is not limited to, fire, explosion, flood, severe

weather, drought, earthquake, volcanic activity, spills or releases of oil or hazardous material, contamination, utility or transportation disruptions, and disease.

17.04.365 - Engineer.

"Engineer" means a registered professional engineer licensed by the State of Oregon (P.E.).

17.04.370 - Engineering geologist.

"Engineering geologist" means a registered professional engineering geologist licensed by the state of Oregon (CEG).

17.04.375 - Enhancement.

"Enhancement" means the process of improving upon the natural functions and/or values of an area or feature which has been degraded by human activity. Enhancement activities may or may not return the site to a pre-disturbance condition, but create/recreate processes and features that occur naturally.

17.04.380 - Entertainment centers and arcades.

"Entertainment centers and arcades" means a place open to minors where three or more mechanical or electronic amusement devices are located as either the primary or a secondary use.

17.04.385 - Erosion.

"Erosion" is the movement of soil, rocks, and other surface materials by wind, water, or mechanical means.

17.04.390 - Excavation.

"Excavation" is any act of development by which soil, earth, sand, gravel, rock or any similar material is cut into, dug, quarried, uncovered, removed, displaced, relocated, exposed or bulldozed, including the conditions resulting therefrom.

For the purpose of Chapter 17.47 "excavation" means: any act of development by which soil or rock is cut into, dug, quarried, uncovered, removed, displaced, exposed or relocated.

17.04.405 - Exterior.

"Exterior" for the purpose of Chapter 17.40 means any portion of the outside of a landmark building, structure, or site in a district or any addition thereto.

17.04.410 - Façade.

"Façade" means the exterior wall(s) or elevation(s) of a structure.

17.04.420 - Family day care provider.

"Family day care provider" means a day care provider who regularly provides day care to fewer than sixteen children, including the children of the provider, regardless of full-time or part-time status, in the provider's home in the family living quarters. Provisions of day care to sixteen or more children in the home of the provider shall constitute the operations of a "day care facility," as defined in this chapter, and shall be subject to the requirements of this title for day care facilities. A family day care provider shall satisfy the certification requirements of the Office of Child Care.

17.04.425 - Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).

"Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)" means the federal regulatory agency responsible for the safety of the nation's air traffic control system, including airspace impacted by wireless communications support structures and towers.

17.04.430 - Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

"Federal Communications Commission (FCC)" means the federal regulatory agency charged with regulating interstate and international communications by radio, television, wire, satellite, and cable.

17.04.435 - Fill.

"Fill" means any material such as, but not limited to, sand, gravel, soil, rock or other natural or man-made material placed by artificial means.

17.04.440 - Final Action and Final Decision.

"Final action" and "final decision" means the city's final decision on a permit application for which there is either no appeal to another decision-maker within the City, or, if there is the possibility of a local appeal, an appeal was not timely perfected in accordance with OCMC 17.50.190. A decision is deemed to be final on the date that written notice of the decision is mailed to those entitled to notice of the decision.

17.04.445 - Flag Lot.

"Flag lot" means a lot or parcel that has a narrow frontage on a public right-of-way and a narrow accessway which serves the main body of the lot used for building.

17.04.450 - Flood or flooding.

"Flood" or "flooding" means a general and temporary condition of partial or complete inundation of normally dry land areas from:

1. The overflow of inland or tidal waters; and/or
2. The unusual and rapid accumulation of runoff of surface waters from any source.

17.04.455 - Flood Insurance Rate Map.

"Flood Insurance Rate Map" means the official map on which the Federal Insurance Administration has delineated both the areas of special flood hazard and the risk premium zones applicable to the community.

17.04.460 - Flood Insurance Study.

"Flood Insurance Study" means the official report provided by the Federal Insurance Administration that includes flood profiles, the flood boundary-floodway map, and the water surface elevation of the base flood.

17.04.465 - Flood Management Areas.

"Flood management areas" means all lands contained within the one hundred-year floodplain, flood area and floodway as shown on the Federal Emergency Management Agency Flood Insurance Rate Maps, floodway maps and the area of inundation for the February 1996 flood.

17.04.470 - Floodplain.

"Floodplain" means the land area identified and designated by the United States Army Corps of Engineers, the Oregon Division of State Lands, FEMA, or City of Oregon City that has been or may be

covered temporarily by water as a result of a storm event of identified frequency. It is usually the flat area of land adjacent to a stream or river formed by floods.

17.04.475 - Floodway.

"Floodway" means the channel of a river or other watercourse and the adjacent land areas that must be reserved in order to discharge the base flood without cumulatively increasing the water surface elevation more than one foot.

17.04.480 - Floodway Fringe.

"Floodway fringe" means the area of the floodplain, lying outside the floodway, which does not contribute appreciably to the passage of floodwater, but serves as a retention area.

17.04.481 – Food unit, mobile.

A vendor or seller of food and/or beverages from a motorized, non-motorized or towed vehicle including a wheeled trailer or cart capable of being towed or pushed by a vehicle or by hand not within a building. Mobile food units may require licensing from state and county health departments. Food units may be transitory or non-transitory.

17.04.482 - Footcandle.

A unit of measurement referring to illumination incident to a single point. One footcandle is equal to one lumen uniformly distributed over an area of one square foot.

17.04.483 Footprint.

"Footprint" for the purposes of OCMC 17.54.010 means the horizontal area as seen in plan, measured from outside of all exterior walls and supporting columns. It includes dwellings, garages, carports, and accessory structures, but not trellises, patios, and areas of porch, deck, and balcony less than 30 inches from finished grade, or cantilevered covers, porches or projections which do not have a post touching the ground or ramps and stairways required for access.

17.04.485 - Front façade.

"Front façade" means the exterior wall/foundation of a building exposed to the front lot line. This shall be the most architecturally significant elevation of the building, commonly including a front door or main entrance. If the most architecturally significant elevation of the building is not exposed to the front lot line, the Community Development Director shall determine the front façade.

17.04.490 - Front lot line.

"Front lot line" means a lot line abutting a street. For corner lots, the front lot line is that with the narrowest frontage. When the lot line abutting a street is curved, the front lot line follows the curve. For a flag lot, the front lot line is the shortest lot line adjoining the pole portion of the lot including the width of the pole. See figure 17.04.490.

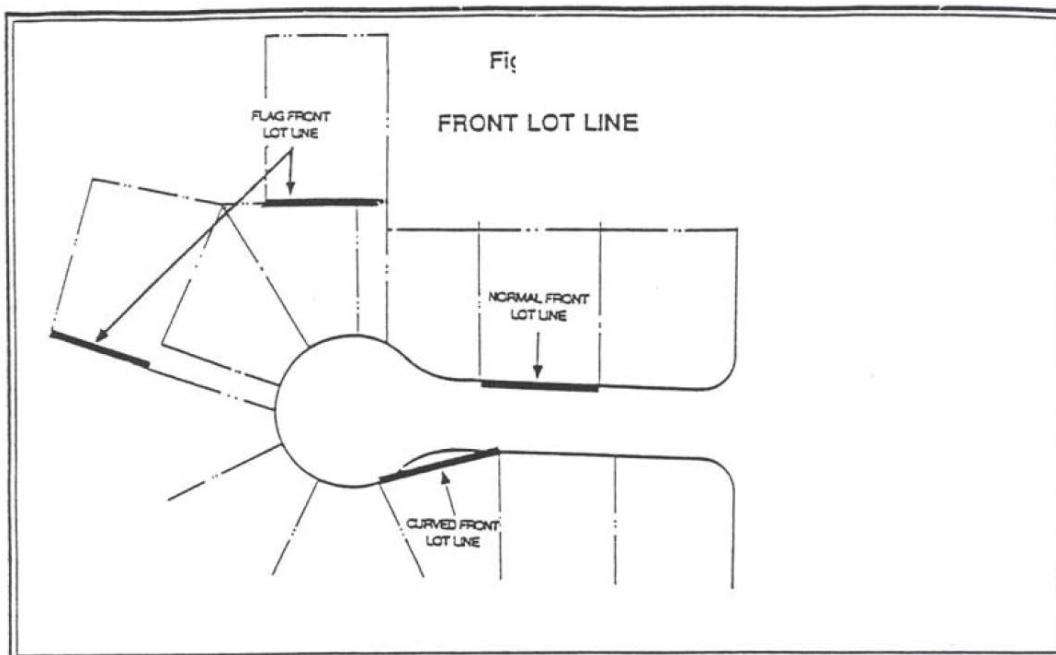


Figure 17.04.490

17.04.495 - Frontage.

"Frontage" means that portion of a parcel of property which abuts a dedicated public street or highway or an approved private way.

17.04.497 - Fully shielded or cut-off light fixture.

Any outdoor light fixture shielded in such a manner that all light emitted by the fixture is projected below the horizontal as determined by a photometric test or certified by the manufacturer. For purposes of this standard, "cut-off angle" is defined as the angle formed by a line drawn from the direction of light rays at the light source and a line perpendicular to the ground from the light source above from which no light is emitted.

17.04.500 - Garage.

"Garage" means an attached or detached structure(s), or portion thereof used or designed to be used for the parking or storage of vehicles, including carports. Garages do not include detached Accessory Dwelling Units which are not part of a detached garage.

17.04.505 - Geological assessment.

"Geological assessment" is an assessment prepared and stamped by a certified engineering geologist, detailing the surface and subsurface conditions of the site and delineating the areas of a property that might be subject to specified geologic hazards.

17.04.510 - Geologic hazard areas.

"Geologic hazard areas" mean:

1. Any area identified on the city's steep slope and landslide area map;
2. Area within two hundred feet of the crest or toe of a slope that is twenty-five percent or greater
3. Areas with a slope of twenty-five percent or more;

4. Geologic Hazards areas identified by the State of Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) in Bulletin 99, Geology and Geologic Hazards of Northwestern Clackamas County, Oregon (1979);
5. Any other area that is identified by a suitably qualified geotechnical engineer or engineering geologist who is licensed in Oregon and derives his or her livelihood principally from that profession as being subject to soil instability, slumping or earth flow, high groundwater level, landslide, or seismic activity.

17.04.515 - Geologic Hazards Overlay Zone.

"Geologic Hazards Overlay Zone" means the zone mapped by the City of Oregon City that is subject to review pursuant to OCMC 17.44 as follows:

1. The following areas identified on the city's slope and geology map which represents:
 - a. Areas within fifty feet of the crest or toe of a slope that is twenty-five percent or greater, or within two hundred feet of the crest or toe of a landslide geologic units Qls and Qf identified by DOGAMI and derived from LIDAR IMS-29 and IMS-26 publications in 2009, whichever is greater;
 - b. Areas with a slope of twenty-five percent or more;
 - c. Geologic Hazards areas identified by the State of Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) as landslide or debris flow fan (Qls and Qf geologic units derived from LIDAR IMS-29 and IMS-26 publications in 2009); and
 - d. Geologic Hazards areas identified in Bulletin 99, Geology and Geologic Hazards of Northwestern Clackamas County, Oregon (1979).
2. Any other area that is identified by a suitably qualified geotechnical engineer or engineering geologist who is licensed in Oregon and derives his or her livelihood principally from that profession as being subject to soil instability, slumping or earth flow, high groundwater level, and landslide.

17.04.520 - Geotechnical engineer.

"Geotechnical engineer" is a Professional Engineer, registered in the State of Oregon as provided by ORS 672.002 to 672.325, who by training, education and experience is qualified in the practice of geotechnical or soils engineering practices.

17.04.525 - Geotechnical remediation.

"Geotechnical remediation" means construction designed to increase the factor of safety against earth movement.

17.04.530 - Geotechnical report.

"Geotechnical report" is a report prepared and stamped by a Geotechnical Engineer, evaluating the site conditions and mitigation measures necessary to reduce the risks associated with development in geologically hazardous areas.

17.04.532 - Glare.

The reflection of harsh, bright light; and the physical effect resulting from high luminances or insufficiently shielded light sources in the field of view.

17.04.535 - Grading.

"Grading" is the act of excavating and filling.

17.04.540 - Gross floor area.

"Gross floor area" means the total enclosed floor area within buildings, measured in square feet, excluding basement areas used for storage or parking.

17.04.543 - Habitat.

"Habitat" means the location of natural resource areas that support fish and wildlife populations, including wetlands, riparian areas, natural areas, wooded areas, areas of significant trees or vegetation, and areas designated as being within the Natural Resource Overlay District.

17.04.545 - Half street.

"Half street" means a portion of the width of a full street, usually along the edge of a subdivision.

17.04.550 - Height.

"Height of building" means a vertical distance measured from the average finished grade elevation on the street-facing elevation to:

1. one-half the vertical distance between the eaves and the highest ridge for a gable, hip or gambrel roof,
2. the top of the roof for flat roofs,
3. the deck lines for mansard roofs or
4. the top of the parapet for buildings with parapets that completely surround the perimeter of a roof.

Roof structures needed to operate and maintain the building on which they are located such as chimneys, flues, stacks, fire escapes, gas holders, elevator enclosures, ventilators, skylights, solar panels, water towers and tanks, and similar are exempt from the building height measurement. Additional decorative and functional elements such as flag poles, partially enclosed parapets and building entry features, steeples and bell towers, carillons, monuments, cupolas, television aerials, broadcasting and microwave transmitting and relay towers, electric transmission line towers, and electric substation structures are also exempt from the building height measurement.

Except that, for buildings within the Flood Management Overlay District subject to Chapter 17.42, height shall be measured from the design flood elevation or average finished grade at front of the structure, whichever is higher. For the purpose of Chapter 17.80, "height" shall mean the distance measured from the original grade at the base of the wireless communication facility to the highest point on the wireless communication facility, including the antenna(s) and lightning rod(s).

17.04.555 - Heritage Tree.

"Heritage Tree" is a tree or stand of trees that is of landmark importance to the City of Oregon City due to age, size, species, horticultural and ecological value or historical association.

17.04.560 - Heritage Grove.

"Heritage Grove" is at least two heritage trees separated by no more than twenty feet on a property or properties.

17.04.562 - Highly constrained residential lot.

A residential vacant lot of record that has less than thousand square feet of buildable area, with minimum dimensions of fifty feet by fifty feet, remaining outside the Natural Resource Overlay District.

17.04.564 - Highly constrained commercial lot.

A commercial or industrially zoned lot of record that has more than seventy-five percent of its area covered by the Natural Resource Overlay District.

17.04.565 - Historical significance.

"Historical significance" means that the structure of district:

1. Has character, interest or value, as part of the development, heritage or cultural characteristics of the city, state or nation;
2. Is the site of an historic event with an effect upon society;
3. Is identified with a person or group of persons who had some influence on society; or
4. Exemplifies the cultural, political, economic, social or historic heritage of the community.

17.04.570 - Historic corridor.

"Historic corridor" means that portion of a parcel of land that is a part of a designated linear historic feature such as the route of the Oregon Trail-Barlow Road.

17.04.575 - Historic site.

"Historic site" means the structure and the property surrounding a landmark, a structure in an historic district, or a designated structure in a conservation district.

17.04.580 - Home occupation.

"Home occupation" means an occupation carried on solely by the resident or residents of a dwelling unit as a secondary use in accordance with 17.54.120.

17.04.585 - Hotel.

"Hotel" means a building which is designed or used to offer lodging, with or without meals, for compensation, primarily for overnight lodging.

17.04.586 - Impervious surface.

Any nonvertical surface artificially covered or hardened so as to prevent or impede the percolation of stormwater water into the soil, including but not limited to roof tops excepting eaves, swimming pools, paved or graveled roads, and walkways or parking areas and excluding landscaping, surface water retention/detention facilities, access easements serving neighboring property, and driveways.

17.04.587 - Incandescent.

A common form of artificial light in which a filament is contained in a vacuum and heated to brightness by an electric current.

17.04.590 - Infrastructure provider.

"Infrastructure provider" for the purposes of Chapter 17.80 means an applicant whose proposal includes only the construction of new support towers or auxiliary structures to be subsequently utilized by service providers.

17.04.595 - Institutional development.

"Institutional development" includes all public, semi-public and private community facilities and uses, including government office and maintenance facilities, educational facilities, research institutions, correctional institutions, museums, libraries, stadiums, hospitals, residential care facilities, auditoriums and convention or meeting halls, churches, parks and public recreational facilities, automobile parking structures, and other similar facilities and uses.

17.04.600 - Interior parking lot landscaping.

"Interior parking lot landscaping" means landscaping located inside the surfaced area used for on-site parking and maneuvering.

17.04.603 Internal conversion (for existing single-family detached residential units)

"Internal conversion" means conversion of an existing single-family residential unit built at least 20 years prior to the date of the proposed conversion into two or more dwelling units in accordance with OCMC 17.20.030.

17.04.605 - Invasive non-native, nuisance, prohibited or noxious vegetation.

"Invasive non-native," "nuisance," "prohibited" or "noxious vegetation" means plant species that have been introduced and, due to aggressive growth patterns and lack of natural enemies in the area where introduced, spread rapidly into native plant communities, or which are listed as invasive, nuisance, prohibited or noxious plants on the Oregon City Nuisance Plant List, or by the Oregon Department of Agriculture, Clackamas Soil and Water District, or Portland Plant List.

17.04.610 - Land division.

"Land division" means any partition or subdivision.

17.04.615 - Landscaping.

"Landscaping." Site improvements which include lawn, garden, groundcover, trees, plants and other natural and decorative features, including but not limited to, patios or plazas open to the public or open commonly to residents and street furniture and walkways which are contiguous and integrated with plant material landscaped areas. The verification of plant materials requiring specific characteristics can be achieved by any of the following methods:

1. Description in Sunset Western Garden Book (Editor Sunset Books, 2012 or later edition), or
2. The Oregon City Native Plant List;
3. City of Portland Native Plant List;
4. Metro Native Plant List;
5. By an appendix, definition, or other reference in the Zoning Code, or
6. By specific certification by a licensed landscape architect.

17.04.620 - Landscape area.

"Landscape area" means land set aside and used for planting of grass, shrubs, trees or similar living plants.

17.04.625 - Landslide.

"Landslide" means the downslope movement of soil, rocks, or other surface matter on a site. Landslides may include, but are not limited to, slumps, mudflows, earthflows, debris flows, rockfalls and the source areas for above.

17.04.630 - Lattice tower.

"Lattice tower" is a support tower characterized by an open framework of lateral cross members that stabilize the tower.

17.04.635 - Legislative action.

"Legislative action" means any final decision of the city that approves or denies a request to amend the city's land use regulations, comprehensive plan or related maps and does not pertain to a particular property or small set of properties.

17.04.637 - Licensee representative.

"Licensee representative" means an owner, director, officer, manager, employee, agent or other representative of a licensee, to the extent that the person acts in a representative capacity.

17.04.640 - Limited land use application.

"Limited land use application" means an application for any use where the decision is based on discretionary standards designed to regulate the physical characteristics of a use permitted outright, including subdivision or site plan and design review or any other application which is processed pursuant to a Type II proceeding as provided in this chapter.

17.04.645 - Live/work dwelling.

"Live/work dwelling" a dwelling in which a business is designed to be operated on the ground floor. The ground floor commercial, personal service, or office space has visibility, signage and access from the primary street.

17.04.650 - Loading space.

"Loading space" means an off-street space, having a paved surface, within a building or on the same lot with a building, for the temporary parking of a commercial vehicle or truck while loading or unloading merchandise or materials and which has direct access to a street or alley.

17.04.655 - Local street.

"Local street" means any street so designated in the City's Transportation System Plan. Typically, a local street is a public street that serves abutting lands, is designed to carry a minimal amount and weight of traffic.

17.04.660 - Lot.

"Lot" and "legal lot" mean a single unit of land created by a subdivision which, at the time of creation, complied with all procedural and substantive requirements of any applicable local, state or federal law.

17.04.665 - Lot, corner.

"Corner lot" means a lot abutting upon two or more streets at their intersection.

17.04.670 - Lot coverage.

"Lot coverage" means the area of a lot covered by the footprint of all structures two hundred square feet or greater (excluding decks and porches), expressed as a percentage of the total lot area.

17.04.675 - Lot, depth.

"Lot depth" means the distance measured from the mid-point of the front lot lines to the mid-point of the opposite, usually rear lot line and generally at approximately right angles to the lot width.

17.04.680 - Local floodplain administrator.

"Local floodplain administrator" means the city's building official.

17.04.685 - Lot, interior.

"Interior lot" means a lot other than a corner lot.

17.04.690 - Lot line adjustment.

"Lot line adjustment" means a relocation or elimination of all or a portion of the common property line between abutting properties that does not create an additional lot or parcel.

17.04.695 - Lot of record.

"Lot of record" means a lot or parcel which has been legally recorded in the Office of the County Recorder by deed or contract of sale prior to the enactment of an ordinance or regulation by reason of which the lot or parcel no longer meets the dimensional or area requirements of the City.

17.04.700 - Lot, width.

"Lot width" means the perpendicular distance measured between the midpoints of the two principal opposite side lot lines and generally at approximately right angles to the lot depth.

17.04.705 - Lowest floor.

"Lowest floor" means the lowest floor of the lowest enclosed area (including basement). An unfinished or flood-resistant enclosure, usable solely for parking of vehicles, building access or storage, in an area other than a basement area is not considered a building's lowest floor, provided that such enclosure is not built so as to render the structure in violation of the applicable nonelevation design requirements of this title found at OCMC 17.42.160.E.(4). or (5).

17.04.707 - Low impact development standard.

Any construction technique approved by the City Engineer that is designed to provide on-site capture, treatment and infiltration of stormwater as a means to improve water quality, reduce the amount of impervious surface, and/or provide habitat benefits on a development site.

17.04.710 - Major modification.

"Major modification" means any of the following changes from a previously approved permit, except for changes eligible for a Type I review, requiring the application to return through the same process as the original review:

1. For subdivisions or planned unit developments, an increase in the total number of dwelling units by ten percent or more, an increase in the number of multiple-family dwellings by more than ten percent, or a reduction in the amount of landscaping, open space or land reserved for a protected feature of ten percent or more;
2. For design review or conditional use permits for mixed-use or commercial developments, an increase in the area of commercial space by more than ten percent;
3. For any site plan or design review approval, any change not eligible for a Type I Minor Site Plan and Design Review, including the relocation of buildings, streets, access points onto the existing public right-of-way, utility easements, parking lot expansions, or other site improvements away from the previously approved general location;
4. For any prior approval, an increase in the amount of impervious surface on hillsides or unstable soils subject to regulation under City Code Chapter 17.44 by ten percent or more; or
5. Any change that renders the prior approved permit incompatible with surrounding lands or development in noncompliance with any of the conditions of approval or approval criteria.

17.04.712 - Major transit stop.

