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New Zoning Ordinance Module 2: Development Standards

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Introduction

This Module proposes a set of development standards and overlay zones for Santa Barbara’s New Zoning Ordinance (NZO), based on an analysis of existing provisions, the Issues and Options paper, and the General Plan, and comments from City staff, Planning Commission, NZO Joint Committee, and stakeholders.

There are two types of development standards addressed in this Module. Those that apply to a particular zone or area, such as in the Residential Single Unit Zone or the Upper State Street Area, and those that apply generally to some or all zones throughout the City.

Each section of this Module is organized in the manner it is anticipated to be organized in the final Ordinance. Placeholders are included for sections of the Ordinance that are not part of the NZO effort for informational purposes. These sections are not part of the NZO module but will be incorporated into the final Ordinance.

BASE ZONE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

Each base zoning district chapter contains a table that states the essential development standards (e.g., lot area, height, setbacks) for the zone and makes reference to other applicable standards that follow the table or that are located in another part of the zoning regulations. For each zone, the current development standards are carried forward or altered as noted.

As discussed in Module 1, Use Regulations, the current zone names do not always provide information regarding the purpose and nature of the zone. The current zone names are proposed to be updated to provide context of the character of each zone. This approach is a renaming of zones and does not rezone property. The following table lists the current and proposed base zone district names. Current base zone district names are also shown in parenthesis in each of the development standards tables in subsequent sections of this document.

| PROPOSED ZONE CLASSIFICATIONS | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|----------------------|----------------------------|
| <i>Proposed Zone</i> | | <i>Existing Zone</i> | |
| Base Zones | | | |
| Residential Zones | | | |
| <i>RS-1A</i> | Residential Single Unit, 1 acre minimum lot size | A-1 | One-Family Residence Zones |
| <i>RS-25</i> | Residential Single Unit, 25,000 square foot minimum lot size | A-2 | |
| <i>RS-15</i> | Residential Single Unit, 15,000 square foot minimum lot size | E-1 | |
| <i>RS-10</i> | Residential Single Unit, 10,000 square foot minimum lot size | E-2 | |

| PROPOSED ZONE CLASSIFICATIONS | | | |
|---|---|----------------------|------------------------------------|
| <i>Proposed Zone</i> | | <i>Existing Zone</i> | |
| RS-7.5 | Residential Single Unit, 7,500 square foot minimum lot size | E-3 | |
| RS-6 | Residential Single Unit, 6,000 square foot minimum lot size | R-1 | |
| R-2 | Two-Unit Residential | R-2 | Two-Family Residence |
| R-M | Residential Multi-Unit | R-3 | Limited Multiple-Family Residence |
| R-MH | Residential Multi-Unit and Hotel | R-4 | Hotel-Motel-Multiple Residence |
| Commercial and Office Zones | | | |
| O-R | Office Restricted | R-O | Restricted Office |
| O-M | Office Medical | C-O | Medical Office |
| C-R | Commercial Restricted | C-P | Restricted Commercial |
| C-G | Commercial General | C-2 | Commercial |
| Manufacturing Zones | | | |
| M-C | Manufacturing Commercial | C-M | Commercial Manufacturing |
| M-I | Manufacturing Industrial | M-I | Light Manufacturing |
| Coastal-Commercial Related Zones | | | |
| C-L (coastal) | Commercial Limited | C-I | Limited Commercial |
| HRC-1 | Hotel and Restaurant | HRC-1 | Hotel and Related Commerce |
| HRC-2 | Hotel and Visitor-Serving Commercial | HRC-2 | Hotel and Related Commerce |
| H-C | Harbor Commercial | HC | Harbor Commercial |
| O-C | Ocean-Oriented Commercial | OC | Ocean-Oriented Commercial |
| OM-I | Ocean-Oriented Manufacturing Industrial | OM-I | Ocean-Oriented Light Manufacturing |
| Park and Recreation Zone | | | |
| P-R | Park and Recreation | PR | Park and Recreation Zone |

OVERLAY ZONES

Overlay zones are combined with base zone(s) and include provisions that apply in addition to the regulations of the underlying base zone. The existing zoning ordinance does not treat overlay zones consistently. Special districts, overlay zones, and dual zoning classifications currently included in the existing zoning ordinance are all essentially ‘overlay zones’. Additionally, current overlay zone names do not always provide information regarding the purpose and the nature of the zone. The following table lists the current and proposed overlay zone names. Notable changes to existing regulations are described following the table.

| PROPOSED OVERLAY ZONE DESIGNATIONS | | | |
|---|---|------------------------------|---|
| <i>Proposed Overlay Zone</i> | | <i>Existing Overlay Zone</i> | |
| AC | Auto, Commercial, and Services Overlay Zone | P-D | Planned Development Zone |
| CZ | Coastal Overlay Zone | S-D-3 | Coastal Overlay Zone |
| HWMF | Hazardous Waste Management Facility | HWMF | Hazardous Waste Management Facility |
| PUD | Planned Unit Development Overlay Zone | PUD | Planned Unit Development Zone |
| RD | Research and Development Overlay Zone | C-X | Research and Development and Administrative Office Zone |
| RH | Resort Hotel Overlay Zone | R-H | Resort-Residential Hotel Zone |
| SRP | San Roque Park Subdivision Overlay Zone | S-D-1 | S-D-1 Zone |
| SH | Senior Housing Overlay Zone | S-H | Senior Housing Zone |
| USS | Upper State Street Area Overlay Zone | S-D-2 | S-D-2 Zone |

Auto, Commercial, and Services (AC) Overlay Zone [Currently P-D Zone]

The stated intent of the current P-D Planned Development Zone is generally to provide for planned centers with uses and restrictions other than those contained in other zone classifications. Allowed uses focus on automobile, commercial, and service type uses and include a selection of public and semi-public, commercial, and industrial uses. The application of this zone has been for automobile dealership developments. In order to more closely align the zone with the permitted uses and application, the P-D Planned Development Zone is recommended to be renamed the Auto, Commercial, and Services (AC) Overlay Zone.

Coastal (CZ) Overlay Zone [Currently S-D-3 Zone]

This chapter includes information and regulations that apply specifically to the Coastal Overlay Zone. General information for the Coastal Overlay Zone is included in this chapter, with reference to the City’s Local Coastal Program Land Use Plan. The definitions provided in the existing Zoning Ordinance for this zone will be incorporated into a “Coastal Zone” category in the Definitions chapter of the NZO. The requirements for issuance of a Coastal Development Permit will be included separately in the Administrative Provisions of the NZO.

Planned Unit Development (PUD) Overlay Zone [Currently PUD Zone]

This chapter provides the regulations associated with the Planned Unit Development Zone, as described in Chapter 28.36 of the existing Zoning Ordinance. The chapter contains information regarding the purpose and applicability of this zone, as well as how to establish a PUD Zone, and its specific allowed uses and development, open space/landscaping standards, and the requirement for a Precise Plan.

Research and Development (RD) Overlay Zone [Currently C-X Zone]

This chapter includes the provisions from Chapter 28.60 of the existing Zoning Ordinance regarding the Research and Development Overlay Zone. The zoning map abbreviation is recommended to change from C-X to RD to more closely align with the name of the zone. Specific requirements regarding the purpose and applicability of this overlay zone, land use regulations, development standards, specific landscaping requirements, and operating standards are carried forward for this overlay zone.

Resort Hotel (RH) Overlay Zone [Currently RH Zone]

This chapter includes the provisions from Chapter 28.27 of the existing Zoning Ordinance with regard to resort hotels which may be established in the RS-15, RS-10, RS-7.5, RS-6, R-2, and R-M zones. Provisions include the purpose and applicability of this overlay zone, the requirement for designation of the area on the Zoning Map, land use regulations, development standards, and procedures for establishing an RH Overlay Zone.

San Roque Park Subdivision (SRP) Overlay Zone [Currently S-D-1 Zone]

This chapter includes provisions that apply solely to the San Roque Park Subdivision Special District Zone. The chapter describes this Special District's purpose and location/applicability, as well as the distinct setback requirements that apply in this overlay zone. The descriptive name (San Roque Park Subdivision), rather than the Special District number, for this overlay zone will provide context for where this zone applies.

Senior Housing (SH) Overlay Zone [Currently SH Zone]

The provisions for this overlay zone can be applied to areas in the City zoned as single-unit residences or two-unit residence zones and are carried forward in the NZO. Provisions include the purpose and applicability of this overlay zone. In addition, the standards and requirements that deviate from the underlying zones are included, as well as specific maximum occupancy requirements, as described in Chapter 28.42 of the existing Zoning Ordinance. Information related to the procedures for establishing this overlay zone, the required plans for establishment of this overlay zone, and termination procedures are also included.

Upper State Street Area (USS) Overlay Zone [Currently S-D-2 Zone]

This chapter includes the information and requirements related specifically to the Upper State Street Area Special District Zone, including the purpose and location/applicability for this Special District, as well as specific development standards. The descriptive name (Upper State Street Area), rather than the Special District number, is used for this overlay zone to provide context for where this zone applies.

Hazardous Waste Management Facility (HWMF) Overlay Zone [Currently HWMF Zone]

The Hazardous Waste Management Facility (HWMF) Overlay Zone establishes requirements for the location, review, and development of hazardous waste management facilities. Currently Chapter 28.75 of the existing Zoning Ordinance, substantive changes will not be made to these

provisions. They will be formatted for consistency with the NZO structure and incorporated into the Final Hearing Draft. A placeholder for this chapter is included in this Module.

CITYWIDE REGULATIONS

Citywide regulations include standards that apply generally to some or all zones throughout the city, including general site regulations, nonconforming provisions, and performance standards. Standards applicable to particular zones, such as Residential Single Unit Zone, appear within the development regulations of that zone chapter. Existing regulations are to be simplified and clarified where appropriate for consistent application. Graphics will be added to provide illustrative examples and context to specific situations where appropriate.

General Site Regulations

This chapter contains general site regulations that are applicable to all land within some or all zone classifications, regardless of use. Regulations are consolidated from a number of areas in the existing title, particularly Chapter 28.87 (General Provisions).

Density Bonus and Development Incentives

The provisions from Section 28.87.400, Density Bonus and Development Incentives, of the existing Zoning Ordinance are included in this chapter along with changes for consistency with State law.

Nonconforming Uses, Structures, and Lots

This chapter includes provisions for nonconforming uses, structures, and lots, incorporating the applicable existing regulations from sections of Chapter 28.87. The proposed regulations retain most of the existing requirements for alteration and expansion of nonconforming uses and structures. New provisions are also added to allow flexibility in maintenance of nonconforming structures, clarify changes that can be made, and address nonconforming interior setbacks created as a result of the 1975 “Residential Downzone” and other ordinance updates. Changes have also been made to allow the 100 percent reconstruction of nonconforming buildings damaged or destroyed by fire, flood, wind, earthquake, or other calamity. This is currently only allowed for nonconforming residential buildings and nonresidential buildings that lose less than 75 percent of market value due to damage.

Off-Street Parking and Loading Requirements

To be addressed with Module #3.

Performance Standards

This new chapter is added to include the applicable land use/community compatibility standards identified throughout the existing Zoning Ordinance that relate to Title 28 in order to establish clear, measurable standards for determining if a use or activity creates a nuisance on adjoining property. The standards in this chapter are based primarily on standards currently applicable in the SP-7 and C-X zones.

Base Zone Development Standards

Chapter 28.04 Residential Zones

28.04.010 Purpose

See Module 1

28.04.020 Land Use Regulations

See Module 1

28.04.030 Development Standards

Tables 28.04.030.A and 28.04.030.B prescribe the development standards for Residential Zones. Section numbers refer to other sections of the Ordinance, while individual letters refer to subsections that directly follow the tables. Additional regulations that apply throughout the City are located in Division III, Citywide Regulations.

| TABLE 28.04.030.A: DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS-RESIDENTIAL SINGLE UNIT ZONES | | | | | | |
|---|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Zone (Formerly) | RS-1A (A-1) | RS-25 (A-2) | RS-15 (E-1) | RS-10 (E-2) | RS-7.5 (E-3) | RS-6 (R-1) |
| Lot and Density | | | | | | |
| Minimum Lot Size (sq. ft. unless noted) | | | | | | |
| <i>Average Slope less than 10% and all lots with frontage on the Pacific Ocean, regardless of slope</i> | 1 acre | 25,000 | 15,000 | 10,000 | 7,500 | 6,000 |
| <i>Average Slope 10% to 20%</i> | 1.5 acre | 37,500 | 22,500 | 15,000 | 11,250 | 9,000 |
| <i>Average Slope over 20% to 30%</i> | 2 acres | 50,000 | 30,000 | 20,000 | 15,000 | 12,000 |
| <i>Average Slope over 30%</i> | 3 acres | 75,000 | 45,000 | 30,000 | 22,500 | 18,000 |
| Minimum Public Street Frontage (ft.) | 100 or 1/3 lot depth, whichever is greater | 100 | 90 | 75 | 60 | 60 |
| See also §TBD, Street Frontage and Access | | | | | | |

| TABLE 28.04.030.A: DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS-RESIDENTIAL SINGLE UNIT ZONES | | | | | | |
|---|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|--|
| Zone (Formerly) | RS-1A (A-1) | RS-25 (A-2) | RS-15 (E-1) | RS-10 (E-2) | RS-7.5 (E-3) | RS-6 (R-1) |
| Maximum Floor Area (Floor to Lot Area Ratio) (sq. ft.) | Applicable only to lots developed, or proposed to be developed, with a building with two or more stories or 17 feet or more in height. | | | | | |
| <i>Less than 4,000 sq. ft. Net Lot Area</i> | 2,200, see also (A), Floor Area, Precluded Development-RS Zones | | | | | |
| <i>4,000 to 9,999 sq. ft. Net Lot Area</i> | 1,200 plus (.25 multiplied by the net lot area), see also (A), Floor Area, Precluded Development-RS Zones | | | | | |
| <i>10,000 to 14,999 sq. ft. Net Lot Area</i> | 2,500 plus (.125 multiplied by the net lot area), see also (A), Floor Area, Precluded Development-RS Zones | | | | | |
| <i>15,000 and more sq. ft. Net Lot Area</i> | Not Applicable | | | | | |
| Density (units/lot) | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| | See §TBD, Additional Dwelling Units and §TBD, Secondary Dwelling Units | | | | | |
| Minimum Residential Unit Size | See §TBD, Residential Unit | | | | | |
| Building Form and Location | | | | | | |
| Maximum Height (ft.) | 30, except as further limited in accordance with Section TBD, Solar Access Height Limit | | | | | |
| Minimum Setbacks (ft.) | See also §TBD, Encroachments into Setbacks and Open Yards | | | | | |
| <i>Front, Residential Building</i> | 35 | 30 | 30 | 25 | 20 | 1 st Story: 15; Portions of buildings above 1 st story and street facing garages and carports: 20 |
| | See also (B), Setback Reduction for Sloping Lots | | | | | |
| <i>Interior, Residential Building</i> | 15 | 10 | 10 | 8 | 6 | 5 |
| <i>Non-Residential Buildings</i> | The required setback for non-residential buildings is double the setback required for residential buildings. | | | | | |
| <i>Uncovered Parking</i> | See §TBD, Location of Required Parking | | | | | |
| Materials | Roofing and siding materials shall be nonreflective. Shiny, mirror like, or glossy metallic finishes are prohibited. | | | | | |
| Open Yard and Lot Coverage | | | | | | |
| Open Yards | See §TBD, Open Yards | | | | | |
| Maximum Lot Coverage, Non-Residential Buildings (% of lot area) | 25 | 25 | 25 | 25 | 25 | 25 |

| TABLE 28.04.030.B: DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS-TWO-UNIT AND MULTI-UNIT ZONES | | | |
|---|---|--|-----------------------|
| Zone (Formerly) | R-2 (R-2) | R-M (R-3) | R-MH (R-4) |
| Lot Size and Street Frontage | | | |
| Minimum Lot Size | | | |
| Average Slope less than 10% | 7,000 | 14,000 | 14,000 |
| Average Slope 10% to 20% | 10,500 | | |
| Average Slope over 20% to 30% | 14,000 | | |
| Average Slope over 30% | 21,000 | | |
| Minimum Public Street Frontage | 60 | 60 | 60 |
| | See §TBD, Street Frontage and Access | | |
| Maximum Base Density | | | |
| Lots less than 5,000 Square Feet | 1 unit | 1 unit | |
| Lots 5,000 to 5,999 Square Feet | 1 unit | 2 units | |
| Lots 6,000 Square Feet to 6,999 Square Feet | 2 units if average slope less than 10%, 1 unit otherwise | 2 units | |
| Lots 7,000 Square Feet or Larger | | | |
| Average Slope less than 10% | 1 unit/3,500 sq. ft. of lot area | 3 units, or 1 unit/3,500 sq. ft. of lot area, whichever is greater | |
| Average Slope 10% to 20% | 1 unit/5,250 sq. ft. of lot area | | |
| Average Slope over 20% to 30% | 1 unit/7,000 sq. ft. of lot area | | |
| Average Slope over 30% | 1 unit/10,500 sq. ft. of lot area | | |
| Additional Density Allowances | | | |
| All lots, in compliance with the applicable section | See §TBD, Accessory Dwelling Unit | See §TBD, Variable Density in Certain Zones See §TBD, Average Unit Size Density Incentive Program See §TBD, Density Bonus and Development Incentives | |
| Building Form and Location | | | |
| Minimum Residential Unit Size | See §TBD, Residential Unit | | |
| Maximum Height (ft.) | 30 | 45 | 45 |
| | Except as further limited in accordance with Section TBD, Solar Access Height Limit | | |

| TABLE 28.04.030.B: DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS-TWO-UNIT AND MULTI-UNIT ZONES | | | |
|---|--|--|-------------------|
| Zone (Formerly) | R-2 (R-2) | R-M (R-3) | R-MH (R-4) |
| Minimum Setbacks (ft.) | See also §TBD, Encroachments into Setbacks and Open Yards See §TBD, Average Unit Size Density Incentive Program | | |
| <i>Front, Residential Buildings</i> | 1 st Story: 15; Portions of buildings above 1st story and street facing garages and carports: 20 See also (B), Setback Reduction for Sloping Lots | 1st and 2nd Stories: 10 Portions of buildings above 2nd story : 20 | |
| | | Garages and Carports; 10 Garages and Carports, Street-Facing: 20 | |
| <i>Interior, Residential Buildings</i> | Garages and carports: 3 Other buildings: 6 | 1st and 2 nd Stories: 6 Portions of buildings above 2nd story: 10 | |
| | | <u>Garages and carports:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lots with one or two units: 3 • Lots with three or more units: 6 except as provided in (C), Interior Garage and Carport Setback Reduction for Lots 55-Feet or Less and (D) Interior Garage and Carport Setback Opposite the Primary Front Lot Line | |
| <i>Non-Residential Buildings</i> | The required setback for non-residential buildings is double the setback required for residential buildings and uses. | | |
| <i>Hotel Conversions</i> | N/A | Conversions of existing residential buildings to hotels or remodels of existing buildings that contain hotels are subject to the setback requirements for residential buildings. New hotel buildings and additions to existing hotels are subject to double the residential setback requirement. | |
| <i>Uncovered Parking</i> | See §TBD, Location of Required Parking | | |
| Open Yard and Lot Coverage | | | |
| Open Yards | See §TBD, Open Yards See §TBD, Average Unit Size Density Incentive Program | | |
| Maximum Lot Coverage, Non-Residential Buildings (% of lot area) | 25 | 25. Conversions of existing residential structures to hotels or remodels of existing buildings that contain hotels are exempt from the lot coverage limitation. New buildings and additions are subject to lot coverage limitations. | |

