Chapter 8
ZONING DISTRICTS

Section 8.1  Districts Are Established

The City-Parish is divided into the following types of zoning districts:

A  Districts - Residential
H  Districts - Historic
B  Districts - Transition
N  Districts - Neighborhood
GO  Districts - General Office
C  Districts - Commercial
LC  Districts - Light Commercial
HC  Districts - Heavy Commercial
CW  Districts - Commercial Warehousing
M  Districts - Industrial
R  Districts - Rural
RE/A  Districts - Residential Estate/Agriculture
GU  Districts - Government Use
X  Districts - Adult Businesses
PUD  Districts - Planned Unit Development
SPUD  Districts - Small Planned Unit Development
ISPUD  Districts - Infill/Mixed Use Small Planned Unit Development
TND  Districts - Traditional Neighborhood Development
UDD  Districts - Urban Design

Section 8.101

A.  These zoning districts are further divided into the following specific zoning districts:
### A. Zoning Districts

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### B. Natural Resource Overlay District

In addition to the specific zoning districts listed above, a Natural Resource Overlay District is hereby established and shall overlay all other zoning districts where they are duly approved and adopted so that any parcel of land lying in a Natural Resource Overlay District shall also lie in one or more of the other zoning districts provided for by Section 8.101. These zoning district boundaries shall be shown on official maps as provided for in Section 8.102.

#### Section 8.102

The boundaries of the zoning districts are as shown on the Official Zoning District Map, properly certified and attested, attached to, (on file in the Office of the Council Administrator/Treasurer) and made a part of the Unified Development Code, with said boundaries more particularly defined on the Lot and Block maps on file in the Office of the Planning Commission and the Inspection Division of the Department of Public Works.

#### Section 8.103

Whenever the Metropolitan Council revokes the dedication of a street or alley, adjacent zoning districts shall extend to the centerline of the revocation.
Section 8.104

Where Parish property is incorporated into the City, its zoning classification will not be changed by that incorporation.

Section 8.105

Every building shall be on a lot. In the Rural, A1, A2, A2.1, A2.5, A2.6 and A2.7 Districts there shall not be more than one main building on one lot.

Section 8.106  Conditional Uses

Conditional uses are those uses which are generally compatible with the uses permitted in a zoning district, but require individual review of their location, design, and intensity in order to ensure their appropriateness on any particular parcel of land and the compatibility of the use with adjacent uses. Conditional uses may be granted for those conditional uses enumerated in each of the zoning districts established in this ordinance with the standards and procedures of this section and the standards established for each conditional use in the district regulations.

A. Standards applicable to all conditional uses. A conditional use permit shall be granted only if the Planning Commission deems the requested use to be in the public interest and that the applicant demonstrates that all specific conditions for each use are met and:

1. The design of the proposed development minimizes adverse effects, including visual impacts, of the proposed use on adjacent properties;

2. The proposed use will not unduly burden essential public infrastructure and services including roadways, existing parking spaces, police and fire protection facilities, drainage systems, refuse disposal, water and sewers, and schools; and

3. The proposed use will not allow land or building usage that is incompatible with existing character or usage of the neighborhood.

B. Issuance of a Conditional Use Permit

1. Conditional uses shall be reviewed and approved or denied by the Planning Commission in accordance with the provisions of this subsection; unless identified as a major conditional use which shall require review and approval by the Metropolitan Council.

2. A written application for a conditional use permit shall be submitted to the Office of the Planning Commission with the fee established by the Planning Commission.

3. A conditional use permit application shall include a detailed site plan including all items indicated on the site plan checklist and shall follow the public notification procedures for a rezoning application.

4. The Planning Commission shall conduct a public hearing on all conditional use permits. The Metropolitan Council shall conduct a public hearing on Major conditional use permits.

5. Notwithstanding any other provision of this ordinance, at the Metropolitan Council meeting following the decision of the Planning Commission any member
of the Metropolitan Council may introduce an appeal of the decision of the Planning Commission, failure to appeal will make the Planning Commission decision final. If the Metropolitan Council introduces the appeal of the conditional use, the item shall be heard at the next regularly scheduled Metropolitan Council Zoning Meeting. Failure to introduce the conditional use will make the Planning Commission decision final.

6. No conditional use permit for construction or license for occupation shall be issued by the City-Parish until all appeals periods have expired.

7. Filing and distribution of Conditional Use Permit Site Plan. The subdivider shall have the total number of copies of the Conditional Use Permit Site Plan as required by Appendix L to be disbursed as required by the Planning Commission staff within two (2) days of approval.

C. Adjustments. During the construction of a conditional use, adjustments to the approved use may be allowed as follows:

1. The Office of the Planning Commission may authorize adjustments to an approved conditional use when such adjustments appear necessary in light of technical or engineering considerations first discovered during actual construction. Such adjustments shall be consistent with the intent of this ordinance and the approved conditional use and shall be the minimum necessary to overcome the particular difficulty. Such adjustments shall be limited to the following:

   a. Altering the location of any structure by not more than ten (10) feet;

   b. Altering the location of a parking area or road by not more than five (5) feet;

   c. Altering the final grade by not more than two (2) feet of the originally planned grade;

   d. Altering the location of required landscaping elements by not more than twenty (20) feet.

2. Any adjustments to an approved conditional use that are not technical in nature but are considered a substantial change shall be granted only upon application to, and approval of the Planning Commission. The Office of the Planning Commission may approve an adjustment upon finding that the proposed change is in conformity with the original approval. If the Office of the Planning Commission determines that the adjustment is not in conformity with the original approval, then the request shall be considered an amendment to the original application and the applicant shall resubmit the amended application and fees to the same review as the original application.

D. A conditional use permit may be amended, extended, varied, or altered only pursuant to the standards and procedures for approval in Sections 8.106.B or C.

E. In addition to any other penalties and remedies for violation of this ordinance, any conditional use approval may be revoked for violation of any condition imposed upon such approval. Upon receipt of a report by the Building Official identifying a violation of
a conditional use, the Planning Commission shall hold a public hearing to revoke the conditional use permit. The applicant shall be given a reasonable time limit to eliminate all violations. This time period, of at least twenty-five (25) days, is to be set by the Planning Commission at the hearing. A report by the Building Official verifying the violation(s) have been remedied shall be submitted to the Office of the Planning Commission at least five (5) days prior to the expiration of the time limit. Failure to remedy the violation within the time limit given will result in the revocation of the conditional use permit. Any party may appeal a decision by the Planning Commission to revoke a conditional use permit to the Metropolitan Council under the procedures in Section 8.106.B.5. Upon exhaustion of all appeals of a conditional use revocation, the Planning Commission shall record the official action of the Planning Commission revoking the conditional use permit, in the public record with the Clerk of Court for East Baton Rouge Parish.

F. Within one (1) year of conditional use approval, construction shall commence in accordance with the approved conditional use permit. Within eighteen (18) months of conditional use approval, the applicant shall obtain a Certificate of Occupancy. If the applicant incurs delays beyond his control, a six month extension may be granted by the Planning Commission. Failure to commence construction within that period shall automatically render the conditional use permit null and void. Failure to obtain an Occupancy Permit within two (2) years of conditional use approval shall automatically render the conditional use permit null and void. A permit for a conditional use authorizes only the particular use for which it was issued as shown on the approved site plan and such permit shall automatically expire and cease to be of any force or effect if such use shall, for any reason, be discontinued for a period of one (1) year. If a building, the use of which is conditional, is damaged or destroyed to an extent of more than sixty (60) percent of its fair market value, by fire, explosion, act of God, or the public enemy, then any restoration shall follow the time limits for construction of a conditional use.

G. Any citizen may petition for a Conditional Use Permit, provided that it has been one (1) year or longer since the first denial of a petition to obtain a Conditional use permit on a particular piece of property, and two (2) years or longer since the second and subsequent denials of a petition to obtain a Conditional Use Permit on a particular piece of property, subject to advertising and posting as required herein.

**Section 8.107 Character Areas**

Character Areas reflect the Vision of the Comprehensive Plan to create distinctive neighborhoods that retain the best and most cherished aspects of communities while allowing them to evolve to meet the challenges of future growth. Within these character areas some regulations may vary to ensure that the Vision can be achieved. These character areas shall be defined on the official zoning atlas of the parish and shall function similar to an overlay district, establishing guidelines within which varying development patterns and intensities may be utilized.

**A. Establishment.** The character areas shall include the following:

1. **Downtown** – That area includes the Central Business District and the areas immediately adjacent to it within which higher intensities of use are allowed. Regulations governing development in this area shall provide for an integrated mix of high density residential and high intensity commercial uses while encouraging the enhancement of the street-level, pedestrian environment. Auto-oriented and low intensity uses shall be discouraged.
2. **Urban/Walkable** – This area is comprised of neighborhoods within which development was concentrated prior to the 1960s. It includes some of Baton Rouge's oldest neighborhoods that are characterized by a network of well-connected streets. In addition, it includes areas with the potential for creation of a walkable network of small blocks. Lots in these areas are generally small, and different uses can be found in proximity to one another.

3. **Suburban** - This is the urbanized area of City-Parish that lies outside the Downtown and Urban/Walkable Areas. It is characterized by auto-oriented shopping centers and residential subdivisions with larger lots where the majority of Baton Rouge's population growth has been concentrated since the 1960s. Different land uses typically demonstrate greater separation from one another than is found in the Downtown or Urban/Walkable Character Areas.

