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Sec. 28-621. Purpose.

The C-2 community commercial district is intended to provide for a variety of mutually supporting compatible business and multifamily residential uses in unified centers and related groupings of individually developed sites; and to encourage high quality commercial and multifamily residential development in convenient locations accessible to major traffic arteries outside major transportation corridors.

(Ord. No. 1986-49, § 1(4.1601), 9-16-86)

Sec. 28-622. Permitted uses.

Permitted uses in the C-2 district are:

- (1) Financial institutions.
- (2) Clinics and lab services, but not including veterinary clinics.
- (3) Clubs, lodges, where the chief activity is not a business.
- (4) Commercial and vocational schools.
- (5) Convalescent or rest homes.
- (6) Dressmaking, millinery, tailor shops, shoe repair shops and similar shops.
- (7) Child care facilities.
- (8) Office buildings.
- (9) Personal service shops.
- (10) Restaurants.

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- (11) Retail sales, excluding automobiles, trucks, farm machinery, construction machinery and equipment, agricultural and farm supplies, motorcycles, HUD-Code manufactured homes and RVs.
- (12) Studios of artists, photographers, crafts and custom trades.
- (13) Physical, cultural and health services, including gymnasiums and reducing salons.
- (14) Travel bureaus.
- (15) Repair and servicing of bicycles, radios, televisions, appliances, keys and similar consumer articles, but not including motorized vehicles.
- (16) Commercial funeral home.
- (17) Public uses, such as parks, libraries, buildings and municipal zoos.
- (18) Schools including public and private schools, elementary and secondary schools, preschools, kindergartens, nursery schools and special schools, provided the use meets all setback, lot size and other development requirements applicable.
- (19) Houses of worship, convents, rectories, parsonages and parish houses.
- (20) Golf courses, but not miniature courses or driving ranges.
- (21) Fire stations, police stations, artesian wells, pumping stations, lakes, boat docks, boathouses, water supply reservoirs, filter beds, water tanks, towers or standpipes and marinas.
- (22) Railroad rights-of-way, railroad tracks, bridges and signals.
- (23) Public utilities; poles, wires and transmission and/or distribution lines and other transmission and distributing appurtenances, but not including storage facilities, electrical energy production facilities, transformers or relay substations.
- (24) Accessory off-street parking and loading facilities subject to the provisions of article VII of this chapter.
- (25) Accessory signs subject to the provisions of article VIII of this chapter.
- (26) Other accessory uses subject to the provisions of [section 28-926](#)
- (27) Alcoholic beverages, sale for off-premises consumption.
- (28) Bakeries, retail.
- (29) Catering establishments.
- (30) Cleaning, dyeing and laundry plants, commercial.
- (31) Printing, blueprinting, binding and publishing, lithographing and engraving.
- (32) Home occupation subject to the provisions of [section 28-928](#) and all other applicable provisions of this chapter.
- (33) Laundries, self-serve commercial.
- (34) Photostating and copy services.
- (35) Indoor recreational facility.
- (36) Religious, philanthropic and educational institutions, museums.
- (37) Equipment rental (small domestic).

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- (38) Multiple-family dwellings.
- (39) Auto, retail gas sale, only with convenience stores.
- (40) Office and business equipment sales offices.
- (41) Townhouse dwellings.
- (42) Licensed group homes.
- (43) Motel and hotels and attached restaurants.
- (44) Sale of beer for on-premises consumption, provided that such use is located on a public golf course.
- (45) Wireless communication system antennas on alternate independent support structures.
- (46) Mortuary services as an accessory use to a commercial funeral home and subject to the provisions of [section 28-926](#)
- (47) Retail sales exclusively outside an enclosed building, provided that a private open air vending permit has been issued in accordance with [Chapter 13](#) of this Code for such use.
- (48) Adult day care facilities.
- (49) Small packaging and shipping services.
- (50) Community home I.
- (51) Enclosed outside storage subject to the provisions of [section 28-926](#)
- (52) Outside display subject to the provisions of [section 28-926](#)
- (53) Restaurants, retail sales, or personal, automobile or financial services providing goods or services directly to customers in motor vehicles outside of an enclosed structure not adjacent to a lot used for residential purposes, or an R zoning district.
- (54) Excavation, mining and/or removal of material limited to sand, soil or gravel, as an accessory use for the purpose of construction on the property or development of the property for a permitted use by right or by special permit; provided the excavation, mining and/or removal of material meet the following:
 - a. The amount of material being removed from the site is not more than 125,000 cubic yards;
 - b. A site grading permit is issued meeting all requirements of article III, division 3 of this chapter for a period of time that is specified in the site grading permit which period of time shall be reasonable for the amount of work that is being done as part of the construction on the property or development of the property for a permitted use, as determined by the building official; and
 - c. If excavation, mining and/or removal of material is intended to create a water body or lake as an accessory use, the area of the water body or lake cannot exceed ten percent of the total area of the tract or lot where it is being constructed. This applies to the parent tract or lot and further division of the parent tract or lot will not permit additional water bodies or lake to exceed ten percent of the total area of the parent tract or lot.
- (55) Temporary residential rental units.
- (56) Farmers' markets (except on lots containing only single-family uses) provided that a farmers' market permit has been issued in accordance with [chapter 13](#) of this Code.