"Major transit stop" means transit centers, high capacity transit stations, major bus stops, inter-city bus passenger terminals, inter-city rail passenger terminals, and bike-transit facilities as shown in the regional transportation plan.

17.04.715 - Main building entrance.

"Main building entrance" means a primary entrance to a building, intended for use by residents, employees, customers, clients, visitors, messengers and members of the public.

17.04.720 - Major public improvements.

"Major public improvements" means the expenditure of public funds or the grant of permission by a public body to undertake change in the physical character of lands or the making of public improvements within a district, except for the repair or maintenance of public or private improvements within a district.

17.04.725 - Manager.

"Manager" means the City Manager or the City Manager's designated representative.

17.04.730 - Manufactured home.

"Manufactured home" means a structure constructed for movement on the public highways that has sleeping, cooking and plumbing facilities, that is intended for human occupancy, that is being used for a permanent residential purpose and that was constructed in accordance with federal manufactured housing construction and safety standards and regulations in effect at the time of construction. The term "manufactured home" does not include a "recreational vehicle."

17.04.735 - Manufactured home park or subdivision.

"Manufactured home park or subdivision" means a parcel (or contiguous parcels) of land divided into two or more manufactured home lots for rent or sale.

17.04.740 - Map.

"Map" means a final diagram, drawing or other graphical representation concerning a partition or subdivision.

17.04.741.010 - Marijuana.

"Marijuana" means the plant cannabis family cannabaceae, any part of the plant cannabis family cannabaceae and the seeds of the plant cannabis family cannabaceae. "Marijuana" does not include industrial hemp, as defined in state law.

17.04.741.020 - Marijuana business.

"Marijuana business" means (1) any business licensed by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission to engage in the business of producing, processing, wholesaling, or selling marijuana or marijuana items, or (2) any business registered with the Oregon Health Authority for the growing, processing, or dispensing of marijuana or marijuana items.

17.04.741.030 - Marijuana items.

"Marijuana item" means marijuana, cannabinoid products, cannabinoid concentrates and cannabinoid extracts.

17.04.741.040 - Marijuana laboratory (laboratories).

"Marijuana laboratory (laboratories)" means an entity which tests or researches marijuana products for THC levels, pesticides, mold, etc. pursuant to applicable Oregon Administrative Rules.

17.04.741.050 - Marijuana licensee.

"Marijuana licensee" means a person who holds a business license issued by the city to engage in a marijuana business in accordance with this chapter.

17.04.741.060 - Marijuana processor (processing).

"Marijuana processor (processing)" means an entity licensed by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission or Oregon Health Authority to process marijuana. This includes the manufacture of concentrates, extracts, edibles and/or topicals.

17.04.741.070 - Marijuana producer (production).

"Marijuana producer (production)" means an entity licensed by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission or the Oregon Health Authority to manufacture, plant, cultivate, grow or harvest marijuana. This is the only license able to cultivate marijuana.

17.04.741.080 - Marijuana retailer.

"Marijuana retailer" means an entity licensed by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission or Oregon Health Authority to sell marijuana items to a consumer in this state.

17.04.741.090 - Marijuana wholesaler.

"Marijuana wholesaler" means an entity licensed by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission or Oregon Health Authority to purchase items in this state for resale to a person other than a consumer. This means an entity that buys and sells at wholesale.

17.04.742 - Medical marijuana dispensary.

"Medical marijuana dispensary" means an entity registered with the Oregon Liquor Control Commission or Oregon Health Authority to transfer marijuana.

17.04.743 - Membrane or fabric covered storage area.

An area used for storage covered by a tarp or fabric membrane or that is either attached to a rigid framework, natural feature or some other structure, or a metal-sided cargo container. It is not intended to include the weather proofing of a vehicle, boat or other individual item by a tarp or other type of covering as long as the covering is attached directly to and covers only the particular item.

17.04.745 - Metro.

"Metro" means the regional government of the Portland metropolitan area and the elected Metro Council as the policy-setting body of the government.

17.04.746 - Metro ESEE Analysis.

"ESEE" means Economic, Social, Environmental and Energy (ESEE) analysis and is the process by which Metro determined whether to allow, limit, or prohibit activities in the city's significant natural resource sites.

17.04.750 - Micro cell.

"Micro cell" for the purposes of Chapter 17.80 means a wireless communications facility consisting of an antenna that is either: (a) four feet in height and with an area of not more than five hundred

eighty square inches; or (b) if a tubular antenna, no more than four inches in diameter and no more than six feet in length.

17.04.755 - Minor modification.

"Minor modification" means any changes from a previously approved permit which are less than a major modification.

17.04.760 - Mitigation.

"Mitigation" means the reduction of adverse effects of a proposed project by considering, in the following order:

1. Avoiding the impact altogether by not taking a certain action or parts of an action;
2. Minimizing impacts by limiting the degree or magnitude of the action and its implementation;
3. Rectifying the impact by repairing, rehabilitating or restoring the affected environment;
4. Reducing or eliminating the impact over time by preservation and maintenance operations during the life of the action by monitoring and taking appropriate measures; and
5. Compensating for the impact by replacing or providing a comparable substitute.

17.04.765 - Mitigation measure.

"Mitigation Measure" is an action designed to reduce project-induced geologically hazardous area impacts.

17.04.766 - Mobile vendor.

A provider, vendor or seller of merchandise and/or services, etc. from a motorized or towed vehicle including a wheeled trailer capable of being towed by a vehicle. For the exclusive mobile vending of food, see definition of "food units, mobile".

17.04.770 - Monopole.

"Monopole" means a support tower composed of a single upright pole, engineered to be self-supporting, and used to support one or more antenna(s) or array(s). A monopole does not include towers requiring guy wires or lattice cross supports.

17.04.775 - Motel.

"Motel" means a building or series of buildings in which lodging is offered for compensation primarily for overnight lodging which is distinguished from a hotel primarily by reason of providing direct independent access to and adjoining parking for each rental unit.

17.04.780 - Multifamily residential.

"Multifamily residential" is a structure or structures located on one lot and containing five or more total dwelling units in any vertical or horizontal arrangement. Individual units do not have to be structurally attached. Multifamily developments, known as apartments and condominiums, may include structures that are similar in form to townhouses, cluster housing, duplexes, or single-family dwellings.

17.04.785 - Native vegetation.

"Native vegetation" means any vegetation listed on the Oregon City native plant list as adopted by Oregon City Commission resolution.

17.04.790 - Natural location.

"Natural location" means the location of those channels, swales, and other non-man-made conveyance systems as defined by the first documented topographic contours existing for the subject property either from maps or photographs, or such other means as appropriate.

17.04.795 - Nearby.

"Nearby," when used in connection with pedestrian or bicycle access, means uses within one-quarter mile distance which can reasonably be expected to be used by pedestrians, and uses within two miles distance which can reasonably be expected to be used by bicyclists.

17.04.800 - Neighborhood activity center.

"Neighborhood activity center" refers to land uses which attract or are capable of attracting a substantial amount of pedestrian use. Neighborhood activity centers include, but are not limited to, parks, schools, retail store and service areas, shopping centers, recreational centers, meeting rooms, theaters, museums and other pedestrian oriented uses.

17.04.805 - Neighborhood Association.

"Neighborhood Association" means a group whose membership is recognized by the City, open to residents, property owners and owners of businesses located in the neighborhood. This group makes comments and recommendations on problems, policies and projects in the neighborhood.

17.04.808 – Net density.

"Net density" means the number of dwelling units divided by the net developable area, as measured in acres. The result of minimum net density calculations shall be rounded up to the nearest whole dwelling unit, and the result of maximum net density calculations shall be rounded down to the nearest whole dwelling unit. If rounding of minimum and maximum net densities results in conflicting numbers of dwelling units, the minimum net density shall be rounded down to nearest whole dwelling unit.

Gross site area: 4.84 acres

Net developable area: 4.84 acres X 0.8 = 3.87 acres (80% is developable, 20% is right-of-way, slopes, etc)

Density (See Density Standards in OCMC Table 17.10.050):

Minimum Net Density = 7.0 du/acre X 3.87 acres = 27.09 du (round up) – 28 units

Maximum Net Density = 8.7 du/acre X 3.87 acres = 33.67 du (round down) – 33 units

17.04.810 - Net developable area.

"Net developable area" means the area of a parcel of land or the aggregate of contiguous parcels under the same ownership remaining after deducting any portion of the parcel or aggregate of parcels with one or more of the following characteristics:

1. Elevation within the one hundred-year floodplain, as identified on the Federal Emergency Management Agency Flood Insurance Rate Maps;
2. The area within an underlying Natural Resource Overlay District (NROD) governed by OCMC 17.49 that is indicated on the adopted NROD map or which has been otherwise delineated pursuant to OCMC 17.49;
3. Steep slopes exceeding thirty-five percent. Applicant may make a request for the Community Development Director to determine whether to make further adjustments for slopes equal to or above twenty-five percent per OCMC 17.44.060.H.;
4. Open space;
5. Public facilities and rights-of-way;

6. Upon approval of the Community Development Director, any lands where development of structures requiring a building permit is prohibited due to an easement and is similar in nature to items 1—5.

17.04.812 Net Leasable Area.

Actual square-footage of a building or outdoor area that may be leased or rented to tenants, which excludes parking lots, common areas, shared hallways, elevator shafts, stairways, and space devoted to cooling, heating, or other equipment.

17.04.815 - New construction.

"New construction" means structure for which the "start of construction" commenced on or after the effective date of the ordinance codified in this title.

For the purposes of Chapter 17.40, "new construction" means an additional new building or structure separate from the existing building mass that is larger than two hundred square feet on all properties located within a Historic Overlay District. Any building addition that is thirty percent or more in area (be it individual or cumulative) of the original structure shall be considered "new construction."

17.04.820 - New manufactured home park or subdivision.

"New manufactured home park or subdivision" means a manufactured home park subdivision for which the construction of facilities for servicing the lots on which the manufactured homes are to be affixed (including at a minimum, the installation of utilities, the construction of streets, and either final site grading or the pouring of concrete pads) is completed on or after the effective date of the ordinance codified in this chapter.

17.04.825 - Nonconforming use.

"Nonconforming use" means a use which lawfully occupied a building or land at the time this title or subsequent amendments became effective and which does not conform with the use regulations of the district in which it is located.

17.04.830 - Non-final decision.

"Non-final decision" means any decision by the Community Development Director, Historic Review Board or Planning Commission which is not a final decision but is appealable to another decision maker within the City.

17.04.840 - Nursery, day or child care center.

"Nursery, day or child care center" means a commercial enterprise where more than five children are cared for during the day, including a kindergarten.

17.04.845 - Office.

"Office" means a place where a particular kind of business is transacted or a service is supplied.

17.04.850 - One hundred-twenty-day period.

"One hundred-twenty-day period" means the one hundred-twenty-day period within which ORS 227.178 requires the city to take final action on a complete application.

17.04.855 - Open space.

"Open space" means land that is undeveloped and that is planned to remain so indefinitely. The term encompasses parks, forests and farmland. It may also refer only to land zoned as being available to the public, including playgrounds, watershed preserves and schools.

17.04.860 - Ordinary mean high water line.

"Ordinary mean high water line" means, as defined in OAR 141-82-005, the line on the bank or shore to which water ordinarily rises in season; synonymous with mean high water (ORS 274.005).

17.04.865 - Ordinary mean low water line.

"Ordinary mean low water line" means, as defined in OAR 141-82-005, the line on the bank or shore to which water ordinarily recedes in season; synonymous with mean low water (ORS 274.005).

17.04.870 - Owner or property owner.

"Owner or property owner" means the person who is the legal record owner of the land, or where there is a recorded land sale contract, the purchaser thereunder.

17.04.875 - Overlay district.

"Overlay district" means a special zoning district, the restrictions and conditions of which shall be in addition to such restrictions and conditions as may be imposed in the underlying zone.

17.04.880 - Parcel.

"Parcel" and "legal parcel" mean a single unit of land created by a partition or subdivision which, at the time of creation, complied with all procedural and substantive requirements of any applicable local, state or federal law.

17.04.885 - Parking area, public.

"Public parking area" means an open off-street area used for the temporary parking of more than three automobiles and available for public use, with or without charge or as an accommodation for clients or customers.

17.04.890 - Parking lot.

"Parking lot" means off-street parking spaces.

17.04.895 - Parking space.

"Parking space" means an unobstructed off-street area having an all-weather surface for the temporary parking or storage of one automobile.

17.04.900 - Partition/partition land.

"Partition" or to "partition land" means to divide an area or tract of land into two or three parcels within a calendar year when such area or tract of land exists as a unit or contiguous units of land under single ownership at the beginning of such year. "Partition land" does not include:

1. A division of land resulting from a lien foreclosure, foreclosure of a recorded contract for the sale of real property or the creation of cemetery lots;
2. An adjustment of a property line by the relocation of a common boundary where an additional unit of land is not created and where the existing unit of land reduced in size by the adjustment complies with any applicable zoning ordinance;
3. The division of land resulting from the recording of a subdivision.

4. A sale or grant by a person to a public agency or public body for state highway, county road, city street or other right-of-way purposes provided that such road or right-of-way complies with the Oregon City Comprehensive Plan, applicable state statutes, and does not create additional parcels.

17.04.905 - Partition plat.

"Partition plat" means and includes a final map and other writing containing all the descriptions, locations, specifications, provisions and information concerning a partition.

17.04.907 - Pedestrian scale lighting.

Lighting fixtures that are dimensionally smaller than those intended to accommodate automobile traffic flow and buffering and which are intended to provide adequate illumination of areas used by pedestrians or bicyclists for security, recreational or commercial purposes. In general pedestrian scale lighting is no higher than twelve feet tall.

17.04.910 - Pedestrian walkway.

"Pedestrian walkway" means a hard surfaced facility for pedestrians within a development or between developments, distinct from surfaces used for motor vehicles. A pedestrian walkway is distinguished from a sidewalk by its location on private property outside the public right-of-way and from a pedestrian/bicycle accessway by the function it serves.

17.04.915 - Perimeter parking lot landscaping.

"Perimeter parking lot landscaping" means the five-foot wide landscaped planter strip located on the perimeter of all parking lots located adjacent to the right-of-way and/or adjoining properties. Parking lots are defined as the surfaced area used for on-site automobile parking and maneuvering.

17.04.920 - Permit.

"Permit" means any form of quasi-judicial approval relating to the use of land rendered by the City under OCMC 16 or 17, including subdivisions, partitions, lot line adjustments and abandonments, zone changes, plan amendments, conditional use permits, land use and limited land use decisions, and expedited land divisions. Permit does not include any City decision relating to system development charges under Chapter 3.20.

17.04.923 - Pervious.

"Pervious" refers to any material or surface that permits full or partial absorption of stormwater into previously unimproved land.

17.04.925 - Planning Division.

"Planning Division" means the Planning Division of the City of Oregon City.

17.04.930 - Planter (or planting) strip.

"Planter (or planting) strip" means an area for landscaping and street trees within the public street right-of-way, usually located between the curb and sidewalk. Also known as a parking strip or tree lawn.

17.04.935 - Plat.

"Plat" means a map of the lots in a proposed partition or subdivision, drawn to scale and which includes all of the information required by the applicable provisions of OCMC 16 and 17.

17.04.937 - Pollutant.

"Pollutant" means the presence in the outdoor atmosphere, ground, or water of any substances, contaminants, noise, or man-made or man-induced alteration of the chemical, physical, biological, or radiological integrity of air or water, in quantities or at levels which are or may be potentially harmful or injurious to human health or welfare, animal, or plant life, or property, or unreasonably interfere with the enjoyment of life or property.

17.04.940 - Porch.

"Porch" means a roofed open unenclosed area, which may be screened, attached to or part of and with direct access to or from a building.

17.04.945 - Practicable.

"Practicable" means available and capable of being done after taking into consideration cost, existing technology, and logistics in light of overall project purpose.

17.04.950 - Preliminary plan or plat.

"Preliminary plan" or "plat" mean a preliminary subdivision plat or partition plat as appropriate.

17.04.955 - Principal dwelling unit.

"Principal Dwelling Unit" means the primary residence for a particular lot.

17.04.960 - Private street.

"Private street" means a privately owned and maintained street or accessway. The creation of private streets shall include emergency access and utility easements and reciprocal easements for all properties intended to use the accessway. Private streets shall be designed and constructed to the standards required by the city, but those standards may be different than would apply to public streets.

17.04.965 - Property line.

"Property line" means the division or boundary between two legal lots or parcels.

17.04.970 - Protected water features.

"Protected water features" shall include:

1. Title 3 wetlands;
2. Rivers and perennial and intermittent streams;
3. Springs which feed stream and wetlands and have year-round flow; and
4. Natural lakes.

17.04.973 - Public garage.

"Public garage" means any automobile repairs and servicing when enclosed within the building.

17.04.975 - Public recycle drop/receiving center.

"Public recycle drop/receiving center" means a facility that receives and temporarily stores separated recyclable waste materials including glass, scrap paper, corrugated paper, newspaper, tin cans, aluminum, plastic and oil. Maximum storage for each type of separated recyclable waste shall not exceed six hundred cubic feet. Oil storage shall not exceed six hundred gallons. Preparation of separated materials shall be limited to nonmechanical methods such as baling and glass breaking.

17.04.980 - Public recycle warehouse.

"Public recycle warehouse" means a facility that receives and stores and prepares for transport separated recyclable waste material including glass, scrap paper, corrugated paper, newspaper, tin cans, aluminum, plastic and oil. Preparation of separated materials, including baling, compacting and glass breaking, may be part of this facility.

17.04.985 - Public utilities and services.

"Public utilities and services" means facilities for providing electric power, communication, water, sewers and transportation.

17.04.987 – Public Works Director

"Public Works Director" means the Director of the Public Works Department for the City, their duly authorized representative(s), or the City's duly authorized representative(s) as designated by the City Manager.

17.04.990 - Quasi-judicial.

"Quasi-judicial" means any final decision of the City that applies the provisions of OCMC 16 or 17, in response to an application, that pertains to a specific property or small set of properties and which is legally required to result in a decision by the City.

17.04.995 - Radio frequency (RF) energy.

"Radio frequency (RF) energy" means the energy used by cellular telephones, telecommunications facilities, and other wireless communications devices to transmit and receive voice, video, and other data information.

17.04.1000 - Rear lot line.

"Rear lot line" means a lot line that is opposite to and more distant from the front lot line. In the case of a corner lot, the Community Development Director shall determine the rear lot line. In the case of an irregular or triangular shaped lot, an imaginary lot line ten feet in length shall be drawn within the lot parallel to and at the maximum distance from the front lot line. A lot line abutting an alley is a rear lot line.

17.04.1005 - Record.

"Record" means the public record compiled for each quasi-judicial and legislative action and includes the written minutes of all public hearings, audio tape recordings, if any, of the public meetings, the application and all materials duly submitted by the applicant, all documents, evidence, letters and other materials duly submitted by any party to the decision-making proceeding, staff reports, public notices, and all decisions rendered by city decision-makers.

17.04.1010 - Recreational vehicle.

"Recreational vehicle" means a vehicle which is:

1. Built on a single chassis;
2. Four hundred square feet or less when measured at the largest horizontal projection;
3. Designed to be self-propelled or permanently towable by a light duty truck; and
4. Designed primarily as temporary quarters for recreational, camping, travel or seasonal use and not for use as a dwelling.

17.04.1015 - Religious institution.

A church or place of worship or religious assembly with related facilities such as the following in any combination: rectory or convent, private school, meeting hall, offices for administration of the institution, licensed child or adult daycare, playground or cemetery.

17.04.1016. Remodel.

To change the structure or form of something. For the purposes of Chapter 17.48, remodeling shall exclude changes to building materials, façade changes, and changes to windows and doors that do not include additions or changes to building form.

17.04.1117 – Shelter

“Shelter” means a congregate facility designed to provide overnight sleeping or daytime accommodation to shelter families and individuals offered on a short-term basis. Shelters may offer meals, lodging and associated services on site, aimed at helping people move towards self-sufficiency. Shelters may include day shelters, transitional shelters, temporary warming shelters and other temporary or permanent spaces made available for sheltering individuals or families. Shelters are not considered bed and breakfast inns/boardinghouses, hotels or motels.

17.04.1119 – Shelter, Day.

“Day shelter” means a shelter utilized between the hours of 7am and 7pm which does not contain sleeping facilities.

17.04.1020 - Reserve strip.

"Reserve strip" means a parcel of land, usually one foot in width, running the length of a half-street parallel to the center line or running across the end of a street at right angles to the center line which, when deeded to the city, prevents the abutting property owner from using the street for access to the abutting property without first making the appropriate dedication from his/her land.

17.04.1021 – Residence.

A structure or part of a structure containing dwelling units or rooming units, including single-family detached and attached dwelling units, duplexes, townhomes or townhouses, three-four plexes, accessory dwelling units, multi-family dwelling units, manufactured homes, and boarding or rooming houses. Residences do not include: such transient accommodations as transient hotels, shelters, bed and breakfasts, motels, tourist cabins, or trailer courts; dormitories, fraternity or sorority houses; in a mixed-use structure, that part of the structure used for any nonresidential uses, except accessory to residential uses; or recreational vehicles.

17.04.1025 - Residential facility.

"Residential facility" means a residential care, residential training or residential treatment facility licensed or registered by or under the authority of the state licensing agency , as defined in ORS 443.400, under ORS 443.400 to 443.460 or licensed by the State Office for Services to Children and Families under ORS 418.205 to 418.327 which provides residential care alone or in conjunction with treatment or training or a combination thereof for six to fifteen individuals who need not be related. Staff persons required to meet licensing requirements shall not be counted in the number of facility residents, and need not be related to each other or to any resident of the residential facility.

17.04.1030 - Residential home.

"Residential home" means a residential treatment or training or an adult foster home licensed by or under the authority of the state licensing agency, as defined in ORS 443.400, under ORS 443.400 to

443.825, a residential facility registered under ORS 443.480 to 443.500 or an adult foster home licensed under ORS 443.705 to 443.825 which provides residential care alone or in conjunction with treatment or training or a combination thereof for five or fewer individuals who need not be related. Staff persons required to meet licensing requirements shall not be counted in the number of facility residents, and need not be related to each other or to any resident of the residential home.

17.04.1035 - Residential zone.

"Residential zone" shall include any of the following zoning districts: R-10 single-family dwelling district, R-8 single-family dwelling district, R-6 single-family dwelling district, R-5 dwelling district, R-3.5 Dwelling District and R-2 Dwelling District.

17.04.1040 - Resource versus facility.

"Resource" versus "Facility" means the distinction being made is between a "resource," a functioning natural system such as a wetland or stream; and a "facility" which refers to a created or constructed structure or drainage way that is designed, constructed and maintained to collect and filter, retain, or detain surface water runoff during and after a storm event for the purpose of water quality improvement.