4. **Rural** – These areas lie outside the Suburban Character Area. They feature low population densities and are served by limited infrastructure, including two-lane rural roads and individual sewage treatment systems. Different land uses have the greatest degree of separation and the zoning is predominantly residential, although some commercial uses continue to operate within the area. Larger tracts are generally wooded and undisturbed.

**Section 8.2 Conditional Uses and special requirements within zoning districts**

**Section 8.201 A1 Single Family Residential District**

The purpose of A1 is to permit low density residential development with a maximum density of 4.1 units per acre. Accessory uses normally compatible with surrounding low density residential development may be permitted.

**Conditional Uses**

- **Bed and breakfast home** – Limited to four (4) guestrooms within National Register Historic Districts or Sites or homes listed on the National Register of Historic Places or within homes a minimum of fifty (50) years old. All parking areas must be completely screened (see parking screening in Appendix D) from the street and adjacent residences. No signage is allowed. Must be owner occupied. Shall be located on a lot or tract with a minimum size of one (1) acre. Guests are limited to a maximum stay of seven (7) consecutive days. Homes that qualify based upon the fifty (50) year old requirement shall not be located within a recognized residential subdivision unless the lot has frontage on a designated major street.

- **Cemeteries, columbaria and mausoleums** – Must be located on a major street. Shall not be located within a recognized residential subdivision.

- **Childcare centers** – Enrollment is limited to ten children. Hours of operation are between 6:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. A six (6) foot solid wooden fence is required between adjacent residences and outdoor play areas. No signage is allowed. Must be owner occupied. All parking areas must be completely screened (see parking screening in Appendix D) from the street and adjacent residences. Shall not be located within a recognized residential subdivision.

- **Educational, religious, and philanthropic institutions** – Plan Review is required for all such uses. Site Plan criteria shall be submitted as required in Section 4.101 Plan Review of the Unified Development Code.
Section 8.202  A2 Single Family Residential District

The purpose of A2 is to permit low density residential development with a maximum density of 5.8 units per acre. Accessory uses normally compatible with surrounding low density residential development may be permitted.

Conditional Uses

All conditional uses in the A1 District

Garage apartments – Limited to one (1) dwelling unit. The building shall be set back ten (10) feet from all side and rear lot lines. The lot shall contain a minimum of ten thousand (10,000) square feet. Maximum size of the unit is five hundred (500) square feet.

Section 8.202.1  A2.1 Zero Lot Line Residential District

The purpose of A2.1 is to permit only “zero lot line” single family dwellings at a density of 7.9 units per acre.

There shall be a six (6) foot high wall or solid fence along the sides and rear of the A2.1 zoning site wherever it adjoins A1 or A2 Single Family Districts or a recognized Residential Subdivision.

Conditional Uses

None

Section 8.202.2  A2.5 Town House District

The A2.5 Town House District permits the development of attached town homes compatible with the surrounding residential development. The maximum density is 11.5 units per acre. Churches, schools, public buildings, recreational facilities, and other accessory uses normally compatible with surrounding residential development may be permitted.

Location: In A2.5 Districts, Town House projects shall front at least one hundred twenty (120) feet on a public street and be generally compatible with existing development in the neighborhood.

Procedure: Before the Planning Commission considers an application for an A2.5 Town House District, the proponent shall submit a preliminary subdivision layout to the Planning Commission Office as the first step in the procedure required by the Unified Development Code, see Section 5.2.D., and also meeting the following design criteria. If rezoning is granted, the preliminary layout will then be brought before the Planning Commission for public hearing as set forth in the Unified Development Code.

Site Plan, Lot Size and Area, Parking and Open Space Provisions:

A. Site Plan and Design Criteria, General. It is the intent of this section that town houses in areas where they are or may be permitted:

1. May be appropriately intermingled with other types of housing except that they shall not be located on lots of less than one hundred twenty (120) feet of frontage.

2. Shall constitute groupings making efficient, economical, comfortable, and convenient use of land and open space and serving the public purposes of zoning by means alternative to conventional arrangements of yards and buildable areas.
B. Site Plan and Design Criteria, Details. In line with the general considerations above:

1. Not more than six contiguous town houses shall be built in a row with the same, or approximately the same, front building line, and not more than twelve (12) town houses shall be contiguous.

2. Minimum width for the portion of the lot on which the town house is to be constructed shall be twenty (20) feet.

3. Minimum lot area shall be two thousand (2,000) square feet.

C. Courts, Open Space, and Recreation Areas: There shall be a site area of at least three thousand eight hundred (3,800) square feet per dwelling unit including lots, common open space, yards and buffer area adequately landscaped; walkways, and access drives, and including at least two hundred (200) square feet per dwelling unit of recreation space.

D. Utilities and Landscaping: As provided by the Unified Development Code, design and construction of drives, drainage, and location of utilities shall be subject to review and approval by the Department of Public Works, after approval of the preliminary plan by the Planning Commission Office.

Conditional Uses

None

Section 8.202.3 A2.6 Zero Lot Line Residential District

The purpose of the A2.6 District is to allow only “zero lot line” single family dwellings at a maximum density of 11.5 units per acre.

There shall be a six (6) foot high wall or solid fence along the sides and rear of the A2.6 zoning site wherever it adjoins A1 or A2 Single Family Districts or a recognized Residential Subdivision.

Conditional Uses

None

Section 8.202.4 A2.7 Single Family Residential District

The purpose of A2.7 is to permit single family detached dwellings with a maximum density of 7.3 units per acre. Accessory uses normally compatible with surrounding low density residential development may be permitted.
Conditional Uses

All conditional uses in the A1 District

Sec. 8.202.5 A2.9 Two Family Residential District

The purpose of the Two-Family Residential District is to provide for the location and grouping of low density two-family residences.

Permitted Uses

All uses permitted in the A1, A2, and A2.7 Zoning Districts

Single family detached dwellings

Two family attached dwellings

Childcare centers

Educational, religious, and philanthropic institutions

Accessory uses normally compatible with surrounding low density residential development

Conditional Uses

All conditional uses in the A1 Single Family Residential District

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Section 8.203 General Guidelines for Multiple-Family Apartments

Lots of Record: Where multi-family dwellings are constructed on a group of contiguous lots, the combined lots shall be considered as one (1) site under one (1) ownership.
Section 8.203.1  A3.1 Limited Residential District

The purposes of A3.1 Districts are to permit multi family residential development and institutional uses of a residential character with a maximum density of eleven and five tenths (11.5) units per acre.

Conditional Uses

**Country clubs with alcohol** – Must be approved for alcohol license by Alcohol and Beverage Control Board. Structures where alcohol is served must be a minimum of five hundred (500) feet from the property line of any existing single-family residence, school, park, church, or library.

**Cemeteries, columbaria and mausoleums** – Must be located on a major street. Shall not be located within a recognized residential subdivision.

**Fraternal lodges with alcohol** – Must be approved for alcohol license by Alcohol and Beverage Control Board. Structures where alcohol is served must be a minimum of five hundred (500) feet from the property line of any existing single family residence, school, park, church, or library. Shall not be located within a recognized residential subdivision.

Section 8.203.2  A3.2 Limited Residential District

The purpose of A3.2 Districts are to permit multi family residential development and institutional uses of a residential character with a maximum density of seventeen and four tenths (17.4) units per acre.

Conditional Uses

All conditional uses in the A3.1 District

Section 8.203.3  A3.3 Limited Residential District

The purpose of A3.3 Districts are to permit multi family residential development with a maximum density of twenty-nine (29) units per acre.

Conditional Uses

All conditional uses in the A3.1 District

Section 8.204  A4 General Residential District

The purpose of A4 Districts are to permit compact multi family developments with a maximum density of forty-three and six tenths (43.6) units per acre. A4 Districts must be located within an urban setting and on four 4 lane major streets (Rezoning of properties to A4 will not be permitted after July 21, 1999).

Conditional Uses

All conditional uses in the A3.1 District
## Section 8.205 A5 Hi-Rise Apartment District

The purpose of A5 Districts are to permit high-density residential developments with a maximum density of eighty-seven and one tenth (87.1) units per acre. Such developments must be located within designated Regional Growth Centers.

### Conditional Uses

All conditional uses in the A3.1 District

## Section 8.206 H Historic District

Any use permitted in the Apartment Districts, plus those related and compatible uses such as art galleries, offices, specialty shops, and the like.

Each such use, and each building permit application for extensive physical change, would be subject to public hearing by the Planning Commission and ratification by the Metropolitan Council.

Historic Districts are exempt from off-street parking requirements.

### Conditional Uses

None

## Section 8.207 B Off-Street Parking District

The purpose of the B District is to permit off-street parking. Rezoning of properties to B will not be permitted after July 21, 1999.

Off-Street parking, subject to all of the requirements for parking lots under Section 8.205 and provided further that:

A. Where there are adjacent residences or adjacent residential zoning, a five (5) foot side yard shall be provided, with no parking or paving permitted to extend into that side yard.

B. This district must adjoin an A3, A4, A5, B, N, GO, C, LC, HC, CW or M District on at least one side and shall have a minimum frontage of fifty (50) feet.

