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General

33.120.010 Purpose
The multi-dwelling zones are intended to preserve land for urban housing and to provide opportunities for multi-dwelling housing.

A. Use regulations. The use regulations are intended to create and maintain higher density residential neighborhoods. At the same time, they allow for large scale institutional campuses and other nonresidential uses but not to such an extent as to sacrifice the overall residential neighborhood image and character.

B. Development standards. The six multi-dwelling zones are distinguished primarily by density and development standards. The development standards work together to create desirable residential areas by promoting aesthetically pleasing environments, safety, privacy, energy conservation, and recreational opportunities. The development standards generally assure that new development will be compatible with the City’s character. At the same time, the standards allow for flexibility for new development. In addition, the regulations provide certainty to property owners, developers, and neighbors about the limits of what is allowed. The development standards are generally written for development on flat, regularly shaped lots. Other situations are addressed through special standards or exceptions.

33.120.020 List of the Multi-Dwelling Zones
The full and short names of the multi-dwelling residential zones and their map symbols are listed below. When this Title refers to the multi-dwelling zones, it is referring to the six zones listed here. When this Title refers to the residential zones or R zones, it is referring to both the single-dwelling zones in Chapter 33.110 and the multi-dwelling zones in this chapter.

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33.120.030 Characteristics Of The Zones

A. R3 zone. The R3 zone is a low density multi-dwelling zone. It allows approximately 14.5 dwelling units per acre. Density may be as high as 21 units per acre if amenity bonus provisions are used. Allowed housing is characterized by one and two story buildings and a relatively low building coverage. The major type of new development will be townhouses and small multi-dwelling residences. This development is compatible with low and medium density single-dwelling development. Generally, R3 zoning will be applied on large sites or groups of sites.

B. R2 zone. The R2 zone is a low density multi-dwelling zone. It allows approximately 21.8 dwelling units per acre. Density may be as high as 32 units per acre if amenity bonus provisions are used. Allowed housing is characterized by one to three story buildings, but at a slightly larger amount of building coverage than the R3 zone. The major types of new
development will be duplexes, townhouses, rowhouses and garden apartments. These housing types are intended to be compatible with adjacent houses. Generally, R2 zoning will be applied near Major City Traffic Streets, Neighborhood Collector and District Collector streets, and local streets adjacent to commercial areas and transit streets.

C. **R1 zone.** The R1 zone is a medium density multi-dwelling zone. It allows approximately 43 units per acre. Density may be as high as 65 units per acre if amenity bonus provisions are used. Allowed housing is characterized by one to four story buildings and a higher percentage of building coverage than in the R2 zone. The major type of new housing development will be multi-dwelling structures (condominiums and apartments), duplexes, townhouses, and rowhouses. Generally, R1 zoning will be applied near Neighborhood Collector and District Collector streets, and local streets adjacent to commercial areas and transit streets.

D. **RH zone.** The RH zone is a high density multi-dwelling zone. Density is not regulated by a maximum number of units per acre. Rather, the maximum size of buildings and intensity of use is regulated by floor area ratio (FAR) limits and other site development standards. Generally, the density will range from 80 to 125 units per acre. Allowed housing is characterized by medium to high height and a relatively high percentage of building coverage. The major types of new housing development will be low, medium, and high-rise apartments and condominiums. Generally, RH zones will be well served by transit facilities or be near areas with supportive commercial services.

E. **RX zone.** The RX zone is a high density multi-dwelling zone which allows the highest density of dwelling units of the residential zones. Density is not regulated by a maximum number of units per acre. Rather, the maximum size of buildings and intensity of use are regulated by floor area ratio (FAR) limits and other site development standards. Generally, the density will be 100 or more units per acre. Allowed housing developments are characterized by a very high percentage of building coverage. The major types of new housing development will be medium and high-rise apartments and condominiums, often with allowed retail, institutional, or other service-oriented uses. Generally, RX zones will be located near the center of the city where transit is readily available and where commercial and employment opportunities are nearby. RX zones will usually be applied in combination with the Central City plan district.

F. **RMP zone.** The RMP zone is a low-scale multi-dwelling zone that allows manufactured dwelling parks. Allowed density may be up to 29 units per acre. Allowed housing is manufactured dwellings that are assembled off-site. Units are generally surrounded by vehicle circulation systems, pedestrian pathways, and open area often resulting in lower building coverage than other multi-dwelling zones. Development is compatible with low- and medium-density single-dwelling development and multi-dwelling development. Generally, RMP zoning will be applied on large sites.

**33.120.040 Other Zoning Regulations**
The regulations in this chapter state the allowed uses and development standards for the base zones. Sites with overlay zones, plan districts, or designated historical landmarks are subject to additional regulations. The Official Zoning Maps indicate which sites are subject to these additional regulations. Specific uses or development types may also be subject to regulations in the 200s series of chapters.
33.120.050 Neighborhood Contact

A. **Purpose.** Neighborhood contact is required for larger residential projects in the multi-dwelling zones because of the impacts that multi-dwelling projects can have on the surrounding community. The neighborhood contact requirement provides an opportunity for community input on the design of these projects by providing a setting for the applicant and neighborhood residents to discuss a proposal in an informal manner. By sharing information and concerns early, all involved have the opportunity to identify ways to improve a proposal and to resolve conflicts.

B. **Neighborhood contact requirement.** Proposals meeting the following conditions are subject to the neighborhood contact requirement as specified in Section 33.700.025, Neighborhood Contact. All of the steps in 33.700.025 must be completed before a building permit is requested.

1. The proposed development has not been subject to a land use review; and

2. The proposed development would create five or more new dwelling units. Dwelling units are created:
   a. As part of new development;
   b. By adding net building area to existing development that increases the number of dwelling units; or
   c. By conversion of existing net building area from non-residential to residential uses.

Use Regulations

33.120.100 Primary Uses

A. **Allowed uses.** Uses allowed in the multi-dwelling zones are listed in Table 120-1 with a “Y”. These uses are allowed if they comply with the development standards and other regulations of this Title. Being listed as an allowed use does not mean that a proposed use will be granted an adjustment or other exception to the regulations of this Title. In addition, a use or development listed in the 200s series of chapters is also subject to the regulations of those chapters.

B. **Limited uses.** Uses allowed in these zones subject to limitations are listed in Table 120-1 with an “L”. These uses are allowed if they comply with the limitations listed below and the development standards and other regulations of this Title. In addition, a use or development listed in the 200s series of chapters is also subject to the regulations of those chapters. The paragraphs listed below contain the limitations and correspond with the footnote numbers from Table 120-1.

1. **Group Living.** This regulation applies to all parts of Table 120-1 that have a [1].
   a. General regulations. All Group Living uses in R3, R2, R1, RH, and RX zones, except for alternative or post incarceration facilities, are regulated as follows:
(1) Seven to 15 residents. Group Living uses for 7 to 15 residents are allowed by right subject to the regulations of Chapter 33.239, Group Living.

(2) More than 15 residents. Group Living facilities for more than 15 residents are conditional uses. They are also subject to the regulations of Chapter 33.239, Group Living.

(3) Exception. Normally all residents of a structure are counted to determine whether the use is allowed or a conditional use as stated in (1) and (2) above. The only exception is residential facilities licensed by or under the authority of the state Department of Human Resources under ORS 443.400 to 443.460. In these cases, staff persons are not counted as residents to determine whether the facility meets the 15 resident cutoff, above which a conditional use is required.

b. Alternative or post incarceration facilities. Group Living uses which consist of alternative or post incarceration facilities are conditional uses regardless of size. They are also subject to the regulations of Chapter 33.239, Group Living.

2. Retail Sales And Service and Office uses in the RH zone. This regulation applies to all parts of Table 120-1 that have a [2].

a. Purpose. Certain commercial uses are allowed as conditional uses in the RH zone to allow mixed-use development on larger sites that are close to light rail transit facilities.

b. Regulations. Retail Sales And Service and Office uses are allowed as a conditional use if they meet the following regulations.

(1) The uses are allowed in new multi-dwelling developments only. Conversion of existing structures is prohibited;

(2) The net building area of the uses is limited to 20 percent of the net building area of the development. Retail Sales and Service or Office uses that cumulatively are more than 20 percent of the net building area are prohibited; and

(3) The site must be located within 1,000 feet of a Transit Station.

3. Retail Sales And Service and Office uses in the RX zone. This regulation applies to all parts of Table 120-1 that have a [3].

a. Purpose. Certain commercial uses are allowed in the RX zone to improve the economic viability of residential development by allowing mixed-use development. At the same time, commercial uses are limited to assure that residential uses remain the dominant use in the zone.

b. Central City plan district and Gateway plan district. Retail Sales And Service and Office uses in the RX zone within the Central City plan district and the Gateway plan district are exempt from the regulations of this paragraph, and are instead subject to regulations in Chapter 33.510, Central City Plan District and Chapter 33.526, Gateway Plan District.
c. Commercial uses in new multi-dwelling development. Adjustments to the regulations of this subparagraph are prohibited.

(1) Limited uses.
   • If all of the Retail Sales And Service or Office uses are on the ground floor, up to 40 percent of the net building area of a new multi-dwelling development may be in Retail Sales And Service or Office uses;
   • If any portion of the Retail Sales And Service or Office uses is not on the ground floor, up to 20 percent of the net building area of a new multi-dwelling development may be in Retail Sales And Service or Office uses.

(2) Conditional uses.
   • If any portion of the Retail Sales And Service or Office uses is not on the ground floor, up to 40 percent of the net building area of a new multi-dwelling development may be in Retail Sales And Service or Office uses if approved as a conditional use;
   • If the entire site is within 500 feet of a Transit Station, up to 50 percent of the net building area of a new multi-dwelling development may be in Retail Sales And Service or Office uses if approved as a conditional use.

d. Commercial uses in existing multi-dwelling development. Up to 40 percent of existing net building area in a multi-dwelling development may be converted to Retail Sales And Service and Office uses if the following are met. Adjustments to the regulations of this subparagraph are prohibited:

(1) All of the Retail Sales And Service or Office uses must be on the ground floor; and

(2) The conversion may not result in a net loss of the square footage in residential use, or a net loss in the number of dwelling units in the development.

e. Outdoor activities. All commercial uses must be conducted entirely within fully enclosed buildings. However, incidental activities such as outdoor eating areas or outdoor sale of plants are allowed. Exterior display or storage of goods is prohibited.

f. Transfer of commercial development rights. The commercial development rights of this Paragraph may be transferred between buildings within a single new project. Transfers are subject to the following requirements:

(1) The transfer of commercial use potential to sites on the Park Block frontages is prohibited. The Park Block frontages are shown on Map 510-14;

(2) The net building area of commercial uses does not exceed 20 percent of the project’s net building area, unless approved under the provisions of Subparagraph d. above;

(3) All residential net building area in the project must be completed and must receive a certificate of occupancy at the same time or prior to issuance of
any temporary or permanent certificate of occupancy for the commercial uses; and

(4) A deed restriction is created and filed for the lot containing the residential building(s) reflecting the decrease in commercial use potential. The deed restriction must comply with the requirements of 33.700.060, Covenants with the City.

4. Commercial Parking in RX. This regulation applies to all parts of Table 120-1 that have a [4]. Outside the Central City plan district, Commercial Parking facilities in parking structures are a conditional use. Commercial Parking facilities in surface lots are prohibited. Within the Central City plan district, there are special regulations; see Chapter 33.510. Any ground floor retail requirements that result from other regulations continue to apply and are reviewed as part of the land use review process.

5. Community Service and Schools in RX. This regulation applies to all parts of Table 120-1 that have a [5]. Short term housing and mass shelters are also regulated by Chapter 33.285, Short Term Housing and Mass Shelters.

a. Limited uses. Community Service and Schools uses are allowed in a multi-dwelling development if all of the Community Service and Schools uses are located on the ground floor. If any portion of a Community Service or Schools use is not on the ground floor of a multi-dwelling development, the Community Services and Schools uses are limited to 20 percent of the net building area;

b. Conditional uses. If any portion of the Community Service and Schools uses is not on the ground floor of a multi-dwelling development and the uses exceed 20 percent of the total net building area, then a conditional use review is required.