Additional Residential Zone Development Regulations

- A. **Floor Area, Precluded Development-RS Zones.** No application for a building permit may be approved for a project in an RS Zone that will: (1) result in an increase of the floor area on the lot, (2) change the location of any floor area on the second or higher story of any building on the lot, or (3) increase the height of any portion of a building on the lot to 17 feet or higher if any of the following will occur:
1. The floor area will exceed the allowable maximum floor area for the lot, or
 2. The floor area will exceed 85 percent of the allowable maximum floor area and any of the following apply.
 - a. The average slope of the lot or the building site is 30 percent or greater;
 - b. The height of any building or structure on the lot is more than 25 feet; or
 - c. The lot is located in the Hillside Design District and 500 or more cubic yards of grading is proposed to occur outside the footprint of the main building. Soil located within five feet of an exterior wall of a main building that is excavated and re-compacted shall not be included in the calculation of the volume of grading outside the building footprint.
- B. **Setback Reduction for Sloping Lots.**
1. **Residential Single Unit Zones.** In Residential Single Unit zones, where the average natural slope of the front half of a lot is more than 20 percent slope, the required front building setback for all stories is reduced by five feet.
 2. **R-2 Zone.** In the R-2 Zone, where the average natural slope of the front half of a lot is more than 20 percent slope, the required front building setback for all stories is 10 feet.
- C. **Interior Garage and Carport Setback Reduction for Lots 55-Feet or Less.** The required interior setback for garages and carports on lots in the R-M and R-MH zone less than 55 feet in width and developed with three or more units may be reduced to three feet by the appropriate design review body provided the garage or carport opening does not face a street and the interior depth of the garage or carport does not exceed 20 feet.
- D. **Interior Garages and Carport Setback Opposite the Primary Front Lot Line.** The required interior setback for garages and carports on lots in the R-M and R-MH zone developed with three or more units may be reduced to three feet on the lot line opposite the primary front lot line.

Chapter 28.05 Commercial and Office Zones

28.05.010 Purpose

See Module 1

28.05.020 Land Use Regulations

See Module 1

28.05.030 Development Standards

Table 28.05.030 prescribes the development standards for Commercial and Office Zones. Section numbers refer to other sections of the Ordinance, while individual letters refer to subsections that directly follow the table. Additional regulations that apply throughout the City are located in Division III, Citywide Regulations.

| TABLE 28.05.030: DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS-COMMERCIAL AND OFFICE ZONES | | | | |
|---|--|----------------------|----------------------|--|
| Zone (Formerly) | O-R (R-O) | O-M (C-O) | C-R (C-P) | C-G (C-2) |
| Lot and Density | | | | |
| Minimum Lot Size | None | | | |
| Minimum Public Street Frontage | None, See §TBD, Street Frontage and Access | | | |
| Maximum Base Residential Density | | | | |
| <i>Lots less than 5,000 Square Feet</i> | 1 unit | | | |
| <i>Lots 5,000 to 6,999 Square Feet</i> | 2 units | | | |
| <i>Lots 7,000 Square Feet or Larger</i> | 3 units, or 1 unit/3,500 sq. ft. of lot area, whichever is greater | | | |
| Additional Density Allowances | See §TBD, Variable Density in Certain Zones See §TBD, Average Unit Size Density Incentive Program | | | |
| Building Form and Location | | | | |
| Minimum Residential Unit Size | Studio: 220 square feet; All other units: 400 square feet See §TBD, Residential Unit | | | |
| Maximum Height (ft.) | 45 | 45 | 45 | 45; 60 for Community Benefit Project or Community Benefit Housing Project (§TBD) See also (A), Theater Additions |

| TABLE 28.05.030: DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS-COMMERCIAL AND OFFICE ZONES | | | | |
|---|--|---|---|--------------|
| Zone (Formerly) | O-R (R-O) | O-M (C-O) | C-R (C-P) | C-G (C-2) |
| <i>Adjacent to RS or R-2 Zone</i> | For all portions of the building located within 20 feet of a RS or R-2 zone, the maximum height is 30 ft. This limit is not applicable to Community Benefit Projects or Community Benefit Housing Projects. | | | |
| <i>Additional Height Limitations Adjacent to all Residential Zones</i> | Height is further limited in accordance with §TBD, Solar Access Height Limit | | | |
| Minimum Setbacks (ft.) | See also §TBD, Encroachments into Setbacks and Open Yards See §TBD, Average Unit Size Density Incentive Program | | | |
| <i>Front</i> | <u>Residential only structures:</u> Same as R-M Zone <u>Nonresidential and Mixed-Use structures:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st and 2nd Stories: 10 • Portions of buildings above 2nd story: 20 | | <u>Residential only structures:</u> Same as R-M Zone <u>Nonresidential and Mixed-Use structures:</u> 0 | |
| <i>Interior, Adjacent to a Non-Residential Zone</i> | <u>Residential only structures:</u> Same as R-M Zone <u>Nonresidential and Mixed-Use structures:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st and 2nd Stories: 6 • Portions of buildings above 2nd story: 10 | <u>Residential only structures:</u> Same as R-M Zone <u>Nonresidential and Mixed-Use structures:</u> 0 | | |
| <i>Interior, Adjacent to a Residential Zone</i> | <u>Residential only structures:</u> Same as R-M Zone <u>Nonresidential and Mixed-Use structures:</u> 15 | | | |
| <i>Uncovered Parking</i> | See §TBD, Location of Required Parking | | | |
| Open Yard | | | | |
| Open Yards and Outdoor Living Space | Any lot developed with residential uses shall provide outdoor living space in accordance with the provisions of the R-M Zone. See §TBD, Average Unit Size Density Incentive Program | | | |

Additional Commercial and Office Zone Development Regulations

- A. **Theater Additions.** A stage addition to a live performance theater shall not be considered as part of the height of the building under the following circumstances:
1. The stage addition is devoted solely to rigging fly systems,
 2. The addition is made to a theater that existed as of December 31, 2003, and
 3. The stage addition does not exceed the height of the theater as such theater existed on December 31, 2003.

Chapter 28.06 Manufacturing Zones

28.06.010 Purpose

See Module 1

28.06.020 Land Use Regulations

See Module 1

28.06.030 Development Standards

Table 28.06.030 prescribes the development standards for Manufacturing Zones. Section numbers refer to other sections of the Ordinance. Additional regulations that apply throughout the City are located in Division III, Citywide Regulations.

| TABLE 28.06.030: DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS-MANUFACTURING ZONES | | |
|--|--|----------------------|
| <i>Zone (Formerly)</i> | <i>M-C (C-M)</i> | <i>M-I (M-I)</i> |
| Lot and Density | | |
| Minimum Lot Size | None | |
| Minimum Public Street Frontage | None, See §TBD, Street Frontage and Access | |
| Maximum Residential Base Density | | |
| <i>Lots less than 5,000 Square Feet</i> | 1 unit | One Caretaker Unit |
| <i>Lots 5,000 to 6,999 Square Feet</i> | 2 units | |
| <i>Lots 7,000 Square Feet or Larger</i> | 3 units, or 1 unit/3,500 sq. ft. of lot area, whichever is greater | |
| Additional Density Allowances | See §TBD, Variable Density in Certain Zones See §TBD, Average Unit Size Density Incentive Program | None applicable |
| Building Form and Location | | |
| Maximum Height (ft.) | 45; 60 for Community Benefit Project or Community Benefit Housing Project (§TBD) | |
| <i>Adjacent to RS or R-2 Zone</i> | For all portions of the building located within 20 feet of a RS or R-2 zone, the maximum height is 30 feet. This limit is not applicable to Community Benefit Project or Community Benefit Housing Projects. | |
| <i>Additional Height Limitations Adjacent to all Residential Zones</i> | Height is further limited in accordance with §TBD, Solar Access Height Limit | |

| TABLE 28.06.030: DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS-MANUFACTURING ZONES | | |
|---|---|--------------|
| Zone (Formerly) | M-C (C-M) | M-I (M-I) |
| Minimum Setbacks (ft.) | See also §TBD, Encroachments into Setbacks and Open Yards See §TBD, Average Unit Size Density Incentive Program | |
| <i>Front</i> | <u>Residential only structures:</u> Same as R-M Zone <u>Nonresidential and Mixed-Use Buildings:</u> 0 | |
| <i>Interior, Adjacent to a Non-Residential Zone</i> | <u>Residential only structures:</u> Same as R-M Zone <u>Nonresidential and Mixed-Use Buildings:</u> 0 | |
| <i>Interior, Adjacent to a Residential Zone</i> | <u>Residential only structures:</u> Same as R-M Zone <u>Nonresidential and Mixed-Use Buildings:</u> 15 | |
| <i>Uncovered Parking</i> | See §TBD, Location of Required Parking | |
| Open Yard | | |
| Open Yards and Outdoor Living Space | Any lot developed with residential use shall provide outdoor living space in accordance with the provisions of the R-M Zone. See §TBD, Average Unit Size Density Incentive Program | |

Overlay Zones

Where Overlay Zone provisions are silent regarding matters otherwise governed by other standards of the Zoning Ordinance, the standards of the Zoning Ordinance shall apply. In any case of conflict, the more restrictive standards shall apply.

Chapter 28.09 Auto, Commercial, and Services (AC) Overlay Zone

28.09.010 Purpose

The Auto, Commercial, and Services (AC) Overlay Zone is intended to provide areas for auto related uses, including the sales of new automobiles and vehicles, as well as commercial and service uses in planned centers. Uses and restrictions other than those contained in other zone districts may be appropriate due to one or more of the following circumstances: unusual topographic conditions; proximity to public parks, buildings, major traffic corridors, bodies of water, watercourses, open spaces, and other similar improvements or land features; disparity between adjacent zoning district warranting special features to protect the more restrictive district; or the suitability of a special or unique land use.

28.09.020 Applicability

The provisions of this Chapter apply to properties located within or proposed to be located within the AC Overlay Zone mapped on the Official Zoning Map.

28.09.030 Land Use Regulations

In addition to the uses allowed in the applicable base zone the following uses are permitted:

- A. **Public and Semi-Public Uses**
 - 1. Colleges and Trade Schools
 - 2. Community Assembly
 - 3. Cultural Institutions
 - 4. Hospitals
 - 5. Instructional Services
 - 6. Public Facilities
 - 7. Schools
- B. **Commercial Uses**
 - 1. Automobile/Vehicle Sales and Services

2. Banks and Financial Institutions
 3. Commercial Entertainment and Recreation
 4. Eating and Drinking Establishments, Full Service and Convenience
 5. Hotel
 6. Offices, Business and Professional
 7. Parking, Public or Private
- C. **Industrial Uses**
1. Automobile and Vehicle Repair, Major, conducted entirely within an enclosed building
 2. Commercial Vehicle and Equipment Sales and Rental
 3. Research and Development
 4. Warehousing and Storage
 - a. Outdoor Storage for recreational vehicles
 - b. Personal Storage

28.09.040 Development Standards

- A. **Required Front Setback.** All buildings, structures and parking shall be setback from front lot lines a minimum of 10 feet.
- B. **Height Limitations.** Buildings and structures shall not exceed 45 feet in height.
- C. **Parking.** Parking shall be provided pursuant to Chapter TBD, Off-Street Parking and Loading.
- D. **Other Development Standards.** Other development standards, including but not limited to, interior setbacks, lot coverage, lot area, street frontage, hours and manner of operation, lighting, and landscaping, shall be as prescribed by the Precise Plan approved with the AC Overlay District.

28.09.050 Procedures

- A. **Review Procedures.**
 1. **Zoning Amendment.** An application for a classification as an AC Overlay Zone shall be processed as an amendment to the Zoning Map, according to the procedures of Chapter TBD, Amendments to Zoning Ordinance and Map, and shall include a Precise Plan.
 2. **Precise Plan.** The Precise Plan shall be accepted and processed pursuant to Chapter TBD.
- B. **Expiration.** A Precise Plan shall be effective on the same date as the ordinance creating the AC District for which it was approved and shall expire four years after the

effective date unless actions specified in the conditions of approval have been taken, a building permit has been issued and construction diligently pursued, or a time extension pursuant to Section TBD, Extensions, has been approved. An approved Precise Plan may specify a development staging program exceeding four years.

28.09.060 Project Review

Plans for a project in an AC Overlay Zone shall be accepted for planning and building permits or subdivisions only if they are consistent with an approved Precise Plan and any conditions of approval. No project may be approved and no building permit issued unless the project, alteration or use is consistent with an approved Precise Plan.

Chapter 28.10 Coastal (CZ) Overlay Zone

28.10.010 Purpose

The Coastal (CZ) Overlay Zone is established for the purpose of implementing the Coastal Act of 1976 (Division 20 of the California Public Resources Code) and to ensure that all public and private development in the Coastal Zone of the City of Santa Barbara is consistent with the City's Certified Local Coastal Program and the Coastal Act.

28.10.020 Applicability

The CZ Overlay Zone is applied to the "Coastal Zone" which is generally defined as land within 1,000 yards from the mean high tide line as established by the Coastal Act which lies within the City of Santa Barbara (including the Santa Barbara Airport), as shown on the Post-LCP Certification Permit and Appeal Jurisdiction Map, City of Santa Barbara.

- A. Any person (including the City, any utility, state or local government, or special district or any agency thereof) wishing to perform or undertake any development within the Coastal Zone of the City of Santa Barbara shall comply with the provisions of this Chapter.
- B. If there is a conflict between a provision of the City of Santa Barbara Local Coastal Program (including the Land Use Plan and the Coastal Overlay Zone Ordinance) and a provision of the General Plan or any other City-adopted plan, resolution or ordinance not included in the City of Santa Barbara Local Coastal Program, and it is not possible for the proposed development to comply with both the Local Coastal Program and such other plan, resolution or ordinance, the Local Coastal Program shall take precedence and the development shall not be approved unless it complies with the Local Coastal Program provision.

28.10.030 Permit Required

In addition to any other required permits or approvals, a Coastal Development Permit pursuant to Section TBD, Coastal Development Permit, shall be required prior to commencement of any development in the CZ Overlay Zone unless specifically excluded or exempted pursuant to Section 28.10.040, Exclusions and Exemptions, or conducted pursuant to an Emergency Permit in accordance with Section 28.10.050, Emergency Permits.