### Conditional Uses

None

## Section 8.208 B1 Transition District

The purpose of this district is to permit office uses on parcels that are located between commercial and residential uses. Rezoning of properties to B1 will not be permitted after July 21, 1999. Properties zoned B1 prior to December 14, 1982 and existing structures (built prior to December 14, 1982) on properties zoned B1 after December 14, 1982 may also be used for any of the uses listed in the A1-A5 Districts.

Apartment Hotels under resident supervision and maintaining an inner lobby through which all tenants shall pass to gain access to the apartments and which may furnish services ordinarily furnished by hotels, such as drug store, barbershop, cosmetologist shop, cigar stand, or news stand, provided that all such uses shall be located entirely within a building with no entrance.
from the street or visible from any sidewalk and no sign or display shall be visible from the
outside of the building indicating the existence of such use, provided that no business or use
shall be allowed which involves the sale or serving of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the
premises.

Parking lots, provided that the parking area shall be used for passenger vehicles only and in no
case for sales, repair work, storage, dismantling, or servicing of any vehicles, equipment,
materials, or supplies; no signs or advertising of any character except traffic directional signs
painted on pavement shall be allowed; the parking area and connecting driveways shall be
surfaced with concrete, asphaltic concrete asphalt, or any other type of permanent, dust free
paving and the parking area and connecting driveways shall be maintained in good condition
and free of all weeds, dust, trash, and other debris; if lighting facilities are provided, they shall
be so arranged as to reflect or direct light away from the adjacent residential district; required
front yards shall be landscaped and maintained in good condition.

Conditional Uses

None

Section 8.208.1 NO Neighborhood Office District
The purpose of this district is to permit a limited range of office uses designed at a neighborhood
scale in close proximity to residential areas to meet the needs of the residents of the surrounding
area.

Conditional Uses

Animal hospitals – All animals must be kept inside a building.

Branch banks – No drive through facilities.

Child care centers

Office buildings – Buildings greater than 2,500 gross square feet and no more than 5,000
gross square feet of floor area

Section 8.208.2 GOL General Office Low Rise District
The purpose of this district is to permit a range of office uses, including employment and
community service activities, of moderate intensity on sites that offer convenient access to the
public from the parish road network. Some residential and/or commercial uses may be
permitted, provided that at least 50 percent of the building area is utilized for office purposes.

Conditional Uses

Child care centers

Fraternal lodges and clubs with alcohol – Must be approved for alcohol license by
Alcohol and Beverage Control Board. Structures where alcohol is served must be a
minimum of five hundred (500) feet from any existing single family residence, school,
park, church, or library.

Health clubs

Reception and banquet facilities with alcohol - Must be approved for alcohol license
by Alcohol and Beverage Control Board. Structures where alcohol is served must be a
minimum of five hundred (500) feet from any existing single family residence, school, park, church or library.

Section 8.208.3   GOH General Office High Rise District
The purpose of this district is to permit large buildings with convenient access to the arterial road network of the parish that are primarily devoted to offices uses while permitting some residential and/or commercial uses provided that at least 50 percent of the building area is utilized for office purposes.

Conditional Uses

Child care centers

Fraternal lodges and clubs with alcohol – Must be approved for alcohol license by Alcohol and Beverage Control Board. Structures where alcohol is served must be a minimum of five hundred (500) feet from any existing single family residence, school, park, church or library.

Health clubs

Reception and banquet facilities with alcohol – Must be approved for alcohol license by Alcohol and Beverage Control Board. Structures where alcohol is served must be a minimum of five hundred (500) feet from any existing single family residence, school, park, church or library.

Restaurants without alcohol

Schools

Section 8.208.4   NC Neighborhood Commercial District
The purpose of this district is to permit commercial activity, primarily retail shopping and personal services. Buildings are limited to two thousand five hundred (2,500) gross square feet of floor area per lot. All commercial activities must be contained within the building — no outside work or storage areas permitted. Limit the number of gas pumps to two when provided as an accessory use in retail activity.

Conditional Uses

Animal hospitals - All animals must be kept inside buildings.

Buildings – Limited to a maximum of five thousand (5,000) gross square feet of floor area.

Garage apartments – Limited to one family, provided however, that the building be set back ten (10) feet from all side and rear lot lines, and the lot contain at least ten thousand (10,000) square feet.

Repair and service shops – Limited to small equipment, household items, clothing and furnishings, but not motor vehicle repair or service. All work must be done inside enclosed buildings and all storage of materials must be inside enclosed buildings.

Section 8.208.5   NC-AB Neighborhood Commercial Alcoholic Beverage District
This district permits businesses involved in the serving of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises, where alcohol sales are not the primary source of revenue. Buildings are limited to two thousand five hundred (2,500) gross square feet of floor area per lot.

**Conditional Uses**

**Buildings** – Limited to a maximum of five thousand (5,000) gross square feet of floor area.

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**Section 8.209  C1 Light Commercial District**

The purpose of this district is to permit retail commercial uses serving the surrounding community. Rezoning of properties to C1 will not be permitted after July 21, 1999.

Cellular transmitting and receiving facilities as described in Chapter 2 of the Unified Development Code with a maximum height of one hundred and twenty (120) feet.

**Conditional uses**

None

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**Section 8.209a.  LC1 Light Commercial One District**

The purpose of this district is to permit a variety of commercial activities and multi family (medium density) residential uses that serve surrounding local areas. Buildings within this district are limited to fifteen thousand (15,000) gross square feet of floor area per lot and a height of four stories.

**Conditional Uses**

- **Car wash** – The structure must be located a minimum of five hundred (500) feet from the property line of any residential use. All lighting must be directed away from adjacent uses.

- **Country clubs with alcohol** – Must be approved for an alcohol license by the Alcohol and Beverage Control Board.

- **Dinner theatres with alcohol** – Must be approved for an alcohol license by the Alcohol and Beverage Control Board.

- **Fraternal lodges with alcohol** – Must be approved for an alcohol license by the Alcohol and Beverage Control Board.

- **Glass installation** – The structure must be located a minimum of three hundred (300) feet from the property line of any residential use.

- **Mini storage facilities** – All structures must be located a minimum of three hundred (300) feet from the property line of any residential use.

- **Pilot juvenile diagnostic development centers** – All structures must be located a minimum of five hundred (500) feet from the property line of any residential use.

- **Reception halls with alcohol** – Must be approved for an alcohol license by the Alcohol and Beverage Control Board.
**Used car sales** – No service or repair of vehicles is allowed. All cars must be located a minimum of three hundred (300) feet from the property line of any residential use.

**Section 8.209b. LC2 Light Commercial Two District**

The purpose of this district is to permit a variety of commercial activities and multi family (medium-high density) residential uses that serve surrounding local areas. Businesses within this district are limited to seventy-five thousand (75,000) gross square feet of floor area per lot and a height of four (4) stories.

**Conditional Uses**

**Building materials sales** – All materials must be located a minimum of three hundred (300) feet from the property line of any existing residential use. All storage of materials must be within a building or opaquely screened from the street and adjacent properties.

**Cabinet shops and millwork shops** – Shops must be located a minimum of five hundred (500) feet from the property line of any existing residential use. All work must be done inside enclosed buildings and all storage of materials must be within a building or opaquely screened from the street and adjacent properties.

**Car wash** – Structure must be located a minimum of five hundred (500) feet from the property line of any existing residential use. All lighting must be directed away from adjacent uses.

**Diner theatres with alcohol** – Must be approved for an alcohol license by the Alcohol and Beverage Control Board.

**Fraternal lodges with alcohol** – Must be approved for an alcohol license by the Alcohol and Beverage Control Board.

**Glass installation** – Structure must be located a minimum of three hundred (300) feet from the property line of any residential use.

**Motor vehicle sales, service, and repair** – All vehicles and structures must be located a minimum of five hundred (500) feet from the property line of any residential use. All work must be done inside enclosed buildings and all storage of materials must be inside enclosed buildings.

**Reception halls with alcohol** – Must be approved for an alcohol license by the Alcohol and Beverage Control Board.

**Trade schools** – All structures must be located a minimum of five hundred (500) feet from the property line of any residential use.

**Section 8.209c. LC3 Light Commercial Three District**

The purpose of this district is to permit a variety of commercial activities and multi family (medium-high density) residential uses that serve surrounding local areas. Businesses within this district are limited to one hundred fifty thousand (150,000) gross square feet of floor area per lot and a height of four (4) stories.

**Conditional Uses**
Cabinet shops and millwork shops – Shops must be located a minimum of five hundred (500) feet from the property line of any existing residential use.

Diner theatres with alcohol – Must be approved for an alcohol license by the Alcohol and Beverage Control Board.

Fraternal lodges with alcohol – Must be approved for an alcohol license by the Alcohol and Beverage Control Board.

Heavy equipment sales and service – All equipment and structures must be located a minimum of five hundred (500) feet from the property line of any existing residential use. Shall provide a six (6) foot high solid fence around equipment storage areas.

Reception halls with alcohol – Must be approved for an alcohol license by the Alcohol and Beverage Control Board.

Section 8.209.1 C-AB-1 Commercial Alcoholic Beverage One District

This district permits businesses involved in the serving of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises and whose primary purpose is to prepare meals for on premise consumption for the general public.

Conditional Uses

None

Section 8.210a. C2 Heavy Commercial District

The purpose of this district is to permit retail commercial uses serving the surrounding region. Rezoning of properties to C2 will not be permitted after July 21, 1999.