6. Community Service in R3 through RH and RMP. This regulation applies to all parts of Table 120-1 that have a [6]. Most Community Service uses are regulated by Chapter 33.815, Conditional Uses. Short term housing and mass shelters are regulated by Chapter 33.285, Short Term Housing and Mass Shelters.

7. Parks And Open Areas. This regulation applies to all parts of Table 120-1 that have a [7]. Parks And Open Areas uses are allowed by right. However, certain accessory uses and facilities which are part of a Parks And Open Areas use require a conditional use review. These accessory uses and facilities are listed below.

a. Swimming pools.

b. Cemeteries, including mausoleums, chapels, and similar accessory structures associated with funerals or burial.

c. Golf courses, including club houses, restaurants, and driving ranges.

d. Boat ramps.

e. Parking areas.

f. Recreational fields for organized sports. Recreational fields used for organized sports are subject to the regulations of Chapter 33.279, Recreational Fields for Organized Sports.
8. Daycare. This regulation applies to all parts of Table 120-1 that have a [8]. Daycare uses are allowed by right if locating within a building which currently contains or did contain a College, Medical Center, School, Religious Institution, or a Community Service use.

9. Radio Frequency Transmission Facilities. This regulation applies to all parts of Table 120-1 that have a [9]. Some Radio Frequency Transmission Facilities are allowed by right. See Chapter 33.274.

10. Basic Utilities. These regulations apply to all parts of Table 120-1 that have a [10].
   a. Basic Utilities that serve a development site are accessory uses to the primary use being served;
   b. Small Scale Energy Production that provides energy for on-site or off-site use are considered accessory to the primary use on the site. Installations that sell power they generate—at retail (net metered) or wholesale—are included. However, they are only considered accessory if they generate energy from biological materials or byproducts from the site itself, or conditions on the site itself; materials from other sites may not be used to generate energy. In the RX zone, up to 10 tons per week of biological materials or byproducts from other sites may be used to generate energy. The requirements of Chapter 33.262 Off Site Impacts must be met;
   c. All other Basic Utilities are a conditional use except in the RX zone where all other Basic Utilities are allowed but are limited to 20 percent of the net building area on a site. If they are over 20 percent of the net building area, a conditional use review is required.

11. Agriculture. This regulation applies to all parts of Table 120-1 that have a [11]. If the use and site do not meet the regulations of Chapter 33.237, Food Production and Distribution, it is prohibited.

12. Retail Sales and Service. This regulation applies to all parts of Table 120-1 that have note [12]. Retail plant nurseries are a conditional use.

13. Retail Sales and Service in the RMP zone. This regulation applies to all parts of Table 120-1 that have note [13]. Recreational vehicle parks are allowed by right in the RMP zone. All other Retail Sales And Service uses are prohibited.

C. Conditional uses.

1. Table 120-1. Uses which are allowed if approved through the conditional use review process are listed in Table 120-1 with a “CU”. These uses are allowed provided they comply with the conditional use approval criteria for that use, the development standards, and other regulations of this Title. Uses listed with a “CU” that also have a footnote number in the table are subject to the regulations cited in the footnote. In addition, a use or development listed in the 200s series of chapters is also subject to the regulations of those chapters. The conditional use review process and approval criteria are stated in Chapter 33.815, Conditional Uses.
2. Accessory short-term rentals. Accessory short-term rentals are accessory uses that may require a conditional use review. See Chapter 33.207.

D. **Prohibited uses.** Uses listed in Table 120-1 with an “N” are prohibited. Existing uses in categories listed as prohibited may be subject to the regulations of Chapter 33.258, Nonconforming Uses And Development.

### 33.120.110 Accessory Uses

Uses that are accessory to a primary use are allowed if they comply with all regulations for that use and all applicable development standards. In addition, some specific accessory uses have additional requirements as indicated below.

**A. Accessory home occupations, accessory dwelling units, and accessory short-term rentals.**

Accessory uses to a primary use are allowed if they comply with all development standards. Accessory home occupations, accessory dwelling units, and accessory short-term rentals have specific regulations in Chapters 33.203, 33.205, and 33.207 respectively.

**B. Accessory commercial uses in the RH zone.** Accessory commercial uses in multi-dwelling buildings in the RH zone are allowed in order to provide convenient support services to the residents of the building and to encourage a reduction in auto trips. They are an incidental use to the main residential use of the site.

1. ** Uses allowed.** Accessory commercial uses are limited to those in the Retail Sales And Service and Office use categories.

2. **Structure types.** Accessory commercial uses are allowed only in multi-dwelling buildings. Uses must be located entirely within the building and have no external doors. They may be located in basements.

3. **Size.** The accessory commercial uses are limited to 5 percent of the overall net building area on the site.

4. **Reduction in dwelling units.** Development of accessory commercial uses may not result in the reduction of the number of existing dwelling units.

5. **Signs.** Accessory commercial uses may not have signs that are visible from the exterior of the structure.

**C. Accessory auto servicing in the RH and RX zones.** Parking structures which are accessory to a multi-dwelling building may contain auto support facilities which provide services for the autos of the building’s residential tenants. They are an incidental use to the main residential use of the site.

1. **Activities allowed.** Accessory auto servicing is limited to fuel sales, minor repair, and washing of autos.

2. **Structure types.** The uses are allowed only in enclosed or underground parking structures.

3. **Signs.** The uses may not have signs that are visible from the exterior of the structure.
33.120.120 Nuisance-Related Impacts

A. **Off-site impacts.** All nonresidential primary and accessory uses must comply with the standards of Chapter 33.262, Off-Site Impacts.

B. **Vehicles.** The regulations for operable vehicles and for vehicle service and repair are stated in 33.266.150, Vehicles in Residential Zones. The open accumulation and storage of inoperable, neglected, or discarded vehicles is regulated by Section 29.20.010 of Title 29, Property and Maintenance Regulations.

C. **Animals.** Nuisance-type impacts related to animals are regulated by Title 13, Animals. Title 13 is enforced by the County Health Officer.

D. **Other nuisances.** Other nuisances are regulated by Section 29.20.010 of Title 29, Property and Maintenance Regulations.

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Y = Yes, Allowed  
L = Allowed, But Special Limitations  
CU = Conditional Use Review Required  
N = No, Prohibited

Notes:
- The use categories are described in Chapter 33.920.
- Regulations that correspond to the bracketed numbers [ ] are stated in 33.120.100.B.
- Specific uses and developments may also be subject to regulations in the 200s series of chapters.

Development Standards

33.120.200 Housing Types Allowed

A. Purpose. A broad range of housing types are allowed in the multi-dwelling zones. This range allows for efficient use of land, provides options to increase housing variety and housing opportunities, and promotes affordable and energy-efficient housing.

B. Housing types. The types of housing allowed in the multi-dwelling zones are stated in Table 120-2.

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Housing Types Allowed In The Multi-Dwelling Zones

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<td>(See Chapter 33.251)</td>
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<td>Single Room Occupancy (SRO) units</td>
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<td>No</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td>No</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Only when in conjunction with an approved conditional use. See also Chapter 33.239.</td>
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Yes = allowed; No = prohibited.

Notes:
[1] Multi-dwelling development is limited to no more than eight units per building.
[2] The only type of multi-dwelling development allowed in the RMP zone is manufactured dwellings in a manufactured dwelling park.
[3] Except on individual lots created under the provisions of 33.642, Land Divisions of Manufactured Dwelling Parks, manufactured dwellings are only allowed in manufactured dwelling parks.

### 33.120.205 Density

**A. Purpose.** The number of dwellings per unit of land, the density, is controlled so that housing can match the availability of public services and the availability of support commercial areas. The standards also allow the housing density to be matched with the carrying capacity of the land. In addition, the density standards are used as one type of control of overall building bulk. In areas with the highest level of public services, the minimum density standards ensure that the service capacity is not wasted and that the City's housing goals are met. The bonus density options allow additional floor area as an incentive for providing affordable housing.

**B. Maximum density.** The maximum densities for the multi-dwelling zones are stated in Table 120-3. In the RH zone the maximum FAR is 4 to 1 in the areas shown on Maps 120-2 through 120-19. In all other RH zoned areas the maximum FAR is 2 to 1. All new housing built, or converted from other uses, must be on sites large enough to comply with the density standards. The number of units allowed on a site is based on the presumption that all site development standards will be met. The allowed density is not a special right that justifies adjusting other development standards.

**C. Minimum density.** The minimum density requirements for the multi-dwelling zones are stated in Table 120-3. Land within an Environmental zone may be subtracted from the calculation of minimum density. A site that is nonconforming in minimum density may not move further out of conformance with the minimum density standard. However, units may be added to the site that bring the site closer to conformance without coming all the way into conformance.

1. In the R3, R2, and RMP zones, if maximum density is two units then minimum density is two units. If maximum density is one unit, minimum density is one unit.

2. In the R1 zone, if the site is less than 10,000 square feet in area, the minimum density is 1 unit per 2,000 square feet.
3. On sites where trees that are 12 or more inches in diameter are proposed for preservation, minimum density may be reduced as follows:
   a. The maximum allowed reduction in minimum density is shown in Table 120-5.
   b. When this provision is used to reduce density, the owner must execute a covenant with the City. The covenant is not required if the site is also part of a proposed Land Division. The covenant must:
      (1) Require that all trees used to reduce the minimum density be preserved for at least 10 years;
      (2) Allow trees used to reduce the minimum density that die, or become diseased or dangerous to be removed and replaced within the 10 year preservation period. The trees must be determined to be dead, diseased, or dangerous by an arborist, and a Title 11 tree permit must be obtained. If a tree used to reduce the minimum density is dead, diseased, or dangerous as the result of a violation, Tree Review is required; and
      (3) The covenant must meet the requirements of Section 33.700.060 and be recorded before a development permit is issued.

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<th>Required Minimum Residential Density</th>
<th>No. of 12-Inch Trees To Be Preserved</th>
<th>Reduction of Minimum Residential Density</th>
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<tr>
<td>Up to 7 units</td>
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<td>8-12 units</td>
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<td>2 or more</td>
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<td></td>
<td>4 or more</td>
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</table>

D. Floor area ratio. The floor area ratio (FAR) states the amount of floor area allowed. There is no maximum limit on the number of dwelling units within the allowable floor area, but the units must comply with all building and housing code requirements. The FAR also includes any nonresidential uses that are allowed. Minimum density requirements may also apply.

E. Maximum increase in density or FAR. In the RH and RX zones, an increase in FAR through the use of bonuses and transfers of more than 3 to 1 is prohibited. In all other multi-dwelling zones, an increase in the number of units through the use of bonuses, including amenity bonuses, and transfers of more than 100 percent is prohibited. The maximum allowed increase is calculated based on maximum density without inclusionary or RMP zone affordable housing bonuses.
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F. **Bonus density or FAR.** The following density and FAR bonus options are allowed in the R3 through RMP zones. Adjustments to this Subsection, or to the amount of maximum density or floor area allowed through the bonuses in this Subsection, are prohibited. Amenity bonuses described in 33.120.265 may allow additional bonus density:

1. Inclusionary housing bonus option. The inclusionary housing bonus option applies in the R3-RX zones.
   a. Mandatory inclusionary housing. Bonus density or FAR is allowed up to the maximum with inclusionary housing bonus stated in Table 120-3 for development that triggers the requirements of 33.245, Inclusionary Housing. To qualify for this bonus, the applicant must provide a letter from the Portland Housing Bureau certifying that the regulations of 33.245 have been met.
   b. Voluntary inclusionary housing. Bonus density or FAR up to the maximum with inclusionary housing bonus stated in Table 120-3 is allowed when one of the following voluntary bonus options is met:
      (1) Bonus density or FAR is allowed for projects that voluntarily comply with the standards of 33.245.040 and 33.245.050. To qualify for this bonus, the applicant must provide a letter from the Portland Housing Bureau certifying that the regulations of 33.245 have been met. The letter is required to be submitted before a building permit can be issued for development, but is not required in order to apply for a land use review; or
      (2) Bonus density or FAR is allowed in exchange for payment into the Affordable Housing Fund. For each square foot of floor area purchased a fee must be paid to the Portland Housing Bureau (PHB). For sites where density is calculated in dwelling units, the amount of floor area purchased is converted to dwelling units at a rate of 1 dwelling unit per 800 square feet. The Portland Housing Bureau collects and administers the Affordable Housing Fund, and determines the fee. PHB determines the fee per square foot and updates the fee at least every three years. The fee schedule is available from the Bureau of Development Services. To qualify for this bonus, the applicant must provide a letter from PHB documenting the amount that has been contributed. The letter is required to be submitted before a building permit can be issued for development, but is not required in order to apply for a land use review.