28.10.040 Exclusions and Exemptions

- A. **Exclusions Pursuant to Exclusions Order.** The following categories of development are categorically excluded from the Coastal Development Permit requirements of this Ordinance pursuant to Categorical Exclusion Order E-86-03 as amended by Categorical Exclusion Order E-06-1 and certified by the California Coastal Commission:

1. ***Time-Share Conversion Exclusion.*** Any activity anywhere in the Coastal Zone that involves the conversion of any existing multiple-unit residential structure to a time-share project, estate, or use, as defined in Section 11212 of the Business and Professions Code. If any improvement to an existing structure is otherwise exempt from the permit requirements of this division, no Coastal Development Permit shall be required for that improvement on the basis that it is to be made in connection with any conversion exempt pursuant to this subdivision. The division of a multiple-unit residential structure into condominiums, as defined in Section 783 of the Civil Code, shall not be considered a time-share project, estate, or use for purposes of this subdivision.
 2. ***Vested Rights Exclusion.*** Any development which has a valid approval from the Coastal Commission shall be considered to have a vested right until such time as said approval expires or lapses; provided, however, that no substantial change may be made in any such development without prior Coastal Commission and City approval having been obtained by the developer.
 3. ***Single Unit Residence Exclusions.***
 - a. Construction of one single unit residence on an existing vacant parcel in the area designated as Non-Appealable on the Post-LCP Certification Permit and Appeal Jurisdiction Map, City of Santa Barbara.
 - b. Demolition and reconstruction of an existing single unit residence in the area designated as Non-Appealable on the Post-LCP Certification Permit and Appeal Jurisdiction Map, City of Santa Barbara. Notwithstanding the exclusion specified in this paragraph, a Coastal Development Permit shall be required if an application for demolition and reconstruction of an existing single unit residence is submitted for a lot that:
 - i. Contains a City Landmark or Structure of Merit,
 - ii. Contains or is within 100 feet of archeological or paleontological resources, or
 - iii. Contains or is within 100 feet of an environmentally sensitive habitat area, stream, wetland, marsh, or estuary, regardless of whether such resources are mapped or unmapped.
- B. **Exemptions Pursuant to State Law.** The following categories of development are exempt from the Coastal Development Permit requirements of this Ordinance pursuant to Section 30610 of the Public Resource Code and Sections 13250-13253 of Title 14 of the California Administrative Code.
1. ***Single Unit Residence Exemption.*** Improvements to existing single unit residences; provided, however, that those improvements which involve a risk of adverse environmental effect shall require a Coastal Development Permit, as provided in Section 13250 of Title 14 of the California Administrative Code, as amended from time to time.

2. ***Other Construction Exemption.*** Improvements to any structure other than a single unit residence or a public works facility; provided, however, that those improvements which involve a risk of adverse environmental effect; or adversely affect public access; or result in a change in use contrary to any policy of the Coastal Act; shall require a Coastal Development Permit, as provided in Section 13253 of Title 14 of the California Administrative Code, as amended from time to time.
3. ***Maintenance of Navigation Channel Exemption.*** Maintenance dredging of existing navigation channels or moving dredged material from such channels to a disposal area outside the Coastal Zone, pursuant to a permit from the United States Army Corps of Engineers.
4. ***Repair or Maintenance Exemption.*** Repair or maintenance activities that do not result in an addition to, or enlargement or expansion of the object of such repair or maintenance activity; provided, however, that extraordinary methods of repair and maintenance that involve a risk of substantial adverse environmental impact shall require a Coastal Development Permit, as provided in Section 13252 of Title 14 of the California Administrative Code, as amended from time to time.
5. ***Utility Connections Exemption.*** The installation, testing and placement in service or the replacement of any necessary utility connection between an existing service facility and any development approved pursuant to the California Coastal Act of 1976 and this Chapter, provided that the Community Development Director may, where necessary, require reasonable conditions to mitigate any adverse impacts on coastal resources, including scenic resources.
6. ***Replacement of Existing Structures Destroyed by Natural Disaster Exemption.*** The replacement of any structure, other than a public works facility, destroyed by a disaster. The replacement structure shall conform to applicable existing zoning requirements, shall be for the same use as the destroyed structure, shall not exceed either the floor area, height, or bulk of the destroyed structure by more than 10 percent, and shall be sited in the same location on the affected property as the destroyed structure.
 - a. "Disaster" means any situation in which the force or forces which destroyed the structure to be replaced were beyond the control of its owner.
 - b. "Bulk" means total interior cubic volume as measured from the exterior surface of the structure.
 - c. "Structure" includes landscaping and any erosion control structure or device which is similar to that which existed prior to the occurrence of the disaster.
7. ***Temporary Event Exemption.***
 - a. *Temporary Event.* A temporary event is an activity or use that constitutes development as defined in Section 30106 of the California Coastal Act;

and is an activity or function of limited duration; and involves the placement of non-permanent structures; and/or involves exclusive use of a sandy beach, parkland, filled tidelands, water, streets or parking area which is otherwise open and available for general public use.

- i. Exclusive Use. A use that precludes public uses in the area of the temporary event for recreation, beach access or access to coastal waters other than for or through the temporary event itself.
 - ii. Limited Duration. A period of time that does not exceed a two-week period on a continual basis, or does not exceed a consecutive four-month period on an intermittent basis.
 - iii. Non-permanent Structure(s). Include, but are not limited to, bleachers, perimeter fencing, vendor tents/canopies, judging stands, trailers, portable toilets, sound/video equipment, stages, booths, platforms, movie/film sets, which do not involve grading or landform alteration for installation.
 - iv. Coastal Resources. Include, but are not limited to, public access opportunities, visitor and recreational facilities, water-oriented activities, marine resources, biological resources, environmentally sensitive habitat areas, agricultural lands, and archaeological or paleontological resources.
 - v. Sandy Beach Area. Includes publicly-owned and privately-owned sandy areas fronting on coastal waters, regardless of the existence of potential prescriptive rights or a public trust interest.
- b. *General Rule.* Every temporary event is exempted from the Coastal Development Permit requirements under this Ordinance, unless the temporary event meets all of the following criteria and is not otherwise exempted pursuant to subparagraph c. below.
- i. The event is to be held between Memorial Day weekend and Labor Day, inclusive; and,
 - ii. The event occupies all or a portion of a sandy beach area; and,
 - iii. The event involves a charge for general public admission or seating where no fee is currently charged for use of the same area (not including booth or entry fees).
- c. *Other Exemptions.* The Community Development Director may also exempt a temporary event that satisfies all of the criteria specified in subparagraph b. above, if:
- i. The fee is for preferred seating only and 75 percent of the provided seating capacity is available free of charge for general public use;

- ii. The event is held on a sandy beach area in a remote location with minimal demand for public use, and there is no potential for adverse effect on sensitive coastal resources;
 - iii. The event is less than one day in duration; or,
 - iv. The event has previously received a Coastal Development Permit and will be held in the same location, at a similar season, and for a similar duration, with operating and environmental conditions substantially the same as those associated with the previously-approved event.
 - d. *Special Circumstances.* The Community Development Director, or the Planning Commission or City Council through direction to the Community Development Director, may determine that a temporary event shall require a Coastal Development Permit, even if the criteria specified in subparagraph b above are not met, if the Community Development Director determines that unique or changing circumstances exist relative to the particular temporary event that have the potential for significant adverse impacts on coastal resources. Such circumstances may include, but shall not be limited to, the following:
 - i. The event, either individually or together with other temporary events scheduled before or after the particular event, precludes the general public from use of a public recreational area for a significant period of time;
 - ii. The event and its associated activities or access requirements will either directly or indirectly impact environmentally sensitive habitat areas, rare or endangered species, significant scenic resources, or other coastal resources as defined in Paragraph 1 above;
 - iii. The event is scheduled between Memorial Day weekend and Labor Day and would restrict public use of roadways or parking areas or otherwise significantly impact public use or access to coastal waters; or
 - iv. The event has historically required a Coastal Development Permit to address and monitor associated impacts to coastal resources.
- C. **Record of Categorical Exclusion Determinations.** The Community Development Department shall maintain a record of all determinations made which shall be made available to the Coastal Commission or any interested person upon request. This record must include the applicant's name, the location of the project, a brief description of the project, the site plan, the date upon which the determination was made, and all terms and conditions imposed by the City in granting its approval. Notice of each exclusion determination shall be made to the Coastal Commission within five working

days of the determination by the Community Development Department. The City is not required to give the Coastal Commission notice of exemption determinations.

28.10.050 Emergency Permits

The Community Development Director may issue an Emergency Permit without compliance with the procedures for the issuance of a Coastal Development Permit in cases of an emergency, as the term emergency is defined in Section 13009 of Title 14 of the California Administrative Code. Where persons or public agencies seek a permit for emergency work pursuant to Section 30624 of the California Public Resources Code, the following procedures shall apply:

- A. **Application.** Applications for permits for emergency work shall be made to the Community Development Director by letter or facsimile during business hours if time allows, or by telephone or in person if time does not allow. The information to be reported during the emergency, if it is possible to do so, or to be reported fully in any case after the emergency, shall include the following:
 1. The nature of the emergency;
 2. The cause of the emergency, insofar as this can be established;
 3. The location of the emergency;
 4. The remedial, protective, or preventive work required to deal with the emergency;
 5. The circumstances during the emergency that appeared to justify the course(s) of action taken, including the probable consequences of failing to take action;
 6. The identity of other public agencies alerted to the emergency;
 7. Access routes to the emergency; and,
 8. Any other information deemed necessary by the Community Development Director.
- B. **Verification of Emergency.** The Community Development Director shall verify the facts, including the existence and nature of the emergency, insofar as time allows.
- C. **Coordination and Public Notice.** Prior to issuance of an Emergency Permit, when feasible, the Community Development Director shall notify, and coordinate with, the South Central Coast District Office of the California Coastal Commission as to the nature of the emergency and the scope of the work to be performed. This notification shall be in person or by telephone. The Community Development Director shall provide public notice of the proposed emergency action required by Section 13329.3 of Title 14 of the California Administrative Code, with the extent and type of notice determined on the basis of the nature of the emergency itself.

- D. **Issuance.** The Community Development Director may grant a permit for emergency work upon reasonable terms and conditions, including an expiration date and the requirement for a regular permit application later, if the Community Development Director finds that:
1. An emergency exists and requires action more quickly than permitted by the procedures for ordinary permits, and the development can and will be completed within 30 days unless otherwise specified by the terms of the permit;
 2. Public comment on the proposed emergency action has been reviewed if time allows;
 3. The work proposed would be consistent with the requirements of the City's Local Coastal Program and the California Coastal Act of 1976;
 4. The work proposed is the minimum action necessary to address the emergency and, to the maximum extent feasible, is the least environmentally damaging temporary alternative for addressing the emergency. This finding shall be made with the maximum information and analysis possible given the expedited review demanded by the emergency situation; and
 5. The Community Development Director shall not issue an Emergency Permit for any work that falls within the provisions of Public Resources Code Section 30519(b) since a Coastal Development Permit application for this type of work must be reviewed by the California Coastal Commission pursuant to the provisions of Public Resources Code Sections 30519(b) and 30600(d).
- E. **Format of Permit.** The Emergency Permit shall be a written document that includes the following information:
1. The date of issuance;
 2. An expiration date;
 3. The scope of work to be performed;
 4. Terms and conditions of the permit. The Emergency Permit may contain conditions for removal of existing development or structures if they are not authorized in a Coastal Development Permit, or the Emergency Permit may require that a subsequent Coastal Development Permit must be obtained to authorize the removal of such existing unpermitted development or structures;
 5. A provision stating that within 90 days of issuance of the Emergency Permit, a Coastal Development Permit application shall be submitted and properly filed consistent with the requirements of this Chapter seeking authorization to retain structures erected pursuant to the Emergency Permit, to remove such structures, or some other alternative;
 6. A provision stating that any development or structures constructed pursuant to an Emergency Permit shall be considered temporary until authorized by a subsequent Coastal Development Permit and that issuance of an Emergency Permit shall not constitute an entitlement to the erection of permanent development or structures; and

7. A provision that states that the development authorized in the Emergency Permit must be removed unless a complete application for a Coastal Development Permit is filed within 90 days of approval of the Emergency Permit. If all or any portion of the application for the Coastal Development Permit seeking authorization for permanent retention of the development authorized pursuant to the Emergency Permit is denied, the portion of the development that is denied must be removed.
- F. **Notice to the Planning Commission.**
1. The Community Development Director shall report in writing to the Planning Commission at each meeting of the Commission the Emergency Permits applied for or issued since the last report. The report shall contain a description of the nature of the emergency and the work involved. Copies of this report shall be available at the meeting and shall have been mailed at the time the application summaries and staff recommendations are normally distributed to all persons who have requested such notification in writing. Copies of this report shall also be sent to the South Central Coast District Office of the California Coastal Commission.
 2. All Emergency Permits issued after completion of the agenda for the Planning Commission meeting shall be briefly described by the Community Development Director at the meeting and the written report required by Paragraph 1 above shall be distributed prior to the next meeting of the Planning Commission.
 3. The report of the Community Development Director shall be informational only. The decision to issue an Emergency Permit is solely at the discretion of the Community Development Director.

28.10.060 Development Within Coastal Commission Permit Jurisdiction

Development proposals which are located on lands identified as tidelands, submerged lands or public trust lands as identified on the Post-LCP Certification Permit and Appeal Jurisdiction Map, City of Santa Barbara, adopted by the Coastal Commission, shall, pursuant to the requirements of California Public Resources Code Section 30519(b), require a Coastal Permit from the Coastal Commission.

A. **Determination of Applicability.**

1. Upon submittal to the City of an application for a Coastal Development Permit, the Community Development Department shall determine if the development may be located on land identified as tidelands, submerged lands and/or public trust lands. Such determination shall be based upon maps and other descriptive information identifying such lands which the Coastal Commission and/or State Lands Commission may supply.
2. Upon a determination that the proposed coastal development involves such lands, the Community Development Department shall notify the applicant and

the Coastal Commission of the determination that a State Coastal Permit is required for the development.

- B. **Processing and Recommendation.** In conjunction with the City's review and decision on the development in accordance with the requirements of this Ordinance and other City codes, the City shall also make a recommendation to the Coastal Commission regarding the development's conformance with the certified Local Coastal Program. The City's determination of development conformance with the objectives and requirements of the Local Coastal Program shall be advisory only and not a final action. Development shall not proceed until the Coastal Commission grants a Coastal Permit for such a development.
1. ***Planning Commission Recommendation.*** If proposed development within the permit jurisdiction of the Coastal Commission requires discretionary review by the Planning Commission, the Planning Commission shall conduct a public hearing regarding the development's conformance with the certified Local Coastal Program. The public hearing shall be held concurrently with any other required public hearing or hearings for any other applications regarding the proposed development. Following approval of the development by the City, the Community Development Department shall forward the City approval, the application, supporting file documents and the City's recommendation regarding the issuance of the Coastal Development Permit to the Coastal Commission for its action on the Coastal Development Permit application.
 2. ***Staff Hearing Officer Recommendation.*** If proposed development within the permit jurisdiction of the Coastal Commission requires discretionary review by the Staff Hearing Officer, the Staff Hearing Officer shall conduct a public hearing regarding development's conformance with the certified Local Coastal Program. The public hearing shall be held concurrently with any other required public hearing or hearings for any other applications regarding the proposed development. Following approval of the development by the City, the Community Development Department shall forward the City approval, the application, supporting file documents and the City's recommendation regarding the issuance of the Coastal Development Permit to the Coastal Commission for its action on the Coastal Development Permit application.
 3. ***Community Development Department Recommendation.*** If the proposed development is within the permit jurisdiction of the Coastal Commission and does not require discretionary review by the Planning Commission or the Staff Hearing Officer, the Community Development Department shall review the proposed development's conformance with the certified Local Coastal Program and shall forward the application, supporting file documents and the Community Development Department's recommendation regarding the issuance of the Coastal Development Permit to the Coastal Commission for its action on the Coastal Development Permit application.

28.10.070 Supplemental Regulations

- A. **Development Within the Goleta Slough.** Any development within the Goleta Slough Reserve Zone is required to obtain a Goleta Slough Coastal Development Permit pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 29.25 unless specifically exempted.
- B. **Hazardous Waste Management Facilities.** Approval for construction or use of any off-site hazardous waste management facilities shall require preparation and approval of an amendment to the Local Coastal Program by the City Council and the California Coastal Commission. Such facilities shall also require approval of a change in zone to the HWMF Overlay Zone and any other required permits in accordance with this Ordinance.

Chapter 28.11 Hazardous Waste Management Facility (HWMF) Overlay Zone

***Placeholder.** Currently Section 28.75 of the existing Zoning Ordinance. Substantive changes will not be made to these provisions. They will be formatted for consistency with the NZO structure and incorporated into the Final Hearing Draft.*

Chapter 28.12 Planned Unit Development (PUD) Overlay Zone

28.12.010 Purpose

The purpose of this Chapter is to establish a Planned Unit Development (PUD) Overlay Zone that provides for one or more properties to be developed under a plan that provides for better coordinated development and incorporates development standards crafted to respond to site conditions in order to:

- A. Provide flexibility in the development of residential properties with single-unit, duplex, and multi-unit housing types and provide desirable spatial relationships between buildings and structures on site.
- B. Encourage preservation and enhancement of natural beauty and the provision of landscaped open spaces for visual and recreational enjoyment.
- C. Allow for creative development projects that incorporate design features that provide greater amenities and open space than would likely result from conventionally planned development and subdivisions under strict adherence to ordinance requirements of the base zone.
- D. Ensure substantial compliance with and implement the land use and density policies of the General Plan and any applicable Specific Plan.

28.12.020 Zoning Map Designation

A PUD Overlay Zone shall be noted on the Zoning Map by the designation “PUD” followed by the maximum allowable density figure in dwelling units per acre. The PUD Overlay Zone is limited to properties within the RS Zones.

28.12.030 Land Use Regulations

In addition to the uses allowed in the applicable base zone the following uses are permitted.

