

Sec. 60-555-558 FORM BASED CODE ADMINISTRATION

Sec. 60-555. Form Based Code Administration-

A. Form Based Code Relation to Zoning Ordinance

1. The Form Based Code shall regulate areas designated as Form Based Code Districts.
2. All buildings and land uses located within a Form Based Code District shall comply with Sec. 60-33 (General Provisions unless specifically stated otherwise in Sec. 60-546 to 60-558 of the Form Based Code.
3. Site Plan/Special Exception- Any project located within a Form Based Code District that requires special exception or site plan review shall comply with Sec. 60-45.

Sec. 60-556. Form Based Code Plan Types-

A. Administrative Types-

1. By Right- No Permits are required for projects such as normal maintenance or for new structures under 200 sq. ft.
2. Minor Administrative- Projects that require permits and comply with all Form Based Code or Zoning regulations, may be approved and permitted by the appropriate City Departmental Staff and will not require multiple departmental or Planning Board approval. These projects can be applied for at any time.
3. Major Administrative- Projects that do not qualify as a Subdivision, Special Exception or Site Plan Review type plans and comply with all Form Based Code or Zoning regulations, but due to multiple issues, will require review by the multiple City Departmental Staff.

B. Discretionary Type Plans- The following plan types shall require review and action by the Planning Board.

1. Subdivisions of 3 or more lots over a 5 year period or a project creating more than 3 dwelling units. (Subdivision Review)
2. Any project listed as Special Exception or "S" in Section 60-554, Use and Parking Matrix Chart. (Special Exception and Site Plan Review)
3. Any project within the Form Based Code District proposing a total of 12,000 square feet of new construction, all floors included. (Special Exception and Site Plan Review)
4. Any amendment to an existing discretionary plan that increases existing square footage more than 25%
5. Any project located within the Form Based Code District area that seeks a waiver from the adopted Form Based Code Regulating development standards shall submit

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a complete Special Exception and Site Plan Review application for Planning Board review and action.

Sec. 60-557 – Applicability-

1. Any Minor, Major Administrative Type Plan and/or Discretionary Plan, as defined in Section 60-556, located within a Form Based Code district, shall be required to submit a Development Review Application prior to any issuance of building permits or development activity.
2. Any development activity on or within property located with the Form Based Code District shall be reviewed for compliance with applicable Form Based Code or Zoning Ordinance regulations.

Sec. 60-558 – Form Based Code Development Application Procedure

A. Administrative Type Plan Application Process-

1. Applicant identifies the subject property's zoning/transect district and determines what plan type the project is.
2. Applicant reviews the project's compliance for Form Based Code Development Standards Chapters 60-548 through 551; including all sections on Purpose, Building Placement & Configuration, Building Frontages, External Elements, Lot Layout, the Parking & Use Matrix Chart and Administration; along with any other applicable Zoning Ordinance Regulations.
3. Pre-Development Consultation- All Administrative Type Plan applicants are encouraged to contact the Auburn Planning Office for a pre-development consultation to confirm the property's Form Based Code or Zoning District and discuss the Form Based Code requirements and related Zoning and/or other regulatory items. Failure to consult with the Planning Office may result in the delay of acceptance, review and approval of the application.
4. Any Minor or Major Administrative Plan or Discretionary Plan applicant in a Form Based Code district shall complete and submit a cover letter describing the project, a Development Review Application, a Form Based Code Development Checklist and the appropriate application fee and number of applications to the Planning Office.
5. All Form Based Code applications will be reviewed by the Planning Staff for completeness and applicant will be notified within 5 working days if the plan is deemed complete and whether the plan is Administrative or Discretionary. The

applicant is responsible for working with the Planning Staff to correct any deficiencies needed to be accepted for further review.

6. Type 2 and 3 Administrative Plans will be reviewed by the appropriate City Departmental Staff or other relevant agencies who will recommend approving, disapproving or postponing to allow for time to correct the application. The Director of Planning will notify the applicant of the decision in writing within 15 calendar days of its receipt of a completed application.
7. The Director of Planning shall have the authority to require an Administrative Plan to be considered by the Planning Board and notify the applicant the justifications for doing so.

B. Discretionary Project Application Process-

1. Applicant Identifies Subject Property's Zoning/Transect and determines what plan type the project is.
2. Applicant reviews the project's compliance for the applicable Form Based Code Development Standards Chapters 60-548 through 551; including all sections on Purpose, Building Placement & Configuration, Building Frontages, External Elements, Lot Layout, the Parking & Use Matrix Chart and Administration; along with any other applicable Zoning Ordinance Regulations.
3. Pre-Development Consultation- All potential development and project applicants are encouraged to contact the Auburn Planning Office for a pre-development consultation to confirm the Form Based Code or Zoning regulations and discuss the form based code requirements and related zoning and/or other regulatory items. Failure to consult with the Planning Office may result in the delay of acceptance, review and approval of the application.
4. Discretionary Plan applicants will submit; a Development Review Application, a Form Based Code Development Checklist the appropriate application fee and number of applications to the Planning Office for review and consideration by the Planning Board according to their normal submission deadline and meeting schedule.
5. Applications not meeting all the requirements of the Form Based Code may include waiver as per Sec. 60-1312 or variance requests as part of their application.

C. Waiver Requests-

1. Any waiver request of Form Based Code standards and requirements must identify what is regulation is being requested for the waiver and include a narrative

explaining how the waiver, if approved, will allow the project to meet the purpose of the Form Based Code and the objective of Sec 60-1277, Site Plan Law.

D. Planning Board Approval-

1. The Planning Board shall approve, approve with conditions, disapprove or postpone based on its review of the application meeting all existing requirements, conditions, criteria and provisions of Special Exception, Site Plan Review, Subdivision Law and any other relevant procedural requirement of Chapter 60, Zoning, as part of its consideration of a Form Based Code application.
2. The Planning Board shall provide findings for approval or disapproval based on the application's meeting the purpose of the Form Based Code.

