

ARTICLE XVI PARKING AND LOADING

SECTION 16.01 SCOPE

In all Zoning Districts, off-street parking facilities for the storage and parking of self-propelled motor vehicles for the use of occupants, employees and patrons of the buildings hereafter erected, altered or extended after the effective date of this Ordinance, shall be provided as herein prescribed. Such space shall be maintained and shall not be encroached upon so long as said main building or structure remains, unless an equivalent number of such spaces are provided elsewhere in conformance with this Ordinance.

SECTION 16.02 LOCATION OF PARKING

The off-street parking required by this Article shall be provided in accordance with the following requirements:

- A. One and Two-family Dwellings: The off-street parking facilities required for one and two-family dwellings shall be located on the same lot or plot of ground as the building they are intended to serve, but shall not be considered a parking lot under the provisions of this Article.
- B. Multiple-Dwellings: The off-street parking facilities for multiple-family dwellings shall be located on the same lot or plot of ground as the dwellings they are intended to serve, and shall consist of a parking lot, as defined in this Article. In no event shall any uncovered parking space for any multiple-family dwelling be located nearer than ten (10) feet to any main building.
- C. Manufactured Home Park: The off-street parking required may be located on each site or in parking lots conveniently located and readily accessible to each site. Each parking space must meet minimum area requirements.
- D. Other Land Uses: The off-street parking required may be located on each site or in parking lots within three hundred (300) feet of and readily accessible to each site.

SECTION 16.03 PARKING LOT REQUIREMENTS

- A. All parking facilities, access driveways, and commercial storage areas (excluding those for single and two-family dwellings outside manufactured home parks) shall be hard surfaced with a pavement having an asphalt or concrete binder, shall be graded and drained so as to dispose of surface water which might accumulate within or upon such area, and shall be completely constructed prior to a Certificate of Occupancy being issued.
- B. In all Zoning Districts, the pavement surfacing of the portion of any driveway between the right-of-way and the edge of the roadway surface shall be hard surfaced if the roadway is hard surfaced.

- C. All illumination for all parking lots in the Commercial Districts, non-residential uses, and multiple-family developments shall be deflected away from adjacent residential areas and shall be installed in such a manner as to allow the reduction of the amount of light on other than normal parking hours each day. The source of illumination in all parking lots abutting a Residential District or use shall not be higher than fifteen (15) feet above the parking lot surface.
- D. When a required non-residential parking lot is situated on a parcel which adjoins a Residential District, abutting directly across a roadway, the respective side or rear yard in which said parking is located shall contain a minimum setback of twenty (20) feet excluding any parking or drives, unless a greater setback is required by any other provision in this Ordinance.
- E. Required non-residential parking lots abutting a Residential District or use shall be effectively screened from neighboring Residential Districts and uses by a decorative fence or wall, or a landscaped equivalent.
- F. Adequate ingress and egress to the parking lot, by means of limited and clearly defined drives, shall be provided for all vehicles. Such drives shall be located so as to minimize traffic conflicts with adjoining uses and roadways.
- G. Wheel stops shall be provided and so located as to prevent any vehicle from projecting over the lot or setback lines. Such devices shall be securely anchored into the parking lot to ensure that they remain stationary.
- H. Plans for the layout of off-street parking facilities shall be in accordance with the parking space dimensions of this Ordinance. The minimum parking space dimensions for a layout not provided for in the regulations shall be nine (9) feet in width, eighteen (18) feet in length, and one hundred and sixty-two (162) square feet in area.

SECTION 16.04 PARKING LOT PLANS

- A. The construction of any parking lot shall be in accordance with the requirements of the provisions of this Ordinance and such construction shall be completed and approved by the Zoning Administrator before actual use of the property as a parking lot and before a Certificate of Occupancy is issued.
- B. Plans for the development of any parking lot must be submitted to the Zoning Administrator, prepared at a scale of not less than one (1) inch equals fifty (50) feet and indicating existing and proposed grades, drainage, pipe sizes, dimensions of typical parking spaces, type of curbing, drive and aisle dimensions, lighting, adjacent main buildings, sidewalks, landscaping, surfacing and base materials to be used, and the layout of the proposed parking lot. The plans are to be prepared in a presentable form by person or persons competent in such work and shall conform to the provisions of the Parking and Loading requirements of this ordinance.

SECTION 16.05 PARKING RESTRICTIONS

- A. In any District, it shall be unlawful to use required off-street parking areas for the storage or parking of vehicles in excess of twenty-four (24) hours, except as may be permitted for a commercial use.

- B. It shall be unlawful for any person to park or store any motor vehicle without the express written consent of the owner, holder, occupant, lessee, agent, or trustee of such property. In no case shall vehicles be parked in any required off-street parking lot for the sole purpose of displaying such vehicle for sale, except in approved and licensed car sales lots.
- C. It shall be unlawful for the owner, holder, occupant, lessee, agent, or trustee of any lot in a Residential District to permit or allow the open storage or parking, either day or night, thereon of trucks (over one (1) ton), semi-trucks and trailers, manufactured home, construction equipment, and/or any other similar equipment or machinery for commercial purposes for a period exceeding forty-eight (48) hours. However, the owner, tenant, or lessee of an agricultural use may openly store operable machinery and equipment necessary to be parked on a lot, parcel or tract of land during work thereon, providing it is not within 200 feet of any road right-of-way.
- D. No vehicle storage or display shall be permitted within any road right-of-way. On-street parking is permitted in locations specifically designated by public authority for on-street parking. On-street parking spaces shall not be counted toward the required parking for any use.