2. RMP zone affordable housing bonus option. In the RMP zone, maximum density can be increased up to the maximum with RMP affordable housing bonus stated in Table 120-3 when at least 50 percent of all of the dwelling units on the site are affordable to those earning no more than 60 percent of area median family income. To qualify for this bonus the applicant must provide a letter from the Portland Housing Bureau certifying that the development meets this affordability standard and any administrative requirements of the Portland Housing Bureau. The letter must be submitted before a building permit can be issued for development, but is not required in order to apply for a land use review.
G. **Transfer of density or FAR.** Density or FAR may be transferred from one site to another subject to the following:

1. Calculating the amount of density or FAR transferred. In the R3, R2, R1, and RMP zones, transferable density is calculated in terms of dwelling units. In the RH and RX zones, transferable density is calculated by FAR.

2. Development standards. Buildings on sites receiving transferred density or FAR must meet the development standards of the base zone, overlay zone, or plan district, except for maximum density, which is regulated by Subsection E.

3. General standards for transfers of density or FAR.
   a. Except for transfers from the sites of Landmarks and transfers from sites zoned RMP, the transfers may be only between sites within a block or between sites that would be abutting except for a right-of-way.
   b. Density or FAR from the site of a Landmark may be transferred to any site allowed by Paragraph G.4 below, within the recognized neighborhood where the Landmark is located, or to any site within two miles of the Landmark.
   c. Density from a site zoned RMP may be transferred to any site allowed by Paragraph G.4.d below, that is located outside the Central City plan district.

   a. RX Zone. In the RX Zone:
      (1) Transfer of commercial development rights is regulated by Subparagraph 33.120.100.B.3.f;
      (2) Density or FAR may be transferred from a site zoned RX to a site zoned RX, RH, CX, or EX. Density may be transferred from the site of a Landmark zoned RX to a site zoned RX, RH, C, or EX.
   b. RH Zone. Density or FAR may be transferred from a site zoned RH to a site zoned RX or RH. Density may be transferred from the site of a Landmark zoned RH to a site zoned RX, RH, or EX.
   c. R3, R2, and R1 Zones. Density may be transferred among sites zoned R3, R2, and R1.
   d. RMP zone. Density may be transferred from a site zoned RMP to a site zoned R3, R2, R1, or RH. When density will be transferred from a site zoned RMP to a site zoned RH, one dwelling unit is equal to 800 square feet of floor area.

5. Covenants. The property owner must execute a covenant with the City that is attached to and recorded with the deed of both the site transferring and the site receiving the density reflecting the respective increase and decrease of potential density. The covenant for the receiving site must meet the requirements of Section 33.700.060. The covenant for the Landmark transferring the density must meet the requirements of 33.445.610.D., Covenant.
33.120.210 Development on Lots and Lots of Record

A. **Purpose.** The regulations of this section require lots and lots of record to be an adequate size so that development on a site will in most cases be able to comply with all site development standards, including density. Where more than one lot is in the same ownership, these standards prevent breaking up large vacant ownerships into small lots, which are difficult to develop in conformance with the development standards. However, where more than one lot is in the same ownership, and there is existing development, allowing the ownership to be separated may increase opportunities for residential infill while preserving existing housing.

B. **Where these regulations apply.** These regulations apply to existing lots and lots of record in the multi-dwelling zones. The creation of new lots is subject to the lot size standards listed in Chapter 33.612, Lots in Multi-Dwelling Zones.

C. **Ownership of multiple lots and lots of record.** Where more than one abutting lot or lot of record is in the same ownership, the ownership may be separated as follows:

1. If all requirements of this Title will be met after the separation, including lot size, density, and parking, the ownership may be separated; or
2. If one or more of the lots or lots of record does not meet the lot size standards in Chapter 33.612, Lots in Multi-Dwelling Zones, the ownership may be separated if all requirements of this paragraph are met. Such lots and lots of record are legal.
   a. There is a primary use on at least one of the lots or lots of record, and the use has existed since December 31, 1980. If none of the lots or lots of record have a primary use, they may not be separated; and
   b. Lots or lots of record with a primary use on at least one of them may be separated as follows:
      (1) The separation must occur along the original lot lines;
      (2) Lots or lots of record with primary uses on them may be separated from lots or lots of record with other primary uses; and
      (3) Lots or lots of record with primary uses on them may be separated from lots or lots of record without primary uses.

D. **New development on standard lots and lots of record.** New development on lots and lots of record that comply with the lot size standards in Chapter 33.612, Lots in Multi-Dwelling Zones, is allowed by right subject to the development standards.

E. **New development on substandard lots and lots of record.** New development is allowed on lots and lots of record which do not conform to the lot size standards in Chapter 33.612, Lots in Multi-Dwelling Zones, if both of the following are met:

1. The development is proposed for a lot or lot of record. Development on plots that are not lots or lots of record is prohibited; and
2. The lot or lot of record did not abut any property owned by the same family or business on July 26, 1979, or any time since that date, unless the ownership was separated as allowed in Subsection C, above.

33.120.215 Height

A. **Purpose.** The height standards serve several purposes:
   - They promote a reasonable building scale and relationship of one residence to another;
   - They promote options for privacy for neighboring properties; and
   - They reflect the general building scale of multi-dwelling development in the City's neighborhoods.

B. **Maximum height.** The maximum heights allowed in the multi-dwelling zones are stated in Table 120-3. The maximum height standard for institutional uses is stated in 33.120.275, Development Standards for Institutions. The maximum height standards for detached accessory structures are stated in 33.120.280, Detached Accessory Structures.

1. In the R1 zone the maximum height is 45 feet, except on the portion of a site within 10 feet of a front property line, where the maximum height is 25 feet.

2. In the RH zone, the following maximum height limits apply:
   - Where the FAR is 2 to 1, the maximum height is 65 feet, except on the portion of a site within 10 feet of a front property line, where the maximum height is 25 feet.
   - Where the FAR is 4 to 1, the maximum height is 75 feet, except on sites within 1,000 feet of a transit station, where the maximum height is 100 feet.

C. **Exceptions to the maximum height.**

1. Chimneys, flag poles, satellite receiving dishes, and other similar items attached to a building, with a width, depth, or diameter of 3 feet or less may extend above the height limit, as long as they do not exceed 5 feet above the top of the highest point of the roof. If they are greater than 3 feet in width, depth, or diameter, they are subject to the height limit.

2. Rooftop mechanical equipment and stairwell enclosures that provide rooftop access may extend above the height limit as follows, provided that the equipment and enclosures are set back at least 15 feet from all roof edges on street facing facades.
   - Elevator mechanical equipment may extend up to 16 feet above the height limit; and
   - Other mechanical equipment and stairwell enclosures that cumulatively cover no more than 10 percent of the roof area may extend up to 10 feet above the height limit.

3. Antennas, utility power poles, and public safety facilities are exempt from the height limit.
4. Small wind turbines are subject to the standards of Chapter 33.299.

5. Roof mounted solar panels are not included in height calculations, and may exceed the maximum height limit if the following are met:
   
   a. For flat roofs or the horizontal portion of mansard roofs, they may extend up to 5 feet above the top of the highest point of the roof.

   b. For pitched, hipped, or gambrel roofs, they must be mounted no more than 12 inches from the surface of the roof at any point, and may not extend above the ridgeline of the roof. The 12 inches is measured from the upper side of the solar panel.
### Table 120-3

Summary of Development Standards in Multi-Dwelling Zones

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Standard</th>
<th>R3</th>
<th>R2</th>
<th>R1</th>
<th>RH</th>
<th>RX</th>
<th>RMP</th>
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<td>Maximum Density (See 33.120.205)</td>
<td>1 unit per 3,000 sq. ft. of site area</td>
<td>1 unit per 2,000 sq. ft. of site area</td>
<td>1 unit per 1,000 sq. ft. of site area</td>
<td>FAR of 2 to 1 or 4 to 1</td>
<td>FAR of 4 to 1</td>
<td>1 unit per 1,500 sq. ft. of site area</td>
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<td>Maximum Density with Inclusionary Housing Bonus (See 33.120.205.F)</td>
<td>1 unit per 2,400 sq. ft. of site area</td>
<td>1 unit per 1,600 sq. ft. of site area</td>
<td>1 unit per 800 sq. ft. of site area</td>
<td>FAR of 2.5 to 1 or 5 to 1 [1]</td>
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<td>Minimum Density (See 33.120.205)</td>
<td>1 unit per 3,750 sq. ft. of site area</td>
<td>1 unit per 2,500 sq. ft. of site area</td>
<td>1 unit per 1,450 sq. ft. of site area</td>
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<td>1 unit per 1,875 sq. ft. of site area</td>
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<td>Maximum Height (See 33.120.215)</td>
<td>35 ft.</td>
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<td>25/45 ft.</td>
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<td>35 ft.</td>
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<td>See Table 120-4 18 ft.</td>
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<td>10 ft.</td>
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<tr>
<td>- Side and rear building setback</td>
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<td>- -</td>
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<td>- Garage entrance setback</td>
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<td>Transit Street or Pedestrian District</td>
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<td>Max. Building Coverage (See 33.120.225)</td>
<td>45% of site area</td>
<td>50% of site area</td>
<td>60% of site area</td>
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<td>Max. Building Length (See 33.120.230)</td>
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<td>Min. Landscaped Area (See 33.120.235)</td>
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<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>See 33.251</td>
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Notes:

[1] If the base FAR is 2 to 1 then the maximum with bonus is 2.5 to 1. If the base FAR is 4 to 1, then the maximum with bonus is 5 to 1.
Table 120-4
Minimum Side and Rear Setbacks for R3, R2, R1, and RH Zones

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<th>If the area of the plane of the building wall is: [1]</th>
<th>The required side and rear setback is:</th>
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<td>1,000 sq. ft. or less</td>
<td>5 ft.</td>
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<td>1,001 to 1,300 sq. ft.</td>
<td>6 ft.</td>
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<td>1,301 to 1,600 sq. ft.</td>
<td>7 ft.</td>
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<td>1,601 to 1,900 sq. ft.</td>
<td>8 ft.</td>
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<td>1,901 to 2,200 sq. ft.</td>
<td>9 ft.</td>
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<td>2,201 to 2,500 sq. ft.</td>
<td>10 ft.</td>
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<td>2,501 to 2,800 sq. ft.</td>
<td>11 ft.</td>
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<td>2,801 to 3,100 sq. ft.</td>
<td>12 ft.</td>
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<td>3,101 to 3,400 sq. ft.</td>
<td>13 ft.</td>
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<td>3,401 sq. ft. or greater</td>
<td>14 ft.</td>
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Note: [1] Measurement of the area of the plane of the building wall is described in Chapter 33.930, Measurements.

33.120.220 Setbacks

A. **Purpose.** The building setback regulations serve several purposes:
   - They maintain light, air, separation for fire protection, and access for fire fighting;
   - They reflect the general building scale and placement of multi-dwelling development in the City’s neighborhoods;
   - They promote a reasonable physical relationship between residences;
   - They promote options for privacy for neighboring properties;
   - They provide adequate flexibility to site a building so that it may be compatible with the neighborhood, fit the topography of the site, allow for required outdoor areas, and allow for architectural diversity;
   - Setback requirements along transit streets create an environment that is inviting to pedestrians and transit users; and
   - They provide room for a car to park in front of a garage door without overhanging the street or sidewalk, and they enhance driver visibility when backing onto the street.