17.04.1045 - Restoration.

"Restoration" for the purposes of OCMC17.49 means the process of returning a disturbed or altered area or feature to a previously existing natural condition. Restoration activities reestablish the structure, function and/or diversity to that which occurred prior to impacts caused by human activity. Also see "revegetation" and "mitigation".

17.04.1047 - Restrictive covenant.

"Restrictive covenant" means a restriction on the use of a lot or parcel of land that is set forth in the deed and recorded with the county recorder. It is binding on subsequent owners and may be used to enforce the preservation of trees, wetlands or other natural resources on the property. Also known as "Deed Restriction."

17.04.1048 - Revegetation.

"Revegetation" means the re-establishment of vegetation on previously disturbed land, for the purpose of restoration and mitigation measures for a disturbed natural area or buffer zone. See also "Restoration."

17.04.1050 - Retail store.

"Retail store" means a business establishment where goods are sold in small quantities to the ultimate consumer.

17.04.1055 - Right-of-way.

"Right-of-way" means the area between boundary lines of a street, alley or other public accessway.

17.04.1060 - Riparian.

"Riparian" means those areas associated with streams, lakes and wetlands where vegetation communities are predominately influenced by their association with water.

17.04.1065 - Routine repair and maintenance.

"Routine repair and maintenance" means activities directed at preserving an existing allowed use or facility, without expanding the development footprint or site use.

17.04.1070 - School, commercial.

"Commercial school" means a building where instruction is given to pupils in arts, crafts or trades, and operated as a commercial enterprise as distinguished from schools endowed and/or supported by taxation.

17.04.1075 - School, primary, elementary, junior high or high.

"School, primary, elementary, junior high or high" shall include public or private schools, but not nursery school, kindergarten or day care centers, except when operated in conjunction with a school.

17.04.1080 - School, private.

"Private school" means a school not supported by taxes.

17.04.1085 - School, public.

"Public school" means a primarily tax supported school controlled by a local governmental authority.

17.04.1090 - Screening.

"Screening" means for the purposes of OCMC 17.80 means to effectively obscure to a minimum height of six feet the view of the base of a wireless communication facility.

17.04.1093 - Security Lighting.

Lighting intended to reduce the risk of personal attack, discourage intruders, vandals, or burglars, and to facilitate active surveillance of an area by designated surveillance personnel or by remote camera.

17.04.1095 - Sediment.

"Sediment" means any soil, sand, dirt, dust, mud, rock, gravel, refuse or any other organic or inorganic material that is in suspension, is transported, has been moved or is likely to be moved by erosion. Sedimentation is the process by which sediment is removed from its site of origin by soil erosion, suspension in water, and/or wind or water transport.

17.04.1100 - Self-supporting.

"Self-supporting" means the independent support of itself or its own weight.

17.04.1105 - Service station.

"Service station" means an establishment where bulk sales, fuels, oils or accessories for motor vehicles are dispensed, sold or offered for retail sale and where minor motor vehicle repair service is available.

17.04.1110 - Setback.

"Setback" means the minimum distance by which the footprint of all buildings or structures shall be separated from a lot line.

17.04.1115 - Shade.

"Shade" means a shadow cast by the shade point of a structure or vegetation when the sun is at an altitude of 21.3 degrees and an azimuth ranging from 22.7 degrees east and west of true south.

17.04.1121 – Shelter, Emergency.

"Emergency shelter" means any facility, the primary purpose of which is to provide a temporary overnight shelter for the homeless in general or for specific populations of the homeless under specified circumstances and which does not require occupants to sign leases or occupancy agreements. Emergency shelters include temporary cooling or warming shelters and other temporary spaces made available for sheltering individuals or families in response to emergencies when an emergency has been declared by the City Commission by Resolution.

17.04.1123 – Shelter, Temporary warming/cooling.

"Temporary warming shelter" means a shelter operating between the hours of 7pm and 7am when the outside temperature is predicted to be 33 degrees or below, including wind chill factor, as measured by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

"Temporary cooling shelter" means a shelter operating when the outside temperature is predicted to be 95 degrees or above, as measured by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

17.04.1125 - Sidewalk, curb-tight (aka attached sidewalk).

"Curb-tight or attached sidewalk" refers to a sidewalk that is attached and not separated from the curb and gutter of a street by a planter strip, tree lawn or other landscaping.

17.04.1127 - Sidewalk, setback (aka detached sidewalk).

"Setback" or "Detached sidewalk" refers to a sidewalk that is separated from the curb and gutter of a street by a planter strip, tree lawn or other landscaping. Setback sidewalks may be placed fully or partially within easements on private property.

17.04.1130 - Significant negative impact.

"Significant negative impact" for the purpose of Chapter 17.49 means an impact that affects the natural environment, considered individually or cumulatively with other impacts on the water quality resource area, to the point where existing water quality functions and values are degraded.

17.04.1140 - Single-family detached residential units.

"Single-family detached residential units" means one principal or primary dwelling unit per lot that is freestanding and structurally separate from other dwelling units on the site, except Accessory Dwelling Units. This includes manufactured homes.

17.04.1135 - Single-family attached residential units.

"Single-family attached residential units" means two or more dwelling units attached side by side with some structural parts in common at a common property line and located on separate and individual lots. Single-family attached residential units are also known as townhouse, townhome or rowhouse.

17.04.1143 – Skyway or skybridge, pedestrian.

"Pedestrian skyway" or "sky bridge" is an elevated walkway exclusively for pedestrian or bicycle traffic, connecting two or more structures, that passes over a right-of-way or open areas such as alleys, plazas and other similar public amenity areas. Such structures may be enclosed or open to the elements.

17.04.1145 - Slope.

"Slope" is an inclined earth surface, the inclination of which is expressed denoting a given rise in elevation over a given run in distance. A forty percent slope, for example, refers to a forty-foot rise in elevation over a distance of one hundred feet. A one hundred percent slope equals a forty-five-degree angle. Slopes are measured across a horizontal rise and run calculation within any horizontal twenty-five foot distance. "Slope" shall be calculated as follows:

1. For lots or parcels individually or cumulatively greater than ten thousand square feet in size, between grade breaks, obtain the vertical distance, divide by the horizontal distance and multiply by one hundred. The horizontal distance to be used in determining the location of grade breaks shall be fifty feet;
 2. For lots or parcels ten thousand square feet or smaller in size, obtain the vertical distance across the lot or parcel, divide by the horizontal distance and multiply by one hundred;
- The resulting number is the slope expressed as a percentage.

17.04.1150 - Solid waste processing facility.

"Solid waste processing facility" means a place or piece of equipment whereby mixed solid waste is altered in form, condition or content by methods or systems such as, but not limited to, shredding, milling or pulverizing.

17.04.1155 - Solid waste transfer facility.

"Solid waste transfer facility" means a waste collection and disposal system between the point of collection and a processing facility or a disposal site.

17.04.1160 - South or south facing.

"South" or "south facing" means true south, or twenty degrees east of magnetic south.

17.04.1165 - Stable, private.

"Private Stable" means a detached accessory building for the keeping of horses owned by occupants of the premises and which are not kept for remuneration or profit.

17.04.1170 - Start of construction.

"Start of construction" is meant to include substantial improvement, and means the date the building permit was issued, provided the actual start of construction, repair, reconstruction, placement or other improvement was within one hundred eighty days of the permit date. The actual start means either the first placement of permanent construction of a structure on a site, such as the pouring of slab or footings, the installation of piles, the construction of columns, or any work beyond the stage of excavation; or the placement of a manufactured home on a foundation. Permanent construction does not include land preparation, such as clearing, grading and filling; nor does it include the installation of streets and/or walkways; nor does it include excavation for a basement, footings, piers, or foundations or the erection of temporary forms; nor does it include the installation on the property of accessory buildings, such as garages or shed not occupied as dwelling units or not a part of the main structure.

17.04.1175 - Steep slopes.

"Steep slopes" means those slopes that are equal to or greater than twenty-five percent. Steep slopes have been removed from the "buildable lands" inventory and have not been used in calculations to determine the number of acres within the urban growth boundary which are available for development.

17.04.1180 - Stormwater.

"Stormwater" means the surface water runoff that results from all natural forms of precipitation.

17.04.1183 - Stormwater pre-treatment facility.

"Stormwater pre-treatment facility" means any structure or drainage way that is designed, constructed, and maintained to collect and filter, retain, or detain surface water run-off during and after a storm event for the purpose of water quality improvement.

17.04.1185 - Stormwater quantity control and quality control facilities.

"Stormwater quantity control and quality control facility" means a component of a man-made drainage feature, or features designed or constructed to perform a particular function or multiple functions, including, but not limited to, pipes, swales, ditches, culvert, street gutters, detention basins, retention basins, wet ponds, constructed wetlands, infiltration devices, catch basins, oil/water separators, and sediment basins. Stormwater facilities shall not include building gutters, downspouts and drains serving one single-family residence.

17.04.1190 - Stormwater pretreatment facility.

"Stormwater pretreatment facility" means any structure or drainage way that is designed, constructed and maintained to collect and filter, retain or detain surface water runoff during and after a storm event for the purpose of water quality improvement.

17.04.1195 - Story.

"Story" means that part of a building between the surface of any floor and the surface of the floor next above it or if there be no floor above it, then the space between the floor and the ceiling next above it. A basement shall count as a story if the finished floor level directly above an underfloor space is more than 6 feet above grade for more than 50 percent of the total perimeter or is more than 12 feet above grade at any point.

17.04.1200 - Story, half.

"Half story" means a story under a gable, hip, or gambrel roof of which the wall are not standard height.

17.04.1205 - Stream.

"Stream" means areas where surface water produces a defined channel or bed, including bedrock channels, gravel beds, sand and silt beds, and defined-channel swales. The channel or bed does not have to contain water year-round. This definition is not meant to include irrigation ditches, canals, storm or surface water runoff structures, or other artificial watercourses unless they are used to convey streams naturally occurring prior to construction of such watercourses. Streams are categorized into two classes: perennial streams and intermittent streams. Perennial stream means a stream that flows year-round during years of normal precipitation. Intermittent stream means a stream that flows only part of the year, or seasonally, during years of normal precipitation.

17.04.1210 - Street or road.

"Street or road" means a public or private way that is created to provide the principal means of ingress or egress for persons to one or more lots, parcels, areas or tracts of land, excluding a private way that is created to provide ingress and egress to such land in conjunction with the use of such land for forestry, mining or agricultural purposes.

17.04.1215 - Structure.

"Structure" means anything constructed or erected that requires location on the ground or attached to something having location on the ground.

For OCMC 17.42 "structure" means a walled and roofed building including a gas or liquid storage tank that is principally aboveground.

17.04.1220 - Structural alterations.

"Structural alterations" means any change in the supporting members of a building such as bearing walls, columns, beams or girders.

17.04.1225 - Subdivide land.

"Subdivide land" means to divide an area or tract of land into four or more lots within a calendar year when such area or tract of land exists as a unit or contiguous units of land under a single ownership at the beginning of such year. Subdivide land does not include:

1. A division of land resulting from a lien foreclosure, foreclosure of a recorded contract for the sale of real property or the creation of cemetery lots;
2. An adjustment of a property line by the relocation of a common boundary where an additional unit of land is not created and where the existing unit of land reduced in size by the adjustment complies with any applicable zoning ordinance;
3. The division of land resulting from the recording of a partition;
4. A sale or grant by a person to a public agency or public body for State highway, County road, City street or other right-of-way purposes provided that such road or right-of-way complies with the Oregon City Comprehensive Plan, applicable state statutes, and does not create additional parcels.

17.04.1230 - Subdivide.

"Subdivide" means to divide an area or tract of land into four or more lots within a calendar year when such area or tract of land exists as a unit or contiguous units of land under a single ownership at the beginning of such year.

17.04.1235 - Subdivider.

"Subdivider" means any person who undertakes the subdividing of a parcel of land, including changes in street or lot lines, for the purpose of transfer of ownership or development.

17.04.1240 - Subdivision.

"Subdivision" means an act of subdividing land.

17.04.1245 - Subdivision plat.

"Subdivision plat" means and includes a final map or other writing containing all the descriptions, locations, specifications, dedications, provisions and information concerning a subdivision.

17.04.1250 - Subject property.

"Subject property" means the land that is the subject of a permit application.

17.04.1255 - Substantial damage.

"Substantial damage" means damage of any origin sustained by a structure whereby the cost of restoring the structure to its before damaged condition would equal or exceed fifty percent of the assessed value of the structure before the damage occurred.

17.04.1260 - Substantial improvement.

"Substantial improvement" for the purpose of OCMC 17.40 means any repair, reconstruction or improvement of a structure, the cost of which equals or exceeds fifty percent of the market value of the structure either:

1. Before the improvement or repair is started; or
2. If the structure has been damaged and is being restored, before the damage occurred. For the purposes of this definition "substantial improvement" is considered to occur when the first alteration of any wall, ceiling, floor or other structural part of the building commences, whether or not that alteration affects the external dimensions of the structure.

The term does not, however, include either:

1. Any project for improvement of a structure to correct existing violations of state or local health, sanitary or safety code specifications which has been identified by the Local Code Enforcement Official and that is the minimum necessary to assure safe living conditions; or
2. Any alteration of a "historic structure," provided that the alteration will not preclude the structure's continued designation as a "historic structure."

17.04.1265 - Support structure.

"Support structure" means an existing building or other structure to which an antenna is or will be attached, including, but not limited to, buildings, steeples, water towers, and billboard signs. Support structures do not include support towers, buildings or structures used for residential purposes, utility poles, light standards, or light poles.

17.04.1270 - Support tower.

"Support tower" means a structure designed and constructed exclusively to support a wireless communication facility or an antenna array, including, but not limited to, monopoles, lattice towers, guyed towers, and self-supporting towers.

17.04.1271 - Temporary structure.

A temporary structure permitted in OCMC 17.62 or 17.54.010, excluding mobile vendors.

17.04.1275 - Temporary wireless communication facility (Temporary WCF).

"Temporary wireless communication facility (Temporary WCF)" means any wireless communication facility that is to be placed in use for not more than sixty days, is not deployed in a permanent manner, and does not have a permanent foundation.

[Chapter 17.04.1277 Thimble Creek Concept Plan](#)

[The Beavercreek Road Concept Plan was renamed the Thimble Creek Concept Plan in 2020. Any reference to the Beavercreek Road Concept Plan refers to the Thimble Creek Concept Plan.](#)

17.04.1280 - Through lot.

"Through lot" means a lot having frontage on two streets that are not alleys.

17.04.1285 - Title 3.

"Title 3" means that part of the Metro urban growth management functional plan which requires local governments to comply with regional regulations. Title 3 is a part of those regional regulations.

17.04.1290 - Title 3 wetlands.

"Title 3 "wetlands" means wetlands of metropolitan concern as shown on the Metro Water Quality and Flood Management Area Map and other wetlands added to City or County adopted water quality and flood management area maps consistent with the criteria in OCMC 17.49.[0]90D. Title 3 wetlands do not include artificially constructed and managed stormwater and water quality treatment facilities.

17.04.1295 - Toe.

"Toe" of slope means the point of curvature where the ground surface flattens from a descending slope.

17.04.1300 - Top of bank.

"Top of bank" means the same as "bankfull stage."

17.04.1302 – Townhouse or Townhome

"Townhouse" or "Townhome" means single-family attached residential units.

17.04.1303 – Tract

"Tract" means a piece of land created and designated as part of a land division that is not a lot, lot of record, or a public right of way.

17.04.1305 - Transit stop.

"Transit stop" means any posted bus, light rail or other mass transit stop.

17.04.1310 - Transit street.

"Transit street" means any street identified as an existing or planned bus, rail or mass transit route by a transit agency or a street on which transit operates.

17.04.1312 - Transportation facilities.

"Transportation facilities" shall include construction, operation, and maintenance of travel lanes, bike lanes and facilities, curbs, gutters, drainage facilities, sidewalks, transit stops, landscaping, and related improvements located within rights-of-way controlled by a public agency, consistent with the City's Transportation System Plan.

17.04.1315 - Tree.

"Tree" means a living standing woody plant having a trunk six inches in diameter or nineteen inches in circumference or more at a point four and one-half feet above mean ground level at the base of the tree.

17.04.1320 - Tree, buffer.

"Buffer tree" means an evergreen or deciduous tree that has been approved as part of a buffering and or screening plan.

17.04.1325 - Tree caliper.

"Tree caliper" means an ANSI (American National Standards Institute) standard for the measurement of nursery trees. For trees up to six inches in diameter, caliper is measured at six inches above the ground level. Trees that a seven to twelve-inch caliper are measured at twelve inches above the ground. For nursery stock above twelve inches in diameter, a DBH measurement is used (see Tree, Diameter at Breast Height).

17.04.1330 - Tree, clear cutting.

See "Clear cutting."

17.04.1335 - Tree, critical root zone.

"Tree, critical root zone" means the rooting area of a tree, within the tree's dripline, which if injured or otherwise disturbed is likely to affect a tree's chance for survival.

17.04.1340 - Tree, diameter at breast height (DBH).

"Tree, diameter at breast height (DBH)" means a measurement of the trunk or stem diameter of a mature tree at a height 4.5 feet above the ground level at the base of the tree. Trees growing on slopes are measured at the mid-point between the up-slope and down-slope sides (see Trees, Regulated).

17.04.1345 - Tree dripline.

"Tree dripline" means an imaginary line along the ground that reflects the perimeter of the crown of a tree extended vertically to the ground. The dripline radius is typically measured at approximately one foot away from the trunk of the tree for each inch of tree diameter.

17.04.1350 - Tree, established.

A public or street tree which has been properly planted and maintained in an approved location pursuant to accepted city standards, and which is not diseased, dying or hazardous.

17.04.1355 - Tree, Grove/Tree group.

"Tree, Grove/Tree group" means a stand of more than one tree separated by no more than twenty feet.

17.04.1360 - Tree, diseased.

"Diseased tree" means a tree that has a naturally occurring disease that is expected to kill the tree, or which harbors communicable diseases or insects of a type that could infest and cause the decline of adjacent or nearby trees as determined by a certified arborist, forester or horticulturist.

17.04.1363 - Tree, hazardous.

"Hazardous tree" means a tree that presents a significant risk to life or property as determined by a certified arborist, forester, or horticulturalist. An otherwise healthy tree that may become a hazard to a proposed future development shall not be considered a hazardous tree. Hazardous trees may include, but are not limited to dead, diseased, broken, split, cracked, leaning, and uprooted trees. A tree harboring communicable diseases or insects of a type that could infest and cause the decline of adjacent or nearby trees may also be identified as a hazardous tree.

17.04.1365 - Tree (or Grove), Heritage. (Also commonly known as a "Heritage Tree" or "Grove".)

"Heritage Tree" or "Grove" means a tree or group of trees that have been designated by the city as having unique importance, and subject to the Heritage Tree Regulations of OCMC 12.08.050. Where a grouping of two or more Heritage Trees is separated by no more than twenty feet on a property or properties, the term Heritage Grove may be used.

17.04.1370 - Tree, imminent hazard.

"Imminent hazard tree" means a hazardous tree as defined in OCMC 12.32.020— all or more than thirty percent of which has already fallen or is estimated to fall within seventy-two hours into the public right-of-way or onto a target that cannot be protected, restricted, moved, or removed. (See also Tree, Hazard.) Determination of Imminent Hazard is made by the City of Oregon City Public Works or Emergency Personnel, a PGE forester, or a certified arborist.

17.04.1375 - Tree lawn.

See the definition of "planter strip".

17.04.1380 - Tree (or Grove), native.

"Native Tree" or "Grove" refers to a regulated native tree or groves of trees that are found on the Oregon City Native Plant List. Significant native trees are those that contribute to the landscape character of the area and include Douglas fir, cedar, redwood, sequoia, oak, ash, birch, and maple. Significant native trees are typically suitable for retention next to streets and are not of a species that would likely create a public nuisance, hazard, or maintenance problem.

17.04.1385 - Tree, ornamental.

"Ornamental tree" means for purposes of tree removal, any tree (including shade trees) that originated as nursery stock as opposed to native trees that originated at the site prior to development.

17.04.1390 - Tree, parking lot.

"Parking lot tree" means a tree the location and variety of which was approved as part of a parking lot plan through the site plan and design review process.

17.04.1395 - Tree, perimeter.

"Tree, perimeter" means a tree located within five feet of an adjacent property line.

17.04.1400 - Tree protection plan.

"Tree protection plan" means a detailed description of how trees intended to remain after development will be protected and maintained.

17.04.1405 - Tree pruning.

"Tree pruning" means the prudent and judicious maintenance of trees through cutting out of branches, water sprouts, suckers, twigs, or branches. Major pruning entails the cutting out of branches three inches in diameter or greater. Major pruning also includes root pruning and cutting out branches and limbs constituting more than twenty percent of the trees foliage bearing area. Minor pruning includes removal of deadwood and pruning less than twenty percent of the tree's foliage bearing area.

17.04.1410 - Tree, public.

"Public Tree" means a tree or trees within a public park, greenway, or other property owned by a governmental agency or dedicated to the public use. Street trees located in the public right-of-way are considered public trees.

17.04.1415 - Tree, (or Grove) regulated.

"Regulated Tree or Grove" means trees and groves located on development properties undergoing land use review which are subject to the tree protection provisions of OCMC 17.41. Street trees, buffer trees, and parking lot trees of any size, as well as Heritage trees and groves, may fall under the general category of "regulated" or protected trees.

17.04.1420 - Tree removal.

"Tree Removal" means to cut down a tree or remove all or fifty percent or more of the crown, trunk, or root system of a tree; or to damage a tree so as to cause the tree to decline or die. "Removal" includes but is not limited to severe crown reduction (topping), damage inflicted upon a root system by application of toxic substances, operation of equipment and vehicles, storage of materials, change of natural grade due to unapproved excavation or filling, or unapproved alteration of natural physical conditions. "Removal" does not include normal and prudent trimming or pruning of trees.

17.04.1425 - Tree, street.

"Street tree" means any tree located in a public right-of-way, including streets and publicly dedicated alleys. For the purposes of this chapter, street right-of-way includes the area between the edge of pavement, edge of gravel or face of curb and the property line, depending on the circumstances.

17.04.1430 - Tree, severe crown reduction.

"Tree, severe crown reduction" means the specific reduction in the overall size of a tree and/or the severe internodal cutting back of branches or limbs to stubs within the tree's crown to such a degree as to remove the normal tree canopy and disfigure the tree. Severe crown reduction is not a form of pruning. (Also known as Tree Topping.)

17.04.1435 - Tree topping.