- A. Planned unit development containing single-unit, duplex, and multi-unit housing types and accessory buildings and uses such as recreation facilities, parking lots, carports and garages, private and public parks, open spaces, and areas for public and private use.
- B. Large Family Day Care Homes.
- C. Other uses as required by State law.

28.12.040 Development Regulations

- A. **Residential Unit Density.** Except where a density bonus is granted in compliance with Chapter TBD, Density Bonus and Development Incentives or State Bonus Density (California Government Code §65915), the total number of dwelling units shall

- not exceed the maximum number of lots which could be developed by way of the usual subdivision procedure, utilizing the existing zoning on the property and all subdivision design requirements for the total area of the planned development designated for residential use, excluding areas devoted to public street rights-of-way. Recreation areas are considered part of the residential use of the property. The review authority may establish a maximum density for the Planned Unit Development that is less than the maximum density of the underlying base district.
- B. **Development Setback.** The following setbacks apply to the perimeter of the Planned Unit Development site.
1. **Front Setback.** The front setback at the perimeter of the Planned Unit Development site shall be twice the required front setback of the base zone.
 2. **Interior Setback.** There shall be interior setbacks of not less than 40 feet around the perimeter of the Planned Unit Development site.
- C. **Height Limitations.** Buildings and structures shall not exceed 30 feet in height.
- D. **Units Per Building.** No building shall contain more than four dwelling units.
- E. **Street Requirements.** In order to provide flexibility of development and to preserve natural terrain features and open spaces, Planning Commission may grant such modifications of City street design standards as may be deemed necessary to assure that the spirit and intent of this Chapter are observed and the public welfare and safety secured.
- F. **Landscape Buffer for Parking Areas and Driveways**
1. A landscaped area at least 10 feet wide shall be provided between any uncovered parking area or driveway and a property line.
 2. A landscaped island at least four feet in all interior dimensions shall be provided between every eight consecutive parking stalls. Each landscape island shall contain a tree.
- G. **Parking.** Two covered spaces shall be provided for each unit. One additional, uncovered, guest parking space shall be provided for every two dwelling units.
- H. **Open Space.** A minimum of 50 percent of the net area of the site shall be open space devoted to setbacks, planting, patios, walkways, and recreation areas. For purposes of this calculation, net area is defined as the gross site area less all land covered by buildings, streets, parking areas and access thereto.
1. Control of the design of open spaces is vested in the Planning Commission. Design shall mean size, shape, location and usability for proposed private, public or quasi-public purposes and development.
 2. Approval of such open spaces shall be restricted from further development.
 3. Planned unit developments shall be approved subject to the submission of a legal instrument or instruments setting forth a plan or manner of permanent care and maintenance of such open spaces, recreational areas and communally

owned facilities. No such instrument shall be acceptable until approved by the City Attorney as to legal form and effect.

28.12.050 Development Stages

If the construction of the development is to occur in stages, the required open space and/or recreational facilities shall be developed, or committed thereto, in proportion to the number of dwelling units intended to be developed during any given stage of construction as approved by the Planning Commission. At no time during the construction of the project shall the number of constructed dwelling units per acre of developed land exceed the overall density per acre established by the approved Precise Plan.

28.12.060 Security for the Maintenance of Open Space

As a guarantee of good faith for the maintenance of the required open space and/or recreational facilities, the developer shall furnish one of the securities described below, or combination thereof, as approved by City, in an amount equal to one 100 percent of the estimated cost of such work. Such work shall consist of satisfactorily installing and maintaining the required open space and/or recreational facilities for as long as the use they are intended to serve is maintained.

- A. Bond or bonds by one or more duly authorized corporate sureties.
- B. A deposit, either with the City or a responsible escrow agent or trust company, at the option of the City, of money or negotiable bonds of the kind approved for securing deposits of public moneys.
- C. An instrument of credit from one or more financial institutions subject to regulating by the State or Federal government and pledging that the funds necessary to carry out the act or agreement are on deposit and guaranteed for payment.

28.12.070 Procedures

- A. **Review Procedures.**
 - 1. **Concept Review.** Concept review by the Planning Commission is required prior to submittal of an application for a PUD Overlay Zone and Precise Plan.
 - a. A conceptual Precise Plan shall be submitted showing generalized development plans, including lot sizes and open spaces proposed, existing easements, existing neighborhood development, and any other information which may be reasonably required by the Community Development Director to aid and assist the Planning Commission in an initial consideration.
 - b. No formal action shall be taken by the Planning Commission regarding the concept plan. Any recommendations that result from preliminary

review shall be considered advisory only and shall not be binding on either the applicant or the City.

2. **Zoning Amendment.** An application for a classification as a PUD Overlay Zone shall be processed as an amendment to the Zoning Map, according to the procedures of Chapter TBD, Amendments to Zoning Ordinance and Map, and shall include a Precise Plan.
 3. **Precise Plan.** The Precise Plan shall be accepted and processed concurrently, in the same manner as a Conditional Use Permit application, pursuant to Chapter TBD, Common Procedures, and Chapter TBD, Use Permits.
 4. **Tentative Subdivision Map.** When an application for a PUD also requires the submission of a tentative subdivision map, this map and all supporting documents shall be prepared and submitted concurrently with the application of the PUD.
- B. **Required Findings.** A Precise Plan for a PUD shall only be approved if the following findings are made in addition to any other findings required by this Title:
1. The design of the development provides for appropriate visual and physical relationship between dwelling units.
 2. Landscaped open areas dominate the site development and provide substantial usable areas for passive and/or active recreational use.
 3. Public views of the site are those that provide a sense of landscaped, open areas. Parking areas and building masses do not dominate the public view of the site.
 4. The subject site is physically suitable for the type and intensity of the land use being proposed;
 5. The proposed development will not have a substantial adverse effect on surrounding land uses and will be compatible with the existing and planned land use character of the surrounding area; and
 6. The proposed development is demonstratively superior to the development that could occur under the standards applicable to the underlying base district, and will achieve superior design, environmental preservation and/or provision of open space.
- C. **Expiration.**
1. **Precise Plan.** A Precise Plan shall be effective on the effective date of the PUD Overlay Zone for which it was approved and shall expire four years after the effective date unless actions specified in the conditions of approval have been taken, a building permit has been issued and construction diligently pursued, or a time extension pursuant to Section TBD, Extensions, has been approved. An approved Precise Plan may specify a development staging program exceeding four years.

2. ***Tentative Map.*** Where a tentative map has been approved in conjunction with a Precise Plan, the Precise Plan shall expire upon the expiration of the tentative map.
3. ***Phased Development.*** In the event that the applicant intends to develop the project in phases, and the City Council approves phased development, the Precise Plan shall remain in effect so long as it is consistent with the approved phasing plan.

28.12.080 Project Review

Plans for a project in a PUD Overlay Zone shall be accepted for planning and building permits or subdivisions only if they are consistent with an approved Precise Plan and any conditions of approval. No project may be approved and no building permit issued unless the project, alteration or use is consistent with an approved Precise Plan.

Chapter 28.13 Research and Development (RD) Overlay Zone

28.13.010 Purpose

The Research and Development (RD) Overlay Zone is intended to provide areas for research and development activities that are developed and operated in a manner that is compatible in scale, intensity, traffic generation, and general character with surrounding uses and development. It is the intent of restrictions on allowed administrative office activities to prohibit the conduct of retail, wholesale, service, professional, or other business with the general public. These are activities which would cause a large increase in traffic to and from the facility. Necessary visits by service personnel and tradesmen, business calls, and other activities normal to a strictly administrative function are intended to be allowed.

28.13.020 Applicability

The provisions of this Chapter apply to properties located within or proposed to be located within the RD Overlay Zone mapped on the current Official Zoning Map.

28.13.030 Land Use Regulations

In addition to the uses allowed in the applicable base zone, the following uses are permitted provided all activities occur within an enclosed building and no business with the general public is conducted.

- A. Research and Development. Manufacturing activity is prohibited except for development of prototypes used for experimentation or research. A prototype is an original, model, or pattern from which manufactured, fabricated or assembled products are developed or copied.
- B. Accessory administrative offices only serving personnel working on-site.
- C. Incidental classes or training programs. The number of attendees shall not exceed 10 percent of the total number of employees regularly present on site.
- D. Radio and television transmitting and broadcasting stations pursuant to Section TBD, Telecommunications Facilities.

28.13.040 Minimum Site Area

The minimum area of an RD Overlay District is two acres. The City Council may require a larger area when necessary to meet the purpose and requirements of this Chapter.

28.13.050 Development Standards

- A. **Required Setbacks.** All buildings, structures and parking shall be setback from front lot lines and interior lot lines as follows:

1. **Front Setback:** 35 feet.
 2. **Interior Setback:** 25 feet.
- B. **Height Limitations.** Buildings and structures shall not exceed 20 feet in height.
- C. **Lot Coverage.**
1. A maximum of 25 percent of the lot may be covered with buildings and structures.
 2. A maximum of 30 percent of the lot may be covered by open parking, loading, delivery, turn-around areas, and driveways.
- D. **Street Frontage and Site Dimensions.** Each site shall have a minimum street frontage of 150 feet and minimum side dimension of 150 feet.
- E. **Landscaping.** All areas of the site not covered by buildings, structures, parking, driveways, or walkways shall be landscaped according to a landscape plan prepared by a licensed landscape architect or licensed landscape contractor and approved by the City Council.

28.13.060 Operational Standards

- A. **Operation Plan.** A plan for the operation of the research and development facility shall be submitted for approval.
- B. **Maximum Number of Employees.** The operation plan shall include a statement of the maximum number of employees to be present on the site at any one time. At no time shall the number of employees at the site exceed the maximum number approved in the Precise Plan.

28.13.070 Procedures

- A. **Review Procedures.**
1. **Zoning Amendment.** An application for a classification as a RD Overlay Zone shall be processed as an amendment to the Zoning Map, according to the procedures of Chapter TBD, Amendments to Zoning Ordinance and Map, and shall include a Precise Plan.
 2. **Precise Plan.** The Precise Plan shall be accepted and processed concurrently, in the same manner as a Conditional Use Permit application, pursuant to Chapter TBD, Common Procedures, and Chapter TBD, Use Permits.
 - a. *Requirements, Regulations, Restrictions, and Limitations.* The Planning Commission may recommend and the City Council may adopt requirements, regulations, limitations and restrictions more restrictive than those specified elsewhere in this Ordinance, and designed to protect property values in the vicinity of the subject property and the public peace, health, safety and general welfare of persons residing, working in and passing through the neighborhood.

B. **Expiration.**

1. **Precise Plan.** A Precise Plan shall be effective on the same date as the ordinance creating the RD Overlay Zone for which it was approved and shall expire four years after the effective date unless actions specified in the conditions of approval have been taken, a building permit has been issued and construction diligently pursued, or a time extension pursuant to Section TBD, Extensions, has been approved. An approved Precise Plan may specify a development staging program exceeding four years.
2. **Phased Development.** In the event that the applicant intends to develop the project in phases, and the City Council approves phased development, the Precise Plan shall remain in effect so long as not more than one year lapses between the end of one phase and the beginning of the next phase.

28.13.080 Project Review

Plans for a project in a RD Overlay Zone shall be accepted for planning and building permits or subdivisions only if they are consistent with an approved Precise Plan and any conditions of approval. No project may be approved and no building permit issued unless the project, alteration or use is consistent with an approved Precise Plan.

Chapter 28.14 Resort Hotel (RH) Overlay Zone

28.14.010 Purpose

The Resort Hotel (RH) Overlay Zone is intended to provide an area for the development and operation of a resort hotel in a manner that is compatible with adjoining residential areas.

28.14.020 Applicability

The provisions of this Chapter apply to properties located within or proposed to be located within the RH Overlay Zone mapped on the Official Zoning Map and developed with a resort hotel.

- A. The RH Overlay Zone is limited to properties within the RS-15, RS-10, RS-7.5, RS-6, R-2, and R-M zones.
- B. Property within the RH Overlay District not developed with a resort hotel shall be subject to the provisions of the base zone.
- C. Property within the RH Overlay District shall be developed and used exclusively under the provisions of this Chapter or exclusively under the provisions of the base zone.

28.14.030 Land Use Regulations

The following uses are allowed in the RH Overlay Zone.

- A. **Resort Hotels.** Resort hotels, consisting of a main building which may contain guest rooms, and regularly maintained, customary and usual hotel facilities conducted for the convenience of the guests including, without limitation, restaurants, cocktail lounges, conference rooms, spa and fitness facilities, all of which have their main entrance from the lobby.
- B. **Guest Buildings.** Separate structures with guest rooms operated under the same ownership as the main resort hotel building.
- C. **Limitations.**
 - 1. Guest rooms include multi-room suites with one entrance. Rooms that can be rented separately shall be considered separate guest rooms.
 - 2. Up to six guest rooms in guest buildings may be equipped with kitchens.
 - 3. A single guest building shall not contain more than 12 bedrooms or more than six guest rooms with kitchens.
 - 4. A minimum of 50 percent of the total number of guest rooms shall be located in guest buildings.

28.14.040 Development Standards

- A. **Required Setbacks.** Buildings shall be setback from front and interior lot lines at least twice the required front setback of the base zone or 30 feet, whichever is greater.
- B. **Height Limitations.** Height limitations of the base zone apply.
- C. **Lot Coverage.**
 - 1. A maximum of 33-1/3 percent of the lot may be covered with buildings and structures, including parking structures, but exclusive of porches, balconies and patios.
 - 2. A maximum of 33-1/3 percent of the lot may be covered by open parking spaces, turn-around areas and driveways.
- D. **Guest Room Density.** The maximum number of guest rooms per acre is based on the base zone as follows.
 - 1. **RS-15:** 5 guest rooms/acre
 - 2. **RS-10:** 8 guest rooms/acre
 - 3. **RS-7.5:** 10 guest rooms/acre
 - 4. **RS-6:** 15 guest rooms/acre
 - 5. **R-2:** 20 guest rooms/acre
 - 6. **R-M:** 40 guest rooms/acre

28.14.050 Procedures

- A. **Review Procedures.**
 - 1. **Zoning Amendment** An application for a classification as a RH Overlay Zone shall be processed as an amendment to the Zoning Map, according to the procedures of Chapter TBD, Amendments to Zoning Ordinance and Map, and shall include a Precise Plan.
 - 2. **Precise Plan.** The Precise Plan shall be accepted and processed concurrently, in the same manner as a Conditional Use Permit application, pursuant to Chapter TBD, Common Procedures, and Chapter TBD, Use Permits.
 - a. *Requirements, Regulations, Restrictions, and Limitations.* The Planning Commission may recommend and the City Council may adopt requirements, regulations, limitations and restrictions more restrictive than those specified elsewhere in this Ordinance, and designed to protect property values in the vicinity of the subject property and the public peace, health, safety and general welfare of persons residing, working in and passing through the neighborhood.

B. **Expiration.**

1. **Precise Plan.** A Precise Plan shall be effective on the same date as the ordinance creating the RH Overlay Zone for which it was approved and shall expire four years after the effective date unless actions specified in the conditions of approval have been taken, a building permit has been issued and construction diligently pursued, or a time extension pursuant to Section TBD, Extensions, has been approved. An approved Precise Plan may specify a development staging program exceeding four years.
2. **Phased Development.** In the event that the applicant intends to develop the project in phases, and the City Council approves phased development, the Precise Plan shall remain in effect so long as not more than one year lapses between the end of one phase and the beginning of the next phase.

28.14.060 Project Review

Plans for a project in a RH Overlay Zone shall be accepted for planning and building permits or subdivisions only if they are consistent with an approved Precise Plan and any conditions of approval. No project may be approved and no building permit issued unless the project, alteration or use is consistent with an approved Precise Plan.

Chapter 28.15 San Roque Park Subdivision (SRP) Overlay Zone

28.15.010 Purpose

The San Roque Park Subdivision (SRP) Overlay Zone is intended to require front setbacks consistent to a deed restriction imposed at the time the San Roque Park Subdivision was created. The San Roque Park Subdivision was created in 1926, at which time a deed restriction was imposed requiring that buildings be set back at least 40 feet from the front property line. This restriction was in effect until 1941, at which time it expired. Development since 1941 has largely respected this increased front setback, in spite of the fact that the Zoning Ordinance requirements are less restrictive. A majority of the property owners in the San Roque Park Subdivision expressed the desire for the setbacks required by the Zoning Ordinance to conform with the original deed restrictions.

28.15.020 Applicability

The provisions of this Chapter apply to properties located within the San Roque Park Subdivision, which is located northerly of State Street between San Roque Road and Ontare Road and mapped as the SRP Overlay Zone on the Official Zoning Map

28.15.030 Front Setback

The required front setback within the SRP Overlay Zone is 40 feet except as provided below:

- A. **San Roque Road, Ontare Road, and Cannon Drive.** The required front setback abutting San Roque Road, Ontare Road, or the portion of Canon Drive where land on one side of the street is outside the SRP Overlay Zone is as required by the base zone.
- B. **Madrona Drive.** The required front setback abutting Madrona Drive is 30 feet.

Chapter 28.16 Senior Housing (SH) Overlay Zone

28.16.010 Purpose

The Senior Housing (SH) Overlay Zone is intended to provide areas for additional housing facilities for elderly persons of low and moderate incomes distributed throughout residential areas of the City.

28.16.020 Applicability

The provisions of this Chapter apply to properties located within or proposed to be located within the SH Overlay Zone mapped on the Official Zoning Map. The SH Overlay Zone is limited to properties within an RS or R-2 base zone.