B. **Minimum building setbacks.** The required minimum building setbacks apply to all buildings and structures on the site except as specified in this section. Where no street setback is indicated in Table 120-3, the front, side, and rear setbacks apply. Where a street setback is indicated in Table 120-3 it supersedes front, side, and rear setbacks if the front, side, or rear lot line is also a street lot line. Setbacks for parking areas are in Chapter 33.266.

1. Generally. The required minimum building setbacks, if any, are stated in Tables 120-3 and 120-4.

2. Exceptions to the required building setbacks.
   a. Setback averaging. The minimum front building setback and the setback of decks, balconies, and porches may be reduced, but not increased, to the average
of the respective setbacks on the abutting lots. See Chapter 33.930, Measurements, for more information.

b. Environmental zone. The required minimum front and street building setback and garage entrance setback may be reduced to zero where any portion of the site is in an environmental overlay zone. Where a side lot line is also a street lot line the side building and garage entrance setback may be reduced to zero. All other provisions of this Title apply to the building and garage entrance.

c. Split zoning. No setbacks are required from an internal lot line that is also a zoning line on sites with split zoning.

d. Alley. No side or rear building setback is required from a lot line abutting an alley.

e. Land divisions with existing development. When a dedication of public right-of-way along the frontage of an existing street is required as part of a land division, the minimum front or side setback between an existing building and a lot line that abuts the right-of-way may be reduced to zero. Eaves on an existing building may extend one foot into the reduced setback, except that they may not extend into the right-of-way. Future additions or development must meet required minimum setbacks.

C. Maximum building setbacks.

1. Building setbacks on a transit street or in a Pedestrian District. The required maximum building setbacks, if any, are stated in Tables 120-3 and 120-4, and apply only to buildings that are enclosed on all sides. The building setbacks on a transit street or in a Pedestrian District are as follows:

a. Measurement.

(1) Where an existing building is being altered, the standards apply to the ground level, street-facing facade of the entire building. See Figures 120-1 and 120-2.

(2) Where there is more than one building on the site, the standards of this paragraph apply to the combined ground level, street-facing facades of all the buildings. See Figures 120-3 and 120-4.

(3) For buildings where all of the floor area is in residential use, the street-facing facade of an open porch that meets the following standards is included as part of the ground level, street-facing facade of the building:

- For houses, attached houses, manufactured homes and duplexes, the porch must be at least 25 square feet in area. For multi-dwelling structures, the porch must be at least 9 feet wide and 7 feet deep;
- The porch must have at least one entrance facing the street; and
- The porch must have a roof that is:
  - No more than 12 feet above the floor of the porch; and
  - At least 30 percent solid. This standard may be met by having 30 percent of the porch area covered with a solid roof, or by having
the entire area covered with a trellis or other open material if no more than 70 percent of the area of the material is open.

b. Standards. There are two standards. Subparagraphs C.1.c. and d. specify where each standard applies:

(1) Standard 1: At least 50 percent of the length of the ground level street-facing facade of the building must be within the maximum setback;

(2) Standard 2: 100 percent of the length of the ground level street-facing facade of the building must be within the maximum setback.

c. Outside a Pedestrian District. Where the site is not in a Pedestrian District:

(1) One transit street. Where the site is adjacent to one transit street, the standard of Standard 1 must be met on the transit street frontage;

(2) Two non-intersecting transit streets. Where the site is adjacent to two transit streets that do not intersect:
   • Standard 1 must be met on the frontage of the street with the highest transit classification. If both streets have the same highest classification, the applicant may choose on which street to meet the standard;
   • If one of the transit streets intersects a City Walkway, Standard 1 must be met along both the street with the highest transit classification and the City Walkway;

(3) Two or more intersecting transit streets. Where the site is adjacent to two or more intersecting transit streets, Standard 2 must be met on the frontage of the street with the highest transit classification and Standard 1 must be met on an intersecting transit street. If two streets have the same highest transit classification, the applicant may choose on which street to meet the standard;
Figure 120-1
Alteration to Existing Building in Conformance with Maximum Setback Standard

At least 50% of the combined ground-level, street-facing facades of existing building and addition are within maximum building setback.

Figure 120-2
Alterations to Existing Building

Addition A1. Not subject to maximum setback standard because addition has no street-facing facade.
Addition A2. Brings building closer to conformance with maximum setback standard because it does not increase the length of the street-facing facade, and it brings building closer to maximum building setback line.
Addition A3. Because addition increases length of street-facing facade, 100% of addition facade must be within maximum setback until maximum setback standard for entire building is met.
Figure 120-3
Calculating Maximum Building Setback When More Than One Building On Site

At least 50% of the combined ground-level, street-facing facades (A+B+C+D) must be within maximum building setback.

Figure 120-4
New Buildings On Sites With Buildings That Do Not Meet The Maximum Building Setback

Notes:
New Building B1. Not allowed because it moves site further out of conformance with maximum setback standard.
New Building B2. Because building increases length of combined street-facing facade on the site, 100% of building facade must be within maximum setback until maximum setback standard for site is met.
d. In a Pedestrian District. Where the site is in a Pedestrian District:

(1) One street. Where the site is adjacent to only one street, Standard 1 must be met on that street frontage;

(2) Through lot with one transit street. Where the site is a through lot and one frontage is a transit street and one is a non-transit street, standard 1 must be met on the frontage of the transit street;

(3) Through lot with two transit streets. Where the site is a through lot and both frontages are on transit streets, Standard 1 must be met on the frontage of the street with the highest transit classification. If both streets have the same highest classification, the applicant may choose on which street to meet the standard;

(4) Through lot with no transit streets. Where the site is a through lot and neither frontage is on a transit street, Standard 1 must be met on one of the frontages. The applicant may choose on which street to meet the standard;

(5) One transit street and one intersecting non-transit street. Where the site is adjacent to a transit street and an intersecting non-transit street, the following standards must be met:
   - Standard 2 must be met on the frontage of the transit street,
   - Standard 1 must be met on the intersecting non-transit street;

(6) Two or more intersecting transit streets. Where the site is adjacent to two or more intersecting transit streets, the following standards must be met on the frontage of the street with the highest transit classification and any intersecting transit street:
   - Standard 2 must be met on the frontage of the street with the highest transit classification. If both transit streets have the same highest classification, the applicant may choose on which street to meet the standard; and
   - Standard 1 must be met on an intersecting transit street;

(7) Three or more frontages, two non-intersecting transit streets. Where the site has three or more frontages, and two of them are transit streets that do not intersect, the following standards must be met on the frontage of the street with the highest transit classification and one intersecting street:
   - Standard 2 must be met on the frontage of the street with the highest transit classification. If both streets have the same transit classification, the applicant may choose on which street to meet the standard; and
   - Standard 1 must be met on an intersecting street;

(8) Two or more frontages, no transit streets, two or more intersecting streets. Where the site has two or more frontages, none of them are transit streets, and two or more of the streets intersect, the following standards must be met on the frontage of one street and one intersecting street:
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- Standard 2 must be met on the frontage of one street; and
- Standard 1 must be met on an intersecting street.

2. Exemptions.
   a. Flag lots. Flag lots are exempt from the maximum setback standards of this section.
   b. Detached accessory structures. Detached accessory structures are exempt from the maximum setback standards of this section. The street-facing facades of detached accessory structures do not count towards meeting maximum setback standards. See Figure 120-3.

D. Extensions into required building setbacks.

1. The following features of a building may extend into a required building setback up to 20 percent of the depth of the setback. However, the feature must be at least 3 feet from a lot line, except as allowed in 33.120.270, Alternative Development Options:
   a. Eaves, chimneys, fireplace inserts and vents, mechanical equipment, and fire escapes;
   b. Water collection cisterns and stormwater planters that do not meet the standards of Paragraph D.2;
   c. Decks, stairways, wheelchair ramps, and uncovered balconies that do not meet the standard for Paragraph D.2 below; and
   d. Bays and bay windows that meet the following requirements:
      (1) Each bay and bay window may be up to 12 feet long, but the total area of all bays and bay windows on a building facade cannot be more than 30 percent of the area of the facade;
      (2) At least 30 percent of the area of the bay which faces the property line requiring the setback must be glazing or glass block;
      (3) Bays and bay windows must cantilever beyond the foundation of the building; and
      (4) The bay may not include any doors.

2. The following minor features may extend into entire required building setbacks:
   a. Utility connections attached to the building that are required to provide services, such as water electricity and other similar utility services;
   b. Gutters and downspouts that drain stormwater off a roof of the structure;
   c. Stormwater planters that are no more than 2-1/2 feet above the ground;
   d. Water collection cisterns that are 6 feet or less in height;
e. Attached decks, stairs, and ramps that are no more than 2-1/2 feet above the ground. However, stairways and wheelchair ramps that lead to one entrance on the street-facing facade of a building are allowed to extend into the required street setbacks regardless of height above ground; and

f. On lots that slope down from the street, vehicular or pedestrian entry bridges that are no more than 2-1/2 feet above the average sidewalk elevation.

3. Detached accessory structures. The setback standards for detached accessory structures including detached mechanical equipment are stated in 33.120.280 below. Fences are addressed in 33.120.285, below. Detached accessory dwelling units are addressed in Chapter 33.205.

E. Garage entrance and structured parking setback.

1. Garage entrance setback. The garage entrance setback is stated in Table 120-3. See Chapter 33.910, Definitions, for a description. The walls of the garage structure are subject to 33.120.283 and the applicable front, side, or rear building setbacks.

   a. In R1, RH, and RX zones, the garage entrance must be either 5 feet or closer to the street lot line, or 18 feet or farther from the street lot line. If the garage entrance is located within 5 feet of the front lot line, it may not be closer to the lot line than the front facade of the residential portion of the building.

   b. Exceptions.

      (1) The garage entrance setback may be reduced to the average of the garage entrance setbacks on abutting lots. See Chapter 33.930, Measurements, for more information.

      (2) No setback is required from a lot line abutting an alley. However, the Bureau of Transportation may require the garage entrance to be set back to ensure adequate turning radius into the garage.

2. Setbacks for structured parking. Structured parking that allows exiting in a forward motion is subject to the setback requirements for buildings. Structured parking that does not allow exiting in a forward motion is subject to the garage entrance setback standard stated in Table 120-3.

33.120.225 Building Coverage

A. Purpose. The building coverage standards, along with the height and setback standards, limit the overall bulk of structures. They assure that larger buildings will not have a footprint that overwhelms adjacent development. The standards help define the character of the different zones by determining how built-up a neighborhood appears.

B. Maximum building coverage. The maximum building coverages for all covered structures on the site are stated in Table 120-3.

33.120.230 Building Length

A. Purpose. The maximum building length standard, along with the height and setback standard, limits the amount of bulk that can be placed close to the street. The standard
assures that long building walls close to streets will be broken up into separate buildings. This will provide a feeling of transition from lower density development and help create the desired character of development in these zones.

B. **Maximum building length.** In R2, R1, and RMP, the maximum building length for the portion of buildings located within 30 feet of a street lot line is 100 feet. Manufactured dwelling parks are exempt from this standard.

### 33.120.231 Main Entrances

**A. Purpose.** The main entrance standards:

- Together with the window and garage standards, ensure that there is a physical and visual connection between the living area of the residence and the street;
- Enhance public safety for residents and visitors and provide opportunities for community interaction;
- Ensure that the pedestrian entrance is visible or clearly identifiable from the street by its orientation or articulation; and
- Ensure that pedestrians can easily find the main entrance, and so establish how to enter the residence.
- Ensure a connection to the public realm for development on lots fronting both private and public streets by making the pedestrian entrance visible or clearly identifiable from the public street.

**B. Where these standards apply.**

1. The standards of this section apply to houses, attached houses, manufactured homes on individual lots, and duplexes in the multi-dwelling zones.