See "Severe Crown Reduction."

17.04.1437 - Tributary.

"Tributary" means a stream, regardless of size or water volume, that flows into or joins another stream. The point where two tributaries meet is called a confluence.

17.04.1440 - Undevelopable area.

"Undevelopable area" means an area that cannot be used practicably for a habitable structure because of natural conditions, such as severe topographic relief, water bodies, or conditions that isolate one portion of a property from another portion so that access is not practicable to the unbuildable portion; or man-made conditions, such as existing development which isolates a portion of the site and prevents its further development; setbacks or development restrictions that prohibit development of a given area of a lot by law or private agreement; or existence or absence of easements or access rights that prevent development of a given area.

17.04.1445 - Use.

"Use" means the purpose that land, or a building or a structure now serves or for which is occupied, maintained, arranged or designed.

17.04.1450 - Utility facilities.

"Utility facilities" means buildings, structures or any constructed portion of a system which provides for the production, transmission, conveyance, delivery or furnishing of services including, but not limited to, heat, light, water, power, natural gas, sanitary sewer, stormwater, telephone and cable television. Utility facilities do not include stormwater pretreatment facilities.

17.04.1455 - Utility pole placement/replacement.

"Utility pole placement/replacement" means placement of antennas or antenna arrays on existing or replaced structures such as utility poles, light standards, and light poles for streets and parking lots.

17.04.1458 - Vanpool

"Vanpool" means a group of five or more commuters, including the driver, who share the ride to and from work, school or other destination on a regularly scheduled basis.

17.04.1460 - Variance.

"Variance" means a grant of relief from the requirements of OCMC 16 or 17, which permit construction in a manner that would otherwise be prohibited.

17.04.1465 - Vegetated Corridor.

"Vegetated Corridor" means the area of setback between the top of bank of a protected water feature and the delineated edge of the water quality resource area as defined in OCMC Table 17.49-1 of this chapter.

17.04.1470 - Visible or measurable erosion.

"Visible or measurable erosion" includes, but is not limited to:

1. Deposits of mud, dirt, sediment or similar material exceeding one-half cubic foot in volume on public or private streets, adjacent property, or onto the storm and surface water system, either by direct deposit, dropping discharge, or as a result of the action of erosion.
2. Evidence of concentrated flows of water over bare soils; turbid or sediment laden flows; or evidence of on-site erosion such as rivulets on bare soil slopes, where the flow of water is not filtered or captured on the site.
3. Earth slides, mudflows, earth sloughing, or other earth movement that leaves the property.

17.04.1475 - Watercourse.

"Watercourse" means a channel in which a flow of water occurs, either continuously or intermittently, and if the latter, with some degree of regularity. Such flow must be in a definite direction.

17.04.1480 - Water dependent.

"Water dependent" means a structure for commerce or industry which cannot exist in any other location and is dependent on the water by reason of the intrinsic nature of its operations.

17.04.1485 - Water quality resource areas.

"Water quality resource areas" means vegetated corridors and the adjacent protected water feature as established by OCMC 17.49.

17.04.1490 - Watershed.

"Watershed" means a geographic unit defined by the flows of rainwater or snowmelt. All land in a watershed drains to a common outlet, such as a stream, lake or wetland.

17.04.1495 - Wetlands.

"Wetlands" means those areas that are inundated or saturated by surface water or groundwater at a frequency and duration sufficient to support and, under normal circumstances, do support a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted for life in saturated soil conditions. Wetlands generally include swamps, marshes, bogs and similar areas. Wetlands are those areas identified and delineated by a qualified wetland specialist as set forth in the 1987 Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual.

17.04.1500 - Wireless communications.

"Wireless communications" means any personal wireless services as defined by the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 as amended, including but not limited to cellular, personal communications services, specialized mobile radio, enhanced specialized mobile radio, paging, similar Federal Communications Commission-licensed commercial wireless telecommunications services, and wireless telecommunications services for public safety that currently exist or that may be developed in the future.

17.04.1505 - Wireless communications facility (WCF).

"Wireless communications facility (WCF)" means any un-staffed facility for the transmission and/or reception of radio frequency signals, which includes, but is not limited to, all auxiliary support equipment, any support tower or structure used to achieve the necessary elevation for the antenna, transmission and reception cabling and devices, and all antenna arrays.

17.04.1510 - Yard.

"Yard" means an open space other than a court on the same lot with a building unoccupied or unobstructed from the ground upward except for usual building projections as permitted by this title.

17.04.1515 - Yard, front.

"Front yard" means a yard extending the full width of the lot, the depth of which is the minimum distance from the front lot line to the main building.

17.04.1520 - Yard, rear.

"Rear yard" means a yard extending the full width of the lot, the depth of which is the minimum distance from the rear lot line to the main building.

17.04.1525 - Yard, side.

"Side yard" means a yard extending from the front yard to the rear yard along the side of the main building. The width of such yard is the minimum distance from the side lot line to the main building.

17.04.1530 - Yard, side, corner.

"Corner side yard" means a yard lot located on a corner which extends from the front yard to the rear yard along the side of the main building. The width of such yard is the minimum distance from the side lot line abutting the street to the main building.

17.04.1535 - Yard, side, interior.

"Interior side yard" means a yard extending from the front yard to the rear yard along the side of the main building. The width of such yard is the minimum distance from the side lot line not abutting the street to the main building.

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Chapter 17.10 Medium Density Residential Districts

17.10.010 - Designated.

The R-5 and R-3.5 residential districts are designed for medium density residential development.

17.10.020 - Permitted uses.

Permitted uses in the R-5 and R-3.5 districts are:

- A. Single-family detached residential units;
- B. Accessory uses, buildings and dwellings;
- C. Internal conversions;
- D. Duplexes;
- E. Corner duplexes;
- F. Single-family attached residential units;
- G. 3-4 plex residential;
- H. Cluster housing;
- I. Manufactured home parks or subdivisions in the R-3.5 district only;
- J. Residential homes;
- K. Parks, playgrounds, playfields and community or neighborhood centers;
- L. Home occupations;
- M. Family day care providers;
- N. Farms, commercial or truck gardening and horticultural nurseries on a lot not less than twenty thousand square feet in area (retail sales of materials grown on-site is permitted);
- O. Temporary real estate offices in model homes located on and limited to sales of real estate on a single piece of platted property upon which new residential buildings are being constructed;
- P. Transportation facilities.

17.10.025 - Conditional uses.

The following uses are permitted in the R-5 and R-3.5 districts when authorized by and in accordance with the standards contained in OCMC 17.56:

- A. Golf courses, except miniature golf courses, driving ranges or similar commercial enterprises;
- B. Bed and breakfast inns/boarding houses;
- C. Cemeteries, crematories, mausoleums and columbariums;
- D. Child care centers and nursery schools;
- E. Emergency service facilities (police and fire), excluding correctional facilities;
- F. Residential care facilities;
- G. Private and/or public educational or training facilities;
- H. Public utilities, including sub-stations (such as buildings, plants and other structures);
- I. Religious institutions;
- J. Assisted living facilities; nursing homes and group homes for over fifteen patients.
- K. Live/work dwellings.

17.10.030 - Master plans.

The following use is permitted in the R-3.5 district when authorized by and in accordance with the standards contained in OCMC 17.65.

- A. Multifamily residential.

17.10.035 - Prohibited uses.

Prohibited uses in the R-5 and R-3.5 districts are:

- A. Any use not expressly listed in OCMC 17.10.020, 17.10.025 or 17.10.030.
- B. Marijuana businesses.

17.10.040 - Dimensional standards.

Dimensional standards in the R-5 and R-3.5 districts are as follows:

Table 17.10.040

Standard	R-5	R-3.5
Minimum lot size ¹ Single-family detached Duplex Single-family attached 3-4 plex	5,000 sq. ft. 6,000 sq. ft. 3,500 sq. ft. 2,500 sq. ft. per unit	3,500 sq. ft. 4,000 sq. ft. 2,500 sq. ft. 2,000 sq. ft. per unit
Maximum height	35 ft.	35 ft.
Maximum building lot coverage Single-family detached and all duplexes With ADU Single-family attached and 3-4 plex	50% 60% 70%	55% 65% 80%
Minimum lot width All, except Single-family attached	35 ft., except 25 ft.	25 ft., except 20 ft.
Minimum lot depth	70 ft.	70 ft.
Minimum front yard setback	10 ft., except 5 ft. - Porch.	5 ft., except 0 ft. - Porch
Minimum interior side yard setback All, except Single-family attached	5 ft., except 0 ft. (attached) /5 ft. (side)	5 ft., except 0 ft. (attached) /5 ft. (side)
Minimum corner side yard setback	7 ft.	7 ft.
Minimum rear yard setback	20 ft., except 15 ft. - porch 10 ft. - ADU	20 ft., except 15 ft. - porch 5 ft. - ADU
Garage setbacks	20 ft. from ROW, except 5 ft. from alley	20 ft. from ROW, except 5 ft. from alley

Notes:

- 1. For land divisions, lot sizes may be reduced pursuant to OCMC 16.08.065.

17.10.045 - Exceptions to setbacks.

- A. Projections from buildings. Ordinary building projections such as cornices, eaves, overhangs, canopies, sunshades, gutters, chimneys, flues, sills or similar architectural features may project into the required yards up to twenty-four inches.
- B. Through lot setbacks. Through lots having a frontage on two streets shall provide the required front yard on each street. The required rear yard is not necessary.

17.10.050 - Density standards.

- A. Density standards in the R-5 and R-3.5 districts are as follows:

Table 17.10.050

Standard	R-5	R-3.5
Minimum net density	7.0 du/acre	10 du/acre
Maximum net density		
• Single-family detached	8.7 du/acre	12.4 du/acre
• Single-family attached	12.4 du/acre	17.4 du/acre
• 3-4 plexes	17.4 du/acre	21.8 du/acre

- B. Exceptions.

1. Any dwelling units created as accessory dwelling units or internal conversions do not count towards the minimum or maximum density limits in Table 17.10.050.
2. Duplexes and corner duplexes shall count as a single dwelling unit for the purposes of calculating minimum and maximum density standards.
3. Cluster housing is permitted at higher densities exempt from the standards in Table 17.10.050; see OCMC 17.20.020.

17.10.060 - Conversion of Existing Duplexes.

Any conversion of an existing duplex unit into two single-family attached dwellings shall be reviewed for compliance with the land division requirements in Title 16 and the underlying zone district.

17.10.070 – Additional Standards for Thimble Creek Concept Plan Area

- A. Applicability. This section applies to all development in the R-5 district within the Thimble Creek Concept Plan Area.
- B. Relationship of Standards. These standards apply in addition to and supersede the standards of the R-5 zone within the Thimble Creek Concept Plan Area. In the event of a conflict, the standards of this section control.
- C. Southern Perimeter Transition. Along the southern boundary of the Thimble Creek Concept Plan area between Beaver Creek Road and the eastern-most point of Tax Lot 00316, located on Clackamas County Map #32E15A, additional standards apply to create a perimeter transition.
 1. Where any portion of a lot is within 20 feet of the southern boundary, uses shall be limited to single-family detached residential uses and roads, parks, trails, and open space.
 2. Where any portion of a lot is within 20 feet of the southern boundary, the minimum lot size for residential uses shall be 6,000 square feet.
 3. Where any portion of a lot is within 20 feet of the southern boundary, all primary structures shall be set back a minimum of 40 feet from the southern boundary.

4. Within the 40-foot wide setback from the southern boundary, a combination of landscaping and screening shall be provided to buffer the perimeter. The landscaping and screening shall meet one of the two standards:
 - a. Utilize existing vegetation in compliance with OCMC 17.41, resulting in preservation of a minimum of 12 inches total DBH per lot with trees spaced an average of one tree for every 30 linear feet along the southern property line. These trees may be located on the residential lots or an abutting tract created for tree preservation consistent with OCMC 17.41.050.B or other similar landscaping or open space purpose.
 - b. Provide a combination of new landscaping and screening to include:
 - (i) A minimum of 12 inches of total DBH, or a minimum of an average of one tree with minimum caliper of two inches DBH for every 30 linear feet along the southern property line, whichever is greater; and
 - (ii) A minimum six-foot-tall, decorative, sight-obscuring fence or wall running parallel to the southern boundary. The fence or wall shall be constructed of wood, stone, rock, or brick. Other durable materials may be substituted with the Community Development Director's approval. Chain-link fencing with slats shall not be allowed to satisfy this standard.
5. An alternative southern perimeter transition may be proposed as part of a Master Plan per OCMC 17.65, provided it is consistent with the goals of the adopted Thimble Creek Concept Plan.



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Chapter 17.12 High Density Residential District

17.12.010 - Designated.

The R-2 residential district is designed for high density residential development.

17.12.020 - Permitted uses.

Permitted uses in the R-2 district are:

- A. Accessory dwelling units for existing single-family detached residential units constructed prior to the effective date of this ordinance;
- B. Internal conversions of existing single-family detached residential units constructed prior to the effective date of this ordinance;
- C. Duplexes;
- D. Corner duplexes;
- E. Single-family attached residential units;
- F. 3-4 plex residential;
- G. Multifamily residential;
- H. Cluster housing;
- I. Residential care facilities;
- J. Accessory buildings;
- K. Parks, playgrounds, playfields and community or neighborhood centers;
- L. Home occupations;
- M. Family day care providers;
- N. Temporary real estate offices in model homes located on and limited to sales of real estate on a single piece of platted property upon which new residential buildings are being constructed;
- O. Management and associated offices and buildings necessary for the operations of a multi-family residential development;
- P. Transportation facilities.

17.12.025 - Conditional uses.

The following uses are permitted in the R-2 districts when authorized by and in accordance with the standards contained in OCMC 17.56:

- A. Golf courses, except miniature golf courses, driving ranges or similar commercial enterprises;
- B. Bed and breakfast inns/boarding houses;
- C. Cemeteries, crematories, mausoleums and columbariums;
- D. Child care centers and nursery schools;
- E. Emergency service facilities (police and fire), excluding correctional facilities;
- F. Private and/or public educational or training facilities;
- G. Public utilities, including sub-stations (such as buildings, plants and other structures);

- H. Religious institutions;
- I. Assisted living facilities; nursing homes and group homes for over fifteen patients;
- J. Live/work dwellings;

17.12.030 - Pre-existing industrial use.

Tax Lot 11200, located on Clackamas County Map #32E16BA has a special provision to permit the current industrial use and the existing incidental sale of the products created and associated with the current industrial use on the site. This property may only maintain and expand the current uses, which are the manufacturing of aluminum boats and the fabrication of radio and satellite equipment, internet and data systems and antennas.

17.12.035 - Prohibited uses.

Prohibited uses in the R-2 district are:

- A. Any use not expressly listed in OCMC 17.12.020, 17.12.025 or 17.12.030.
- B. Marijuana businesses.

17.12.040 - Dimensional standards.

Dimensional standards in the R-2 district are as follows:

Table 17.12.040

Standard	R-2
Minimum lot size ¹ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duplex • Single-family attached • 3-4 plex and multifamily 	4,000 sq. ft. 2,000 sq. ft. 6,000 sq. ft.
Maximum height All, except Multifamily	35 ft., except 45 ft.
Maximum building lot coverage	85%
Minimum lot width All, except Single-family attached	50 ft., except 20 ft.
Minimum lot depth All, except Multifamily	70 ft., except 75 ft.
Minimum front yard setback	5 ft., except 0 ft. - Porch
Maximum front yard setback	20 ft.
Minimum interior side yard setback All, except Single-family attached	5 ft. ¹ 0 ft. (attached) / 5 ft. (side)
Minimum corner side yard setback	5 ft.
Minimum rear yard setback	10 ft. ¹ , except

	5 ft. - Porch
Garage setbacks	20 ft. from ROW, except 5 ft. from alley
Minimum required landscaping (including landscaping within a parking lot)	15%

Notes:

1. If a multifamily residential development abuts a parcel zoned R-10, R-8, R-6, there shall be a landscaped yard of 10 feet on the side abutting the adjacent zone in order to provide a buffer area.

17.12.045 - Exceptions to setbacks.

- A. Projections from buildings. Ordinary building projections such as cornices, eaves, overhangs, canopies, sunshades, gutters, chimneys, flues, sills or similar architectural features may project into the required yards up to twenty-four inches.
- B. Through lot setbacks. Through lots having a frontage on two streets shall provide the required front yard on each street. The required rear yard is not necessary.

17.12.050 - Density standards.

- A. The minimum net density in the R-2 district shall be 17.4 dwelling units per acre.
- B. The maximum net density in the R-2 district shall be 21.8 dwelling units per acre.
- C. Affordable housing density bonus. Residential projects in the R-2 zone with five or more units on a single lot are eligible for a density bonus in exchange for developing affordable housing. A bonus of one additional dwelling unit per affordable unit included in the project, up to a maximum twenty percent increase from maximum net density up to 26.2 du/acre, is allowed. Projects containing exclusively affordable units may develop to the maximum twenty percent increase or 26.2 du/acre. Affordable units shall be affordable to households earning equal to or less than 80 percent of the area median income as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, adjusted for household size, and guaranteed affordable for a minimum term of 30 years through restrictive covenant or other similar guarantee approved by the Community Development Director.

17.12.060 – Additional Standards for Thimble Creek Concept Plan Area

- A. Applicability. This section applies to all development in the R-2 district within the Thimble Creek Concept Plan Area.
- B. Relationship of Standards. These standards apply in addition to and supersede the standards of the R-2 zone within the Thimble Creek Concept Plan Area. In the event of a conflict, the standards of this section control.
- C. Uses.
 1. Live/work dwellings are a permitted use.
 2. As part of a master plan when authorized by and in accordance with the standards contained in OCMC 17.65, up to five thousand square feet of commercial space as a stand-alone building or part of a larger mixed-use building, to be used for:
 - a. Restaurants, eating, and drinking establishments
 - b. Services, including personal, professional, educational, and financial services; laundry and dry-cleaning; or

- c. Retail trade, including grocery, hardware and gift shops, bakeries, delicatessens, florists, pharmacies, specialty stores, and similar.
 - d. Drive through facilities are prohibited.
- D. Sustainability density bonus. The maximum net density allowed in 17.12.050.B may be increased by five percent for each of the sustainability features identified below subject to a total maximum twenty percent bonus or no greater than 26.2 du/acre: Buildings LEED-certified by the U.S. Green Building Council at any level shall be allowed to increase net density by the full twenty percent.
 - 1. A vegetated eco-roof for a minimum of thirty percent of the total roof surface;
 - 2. For a minimum of seventy-five percent of the total roof surface, a white roof with a Solar Reflectance Index (SRI) of 78 or higher if the roof has a 3/12 roof pitch or less, or SRI of 29 or higher if the roof has a roof pitch greater than 3/12;
 - 3. A system that collects rainwater for reuse on-site (e.g., site irrigation) designed to capture an amount of rainwater equivalent to the amount of stormwater anticipated to be generated by 50% of the total roof surface;
 - 4. An integrated solar panel system for a minimum of thirty percent of the total roof or building surface;
 - 5. Orientation of the long axis of the building within thirty degrees of the true east-west axis, with unobstructed solar access to the south wall and roof;
 - 6. Windows located to take advantage of passive solar collection and include architectural shading devices (such as window overhangs) that reduce summer heat gain while encouraging passive solar heating in the winter;
 - 7. Fifty percent or more of landscaped area covered by native plant species selected from the Oregon City Native Plant List;
 - 8. Provision of pedestal or wall-mounted Level 2, two hundred forty-volt electric vehicle chargers, or similar alternative fueling stations as approved by the Planning Director, at a minimum ratio of one station per fifty vehicle parking spaces up to a maximum of five such stations;
 - 9. Building energy efficiency measures that will reduce energy consumption by thirty percent based on HERS rating for building, including efficient lighting and appliances, efficient hot water systems, solar orientation or solar water heating, solar photovoltaic panels, geothermal, and offsetting energy consumption with alternative energy;
 - 10. Use of Forest Stewardship Council certified wood Reclaimed Wood for a minimum of thirty percent of wood products used in the on the primary building of the site.; or
 - 11. Permeable paving, which may include porous concrete, permeable pavers, or other pervious materials as approved by the city engineer, for a minimum of thirty percent of all paved surfaces.

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Chapter 17.24 NC Neighborhood Commercial District

17.24.010 - Designated.

The Neighborhood Commercial District is designed for small-scale commercial and mixed-uses designed to serve a convenience need for residents in the surrounding low-density neighborhood. Land uses consist of small and moderate sized retail, service, office, multi-family residential uses or similar. This district may be applied where it is appropriate to reduce reliance on the automobile for the provision of routine retail and service amenities, and to promote walking and bicycling within comfortable distances of adjacent residential infill neighborhoods, such as within the Park Place and South End Concept Plan areas. Approval of a site plan and design review application pursuant to OCMC 17.62 is required.

17.24.020 - Permitted Uses—NC.

The following uses are permitted within the Neighborhood Commercial District:

- A. Any use permitted in the Mixed-Use Corridor, provided the maximum footprint for a stand alone building with a single store or multiple buildings with the same business does not exceed ten thousand square feet, unless otherwise restricted in this chapter;
- B. Grocery stores, provided the maximum footprint for a stand alone building with a single store or multiple buildings with the same business does not exceed forty thousand square feet;
- C. Live/work dwellings;
- D. Outdoor sales that are ancillary to a permitted use on the same or abutting property under the same ownership.

17.24.025 - Conditional uses.

The following conditional uses may be permitted when approved in accordance with the process and standards contained in OCMC 17.56:

- A. Any use permitted in the Neighborhood Commercial District that has a building footprint in excess of ten thousand square feet;
- B. Emergency and ambulance services;
- C. Drive-through facilities;
- D. Outdoor markets that are operated before six p.m. on weekdays;
- E. Public utilities and services such as pump stations and sub-stations;
- F. Religious institutions;
- G. Public and or private educational or training facilities;
- H. Gas stations;
- I. Hotels and motels, commercial lodging;
- J. Veterinary clinic or pet hospital.

17.24.035 - Prohibited uses.

The following uses are prohibited in the NC District:

- A. Distributing, wholesaling and warehousing;
- B. Outdoor storage;
- C. Outdoor sales that are not ancillary to a permitted use on the same or abutting property under the same ownership;
- D. Hospitals;
- E. Kennels;
- F. Motor vehicle sales and incidental service;
- G. Motor vehicle repair and service;
- H. Self-service storage facilities;
- I. Heavy equipment service, repair, sales, storage or rental (including but not limited to construction equipment and machinery and farming equipment);
- J. Marijuana production, processing, wholesaling, research, testing, and laboratories;
- K. Mobile Food Units or Vendors, except with a special event permit.
- L. Residential use that exceeds fifty percent of the total building square footage on-site.

