

Development Standards – The basic density requirement should be up to 6-8 units per acre for single family and two-family homes and up to 10-12 units per acre for townhouse style and multifamily units. The reuse/reconfiguration of the space within existing buildings for residential purposes should be allowed without consideration of the density/lot size requirements provided that the building will be renovated, be compatible with the neighborhood, and meet the City’s requirements for residential units including the provision of appropriate parking and green space. The minimum lot size for single family house lots should be 5,000 to 6,500 SF with 50 feet of lot width or frontage. The other development standards should be established to reflect the existing pattern of development.

Moderate Density Neighborhood Conservation District (MoDNC)

Objective – Stabilize and promote continued investment in the City’s moderate density single and two-family neighborhoods to assure that they remain safe, attractive areas in which residents want to live (see Figures 2.3, 2.5, 2.6, and 2.7). To this end, the district should allow property owners to upgrade their properties and for infill development to occur on vacant lots as long as it is compatible with the character of the neighborhood.

Allowed Uses – The allowed uses in the Moderate Density Neighborhood Conservation District should be limited to the following types of uses:

- single and two-family homes
- townhouse style attached single family units
- home occupations
- community services and municipal use and facilities
- agriculture

Development Standards – The basic density requirement should be up to 4-6 units per acre for single family and two-family homes and up to 6-8 units per acre for townhouse style units. The minimum lot size for single family house lots should be 7,500 to 10,000 SF, with 75 to 100 feet of lot width or frontage. The other development standards should be similar to the standards for existing Urban Residential District. The development standards should include provisions to allow infill development on existing lots of record, regardless of their size, if they meet stringent design and environmental standards that ensure compatibility with the surrounding neighborhood.

DESIGNATIONS: NONRESIDENTIAL AND MIXED USE

Neighborhood Business District (NB)

Objective – The objective of the Neighborhood Business District is to allow for the maintenance, improvement, and continued commercial use of properties within residential neighborhoods that have been traditionally used for nonresidential purposes, provided that they are good neighbors, and that changes in the property or the use do not increase the adverse impacts on

the neighborhood (see Figure 2.3). Properties that are zoned Neighborhood Business should continue to be zoned for commercial use as long as they continue to be used for appropriate nonresidential purposes. If the property is converted to a residential use, it should be rezoned to remove it from the neighborhood business district.

Allowed Uses – The following types of uses should be allowed in the Neighborhood Business District provided they do not result in an increase in the adverse impacts on the surrounding neighborhood:

- residential uses of the type allowed in the surrounding neighborhood
- personal services
- small retail uses
- existing service stations and auto service facilities
- community services and government uses

Service stations and auto service facilities existing as of 2009 should continue to be allowed uses and should be allowed to modernize, but the establishment of a new service station or auto service facility in the Neighborhood Business district should not be permitted. Before an existing nonresidential use is replaced by a new nonresidential use, it should be required to demonstrate that it will not increase the adverse impact on the surrounding neighborhood.

Development Standards – The development standards should reflect the existing pattern of development with respect to setbacks. The standards should allow for the expansion of the building as long as the overall layout and functioning of the site is improved, and there is no increase in adverse impacts.

Community Use District (CU)

Objective – The objective of the Community Use District is to recognize those areas that are used for community facilities, including schools and educational institutions, parks, playgrounds, and similar public and community facilities (see Figure 2.3). The intent of this designation is to establish a policy that these types of properties should be recognized as important resources, and that any significant change in use should be considered a significant policy decision.

Allowed Uses – The allowed uses within the Community Use District should be limited to municipal and governmental facilities, educational facilities, recreational facilities and uses, and community services.

Development Standards – The development standards should focus on providing flexibility for appropriate municipal, community, and governmental uses, while reflecting the existing pattern of development in adjacent areas, and assuring that the use of the property does not result in any undue adverse impact on the surrounding neighborhood.