2. Where a proposal is for an alteration or addition to existing development, the standards apply only to the portion being altered or added.

3. On sites with frontage on both a private street and a public street, the standards apply to the site frontage on the public street. On all other sites with more than one street frontage, the applicant may choose on which frontage to meet the standards.

4. Development on flag lots or on lots which slope up or down from the street with an average slope of 20 percent or more are exempt from these standards.

5. Subdivisions and PUDs that received preliminary plan approval between September 9, 1990, and September 9, 1995, are exempt from this standard.

**C. Location.** At least one main entrance for each structure must:

1. Be within 8 feet of the longest street-facing wall of the dwelling unit; and

2. Either:

   a. Face the street. See Figure 120-5;

   b. Be at an angle of up to 45 degrees from the street; or

   c. Open onto a porch. See Figure 120-6. The porch must:
(1) Be at least 25 square feet in area;
(2) Have at least one entrance facing the street; and
(3) Have a roof that is:
   • No more than 12 feet above the floor of the porch; and
   • At least 30 percent solid. This standard may be met by having 30 percent of the porch area covered with a solid roof, or by having the entire area covered with a trellis or other open material if no more than 70 percent of the area of the material is open.

33.120.232 Street-Facing Facades

A. Purpose. These standards:
   • Together with the main entrance and garage standards, ensure that there is a visual connection between the living area of the residence and the street;
   • Enhance public safety by allowing people to survey their neighborhood from inside their residences; and
   • Provide a more pleasant pedestrian environment by preventing large expanses of blank facades along streets.

B. Where these standards apply. The standards of this section apply to the street-facing facades of buildings that include any residential uses. The standards of this section do not apply in the RMP zone. Subdivisions and PUDs that received preliminary plan approval between September 9, 1990, and September 9, 1995, are exempt from Paragraph B.1, below. Where a proposal is for an alteration or addition to existing development, the applicant may choose to apply the standard either to the portion being altered or added, or to the entire street-facing facade.

1. At least 15 percent of the area of each facade that faces a street lot line must be windows or main entrance doors. Windows used to meet this standard must allow views from the building to the street. Glass block does not meet this standard. Windows in garage doors do not count toward meeting this standard, but windows in garage walls do count toward meeting this standard. To count toward meeting this standard a door must be at the main entrance and facing the street property line. Development on flag lots or on lots which slope up or down from the street with an average slope of 20 percent or more are exempt from these standards.

2. RX zone. The portions of buildings in the RX zone that have nonresidential development are subject to the ground floor window requirements of the CX zone in 33.130.230.B.2.

3. For structures subject to ground floor window requirements, windows used to meet ground floor window requirements may also be used to meet the requirements of Paragraph B.1, above.
33.120.235 Landscaped Areas

A. **Purpose.** The standards for landscaped areas are intended to enhance the overall appearance of residential developments and institutional campuses in multi-dwelling zones. The landscaping improves the residential character of the area, breaks up large expanses of paved areas and structures, provides privacy to the residents, and provides separation from streets. Landscaping also helps cool the air temperature, intercept rainfall and reduce stormwater run-off by providing a non-paved permeable surface. Landscaping can also provide food for people and habitat for birds and other wildlife.
B. **Minimum landscaped areas.** The required amount of landscaped area is stated in Table 120-3. Sites developed with a house, attached house, duplex, or manufactured dwelling park are exempt from this standard. Required landscaped areas must be at ground level and must comply with at least the L1 standard in Chapter 33.248. Up to 1/3 of the required landscaped area may be for active or passive recreational use, or for use by pedestrians. Examples include walkways, play areas, plazas, picnic areas, and open recreational facilities. Remaining landscaped areas must comply with the standards in Subsection C. below. Any required landscaping, such as for required setbacks or parking lots, applies toward the minimum required landscaped area. The outdoor areas required in 33.120.240 below, also apply towards meeting the minimum landscaped area requirements of this section, if they are uncovered.

C. **Landscaping standards.**

1. **Building setbacks.** The required building setbacks must be landscaped to at least the L1 standard of Chapter 33.248, Landscaping and Screening. Detached accessory structures and other development allowed in the setbacks are exempt from this standard. Sites developed with a house, attached house or duplex are also exempt from this standard.

2. **Parking areas.** Perimeter and internal parking area landscaping standards are stated in Chapter 33.266, Parking And Loading.

33.120.237 Trees
Requirements for street trees and for on-site tree preservation, protection, and overall tree density are specified in Title 11, Trees. See Chapter 11.50, Trees in Development Situations.

33.120.240 Required Outdoor Areas

A. **Purpose.** The required outdoor areas standards assure opportunities for outdoor relaxation or recreation. The standards work with the building coverage and minimum landscaped areas standards to assure that some of the land not covered by buildings is of adequate size, shape, and location to be usable for outdoor recreation or relaxation. Required outdoor areas are an important aspect in addressing the livability of a residential property by providing outdoor living opportunities, some options for outdoor privacy, and a healthy environment.

B. **Requirements.**

1. **Amount required.** At least 48 square feet of outdoor area is required for each dwelling unit on the site. The RMP zone is exempt from the standards in this section.

2. **Size, location and configuration.** Required outdoor area may be provided as individual, private outdoor areas, such as patios or balconies, or as common, shared outdoor areas, such as courtyards and play areas. There also may be a combination of individual and common areas.

   a. **Individual unit areas.** Where a separate outdoor area is provided for each individual unit, it must be designed so that a 6-foot x 6-foot square will fit entirely within it. The outdoor area must be directly accessible to the unit. Areas
used for pedestrian circulation to more than one dwelling unit do not count towards meeting this standard of this subsection. If the area is at ground level, it may extend into the required side and rear setback, but not into the required front building setback. Covered outdoor areas are subject to Paragraph B.5 below.

b. Common areas. Where outdoor areas are common, shared areas, each must be designed so that it is at least 500 square feet in area and so that a 15-foot x 15-foot square will fit entirely within it.

c. Combination of individual and common areas. Where a combination of individual unit and common areas is provided, each individual area must meet B.2.a above and each common area must meet B.2.b above, providing 48 square feet of outdoor area for each dwelling unit served by the common area.

3. Surfacing materials. Required outdoor areas must be surfaced with lawn, pavers, decking, or sport court paving which allows the area to be used for active or passive recreational use.

4. User amenities. User amenities, such as tables, benches, trees, shrubs, planter boxes, garden plots, drinking fountains, spas, or pools, may be placed in the outdoor area. Common, shared outdoor areas may also be developed with amenities such as play areas, plazas, roof-top patios, picnic areas, and open recreational facilities.

5. Enclosure. Required outdoor areas may be covered, such as a covered patio, but they may not be fully enclosed. Covered outdoor areas are subject to the setback standards of this chapter.

33.120.250 Screening

A. Purpose. The screening standards address specific unsightly features which detract from the appearance of multi-dwelling residential areas.

B. Garbage and recycling collection areas. All exterior garbage cans, garbage collection areas, and recycling collection areas must be screened from the street and any adjacent properties. Trash receptacles for pedestrian use are exempt. Screening must comply with at least the L3 or F2 standards of Chapter 33.248, Landscaping and Screening.

C. Mechanical equipment. Mechanical equipment located on the ground, such as heating or cooling equipment, pumps, or generators must be screened from the street and any abutting residential zones by walls, fences, or vegetation. Screening must comply with at least the L2 or F2 standards of Chapter 33.248, Landscaping and Screening, and be tall enough to screen the equipment. Mechanical equipment placed on roofs must be screened in one of the following ways, if the equipment is within 50 feet of an R zone:

1. A parapet along facades facing the R zone that is as tall as the tallest part of the equipment;

2. A screen around the equipment that is as tall as the tallest part of the equipment; or

3. The equipment is set back from roof edges facing the R zone 3 feet for each foot of height of the equipment.
D. Other screening requirements. The screening requirements for parking, exterior storage, and exterior display areas are stated with the regulations for those types of development.

33.120.255 Pedestrian Standards

A. Purpose. The pedestrian standards encourage a safe, attractive, and usable pedestrian circulation system in all developments. They ensure a direct pedestrian connection between abutting streets and buildings on the site, and between buildings and other activities within the site. In addition, they provide for connections between adjacent sites, where feasible. The standards promote configurations that minimize conflicts between pedestrians and vehicles. In order to facilitate additional pedestrian oriented space and less impervious surface, the standards also provide opportunities for accessways with low traffic volumes, serving a limited number of residential units, to be designed to accommodate pedestrians and vehicles within the same space when special paving treatments are used to signify their intended use by pedestrians as well as vehicles.

B. The standards. The standards of this section apply to all development except houses, attached houses, manufactured homes on individual lots, and duplexes. The standards of this section do not apply to manufactured dwelling parks. An on-site pedestrian circulation system must be provided. The system must meet all standards of this subsection.

1. Connections. The on-site pedestrian circulation system must provide connections as specified below:

a. Connection between streets and entrances.

   (1) Sites with one street frontage.
   
   • Generally. There must be a connection between one main entrance of each building on the site and the adjacent street. The connection may not be more than 20 feet longer or 120 percent of the straight line distance, whichever is less.
   
   • Household Living. Sites where all of the floor area is in Household Living uses are only required to provide a connection to one main entrance on the site. The connection may not be more than 20 feet longer or 120 percent of the straight line distance, whichever is less.
   
   • Tree preservation. If a tree that is at least 12 inches in diameter is proposed for preservation, and the location of the tree or its root protection zone would prevent the standard of this paragraph from being met, the connection may be up to 200 percent of the straight line distance.

   (2) Sites with more than one street frontage. Where the site has more than one street frontage, the following must be met:

   • The standard of B.1.a(1) must be met to connect the main entrance of each building on the site to the closest sidewalk or roadway if there are no sidewalks. Sites where all of the floor area is in Household Living uses are only required to provide a straight line connection to one main entrance on the site;

   • An additional connection, which does not have to be a straight line connection, is required between each of the other streets and a
pedestrian entrance. However, if at least 50 percent of a street facing facade is within 10 feet of the street, no connection is required to that street.

b. Internal connections. On sites larger than 10,000 square feet, an internal pedestrian connection system must be provided. The system must connect all main entrances on the site that are more than 20 feet from the street, and provide connections to other areas of the site, such as parking areas, bicycle parking, recreational areas, common outdoor areas, and any pedestrian amenities.

   a. The circulation system must be hard-surfaced and be at least 5 feet wide. Segments of the circulation system that provide access to no more than 4 residential units may be 3 feet wide.
   b. Except as allowed in subparagraph d, below, where the system crosses driveways, parking areas, and loading areas, the system must be clearly identifiable, through the use of elevation changes, speed bumps, a different paving material, or other similar method. Striping does not meet this requirement. Elevation changes and speed bumps must be at least 4 inches high.
   c. Except as allowed in subparagraph d, below, where the system is parallel and adjacent to an auto travel lane, the system must be a raised path or be separated from the auto travel lane by a raised curb, bollards, landscaping or other physical barrier. If a raised path is used it must be at least 4 inches high and the ends of the raised portions must be equipped with curb ramps. Bollard spacing must be no further apart than 5 feet on center.
   d. The pedestrian circulation system may be within an auto travel lane if the auto travel lane provides access to 16 or fewer parking spaces and the entire auto travel lane is surfaced with paving blocks or bricks.

3. Lighting. The on-site pedestrian circulation system must be lighted to a level where the system can be used at night by the employees, residents, and customers.

33.120.260 Recycling Areas
Requirements for recycling areas are regulated by the Bureau of Planning and Sustainability. See Section 17.102.270, Businesses and Multifamily Complexes Required to Recycle, of the Portland City Code.

33.120.265 Amenity Bonuses

   A. Purpose and description. Special amenity bonuses for increased density are intended to improve the livability of multi-dwelling developments for their residents and to promote family oriented multi-dwelling developments. The amenity bonuses are designed to allow additional dwelling units in a manner that is still consistent with the purposes of the multi-dwelling zones. The bonuses are applicable to a range of development sizes. However, they are more practical or workable for larger projects. Not all bonus options will be applicable for all situations. The amenity options are designed to provide incentives, while
leaving the specific choices to the developer. Some options involve providing additional features, such as children's play areas. Others require improved materials, such as additional sound insulation.