Wireless transmitting and receiving facilities as described in Chapter 2 of the Unified Development Code, with a maximum height of two hundred fifty (250) feet are allowed. Any facility, which is required by the Federal Aviation Agency to be lighted, shall use an FAA approved dual lighting system.

Research Park Intent. It is the intent of the use regulations, which follow to limit uses in Research Park Districts to research activities and related operations. It is the further intent of these use regulations to permit production of products, plans or designs when the primary purpose of such production is research development driven.

Permitted uses are as follows:

A. Laboratories, offices, and other facilities for research, both basic and applied, conducted by or for any individual, organization, or concern, whether public or private.

B. Production of prototype products.

C. Pilot plants in which processes planned for use in production can be tested.

D. Operations required to maintain or support any use permitted in paragraph a. through c. above, on the same tract as the permitted use, such as maintenance shops, power plants, etc.
Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Chapter to the contrary, any licensed wrecker business and temporary storage of wrecked vehicles in operation in the C2 Heavy Commercial District as of August 27, 1985, may continue to operate as a non-conforming use in said Zoning District in accordance with the further provisions of this Chapter regulating non-conforming uses.

**Conditional Uses**

None

**Section 8.210a.1 HC1 Heavy Commercial One District**

The purpose of this district is to permit a variety of commercial and service activities along with multiple family (high density) residential uses and include indoor firing ranges as a permitted use and firing range structures must be located a minimum of three hundred (300) feet from the property line of any residential use or any residential zoning district. Buildings within this district are limited to two hundred fifty thousand (250,000) gross square feet of floor area per lot. Buildings will be limited to six (6) stories in height except within regional growth centers.

**Conditional Uses**

None

**Section 8.210a.2 HC2 Heavy Commercial Two District**

The purpose of this district is to permit a variety of commercial and service activities along with multiple family (high density) residential uses. Buildings will be limited to six (6) stories in height except within regional growth centers.

**Conditional Uses**

None

**Section 8.210.1 C-AB-2 Commercial Alcoholic Beverage Two District**

This district permits bars and lounges as well as businesses involved in the sale or serving of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises.

**Conditional Uses**

None

**Section 8.210b. C5 Business District**

This district allows office and commercial uses within the Downtown Development District without setback and parking requirements. There may be any uses in the preceding sections including restaurants, which involve the sale or serving of alcoholic beverages for consumption on premises.

**Conditional Uses**

Surface Parking

**Section 8.210.2 CG Commercial Gaming, Legalized Gambling, and Games of Chance District**
Any uses listed in the preceding zoning districts, as well as businesses involving gaming or legalized gambling, as from time to time hereafter defined by the State Legislature and/or the Metropolitan Council. No activity shall be conducted on such premises as shall violate state statutes or local ordinances prohibiting illegal gambling. All other provisions the Unified Development Code concerning lot sizes, required yard spaces, and parking shall be as set forth in requirements for C2 zones. This zone shall not be required for charitable gaming establishments licensed and operating pursuant to Chapter 10 of Title 9 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Baton Rouge and Parish of East Baton Rouge, or for establishments whose only activity related to gaming is the sale of Louisiana State Lottery tickets.

**Conditional Uses**

None

**Section 8.210c. CW Commercial Warehousing District**

The purpose of this district is to permit businesses that are involved in the distribution and storage of goods. Storage areas are limited to one hundred thousand (100,000) gross square feet of area per lot. Commercial Warehousing districts must be located along four (4) lane major streets or within designated commercial/industrial subdivisions. No residential land uses are permitted in Commercial Warehousing districts. Assembly for the purpose of permissible uses in CW zoning districts means putting together pre-manufactured parts which:

A. shall be conducted entirely within constructed buildings;

B. does not use the open area around such buildings for storage of materials or manufactured products, or for any industrial purpose; and

C. is not noxious or offensive by reason of emission of smoke, dust, gas, fumes, odors, noise, or vibrations beyond the internal confines of the building.

Rezoning of properties to CW will not be permitted after December 11, 2001.

**Conditional Uses**

None

**Section 8.210c.1 CW1 Commercial Warehousing One District**

The purpose of this district is to permit businesses that are involved in the distribution and storage of goods. Storage areas are limited to fifty thousand (50,000) gross square feet of area per lot. Commercial Warehousing districts must be located along four (4) lane major streets or within designated commercial/industrial subdivisions. No residential land uses are permitted in Commercial Warehousing districts. Assembly for the purpose of permissible uses in CW zoning districts means putting together pre-manufactured parts which:

A. shall be conducted entirely within constructed buildings;

B. does not use the open area around such buildings for storage of materials or manufactured products, or for any industrial purpose; and

C. is not noxious or offensive by reason of emission of smoke, dust, gas, fumes, odors, noise, or vibrations beyond the internal confines of the building.
Conditional Uses

None

Section 8.210c.2  CW2 Commercial Warehousing Two District

The purpose of this district is to permit businesses that are involved in the distribution and storage of goods. Storage areas are limited to between fifty thousand and one (50,001) and one hundred thousand (100,000) gross square feet of area per lot. Commercial Warehousing districts must be located along four (4) lane major streets or within designated commercial/industrial subdivisions. No residential land uses are permitted in Commercial Warehousing districts. Assembly for the purpose of permissible uses in CW zoning districts means putting together pre-manufactured parts which:

A. shall be conducted entirely within constructed buildings;

B. does not use the open area around such buildings for storage of materials or manufactured products, or for any industrial purpose; and

C. is not noxious or offensive by reason of emission of smoke, dust, gas, fumes, odors, noise, or vibrations beyond the internal confines of the building.

Conditional Uses

None

Section 8.210c.3  CW3 Commercial Warehousing Three District

The purpose of this district is to permit businesses that are involved in the distribution and storage of goods. Storage areas are limited to over one hundred thousand (100,000) gross square feet of area per lot. Commercial Warehousing districts must be located along four (4) lane major streets or within designated commercial/industrial subdivisions. No residential land uses are permitted in Commercial Warehousing districts. Assembly for the purpose of permissible uses in CW zoning districts means putting together pre-manufactured parts which:

A. shall be conducted entirely within constructed buildings;

B. does not use the open area around such buildings for storage of materials or manufactured products, or for any industrial purpose; and

C. is not noxious or offensive by reason of emission of smoke, dust, gas, fumes, odors, noise, or vibrations beyond the internal confines of the building.

Conditional Uses

None

Section 8.211  M1 Light Industrial District

The purpose of this district is to permit light manufacturing, fabricating, processing, and wholesale distribution activities located near or adjacent to major thoroughfares or railroads.

Permitted uses include indoor firing ranges all uses except residential, adult businesses, commercial gaming, junk and auto salvage yards, and uses which involve the sale or serving of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises. All uses shall conform to the following
requirements: uses may not create noise greater than seventy (70) decibels when measured at the property line; uses may not emit smoke at periods of normal operation of a density greater than number one (1) according to Ringlemann’s Scale; uses may not emit particles from any flue or smoke stack in excess of two tenths (0.2) grains per cubic foot of flue gas at a stack temperature of five hundred (500) degrees F.; uses may not emit odors, gas or flumes beyond the property line; uses may not produce glare that can be seen from a property line; uses shall dust-proof all walks, driveways and parking areas so that no dust from these or any other operations escapes beyond the property line; and all operations must be conducted within a building or within an area enclosed by a solid fence or wall not less than six feet in height, where adjacent to or across the street from residential, office and commercial districts, and all firing range structures must be located a minimum of three hundred (300) feet from the property line of any residential use or any residential zoning district.

Where a lot or tract in an M1 District is next to an A, B, C1 or GU District, a solid fence or solid screen planting at least six (6) feet high shall be provided along all property lines adjoining A, B, C1 or GU Districts.

Hi-Tech Manufacturing

Poultry Processing Plants (subject to obtaining a petition of the majority of the property owners within three hundred (300) feet of the proposed site, and one hundred percent (100) on both sides of the street within the block that the proposed site is to be located).

Open storage of building material, lumber, coal, machinery and pipe, provided the material is enclosed within a solid fence at least six (6) feet high when the storage area is adjacent to or across the street from an A, B or C Zoning.

Other industrial uses, provided that such uses: make no greater noise than seventy (70) decibels at the lot line; emit no smoke at periods of normal operation of a density greater than No. one (1) according to Ringlemann’s scale; emit no particles from any flue or smokestack in excess of two tenths (0.2) grains per cubic foot of flue gas at a stack temperature of five hundred (500) degrees F.; emit no odors, gas, or flumes beyond the lot line; produce no glare that can be seen from a lot line; dust-proof escapes beyond the lot line; and conduct all operations within a building or within an area enclosed by a solid fence or wall not less than six feet in height, where adjacent to or across the street from an A, B, or C Zoning District.

**Conditional Uses**

None

**Section 8.212 M2 Heavy Industrial District**

The purpose of this district is to permit industrial manufacturing, fabricating, processing and wholesale distribution located near or adjacent to major thoroughfares or railroads. No residential land uses are permitted in Industrial districts. All uses except residential, adult businesses, and commercial gaming are permitted, including indoor firing ranges.

A. No building or trailer shall be erected for residential use; except that dwelling quarters may be established in connection with any industrial establishment for watchman or caretakers employed upon the premises.