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- (57) Sale of alcohol for off-premise consumption provided that such use occurs at a permitted farmers' market.
- (58) Community gardens provided that a community garden permit has been issued in accordance with [chapter 13](#) of this Code (unless such permit is not required under [chapter 13](#) of this Code).

(Ord. No. 1986-49, § 1(4.1602), 9-16-86; Ord. No. 1987-3, § 9, 2-17-87; Ord. No. 1987-24, §§ 12, 15, 20, 12-21-87; Ord. No. 1987-58, § 9, 10-27-87; Ord. No. 1988-45, § 10, 10-18-88; Ord. No. 1988-73, §§ 5, 7, 1-3-89; Ord. No. 1989-13, § 1, 3-28-89; Ord. No. 1990-13, §§ 2, 4, 4-17-90; Ord. No. 1990-61, §§ 6, 8, 12, 15, 16, 12-18-90; Ord. No. 1992-35, § 5, 10-6-92; Ord. No. 1995-62, § 1, 12-5-95; Ord. No. 1996-3, § 4, 2-20-96; Ord. No. 1997-25A, § 1, 6-17-97; Ord. No. 1997-30, § 1(h), 7-1-97; Ord. No. 2003-0383, § 1, 7-1-03; Ord. No. 2004-0122, § 1, 4-6-04; Ord. No. 2004-0332, § 1, 6-15-04; Ord. No. 2005-287, § 2, 5-3-05; Ord. No. 2005-437, § 2, 8-2-05; Ord. No. 2006-455, § 3, 8-1-06; Ord. No. 2007-290, § 3, 5-1-07; Ord. No. 2010-131, § 1, 3-2-10; Ord. No. 2010-692, § 1, 12-7-10; Ord. No. 2010-693, § 1, 12-7-10; Ord. No. 2011-116, § 1, 3-1-11; Ord. No. 2013-483, § 1, 8-20-13)

Sec. 28-623. Enclosed structures required.

All principal uses in the C-2 district shall be conducted within a completely enclosed structure. There shall be no open storage.

(Ord. No. 1986-49, § 1(4.1603), 9-16-86; Ord. No. 2005-437, § 2, 8-2-05)

Sec. 28-624. Special uses.

Uses which may be allowed in the C-2 district by special permit in accordance with the provisions of [section 28-121](#) et seq. are:

- (1) Greenhouses and nurseries (retail only).
- (2) Restaurants, retail sales, or personal, automobile or financial services providing goods or services directly to customers in motor vehicles outside of an enclosed structure adjacent to a lot used for residential purposes, or an R zoning district.
- (3) Theaters (not drive-in).
- (4) Vocational rehabilitation.
- (5) Veterinary clinics, but not including open kennels.
- (6) Hospitals.
- (7) Excavation, mining and/or removal of any material, including, but not limited to, sand, soil and gravel, as an accessory use for the purpose of construction on the property or development of the property for a permitted use by right or by special permit, if (1) the amount of material being removed from the site is more than 125,000 cubic yards, or (2) the excavation and/or mining involving the removal of material is intended to construct a water body or lake as an accessory use and the area of the water body or lake exceeds ten percent of the total area of the lot or tract where it is being constructed; provided the excavation, mining and/or removal is conducted in accordance with all terms and conditions of the special use permit, the surface mining and excavation guidelines and all other applicable ordinances and codes of the city and meets the following conditions:
 - a. The property on which the excavation, mining and/or removal operation is conducted is not located within 1,000 feet of 26 or more dwelling units, and