The amount of the bonus for each option is a result of balancing several factors. These include:

- The likelihood that the amenity will be provided without the use of incentives;
- The potential cost to the developer; and
- The importance of the amenity.

**B. Regulations.**

1. **Qualifying types of development.** The amenity bonus provisions are applicable to all housing types in the R3, R2, and R1 zones.

2. **Computation of the bonus.** The percentages of all the bonus options included in the project are added together. The total is then applied to the allowed number of units to determine the additional units allowed. Fractions of additional units earned are not counted.

3. **Maximum bonus.** The maximum density increase allowed for a development is 50 percent including density increased through an inclusionary housing bonus allowed by 33.120.205.F. Increases over 50 percent are prohibited.

4. **Compliance with the standards.** The bonus amenity standards must be met in full to receive the bonus; exceptions are prohibited. In addition, adjustments to the development standards of the base zone, overlay zone, or plan district are prohibited if the project is to receive any density bonuses. It is the responsibility of the applicant to document that all of the amenity bonus requirements are met. Documentation is required prior to issuance of building permits for the bonus units.

5. **Base zone site development standards.** The additional units must comply with all applicable site development standards. Any development feature provided to comply with the requirements of the base zone, such as the required outdoor area requirement, may not be counted towards the calculation of bonus density.

6. **Covenants.**

   a. The applicant must sign a covenant that ensures that the amenities provided to receive any bonus density will continue to be provided for the life of the project.

   b. The covenant must comply with the standards in 33.700.060, Covenants with the City.

   c. If the bonus density is earned through preservation of trees under Paragraph C.9, the covenant must also specify that if the trees are determined to be dead, diseased, or dangerous by an arborist, they must be removed and replaced under a tree permit in accordance with Title 11, Trees. If a tree used to earn bonus density is dead, diseased, or dangerous as the result of a violation, Tree Review is required.
C. The amenity bonus options.

1. Outdoor recreation facilities. Outdoor recreational facilities may include a tennis or basketball court, ball field, swimming pool, horseshoe pit, gazebo, permanent picnic tables, and similar items. The density bonus is 2 percent for each 1/2 of 1 percent of the overall project development cost spent on outdoor recreation facilities. There is a maximum of 10 percent density increase allowed for this bonus.

2. Children's play areas. The density bonus for this amenity is 5 percent. A qualifying children's play area must comply with all of the following standards:
   a. Size and layout. Each children's play area must be at least 1,000 square feet and clearly delineated. Each must be of such shape to allow a square 25 feet on a side to fit in the area. At least 400 square feet of the area must be in grass. Children's play areas must be separated from any other outdoor recreational facilities.
   b. Play equipment. Each children's play area must include a play structure at least 100 square feet in area, a swing structure with at least 4 swings, and at least one of the following: a slide, permanent sand box, permanent wading pool, or other children's play equipment commonly found in a public park. Equipment must be of adequate materials to match the expected use, and manufactured to American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) F1487-11 standards or other comparable standards applicable to public playground equipment.
   c. Fencing. Each children's play area must be fenced along any perimeter which is within 10 feet of a street, alley, property line, or parking area.

3. Three bedroom units. A bonus of 5 percent is allowed if 10 percent of the development's units have at least 3 bedrooms. A bonus of 10 percent is allowed if 20 percent or more of the development's units have at least 3 bedrooms. If between 10 percent and 20 percent of the units have at least 3 bedrooms, then the bonus is prorated.

4. Storage areas. The density bonus for this amenity is 5 percent. The bonus is allowed if all units are provided with interior storage and additional storage for large items, as indicated below.
   a. Interior storage. Interior storage areas must comply with all of the following minimum dimensions:
      (1) Kitchens — 20 square feet of drawers and 50 square feet of shelf space. Shelves must have at least 12 inches of vertical clearance.
      (2) Bedroom closets — 16 square feet in floor area, and one in each bedroom.
      (3) Linen closet — 10 square feet of shelving, and may be located in a hallway or bathroom.
      (4) Entry closet — 10 square feet of floor area.
b. Storage for large items. Storage areas must be fully enclosed, be dry, and have locks if they are not located in the dwelling. They must be at least 50 square feet in floor area, and at least 7 feet high. They must be located so as to be easily accessible for large items, such as barbecues, bicycles, and sports equipment.

5. Sound insulation. The density bonus for this amenity is 10 percent. To qualify for this bonus, the interior noise levels of residential structures must be reduced in 3 ways. The reductions address noise from adjacent dwellings and from outdoors, especially from busy streets.
   a. The sound insulation of all party walls, walls between corridors and units, and in floor-ceiling assemblies must comply with a Sound Transmission Class (STC) of 55 (50 if field-tested). STC standards are stated in the Oregon Structural Specialty Code (the Uniform Building Code as amended by the State of Oregon).
   b. The STC rating on all entrance doors assemblies from interior corridors must be at least 30, as documented by acoustic laboratory tests of the doors.
   c. The STC rating on all windows, skylights, and exterior doors, must be at least 35, as documented by acoustic laboratory tests.

6. Crime prevention. The density bonus for this amenity is 10 percent. The bonus is allowed if all units have security features which comply with items 1 through 6 of the Residential Security Recommendations of the Portland Police Bureau. In addition, exterior lights which comply with the lighting standards of the Crime Prevention Division of the Portland Police Bureau must be provided. Development plans must be certified by the Crime Prevention Division of the Portland Police Bureau as complying with these provisions.

7. Solar water heating. The density bonus for this amenity is 5 percent. The bonus is allowed if solar-heated water is provided to all units. Systems may be active or passive. Systems must qualify for the Oregon State solar energy tax credit or be rated by the Solar Rating and Certification Corporation (SRRC). Applicants must provide documentation that the provisions are met.

8. Larger required outdoor areas. The density bonus for this amenity is 5 percent. To qualify for this amenity, at least 96 square feet of outdoor area is required for each dwelling unit. All other standards of 33.120.240, above, must be met.

9. Tree preservation. Development proposals that preserve more than the required number or percentage of the trees on the site may receive up to a maximum of 10 percent density bonus. The density bonus that may be received for each tree that is preserved in addition to those required to be preserved on the site is shown in Table 120-6.

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<th>Diameter of Tree Preserved</th>
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<td>12 to 20 inches</td>
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<tr>
<td>20 to 36 inches</td>
<td>3 percent</td>
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<td>36 inches or greater</td>
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Each tree counted toward the bonus must be documented in an arborist report that the following are met:

a. Be at least 12 inches in diameter;

b. Not be dead, dying, or dangerous; and

c. Not be on the Nuisance Plants List.

33.120.270 Alternative Development Options

A. Purpose. The alternative development options provide increased variety in development while maintaining the residential neighborhood character. The options are intended to:

• Encourage development which is more sensitive to the environment, especially in hilly areas;
• Encourage the preservation of open and natural areas;
• Promote better site layout and opportunities for private recreational areas;
• Allow for greater flexibility within a development site while limiting impacts to the surrounding neighborhood;
• Promote more opportunities for affordable housing; and
• Allow more energy-efficient development.
• Reduce the impact that new development may have on surrounding residential development.
• Allow a greater sense of enclosure within common greens and shared courts; and
• Ensure adequate open area within common greens.

B. General requirements for all alternative development options. The alternative development options listed in this section are allowed by right unless it is specifically stated otherwise. They must conform with all other development standards of the base zone unless those standards are superseded by the ones in this section. Sites in the RMP zone are not eligible for alternative development option.

C. Attached houses. The development standards for attached housing are:

1. Density, height, and other development standards. The minimum and maximum density, height, building length, landscaped areas, required outdoor area, and window requirements of the base zone apply.

2. Lot size. See 33.612, Lots in Multi-Dwelling Zones, for lot size information.

3. Number of units. In the R3 zone, up to 8 attached houses may have common walls.

4. Building setbacks.

   a. Perimeter building setbacks. The front, side, and rear building setbacks around the perimeter of an attached housing project are those of the base zone. The setback standards stated in Table 120-4 apply to the combined areas of the plane of each unit’s building wall facing the property line. See Figure 120-13 and Section 33.930.080, Determining the Plane of a Building Wall.
b. Interior building setbacks. The side building setback on the side containing the common or abutting wall is reduced to zero. The reduced setback applies to all buildings on the lot and extends along the full length of the lot line that contains the common or abutting wall.

c. Corner lots. On corner lots, either the rear setback or nonstreet side setback can be reduced to zero. However, the remaining nonstreet setback must comply with the requirements for a standard rear setback.

5. Building coverage. The maximum building coverage of the base zone applies to the entire attached housing project. The maximum building coverage for an individual lot is 5 percent more than the base zone allowance.

6. Maximum building length. The maximum building length standard stated in Table 120-3 applies to the combined length of the street-facing facades of each unit.

7. Appearance. The intent of this standard is to prevent garages and blank walls from being the dominant front visual feature. The front facade of an attached house may not include more than 40 percent of garage wall area. For measurement information, see Chapter 33.930, Measurements.

Figure 120-13
Measuring Setback Standard for Attached Houses and Duplexes

D. Detached houses.

1. Reduced side setbacks. For land divisions that include lots created for detached houses, where the lots are at least 25 feet wide, the detached houses may have their side setbacks reduced to 3 feet on lot lines internal to the land division site. The
reduced side setbacks must be shown on the supplemental plan of the land division at the time of final plat approval. Eaves may project up to one foot into the reduced side setback. All building setbacks around the perimeter of the land division site are those of the base zone.

2. Permit-Ready houses. Chapter 33.278 contains provisions for Permit-Ready houses on narrow lots.

E. Additional standards for attached houses, detached houses, and duplexes accessed by common greens, shared courts, or alleys. These standards promote courtyard-oriented housing by facilitating the use of common greens and shared courts as part of housing projects on small sites. Standards within this section also promote pedestrian-oriented street frontages by facilitating the creation of rear alleys and allowing more efficient use of space above rear vehicle areas.

1. When these standards apply. These standards apply when the proposal includes a common green, shared court, or alley;

2. Minimum density in R2 and R1 zones. The minimum density in the R2 zone is 1 unit per 3,000 square feet. The minimum density in the R1 zone is 1 unit per 2,000 square feet;

3. Accessory structures.
   a. Covered accessory structures for the common use of residents are allowed within common greens and shared courts. Covered accessory structures include gazebos, garden structures, greenhouses, picnic areas, play structures and bike parking areas;
   b. Structures for recycling or waste disposal are allowed within common greens, shared courts, private alleys, or parked tracts;

4. Setbacks.
   a. The front and side minimum building setbacks from common greens and shared courts are reduced to 3 feet; and
      (1) Minor architectural features such as eaves, awnings, and trellises are allowed in this setback; and
      (2) On corner lots where there is one street lot line on a public street and one street lot line is on the common green or shared court, up to 30 percent of the area of the building facade facing the common green or shared court may extend into this setback. At least 30 percent of the area extending into this setback must include windows or glass block. Porches are exempt from the window standard.
   b. The setbacks of garage entrances accessed from a shared court must be either 5 feet or closer to the shared court property line, or 18 feet or further from the shared court property line. If the garage entrance is located within 5 feet of the shared court property line, it may not be closer to the property line than the residential portion of the building.
c. For accessory structures in common greens, shared courts, private alleys, or parking tracts, the setbacks are:

(1) Adjacent to a public street. The minimum setback from a public street is 10 feet;

(2) Setback from project perimeter. If the common green, shared court, private alley, or parking tract abuts the perimeter property line of the project, the minimum setback for the accessory structure is 5 feet. The perimeter property line of the project is the boundary of the site before development;

(3) Setback from all other lot lines. The minimum setback from all other lot lines is 3 feet;

5. Maximum height.

a. In the R1 and RH zones, where the front lot line abuts a shared court:

(1) In the R1 zone, the maximum building height within 10 feet of a front property line abutting a shared court is 45 feet.