B. Junk yards, auto salvage or scrap yards, or similar uses shall be surrounded by a solid, painted fence at least six (6) feet high within building lines so that they cannot be seen from the public street.
C. Trailer Parks or Mobile Home Parks shall be excluded.

D. All firing ranges structures must be located a minimum of three hundred (300) feet from the property line of any residential use or any residential zoning district.

**Conditional Uses**

None

**Section 8.213  R Rural District**

The purpose of the Rural district is to permit Agricultural and Low-Density Residential development. If an area is designated Agriculture/Rural on the Comprehensive Land Use and Development Plan “Comprehensive Land Use Plan” and is zoned Rural, all lots in a development shall be a minimum of one acre. If the area is designated as any other use on the Future Land Use Map, the maximum density allowed shall be 7.3 units per acre until March 30, 2018, after which date the maximum density shall be 4.1 units per acre. In addition, churches, schools, public buildings, recreational facilities, and accessory uses normally compatible with surrounding low-density residential development may be permitted.

A. Commercial or industrial uses as defined in Section 8.209, C1 Light Commercial; 8.210(a), C2 Heavy Commercial; and 8.211, M1 Light Industrial Districts of the Unified Development Code on properties zoned Rural which by February 16, 1994 have been clearly designated by private deed restrictions and approved subdivision plat notations shall also be permitted until March 30, 2018, with the Planning Commission to initiate rezonings of these properties to the appropriate zoning district based on the restrictions contained in the subdivision plat no later than that date; and

B. Existing uses of property as defined in Sections 8.203-8.210a, excluding Section 8.209.1 C-AB-1, which have been authorized pursuant to issuance of a current occupational license prior to February 16, 1994, or other evidence satisfactory to the Planning Director and Parish Attorney, and a valid certificate of occupancy indicating the construction of a building on the site shall also be permitted subject to the following provisions until March 30, 2018. After that date, such uses shall be considered nonconforming and shall be governed by the provisions of Chapter 7, Nonconformities.

1. The following requirements are intended to separate different land uses from each other in order to eliminate or minimize potential nuisances such as dirt, litter, noise, glare of lights, signs, and unsightly buildings or parking areas, or to provide spacing to reduce adverse impact of noise, odor, or danger from fire or explosion.

   a. Town house Developments shall provide a 25 foot yard and a wall or solid fence at least six feet high along the perimeter of the project wherever it adjoins A1 or A2 Districts or a recognized single family residential subdivision.

   b. Zero Lot Line Developments shall provide a 15 foot rear and/or side yard and a wall or solid fence at least six feet high along the sides and/or rear of the project wherever it adjoins A1 or A2 Districts or a recognized single family residential subdivision.

   c. Multi-Family Developments including duplexes that do not exceed eight units shall provide a 15 foot side yard, a 25 foot rear yard and a wall or solid fence at least six feet high along the sides and/or rear of the project wherever it adjoins A1 or A2 Districts or a recognized single family residential subdivision.
d. Multi-Family Developments exceeding eight units and uses as defined under B, B1 and C1 Districts shall provide a 25 foot buffer, and a wall or solid fence at least six feet high, along the sides and/or rear of the project wherever it adjoins A1 or A2 Districts or a recognized residential subdivision.

e. Uses as defined under the C2 District shall provide a 25 foot buffer yard and a wall or solid fence at least seven feet high wherever it adjoins A1 or A2 Districts or a recognized residential subdivision.

Buffers shall be located on the outer perimeter of a lot or parcel extending to the lot or parcel boundary line.

2. Regulations for lot area and width, yards, and building height shall be as shown in Chapter 11, Dimensional Regulations, unless modified above.

3. Regulations of Off-Street Parking shall be as shown in Chapter 17.

4. Mobile Homes subject to the following conditions:

   a. Any mobile home must be located at least 100 feet from the street and 25 feet from adjacent property lines (unless the owner has the signed notarized consent of the adjacent property owner to place the mobile home closer than 25 feet, in which case it may be in accordance with the side yard requirement for Rural zones set forth in Chapter 11).

   b. Any property on which a mobile home is proposed must have at least 100 feet of frontage on a parish maintained road or be located a minimum of 200 feet from a parish maintained road having a dedicated access thereto by a recorded instrument effective as to the third parties such as a dedicated servitude of passage approved by the Planning Commission or as may be noted on an approved plat, which such methods are considered illustrative and not exclusive; and

   c. Only one mobile home per lot or tract will be permitted.

**Conditional Uses**

1. **Above Ground Pipeline facility** – for the transport of product (but not including storage of bulk materials) with land area containing more than one-half acre.

   a. Height of Facility: Six feet or less
      
      Set Backs: 50-feet from property line of existing residential use
      
      Landscape Requirement: Required Bufferyard A and Six foot fence adjacent to existing residential use.

   b. Height of Facility: Six to Ten feet
      
      Set Backs: 50 feet from property line of existing residential use
      
      Landscape Requirement: Required Bufferyard A and Eight foot fence adjacent to existing residential use.

   c. Height of Facility: Over ten feet
      
      Set Backs: 75 feet from property line of existing residential use
      
      Landscape Requirement: Required Bufferyard A and Eight foot fence.
100 feet from property line of existing Commercial Use, required Bufferyard A with six-foot fence.
Over 100 feet from property line of existing Commercial Use, required Bufferyard A with no fence.

2. **Bed and Breakfast**
   
a. Shall be located on a lot or tract with a minimum size of one acre.
   
b. Must be owner occupied unless located on a tract of five acres or more.
   
c. Homes that qualify based upon the 50 year old requirement and are not within a designated historic district or site shall not be located within a recognized residential subdivision unless the lot has frontage on a designated major street.
   
d. Limited to four guestrooms
   
e. All parking areas shall be completely screened from the street and adjacent residences.
   
f. Guests are limited to a maximum stay of seven consecutive days.

3. **Cemeteries, Columbaria and Mausoleums**
   
a. Must be located on a major street.
   
b. Shall not be located within a recognized residential subdivision.

4. **Commercial Horse Stables and Equestrian Facilities**
   
   Shall not be located within a recognized residential subdivision.

5. **Care Centers**
   
a. Shall not be located within a recognized residential subdivision.
   
b. Shall be within an owner-occupied house.
   
c. May only operate between 6:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
   
d. A six foot solid wooden fence shall be provided between adjacent residences and outdoor play areas.
   
e. All parking areas shall be completely screened from the street and adjacent residences.

6. **Educational, Religious, and Philanthropic Institutions**

7. **Reception Halls with Alcohol**
a. Shall not be located within a recognized residential subdivision.

b. Shall require approval by the Metropolitan Council as a Major Conditional Use.

8. Reception Halls without Alcohol
Shall not be located within a recognized residential subdivision.

9. Respite Care Center
a. Shall not be located within a recognized residential subdivision.

b. All parking areas shall be completely screened from the street and adjacent residences

10. Shooting Ranges, Indoor
Shall be located at least 300 feet from the boundary of any residentially used property.

11. Shooting Ranges, Outdoor including Skeet Shooting Ranges
a. A minimum of 45 acres shall be required.

b. All shooting stations, targets, and firing lines shall be at least ½ mile (2,640 feet) from any existing day care facility, educational or religious institution, or occupied dwelling.

c. The entire perimeter of the property shall be enclosed within a fence designed to restrict access to the designated shooting area.

d. Properties where target shooting is proposed to be permitted shall comply with the following regulations, in addition to those listed above:

(1) The perimeter of the designated shooting area shall be planted with a buffer consisting of at least three staggered rows of a mix of evergreen and deciduous trees, understory bushes, and grasses planted as a series of windbreaks.

(2) An embankment consisting of a core material of compacted soil, rock, or crushed cement covered by rock-free earth and planted with grasses shall be provided along the entire length of any target line to serve as a backstop. The embankment shall be not less than 20 feet in height and not less than four feet in thickness at the top. It shall maintain a 1:1 slope or be terraced with timber or log retaining walls and shall be topped with an earthen mound.”

12. Snowball stands
a. Shall be a seasonal business that operates between April 1 and October 31 that is limited exclusively to the sale of snowballs.

b. Shall not be located within a recognized residential subdivision unless located on a designated major street.
c. Shall be located in a structure no more than 200 square feet in area that meets all required setbacks.

d. All parking areas shall be completely screened from the street and adjacent residences.

e. Signage shall be limited to one wall sign per street frontage with a maximum size of 20 square feet.

13. Wireless transmitting and receiving facilities

Section 8.213(a)(1) RE/A 1 Residential Estate/Agriculture One District

The purpose of RE/A 1 is to permit low-density residential development, all lots in a development shall be a minimum of one (1) acre with a minimum of one hundred (100) feet of frontage on a public or private roadway.

Conditional Uses

Above Ground Pipeline facility – for the transport of product (but not including storage of bulk materials) with land area containing more than one-half acre.

Height of Facility: Six (6) feet or Less

Set Backs: Fifty (50) feet from property line of existing residential use

Landscape Requirement: Required Bufferyard A and Six (6) foot fence adjacent to existing residential use.

Height of Facility: Six (6) to Ten (10) feet

Set Backs: Fifty (50) feet from property line of existing residential use

Landscape Requirement: Required Bufferyard A and Eight (8) foot fence adjacent to existing residential use.