17.24.040 - Dimensional standards.

Dimensional standards in the NC district are:

- A. Maximum building height: Forty feet or three stories, whichever is less.
- B. Maximum building footprint: Ten thousand square feet.
- C. Minimum required setbacks if not abutting a residential zone: None.
- D. Minimum required interior and rear yard setbacks if abutting a residential zone: Ten feet plus one-foot additional yard setback for every one foot of building height over thirty-five feet.
- E. Maximum Allowed Setback.
 - 1. Front yard setback: Five feet.
 - 2. Interior yard setback: None.
 - 3. Corner side yard setback abutting a street: Thirty feet.
 - 4. Rear yard setback: None.
- F. Standards for residential uses: Residential uses shall meet the minimum net density standards for the R-3.5 district, except that no minimum net density shall apply to residential uses proposed above nonresidential uses in a mixed-use configuration or to live/work dwellings. Any new lots proposed for exclusive residential use shall meet the minimum lot size and setbacks for the R-3.5 zone for the proposed residential use type.
- G. Minimum required landscaping (including landscaping within a parking lot): Fifteen percent.

17.24.050 – Additional Standards for Thimble Creek Concept Plan Area

- A. Applicability. This section applies to all development in the NC district within the Thimble Creek Concept Plan Area.
- B. Relationship of Standards. These standards apply in addition to and supersede the standards of the NC zone within the Thimble Creek Concept Plan Area. In the event of a conflict, the standards of this section control.
- C. Uses.
 - 1. All uses permitted per OCMC 17.24.020.A and B, are limited to a maximum footprint for a stand-alone building with a single store or multiple buildings with the same business not to exceed ten thousand square feet, unless otherwise restricted in this chapter.

2. Residential uses, excluding live/work, that do not exceed fifty percent of the total building square footage within the Thimble Creek Concept Plan Neighborhood Commercial Zoning District.
3. Artisan and specialty goods production is permitted, constituting small-scale businesses that manufacture artisan goods or specialty foods and makes them available for purchase and/or consumption onsite, with an emphasis on direct sales rather than the wholesale market. Examples include: candy, fruit and vegetable preserving and specialty foods, bakeries and tortilla manufacturing; artisan leather, glass, cutlery, hand tools, wood, paper, ceramic, textile and yarn products; microbreweries, microdistilleries, and wineries. All uses shall provide either:
 - a. A public viewing area that includes windows or glass doors covering at least twenty-five percent of the front of the building face abutting the street or indoor wall, allowing direct views of manufacturing; or
 - b. A customer service space that includes a showroom, tasting room, restaurant, or retail space.
4. Drive-throughs are prohibited.
5. Gas stations are prohibited.

D. Dimensional standards.

1. Maximum building height shall be sixty feet or five stories, whichever is less.
2. Minimum building height shall be twenty-five feet or two stories, whichever is less, except for accessory structures or buildings under one thousand square feet.
3. Maximum corner side yard setback abutting a street shall be five feet.
4. Minimum floor area ratio (FAR) shall be 0.5.
 - a. Required minimum FARs shall be calculated on a project-by-project basis and may include multiple contiguous blocks. In mixed-use developments, residential floor space will be included in the calculations of floor area ratio to determine conformance with minimum FAR.
 - b. An individual phase of a project shall be permitted to develop below the required minimum FAR provided the applicant demonstrates, through covenants applied to the remainder of the site or project or through other binding legal mechanism that the required FAR for the project will be achieved at project build-out.
5. Minimum required landscaping: Ten percent. Required landscaping areas may include:
 - a. Landscaping within a parking lot.
 - b. Planter boxes.
 - c. Eco roofs.
 - d. Paved courtyard or plaza with at least twenty-five percent of the area used for landscaping, planter boxes, and/or water features including shade trees planted at the ratio of one tree for every 500 square feet of urban plaza area.
- E. Residential Uses. Residential uses, excluding live/work dwellings, shall be subject to the following additional standards:

1. All ground-floor residential uses, with the exception of entrances for upper-story residential uses, shall be set back a minimum of 150 feet from the property line along Glen Oak Road.
 2. Ground-floor residential building square footage shall not exceed fifty percent of the ground-floor nonresidential building square footage onsite.
 3. Ground-floor residential uses shall achieve a minimum net density of 17.4 units per acre, with no maximum net density.
 4. Any new lots proposed for exclusive residential use shall meet the minimum lot size and setbacks for the R-2 zone for the proposed residential use type.
 5. Upper-story residential uses are permitted with no limitations.
- F. Site design standards.
1. In lieu of complying with OCMC 17.62.050.B.1, parking areas shall be located behind the building façade that is closest to the street or below buildings and shall not be located on the sides of buildings or between the street and the building façade that is closest to the street.

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Chapter 17.29 MUC Mixed Use Corridor District

17.29.010 - Designated.

The Mixed-Use Corridor (MUC) District is designed to apply along selected sections of transportation corridors such as Molalla Avenue, 7th Street, Beaver Creek Road, and along Warner-Milne Road. Land uses are characterized by high-volume establishments such as retail, service, office, multi-family residential, lodging, recreation and meeting facilities, or a similar use as defined by the Community Development Director. A mix of high-density residential, office, and small-scale retail uses are encouraged in this District. Moderate density (MUC-1) and high density (MUC-2) options are available within the MUC zoning district. The area along 7th Street is an example of MUC-1, and the area along Warner-Milne Road is an example of MUC-2.

17.29.020 - Permitted uses—MUC-1 and MUC-2.

- A. Banquet, conference facilities and meeting rooms;
- B. Bed and breakfast/boarding houses, hotels, motels, and other lodging facilities;
- C. Child care centers and/or nursery schools;
- D. Indoor entertainment centers and arcades;
- E. Health and fitness clubs;
- F. Medical and dental clinics, outpatient; infirmity services;
- G. Museums, libraries and cultural facilities;
- H. Offices, including finance, insurance, real estate and government;
- I. Outdoor markets, such as produce stands, craft markets and farmers markets that are operated on the weekends and after six p.m. during the weekday;
- J. Postal services;
- K. Parks, playgrounds, playfields and community or neighborhood centers;
- L. Repair shops, for radio and television, office equipment, bicycles, electronic equipment, shoes and small appliances and equipment;
- M. Multifamily residential, 3-4 plex residential;
- N. One or two dwelling units in conjunction with a nonresidential use, provided that the residential use occupies no more than 50% of the total square footage of the development;
- O. Restaurants, eating and drinking establishments without a drive-through;
- P. Services, including personal, professional, educational and financial services; laundry and dry-cleaning;
- Q. Retail trade, including grocery, hardware and gift shops, bakeries, delicatessens, florists, pharmacies, specialty stores, marijuana, and similar, provided the maximum footprint for a stand-alone building with a single store or multiple buildings with the same business does not exceed sixty thousand square feet;
- R. Seasonal sales;

- S. Residential care facilities, assisted living facilities; nursing homes and group homes for over fifteen patients licensed by the state;
- T. Studios and galleries, including dance, art, photography, music and other arts;
- U. Utilities: Basic and linear facilities, such as water, sewer, power, telephone, cable, electrical and natural gas lines, not including major facilities such as sewage and water treatment plants, pump stations, water tanks, telephone exchanges and cell towers;
- V. Veterinary clinics or pet hospitals, pet day care;
- W. Home occupations;
- X. Research and development activities;
- Y. Temporary real estate offices in model dwellings located on and limited to sales of real estate on a single piece of platted property upon which new residential buildings are being constructed;
- Z. Transportation facilities;
- AA. Live/work dwellings;
- BB. After-hours public parking.

17.29.030 - Conditional uses—MUC-1 and MUC-2 zones.

The following uses are permitted in this district when authorized and in accordance with the process and standards contained in OCMC 17.56:

- A. Drive-through facilities;
- B. Emergency service facilities (police and fire), excluding correctional facilities;
- C. Gas stations;
- D. Outdoor markets that do not meet the criteria of OCMC 17.29.020.I;
- E. Public utilities and services including sub-stations (such as buildings, plants and other structures);
- F. Public and/or private educational or training facilities;
- G. Religious institutions;
- H. Retail trade, including gift shops, bakeries, delicatessens, florists, pharmacies, specialty stores and any other use permitted in the neighborhood, historic or limited commercial districts that have a footprint for a stand-alone building with a single store in excess of sixty thousand square feet in the MUC-1 or MUC-2 zone;
- I. Hospitals;
- J. Parking not in conjunction with a primary use on private property, excluding after-hours public parking;
- K. Passenger terminals, excluding bus stops;
- L. Shelters.

17.29.040 - Prohibited uses in the MUC-1 and MUC-2 zones.

The following uses are prohibited in the MUC district:

- A. Distributing, wholesaling and warehousing;
- B. Outdoor storage;
- C. Outdoor sales that are not ancillary to a permitted use on the same or abutting property under the same ownership;
- D. Correctional facilities;
- E. Heavy equipment service, repair, sales, storage or rentals (including but not limited to construction equipment and machinery and farming equipment);
- F. Kennels;
- G. Motor vehicle and recreational vehicle sales and incidental service;
- H. Motor vehicle and recreational vehicle repair/service;
- I. Self-service storage facilities;

- J. Marijuana production, processing, wholesaling, research, testing, and laboratories;
- K. Mobile Food Units, except with a special event permit.

17.29.050 - Dimensional standards—MUC-1.

- A. Minimum lot areas: None.
- B. Maximum building height: Forty feet or three stories, whichever is less.
- C. Minimum required setbacks if not abutting a residential zone: None.
- D. Minimum required interior and rear yard setbacks if abutting a residential zone: Twenty feet, plus one foot additional yard setback for every one foot of building height over thirty-five feet.
- E. Maximum allowed setbacks.
 - 1. Front yard: Five feet.
 - 2. Interior side yard: None.
 - 3. Corner side setback abutting street: Thirty feet.
 - 4. Rear yard: None.
- F. Maximum lot coverage of the building and parking lot: Eighty percent.
- G. Minimum required landscaping (including landscaping within a parking lot): Twenty percent.
- H. Residential minimum net density of 17.4 units per acre, except that no minimum net density shall apply to residential uses proposed above nonresidential uses in a mixed-use configuration or to live/work dwellings.

17.29.060 - Dimensional standards—MUC-2.

- A. Minimum lot area: None.
- B. Minimum floor area ratio: 0.25.
- C. Minimum building height: Twenty-five feet or two stories except for accessory structures or buildings under one thousand square feet.
- D. Maximum building height: Sixty feet.
- E. Minimum required setbacks if not abutting a residential zone: None.
- F. Minimum required interior and rear yard setbacks if abutting a residential zone: Twenty feet, plus one foot additional yard setback for every two feet of building height over thirty-five feet.
- G. Maximum Allowed Setbacks.
 - 1. Front yard: Five feet.
 - 2. Interior side yard: None.
 - 3. Corner side yard abutting street: Twenty feet.
 - 4. Rear yard: None.
- H. Maximum site coverage of building and parking lot: Ninety percent.
- I. Minimum landscaping requirement (including parking lot): Ten percent.
- J. Residential minimum net density of 17.4 units per acre, except that no minimum net density shall apply to residential uses proposed above nonresidential uses in a mixed-use configuration or to live/work dwellings.

17.29.070 - Floor area ratio (FAR).

Floor area ratios are a tool for regulating the intensity of development. Minimum FARs help to achieve more intensive forms of building development in areas appropriate for larger-scale buildings and higher residential densities.

- A. The minimum floor area ratios contained in OCMC 17.29.050 and 17.29.060 apply to all nonresidential and mixed-use building development, except stand-alone commercial buildings less than ten thousand square feet in floor area.

- B. Required minimum FARs shall be calculated on a project-by-project basis and may include multiple contiguous blocks. In mixed-use developments, residential floor space will be included in the calculations of floor area ratio to determine conformance with minimum FARs.
- C. An individual phase of a project shall be permitted to develop below the required minimum floor area ratio provided the applicant demonstrates, through covenants applied to the remainder of the site or project or through other binding legal mechanism, that the required density for the project will be achieved at project build out.

17.29.080 – Additional Standards for Thimble Creek Concept Plan Area

- A. Applicability. This section applies to all development in the MUC-2 district within the Thimble Creek Concept Plan Area.
- B. Relationship of Standards. These standards apply in addition to and supersede the standards of the MUC-2 zone within the Thimble Creek Concept Plan Area. In the event of a conflict, the standards of this section control.
- C. Uses.
 - 1. Light industrial uses limited to the design, light manufacturing, processing, assembly, packaging, fabrication and treatment of products made from previously prepared or semi-finished materials are permitted.
 - 2. The following permitted uses, alone or in combination, shall not exceed twenty percent of the total gross floor area of all of the other permitted and conditional uses within the development site. The total gross floor area of two or more buildings may be used, even if the buildings are not all on the same parcel or owned by the same property owner, as long as they are part of the net developable portion of contiguous Mixed-Use Corridor zoned lands.
 - a. Restaurants, eating and drinking establishments;
 - b. Services, including personal, professional, educational and financial services; laundry and dry-cleaning;
 - c. Retail trade, including grocery, hardware and gift shops, bakeries, delicatessens, florists, pharmacies, specialty stores, marijuana, and similar, provided the maximum footprint for a stand-alone building with a single store does not exceed twenty thousand square feet; and
 - d. Grocery stores provided the maximum footprint for a stand-alone building does not exceed forty thousand square feet.
 - 3. Drive-throughs are prohibited.
 - 4. Gas stations are prohibited.
 - 5. Bed and breakfast and other lodging facilities for up to ten guests per night are a conditional use.
 - 6. Tax Lot 00800, located on Clackamas County Map #32E10C has a special provision to allow the multifamily residential use permitted as of (Ordinance effective date) as a permitted use. This property may only maintain and expand the current use.
- D. Dimensional standards.
 - 1. Minimum floor area ratio (FAR) shall be 0.35.
 - 2. Maximum allowed setback for corner side yard abutting street shall be five feet.

E. Residential uses. All residential uses, except live/work units, are limited to upper stories only, and may only be proposed as part of a single development application incorporating nonresidential uses allowed in the MUC-2 district on the ground floor.



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Chapter 17.37 CI Campus Industrial District

17.37.010 - Designated.

The campus industrial district is designed for a mix of clean, employee-intensive industries, and offices serving industrial needs. These areas provide jobs that strengthen and diversify the economy. The uses permitted on campus industrial lands are intended to improve the region's economic climate and to protect the supply of sites for employment by limiting incompatible uses within industrial and employment areas and promoting industrial uses, uses accessory to industrial uses, offices for industrial research and development and large corporate headquarters.

17.37.020 - Permitted uses.

The following uses may occupy up to one hundred percent of the total floor area of the development, unless otherwise described:

- A. Experimental or testing laboratories;
- B. Industrial uses limited to the design, light manufacturing, processing, assembly, packaging, fabrication and treatment of products made from previously prepared or semi-finished materials;
- C. Public and/or private educational or training facilities;
- D. Corporate or government headquarters or regional offices with fifty or more employees;
- E. Computer component assembly plants;
- F. Information and data processing centers;
- G. Software and hardware development;
- H. Engineering, architectural and surveying services;
- I. Non-commercial, educational, scientific and research organizations;
- J. Research and development activities;
- K. Industrial and professional equipment and supply stores, which may include service and repair of the same;
- L. Retail sales and services, including but not limited to eating establishments for employees (i.e. a cafe or sandwich shop) or retail sales of marijuana pursuant to OCMC 17.54.110, located in a single building or in multiple buildings that are part of the same development shall be limited to a maximum of twenty thousand square feet or five percent of the building square footage, whichever is less, and the retail sales and services shall not occupy more than ten percent of the net developable portion of all contiguous industrial lands;
- M. Financial, insurance, real estate, or other professional offices, as an accessory use to a permitted use, located in the same building as the permitted use and limited to ten percent of the total floor area of the development. Financial institutions shall primarily serve the needs of businesses and employees within the development, and drive-through features are prohibited;
- N. Utilities: basic and linear facilities, such as water, sewer, power, telephone, cable, electrical and natural gas lines, not including major facilities such as sewage and water treatment plants, pump stations, water tanks, telephone exchanges and cell towers;
- O. Transportation facilities;
- P. Marijuana processors, processing sites, wholesalers and laboratories pursuant to OCMC 17.54.110;

Q. Mobile food units operating on a property for less than five hours in a 24-hour period.

17.37.030 - Conditional uses.

The following conditional uses may be established in a Campus Industrial District subject to review and action on the specific proposal, pursuant to the criteria and review procedures in OCMC 17.50 and 17.56:

- A. Distribution or warehousing.
- B. Any other use which, in the opinion of the planning commission, is of similar character of those specified in OCMC 17.37.020 and 17.37.030. In addition, the proposed conditional uses:
 - 1. Will have minimal adverse impact on the appropriate development of primary uses on abutting properties and the surrounding area considering location, size, design and operating characteristics of the use;
 - 2. Will not create odor, dust, smoke, fumes, noise, glare, heat or vibrations which are incompatible with primary uses allowed in this district;
 - 3. Will be located on a site occupied by a primary use, or, if separate, in a structure which is compatible with the character and scale or uses allowed within the district, and on a site no larger than necessary for the use and operational requirements of the use;
 - 4. Will provide vehicular and pedestrian access, circulation, parking and loading areas which are compatible with similar facilities for uses on the same site or adjacent sites.

17.37.040 - Dimensional standards.

Dimensional standards in the CI district are:

- A. Minimum lot area: No minimum required.
- B. Maximum building height: except as otherwise provided in subsection B.1. of this section building height shall not exceed forty-five feet.
 - 1. In that area bounded by Leland Road, Warner Milne Road and Molalla Avenue, and located in this zoning district, the maximum building height shall not exceed eighty-five feet in height.
- C. Minimum required setbacks:
 - 1. Front yard: Twenty feet minimum setback;
 - 2. Interior side yard: No minimum setback;
 - 3. Corner side yard: Twenty feet minimum setback;
 - 4. Rear yard: Ten feet minimum setback.
- D. Buffer zone: If a use in this zone abuts or faces a residential use, a yard of at least twenty-five feet shall be required on the side abutting or facing the adjacent residential or commercial zone in order to provide a buffer area, and landscaping thereof shall be subject to site plan review.
- E. If the height of the building exceeds forty-five feet, as provided in subsection B.1. of this section for every additional story built above forty-five feet, an additional twenty-five foot buffer shall be provided.

17.37.050 - Development standards.

All development within the CI district is subject to the review procedures and application requirements under OCMC17.50, and the development standards under OCMC 17.62. In addition, the following specific standards, requirements and objectives shall apply to all development in this district. Where requirements conflict, the more restrictive provision shall govern:

- A. Landscaping. A minimum of fifteen percent of the developed site area shall be used for landscaping. The design and development of landscaping in this district shall:
 - 1. Enhance the appearance of the site internally and from a distance;
 - 2. Include street trees and street side landscaping;

3. Provide an integrated open space and pedestrian system within the development with appropriate connections to surrounding properties;
 4. Include, as appropriate, a bikeway, pedestrian walkway or jogging trail;
 5. Provide buffering or transitions between uses;
 6. Encourage outdoor eating areas conveniently located for use by employees;
 7. Encourage outdoor recreation areas appropriate to serve all the uses within the development.
- B. Parking. No parking areas or driveways, except access driveways, shall be constructed within the front setback of any building site or within the buffer areas without approved screening and landscaping.
- C. Fences. Periphery fences shall not be allowed within this district. Decorative fences or walls may be used to screen service and loading areas, private patios or courts. Fences may be used to enclose playgrounds, tennis courts, or to secure sensitive areas or uses, including but not limited to, vehicle storage areas, drainage detention facilities, or to separate the development from adjacent properties not within the district. Fences shall not be located where they impede pedestrian or bicycle circulation or between site areas.
- D. Outdoor storage and refuse/recycling collection areas.
1. No materials, supplies or equipment, including company owned or operated trucks or motor vehicles, shall be stored in any area on a lot except inside a closed building, or behind a visual barrier screening such areas so that they are not visible from the neighboring properties or streets. No storage areas shall be maintained between a street and the front of the structure nearest the street;
 2. All outdoor refuse/recycling collection areas shall be visibly screened so as not to be visible from streets and neighboring property. No refuse/recycling collection areas shall be maintained between a street and the front of the structure nearest the street.

17.37.060 – Additional Standards for Thimble Creek Concept Plan Area

- A. Applicability. This section applies to all development in the CI district within the Thimble Creek Concept Plan Area.
- B. Relationship of Standards. These standards apply in addition to and supersede the standards of the CI zone within the Thimble Creek Concept Plan Area. In the event of a conflict, the standards of this section control.
- C. Uses.
1. The following permitted uses supersede the uses allowed in OCMC 17.37.020.L. Retail sales and services, including but not limited to eating establishments for employees (i.e. a cafe or sandwich shop) or retail sales of marijuana pursuant to OCMC 17.54.110, located in a single building or in multiple buildings that are part of the same development, shall be limited to a maximum of five thousand square feet in a single outlet or twenty thousand square feet in multiple outlets that are part of the same development project.
 2. The following permitted uses supersede the uses allowed in OCMC 17.37.020.M. Retail and professional services including but not limited to financial, insurance, real estate and legal office uses limited to a maximum of five thousand square feet in a single outlet or twenty thousand square feet in multiple outlets that are part of the same development project. Financial institutions shall primarily serve the needs of businesses and employees within the development, and drive-throughs are prohibited.
 3. Offices as an accessory to a permitted use are permitted.