28.16.030 Land Use Regulations

In addition to the uses allowed in the applicable base zone, housing developments for elderly persons, including accessory uses to serve the residents are permitted.

28.16.040 Development Standards

- A. **Height Limitations.** Height limitations of the base zone shall apply.
- B. **Number of Units and Buildings.**
 - 1. **Maximum Units and Buildings per Development.** The maximum number of dwelling units and residence buildings in the development shall not exceed the following.

| TABLE 28.16.040: MAXIMUM RESIDENCE BUILDINGS AND DWELLING UNITS PER DEVELOPMENT | | |
|--|---|--------------------------------|
| <i>Base Zone</i> | <i>Number of Residence Buildings/Net Acre</i> | <i>Dwelling Units/Net Acre</i> |
| RS-1A | 0.8 | 3.2 |
| RS-25 | 1.5 | 6.0 |
| RS-15 | 2.3 | 9.2 |
| RS-10 | 3.6 | 14.4 |
| RS-7.5 | 4.6 | 18.4 |
| RS-6 | 5.6 | 22.4 |
| R-2 | 5.6 | 22.4 |

- 2. **Maximum Units per Building.** The maximum number of units per building is four.
- C. **Floor Area.** The maximum floor area per building is 2,200 square feet exclusive of garages or carports.

- D. **Maximum Parking Spaces per Parking Area.** The maximum number of parking spaces provided in any single uncovered parking area is 10 spaces. A parking area containing spaces on both sides of a common aisle shall be counted as one parking area.
- E. **Garages and Carports.** The maximum number of parking spaces per garage or carport is three. Carports and garages shall be attached to and made a part of a main building.
- F. **Roof Design.** No more than 10 percent of the total number of buildings in a development shall have a flat roof. All other roofs shall be hipped or gabled.
- G. **Site Design.** All buildings shall be located on the site in a manner similar to the way residences might be located in the zone in which the property is located. For example, if PUD, they may be clustered; if single-unit, they should be laid out like a standard subdivision. Accessory non-residential uses shall be located and designed to serve residents only. To demonstrate this, the applicant shall submit, in rough form, a practical subdivision scheme of the property with the proposed buildings shown thereon. Lot sizes, frontages, street alignments, setbacks and all other aspects of such hypothetical subdivision shall be in accordance with applicable Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance requirements.

28.16.050 Agreement Required

In order to insure continued use of the development for affordable housing for elderly persons, prior to the approval of any Precise Plan for development under this Chapter, the applicant shall submit evidence satisfactory to the Planning Commission that an enforceable regulatory agreement exists to assure the continued operation of the facility for its intended use for not less than 30 years. The agreement shall be reviewed by the Office of the City Attorney. No variance, modification or other waiver to this Section shall be granted.

28.16.060 Procedures

- A. **Review Procedures.**
 - 1. **Zone Establishment** An application for a new classification as a SH Overlay Zone shall be processed as an amendment to the Zoning Map, according to the procedures of Chapter TBD, Amendments to Zoning Ordinance and Map, and shall include a Precise Plan.
 - 2. **Precise Plan.** The Precise Plan shall be accepted and processed concurrently, pursuant to Chapter TBD.
 - a. *Requirements, Regulations, Restrictions, and Limitations.* The Planning Commission may recommend and the City Council may adopt requirements, regulations, limitations and restrictions more restrictive than those specified elsewhere in this Ordinance, and designed to protect property values in the vicinity of the subject property and the public peace, health, safety and general welfare of persons residing, working in and passing through the neighborhood.

B. **Expiration.**

1. **Precise Plan.** A Precise Plan shall be effective on the same date as the ordinance creating the SH Overlay Zone for which it was approved and shall expire four years after the effective date unless actions specified in the conditions of approval have been taken, a building permit has been issued and construction diligently pursued, or a time extension pursuant to Section TBD, Extensions, has been approved. An approved Precise Plan may specify a development staging program exceeding four years.
2. **Phased Development.** In the event that the applicant intends to develop the project in phases, and the City Council approves phased development, the Precise Plan shall remain in effect so long as not more than one year lapses between the end of one phase and the beginning of the next phase.

28.16.070 Project Review

Plans for a project in a SH Overlay Zone shall be accepted for planning and building permits or subdivisions only if they are consistent with an approved Precise Plan and any conditions of approval. No project may be approved and no building permit issued unless the project, alteration or use is consistent with an approved Precise Plan.

Chapter 28.17 Upper State Street Area (USS) Overlay Zone

28.17.010 Purpose

The Upper State Street Area (USS) Overlay Zone is intended to limit traffic impacts and ensure appropriateness of development in the Upper State Street Area. State Street is the only major east-west surface street serving the Upper State Street Area and it is one of the most heavily traveled streets in the City. In order to prevent the volumes of traffic on State Street from exceeding acceptable limits and to limit increased air pollution due to vehicular traffic, it is necessary to impose the traffic related restrictions contained in this Section on new developments in the area.

28.17.020 Applicability

The provisions of this Chapter apply to properties located within the USS Overlay Zone mapped on the Official Zoning Map. The area is bounded by Alamar Avenue, U.S. Highway 101, Foothill Road and State Highway 154.

28.17.030 Development Standards

The following standards apply to all uses and development within the USS Overlay Zone.

- A. **Height Limitations.** Buildings and structures shall not exceed 45 feet.
- B. **Floor Area.** The maximum floor area shall be equal to the total gross floor area of a two-story building that could be constructed on the lot in compliance with all applicable zoning regulations for setbacks, open space, and parking.
- C. **Front Setbacks.** The required front setback is as follows:
 - 1. Portions of buildings and structures not exceeding 15 feet in height: 10 feet.
 - 2. Any portion of a building or structure more than 15 feet in height: 20 feet.
 - 3. Uncovered Parking: 10 feet, see TBD, Location of Required Parking.

Citywide Development Standards

Chapter 28.23 General Site Regulations

28.23.010 Purpose and Applicability

The purpose of this Chapter is to prescribe development and site regulations that apply, except where specifically stated, to development in all zones. These standards shall be used in conjunction with the standards for each base zone established in Division II, Zone Regulations. In any case of conflict, the more restrictive standards shall apply.

28.23.020 Accessory Buildings and Structures

- A. **Applicability.** The provisions of this Section apply to all detached accessory buildings and structures. Attached accessory structures consistent with Section TBD, Building Attachment, are considered part of the main building and are subject to all of the standards and regulations of the main building.
- B. **Relation to Existing Structures.** A detached accessory building may only be constructed on a lot on which there is a permitted main building to which the accessory building is related.
- C. **Setbacks.** Accessory buildings and structures shall comply with the minimum setback requirements of the base zone.
- D. **Height.** Accessory buildings and structures in Residential Zones shall not exceed two stories or 30 feet in height.
- E. **Front Yard Limitation.** In Residential Zones and lots developed solely with residential structures, all accessory buildings and structures, except garages and carports, shall be located outside the front yard.
- F. **Maximum Floor Area.**
 - 1. ***Lots Developed with a Single Residential Unit.*** In all zones, on lots developed with either a single residential unit, or a single residential unit and a Secondary Dwelling Unit, the maximum floor area for covered parking and accessory buildings is as follows:

| TABLE 28.23.020: MAXIMUM FLOOR AREA, ACCESSORY BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES-SINGLE RESIDENTIAL UNIT | | | | |
|--|---|---|--|---|
| Lot Size | Maximum Floor Area (square feet) | | | |
| | Covered Parking | Accessory Buildings and Structures | Single Structure Containing Covered Parking and Accessory Floor Area | Total Accessory Building and Structure Floor Area Per Lot |
| Less than 20,000 square feet | 500 | 500 | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| 20,000 square feet up to one acre | 750 | 750 | 1,250 | 1,500 |
| One acre up to three acres | 1,000; maximum of 750 sq ft in a single structure | 1,000; maximum of 750 sq ft in a single structure | 1,250 | 2,000; maximum of 500 sq ft detached livable floor area |
| Three acres or larger | 1,250; maximum of 750 sq ft in a single structure | 1,250; maximum of 750 sq ft in a single structure | 1,500 | 2,500; maximum of 500 sq ft detached livable floor area |

2. ***Lots Developed with More than One Residential Unit.*** In all zones, on lots developed with more than one residential unit, the total aggregate floor area of individual garages and carports shall not exceed 500 square feet per residential unit; and the total aggregate floor area of all accessory buildings and structures shall not exceed 500 square feet per residential unit

G. **Detached Guestrooms and Other Allowed Uses.** Accessory buildings may include but are not limited to buildings used as workshops, sheds, storage rooms, and livable floor area such as detached bedrooms, playrooms, or guestrooms, but shall not be considered a residential unit, provided that the accessory building contains a maximum of one freestanding utility sink or a half bath consisting of a toilet and a sink. No bathing facilities, no more than one sink, and no cooking facilities are allowed. Additional residential building elements may be permitted pursuant to a Performance Standard Permit, Chapter TBD.

28.23.030 Building Attachment

- A. **Required Minimum Connection.** Buildings and structures shall be considered attached when the buildings or structures meet the following minimum connection standards.
 1. ***Enclosed Buildings and Structures.*** Enclosed buildings and structures shall be considered attached when the buildings or structures share a building wall or interior connection that meets one of the following standards:

- a. *Shared Building Wall.* The area of the wall common to both portions of the building or structure shall be a minimum of eight feet in both horizontal and vertical dimensions;
 - b. *Shared Floor to Ceiling Connection.* The area of the common floor to ceiling connection on multiple story buildings shall be a minimum of eight feet in horizontal and vertical dimensions;
 - c. *Shared Interior Connection.* The area of the interior connection between both portions of the building or structure shall be a minimum of seven feet in both horizontal and vertical dimensions;
 - d. *Combination of Shared Building Wall and Interior Connection.* The area of the combination of wall and interior connection common to both portions of the building or structure shall be a minimum of eight feet in both horizontal and vertical dimensions; or
 - e. *Combination of Shared Floor to Ceiling and Interior Connection.* The area of the combination of shared floor to ceiling and interior connection common to both portions of the building or structure shall be a minimum of eight feet in horizontal and vertical dimensions.
2. ***Unenclosed Buildings or Structures.*** Unenclosed buildings or structures, such as carports, patio covers, or similar, shall be considered attached when they share a common solid roof connection with a minimum dimension of eight feet. An unenclosed building or structure shall not be used to attach enclosed buildings and structures.
- B. **Buildings or Structures that do not meet the Required Minimum Connection.** If a building or structure does not meet the minimum connection standards of Subsection A above, the buildings or structures shall be considered separate buildings. If one or more of the buildings or structures is an Accessory Building, the standards and limitations described in Section TBD, Accessory Building and Structures shall apply.
- C. **Mixed-Use Buildings.** In order to be considered a Mixed-Use Building, the residential portions and the nonresidential portions of the building, excluding nonresidential parking garage areas, must be attached by the minimum connection pursuant to Subsection A above. A building where the residential portion is attached only to a nonresidential parking garage and not a portion of the building occupied by nonresidential uses is not considered a Mixed-Use Building.

28.23.040 Exceptions to Height Limitations

- A. **Architectural Allowances.** Architectural elements that do not add floor area to a building or structure, such as chimneys, vents, antennae, open trellises, rooftop equipment and associated screening, solar panels, guard rails for roof decks, and towers including stairway or elevator towers with minimum landings for egress are not considered a part of the height of a building or structure, but all portions of the roof and roof parapet are included.

B. **Community Benefit and Community Benefit Housing Projects.** In the C-G, M-C, M-I, and OM-1 zones, up to 60 feet in height may be allowed for projects that qualify as a Community Benefit Project or a Community Benefit Housing Project in accordance with the following.

1. **Required Findings.** In addition to any other findings required by this Ordinance, the Planning Commission shall make all of the following findings.

- a. *Demonstrated Need.* The applicant has adequately demonstrated a need for the project to exceed 45 feet in height that is related to the project's benefit to the community, or due to site constraints, or in order to achieve desired architectural qualities;
- b. *Architecture and Design.* The project will be exemplary in its design;
- c. *Livability.* If the project includes residential units, the project will provide amenities to its residents which ensure the livability of the project with particular attention to good interior design features such as the amount of light and air, or ceiling plate heights; and
- d. *Sensitivity to Context.* The project design will complement the setting and the character of the neighboring properties with sensitivity to any adjacent federal, state, and City Landmarks or any nearby designated Historic Resources, including City-designated Structures of Merit.

2. **Procedure**

a. *Conceptual Design Review.* Prior to the Planning Commission considering an application for a height exception pursuant to this Section, a project shall receive conceptual design review by the Historic Landmarks Commission or the Architectural Board of Review as required by Title 22 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code.

b. *Planning Commission Consideration of Findings.*

i. Design Review Projects. If a project only requires design review by the Historic Landmarks Commission or the Architectural Board of Review under Title 22 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code, the Planning Commission shall review and consider the building height findings of this Section after conceptual design review and before consideration of the project by the Historic Landmarks Commission or the Architectural Board of Review for Project Design approval.

ii. Staff Hearing Officer Projects. If a project requires the review and approval of a land use permit by the Staff Hearing Officer, the Planning Commission shall review and consider the building height findings after conceptual design review pursuant to Title 22 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code, but before the preparation of a full application for the consideration of the land use permit by the Staff Hearing Officer.

- iii. **Planning Commission Projects.** If a project requires the review and approval of a land use permit by the Planning Commission, the Planning Commission shall review and consider the building height findings after conceptual design review pursuant to Title 22 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code, but before the Development Application Review Team (DART) submittal and before the consideration of the land use approval by the Planning Commission.

28.23.050 Development Along Creeks

***Placeholder.** Currently Section 28.87.250 of the existing Zoning Ordinance. Substantive changes will not be made to these provisions. They will be formatted for consistency with the NZO structure and incorporated into the Final Hearing Draft.*

28.23.060 Development on Lots Divided by Zone Boundaries

- A. **Generally.** Where a lot is divided by a zone boundary, the regulations applicable to each zone shall be applied to the area within the zone, and no use, other than parking serving a principal use on the site, shall be located in a zone in which it is not an allowed use.
- B. **Accessory Facilities.** Accessory landscaping, fences, screening or retaining walls, and usable open space may be located on the lot without regard for zone boundaries but must comply with the standards of the applicable zone
- C. **Density.** The maximum density, if any, shall be calculated according to the lot area within each zone and the corresponding allowable density for that zone, and distributed as follows:
 1. **Residential Single Unit Zones.** Up to the allowable density for the Residential Single Unit portion of the site may be located on the area of the lot in the Residential Single Unit Zone.
 2. **Other Zones.** The resulting maximum permitted number of units may be distributed on the lot without regard for zone boundaries, as long as all portions of the project comply with the development standards of the zone in which they are located and all other provisions of this Section.

28.23.070 Development on Substandard Lots

- A. Any lot or parcel of land that was legally created may be used as a building site even when consisting of less area or lot dimensions than that required by the regulations for the zone in which it is located. Lot area per dwelling unit requirements and all other provisions of this Ordinance shall apply. No substandard lot shall be subdivided or further reduced in area or dimensions unless required for a public purpose by a public agency, unless granted a modification.

- B. Where any existing parcel of land is reduced in size or lot dimensions below those required by this Ordinance by reason of the acquisition of a portion thereof along any perimeter of such parcel for any public purpose by any public agency, such parcel as so reduced shall be considered as conforming to the provisions of this Ordinance as a legal lot. Minimum lot area and lot dimensions required by this Ordinance shall not apply. Lot area per dwelling unit requirements and all other provisions of this Ordinance shall apply. This section shall not apply to property acquired by a public agency as part of subdivision or lot split proceedings.