Height of Facility: Over ten (10) feet

Set Backs: Seventy-five (75) feet from property line of existing residential use

Landscape Requirement: Required Bufferyard A and Eight (8) foot fence.

One hundred (100) feet from property line of existing Commercial Use, required Bufferyard A with six (6) foot fence.

Over one hundred (100) feet from property line of existing Commercial Use, required Bufferyard A with no fence.

Bed and breakfast home – Limited to four (4) guestrooms within National Register Historic Districts or Sites or homes listed on the National Register of Historic Places or within homes a minimum of fifty (50) years old. All parking areas must be completely screened (see parking screening in Appendix D) from the street and adjacent residences. No signage is allowed. Must be owner occupied unless located on a tract of five (5) acres or more. Shall be located on a lot or tract with a minimum size of one (1) acre. Guests are
limited to a maximum stay of seven (7) consecutive days. Homes that qualify based upon the fifty (50) year old requirement shall not be located within a recognized residential subdivision unless the lot has frontage on a designated major street.

**Cemeteries, columbaria and mausoleums** – Must be located on a major street. Shall not be located within a recognized residential subdivision.

**Commercial horse stables and equestrian facilities** – Shall not be located within a recognized residential subdivision.

**Educational, religious, and philanthropic institutions** – Plan Review is required for all such uses. Site Plan criteria shall be submitted as required in Section 4.101 Plan Review of the Unified Development Code.

**Recreational facilities** – Only monument signs allowed. Any facility located adjacent to a recognized residential subdivision must provide a Buffer Yard B as shown on Appendix D-4 of this Code.

**Wireless transmitting and receiving facilities** – Shall follow the requirements for Wireless Site Plan approval in Section 14.4.

**Section 8.213(a)(2)  RE/A 2 Residential Estate/Agriculture Two District**

The purpose of RE/A 2 is to permit low-density residential development, all lots in a development shall be a minimum (2) acres with a minimum of one hundred (100) feet of frontage on a public or private roadway.

**Conditional Uses**

**Above Ground Pipeline facility** – for the transport of product (but not including storage of bulk materials) with land area containing more than one-half acre.

- **Height of Facility:** Six (6) feet or Less
  - **Set Backs:** Fifty (50) feet from property line of existing residential use
  - **Landscape Requirement:** Required Bufferyard A and Six (6) foot fence adjacent to existing residential use

- **Height of Facility:** Six (6) to Ten (10) feet
  - **Set Backs:** Fifty (50) feet from property line of existing residential use
  - **Landscape Requirement:** Required Bufferyard A and Eight (8) foot fence adjacent to existing residential use

- **Height of Facility:** Over ten (10) feet
  - **Set Backs:** Seventy-five (75) feet from property line of existing residential use
  - **Landscape Requirement:** Required Bufferyard A and Eight (8) foot fence.
  - One hundred (100) feet from property line of exiting Commercial Use, required Bufferyard A with six foot fence.
Over 100 feet from property line of existing Commercial Use, required Bufferyard A with no fence.

**Bed and breakfast home** – Limited to four (4) guestrooms within National Register Historic Districts or Sites or homes listed on the National Register of Historic Places or within homes a minimum of fifty (50) years old. All parking areas must be completely screened (see parking screening in Appendix D) from the street and adjacent residences. No signage is allowed. Must be owner occupied unless located on a tract of five (5) acres or more. Shall be located on a lot or tract with a minimum size of one (1) acre. Guests are limited to a maximum stay of seven (7) consecutive days. Homes that qualify based upon the fifty (50) year old requirement shall not be located within a recognized residential subdivision unless the lot has frontage on a designated major street.

**Cemeteries, columbaria and mausoleums** – Must be located on a major street. Shall not be located within a recognized residential subdivision.

**Commercial horse stables and equestrian facilities** – Shall not be located within a recognized residential subdivision.

**Educational, religious, and philanthropic, institutions** – Plan Review is required for all such uses. Site Plan criteria shall be submitted as required in Section 4.101 Plan Review of the Unified Development Code.

**Recreational facilities** – Only monument signs allowed. Any facility located adjacent to a recognized residential subdivision must provide a Buffer Yard B as shown on Appendix D-4 of this Code.

**Wireless transmitting and receiving facilities** – Shall follow the requirements for Wireless Site Plan approval in Section 14.4.

**Section 8.213(a)(3) RE/A 3 Residential Estate/Agriculture Three District**

The purpose of RE/A 3 is to permit low-density residential development, all lots in a development shall be a minimum of three (3) acres with a minimum of one hundred (100) feet of frontage on a public or private roadway.

**Conditional Uses**

**Above Ground Pipeline facility** – for the transport of product (but not including storage of bulk materials) with land area containing more than one-half acre.

- Height of Facility: Six (6) feet or Less
  - Set Backs: 50 feet from property line of existing residential use
  - Landscape Requirement: Required Bufferyard A and Six (6) foot fence adjacent to existing residential use
- Height of Facility: Six (6) to Ten (10) feet
  - Set Backs: 50 feet from property line of existing residential use
  - Landscape Requirement: Required Bufferyard A and Eight (8) foot fence adjacent to existing residential use
Height of Facility: Over ten (10) feet

Set Backs: 75 feet from property line of existing residential use

Landscape Requirement: Required Bufferyard A and Eight (8) foot fence.

100 feet from property line of exiting Commercial Use, required Bufferyard A with six foot fence.

Over 100 feet from property line of existing Commercial Use, required Bufferyard A with no fence.

**Bed and breakfast home** – Limited to four (4) guestrooms within National Register Historic Districts or Sites or homes listed on the National Register of Historic Places or within homes a minimum of fifty (50) years old. All parking areas must be completely screened (see parking screening in Appendix D) from the street and adjacent residences. No signage is allowed. Must be owner occupied unless located on a tract of five (5) acres or more. Shall be located on a lot or tract with a minimum size of one (1) acre. Guests are limited to a maximum stay of seven (7) consecutive days. Homes that qualify based upon the fifty (50) year old requirement shall not be located within a recognized residential subdivision unless the lot has frontage on a designated major street.

**Cemeteries, columbaria and mausoleums** – Must be located on a major street. Shall not be located within a recognized residential subdivision.

**Commercial horse stables and equestrian facilities** – Shall not be located within a recognized residential subdivision.

**Educational, religious, and philanthropic institutions** – Plan Review is required for all such uses. Site Plan criteria shall be submitted as required in Section 4.101 Plan Review of the Unified Development Code.

**Recreational facilities** – Only monument signs allowed. Any facility located adjacent to a recognized residential subdivision must provide a Buffer Yard B as shown on Appendix D-4 of this Code.

**Wireless transmitting and receiving facilities** – Shall follow the requirements for Wireless Site Plan approval in Section 14.4.

### Section 8.214 GU Governmental Use District

Governmental buildings and facilities including judicial offices and courts.

Civic Center Buildings and facilities including auditorium(s), coliseum(s), and exhibition and convention center(s).

Cultural buildings and facilities including museums, art centers, libraries, music centers, and similar cultural facilities and exhibition uses.

Multi-level parking facilities owned and operated by a public agency only to adequately accommodate the vehicle storage requirements expected to be generated by new development within the District.
Public open spaces including parks and recreation facilities and plazas.

Private and commercial uses as approved by the Planning Commission and Metropolitan Council.

Other accessory uses and activities customary and incidental to the principal permitted uses including but not limited to central utility buildings, utility distribution systems, transmission lines, communication distribution systems, streets, parking areas and lots, storage garages, boat docks and tie-up facilities, flood control structures, drainage structures, railroad rights-of-way, trackage, appurtenances, and other uses of a similar character, function, or activity which are supportive to the principal uses.

No temporary facilities such as mobile homes, trailers, shacks, tents, stables, or barns shall be placed or allowed to remain on any property within the District, except for temporary mobile units or construction sheds and offices used during the course of construction, reconstruction, alteration, or remodeling of any building for site and utility work. Other temporary mobile units and similar facilities may be allowed for periods not exceeding forty-eight (48) hours in duration where their presence is to provide some form of public service to and for the public and only where approved by the Police Department.

No animals, livestock, or poultry of any kind shall be raised or bred on any property within the District.

No property shall be used or maintained in any manner as a trash or rubbish dumping ground. Trash, garbage, or other solid waste shall be confined to approved sanitary waste containers, and all such containers shall be kept and maintained in a clean and sanitary condition.

No trade, profession, business, or use of any character shall be carried out within any building or property in the Zoning District which may be or become a nuisance or annoyance to other uses in and surrounding the Zoning District, or generate and emit any type of excessive environment pollution including but not limited to smoke, dust, odor, noise, water, or other air pollution in excess of generally recognized local, state, or national standards.

No building shall be erected or placed on any tract, parcel, or lot in the Public Facilities District nor shall any existing structure be altered until the building plans, specifications, and plot (site) plan have been submitted and approved in writing by the Planning Commission and the Metropolitan Council.

**Conditional Uses**

None

**Section 8.215 X Adult Businesses District**

This district allows adult businesses that are distinguished or characterized by an emphasis on matter depicting, describing or relating to ‘specified sexual activities’. This district may not be located within one thousand (1,000) feet of a. another adult business; b. any restaurant, bar or lounge, or package liquor stores; or c. a school, playground, church, or area zoned for residential purposes including rural zones.