4. Parks, trails, urban agriculture and community garden uses are permitted.
 5. Distribution and warehousing not associated with a primary use or are more than 50% of the size of the primary use building(s) are prohibited.
 6. Tax Lots 00300, 00301, 00302, 00303, 00400 and 00401, located on Clackamas County Map #32E10C have a special provision to allow single-family detached residential use as a permitted use. This property may only maintain and expand the current use.
- D. Buffer zone treatment required in OCMC 17.37.040.D shall include:
1. Landscaping shall be installed to provide screening of parking, loading and vehicle maneuvering areas, refuse/recycling collection areas, outdoor storage, and building façades. Buffer zone treatment may substitute for perimeter parking lot landscaping required per OCMC 17.52.060.C. Landscaping shall include at least one of the following:
 - a Trees a minimum of two caliper inches DBH planted on average 30 feet on center. Existing mature vegetation may be used to meet this standard if it achieves a similar level of screening as determined by the Community Development Director;
 - b An evergreen hedge screen of thirty to forty-two inches high or shrubs spaced no more than 4 four feet apart on average; or
 - c Ground cover plants, which includes grasses covering all landscaping areas. Mulch (as a ground cover) shall only be allowed underneath plants at full growth and within two feet of the base of a tree and is not a substitute for ground cover.
 2. Landscape buffer shall incorporate a berm no less than three feet in height above the existing final grade, constructed with a slope no steeper than 3:1 on all sides. The berm shall be planted with vegetative materials to prevent erosion.
 3. A minimum six-foot-tall, decorative, sight-obscuring fence or wall. The fence or wall shall be constructed of materials commonly used in the construction of fences and walls, such as wood, stone, rock, brick, or other durable materials. Chainlink fencing with slats shall be not allowed to satisfy this standard.
- E. Outdoor storage permitted per OCMC 17.37.050.D shall be limited to a maximum of twenty-five percent of the net developable area.
- F. Power line corridors. A distinct feature of this district is the power line corridors north of Loder Road that define open corridors.
1. Within the power line corridors, a minimum 30-foot wide open space and public access easement shall be granted to the City. The easement shall run parallel to the power line corridor and align with easements on abutting properties to create a continuous corridor.
 2. The easement may be shown on the final plat or recorded as a separate easement document. In either case, the easement must be recorded prior to issuance of a certificate of occupancy.
 3. Open spaces within the power line corridors, including the open space easements, may be counted as landscaping satisfying the requirements of OCMC 17.62.050.A.
 4. Additional uses encouraged in the power line corridors include community gardens, urban agriculture, stormwater and water quality features, plant nurseries, and solar farms.
- G. Sustainability features. Each development must incorporate at least six of the following sustainability features:

1. A vegetated eco-roof for stormwater management. An eco-roof covering twenty to forty percent of the total roof area shall count as one feature, and a roof covering more than forty percent of the total roof area shall count as two features;
2. A white roof with a Solar Reflectance Index (SRI) of 78 or higher if the roof has a 3/12 roof pitch or less, or SRI of 29 or higher if the roof has a roof pitch greater than 3/12 covering a minimum of seventy-five percent of the total roof area;
3. A system that collects rainwater for reuse on-site (e.g., site irrigation) designed to capture an amount of rainwater equivalent to the amount of stormwater anticipated to be generated by 50% of the total roof surface;
4. An integrated solar panel system mounted on the roof or anywhere on site. A solar system with surface area equivalent to a minimum of twenty to forty percent of the total roof area shall count as one feature, and a solar system with surface area equivalent to forty percent or more of the total roof area shall count as two features;
5. Use of native plant species selected from the Oregon City Native Plant List. Native plantings that cover twenty to thirty percent of the total landscaped area shall count as one feature, and plantings that cover thirty percent or greater of the total landscaped area shall count as two features;
6. Provision of pedestal or wall-mounted Level 2, two hundred forty-volt electric vehicle chargers, or similar alternative fueling stations as approved by the Community Development Director, at a minimum ratio of one station per fifty vehicle parking spaces up to a maximum of five such stations;
7. Permeable paving, which may include porous concrete, permeable pavers, or other pervious materials as approved by the city engineer. Permeable paving totaling twenty to forty percent of all paved surfaces shall count as one feature, and permeable paving of forty percent or more of all paved surfaces shall count as two features; or
8. Buildings LEED-certified by the U.S. Green Building Council at any level shall be counted as three features.



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Chapter 17.54 Supplemental Zoning Regulations and Exceptions

17.54.010 - Accessory structures and uses.

Accessory structures and uses shall comply with all requirements for the principal use except where specifically modified by this title and shall comply with the following standards:

- A. Signs. Signs shall be permitted as provided in Chapter 15.28.
- B. Residential Accessory Structures, not including Accessory Dwellings Units. The section applies to all accessory structures within the R-10, R-8, R-6, R-5 and R-3.5 zoning districts and accessory structures on properties with a residential use with less than five units within a zoning designation not listed above.
 1. Accessory Structures with a Footprint Less than Two Hundred Square Feet:
 - a. Shall be located behind the front line of the primary structure;
 - b. Shall comply with the dimensional standards of the zoning designation including height, lot coverage and setbacks unless modified pursuant to subsection c. herein; and
 - c. Side and rear setbacks may be reduced to not less than three feet for the accessory structure and its projections if the height does not exceed seventeen feet as defined in OCMC 17.04.550.
 2. Accessory Structures with a Footprint from Two Hundred to Six Hundred Square Feet:
 - a. Shall be located behind the front line of the primary structure;
 - b. Shall comply with the dimensional standards of the zoning designation, including height, setbacks, and lot coverage unless modified pursuant to subsection c.; and
 - c. Side and rear setbacks may be reduced to not less than three feet for one accessory structure and its projections if the height does not exceed seventeen feet as defined in OCMC 17.04.550.
 3. Accessory Structures with a Footprint Over Six Hundred Square Feet:
 - a. Shall not exceed more than one accessory structure with a footprint in excess of six hundred square feet per parcel;
 - b. The parcel shall be in excess of twenty thousand square feet;
 - c. The footprint shall not exceed the footprint of the primary structure;
 - d. Shall not exceed eight hundred square feet;
 - e. Shall not exceed the height of the primary structure;
 - f. Shall be located behind the front line of the primary structure; and
 - g. Shall comply with the dimensional standards of the zoning designation including height, setbacks, and lot coverage.
 4. Prohibited:
 - a. Cargo containers.
 - b. Membrane and fabric covered storage areas visible from the adjacent right-of-way.
 - c. Metal structures within a historic district, or on an individually designated historic property, unless otherwise authorized by OCMC Chapter 17.40.

5. An accessory structure housing a hooved animal shall be located a minimum of twenty-five feet from any property line.
 6. Accessory structures constructed prior to January 1, 2017 which are located behind the front building line of the primary structure are exempt from the setback and height requirements in this chapter, except as otherwise limited through an applicable overlay district.
 7. Swimming Pools. In-ground and above-ground swimming pools shall be constructed not less than three feet from the side or rear yard lines. Swimming pools shall comply with the front yard setback requirements for the principal structure. A pool shall be surrounded by a fence no less than four feet in height or a suitable alternative such as a locked or electric cover, approved by the Building Official.
- C. Temporary Structures in the Right-of-Way. This section applies to temporary structures associated with permitted events in the right-of-way. Temporary structures:
1. May be constructed of any building material;
 2. Shall comply with all provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act; and
 3. Shall be exempt from all sections of Chapters 12.04 (except 12.04.120), 12.08, 16.12, 17.52 and 17.62.

17.54.020 - Projections from buildings.

Residential building projections that are cantilevered so that they do not touch the ground (such as cornices, eaves, bay windows, fireplaces, overhangs, canopies, sunshades, gutters, chimneys, flues, sills or similar architectural features) may project into the required setbacks up to twenty-four inches. The projection may be limited by easement restrictions, etc.

17.54.030 - Setback exceptions.

- A. Through lots having a frontage on two streets shall provide the required front yard on each street. The required rear yard setback shall not apply.
- B. Structures within the right-of-way are exempt from setback standards.
- C. Uncovered decks or porches with a height of less than thirty inches from grade are exempt from setback standards.

17.54.100 Fences, Hedges, Walls, and Retaining Walls.

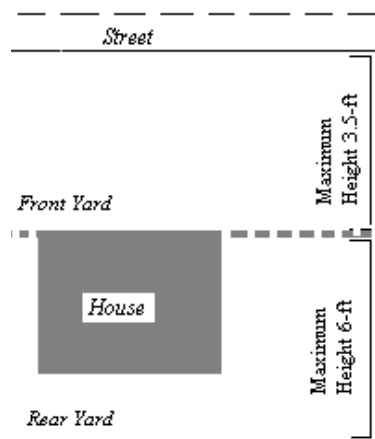
- A. A fence, hedge, wall, retaining wall, or combination thereof may be located on real property, not within the right-of-way, subject to all of the following:
 1. A fence, hedge, wall, retaining wall, or combination thereof located in front of a building may be up to 3.5-feet in total height as measured from the finished grade at any point on the fence.
 2. A fence, hedge, wall, located next to, or behind the forward most building, or within more than forty feet of the right-of-way, whichever is less may be up to:
 - a. Six feet in total height for residential properties with less than five units as measured from the finished grade at any point on the fence; or
 - b. Eight feet in total height for all other uses as measured from the finished grade at any point on the fence.
 3. A retaining wall or combination of a fence, hedge, wall located next to and behind the forward most building, or within more than forty feet of the right-of-way, whichever is less, may be up to (as measured from the finished grade) 8.5 feet in height from the finished grade.
 4. Fences, hedges, and/or walls located within two feet above a retaining wall, as measured on a horizontal plane, shall be measured together for the purposes of determining height.
 5. Property owners shall ensure compliance with the Traffic Sight Obstruction requirements in Chapter 10.32 of the Oregon City Municipal Code.

6. Retaining walls completely below the elevation of the right-of-way may be up to six feet in height.
 7. Minimum fall protection required by the Building Official, such as railings, is not included in the height of a retaining wall but must comply with the fence height requirements.
- B. When no other practicable alternative exists, the City Engineer may permit a fence, hedge, wall, retaining wall, or combination thereof to be located within the right-of-way subject to all of the following:
1. A Revocable Permanent Obstruction in the Right of Way permit is granted per OCMC 12.04.120;
 2. Retaining walls, fences, or hedges comply with OCMC 17.54.100.A, unless determined to be impracticable by the City Engineer.
 3. The abutting property owner shall ensure compliance with the Traffic Sight Obstruction requirements in Chapter 10.32 of the Oregon City Municipal Code.
- C. It is unlawful for any person to erect any electric fence or any fence constructed in whole or in part of barbed wire or to use barbed wire, except as erected in connection with security installations at a minimum height of six feet, providing further that prior written approval has been granted by the City Manager.

Residential Height Requirements

Any fence, hedge or wall located in front of may be up to 3.5-feet in total height.

A fence, hedge or wall located next to and behind your home may be up to 6-feet in total height.



17.54.110 - Marijuana businesses.

For the purpose of zoning regulation pursuant to this section, recreational and medical marijuana facilities are considered the same by Oregon City.

- A. Applicability. These standards apply to all marijuana businesses in Oregon City.
- B. Restrictions on Location—Zoning.
 1. Please refer to individual zone districts elsewhere in this title to determine whether marijuana businesses including production, laboratories, processing, wholesale, and retail use are permitted, prohibited or otherwise regulated.
 2. Marijuana businesses are prohibited abutting any "R" residentially zoned area, except that this provision shall not apply where the subject property abuts a road that has a freeway, expressway, major arterial, minor arterial, or collector functional classification as shown on Figure 8, Multi-Modal Street System, of the Oregon City Transportation System Plan and;
 3. Home Occupation. A marijuana business may not be operated as a home occupation and;
 4. The sale or distribution of marijuana is prohibited for mobile vendors and at all special events and outdoor markets.

- C. Restrictions on Location: Marijuana Dispensary or Retailer. A marijuana retailer shall not locate:
1. Within two hundred fifty feet of any public parks, licensed child care and day care facilities, and public transit centers.
 2. Within one thousand feet of a public elementary or secondary school for which attendance is compulsory under ORS 339.020, or a private or parochial elementary or secondary school, teaching children as described in ORS 339.030(1)(a), or the property located at Clackamas County Map 3-2E-09C, Tax Lot 800.
 3. Within one thousand feet of another marijuana retailer.
 4. If a new protected property or use described in this section should be established within the aforementioned separation distance of an existing legally established marijuana dispensary or retailer, the existing marijuana dispensary or retailer may remain in place and the separation requirement shall not be applied.
 5. The spacing distance specified in this section is a straight-line measurement from the closest points between property lines of the affected properties.
- D. Standards of Operation.
1. Compliance with Other Laws. All marijuana businesses shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations, including, but not limited to, the development, land use, zoning, building and fire codes.
 2. Registration and Compliance with State Law. The marijuana business's state license or authority shall be in good standing with the Oregon Health Authority or Oregon Liquor Control Commission and the marijuana business shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations administered by the respective state agency, including, without limitation those rules that relate to labeling, packaging, testing, security, waste management, food handling, and training.
 3. No portion of any marijuana business shall be conducted outside, including but not limited to outdoor storage, production, processing, wholesaling, laboratories and retail sale, except for temporary ingress and egress of vehicles, persons and materials associated with the permitted use.
 4. Hours of Operation. Operating hours for a marijuana business shall be in accordance with the applicable license issued by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission or Oregon Health Authority.
 5. Odors. A marijuana business shall use an air filtration and ventilation system that ensures all odors associated with the marijuana is confined to the licensed premises to the extent practicable. For the purposes of this provision, the standard for judging "objectionable odors" shall be that of an average, reasonable person with ordinary sensibilities after taking into consideration the character of the neighborhood in which the odor is made and the odor is detected.
 6. Doors and windows shall remain closed, except for the minimum length of time needed to allow people to ingress or egress the building.
 7. Secure Disposal. The facility shall provide for secure disposal of marijuana remnants or by-products; marijuana remnants or by-products shall not be placed within the marijuana business's exterior refuse containers.
 8. Drive-Through, Walk-Up. A marijuana business may not have a walk-up window or a drive-through.
 9. The facility shall maintain compliance with all applicable security requirements of the OLCC including alarm systems, video surveillance, and a restriction on public access to certain facilities or areas within facilities.

17.54.115 - Mobile Food Units

A. Applicability. The following provisions apply to mobile food units not located within a building. The provisions do not apply to indoor mobile food units or mobile food units allowed pursuant to a special event permit issued by the City.

B. General Requirements.

1. Mobile food units shall primarily sell food items;
2. Mobile food units shall not sell cannabis, in any form;
3. Mobile food units shall have a valid Oregon City business license; and
4. Mobile food units shall not be located within the right-of-way, except as approved by the City Engineer.
5. Mobile food units shall maintain continuous compliance with applicable federal, state, and city standards;
6. Discharge or leakage draining into the storm water system is prohibited. Wastewater shall not be dumped onto the ground, onto the streets, or into a storm drain. All liquid waste from the waste tank or from cleaning activities such as cleaning the mobile food cart shall be captured and properly disposed of in the sanitary sewer.
7. All permanent utility lines shall be placed underground. Temporary utilities, lines and tanks shall be placed underground or otherwise screened, covered, or hidden from view from the right of way as to minimize visual impacts and prevent tripping hazards or other unsafe conditions.
8. Power connections may not be connected by overhead wires to the individual mobile food units.
9. Comply with the Stormwater and Grading Design Standards for additional impervious surfaces
10. Mobile food units, equipment, customer service areas, or any associated item may not be located within the right of way.
11. Sites with more than ten mobile food units at any time shall have a designated loading area.
12. Parking lots, refuse and recycling areas, outdoor lighting, fencing, and structures (other than the mobile food units) are subject to compliance with Site Plan and Design Review standards in OCMC 17.62. Mobile food units are exempt from OCMC 17.52 unless otherwise identified below.
13. Mobile food unit owners are responsible for maintaining the mobile unit and the adjacent site area in a neat and clean condition. This includes but is not limited to regular maintenance and cleaning of the exterior of the mobile food unit to avoid rust and peeling paint, repair of broken or sagging awnings, canopies, platforms, counters, benches, tables, umbrellas, and other structures used by customers adjacent to the mobile food unit.

C. Design Standards.

1. Transitory Mobile Food Units. Mobile food units that remain on a property for five hours or less in a twenty-four hour period shall comply with the following:
 - i. Standards related to the site.
 - a. Be limited to three food units on a property at any one time;
 - b. Maintain the minimum number of parking stalls and minimum drive aisle widths and parking lot requirements; and
 - c. Not result in the reduction of landscaping less than the minimum site.
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 - ii. Standards related to the mobile food unit.
 - a. Comply with nuisances regulations in OCMC 8.08.040;
 - b. Comply with OCMC 17.62.050.I for all temporary structures associated with the Mobile food cart units (except for the unit itself);
 - c. Connect to individual wastewater holding tanks at all times; and
 - d. Connect to a potable water tank at all times.

2. Non-Transitory Mobile Food Units.

All other mobile food units that remain on a property for more than five hours at a time shall comply with the following:

- i. Standards related to the site
 - a. Maintain the minimum number of parking stalls and minimum drive aisle widths and parking lot requirements;
 - b. Not result in the reduction of landscaping less than the minimum site;
- ii. Standards related to the unit.
 - a. Fully screen from view any mechanical or power generating equipment that is separated from and external to the mobile food unit with vegetation or screening at a height equal to or greater than the height of the generating unit;
 - b. Connect to a permanent water source, unless exempted by the City Engineer if utilities are not available;
 - c. Connect to public sewer. This may be achieved through a communal system;
 - d. Connect to a permanent power source; and
 - e. Comply with the minimum setbacks and maximum height of the zoning designation.

D. Process

- 1. A Type I Minor Site Plan and Design Review shall be submitted for each property in compliance with the transitory standards in OCMC 17.54.115.C.1 with a wastewater / water operations and maintenance plan.
- 2. A Type II Minor Site Plan and Design Review shall be submitted for each property in compliance with the non-transitory standards in OCMC 17.54.115.C with a wastewater / water operations and maintenance plan.
- 3. Mobile food cart units shall each submit a business license and mobile food cart unit form.

17.54.120 - Home Occupations

Home occupations shall comply with all of the following:

- A. No employees reporting to work onsite who are not residents unless otherwise required by State law. The business may have off-site employees or partners provided that they do not report for work at the subject residence;
- B. All business conducted on site shall be conducted within the home or accessory structure;
- C. No outdoor storage of materials or commercial vehicles associated with the business shall occur on-site; and
- D. Not more than one-half of the square-footage of the primary dwelling is devoted to such use.
- E. No commodities shall be sold onsite.

17.54.123 -Home Occupations/Cottage Industry- Thimble Creek Concept Plan Area

Home occupations and Cottage Industries within the Thimble Creek Concept Plan Area are encouraged and allowed as a means to support job creation in Oregon City and shall comply with all of the following:

A. Up to 3 offsite employees are allowed to work at the residence. Offsite employees may work onsite Monday-Friday 7:00 am-6:00 pm and Saturday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm;

B. All business conducted on-site shall be conducted within the home or accessory structure;

C. No outdoor storage of materials associated with the business shall occur on-site;

D. Not more than one-half of the square footage of the primary dwelling is devoted to such use;

E. One commercial vehicle associated with the business that does not require a commercial driver's license and one trailer associated with the business no more than 20 feet in length may be stored onsite outside of an accessory building. No commercial vehicles or trailers associated with the business may be stored in the right-of-way

F. Any dedicated retail space located within the residence may be no larger than 300 square feet. Retail hours may not exceed Monday-Friday 7:00 am-6:00 pm and Saturday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm;

G. The following retail uses are not allowed in this district: food, beverage, and/or marijuana sales.

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Chapter 17.62 - Site Plan and Design Review

17.62.010 - Purpose.

The purposes of site plan and design review are to: encourage site planning in advance of construction; protect lives and property from potential adverse impacts of development; consider natural or man-made hazards which may impose limitations on development; conserve the city's natural beauty and visual character and minimize adverse impacts of development on the natural environment as much as is reasonably practicable; assure that development is supported with necessary public facilities and services; ensure that structures and other improvements are properly related to their sites and to surrounding sites and structure; and implement the city's comprehensive plan and land use regulations with respect to development standards and policies.

17.62.015 - Modifications that will better meet design review requirements.

The review body shall consider modification of certain site related development standards of this Chapter specified below. These modifications may be approved as part of a Type II design review process.

A. Applicability.

1. This process shall apply to modifications to:
 - a. Landscaping in OCMC 17.62.050.A;
 - b. Vehicular Connections to Adjoining Properties in OCMC 17.62.050.B.2;
 - c. On-site pedestrian circulation in OCMC 17.62.050.C;
 - d. Utility Undergrounding Requirements in OCMC 16.12.095.G;
 - e. Building location in OCMC 17.62.055.D;
 - f. Building Details in OCMC 17.62.050.B.9.055.I;
 - g. Windows in OCMC 17.62.050.B.10.055.J Parking Lot Landscaping in OCMC 17.52.060.
2. Modifications that are denied through Type II design review may be requested as a variance through the Variance process pursuant to OCMC 17.60.020 or Master Plan Adjustment pursuant to OCMC 17.65.070 as applicable.
3. Rather than a modification, applicants may choose to apply for a Variance through the Variance process pursuant to OCMC 17.60.020 or Master Plan Adjustment pursuant to OCMC 17.65.070 as applicable.

B. The review body may approve requested modifications if it finds that the applicant has shown that the following approval criteria are met:

1. The modification will result in a development that better meets the applicable design guidelines; and
2. The modification meets the intent of the standard. On balance, the proposal will be consistent with the purpose of the standard for which a modification is requested.

17.62.030 - When required.

Site plan and design review shall be required for all development of real property in all zones except the low and medium density residential districts, unless otherwise provided for by this title or as a condition of approval of a permit. Site plan and design review shall also apply to all conditional uses, cluster housing developments, multi-family uses, manufactured home parks, and non-residential uses in all zones. Site Plan and Design Review does not apply to activities occurring within the right-of-way except for communication facilities pursuant to OCMC 17.80.

Site plan and design review is required for a change in use between the uses in Table 17.62.030:

Table 17.62.030

Existing Use	Proposed Use
Residential	Nonresidential use, including but not limited to: commercial, office, industrial, retail, or institutional
Single-family or duplex	3 or more dwellings

Site plan and design review shall not alter the type and category of uses permitted in the underlying zoning districts.

The general standards of section 17.62.050 do not apply to 3-4 plex, duplex, single-family attached dwellings, single-family detached residential unit, internal conversions, live/work dwelling and accessory dwelling unit Type I applications.

17.62.035 - Minor site plan and design review.

This section provides for a Minor Site Plan and Design Review process. Minor Site Plan review is a Type I or Type II decision, as described in OCMC 17.62.035.A., subject to administrative proceedings described in OCMC 17.50 and may be utilized as the appropriate review process only when authorized by the Community Development Director. The purpose of this type of review is to expedite design review standards for uses and activities that require only a minimal amount of review, typical of minor modifications and/or changes to existing uses or buildings.

A. Type I Minor Site Plan and Design Review.

1. Applicability. Type I applications involve no discretion and are typically processed concurrently with a building permit application. The Type I process is not applicable for:
 - a. Any activity which is included with or initiates actions that require Type II-IV review.
 - b. Any increase in square footage of a conditional or nonconforming use (excluding nonconforming structures).
 - c. Any proposal in which nonconforming upgrades are required under OCMC 17.58.
 - d. Any proposal in which modifications are proposed under OCMC 17.62.015.
2. The following projects may be processed as a Type I application:
 - a. Addition of up to two hundred square feet to a commercial, institutional, or multifamily structure in which no increases are required to off-street parking. This includes a new ancillary structure, addition to an existing structure, or new interior space (excluding new drive thru). Increases of more than two hundred square feet in a twelve-month period shall be processed as Type II.
 - b. Addition of up to one thousand square feet to an industrial use in which no increases are required to off-street parking. This includes a new ancillary structure, addition to an existing structure, or new interior space (excluding ancillary retail and office). Increases of more than one thousand square feet in a twelve-month period shall be processed as Type II.
 - c. Temporary structures, excluding mobile vendors.
 - d. Removal, replacement or addition of awnings, or architectural projections to existing structures.