28.23.080 Encroachments into Setbacks and Open Yards

- A. **Applicability.** Required setback and open yard areas shall be open, unenclosed, and unobstructed by structures from the ground upward, except as provided in this Section. This Section does not apply to Creek Setbacks pursuant to Chapter TBD, or Street Widening Setbacks pursuant to Chapter TBD.
- B. **Maximum Dimension.** The maximum allowed encroachment is three feet, measured perpendicular to the setback line, unless otherwise indicated in this Section.
- C. **Minimum Distance to Property Lines.** Unless otherwise specified below, no front or interior setback encroachment shall be closer than three feet to any lot line when the required setback is six feet or more; and no encroachment shall be closer than two feet to any lot line when the required setback is less than six feet.
- D. **Specific Limitations.** The following specific limitations shall apply to all allowed encroachments:
 - 1. **All Encroachments.**
 - a. No encroachment shall provide additional floor area within a building;
 - b. Architectural or building projections shall be cantilevered (unsupported from the ground below);
 - c. No encroachment may extend into a public utility easement; and
 - d. Encroachments are subject to all applicable requirements of the Building Code.
 - 2. **Open Yard Encroachments.**
 - a. *Vertical Clearance.* The vertical clearance under any cantilevered architectural or building projection shall be seven feet or more; and
 - b. *Maximum Area.* Ground-supported open yard encroachments shall not exceed 20 percent of any individual open yard area, or a cumulative total of 20 percent of the total required open yard area.
- E. **Allowed Encroachments.** The following may encroach into setbacks and open yards, subject to all standards of this Section:

1. ***Building Elements***

- a. *Architectural Projections.* Architectural projects such as awnings, cornices, eaves, and canopies.
 - i. Maximum Dimensions. Maximum Dimensions shall not apply to architectural projection encroachments into a Private Open Yard.
- b. *Balconies.*
 - i. Interior Setback. Balconies are not allowed to encroach into the interior setback in RS zones. In other zones, balconies may encroach a maximum of two feet into the interior setback.
 - ii. Front Setback. In all zones, balconies may encroach a maximum of three feet into the front setback.
 - iii. Maximum Dimensions. Maximum Dimensions shall not apply to balcony encroachments into a Private Open Yard.
- c. *Bay Windows.* Bay windows located at least three feet above adjacent grade or finished floor, whichever is higher.
 - i. Interior Setback. Bay windows are not allowed to encroach into the interior setback in RS zones. In other zones, bay windows may encroach a maximum of two feet into the interior setback.
 - ii. Front Setback. In all zones, bay windows may encroach a maximum of three feet into the front setback.
 - iii. Maximum Dimensions. Maximum Dimensions shall not apply to balcony encroachments into a Private Open Yard.
- d. *Chimneys.* Chimneys serving the interior of a building. Free-standing chimneys are not allowed to encroach into setbacks or open yards.
- e. *Covered Porches and Outside Steps.* Covered porches and outside steps, proposed on buildings existing at the time this Ordinance is adopted, serving the first floor of a building and open on at least two sides.
 - i. Size. Porches shall be limited to a maximum of six feet wide and four feet deep exclusive of handrails, guardrails, wing walls and associated uncovered steps.
 - ii. Interior Setback. Covered porches and outside steps may encroach a maximum three feet into the interior setback, provided that the porch faces the street.
 - iii. Front Setback. Covered porches and outside steps shall be located no closer than five feet to any front lot line.
 - iv. Open Yard. Covered porches and outside steps are not allowed to encroach into open yards.

- f. *Uncovered Entry Landings and Outside Steps.* Uncovered entry landings and outside steps serving as a required means of egress to the first floor of a building.
 - i. Size and Location. Limited to the minimum size required by the Building Code and shall not extend above the first floor level of the building.

2. **Mechanical and Other Equipment**

- a. *Equipment, Attached.* Equipment attached to the outside wall of the building, such as tankless water heaters, air or water filters, or meters. Does not include air conditioners, tank-type water heaters, pool equipment, or other similar free-standing equipment.
- b. *Equipment, Detached.* Detached equipment required for utility purposes only, such as electric transformers and backflow preventers.
 - i. Front Setback. Detached equipment shall be located no closer than 10 feet to any front lot line.
 - ii. Screening. All detached equipment shall be screened from public view.
 - iii. Exceptions. Distance limitations and screening may be reduced or waived by the design review body.
 - iv. Open Yard. Detached equipment is not allowed to encroach into open yards.
- c. *Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE).* Electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE) that serves a permitted parking space.
 - i. Front Setback. Exterior equipment shall be located no closer than 10 feet to any front lot line.
 - ii. Exceptions. Distance limitations may be reduced or waived by the design review body.
 - iii. Maximum Dimensions. Maximum Dimensions shall not apply to EVSE encroachments into an interior setback.
 - iv. Open Yard. EVSE is not allowed to encroach into open yards.
- d. *Rain Barrels.* Rain barrels with a maximum capacity of 65 gallons, or other similar equipment necessary to meet the City's Storm Water Management (SWMP) requirements.
 - i. Front Yards. Rain barrels located within a front yard shall be screened from public view.
 - ii. Private Open Yard. Rain barrels are not allowed to encroach into Private Open Yards.

- e. *Solar Energy Systems.* Solar energy systems as defined in subsection (a) of Civil Code Section 801.5.
 - i. Ground Mounted Equipment. Ground mounted equipment is not allowed to encroach into setbacks or open yards.
 - ii. Roof Mounted Equipment. Roof mounted equipment may encroach into setbacks and open yards the same amount as the existing roof eave if installed roughly parallel to, and no higher than 10 inches above the roof (measured from the top of the roof perpendicularly to the highest point of the solar energy system).

3. ***Site Development***

- a. *Open Yard Amenities.* Open yard amenities intended for outdoor enjoyment of the required open yard area. Open yard amenities may include patio covers and other attached or detached, unenclosed structures such as upper story decks, gazebos, hot tubs, fountains, barbecues, outdoor fireplaces, above-grade pools, large trellises and arbors, and play equipment.
 - i. Setback Encroachment. Open yard amenities shall not encroach into any setback, with the exception of residential front yard amenities allowed pursuant to Subparagraph e, Residential Front Yard Amenities, below.
- b. *Patios.* Patios and other on-grade hardscape, such as paved walkways and outside steps.
 - i. Maximum Height. Patios and other on-grade hardscape shall not exceed 10 inches in height above existing grade.
 - ii. Maximum Dimensions, Maximum Area, and Minimum Distance to Property Lines. Maximum Dimensions, Maximum Area, and Minimum Distance to Property Lines shall not apply to patio encroachments.
- c. *Planter Beds.* Planter beds consisting of low walls and earth for the purpose of providing landscaping and gardening areas.
 - i. Maximum Height. Planter beds shall not exceed 42 inches in height above existing grade.
 - ii. Maximum Dimensions, Maximum Area, and Minimum Distance to Property Lines. Maximum Dimensions, Maximum Area, and Minimum Distance to Property Lines shall not apply to planter bed encroachments.
- d. *Residential Front Yard Amenities.* Residential front yard amenities such as mailboxes and other practical or decorative freestanding front yard elements. Residential front yard amenities include, but are not limited to,

flag poles, fountains, bird baths, and benches, but shall not include any of the prohibited items from §TBD, Storage, or any of the items identified in this Section as either limited or not allowed in the front setback.

- i. Interior Setback Encroachment Prohibited. Residential front yard amenities shall not encroach into interior setbacks.
 - ii. Maximum Size. Residential front yard amenities are limited to a cumulative total of 50 square feet or one percent of the total combined front yard setback area, whichever is greater.
 - iii. Maximum Dimensions, Maximum Area, and Minimum Distance to Property Lines. Maximum Dimensions, Maximum Area, and Minimum Distance to Property Lines shall not apply to residential front yard amenities in the front setback.
- e. *Ground Signs and Outdoor Furniture.* Ground signs and outdoor furniture for commercial uses, consisting of items not permanently affixed to the ground, such as tables, chairs, space heaters, sculptures, and potted plants for the use of permitted restaurants or similar commercial uses.
- i. Prohibited Encroachments. Ground signs and outdoor furniture shall not encroach into the interior setback, open yard, or in any setback required for exclusively residential buildings.
 - ii. Maximum Dimension or the Minimum Distance to Property Lines. Maximum Dimension or the Minimum Distance to Property Lines shall not apply to ground sign and outdoor furniture encroachments in the front setback.
- f. *Small Overhead Structures.* Small overhead structures such as an arbor, arch, trellis, or pergola.
- i. Number of Structures. A maximum of one small overhead structure per lot line may encroach into a setback or open yard.
 - ii. Maximum Height and Area. Small overhead structure shall not exceed eight feet in height or 18 square feet in area.
 - iii. Maximum Dimensions, Maximum Area, and Minimum Distance to Property Lines. Maximum Dimensions, Maximum Area, and Minimum Distance to Property Lines shall not apply to small overhead structure encroachments into setbacks.
- g. *Accessibility Improvements.* Accessibility improvements for persons with disabilities. Reasonable accommodation will be made, consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act; see Chapter TBD.

28.23.090 Open Yards

- A. **Purpose.** The provisions of this Section are intended to provide standards for minimum open areas within residential development. Required open yard areas are intended to promote desirable living conditions, a sense of openness on residential development, and to provide minimum useful space for outdoor enjoyment.
- B. **Applicability.** Open yards as described in this Section shall be required in all zones for all residential uses; unless otherwise provided in Chapter TBD, Standards for Specific Uses and Activities.
- C. **Minimum Area and Dimensions.** The minimum area and dimensions of required open yards shall be provided as follows:
1. ***Lots Developed with One to Two Units:***
 - a. *Minimum Area:* 1,250 square feet on lots 4,000 square feet or greater; 800 square feet on lots less than 4,000 square feet.
 - b. *Minimum Dimensions:* 20 feet long and 20 feet wide.
 2. ***Lots Developed with Three or More Units or Mixed Use Development:***
 - a. *Minimum Area:* 15 percent of the net lot area;
 - b. *Minimum Dimensions:* 10 feet long and 10 feet wide.
 - c. *Additional Private Open Yard Required per Unit.* In addition to open yard meeting the minimum area and minimum dimension requirements in subparagraphs a. and b. above, Private Open Yard, is required for each residential unit. Private Open Yards located on grade, or on decks no more than 36 in height above grade, may also overlap with other required open yard areas.
 - i. Private Open Yard Located on the First Story:
 - (1) *Minimum Area:*
 - (a) Studio unit: 100 square feet
 - (b) 1 Bedroom unit: 120 square feet
 - (c) 2 Bedroom unit: 140 square feet
 - (d) 3 or more Bedroom unit: 160 square feet
 - (2) *Minimum Dimensions:* 10 feet long and 10 feet wide
 - ii. Private Open Yard Located on a Second or Higher Story:
 - (1) *Minimum Area:*
 - (a) Studio unit: 60 square feet
 - (b) 1 Bedroom unit: 72 square feet

- (c) 2 Bedroom unit: 84 square feet
- (d) 3 or more Bedroom unit: 96 square feet

(2) Minimum Dimensions: Six feet long and six feet wide.

- D. **Standards.** The following standards shall apply to all required open yard areas:
1. **Open.** Required open yard areas shall be open, unenclosed, and unobstructed by structures from the ground upward, except as provided in Section TBD, Encroachments into Setbacks and Open Yards.
 2. **Availability.** All open yard areas shall be made available to all residents on site as either a communal area; or, each unit shall be provided at least one area that meets the minimum dimension requirement and shall be contiguous to and accessible from the dwelling unit for which it serves.
 3. **Additional Standards for Private Open Yards.** The following additional standards shall apply to all Private Open Yard areas:
 - a. *Availability.* Private Open Yards shall be designed to ensure adequate privacy and usability and must be contiguous to and accessible from the unit served.
 - b. *Required Fence, Screen, Wall, or Hedge.* Private Open Yard areas located in either the front yard or adjacent to another Private Open Yard area shall be surrounded by a solid fence, screen, wall or hedge with a minimum height of five feet and a maximum height of six feet. This requirement may be reduced or waived as determined by the appropriate design review board.
- E. **Location.** Required open yard areas shall comply with all of the following location requirements:
1. **Allowed Areas.** Required open yard areas may include interior setbacks and any combination of landscaped areas, natural areas, flat areas, hillsides, paved or other hardscape areas, in-ground swimming pools and spas, and planters and decks that meet the standards of this Section.
 2. **On Grade.** Required open yard areas must be located on the ground or decks no more than 36 inches in height above grade.
 3. **Multiple Areas.** Required open yards shall be located in one or multiple areas that meet minimum dimension requirements.
 4. **Front Yards.** Required open yard area may be located within front yards, except as follows.
 - a. *Primary Front Setback* All required open yard areas shall be located outside the primary front setback and outside the first 10 feet of any secondary front setback measured from the front lot line.

- b. *Lots Developed with One to Two Units.* Lots developed with one to two units must locate at least one open yard area that meets the required minimum dimensions outside the front yard.
- 5. ***Additional Location Requirements for Private Open Yards.*** The following additional location requirements shall apply to all Private Open Yard areas:
 - a. *Multiple Stories.* Dwelling units that occupy more than one story may provide required Private Open Yard on any story.
 - b. *Balconies or Decks.* Private Open Yard areas may be located on a balcony or deck of any height.
 - c. *Front Yards.* Private Open Yards shall be located a minimum of 10 feet from any front lot line, and may not exceed 50 percent of the total front yard area, exclusive of driveways, turnarounds, or parking areas.
 - d. *Overlap.* Private Open Yards located on grade, or on decks no more than 36 in height above grade, may also overlap with other required open yard areas.
 - e. *Creeks.* Private Open Yards Areas may not be located within the top of bank of a watercourse, or within any required watercourse development limitation area.
- 6. ***Prohibited Locations.*** Required open yard areas shall not include any of the following:
 - a. *Vehicle Areas.* Areas designated for use by motor vehicles such as driveways, turnarounds, or parking areas; as well as required parking lot landscaping and screening pursuant to Section TBD, Parking Area Design and Development Standards.
 - b. *Access and Egress Areas.* Areas designed to provide access and/or egress and remain open and passable such as front porches, landings, stairs, and ramps, required access/egress path on a multi-unit or mixed use development.
 - c. *Non-Residential Areas.* Areas used or designed for use by any non-residential purpose.

28.23.100 Fences, Screens, Walls, and Hedges

- A. **School Fencing.** A chain link or open mesh type fence of any height necessary to enclose a Day Care Center or School may be located and maintained in any required yard.
- B. **Barbed Wire, Concertina Wire, Sharp Wire or Points.** No barbed wire or concertina wire shall be used or maintained in or about the construction of a fence, screen, wall or hedge within three feet of any lot line. Sharp wire or points shall not project at the top of any fence or wall less than six feet in height.

- C. **Visibility.** Notwithstanding other provisions of this Section, fences, walls, screens, and hedges must comply with Section TBD, Visibility at Driveways and Intersections unless a Minor Exception is approved pursuant to Subsection E.
- D. **Residential Zones.** The following standards apply to fences, walls, screens, and hedges located within Residential Zones.
1. ***Height Limitations***
 - a. *Within Required Front and Interior Setback Areas.* Eight feet, except fences and walls within 10 feet of a front lot line shall not exceed a height of 42 inches.
 - i. Minor Exception. An additional four feet in height may be approved pursuant to Subsection E, Required Findings for Minor Exceptions.
 - ii. Modification. Additional exceptions may be granted pursuant to Section TBD, Modifications.
 2. ***Guardrails.*** A guardrail may extend above the maximum height limit for a fence or wall without requiring an exception or modification, only to the minimum extent required for safety by the Building Code, and only if the guardrail is made of materials configured such that the guardrail does not create a solid visual barrier.
 3. ***Decorative Elements.***
 - a. *Maximum Height.* Fence and wall decorative elements not wider than nine inches by nine inches, such as pilaster caps, finials, posts, lighting fixtures, or similar decorative features, may exceed the maximum height by a maximum of 12 inches.
 - b. *Spacing.* Decorative features shall be spaced a minimum of six feet apart, measured on-center.
 - c. *Minor Exception.* Minor exceptions to the size and spacing requirements may be approved pursuant to Subsection E, Required Findings for Minor Exceptions.
 4. ***Entryway Arbors.*** One substantially open (no solid walls or roof) entryway arbor used in combination with and attached to a fence or wall is permitted in any front yard, provided the maximum height of the arbor does not exceed eight feet and the area does not exceed 18 square feet. The square footage of the arbor shall be determined by the area located within the rectangle formed around the posts of the arbor or the roof portion of the arbor, whichever dimension is larger.
 - E. **Required Findings for Minor Exceptions.** In granting minor exceptions, the Community Development Director or Public Works Director, as applicable, shall make the following findings.

1. ***Exceptions to Height Limitations.***
 - a. If the subject fence, wall, screen, or hedge is located on, or within the required setback of, an interior property line, the adjacent property owner(s) that share a common property line have agreed to the requested exception.
 - b. The granting of such exception will not create or exacerbate an obstruction of the necessary sightlines for safe operation of motor vehicles.
 - c. The fence or wall will be compatible with other similarly situated and approved structures in the neighborhood or the screen or hedge will be compatible with the character of the neighborhood.
 - d. The proposed height of the screen or hedge will respect the height limitation applicable to structures for the protection of solar access as specified in Section TBD.
 - e. The granting of such exception will not be detrimental to the use and enjoyment of other properties in the neighborhood.
 2. ***Exceptions to Visibility Requirements.***
 - a. The granting of such exception will not create or exacerbate an obstruction of the necessary sightlines for safe operation of motor vehicles; and
 - b. The granting of such exception will not be detrimental to the use and enjoyment of the other properties in the neighborhood.
- F. **Relationship with the View Dispute Resolution Process.** The fact that a hedge or screen complies with the standards set forth in this Section or the fact that a property owner has received a Minor Exception or Modification from the standards set forth in this Section shall not preclude another property owner from alleging an unreasonable obstruction of a view and availing himself or herself of the protections and procedures of the City's View Dispute Resolution Process found in Chapter TBD.

28.23.110 Residential Unit

- A. **Applicability.** The standards of this Section apply to all Residential Use Classifications except the following:
 1. Group Residential.
 2. Community Care Facilities, Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly, and Hospices (See Section TBD).
- B. **Minimum Size.** Each studio dwelling unit shall contain a minimum of 220 square feet of liveable floor area and all other units shall contain 400 square feet of liveable floor area, exclusive of accessory buildings.
- C. **Required Features.** Each residential unit shall contain, at a minimum:

1. A kitchen, consisting of a sink, range or built-in stove-top and oven, and refrigeration facilities.
2. A separate bathroom consisting of a toilet, sink, and bathtub or shower.
3. A separate living room a minimum of 120 square feet in size.
4. A sleeping room a minimum of 70 square feet in size, except in studio dwelling units, where a living room is considered a sleeping room.