Adult businesses are defined for purposes of this chapter to include exotic dancers, adult motion picture theaters, theaters showing X rated movies, adult mini motion picture theaters, adult bookstores (all as elsewhere defined in this chapter), or other businesses which are distinguished or characterized by an emphasis on matter depicting, describing or relating to ‘specified sexual activities’ of ‘specified anatomical area’ provided that no such adult businesses be located nearer than one thousand (1,000) feet from a. another adult business (as defined herein); b. any
restaurant, bar or lounge, or package liquor stores; or c. a school, playground, church, or area zoned for residential purposes including rural zones.

**Conditional Uses**

None

**Section 8.216 Planned Unit Developments (PUD, SPUD, and ISPUD)**

A. General Character:

1. Purpose. The intent of this section is for the following objectives to be achieved, where applicable, through the use of the Planned Unit Development process:

   a. Encourage a mix of land uses for the development of large tracts of land as planned neighborhoods, communities, and/or development.

   b. Encourage flexible and creative concepts in site planning.

   c. Preserve the natural amenities of the land by encouraging scenic and open areas; create a method for the permanent preservation of common open space, natural vegetation, topographic and geological features, and environmentally appropriate features for the continued use and enjoyment of the residents of the development (for PUDs and SPUDs only).

   d. Accomplish a more desirable environment and increase the variety of environments made available to the public by allowing a development that would not be possible under the strict application of the current Unified Development Code.

   e. Provide an efficient use of land, which could result in smaller networks of utilities and streets, and promote a creative approach to the use of land and related physical facilities that result in better design and development, with the inclusion of aesthetic amenities including an increased amount of landscaping.

   f. Provide an environment of stable character compatible with surrounding area, and combine and coordinate architectural styles, building forms, and building relationships with a possible mixing of different land uses in an innovative design.

   g. Provide an environment that encourages non-vehicular circulation.

   h. Provide for the prevention and/or control of soil erosion, surface flooding, and the preservation of subsurface water.

   i. Provide for more usable and suitably located recreation facilities, schools, and other public and private facilities (for PUDs only).

   j. Create a method for the permanent preservation of architectural and/or historic landmarks.

   k. Promote a land use which promotes the public health, safety and welfare. Within the planned area, a variety of land use types should be designed,
in an orderly relation to one another and to existing land uses, and with
due regard to comprehensive planning.

Such development may consist of conventionally subdivided lots to be
sold, un-subdivided single ownership, separate condominium ownership
of structures, or other ownership methods the location and extent of which
are established on the Planned Unit Development Plat.

The unique and substantially different character of Planned Unit
Developments require their administrative processing as a “special
rezoning” in this ordinance. Planned Unit Developments are more complex
and of a different character than other zoning classifications, requiring the
establishment herein of specific and additional procedures, standards,
requirements and exceptions to govern the recommendations of the
Planning Commission and the action of the Metropolitan Council.

1. Provide for infill development and adaptive reuse of abandoned or blighted
properties.

m. Provide an environment which encourages live/work mixes. This type of
development should include a mix of at least two (2) separate uses within
the development, however Districts of a single zoning type may be allowed
dependent on the development, location and availability of traditional
zoning.

2. Interpretation.

a. The subdivision, development and use of land as an integral unit which
provides a mix of land uses, and may include for single-family residential,
multiple-family residential, educational, business, commercial,
recreational, park and common open areas, is described as a Planned Unit
Development.

b. In its establishment and authorization as a special zoning classification,
the Planned Unit Development may be excepted from the provisions of the
subdivision and site plan regulations and of the zoning ordinance of East
Baton Rouge Parish to the extent specified in this ordinance and in the
final authorization of the Planned Unit Development as specified in an
ordinance approved by the Metropolitan Council.

B. Development Standards: The following table of minimum development standards and
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<td>Requirements are to be determined by each approved Final Development Plan and must be consistent with the approved Concept Plan.</td>
<td>A perimeter landscaped buffer yard shall also be required to screen off-street parking areas and building service areas from streets abutting streets and residential zoning and uses.</td>
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<td>PERMITTED USES</td>
<td>All zoning districts except adult businesses *</td>
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<td>COMMON OPEN SPACE REQUIREMENTS</td>
<td>Common Open Space is defined in Section 8.216.C.2. A minimum of fifteen (15) percent of the gross site area contained within a PUD (Planned Unit Development) of between ten (10) and fifty (50) acres, eighteen (18) percent of the gross site area contained within a Planned Unit Development over fifty (50) acres and up to one hundred (100) acres; and twenty (20) percent of the gross site area contained within a Planned Unit Development in excess</td>
<td>Minimum fifteen (15) percent of the gross site areas contained within a SPUD shall be devoted to and maintained as common open space. At least fifty (50) percent of the common open space requirement shall be devoted and maintained as green open space.</td>
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* Industrial Uses are not permitted in developments with Residential Uses.
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<td>of one hundred (100) acres shall be dedicated to and maintained as land areas proposed for common open space must be integrated within the entire development. Green common open space within vehicle use areas or any noncontiguous green area of less than one thousand (1,000) square feet may not be included common open space. No reduction in minimum common open space requirements shall be permitted.</td>
<td>Lakes or ponds may be included in the common open space calculations provided that they are designed so that a minimum of twenty (20) percent of the abutting shoreline is made accessible for the common usage of the development. Drainage ditches or canals are not considered lakes and ponds and shall not count towards open space. In all projects over one (1) acre, surface drainage, including surface retention and detention, should be natural or man-made features which enhance a particular property and increase its desirability to a community or its marketability to the public.**</td>
<td>** Required on all Projects over one (1) acre unless waived by Planning Director.</td>
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** Common open space within vehicle use areas or any noncontiguous common area of less than one thousand (1000) square feet may not be included in the required area. Hard surface areas such as pedestrian plazas and recreational courts may account for up to twenty-five (25) percent of the green common open space. Common landscape areas located...
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<td>within rights-of-way or servitudes may account for up to twenty-five (25) percent of the common open space. Dry detention basins and retention areas may account for up to fifty (50) percent of the common open space. The area immediately surrounding existing building(s) and existing building(s) that have historical or cultural significance may be located within the dedicated common open space requirements. These areas must be made accessible for the common usage of the development. Servitudes with existing below ground utilities or facilities may be included in the common open space requirement. Servitudes with existing above ground utilities or facilities may be included for commercial areas only.</td>
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<td>HEIGHT OF BUILDINGS</td>
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*** For Planned Unit Development (PUD), the Final Development Plan must be consistent with the approved Concept Plan.

C. General Review Criteria.

1. General. Approval and recommendation of the Planning Commission shall be accompanied by a written report stating the reasons for approval of the application, and specific evidence and facts showing that the proposed Planned Unit Development will not adversely affect the immediate vicinity. The Planning Commission in its review of proposed Planned Unit Development plans shall consider, where applicable:
a. The relation between the proposed development and surrounding uses, and the effect of the proposed Planned Unit Development plan upon comprehensive planning;

b. The adequacy of existing and proposed streets, utilities, and other public services to serve the development; and the location with respect to the interstate, major highways and major arterial streets so as not to create adverse major shifts of traffic generation to intermediate collectors and/or minor streets; and access of every dwelling unit or other uses within the Planned Unit Development to a public and/or private street via pedestrian ways, courts or other access related servitudes or easements.

c. The character, design, and appropriateness of the proposed land uses and their adequacy to encourage desirable living conditions, to provide separation and screening between uses where desirable, to preserve the natural amenities of streams, wooded areas, and similar natural features where possible, to provide adequate pedestrian circulation and access to mass transit if available;

d. The proposed location, arrangement density/intensity, and height of land uses shall be compatible to existing or proposed dwellings within the vicinity of the Planned Unit Development or to the development of the neighborhoods.

e. The suitability of the site for development in the manner proposed without hazard to persons or property adjacent to the site, the use of flood hazard areas if present for recreational areas, and no contribution to erosion or other soil related damage. Soil conditions, drainage, vegetation cover and topography shall be maximally utilized to fit the intended design of the development.

f. The requirement of common open spaces within the Planned Unit Development and the devotion of the development to active and passive recreational purposes (only applies to PUD and SPUD).

g. The protection and preservation of any existing historic and archaeological structures or sites into the design of the Planned Unit Development.

h. The greater protection and preservation of environmentally sensitive and natural amenities areas within the Planned Unit Development, if any, including, but not limited to, wetlands, problem soils, streams, creeks, old growth wooded areas, and areas containing protected species.

i. The internal compatibility of the land uses within the plan.

j. The external compatibility of the arrangement of the land uses within the Planning Unit Developments.

k. The proposed Planned Unit Development (PUD, SPUD, and ISPUD) is consistent with the spirit and intent of this PUD ordinance and represents an opportunity for improved or innovative development for the community that could not be achieved through conventional zoning.

l. The promotion of the purposes set forth in Section 8.216.A.1.
2. Additional Common Open Space Requirements (for PUD only).
   a. Subject to satisfaction of Section 8.216.C.2.c below, the following uses may account for common open space with the stated limitations:

   1. Parks, and other open greenbelt areas, whether publicly or privately owned, which are readily accessible must account for not less than fifty (50) percent of the common open space.

   2. Street trees located within designated landscape common areas or landscape servitude and located within a street right-of-way may not exceed twenty-five (25) percent of the common open space. However, common open space within vehicle use areas or any noncontiguous green area of less than one thousand (1,000) square feet may not be included.