- e. Addition, modification, or relocation of refuse enclosure.
 - f. Changes to amount, location, or design of bicycle parking.
 - g. Installation of mechanical equipment.
 - h. Repaving of previously approved parking lots with no change to striping.
 - i. Replacement of exterior building materials.
 - j. Addition of windows and doors, relocation of windows and doors in which transparency levels remain unchanged, or removal of windows and doors provided minimum transparency requirements are still met.
 - k. Addition or alteration of parapets or rooflines.
 - l. Modification of building entrances.
 - m. Addition to or alteration of a legal nonconforming single or two-family dwelling.
 - n. Change to parking lot circulation or layout, excluding driveway modifications.
 - o. Removal or relocation of vehicle parking stalls provided total parking remains between approved minimum and maximum with no new reductions other than through the downtown parking district.
 - p. Adoption of shared parking agreements.
 - q. Changes to landscaping that do not require stormwater quality and quantity treatment under OCMC 13.12.
 - r. New or changes to existing pedestrian accessways, walkways or plazas.
 - s. Installation of or alterations to ADA accessibility site elements.
 - t. Modification or installation of a fence, hedge, or wall, or addition of a fence, hedge or wall.
 - u. Addition of or alterations to outdoor lighting.
 - v. Demolition of any structure or portion of a structure
 - w. Tree removal
 - x. Type I Master Plan Amendments under OCMC 17.65.080.
 - y. Mobile food units in one location for five hours or less as identified in OCMC 17.54.115
 - z. 3-4 plex, duplex, single-family attached dwellings, single-family detached residential unit, internal conversions, live/work dwelling and accessory dwelling unit.
 - aa. Placement of a single manufactured home within an existing space or lot in a manufactured home park.
3. Submittal Requirements. A Type I application shall include:
- a. A narrative describing the project.
 - b. Site plan drawings showing existing conditions/uses and proposed conditions/uses.
 - c. Architectural drawings, including building elevations and envelopes, if architectural work is proposed.
 - d. A completed application form.
 - e. Any other information determined necessary by the Community Development Director.
- B. Type II Minor Site Plan and Design Review.
1. Type II Minor Site Plan and Design Review applies to the following uses and activities unless those uses and activities qualify for Type I review per OCMC 17.62.035.A.:
- a. Modification of an office, commercial, industrial, institutional, public or multi-family structure that does not increase the interior usable space (for example covered walkways or entryways, addition of unoccupied features such as clock tower, etc.).
 - b. Modification to parking lot layout and landscaping, or the addition of up to five parking spaces.
 - c. A maximum addition of up to one thousand square feet to a commercial, office, institutional, public, multi-family, or industrial building provided that the addition is not more than thirty-five percent of the original building square footage.

- d. Mobile food units in OCMC 17.54.115.
- e. Other land uses and activities may be added if the Community Development Director makes written findings that the activity/use will not increase off-site impacts and is consistent with the type and/or scale of activities/uses listed above.
- 2. Application. The application for the Type II Minor Site Plan and Design Review shall contain the following elements:
 - a. The submittal requirements of OCMC 17.50.
 - b. A narrative explaining all aspects of the proposal in detail and addressing each of the applicable criteria listed in OCMC 17.62.
 - c. Site plan drawings showing existing conditions/uses and proposed conditions/uses.
 - d. Architectural drawings, including building elevations and envelopes, if architectural work is proposed.
 - e. Additional submittal material may be required by the Community Development Director on a case-by-case basis.

17.62.040 – Items required.

A complete application for Site Plan and Design Review shall be submitted. Except as otherwise in subsection I of this section, the application shall include the following:

- A. A site plan or plans, to scale, containing the following:
 - 1. Vicinity information showing streets and access points, pedestrian and bicycle pathways, transit stops and utility locations;
 - 2. The site size, dimensions, and zoning, including dimensions and gross area of each lot or parcel and tax lot and assessor map designations for the proposed site and immediately adjoining properties;
 - 3. Contour lines at two foot contour intervals for grades zero to ten percent, and five-foot intervals for grades over ten percent;
 - 4. The location of natural hazard areas on and within one hundred feet of the boundaries of the site, including:
 - a. Areas indicated on floodplain maps as being within the one-hundred-year floodplain,
 - b. Unstable slopes, as defined in OCMC 17.44.020,
 - c. Areas identified on the seismic conditions map in the comprehensive plan as subject to earthquake and seismic conditions;
 - 5. The location of natural resource areas on and within one hundred feet of the boundaries of the site, including fish and wildlife habitat, existing trees (six inches or greater in caliper measured four feet above ground level), wetlands, streams, natural areas, wooded areas, areas of significant trees or vegetation, and areas designated as being within the natural resources overlay district;
 - 6. The location of inventoried historic or cultural resources on and within one hundred feet of the boundaries of the site;
 - 7. The location, dimensions, and setback distances of all existing permanent structures, improvements and utilities on or within twenty five feet of the site, and the current or proposed uses of the structures;
 - 8. The location, dimensions, square footage, building orientation and setback distances of proposed structures, improvements and utilities, and the proposed uses of the structures by square footage;
 - 9. The location, dimension and names, as appropriate, of all existing and platted streets, other public ways, sidewalks, bike routes and bikeways, pedestrian/bicycle accessways and other

- pedestrian and bicycle ways, transit street and facilities, neighborhood activity centers, and easements on and within two hundred fifty feet of the boundaries of the site;
10. The location, dimension and names, as appropriate, of all proposed streets, other public ways, sidewalks, bike routes and bikeways, pedestrian/bicycle accessways and other pedestrian and bicycle ways, transit streets and facilities, neighborhood activity centers, and easements on and within two hundred feet of the boundaries of the site;
 11. All parking, circulation, loading and servicing areas, including the locations of all carpool, vanpool and bicycle parking spaces as required in OCMC 17.52;
 12. Site access points for automobiles, pedestrians, bicycles and transit;
 13. On-site pedestrian and bicycle circulation;
 14. Outdoor common areas proposed as open space;
 15. Total impervious surface created (including buildings and hard ground surfaces);
 16. The proposed location, dimensions and materials of fences and walls.
- B. A landscaping plan, drawn to scale, showing the location and types of existing trees (six inches or greater in caliper measured four feet above ground level) and vegetation proposed to be removed and to be retained on the site, the location and design of landscaped areas, the varieties, sizes and spacings of trees and plant materials to be planted on the site, other pertinent landscape features, and irrigation systems required to maintain plant materials.
 - C. Architectural drawings or sketches, drawn to scale and showing floor plans, elevations accurately reflected to grade, and exterior materials of all proposed structures and other improvements as they will appear on completion of construction. The name of the adjacent street shall be identified on each applicable building elevation.
 - D. An electronic materials board clearly depicting all building materials with specifications as to type, color and texture of exterior materials of proposed structures. .
 - E. An erosion/sedimentation control plan, in accordance with the requirements of OCMC 17.47 and the Public Works Erosion and Sediment Control Standards, and a drainage plan developed in accordance with city drainage master plan requirements, OCMC 13.12 and the Public Works Stormwater and Grading Design Standards. The drainage plan shall identify the location of drainage patterns and drainage courses on and within one hundred feet of the boundaries of the site. Where development is proposed within an identified hazard area, these plans shall reflect concerns identified in the hydrological/geological/geotechnical development impact statement.
 - F. An exterior lighting plan, drawn to scale, showing type, height, and area of illumination.
 - G. Archeological Monitoring Recommendation. For all projects that will involve ground disturbance, the applicant shall provide:
 1. A letter or email from the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office Archaeological Division indicating the level of recommended archeological monitoring on-site, or demonstrate that the applicant had notified the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office and that the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office had not commented within forty-five days of notification by the applicant; and
 2. A letter or email from the applicable tribal cultural resource representative of the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde, Confederated Tribes of the Siletz, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla, Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs and the Confederated Tribes of the Yakama Nation indicating the level of recommended archeological monitoring on-site, or demonstrate that the applicant had notified the applicable tribal cultural resource representative and that the applicable tribal cultural resource representative had not commented within forty-five days of notification by the applicant.

If, after forty-five days' notice from the applicant, the Oregon State Historic Preservation Office or the applicable tribal cultural resource representative fails to provide comment, the City will

not require the letter or email as part of the completeness review. For the purpose of this section, ground disturbance is defined as the movement of native soils.

- H. Such special studies or reports as the Community Development Director may require to obtain information to ensure that the proposed development does not adversely affect the surrounding community or identified natural resource areas or create hazardous conditions for persons or improvements on the site. The Community Development Director shall require an applicant to submit one or more development impact evaluations as may be necessary to establish that the City's traffic safety or capacity standards, natural resource, including geologic hazard and flood plain overlay districts, will be satisfied.
- I. The Community Development Director may waive the submission of information for specific requirements of this section or may require information in addition to that required by a specific provision of this section, as follows:
 - 1. The Community Development Director may waive the submission of information for a specific requirement upon determination either that specific information is not necessary to evaluate the application properly, or that a specific approval standard is not applicable to the application. If submission of information is waived, the Community Development Director shall, in the decision, identify the waived requirements, explain the reasons for the waiver, and state that the waiver may be challenged on appeal and may be denied by a subsequent review authority. If the matter is forwarded to the Planning Commission for initial review, the information required by this paragraph shall be included in the staff report;
 - 2. The Community Development Director may require information in addition to that required by a specific provision of this section upon determination that the information is needed to evaluate the application properly and that the need can be justified on the basis of a special or unforeseen circumstance as necessary to comply with the applicable standards. If additional information is required, the Community Development Director shall, in the decision, explain the reasons for requiring the additional information.
- J. One full-sized copy of all architectural and site plans.

17.62.050 - General Standards

All development shall comply with the following standards:

- A. Landscaping.
 - 1. Existing native vegetation is encouraged to be retained to the maximum extent practicable. All plants listed on the Oregon City Nuisance Plant List shall be removed from the site prior to issuance of a final occupancy permit for the building.
 - 2. The amount of landscaping required is found in the standards for each underlying zone. Where the underlying zone does not contain and minimum landscaping standard, the minimum site landscaping shall be 15% of the total site area. Except as allowed elsewhere in Title 16 or 17 of this Code, all areas to be credited towards landscaping shall be installed with growing plant materials.
 - 3. Pursuant to OCMC 17.49, landscaping requirements within the Natural Resource Overlay District, other than landscaping required for parking lots, may be met by preserving, restoring and permanently protecting native vegetation and habitat on development sites.
 - 4. A landscaping plan shall be prepared by a registered landscape architect for new or revised landscaped areas and parking lots. Landscape architect approval is not required for tree removal and/or installation if the species are chosen from an approved street tree list. A certified landscape designer, arborist, or nurseryman shall be acceptable in lieu of a landscape architect for projects with less than five hundred square feet of landscaping. All landscape plans shall include a mix of vertical (trees and shrubs) and horizontal elements (grass,

groundcover, etc.) that within three years will cover one hundred percent of the landscape area. Plant species listed on the Oregon City Nuisance Plant list are prohibited and native species are encouraged. No mulch, bark chips, or similar materials shall be allowed at the time of landscape installation except under the canopy of shrubs and within two feet of the base of trees.

5. Landscaping shall be visible from public thoroughfares to the extent practicable.
 6. The landscaping in parking areas shall not obstruct lines of sight for safe traffic operation and shall comply with all requirements of OCMC 10.32, Traffic Sight Obstructions.
- B. Vehicular Access and Connectivity.
1. Parking areas shall be located behind the building façade that is closest to the street, below buildings, or on one or both sides of buildings.
 2. Existing or future connections to adjacent sites through the use of vehicular and pedestrian access easements which provide connection from the right-of-way to the adjoining property shall be provided.
 3. Parcels larger than three acres shall provide streets as required in OCMC 16.12.
 4. Parking garage entries shall not be more than half of the streetscape.
- C. A well-marked, continuous and protected on-site pedestrian circulation system meeting the following standards shall be provided:
1. Pathways between all building entrances and the street are required. Pathways between the street and buildings fronting on the street shall be direct and not cross a drive aisle. Exceptions may be allowed by the director where steep slopes, a physically constrained site, or protected natural resources prevent a direct connection or where an indirect route would enhance the design and/or use of a common open space.
 2. The pedestrian circulation system shall connect all main entrances, parking areas, bicycle parking, recreational areas, common outdoor areas, and any pedestrian amenities on the site. For buildings fronting on the street, the sidewalk may be used to meet this standard.
 3. The pedestrian circulation system shall connect the principal building entrance to those of buildings on adjacent sites, except within industrial zoning designations.
 4. Elevated external stairways or walkways shall not extend beyond the building facade except for external stairways or walkways located in, or facing interior courtyard areas that are not visible from the street or a public access easement. This standard does not apply to sky-bridges or sky-ways.
 5. On-site pedestrian walkways shall be hard surfaced, well drained and at least five feet wide. Surface material shall contrast visually to adjoining surfaces. When bordering parking spaces other than spaces for parallel parking, pedestrian walkways shall be a minimum of seven feet in width unless curb stops are provided. When the pedestrian circulation system is parallel and adjacent to an auto travel lane, the walkway shall be raised or separated from the auto travel lane by a raised curb, bollards, landscaping or other physical barrier. If a raised walkway is used, the ends of the raised portions shall be equipped with curb ramps for each direction of travel. Pedestrian walkways that cross drive isles or other vehicular circulation areas shall utilize a change in textual material or height to alert the driver of the pedestrian crossing area.
- D. All development shall maintain continuous compliance with applicable federal, state, and City standards .
- E. Adequate public water and sanitary sewer facilities sufficient to serve the proposed or permitted level of development shall be provided pursuant to OCMC 16.12. The applicant shall demonstrate that adequate facilities and services are presently available or can be made available concurrent with development. Service providers shall be presumed correct in the evidence, which they submit. All

facilities shall be designated to City standards as set out in the City's facility master plans and public works design standards. A development may be required to modify or replace existing offsite systems if necessary to provide adequate public facilities. The City may require over sizing of facilities where necessary to meet standards in the City's facility master plan or to allow for the orderly and efficient provision of public facilities and services. Where over sizing is required, the developer may request reimbursement from the City for over sizing based on the City's reimbursement policy and fund availability, or provide for recovery of costs from intervening properties as they develop.

- F. If a transit agency, upon review of an application for an industrial, institutional, retail or office development, recommends that a bus stop, bus turnout lane, bus shelter, accessible bus landing pad, lighting, or transit stop connection be constructed, or that an easement or dedication be provided for one of these uses, consistent with an agency adopted or approved plan at the time of development, the review authority shall require such improvement, using designs supportive of transit use. Improvements at a major transit stop may include intersection or mid-block traffic management improvements to allow for crossings at major transit stops, as identified in the City's Transportation System Plan.
- G. Screening of Mechanical Equipment: Commercial, mixed-use, institutional, and multi-family buildings shall include the following measures to screen or block views of mechanical equipment from adjacent streets according to the following requirements.
 - 1. Rooftop mechanical equipment, including HVAC equipment and utility equipment that serves the structure, shall be screened from view from the adjacent street on all new buildings or building additions. Screening shall be accomplished through the use of parapet walls or a sight-obscuring enclosure around the equipment constructed of one of the primary materials used on the primary facades of the structure, and that is an integral part of the building's architectural design. The parapet or screen shall completely surround the rooftop mechanical equipment to an elevation equal to or greater than the highest portion of the rooftop mechanical equipment being screened from adjacent streets, as viewed from the sidewalk or future sidewalk location on the adjacent street at pedestrian level. In the event such parapet wall does not fully screen all rooftop equipment, then the rooftop equipment shall be enclosed by a screen constructed of one of the primary materials used on the primary facade of the building so as to achieve complete screening. Screening requirements do not apply to new or replacement equipment on existing buildings. New or replacement rooftop mechanical equipment on existing buildings shall be painted or powder-coated.
 - 2. Wall-mounted mechanical HVAC and air conditioning equipment, and groups of multiple utility meters shall not be placed on the front facade of a building or on a facade that faces a right-of-way. Wall-mounted mechanical equipment, including air conditioning and groups of multiple utility meters, that extend six inches or more from the outer building wall shall be screened from view from adjacent streets; from residential, public, and institutional properties; and from public areas of the site or adjacent sites through the use of (a) sight-obscuring enclosures constructed of one of the primary materials used on the primary facade of the structure, (b) sight-obscuring fences, or (c) trees or shrubs that block at least eighty percent of the equipment from view or (d) painting the units to match the building. Wall-mounted mechanical equipment that extends six inches or less from the outer building wall shall be designed to blend in with the color and architectural design of the subject building. Vents which extend six inches or less from the outer building wall shall exempt from this standard if painted.
 - 3. Ground-mounted above-grade mechanical equipment shall be screened by ornamental fences, screening enclosures, trees, or shrubs that block at least eighty percent of the view from the public right of way.

4. This section shall not apply to the installation of solar energy panels, photovoltaic equipment, wind power generating equipment, dishes/antennas, pipes, vents, and chimneys.
- H. Building Materials.
1. Prohibited Materials. The following materials shall be prohibited in visible locations from the right-of-way or a public access easement unless an exception is granted by the Community Development Director based on the integration of the material into the overall design of the structure.
 - i. Vinyl or plywood siding (including T-111 or similar plywood).
 - ii. Glass block or highly tinted, reflected, translucent or mirrored glass (except stained glass) as more than ten percent of the building facade.
 - iii. Corrugated fiberglass.
 - iv. Chain link fencing (except for temporary purposes such as a construction site, gates for a refuse enclosure, stormwater facilities, when excepted by 17.62.050.H.2.vii, or when located on properties within the General Industrial District).
 - v. Crushed colored rock/crushed tumbled glass.
 - vi. Non-corrugated and highly reflective sheet metal.
 - vii. Tarps, except for the protection of outside storage.
 2. Special Material Standards. The following materials are allowed if they comply with the requirements found below:
 - i. Concrete Block. When used for the front façade of any building, concrete blocks shall be split, rock- or ground-faced and shall not be the prominent material of the elevation. Plain concrete block or plain concrete may be used as foundation material if the foundation material is not revealed more than three feet above the finished grade level adjacent to the foundation wall.
 - ii. Metal Siding. Metal siding shall have visible corner moldings and trim and incorporate masonry or other similar durable/permanent material near the ground level (first two feet above ground level) except when used for a temporary structure.
 - iii. Exterior insulation and finish system (EIFS) and similar troweled finishes shall be trimmed in wood, masonry, or other approved materials and shall be sheltered from extreme weather by roof overhangs or other methods.
 - iv. Building surfaces shall be maintained in a clean condition and painted surfaces shall be maintained to prevent or repair peeling, blistered or cracking paint.
 - v. Membrane or fabric covered storage areas are permitted as temporary structures, excluding the use of tarps.
 - vi. Vinyl or powder coated chain link fencing is permitted for City-owned stormwater management facilities, reservoirs, and other public works facilities such as pump stations, maintenance yards, and storage yards not located within the General Industrial District.
 - vii. Chain link fencing is permitted in the following circumstances:
 1. Within City-owned parks and recreational facilities
 2. On any property when used for a baseball or softball backstop or dugout, track and field facility, or sports court.
- I. Temporary Structures. Temporary structures are permitted pursuant to the following standards:
1. Structures up to two hundred square feet:
 - i. Shall not be on a property for more than three consecutive days; and
 - ii. Shall not be on a property more than six times per year; and
 - iii. Shall comply with the minimum dimensional standards of the zoning designation; and

- iv. Shall be sited so as to leave the minimum number of parking spaces for the primary uses as required by OCMC 17.52 or as otherwise specified in a land use approval;
 - v. Shall not disturb ingress or egress to the site; and
 - vi. Shall be exempt from all sections of s OCMC 12.08, 16.12, 17.52 and 17.62 except subsections 17.62.050.I and J.
2. Temporary structures larger than two hundred square feet may be permitted up to 2 times per year; and:
- i. Structures larger than two hundred square feet up to eight hundred square feet:
 - a. Shall not be on a property for more than thirty consecutive days;
 - b. Shall comply with the minimum dimensional standards of the zoning designation;
 - c. Shall be sited so as to leave the minimum number of parking spaces for the primary uses as required by OCMC 17.52 or as otherwise specified in a land use approval;
 - d. Shall not disturb ingress or egress to the site; and
 - e. Shall be exempt from all sections of OCMC 12.08, 16.12, 17.52 and 17.62 except subsections 17.62.050.I and J.
 - ii. Structures larger than eight hundred square feet:
 - a. Shall not be on a property for more than seven consecutive days;
 - b. Shall comply with the minimum dimensional standards of the zoning designation;
 - c. Shall be sited so as to leave the minimum number of parking spaces for the primary uses as required by OCMC 17.52 or as otherwise specified in a land use approval;
 - d. Shall not disturb ingress or egress to the site; and
 - e. Shall be exempt from all sections of OCMC 12.08, 16.12, 17.52 and 17.62 except subsections 17.62.050.I and J.
3. Government owned properties are exempt from all sections of OCMC 12.08, 16.12, 17.52 and 17.62 except subsections 17.62.050.H and I and the dimensional standards of the zoning designation.
- J. Development shall comply with requirements of the following Oregon City Municipal Code chapters, as applicable, including but not limited to:
- 1. 12.04 Streets, Sidewalks and Public Places
 - 2. 12.08 Public and Street Trees
 - 3. 13.04 Water Service System
 - 4. 13.08 Sewer Regulations
 - 5. 13.12 Stormwater Management
 - 6. 16.12 Minimum Improvements and Design Standards for Development
 - 7. 17.20 Residential Design Standards for ADU's, Cluster Housing, Internal Conversions, Live/Work Units, and Manufactured Home Parks
 - 8. 17.40 Historic Overlay District
 - 9. 17.41 Tree Protection Standards
 - 10. 17.42 Flood Management Overlay District
 - 11. 17.44 Geologic Hazards
 - 12. 17.47 Erosion and Sediment Control
 - 13. 17.48 Willamette River Greenway
 - 14. 17.49 Natural Resource Overlay District
 - 15. 17.50 Administration and Procedures
 - 16. 17.52 Off-Street Parking and Loading
 - 17. 17.54 Supplemental Zoning Regulations and Exceptions
 - 18. 17.58 Lawful Nonconforming Uses, Structures, and Lots
 - 19. 17.65 Master Plans and Planned Unit Development

17.62.055 –Institutional, office, multi-family, retail, and commercial building standards.