SECTION 16.06 OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS

- A. Minimum required off-street parking spaces are noted in the table below for the uses listed. Additional parking may be required as part of site plan approval. For those uses not specifically mentioned, the requirements for off-street parking shall be in accord with a use in which the Zoning Administrator considers similar in type.
- B. When units of measurement determining the number of required off-street parking spaces result in the requirement of a fractional space that fraction shall require one (1) parking space.

USE	PARKING SPACE PER UNIT OF MEASUREMENT
Residential	
Single-family dwellings	Two (2) for each dwelling unit
Two-family dwellings	Two (2) for each dwelling unit
Multiple-family dwellings	Two (2) for each dwelling unit, plus one (1) additional space for each two (2) units
Institutional	
Group and commercial day care homes and group care facilities	One (1) space for each four (4) clients
Churches, theaters, assembly areas, auditoriums, gymnasiums	One (1) space for each two (2) seats or each four (4) feet of pew length or one (1) space for each two (2) persons allowed within the maximum occupancy load established by any applicable codes or ordinances, whichever is greater.
Schools, elementary and middle	Two (2) spaces for each three (3) employees, plus amount required for auditorium or gymnasium seating.
Schools, secondary, trade, industrial, and institutions of higher learning	One (1) space for each eight (8) students, plus one and one-half (1 ½) spaces for each classroom, plus amount required for auditorium or gymnasium seating.

Commercial	
Vehicle wash establishments (self service or automatic)	One (1) space for each five (5) stalls
Beauty/Barber shop	Three (3) spaces for each chair
Bowling alleys	Four (4) spaces for each bowling lane plus required spaces for each accessory use.
Assembly halls without fixed seats	One (1) space for each three (3) persons allowed within the maximum occupancy load established by any applicable codes or ordinances
Restaurants – without drive-through facilities	One (1) space for each one hundred (100) square feet UFA or one (1) space for each two (2) persons allowed within the maximum occupancy load established by any applicable codes or ordinances, whichever is greater
Vehicle service stations	One (1) space for each service stall, plus one (1) space for each pump island
Personal service establishments not otherwise specified	One (1) space for each fifty (50) square feet UFA
Furniture, appliance and household goods retail sales	One (1) space for each one thousand (1000) square feet UFA
Funeral homes and mortuary establishments	One (1) space for each fifty (50) square feet UFA
Open Air businesses	One (1) space for two hundred (200) square feet of indoor UFA plus one (1) space for each one thousand (1000) square feet of outdoor display area
Retail stores not otherwise specified	One (1) space for each two hundred square feet UFA
Hotels and motels	One (1) space for each guest room, plus required spaces for any accessory uses
Video rental stores	One (1) space for each one hundred (100) square feet UFA
Marinas	1.2 parking spaces per marina slip, including “in/out” stackable slips.

Offices	
Banks, credit unions, savings and loan associations and other similar uses	One (1) space for each one hundred and fifty (150) square feet UFA plus three (3) spaces for each non-drive through automatic teller machine
Offices not otherwise specified	One (1) space for each three hundred (300) square feet UFA
Medical and dental offices and clinics	One (1) space for each seventy five (75) square feet of waiting room area plus one (1) space for each examining room, dental chair, or similar use area

Industrial	
Manufacturing, processing, and research establishments and Industrial uses not otherwise specified	One (1) space for each one thousand (1000) square feet GFA plus those spaces required for offices located on the premises
Warehouses and wholesale establishments	One (1) space for each two thousand (2000) square feet GFA plus those spaces required for offices located on the premises.

SECTION 16.07 OFF-STREET LOADING REQUIREMENTS

- A. On the same premises with every building or structure involving the receipt or distribution of vehicles, materials or merchandise there shall be provided and maintained on the lot adequate space for standing, loading and unloading. This space shall be placed so as to avoid undue interference with public use of dedicated rights-of-way and parking areas.
- B. In the NC District all loading spaces shall be located in the rear yard in the ratio of at least ten (10) square feet per front foot of building and shall be computed separately from off-street parking requirements.
- C. Loading spaces for non-residential uses in Residential Districts shall be located in the rear yard in the ratio of at least five (5) square feet per front foot of building and shall be computed separately from off-street parking requirements.
- D. LI District
 - 1. In the LI District at least one (1) loading space shall be provided. All loading spaces shall be at least ten (10) feet by fifty (50) feet, or a minimum of five hundred (500) square feet in area. A minimum of fourteen (14) foot clearance height shall be provided.
 - 2. Loading spaces shall only be permitted off-street and in the rear yard or interior side yard.
- E. All dedicated loading spaces shall be provided with pavement having an asphalt or concrete binder so as to provide a permanent, durable and dust-free surface.