D. **Limitations.**

1. ***Kitchen Facilities.*** No more than one kitchen per residential unit is allowed.
2. ***Rooms with Adequate Interior Access.*** Rooms determined to have adequate interior access may contain a maximum of two of the following three building elements:
 - a. Utility sink or bar sink.
 - b. Bathroom with bathing facilities.
 - c. Exterior entrance.
3. ***Rooms without Adequate Interior Access.*** Rooms that do not have adequate interior access shall be treated as detached guestrooms subject to Subsection TBD, Detached Guestrooms.
4. ***Determination of Adequate Interior Access.*** The Community Development Director shall make the determination if a building or portion of a building contains adequate interior access to the main living space. Factors that shall be considered include, but are not limited to, building attachment that does not occur via a long separate hallway, or a spiral staircase, or through another bedroom.
5. ***Additional Building Elements.*** Additional residential building elements, beyond those permitted above may be permitted pursuant to a Performance Standard Permit, Chapter TBD.

E. **Determination of Residential Unit.**

1. ***Elements Considered.*** Notwithstanding the above, the Community Development Director has the authority to determine whether a building or portion of a building is configured for use as a separate residential unit, regardless of size, when a building or portion thereof is configured or occupied for residential purposes, whether permanent or temporary, and contains elements evidencing separate residential occupancy. Residential building elements to be considered may include, but are not limited to, the proximal arrangement and various combinations of:
 - a. Kitchen sink, utility sink, lavatory, or bar sink;
 - b. Cooking appliances;
 - c. Refrigeration facilities;

- d. Toilet;
 - e. Bathing facilities
 - f. Lack of interior access, including locking doors;
 - g. Exterior entrance;
 - h. Exterior staircase;
 - i. Spiral staircase;
 - j. Separate yard, patio, deck or balcony;
 - k. Separate utilities, separate meters;
 - l. Multiple water heaters;
 - m. Multiple laundry areas;
 - n. Separate garage, carport, or parking area (covered or uncovered);
 - o. Countertops or cupboards;
 - p. Sleeping loft; or
 - q. Separate address/mail box designation.
2. **Establishment.** Issuance of a building permit or other approval does not, of itself, establish that a building or portion thereof is a residential unit.

28.23.120 Solar Access Height Limitations

In addition to any other height limitation imposed in the City Charter or in this Ordinance, the following height limits apply.

A. Height Limitations.

1. **RS and R-2 Zones.** The maximum height of each point on a structure, measured from the Base Elevation or the elevation at the northerly property line, whichever is higher, shall not exceed the sum of 12 feet and 58 percent of the shortest distance from that point to the nearest northerly lot line as measured horizontally on the plan view of the structure.
2. **All Other Zones.** The maximum height of each point on a structure, measured from the Base Elevation or the elevation at the northerly property line, whichever is higher, shall not exceed the sum of 18 feet and 58 percent of the shortest distance from that point to the nearest northerly lot line as measured horizontally on the plan view of the structure.

B. Exceptions. The maximum height limits of this Section do not apply to the following.

1. Lots with a north property line abutting a street, alley, or a nonresidentially zoned lot.

2. Any flagpole, antenna, ornamental spire, chimney, or other structure or building element, shall be less than four feet along each horizontal dimension.
3. A utility pole and line.
4. Any portion of a structure for which a shadow plan is prepared and submitted by the applicant demonstrating that shadows cast by that portion of the structure at 9:00 a.m., noon, and 3:00 p.m., Pacific Standard Time on December 21 will:
 - a. Not exceed the boundaries of a simultaneous shadow cast by a legally existing structure, or by a hill or other topographical feature other than trees or other vegetation;
 - b. Not shade that portion of any adjacent residentially-zoned lot which is occupied by a dwelling or which could legally and without modification of required setbacks be occupied in the future by a dwelling; or
 - c. Fall entirely within the boundaries of an existing covered or uncovered paved off street parking area, or paved driveway leading thereto.

28.23.130 Street Frontage and Access

Except where otherwise provided in this Ordinance, every main building shall face or have frontage upon a public street or permanent means of access to a street.

28.23.140 Street Widening Setback Lines

***Placeholder.** Currently Chapters 28.82, 28.83, and 28.84 of the existing Zoning Ordinance. Substantive changes will not be made to these provisions. They will be formatted for consistency with the NZO structure and incorporated into the Final Hearing Draft.*

28.23.150 Swimming Pools and Spas

The outside wall of the water-containing portion of any in-ground swimming pool or spa shall be located outside the required setbacks of the base zone or a minimum of 15 feet from the front lot line and five feet from all interior lot lines, whichever is less

28.23.160 Use and Occupancy of Land

No vacant land shall be occupied or used, and no building hereafter erected, structurally altered or moved, shall be occupied or used until a Certificate of Occupancy has been issued by the Chief Building Official.

28.23.170 Visibility at Driveways and Intersections.

Visibility at driveways and intersections shall be maintained in accordance with the following standards. The Public Works Director may grant minor exceptions to these requirements.

- A. **Driveways.** Visibility at a driveway crossing a front property line shall not be blocked above a maximum of 42 inches within the triangle areas described below:
1. **Street with Sidewalk or Parkway.** When a driveway directly abuts a portion of a street with a sidewalk or parkway, the triangle is measured on two sides by a distance of 10 feet from the side of a driveway and 10 feet back from the front lot line.
 2. **Street without Sidewalk or Parkway.** When a driveway directly abuts a portion of a street without a sidewalk or parkway, the required site distance is established based on legal vehicle speed and the position of the driver's eye in relation to the intersection. Use of the template as shown in Figure TBD does not preclude the need for additional visibility due to site-specific conditions.
- B. **Intersections, Corner.** The required site distance is established based on legal vehicle speed and the position of the driver's eye in relation to the intersection. Structures and landscape located adjacent to intersections controlled by an all-way stop are not subject to additional height restrictions pursuant to this subsection. Use of the template as shown in Figure TBD does not preclude the need for additional visibility due to site-specific conditions.
- C. **Required Reduction for Safety.** If the height of any landscaping or other structure obstructs the sightlines required for the safe operation of motor vehicles, the Traffic Engineer may declare the obstruction to be a public nuisance and require the removal, relocation or reduction of the obstruction in order to provide for the safe operation of motor vehicles.

28.23.180 Waste, Recycling, and Outdoor Storage

- A. **Waste and Recycling Storage.**
1. **Required Screening.** Except for single unit residential development, waste and recycling receptacle storage areas shall be screened from view by a fence, wall, landscape planting, or other means from any parking lot, right-of-way, or adjoining residential property. Existing buildings shall comply with this requirement on any change or expansion of use, or when any site alteration that may affect waste and recycling location is proposed.
 2. **Location.** No portion of any front yard, any setback, open yard, or front porch shall be used to store waste, recycling or similar receptacles. Except that waste, recycling, or similar receptacles, provided by the City's contracted local waste hauler, may encroach up to three feet into the interior setback, but no closer than two feet to the interior lot line; and in the front yard or front setback no closer than 10 feet to the front lot line; under the following conditions:
 - a. Setback encroachments are available for existing development only. The encroachment is not available for new buildings or additions to existing buildings where the addition precludes the development of a conforming improvement.

- b. Receptacles must be screened by a wall or fence, compatible with adjacent architecture, with a minimum height of five feet for carts/cans, and seven feet for dumpsters.
 - c. When located within a setback or front yard, the waste and recycling enclosure shall be unroofed. It shall not exceed the size required to store the receptacles, as determined by the City's Environmental Services Division.
 - d. The waste and recycling enclosure is subject to the fence and wall height restrictions in Section TBD, Fences, Screens, Walls, and Hedges.
 - e. Waste and recycling enclosures shall be sited to minimize impacts to neighboring properties. Waste and recycling enclosures shall be maintained in good condition, free of visible debris, and shall not be used for anything other than storing waste and recycling receptacles. The waste and recycling enclosure shall not create a nuisance, hazard, or other objectionable condition, pursuant to Chapter TBD, Performance Standards.
- B. **Outdoor Storage.** No portion of any front yard or any setback, required open yard, or front porch shall be used for the storage of motor vehicles, trailers, airplanes, boats, parts of any of the foregoing, appliances, loose rubbish or garbage, junk, tents, building materials, compost pile, or any similar item, for a period of 48 or more consecutive hours, except as provided below.
- 1. Storage established as a permitted use with a certificate of occupancy from the Chief Building Official.
 - 2. Construction materials for use on the same premises may be stored during the time that a valid permit is in effect for construction on the premises.
 - 3. Rain Barrels may be located in the front yard, if screened from public view.

28.23.190 Variable Density in Certain Zones

- A. **Applicability.**
- 1. **Applicable Zones.** The provisions of this Section are applicable only in the R-M, RM-H, C-R, C-G, M-C, O-R, and in the HRC-2 and O-C zones where residential uses are allowed by the Local Coastal Plan. Overlay zones shall not prohibit the application of variable density if variable density is otherwise allowed in the base zone.
 - 2. **Effective Dates.** The provisions of this Section shall be suspended for the period of time the Average Unit-Size Density Incentive Program established by Chapter TBD, Average Unit-Size Density Incentive Program, is available. During the suspension of the provisions of this Section, the following shall apply:

- a. Projects developed or approved in accordance with this Section while it is in effect shall remain legal conforming land uses.
 - b. Alterations and additions to variable density projects are permitted provided the alterations or additions do not add new residential units or add bedrooms to existing residential units in excess of the number of bedrooms that could have been developed on the real property under the Variable Density Program.
- B. **Allowable Density.** Lots may be used as a building site for more units than the maximum base density of the base zone if the number of bedrooms in the dwelling unit is limited in accord with the following:
1. **Studio unit:** One unit per 1,600 square feet of lot area;
 2. **One bedroom unit:** One unit per 1,840 square feet of lot area;
 3. **Two bedroom unit:** One unit per 2,320 square feet of lot area;
 4. **Three or more bedroom unit:** One unit per 2,800 square feet of lot area.
- C. **Exception.** Existing lots with less than 5,000 square feet of net lot area shall not be used as a building site under this Section for more than two dwelling units.

Chapter 28.24 Density Bonus and Development Incentives

28.24.010 Intent

The intent of this Section is to provide incentives for the development of housing affordable to very-low income, lower income, senior and other qualifying households. State law mandates the provision of density bonuses to senior, very-low, and lower income households under certain circumstances. The City of Santa Barbara has created a separate density bonus program for certain other households.

28.24.020 Density Bonus Under State Law

If a project meets the criteria of State Law, the project shall be granted a density bonus and incentives or concessions as required by State law, and processed as required by State law unless otherwise requested by the applicant.

- A. **Qualifying Housing Developments.** Qualifying Housing Developments are as defined in Government Code Section 65915.
- B. **Unit Size.** Affordable units shall be comparable in size and provide at least the same average number of bedrooms as the non-affordable units.
- C. **Childcare Facility Density Bonus.** When an applicant proposes to construct a housing development that conforms to the requirements of the State Density Bonus law and includes a childcare facility other than a Family Day Care home that will be located on the premises of, as part of, or adjacent to the project, the City shall grant additional density bonus or additional concession or incentive as required by State law.
- D. **Procedure.**
 1. **Determination of Qualification.** The applicant shall submit the project for review by the Community Development Director to determine whether the project meets the criteria set forth in State density bonus law.
 2. **Density Bonus and Development Incentives.** The density bonus, development incentives, and processing shall be provided as required in Government Code Section 65915.
 3. **Review Procedure.** A project which meets all the requirements of State law shall be processed pursuant to the applicable discretionary review procedure, subject to the following exceptions:
 - a. **Lot Area Modification.** When the density bonus requested is no more than the density bonus mandated by State law, the Community Development Director shall deem the project's density consistent with the Zoning Ordinance, and exempt from the requirement for a lot area modification as set forth in Section TBD.

- b. *Design Review Board Hearing.* When the Community Development Director determines that a proposed project meets all the requirements of the residential zoning category in which the project is proposed, does not cause any unavoidable, significant, environmental impacts, and requires design review as its only City discretionary approval, the appropriate Design Review Board shall review the project.

28.24.030 Density Bonus Under City Program

- A. **Qualifying Housing Developments.** When a developer proposes an affordable housing development which is not proposed under the State law criteria and requests a density bonus, the Community Development Director shall review the project for consistency with the City's density bonus program, described in the City of Santa Barbara Affordable Housing Policies and Procedures Manual.
- B. **Procedure.** If the proposed project is determined to be consistent with the criteria of the City's density bonus program, it shall be processed according to the applicable discretionary review procedures and approved or disapproved under the provisions of that program.

Chapter 28.25 Nonconforming Structures, Site Development, and Uses

28.25.010 Purpose

The purpose of this Chapter is to provide for the regulation of nonconforming structures, site development, and uses, and to specify those circumstances under which they shall be permitted to continue and be improved. The provisions of this Chapter are intended to encourage the preservation and reuse of existing development, allow flexibility for improvements in form and design, control such uses and structures so as to reduce adverse effect on adjoining properties, and to preserve the integrity of the area in which it is located.

28.25.020 Applicability

The provisions of this Chapter apply to structures, site development, and uses that have become nonconforming by adoption of this Ordinance as well as structures, site development, and uses that become nonconforming due to subsequent amendments to its text or to the Zoning Map except as follows:

- A. Nothing in this Chapter shall be construed to prohibit any additions or alterations to a nonconforming structure as may be reasonably necessary to comply with any lawful order of any public authority, such as seismic safety requirements, the Americans with Disabilities Act, or a Notice and Order of the Building Official, made in the interest of the public health, welfare, or safety, provided that approvals pursuant to Chapter TBD, Modifications, may be required for such additions or alterations.
- B. Nothing in this Chapter shall be construed or applied to prevent additions, alterations, or replacement of Public Works and Utilities buildings, structures, equipment and facilities where there is no change in use or increase in the project site area.
- C. The provisions in this Chapter do not apply to any structure granted a Modification pursuant to Chapter TBD, Modifications.

28.25.030 Definitions

The following words and phrases shall have the meaning indicated, unless the context or usage clearly requires a different meaning:

- A. **Addition.** New construction that results in an increase to the net floor area of a building.
- B. **Abandonment.** A nonconformity is considered to be abandoned after any of the following have occurred:
 1. **Change to a Conforming Use or Configuration.** The nonconformity has been changed to a conforming use or configuration,

2. **Discontinuance of Use.** The use has been discontinued pursuant to Section TBD, Discontinuance of Use.
 3. **Demolition.** The structure containing the nonconformity is demolished and not reconstructed pursuant to Section TBD, Demolition and Replacement.
- C. **Alteration.** An interior or exterior change or rearrangement of the existing physical parts of a building, structure, or site development that does not result in an increase to the net floor area. An alteration may also be called a remodel.
- D. **Change in Use.** A change from one Use Classification to another, as described in this Ordinance.
- E. **Compatible Use.** A relatively benign nonconforming use determined to be compatible with surrounding properties by the Community Development Director.
- F. **Continuation.** The state of continuing in the same condition, capacity, or place without change, expansion, or interruption.
- G. **Demolition.**
1. **Demolition.** A demolition occurs when at least two of the three conditions below take place within any 12-month period, except with regard to a historic resource, where demolition is defined in Santa Barbara Municipal Code Section 22.22.020:
 - a. More than 50 percent of the structural elements of the roof or roof framing is removed;
 - b. More than 50 percent of the exterior walls (or vertical supports such as posts or columns when a structure has no walls) of a building or structure are removed or are no longer a necessary and integral structural component of the overall building;
 - c. More than 50 percent of the foundation system is removed, or is no longer a necessary and integral structural component of the overall building, including, but not limited to: perimeter concrete foundation, retaining walls, post and pier foundations, or similar element(s) that connect a structure to the ground and transfers gravity loads from the structure to the ground.
 2. **Upper Floor.** Existing exterior walls supporting a roof that is being modified to accommodate a new floor level or roofline will continue to be considered necessary and integral structural components, provided the existing wall elements remain in place and provide necessary structural support to the building upon completion of the roofline modifications.
 3. **Calculation.** The calculation for determining whether a wall has been demolished will be based on a horizontal measurement of the perimeter exterior wall removed between the structure's footings and the ceiling of the first story. The

calculation for determining whether the roof or foundation system has been demolished will be based on overall square footage of that individual element.

4. **Structures without Walls or Roofs.** Fences, patios, decks or similar, shall be considered demolished when more than 50 percent of either the length or area of the structure is demolished.
- H. **Incompatible Use.** Uses determined to be incompatible or detrimental to surrounding uses by the Community Development Director.
- I. **Nonconforming.** Any lawfully established use, structure, or site development that is in existence on the effective date of this Ordinance or any subsequent amendment but does not comply with all of the standards and requirements of this Ordinance shall be considered nonconforming.
- J. **Nonconforming Density.** A lawfully established development on a lot with more residential units and/or number of bedrooms than are allowed by the current ordinance. Lots that are zoned to allow residential uses, but are nonconforming to density, are not considered a nonconforming use. A residential unit in a zone which does not allow residential uses is a nonconforming use.
- K. **Repair and Maintenance.** The replacement of existing materials with similar materials in a similar manner. Repair and maintenance does not include additions, alterations, or demolition to any building or structure; changes in site development; a substitution of or a change of nonconforming use, or an increase in area occupied by a nonconforming use.
- L. **Structural Alterations.** Any change affecting existing structural elements or requiring new structural elements for vertical or lateral support of an otherwise nonstructural alteration.