- A. Purpose. The primary objective of the regulations contained in this section is to provide a range of design choices that promote creative, functional, and cohesive development that is compatible with surrounding areas. Buildings approved in compliance with these standards are intended to serve multiple tenants over the life of the building, and are not intended for a one-time occupant. The standards encourage people to spend time in the area, which also provides safety through informal surveillance. Finally, this section is intended to promote the design of an urban environment that is built to human scale by creating buildings and streets that are attractive to pedestrians, create a sense of enclosure, provide activity and interest at the intersection of the public and private spaces, while also accommodating vehicular movement.
- B. Applicability. This section applies to institutional, office, multi-family, retail and commercial buildings except accessory structures less than one thousand square feet and temporary structures. .
- C. Conflicts. With the exception of standards for building orientation and building front setbacks, in the event of a conflict between a design standard in this section and a standard or requirement contained in the underlying zoning district, the standard in the zoning district shall prevail.
- D. Siting of Structures. On sites with one hundred feet or more of frontage at least sixty percent of the site frontage width shall be occupied by buildings placed within five feet of the property line. For sites with less than one hundred feet of street frontage, at least fifty percent of the site frontage width shall be occupied by buildings placed within five feet of the property. Multi-family developments shall be placed no farther than twenty feet from the front property line. This section does not apply to properties with less than forty feet of frontage.

A larger front yard setback may be approved through site plan and design review if the setback area incorporates at least one element from the following list for every five feet of increased setback requested:

- 1. Tables, benches or other approved seating area.
 - 2. Cobbled, patterned or paved stone or enhanced concrete.
 - 3. Pedestrian scale lighting.
 - 4. Sculpture/public art.
 - 5. Fountains/Water feature.
 - 6. At least twenty square feet of landscaping or planter boxes for each tenant facade fronting on the activity area.
 - 7. Outdoor café.
 - 8. Enhanced landscaping or additional landscaping.
 - 9. Other elements, as approved by the Community Development Director, that can meet the intent of this section.
- E. Building Orientation. All buildings along the street frontage shall face the front most architecturally significant facade toward the street and have a functional primary entrance facing the street. Primary building entrances shall be clearly defined and recessed or framed by a sheltering element such as an awning, arcade or portico in order to provide shelter from the summer sun and winter weather.
 - F. Entryways. Entrances shall include a doorway and a minimum of four of the following elements:
 - 1. Display windows;Recesses or projections; Peaked roof or raised parapet over the door; Canopy of at least five feet in depth; Porch; Distinct materials; Architectural details such as tile work and moldings; Pedestrian amenities such as benches, planters or planter boxes; Landscape treatments integrating arbors, low walls, trellis work; or Similar elements. Trellises, canopies and fabric awnings may project up to five feet into front setbacks and public rights-of-way, provided that the base is not less than eight feet at the lowest point and no higher than ten feet above the sidewalk.

G. Corner Lots.

For buildings located at the corner of intersections, the primary entrance of the building shall be located at the corner of the building or within twenty-five feet of the corner of the building. Additionally, one of the following treatments shall be required:

1. Incorporate prominent architectural elements, such as increased building height or massing, cupola, turrets, or pitched roof, at the corner of the building or within twenty-five feet of the corner of the building.
2. Chamfer the corner of the building (i.e. cut the corner at a forty-five degree angle and a minimum of ten feet from the corner) and incorporate extended weather protection (arcade or awning), special paving materials, street furnishings, or plantings in the chamfered area.
3. Standards 1 and 2 above do not apply to vertically attached 3-4 plexes, multi-family buildings or multi-family portions of residential mixed-use buildings.

H. Variation in Massing. For street facing facades greater than 120 feet in length a modulation is required which extends through all floors. Decks and roof overhangs may encroach up to three feet per side into the modulation. The modulation shall meet one of the following dimensional requirements:

1. A minimum depth of two percent of the length of the façade and a minimum width of thirty percent of the length of the façade; or
2. A minimum depth of four percent of the length of the façade and a minimum width of twenty percent of the length of the façade.

I. Building Design Elements.

1. All front and side facades shall provide a design element or architectural feature that add interest and detail such that there are no blank walls of thirty feet in length or more, measured horizontally. Features that can meet this requirement include:
 - a. Change in building material or texture;
 - b. Window or door;
 - c. Balcony; or
 - d. Pillar or post
2. Street facing facades shall include additional design features. For every thirty feet of façade length, three of the following elements are required:
 - a. Decorative materials on more than ten percent of the total wall area (e.g., brick or stonework, shingles, wainscoting, ornamentation, and similar features);
 - b. Decorative cornice and/or roof line (e.g., for flat roofs);
 - c. Roof gable;
 - d. Recessed entry;
 - e. Covered canopy entry;
 - f. Cupola or tower;
 - g. Dormer;
 - h. Balcony;
 - i. Pillars or posts;
 - j. Repeating pattern of building materials;
 - k. A change in plane of at least two feet in width and six inches in depth;
 - l. Bay or oriel window; or
 - m. An alternative feature providing visual relief and detail as approved by the Community Development Director
3. Building Detail Variation. Architectural features shall be varied on different buildings within the same development. At least two of the required features on each street-facing elevation shall be distinct from the street-facing elevations of other buildings within the same development.

J. Windows.

1. The minimum windows requirements are set forth in Table 17.62.055.J. Windows are measured in lineal fashion between 3.5 feet and six feet from the ground. For example, a one hundred foot long building elevation would be required to have at least sixty feet (sixty percent of one hundred feet) of windows in length between the height of 3.5 feet and six feet from the ground.

Table 17.62.055.J Minimum Windows				
Use	Ground Floor: Front and Street Facing Facades	Upper floor(s): Front and Street Facing Facades	Ground Floor: Side(s) Facades	Upper Floor(s): Side(s) Facades
Non-Multi-Family (or Portions of Buildings Thereof)	60%	10%	30%	10%
Multi-Family (or Portions of Buildings Thereof)	15%	15%	10%	10%

2. Reflective, glazed, mirrored or tinted glass is limited to ten percent of the lineal footage of windows on the street facing facade. Highly reflective or glare-producing glass with a reflective factor of one-quarter or greater is prohibited on all building facades. Any glazing materials shall have a maximum fifteen percent outside visual light reflectivity value. No exception shall be made for reflective glass styles that appear transparent when internally illuminated.
 3. Side walls that face walkways may include false windows and door openings only when actual doors and windows are not feasible because of the nature of the use of the interior use of the building. False windows located within twenty feet of a right-of-way shall be utilized as display windows with a minimum display depth of thirty-six inches.
 4. Multi-family windows shall incorporate window trim at least four inches in width when surrounded by horizontal or vertical lap siding.
- K. Roof Treatments. The maximum length of any continuous roofline on a street-facing façade shall be seventy-five feet without a cross gable or change in height of at least two feet.
- L. Drive-through facilities shall:
1. Be located at the side or rear of the building.
 2. Be designed to maximize queue storage on site.
- M. Special development standards along transit streets.
1. Purpose. This section is intended to provide direct and convenient pedestrian access to retail, office and institutional buildings from public sidewalks and transit facilities and to promote pedestrian and transit travel to commercial and institutional facilities.
 2. Applicability. Except as otherwise provide in this section, the requirements of this section shall apply to the construction of new retail, office and institutional buildings which front on a transit street.
 3. Development Standards.
 - a. All buildings shall have at least one main building entrance oriented towards the transit street. A main building entrance is oriented toward a transit street if it is directly located on the transit street, or if it is linked to the transit street by an on-site pedestrian walkway that does not cross off-street parking or maneuvering areas.
 - i. If the site has frontage on more than one transit street, or on a transit street and a street intersecting a transit street, the building shall provide one main building entrance oriented to the transit street or to the corner where the two streets intersect.

- ii. For building facades over three hundred feet in length on a transit street, two or more main building entrances shall be provided as appropriate and oriented towards the transit street.
- b. In the event a requirement of this section conflicts with other requirements in Title 17, the requirements of this section shall control.
- 4. Exemptions. The following permitted uses are exempted from meeting the requirements of subsection 3. of this section:
 - a. Heavy equipment sales;
 - b. Motor vehicle service stations, including convenience stores associated therewith; or
 - c. Solid waste transfer stations.

17.62.056 - Additional standards for large retail establishments.

Retail building(s) occupying more than ten thousand gross square feet of floor area

shall contribute to the establishment or enhancement of community and public spaces by providing at least two of the following:

- A. Patio/seating area;
- B. Pedestrian plaza with benches;
- C. Transportation center;
- D. Window shopping walkway;
- E. Outdoor playground area;
- F. Kiosk area, water feature;
- G. Clock tower; or
- H. Other such deliberately shaped area and/or a focal feature or amenity that, in the judgment of the appropriate decision maker, adequately enhances such community and public spaces. Any such areas shall have direct access to the public sidewalk network and such features shall not be constructed of materials that are inferior to the principle materials of the building and landscape.

17.62.057 - Multifamily Usable Open Space Requirements

- A. Intent. Creating areas of usable open space that are easily accessed by residents provides focal points for community recreation and interaction and adds to the overall quality of life for residents. Given the environmental and recreational benefits of common open space, it should be integrated purposefully into the overall design of a development and not merely be residual areas left over after buildings and parking lots are sited.
- B. Open Space Required. All new multi-family developments in all zones shall provide usable open space.
 - 1. In residential zones, each development shall provide a minimum of one hundred square feet of open space per dwelling unit.
 - 2. In non-residential, commercial and mixed-use zones, each development shall provide a minimum of fifty square feet of open space per dwelling unit.
 - 3. Required setback areas shall not count toward the open space requirement unless setback areas are incorporated into spaces that meet all other requirements of this section.
 - 4. Required open space areas may be counted towards both the open space requirements and the minimum landscaping requirements in OCMC 17.62.050.A, if the spaces meet the requirements of both sections.
- C. Usable Open Space Types.
 - 1. Common open spaces shall be accessible to all residents of the development and include landscaped courtyards, decks, gardens with pathways, children's play areas, common rooftop decks and terraces, and other multipurpose recreational or green spaces. Common open

spaces may be used to meet one hundred percent of the usable open space requirement.

Design standards:

- a. Minimum dimensions for common open space shall be twelve feet with a minimum size of two hundred square feet for developments with twenty units or less, and twenty feet with a minimum size of four hundred square feet for developments with twenty-one or more units.
 - b. Common open space shall feature a mix of natural and recreational amenities to make the area more functional and enjoyable for a range of users. Sites with twenty units or less shall provide a minimum of two of the following amenities, and sites with twenty-one units or more shall provide a minimum of three of the following amenities and an additional amenity for every twenty units over forty, rounded up.
 1. Landscaping areas.
 2. Community gardening areas.
 3. Large trees expected to reach over eighteen inches dbh at maturity.
 4. Seating.
 5. Pedestrian-scaled lighting.
 6. Hard-surfaced pedestrian paths in addition to those required for internal pedestrian circulation.
 7. Paved courtyard or plaza.
 8. Gazebos or other decorative shelters.
 9. Play structures for children.
 10. Sports courts.
 11. An alternative amenity as approved by the Community Development Director.
 - c. Common open space shall be separated from ground level windows, streets, service areas and parking lots with landscaping, low-level fencing, and/or other treatments as approved by the City that enhance safety and privacy for both the common open space and dwelling units.
 - d. Common open space shall be accessible from the dwelling units and, as appropriate, from public streets and sidewalks. The space shall be oriented to encourage activity from local residents.
2. Private open space that is not open to all residents includes balconies, patios, and other outdoor multi-purpose recreational or green spaces. It may be used to meet up to fifty percent of the usable open space requirement.
 - a. Minimum dimensions for private open space shall be five feet with a minimum size of forty square feet.
 3. Indoor recreational space may be used to meet up to twenty-five percent of the usable open space requirement provided the space is:
 - a. Accessible to all dwelling units.
 - b. Designed for and includes equipment for a recreational use (e.g., exercise, group functions, etc.).

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17.62.058 - Additional Public Park and Open Space Requirements in Thimble Creek Concept Plan area-non-residential development.

1. New non-residential development creating new commercial or industrial space will contribute to the creation of the parks and open space within the Thimble Creek Concept Plan by contributing a fee in lieu

to the city to support the acquisition and interim use of needed park and open space land within the Concept Plan boundary as follows:

- a. The fee in lieu will be set by the City Commission and adopted yearly in the city's fee schedule. The fee shall only be used by the city for park, trail and open space acquisition and interim site development.
- b. The fee-in-lieu or other equivalent monetary contribution, approved by the Community Development Director, must be paid prior to approval of the certificate of occupancy.

17.62.059- Additional Public Park and Open Space Requirements in Thimble Creek Concept Plan area-residential development.

A. Each development within the Thimble Creek Concept Plan area that includes residential development must dedicate land for neighborhood parks and open space subject to the location requirement set forth in Subsection D as follows:

- 1 The minimum acreage of land dedicated for the South-Central Open Space-Neighborhood Park as provided in the following calculation: (2.6 persons per dwelling units) x (total number of dwelling units proposed) x (4 acres) / (1,000 persons).; and
- 2 The minimum amount of land in acres dedicated for the East Ridge- Thimble Creek Conservation Area shall be 7.5 acres
- 3 The entire acreage must be dedicated as part of the final plat or site plan development approval for the first phase of development.

B If a larger area for a neighborhood park or open space-is proposed than is required based on the per-unit calculation described in subsection (A), for the south Central Open Space Neighborhood Park, the City must reimburse the applicant for the value of the amount of land that exceeds the required dedication based on the fee-in-lieu formula expressed in subsection C

C The City may accept a fee-in-lieu as an alternative to this dedication at its discretion or may require a fee-in-lieu if a suitable site meeting the criteria described in subsection (D) of these provisions is not available within the development site. The calculation of the fee-in-lieu or other monetary contributions must meet the following standards.

- 1 The amount of the fee in lieu of other monetary contributions shall be determined by a licensed, city selected appraiser retained by the applicant, who will value the excessive dedication assuming that zoning and other land use entitlement necessary for park and open space development are in place.
- 2 The fee-in-lieu or other monetary contribution shall be paid current with public dedication.

D Neighborhood park and open space sites proposed for dedication must be located within the South-Central Open Space Network & East Ridge Thimble Creek Conservation Area Park locations as shown in Figure 17.62.059 -1- and meet the following locational and development standards:

1.South Central Open Space-Neighborhood Park

- a. 30-foot ped/bikeway string along the east side of Center Parkway to be located in a shared-use path and will not be considered part of a pearl.

- b. Up to 4 pearls of various sizes spread along the open space network
- c. Min sizes pearl: 2 acres minimum.
- d. Maximum size pearl: none
- e. Min combined size of all pearls: 10 acres
- f. Min average pearl width: 200 feet
- g. Min average pearl depth: 200 feet
- h. At least 5 acres to be developed with active recreation components
- i. The first pearl dedicated must be at least 3 acres in size

2. East Ridge- Thimble Creek Conservation Area shall include:

- a. ½ of area between the Thimble Creek stream buffer and the 490-foot elevation ridgeline to be open space
- b. Two public viewpoints separated by at least 400 feet with a minimum size of .35 acre at less than 10% slope for each viewpoint. One of the viewpoints must be visible from a passing vehicle on the Ridge Parkway.
- c. 700-foot non-interrupted view corridor along the open space from the east edge of the Ridge Parkway; and
- d. Provide a pedestrian-oriented forest trail from one view-point to another along the Ridge Parkway

17.62.059 60 - Cluster housing.

All cluster housing shall comply with the standards in Chapter 17.20.020 in addition to the standards in this chapter.

17.62.065 - Outdoor lighting.

- A. Purpose. The general purpose of this section is to require outdoor lighting that is adequate for safety and convenience; in scale with the activity to be illuminated and its surroundings; directed to the surface or activity to be illuminated; and designed to clearly render people and objects and contribute to a pleasant nighttime environment. Additional specific purposes are to:
 - 1. Provide safety and personal security as well as convenience and utility in areas of public use or traverse, for uses where there is outdoor public activity during hours of darkness;
 - 2. Control glare and excessive brightness to improve visual performance, allow better visibility with relatively less light, and protect residents from nuisance and discomfort;
 - 3. Control trespass light onto neighboring properties to protect inhabitants from the consequences of stray light shining in inhabitants' eyes or onto neighboring properties;
 - 4. Result in cost and energy savings to establishments by carefully directing light at the surface area or activity to be illuminated, using only the amount of light necessary; and
 - 5. Control light pollution to minimize the negative effects of misdirected light and recapture views to the night sky.
 - 6. Encourage energy efficient lighting with new technologies such as Light Emitting Diodes (LED) or similar to reduce ongoing electrical demand and operating costs.
- B. Applicability.
 - 1. General.

- a. All exterior lighting for any type of commercial, mixed-use, industrial, institutional, or multi-family development shall comply with the standards of this section, unless excepted in subsection B.3.
 - b. The City Engineer or Public Works Director shall have the authority to enforce these regulations on private property if any outdoor illumination is determined to present an immediate threat to the public health, safety and welfare.
- 2. Lighting Plan Requirement. All commercial, industrial, mixed-use, cottage housing and multi-family developments shall submit a proposed exterior lighting plan. The plan shall be submitted concurrently with the site plan. The exterior lighting plan shall include plans and specifications for streetlights, parking lot lights, and exterior building lights. The specifications shall include details of the pole, fixture height and design, lamp type, wattage, and spacing of lights.
- 3. Excepted Lighting. The following types of lighting are excepted from the requirements of this section.
 - a. Residential lighting for single-family attached and detached homes, and duplexes
 - b. Public street and right-of-way lighting.
 - c. Temporary decorative seasonal lighting provided that individual lamps have a light output of sixty watts or less.
 - d. Temporary lighting for emergency or nighttime work and construction.
 - e. Temporary lighting for theatrical, television, and performance areas, or for special public events.
 - f. Lighting for a special district, street, or building that, according to an adopted municipal plan or ordinance, is determined to require special lighting aesthetics as part of its physical character.
 - g. Lighting required and regulated by the Federal Aviation Administration.
- C. Design and Illumination Standards.
 - 1. Outdoor lighting, if provided, shall be provided in a manner that enhances security, is appropriate for the use, avoids adverse impacts on surrounding properties, and the night sky through appropriate shielding as defined in this section. Glare shall not cause illumination on other properties in excess of a measurement of 0.5 footcandles of light as measured at the property line.
 - 2. Lighting shall be provided in parking lots and vehicular circulation areas.
 - 3. Lighting shall be provided in pedestrian walkways, pedestrian plazas, and pedestrian circulation areas.
 - 4. Lighting shall be provided at all building entrances.
 - 5. With the exception of pedestrian scale lighting, all light sources shall be concealed or shielded with a full cut-off style fixture in order to minimize the potential for glare and unnecessary diffusion on adjacent property.
 - 6. The maximum height of any lighting pole serving a multi-family residential use shall be twenty feet. The maximum height serving any other type of use shall be twenty-five feet, except in parking lots larger than five acres, the maximum height shall be thirty-five feet if the pole is located at least one hundred feet from any residential use.
 - 7. Floodlights shall not be utilized to light all or any portion of a building facade between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.
 - 8. Lighting on outdoor canopies shall be fully recessed into the canopy and shall not protrude downward beyond the ceiling of the canopy.
 - 9. All outdoor light not necessary for security purposes shall be reduced, activated by motion sensor detectors, or turned off during non-operating hours.

10. Light fixtures used to illuminate flags, statues, or any other objects mounted on a pole, pedestal, or platform shall use a narrow cone beam of light that will not extend beyond the illuminated object.
11. For upward-directed architectural, landscape, and decorative lighting, direct light emissions shall not be visible above the building roofline.
12. No flickering or flashing lights shall be permitted, except for temporary decorative seasonal lighting.
13. Lighting for outdoor recreational uses such as ball fields, playing fields, tennis courts, and similar uses, are allowed a light post height up to eighty feet in height.
14. Main building entrances shall be well lighted and visible from any transit street. The minimum lighting level for building entries fronting on a transit street shall be three foot-candles.

17.62.085 - Refuse and recycling standards for commercial, industrial, office, institutional, and multi-family developments.

The purpose and intent of these provisions is to provide an efficient, safe and convenient refuse and recycling enclosure for the public as well as the local collection firm. All new development, change in property use, expansions or exterior alterations to uses, other than single-family or duplex residences, single-family attached dwellings, 3-4 plexes, internal conversions, or accessory dwelling units (ADUs), shall include a refuse and recycling enclosure. The area(s) shall be:

- A. Fully enclosed and visually screened;
- B. Located in a manner easily and safely accessible by collection vehicles;
- C. Located in a manner so as not to hinder travel lanes, walkways, streets or adjacent properties;
- D. On a level, hard surface designed to discharge surface water runoff and avoid ponding;
- E. Maintained by the property owner;
- F. Used only for purposes of storing solid waste and recyclable materials;
- G. Designed in accordance with applicable sections of the Oregon City Municipal Code (including OCMC 8.20—Solid Waste Collection and Disposal) and city adopted policies.

Enclosures are encouraged to be sized appropriately to meet the needs of current and future tenants and designed with sturdy materials which are compatible to the primary structure(s).

17.62.090 – Implementation.

- A. Applications for site plan and design review shall be reviewed in the manner provided in OCMC 16.12 and 17.50. The Building Official may issue a certificate of occupancy only after the improvements required by Site Plan and Design Review approval have been completed, or a schedule for completion and a bond or other financial guarantee have been accepted by the City.
- B. In performing Site Plan and Design Review, the review authority shall consider the effect of additional financial burdens imposed by such review on the cost and availability of needed housing types. Consideration of such factors shall not prevent the imposition of conditions of approval found necessary to meet the requirements of this section. The cost of such conditions of approval shall not unduly increase the cost of housing beyond the minimum necessary to achieve the provisions of this title, nor shall such cost prevent the construction of needed housing types.
- C. The Site Plan and Design Review provisions of this chapter shall not be applied to reduce the density or height of an application for a development project that reserves at least seventy-five percent of the gross floor area for housing where the proposed density or height is at or below what is allowed in the base zone, except in the following situations:
 1. Where the reduction in density is required for development subject to historic overlay provision in OCMC 17.40; or

2. Where the reduction in density is necessary to resolve a health, safety or habitability issue, or to comply with the Natural Resource Overlay District regulations of OCMC 17.49, the Geologic Hazard Overlay District regulations of OCMC 17.44, or the Floodplain Management Overlay District regulations of OCMC 17.42 or steep slope regulations.