(2) In the RH zone, the maximum building height within 10 feet of a front property line abutting a shared court is 65 feet.

b. Accessory structures in common greens, shared courts, private alleys, or parking tracts may be up to 15 feet high.


a. When a land division proposal includes common greens, shared courts, or private alleys, maximum building coverage is calculated based on the entire land division site, rather than for each lot.

(1) Buildings or structures in common greens, shared courts, private alleys, or parking tracts are included in the calculation for building coverage for the land division site;

(2) The combined building coverage of all buildings and structures in common greens or shared courts may not exceed 15 percent of the total area of the common greens or shared courts.

(3) Any amount of building coverage remaining from the calculation for the area of the common green, shared court, alley, or parking tract will be allocated evenly to all of the lots within the land division, unless a different allocation of the building is approved through the land division decision. The building coverage allocated to the lots will be in addition to the maximum allowed for each lot.

b. For attached houses, uncovered rear balconies that extend over an alley or vehicle maneuvering area between the house and rear lot line do not count toward maximum building coverage calculations.
F. **Attached duplexes.** The attached duplex regulations allow for an alternative housing type that promotes owner-occupied structures, the efficient use of land, and for energy-conserving housing.

1. **Lot size.** Each attached duplex must be on a lot that complies with the lot size standard for new lots of the base zone.

2. **Building setbacks.** The setback standards stated in Table 120-4 apply to the combined areas of the plane of each unit’s building wall facing the property line. See Figure 120-13 and Section 33.930.080, Determining the Plane of a Building Wall.
   - **a. Interior (non-corner) lots.** On interior lots, the side building setback on the side containing the common wall is reduced to zero.
   - **b. Corner lots.** On corner lots, either the rear setback or non-street side setback may be reduced to zero. However, the remaining non-street setback must comply with the requirements for a standard rear setback.

3. **Number of units.** A maximum of 2 units per lot and 4 units per structure is allowed.

4. **Appearance.** The intent of this standard is to prevent garages and blank walls from being the dominant front visual feature. The front facade of an attached duplex may not include more than 40 percent of garage wall area. For measurement information, see Chapter 33.930, Measurements.

G. **Duplexes on corners.** Duplexes on corners are allowed in the R3 zone on lots where only one dwelling unit would otherwise be allowed. This provision allows the construction of new duplexes in locations where their appearance and impact will be compatible with the surrounding development. Duplexes on corner lots can be designed so each unit is oriented towards a different street. This gives the duplex the overall appearance of a house when viewed from either street.

1. **Qualifying situations.** This provision applies to corner lots in the R3 zone. This provision applies only to new development. Conversion of existing housing is prohibited under the regulations of this subsection.

2. **Density and lot size.** One extra dwelling unit is allowed. The lot must comply with the minimum lot size standard for new lots in the base zone.

3. **Additional site development standards.** Each unit of the duplex must have its address, front door, driveway, and parking area or garage oriented to a separate street frontage.

H. **Planned Development.** See Chapter 33.638, Planned Development.

I. **Flag lot development standards.** The development standards for flag lots include specific screening and setback requirements to protect the privacy of abutting residences. The following standards apply to development on flag lots created before July 1, 2002:
1. Setbacks. Flag lots have required building setbacks that are the same along all lot lines. The required setbacks are:

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<td>R3, R2, R1, RH</td>
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2. Landscaped buffer area. In the R3 through RH zones, on lots that are 10,000 square feet or less in area, a landscaped area is required around the perimeter of the flag lot to buffer the flag portion from surrounding lots. The pole and the lot line that separates the flag lot and the lot from which it was divided are exempt from this requirement. The landscaped area must be at least 3 feet deep and be landscaped to at least the L3 standard. See Figure 120-8.

Figure 120-8
Flag Lot Description and Buffer

33.120.275 Development Standards for Institutions

A. **Purpose.** The general base zone development standards in the R3 through RX zones are designed for residential buildings. Different development standards are needed for
institutional uses which may be allowed in multi-dwelling zones. The intent is to maintain compatibility with and limit the negative impacts on surrounding residential areas.

B. Use categories to which these standards apply. The standards of this section apply to uses in the institutional group of use categories in the R3 through RX zones, whether allowed by right, allowed with limitations, or subject to a conditional use review. The standards apply to new development, exterior alterations, and conversions to institutional uses. Recreational fields used for organized sports on a school, school site, or in a park, are subject to the regulations of Chapter 33.279, Recreational Fields for Organized Sports.

C. The standards.

1. The development standards are stated in Table 120-7. If not addressed in this section, the regular base zone development standards apply.

2. Setbacks on a transit street or in a Pedestrian District. If the minimum setback conflicts with the maximum setback, the maximum setback supersedes the minimum.

3. Exterior storage. Exterior storage of materials or equipment is prohibited.

4. Outdoor activity facilities. Except as specified in paragraph C.5, below, outdoor activity facilities, such as swimming pools, basketball courts, tennis courts, or baseball diamonds must be set back 50 feet from abutting R-zoned properties. Playground facilities must be set back 25 feet from abutting R-zoned properties if not illuminated, and 50 feet if illuminated.

5. Recreational fields used for organized sports. Recreational fields used for organized sports on a school, school site, or in a park, are subject to Chapter 33.279, Recreational Fields for Organized Sports.

6. Electrical substations. In addition to the standards in Table 120-7, the entire perimeter of electrical substations, including the street lot line (except for the access point), must be landscaped to the L3 standards stated in Chapter 33.248. This landscaping must be planted on the outside of any security fence. Electrical substations that are in a fully enclosed building are exempt from this requirement.

7. Grassy areas. Grassy play areas, golf courses, cemeteries, and natural areas are not subject to the high hedge buffering standard and are exempt from the setback standard of Paragraph C.2, above.

8. Access for accessory Retail Sales And Service Uses. Areas occupied by an accessory Retail Sales And Service use may have no direct access to the outside of the building. Access to the area must be from an interior space or from an exterior space that is at least 150 feet from a public right-of-way.

9. Exterior signage for accessory Retail Sales And Service uses is prohibited.
### Table 120-7
Institutional Development Standards [1]

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<td>1 ft. back for every 2 ft. of bldg. height, but in no case less than 10 ft.</td>
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<td>10 ft. to L3 standard</td>
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<td>Buffering Across a Street from a Residential Zone [5]</td>
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<td>Setbacks for All Detached Accessory Structures Except Fences</td>
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**Notes:**

[1] The standards of this table are minimums or maximums as indicated. Compliance with the conditional use approval criteria might preclude development to the maximum intensity permitted by these standards.

[2] For campus-type developments, the entire campus is treated as one site. Setbacks are only measured from the perimeter of the site. The setbacks in this table only supersede the setbacks required in Table 120-3. The normal regulations for projections into setbacks and for detached accessory structures still apply.

[3] Towers and spires with a footprint of 200 square feet or less may exceed the height limit, but still must comply with the setback standard.

[4] Any required landscaping, such as for required setbacks or parking lots, applies towards the landscaped area standard.

[5] Surface parking lots are subject to the parking lot setback and landscaping standards stated in Chapter 33.266, Parking And Loading.

### 33.120.280 Detached Accessory Structures

**A. Purpose.** This section regulates detached structures that are incidental to primary buildings to prevent them from becoming the predominant element of the site. The standards limit the height and bulk of the structures and promote compatibility of design for larger structures when they are in conjunction with single-dwelling development. The standards provide for necessary access around structures, help maintain privacy to abutting lots, and maintain open front yard areas.

**B. General standards.**

1. The regulations of this section apply to all accessory structures. Additional regulations for accessory dwelling units are stated in Chapter 33.205.

2. Detached accessory structures are allowed on a site only in conjunction with a primary building and may not exist on a site prior to the construction of the primary structure, except as allowed by Paragraph B.3, below.

3. A detached accessory structure that becomes the only structure on a lot as the result of a land division, a property line adjustment, a separation of ownership, or a
demolition of the primary structure may remain on the lot if the owner has executed a covenant with the City that meets the requirements of Section 33.700.060.

a. For a land division, the covenant must require the owner to remove the accessory structure if, within two years of final plat approval, a primary structure has not been built and received final inspection. The covenant must be executed with the City prior to final plat approval.

b. For a property line adjustment or a separation of ownership, the covenant must require the owner to remove the accessory structure if a primary structure has not been built and received final inspection within two years. The two years begins on the date the letter from BDS confirming the property line adjustment or separation of ownership is mailed. The covenant must be executed with the City before the final letter from BDS is issued.

c. For a demolition of a primary structure, the covenant must require the owner to remove the accessory structure if a new primary structure has not been built and received final inspection within two years of the demolition of the old primary structure. The two years begins on the date of the final inspection of the demolition. The covenant must be executed with the City prior to the issuance of the demolition permit.

C. Detached covered accessory structures. Detached covered accessory structures are items such as garages, greenhouse, artist's studios, guest houses, accessory dwelling units, laundry or community buildings, storage buildings, wood sheds, water collection cisterns, and covered decks or patios. The following standards apply to all detached covered accessory buildings. Garages are also subject to the standards of 33.120.283.

1. Height. In general, the height standard of the base zone apply to detached covered accessory structures. The maximum height allowed for detached covered structures that are accessory to a house, attached house, duplex, attached duplex or manufactured home on an individual lot is 20 feet.

2. Setbacks. Except as follows, detached covered accessory structures are subject to required building setbacks. See the additional regulations for garages in 33.120.283.

   a. Water collection cisterns that are 6 feet or less in height are allowed in side and rear setbacks.

   b. In the multi-dwelling zones, detached covered accessory structures accessory to a house, attached house, duplex, attached duplex or manufactured home on an individual lot are allowed in the side and rear building setbacks, if all of the following are met:

      (1) The structure is at least 40 feet from a front lot line, and if on a corner lot, at least 20 feet from a side street lot line;

      (2) The structure has dimensions that do not exceed 24 feet by 24 feet, excluding eaves;
(3) If more than one structure is within the setback, the combined length of all structures in the setback adjacent to each property line is no more than 24 feet;

(4) The structure is no more than 15 feet high, and the walls of the structure are no more than 10 feet high, excluding the portion of the wall within a gable;

(5) The portion of the structure within the setback must be screened from adjoining lots by a fence or landscaping, unless it is enclosed within the setback by a wall. Screening is not required for enclosed structures. Screening must comply with the L3 or F2 standards of Chapter 33.248, Landscaping and Screening;

(6) Walls located within the setback may not have doors or windows facing the adjacent lot line;

(7) The structure does not have a rooftop deck; and

(8) Dormers are set back at least 5 feet from the side and rear lot lines.

3. Building coverage. The following additional building coverage standards apply to detached covered accessory structures.

a. The combined building coverage of all detached covered accessory structures may not exceed 15 percent of the total area of the site.

b. The building coverage of a detached covered accessory structure may not be greater than the building coverage of the primary structure.

4. Additional development standards for detached covered accessory structures. The following additional standards apply to detached covered accessory structures that are more than 15 feet high, and are accessory to houses, attached houses, duplexes, attached duplexes and manufactured homes on individual lots. Additions to existing structures that do not meet a standard are exempt from that standard.

a. Exterior Finish Materials. The exterior finish materials on the detached covered accessory structure must meet one of the following:

(1) The exterior finish material must be the same or visually match in type, size and placement, the exterior finish material of the primary structure; or

(2) Siding must be made from wood, composite boards, vinyl or aluminum products, and the siding must be composed in a shingle pattern, or in a horizontal clapboard or shiplap pattern. The boards in the pattern must be 6 inches or less in width.

b. Roof Pitch. The roof pitch of the detached covered accessory structure must meet one of the following:

(1) The predominant roof pitch must be the same as the predominant roof pitch of the primary structure; or
(2) The roof must be at least 6/12.

c. Trim. The trim on the detached covered accessory structure must meet one of the following:

(1) The trim must be the same in type, size, and location as the trim used on the primary structure; or

(2) The trim around all windows and doors must be at least 3 ½ inches wide.

d. Windows. The windows on all street facing facades of the detached covered accessory structure must meet one of the following:

(1) The windows must match those on the street facing façade of the primary structure in orientation (horizontal or vertical); or

(2) Each window must be square or vertical – at least as tall as it is wide.

e. Eaves. The eaves on the detached covered accessory structure must meet one of the following:

(1) The eaves must project from the building walls the same distance as the eaves on the primary structure;

(2) The eaves must project from the building walls at least 1 foot on all elevations; or

(3) If the primary structure has no eaves, no eaves are required.