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- b. Trucks used to transport excavated material from an excavation or mining operation site shall not be driven on a local or collector street that provides vehicular access to a residential subdivision containing 26 or more dwelling units.
- (8) Monopole and stealth antenna structures at any height for wireless communication system.
- (9) Cemeteries.
- (10) Reserved.
- (11) Reserved.
- (12) Schools; colleges or universities.
- (13) Carpet cleaning.
- (14) Parcel or package delivery and express services.
- (15) Public utilities; shops, yards, generation, storage and substations.
- (16) Residential quarters for caretakers and similar personnel.
- (17) Community home II.
- (18) Bed and breakfast inns subject to the provisions of sections [28-960](#) through [28-963](#)
- (19) Reserved.
- (20) Self-storage warehouses in an enclosed, climate-controlled structure.
- (21) Transitional shelter II.
- (22) Recreational vehicle parks subject to [chapter 15](#) of the Code.
- (Ord. No. 1986-49, § 1(4.1604), 9-16-86; Ord. No. 1987-24, § 16, 12-21-87; Ord. No. 1987-58, § 7, 10-27-87; Ord. No. 1987-64, § 1, 11-24-87; Ord. No. 1988-45, § 1, 10-18-88; Ord. No. 1989-30, § 6, 7-18-89; Ord. No. 1995-62, § 2, 12-5-95; Ord. No. 1997-2, § 1(c), 2-4-97; Ord. No. 1997-30, § 1(i), 7-1-97; Ord. No. 1998-53, § 1, 2-2-99; Ord. No. 2003-0049, § 1, 1-21-03; Ord. No. 2003-0405, § 1, 7-15-03; Ord. No. 2004-0122, § 1, 4-6-04; Ord. No. 2004-0332, § 1, 6-15-04; Ord. No. 2005-287, § 2, 5-3-05; Ord. No. 2006-455, § 5, 8-1-06; Ord. No. 2010-692, § 1, 12-7-10; Ord. No. 2011-117, § 1, 3-1-11; Ord. No. 2013-481, § 1, 8-20-13; Ord. No. 2013-483, § 1, 8-20-13)

Sec. 28-625. Lot area.

Except as otherwise provided in [section 28-901](#), every lot in the C-2 district upon which a structure or use is erected, altered or maintained shall have:

- (1) *All permitted uses.* An area of not less than 10,000 square feet; and a minimum width of 80 feet.
- (2) *Multifamily dwelling.* An area of not less than 1,740 square feet per dwelling unit; and a minimum width of 50 feet.
- (3) *Uses allowed by special permit.* Same as for permitted uses, subject to the provisions of [section 28-130](#)
- (4) *Townhouse dwelling.* An area of not less than 3,000 square feet for each dwelling unit; and a minimum width of 20 feet for each dwelling unit.

(Ord. No. 1986-49, § 1(4.1605), 9-16-86; Ord. No. 1988-73, § 8, 1-3-89)

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Sec. 28-626. Height restrictions.

Except as provided in [section 28-903](#), no structure or use in the C-2 district shall be erected, altered or maintained which exceeds two stories or 35 feet in height.

(Ord. No. 1986-49, § 1(4.1606), 9-16-86)

Sec. 28-627. Yard requirements.

Except as provided in [section 28-904](#), no structure or use in the C-2 district shall be erected, altered or maintained unless the following yards are provided:

- (1) *All permitted uses.* A front yard of not less than 20 feet and no minimum side or rear yard is required, except that:
 - a. A side yard of not less than ten feet shall be required where the side yard is adjacent to a side street.
 - b. Any rear or side yard abutting an R-3 or O district shall not be less than 15 feet.
 - c. Any rear or side yard abutting an R-1 or R-2 district shall not be less than 25 feet.
 - d. The required side or rear yard adjacent to a lot in an R-1A, R-1B or R-1C district shall be increased by one foot for every two feet, or fraction thereof, by which the principal structure exceeds 25 feet in height.
- (2) *Uses allowed by special permit.* Same as for permitted uses in subsection (1) of this section, subject to the provisions of [section 28-130\(b\)](#).

(Ord. No. 1986-49, § 1(4.1607), 9-16-86)

Sec. 28-628. Additional regulations.

Uses in the C-2 district shall also comply with the following regulations:

- (1) [Section 28-171](#) requiring review of development plans for all uses except single-family dwellings.
- (2) [Chapter 9](#) regulating development in the escarpment zone.
- (3) [Chapter 11](#) regulating development in floodplains.
- (4) A permit is required for all site work of property and for the construction or substantial alteration of a parking lot. "Substantial alteration" includes the adding of spaces or reconstruction of the parking lot area. Single-family residential uses shall be exempt from this requirement.

(Ord. No. 1986-49, § 1(4.1608), 9-16-86; Ord. No. 1998-82, § 1, 5-4-99)

Sec. 28-629. Distance requirements.

- (a) A community home I located in the C-2 district shall be located at least ½-mile from another community home I.
- (b) A community home II located in the C-2 district shall be located at least 500 feet from any lot used for a school, day care center, or another community home II, transitional shelter, shelter, or halfway house.

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- (c) A transitional shelter located in the C-2 district shall be located at least 500 feet from any lot used for a school, day care center, or another transitional shelter, community home II, shelter, or halfway house.

(Ord. No. 2004-0332, § 1, 6-15-04)

Secs. 28-630—28-645. Reserved.