28.25.040 Right to Continue, Repair and Maintain

- A. Nonconforming structures, site development, and uses may be continued, repaired and maintained. The right to continue a nonconforming use or structure shall attach to the land and shall not be affected by a change in ownership, tenancy, or management. The right to continue a nonconformity shall terminate once it has been abandoned.
- B. The right to continue does not apply to nonconforming structures, site development, and uses deemed to be a public nuisance because of health or safety conditions, as determined by the Chief Building Official.

28.25.050 Alterations

Alterations to existing nonconforming structures, site development, and structures containing a nonconforming use or nonconforming density are allowed, subject to the following provisions:

A. All Development.

1. For developments involving nonconforming uses, there is no change to a different use classification, structural alterations, or alterations that increase the area of a nonconforming use, or relocate the nonconforming use, except as allowed pursuant to Section TBD, Substitution of Nonconforming Uses or Repair and Maintenance;
2. No new floor area is created;
3. No alteration is made that increases the nonconformity of the structure or site development;
4. There shall be no increase in the size of windows or doors, or any new or relocated windows or doors on any second or higher story for structures located within the interior setback adjacent to a legal residential use or zone;
5. Alterations that increase the height of a building in any setback are allowed, provided that the increase in height of that portion of the roof located in the setback shall not exceed a maximum of 42-inches, nor result in an overall roof pitch greater than 4 inch rise over 12 inch run;
6. Encroachments are allowed pursuant to Section TBD, Encroachments into Setbacks and Open Yards; and
7. All other development standards are met.

B. Development Less than Five Feet to Interior Property Lines. Development constructed closer than five feet to any interior property line, shall also comply with all of the following limitations:

1. There shall be no change of use from residential to nonresidential uses, or from nonresidential uses to residential uses within the nonconforming setback;
2. Garages or carports shall not be converted to storage, workshops, livable space or any use whatsoever, other than covered parking within the nonconforming setback;
3. There shall be no increase in the number of residential units within the nonconforming setback; and
4. On any lot adjacent to a legal residential use or zone, there shall be no increase in the size of windows or doors on the first floor within the nonconforming setback.

28.25.060 Additions

Additions allowed by this Section shall not apply to a development that constitutes or involves a demolition unless otherwise allowed pursuant to Section TBD, Garages and Carports. No demolition shall occur within five years of completion of the addition. The addition shall not be considered complete unless it passes a final inspection or Certificate of Occupancy has been issued.

- A. **Conforming Additions.** Additions to structures that are nonconforming to any development standards are allowed if the additions conform with all development standards of this Ordinance, the existing use and residential density of the property is conforming, and no addition is made that increases the nonconformity of the structure or site development.

- B. **First Floor Additions in Interior Setbacks.** A first floor addition that is located within an interior setback may be made to an existing residential main building that is located within the interior setback, provided the addition meets the following standards, see also Diagram TBD:
 - 1. The cumulative total of new floor area located within an interior setback is equal to or less than the first floor area of the existing, nonconforming portion of the structure located within the same interior setback as of the effective date of this Ordinance;
 - 2. All new construction shall continue the plane of the existing exterior building wall that is located in the setback, and maintain a minimum setback of five feet or the same distance from the closest point of the existing building to the interior lot line, whichever is greater;
 - 3. The maximum cumulative length of the addition located within the interior setback shall not exceed 20 linear feet;
 - 4. The height of the addition within the interior setback shall not exceed the height of the existing portion of the structure located within the interior setback;
 - 5. The existing use and residential density of the property is conforming; and
 - 6. All other development standards are met.

- C. **Additions that Exceed the Maximum Floor Area (Floor to Lot Area Ratio).** An addition of new floor area on a lot that is nonconforming as to the maximum floor area or where the proposed expansion would otherwise be deemed precluded development as specified in Section TBD, Floor Area, Precluded Development-RS Zones, is allowed as follows:
 - 1. The addition shall not exceed 100 square feet of floor area over the floor area legally existing on the lot as of June 7, 2007;
 - 2. Only one addition is allowed; and

3. All other development standards are met.
- D. **Additions on Lots with Nonconforming Residential Density.** An addition of new floor area on a lot containing nonconforming residential density may be allowed, as follows:
1. The net residential floor area on a lot existing as of the effective date of this Ordinance, may be increased by a maximum of 250 square feet through one or multiple additions to the existing residential main or accessory buildings. The addition may be provided as:
 - a. One common room or rooms that serve all units on site (such as a laundry room, storage room, or recreation room); or
 - b. Multiple rooms assigned to individual units, with a maximum of 50 square feet per unit, provided the total does not exceed 250 square feet; and
 2. All other development standards are met.

28.25.070 Garages, Carports and Uncovered Parking

- A. **Alterations, Additions, and Demolition.** In any zone, non-conforming garages and carports may be altered, increased in size, demolished and reconstructed, or any combination of the above, subject to the following provisions:
1. The number of parking spaces shall not be increased within any nonconforming setback;
 2. The new nonconforming setback of the resulting garage or carport shall be no less than the than the existing nonconforming setback;
 3. The garage or carport shall meet, but not exceed, the required minimum dimensions as described in the City Standards for Parking Design;
 4. Garages may be converted to carports, carports may be converted to garages, and garage doors may be altered or relocated;
 5. There shall be no increase in the height of a building or relocation of windows and doors within any setback, except as otherwise allowed under Chapter TBD, Alterations; and
 6. All other development standards are met.
- B. **New Garages and Carports.** New covered parking spaces, up to the minimum number required by this Title may be constructed on lots containing nonconforming residential density, provided that no new floor area is created other than the garage or carport, no alteration is made that increases the nonconformity of the structure or site development, and all other development standards are met.

28.25.080 Nonconforming Uses

- A. **Change of Use.** Nonconforming uses may be changed subject to the following:
1. **Permitted Uses.** Any nonconforming use may be changed to a use that is allowed in the zone in which it is located, provided that it complies with all applicable standards and permit requirements for such use.
 2. **Compatible Uses.** Nonconforming uses may be changed to a compatible nonconforming use.
 3. **Incompatible Uses.** Nonconforming uses shall not be changed to an incompatible nonconforming use.
- B. **Structural Alterations.** Structures containing compatible nonconforming uses may be structurally altered, provided that the alteration does not constitute or involve a demolition.
- C. **Determination of Compatible or Incompatible Use.** The Community Development Director shall determine whether an existing or proposed replacement nonconforming use is compatible or incompatible with surrounding uses. Elements to be considered when making these determinations include, but are not limited to, any combination of the following:
1. Building Code occupancy classification;
 2. Land Use Classification;
 3. Noise;
 4. Odors;
 5. Vibration;
 6. Air pollution including dust and other particulate matter;
 7. Light or glare;
 8. Visual or aesthetic impacts;
 9. Hazardous materials; or
 10. Other detrimental effects.
- D. **Discontinuation of Use.** A nonconforming use shall be considered discontinued when the use ceases for a period of 12-months and evidence that the use has been discontinued occurs. The 12-month limitation may be extended to a maximum of 24 additional months at the Director's sole discretion if due diligence in obtaining permits has been demonstrated. Elements to be considered include, but are not limited to, any combination of the following:
1. The site is vacated;
 2. The business license or other required license lapse;

3. The building is closed for business;
4. There are no persons, materials, equipment, or products occupying the buildings or site;
5. Utilities are terminated; or
6. The lease is terminated.

28.25.090 Demolition and Replacement of Nonconforming Structures

- A. **Verification of Demolition.** When, in the determination of the Community Development Director, there exists the potential for a project to result in a demolition, the applicant shall submit written verification from a registered structural engineer certifying that the roof, exterior walls and foundation shown to remain are structurally sound and will not be required to be removed or replaced for the project. Prior to issuance of a building permit, the property owner and contractor shall sign an affidavit to the City that they are aware of the City's definition of a demolition and the penalties associated with an unlawful demolition.
- B. **Replacement of Demolished Nonconforming Buildings.** A nonconforming building or structure may be demolished and replaced, provided that all of the following conditions are met:
1. **Use.** The demolition and replacement of the nonconforming building or structure does not continue or perpetuate a nonconforming use.
 2. **Height.** The new structure shall not exceed the height of the existing structure, and the new structure shall comply with all current applicable height limitations.
 3. **Footprint.** The replacement building or structure shall be located within the same building footprint and in the same location on the lot as the existing building or structure. The Director may allow a modification/zoning exception pursuant to Section TBD, to this requirement to enable a building to be relocated to a safer or more appropriate location on the lot.
 4. **Floor Area.** The square footage of the replacement building or structure shall not exceed the square footage of the existing building or structure, unless otherwise allowed pursuant to Section TBD, Garages and Carports.
 5. **Residential Units.** The number of residential units shall not be greater than the existing number of residential units.
 6. **Density.** For projects developed using Variable Density, the number of bedrooms per dwelling unit shall not be greater than the existing number of bedrooms. For all other multi-unit development, the unit size shall be no greater than the unit size as the existing development.
 7. **Setbacks.** The building setbacks shall not be less than existing.
 8. **Open Yard.** The open yard shall not be less than existing.

9. **Parking Spaces.** The number of parking spaces shall be no less than the number of existing parking spaces.
 10. **Additions Prohibited.** The demolition and replacement is not combined with an addition to the structure. No addition shall occur within five years of completion of the replacement, unless otherwise allowed pursuant to Section TBD, Garages and Carports. The construction shall not be considered complete unless it passes a final inspection or Certificate of Occupancy has been issued.
 11. **Alterations Allowed.** Any alterations and remodels shall comply with Section TBD, Alterations.
 12. **Encroachments Allowed.** Encroachments into setbacks and open yards are allowed pursuant to Section TBD, Encroachments into Setbacks and Open Yards.
 13. **Permit Required.** The demolition occurred pursuant to a valid permit. All permits for new construction that are required under the Building Code shall be obtained either concurrently with the permit for the demolition or while any discretionary approval is still valid.
- C. **Repair and Replacement of Damaged or Destroyed Nonconforming Buildings.** A lawful nonconforming building or structure that is damaged, destroyed, or partially destroyed due to damage caused by fire, explosion, earthquake, or natural disaster which is not caused by an act or deliberate omission of the property owner, their agent, or person acting on their behalf or in concert with, may be restored or rebuilt and the occupancy and use may be continued or resumed subject to the restrictions in Section TBD, Demolition and Replacement of Nonconforming Buildings, but with the following exceptions:
1. **Use.** The demolition and replacement of the nonconforming building or structure may continue or perpetuate a nonconforming use.
 2. **Height.** The new structure shall not exceed the height of the existing structure, but is not required to comply with all current applicable height limitations.
 3. **Permit Required.** The building permit for the reconstruction, restoration or rebuilding of the structure must be issued within three years of the occurrence of the damage or destruction. Any such reconstruction, restoration or rebuilding shall conform to all applicable adopted Building Codes in effect at the time of reconstruction.
 4. **Plans.** Plans existing in the City's archives and other available information shall be used to determine the size, location, use, and configuration of nonconforming buildings and structures. If a property owner proposes to rebuild the building or structure in accordance with the City's archive plans, a building permit shall be the only required permit or approval.
 - a. Exterior alterations shall be subject to design review, if such review would normally be required by the Santa Barbara Municipal Code.

- b. If the City is not able to verify/confirm/determine the size, location, use and configuration of the nonconforming buildings and structures with the available information, the City shall send a notice to all owners of property within 100 feet of the subject property, advising them of the details of the applicant's request to rebuild, and requesting confirmation of the size, location, use, and configuration of the nonconforming building that is proposed to be rebuilt. The public comment period shall be not less than 10 calendar days as calculated from the date that the notice was mailed.

- D. **Demolition and Replacement of Potentially Hazardous Nonconforming Buildings Subject to the Seismic Safety Ordinance.** *Placeholder. Substantive changes will not be made to these provisions. They will be formatted for consistency with the NZO structure and incorporated into the Final Hearing Draft.*

28.25.100 Fences, Screens, Walls, and Hedges

- A. **Determination of Nonconformity.** A fence, screen, wall, or hedge shall be determined to be nonconforming by the Community Development Director upon receipt of sufficient evidence indicating that the fence, screen, wall, or hedge existed in its present location on January 10, 1957 (the effective date of the first ordinance adopting the provisions of this Section).
- B. **Continuation, Repair and Maintenance.** Any nonconforming fence, screen, wall or hedge may be continued, repaired and maintained, provided there is no physical change other than necessary maintenance and repair in such fence, screen, wall, or fence. A maximum of 50 percent of the length of a nonconforming fence, screen, wall, or hedge may be replaced within any 12-month period except as provided below.
- C. **Demolition and Replacement.** A fence, screen, wall or hedge may not be removed or demolished and replaced if it exceeds the height limitations allowed by this Ordinance, except for fences and walls as provided below.
 - 1. The fence or wall is a significant structure or feature associated with a designated City Landmark or Structure of Merit and the extent of repair, maintenance, or replacement occurs pursuant to Santa Barbara Municipal Code Section 22.22.070; or
 - 2. The retaining wall is necessary to retain or support soil in a vertical or near vertical slope of earth.

28.25.110 Nonconformities Not Specifically Addressed

Development not specifically addressed in this Chapter may be allowed, provided that it does not increase the nonconformity of the structure, site development, use, or residential density, and all other development standards are met.

Chapter 28.26 Off-Street Parking and Loading Requirements

To be addressed with Module #3.

Chapter 28.27 Performance Standards

28.27.010 Purpose

The purposes of this Chapter are to:

- A. Establish permissible limits and permit objective measurement of nuisances, hazards, and objectionable conditions;
- B. Ensure that all uses will provide necessary control measures to protect the community from nuisances, hazards, and objectionable conditions; and
- C. Protect industry from arbitrary exclusion from areas of the City.

28.27.020 General Standard

Land or buildings shall not be used or occupied in a manner creating any dangerous, injurious, or noxious fire, explosive or other hazard that would adversely affect the surrounding area.

28.27.030 Measurement of Impacts

Measurements necessary for determining compliance with the standards of this Chapter shall be taken at the lot line of the establishment or use that is the source of a potentially objectionable condition, hazard, or nuisance.

28.27.040 Dust and Fumes

Uses, activities, and processes shall not operate in a manner that emits excessive dust, fumes, smoke, or particulate matter, unless authorized under federal, State, or local law. Sources of air emissions shall comply with all rules established by the Environmental Protection Agency (Code of Federal Regulations, Title 40), the California Air Resources Board, and the Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District.

28.27.050 Electromagnetic Interference

No use, activity or process shall cause electromagnetic interference with normal radio and television reception, or with the function of other electronic equipment beyond the lot line of the site in which it is situated. All uses, activities and processes shall comply with applicable Federal Communications Commission regulations.

28.27.060 Fire and Explosive Hazards

All activities, processes and uses involving the use of, or storage of, flammable and explosive materials shall be provided with adequate safety devices against the hazard of fire and explosion. Firefighting and fire suppression equipment and devices standard in industry shall be approved by the Fire Department. All incineration is prohibited with the exception of those substances such as, but not limited to, chemicals, insecticides, hospital materials and waste

products, required by law to be disposed of by burning, and those instances wherein the Fire Department deems it a practical necessity.

28.27.070 Glare

No use shall be operated such that significant, direct glare, incidental to the operation of the use is visible beyond the boundaries of the lot where the use is located.

28.27.080 Hazardous and Extremely Hazardous Materials

The use, handling, storage and transportation of hazardous and extremely hazardous materials shall comply with the provisions of the California Hazardous Materials Regulations and the California Fire and Building Codes, as well as the laws and regulations of the California Department of Toxic Substances Control and the County Environmental Health Agency. Activities, processes, and uses shall not generate or emit any fissionable or radioactive materials into the atmosphere, a sewage system or onto the ground.

28.27.090 Heat and Humidity

Uses, activities, and processes shall not produce any emissions of heat or humidity that cause distress, physical discomfort, or injury to a reasonable person, or interfere with ability to perform work tasks or conduct other customary activities. In no case shall heat emitted by a use cause a temperature increase in excess of five degrees Fahrenheit on another property.

28.27.100 Waste Disposal

- A. **Discharges to Water or Sewers.** Liquids and solids of any kind shall not be discharged, either directly or indirectly, into a public or private body of water, sewage system, watercourse, or into the ground, except in compliance with applicable regulations of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board.
- B. **Containment.** Wastes shall be handled and stored so as to prevent nuisances, health, safety and fire hazards, and to facilitate recycling. Closed containers shall be provided and used for the storage of any materials which by their nature are combustible, volatile, dust, or odor producing or edible or attractive to rodents, vermin, or insects.
- C. **Incineration.** There shall be no rubbish or refuse incineration on the premises.

28.27.110 Noise

No use or activity shall create noise levels that exceed the standards set forth in Chapter 9.16, Noise, of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code.

28.27.120 Odors

No person or business shall cause or allow the emission of offensive, noxious, or foul odors in concentrations which are offensive to a reasonable person, which produce a public nuisance or hazard on adjoining property, or which could be detrimental to human, plant, or animal life

28.27.130 Vibration

No vibration shall be produced that is transmitted through the ground and is discernible without the aid of instruments by a reasonable person at the lot lines of the site. Vibrations from temporary construction, demolition, and vehicles that enter and leave the subject parcel (e.g., construction equipment, trains, trucks, etc.) are exempt from this standard.