D. Detached uncovered vertical structures. Vertical structures are items such as flag poles, trellises, arbors, and other garden structures, play structures, antennas, satellite receiving dishes, and lamp posts. The following standards apply to uncovered vertical structures. Fences are addressed in Section 33.120.285 below:

1. Height. Except as follows, the maximum height allowed for all detached uncovered vertical structures is the maximum height of the base zone. The maximum height allowed for detached uncovered vertical structures that are accessory to a house, attached house, duplex, attached duplex or manufactured home on an individual lot is 20 feet:

a. Antennas, utility power poles, and public safety facilities are exempt from height limits.

b. Flagpoles are subject to the height limit of the base zone for primary structures.

c. Detached small wind turbines are subject to the standards of 33.299.

2. Setbacks. Except as follows, detached uncovered vertical structures are subject to the required building setbacks:

a. Detached uncovered vertical structures that are no larger than 3 feet in width, depth, or diameter and no taller than 8 feet are allowed in required building setback.
b. A single arbor structure that is up to 6 feet wide, up to 3 feet deep, and up to 8 feet tall is allowed in a front setback. The arbor must allow for pedestrian access under its span.

c. Flagpoles are allowed in required building setbacks.

d. Detached uncovered vertical structures that are accessory to a house, attached house, duplex, attached duplex, and manufactured home that exceed the allowances of Subparagraph 2.a are allowed in side and rear setbacks if all of the following are met:

(1) The structure is at least 40 feet from a front lot line, and if on a corner lot, at least 20 feet from a side street lot line;

(2) The structure has dimensions that do not exceed 24 feet by 24 feet; and

(3) The structure is no more than 10 feet high;

(4) The portion of the structure within the setback must be screened from adjoining lots by a fence or landscaping, unless it is enclosed within the setback by a wall. Screening is not required for enclosed structures. Screening must comply with the L3 or F2 standards of Chapter 33.248, Landscaping and Screening; and

(5) The structure does not have a rooftop deck.

E. Detached uncovered horizontal structures. Uncovered horizontal structures are items such as decks, stairways, swimming pools, hot tubs, tennis courts, and boat docks not covered or enclosed. The following standards apply to detached uncovered horizontal structures:

1. Height. In general, the maximum height allowed for detached uncovered vertical structures is the maximum height of the base zone. The maximum height allowed for detached uncovered vertical structures that are accessory to a house, attached house, duplex, attached duplex or manufactured home on an individual lot is 20 feet.

2. Setbacks. Except as follows, detached uncovered horizontal structures are subject to the required building setbacks:

a. Detached uncovered decks, ramps, and stairways that are more than 2-1/2 feet above the ground may extend into a required building setback up to 20 percent of the depth of the setback. However, the deck or stairway must be at least three feet from a lot line.

b. Structures that are no more than 2-1/2 feet above the ground are allowed in all building setbacks.

F. Detached mechanical equipment. Mechanical equipment includes items such as heat pumps, air conditioners, emergency generators, radon mitigation components, and water pumps. Generally, detached mechanical equipment will not be attached to the building but may have components such as ventilation or electrical systems attached to the primary structure. The following standards apply to detached mechanical equipment:
1. Height. In general, the maximum height allowed for detached mechanical equipment is the maximum height of the base zone. The maximum height allowed for detached mechanical equipment that is accessory to a house, attached house, duplex, attached duplex or manufactured home on an individual lot is 20 feet.

2. Setbacks. Except as follows, detached mechanical equipment is subject to required building setbacks. Detached mechanical equipment accessory to a house, attached house, duplex, attached duplex or manufactured home on an individual lot is allowed in side or rear building setbacks if all of the following are met:
   a. The equipment is no more than five feet high; and
   b. The equipment is screened from adjoining lots by walls, fences or vegetation. Screening must comply with the L3 or F2 standards of Chapter 33.248, Landscaping and Screening.

33.120.283 Additional Standards for Garages

A. Purpose. These standards:
   - Together with the window and main entrance standards, ensure that there is a physical and visual connection between the living area of the residence and the street;
   - Ensure that the location and amount of the living area of the residence, as seen from the street, is more prominent than the garage;
   - Prevent garages from obscuring the main entrance from the street and ensure that the main entrance for pedestrians, rather than automobiles, is the prominent entrance;
   - Provide for a more pleasant pedestrian environment by preventing garages and vehicle areas from dominating the views of the neighborhood from the sidewalk; and
   - Enhance public safety by preventing garages from blocking views of the street from inside the residence.

B. Additional regulations. The regulations of this Section apply in addition to those of 33.120.280, Accessory Structures.

C. Existing detached garages.

1. Rebuilding. A detached garage that is nonconforming due to its location in a setback may be rebuilt on the footprint of the existing foundation, if the garage was originally constructed legally. In this case, the rebuilt garage may be no more than 15 feet high, and the garage walls may be no more than 10 feet high, excluding the portion of the wall within a gable. Decks are not allowed on the roof of the garage. The rebuilt garage is not required to comply with other standards of this chapter.

2. Additions. An addition may be made to an existing detached garage that is nonconforming due to its location in a setback as follows:
   a. The expanded garage meets all other standards of this chapter; or
   b. The combined size of the existing foundation and the addition is no larger than 12 feet wide by 20 feet deep. In this case, the garage is no more than 15 feet high, and the walls of the addition may be no more than 10 feet high, excluding the portion of the wall within a gable. Decks are not allowed on the roof of the
garage. The expanded garage is not required to comply with other standards of this chapter.

D. Length of street-facing garage wall.

1. Where these regulations apply. The regulations of this subsection apply to garages that are accessory to houses, manufactured homes on individual lots, and duplexes in multi-dwelling zones. Where a proposal is for an alteration or addition to existing development, the standard applies only to the portion being altered or added.

2. Exemptions.
   a. Garages that are accessory to attached houses, development on flag lots, or development on lots which slope up or down from the street with an average slope of 20 percent or more are exempt from the standard of this subsection.
   b. Subdivisions and PUDs that received preliminary plan approval between September 9, 1990, and September 9, 1995, are exempt from the standard of this subsection.
   c. On corner lots, only one street-facing garage wall must meet the standards of this subsection.

3. Standard. The length of the garage wall facing the street may be up to 50 percent of the length of the street-facing building facade. See Figure 120-9.

4. Exception. Where the street-facing facade of the building is less than 24 feet long, the garage wall facing the street may be up to 12 feet long if there is one of the following. See Figure 120-10.
   a. Interior living area above the garage. The living area may be set back no more than 4 feet from the street-facing garage wall, or
   b. A covered balcony above the garage that is at least the same length as the street-facing garage wall, at least 6 feet deep, and accessible from the interior living area of the dwelling unit.

E. Street lot line setbacks.

1. Where this standard applies. The standard of this paragraph applies to garages that are accessory to houses, attached houses, manufactured homes on their own lots, and duplexes in multi-dwelling zones. Where a proposal is for an alteration or addition to existing development, the standard applies only to the portion being altered or added.

2. Exemptions.
   a. Development on flag lots or on lots which slope up or down from the street with an average slope of 20 percent or more are exempt from this standard.
   b. Subdivisions and PUDs that received preliminary plan approval between September 9, 1990, and September 9, 1995, are exempt from this standard.
c. Where a lot has more than one street lot line, and there is an existing dwelling unit on the lot, this standard must be met only on the street-facing facade on which the main entrance is located.

3. Standard. A garage wall that faces a street may be no closer to the street lot line than the longest street-facing wall of the dwelling unit. See Figure 120-11.

4. Exception. A street-facing garage wall may be up to 6 feet in front of the longest street-facing wall of the dwelling unit, if:

   a. The street-facing garage wall is 40 percent or less of the length of the building facade; and

   b. There is a porch at the main entrance. The garage wall may not be closer to the street lot line than the front of the porch. See Figure 120-12. The porch must meet the following:

      (1) The porch must be at least 48 square feet in area and have minimum dimensions of 6 feet by 6 feet;

      (2) The porch must have a solid roof; and

      (3) The roof may not be more than 12 feet above the floor of the porch.

Figure 120-9
Length of Street-Facing Garage Wall
Figure 120-10
Length of Street-Facing Garage Wall Exception

Figure 120-11
Street Lot Line Setback
33.120.285 Fences

A. **Purpose.** The fence standards promote the positive benefits of fences without negatively impacting the community or endangering public or vehicle safety. Fences can create a sense of privacy, protect children and pets, provide separation from busy streets, and enhance the appearance of property by providing attractive landscape materials. The negative effects of fences can include the creation of street walls that inhibit police and community surveillance, decrease the sense of community, hinder emergency access, lessen solar access, hinder the safe movement of pedestrians and vehicles, and create an unattractive appearance. These standards are intended to promote the positive aspects of fences and to limit the negative ones.

B. **Types of fences.** The standards apply to walls, fences, and screens of all types whether open, solid, wood, metal, wire, masonry, or other material.

C. **Location and height.**

1. Front building setbacks. Fences up to 3-1/2 feet high are allowed in a required front building setback, or within the first 5 feet of the front lot line, whichever is greater.

2. Side and rear building setbacks.
   a. Fences up to 8 feet high are allowed in required side or rear building setbacks that do not abut a pedestrian connection.
   b. Fences abutting a pedestrian connection.
      (1) Fences up to 8 feet high are allowed in required side or rear building setbacks that abut a pedestrian connection if the pedestrian connection is part of a right-of-way that is at least 30 feet wide.
(2) Fences up to 3-1/2 feet high are allowed in required side or rear building setbacks that abut a pedestrian connection if the pedestrian connection is part of a right-of-way that is less than 30 feet wide.

3. Exception for corner lots in R3 and R2 zones. On corner lots in the R3 and R2 zones, if the main entrance is on the facade facing the side street lot line, the applicant may elect to meet the following instead of C.1. and C.2.:

   a. Fences up to 3-1/2 feet high are allowed within the first 10 feet of the side street lot line.

   b. Fences up to 3-1/2 feet high are allowed in required setbacks that abut a pedestrian connection if the pedestrian connection is part of a right-of-way that is less than 30 feet wide;

   c. Fences up to 8 feet high are allowed in the required front building setback, outside of the area subject to 3a.

   d. Fences up to 8 feet high are allowed in all other side or rear building setbacks.

4. Not in building setbacks. The height for fences that are not in required building setbacks is the same as the regular height limits of the zone.

D. Reference to other regulations. Electrified fences are regulated under Title 26, Electrical Regulations. The use of barbed wire is regulated under Title 24, Building Regulations.

33.120.290 Demolitions

   A. Generally. Demolition on a site that requires a demolition permit is subject to the tree preservation and protection requirements of Title 11, Trees. See Chapter 11.50, Trees in Development Situations.

   B. Historic resources. Demolition of historic resources is regulated by Chapter 33.445, Historic Resource Overlay Zone.

33.120.300 Nonconforming Development

Existing developments that do not conform to the development standards of this chapter may be subject to the regulations of Chapter 33.258, Nonconforming Situations.

33.120.305 Parking and Loading

The standards for the minimum required and maximum allowed number of auto parking spaces, required number of bike parking spaces, parking lot placement, parking lot setbacks and landscaping, loading areas and driveways are stated in Chapter 33.266, Parking And Loading.

33.120.310 Signs

The sign regulations are stated in Title 32, Signs and Related Regulations.

33.120.320 Inclusionary Housing

The regulations pertaining to inclusionary housing are stated in Chapter 33.245, Inclusionary Housing.
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