   3. Surface drainage, including surface retention and detention, should be natural or man-made features which enhance a particular property and increase its desirability to a community or its marketability to the public.

      (a) Lake and ponds, including storm water wet detention basins provided that they are designed so that a minimum of twenty (20) percent of the abutting shoreline is made accessible for the common use of the development.

      (b) Storm water dry detention basins of not less than one (1) acre; but may not exceed twenty-five (25) percent of the common open space and must be designed to provide for acceptable maintenance and upkeep of the detention basin.

   4. Golf courses may account for up to fifty (50) percent of the common open space.

   5. Natural wetlands should not exceed fifty (50) percent of common open space plus any natural wetlands reasonably visible from interpretive walkways provided in and through the wetlands.

   6. Hard surface recreation areas such as recreational courts and pedestrian plazas may account for up to twenty-five (25) of the common open space.

   7. Servitudes with existing below ground utilities and/or facilities with a width of not less than thirty (30) feet.

   8. Electrical transmission line servitudes with a width of not less than one hundred fifty (150) feet in commercial areas only.

   9. Dedicated recreational areas on school sites, excluding the area devoted to buildings.

   10. An existing building or buildings that have historical or cultural significance may be located in a common area space; however, the enclosed building area may not be included in the common open space requirement.
11. Common open space for the use by the general public, if agreed to by the appropriate governmental authority, in each case in an amount to be determined by the Planning Commission.

b. Common open space shall not include:
   
   1. Required
      
      (a) Yards which are not accessible for the common use of the development;
      
      (b) Parking areas;
      
      (c) Drives;
      
      (d) Utility with above ground improvements or road easements/servitudes;
      
      (e) Paved lakes, ponds, bayous, streams, or creeks.

   2. Structures (unless a part of the open space such as gazebos);

   3. Drainage ditches or canals; and

   4. Areas reserved for the exclusive use and benefit of an individual tenant or owner.

   c. Common open space shall be permanently set aside for the sole benefit, use, and enjoyment of present and future occupants of the Planned Unit Development through covenant, deed restriction, open space servitude, or similar legal instrument; or, if agreed to by governmental agency, the open space may be conveyed to a governmental agency for the use of the general public.

   d. In the event land shown on a Final Development Plan as common open space is dedicated to the Parish, the Metropolitan Council may, but shall not be required to, accept the open space provided: (x) such land is accessible to the residents of the Parish; (y) there is no cost of acquisition other than the costs incidental to the transfer of ownership; and (z) the Parish agrees to and has access to maintain such lands.


   The common open space and associated facilities may be owned by an association or maintenance association. The association shall be formed and operated under the following provisions:

   a. The applicant shall provide the articles and bylaws of the association and the methods for maintaining the common open space.

   b. The association shall be organized by the applicant and shall be operated with a financial subsidy from the applicant before the sale of any lots within the Planned Unit Developments.
c. Membership in the association is mandatory for all purchasers of property therein and their successors in title. The conditions and timing of transferring control of the association from the applicant to the property owners shall be identified.

d. The association shall be responsible for maintenance of insurance and taxes on all common open space, enforceable by liens placed on the association by the Parish. The association may place liens on the property of its members who fail to pay their association dues in a timely manner, as provided in the association bylaws. Shares shall be defined in the bylaws.

e. The association shall, at all times, cause the property owners to have access to the common open space within the Planned Unit Developments.

f. The association shall be able to adjust the assessments to meet changing needs.

4. Landscaping and Screening Standards.

a. Overall composition and location of landscaping shall complement the scale of the development and its surroundings. In general, larger, well-placed contiguous planting areas shall be preferred to smaller, disconnected areas.

b. A street yard five hundred (500) square feet or less in size is not required to be landscaped (for PUD only).

5. Environmental Standards. All uses in the Planned Unit Developments shall conform to all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations regarding the environment such as laws and regulations concerning noise, air quality, water quality, radiation, and radioactivity.

D. Ownership and Control. All land included for purpose of development within Planned Unit Developments shall be owned by or be under the control of the applicant for such zoning designation (including without limitation a purchase agreement, option agreement, and/or development agreement), whether that applicant be an individual, partnership, corporation (limited liability company, limited liability partnership, trust), or groups of individuals, partnerships, or corporations (limited liability company, limited liability partnerships and/or trusts). The applicant shall present proof of the unified control of the entire area within the Planned Unit Development and shall agree that if applicant proceeds with the Planned Unit Development applicant will:

1. Do so in accordance with:

   a. The Concept Plan of development officially adopted for the Planned Unit Developments;

   b. Regulations existing when the amendment granting the Planned Unit Development was adopted; and

   c. Such other conditions or modifications as may be attached to the rezoning of the land to the Planned Unit Developments.
2. Secure written consents and agreements satisfactory to the Planning Commission from all property owners of record within the Planned Unit Development boundaries that have not joined in the Planned Unit Developments application that there is no objection to including their property in the Planned Unit Developments site plan and overall Planned Unit Developments planning process.

E. Relation to Zoning Districts. An approved Planned Unit Development shall be considered to be a separate zoning district in which the Development plan, as approved, establishes the restrictions and regulations according to which Development shall occur, and may depart from the normal procedures, standards, and other requirements of the other sections of the zoning ordinance and subdivision regulations to the extent provided herein. Upon approval, the official zoning map will be changed to indicate the area as Planned Unit Development Concept (or “PUD CONCEPT”) (for PUD only), or if final approval is granted then as Planned Unit Development (or “PUD”). Every approval of a Planned Unit Development (PUD, SPUD, or ISPUD) shall be considered an amendment to the zoning ordinance.

F. Definitive covenants, grants, easements, dedications, and restrictions to be imposed on the land, buildings, and structures including proposed easements for public utilities and instruments relating to the use and maintenance of common area and private streets shall give consideration to access requirements of public vehicles for maintenance purposes.

G. Additional Regulations for Phased Developments. A Planned Unit Development may be developed in phases or stages in accordance with the following requirements (for PUD only).

1. Boundaries. The boundaries of all proposed Planned Unit Development phases shall be shown on the Concept Plan.

2. Data. All data required for the project, as a whole, shall be given for each phase shown on the Concept Plan.

3. Improvements. The phasing plan shall be consistent with the traffic circulation, drainage, common open space, and utilities plans for the entire Planned Unit Development. Planned Unit Developments that are to be developed in phases or stages shall be required to provide public improvements, common open space, and other amenities attributed to such phase at the same time as or before the construction of principal buildings and structures associated with individual phases. The nature, type, and amount of public improvements, common open space, and other project amenities provided during an individual phase of the project shall be commensurate with and proportionate to the overall development of the phase.

H. Planned Unit Development (PUD)

1. Review and Approval Procedures; General. The Planned Unit Development approval process shall consist of the following three (3) components:

   a. Pre-application conference;

   b. Approval of Concept Plan by the Planning Commission and Metropolitan Council for the entire Planned Unit Development;
c. Approval of a Final Development Plan, by the Planning Commission.

If the Planned Unit Development includes the division of property into lots, the Final Development Plan shall be approved concurrently with the preliminary plat.

Subdivisions of property within a Planned Unit Development after Concept Plan approval, but prior to Final Development Plan approval, shall meet the zoning requirements of the most restrictive zoning district allowed for each designated use for that portion of the Concept Plan. These subdivisions shall require Planning Commission approval and will not allow development or building permit approval until a Final Development Plan is approved.

Where the Planned Unit Development is to be developed in phases, the Concept Plan that is presented for review and approval shall be the Concept Plan for the entire Planned Unit Development and shall identify the proposed phasing.

2. Pre-Application Conference.

a. The pre-application conference shall be held with the Planning Director for the purpose of exchanging information, providing guidance to the applicant and determining the eligibility of the request for consideration as a Planned Unit Development.

b. A request for a pre-application conference shall be made to the Planning Director. As part of the pre-application conference, the applicant shall submit the number of copies listed in Appendix L of a conceptual plan, at least ten (10) days in advance of the pre-application conference, which shows the property location, boundaries, significant natural features, vehicular and pedestrian circulation, land use(s) for the entire site, and a statement indicating financial responsibility sufficient to complete the public improvements shown on the conceptual plan.

c. The Planning Director shall advise the applicant of the conformance of the Planned Unit Development concept with the intent and objectives of a Planned Unit Development, whether it appears to qualify under the minimum requirements of Section 8.216.A.1 and Section 8.216.C, and whether the general concept appears to be substantially consistent with the East Baton Rouge Parish Master Plan and the “Comprehensive Land Use Plan”. No formal action will be taken at a pre-application conference, nor will statements made at the pre-application conference be considered legally binding commitments.

3. Concept Plan. Following the pre-application conference, an applicant shall submit a completed application (Concept Plan) to the Planning Director. The applicant shall subsequently be responsible for conducting a public workshop for residents of the area in which the project is proposed to be located. The workshop requirements ensure: the applicant is fully aware of the process, the workshop is conducted at a place and time convenient to the residents and residents are properly notified of its intent. The applicant is required to conduct the workshop and document the results to the Parish before the application is deemed complete.
The Concept Plan shall contain all information required in the Concept Plan Checklist.

a. Procedures for Planned Unit Development Concept Plan approval. All applications for Planned Unit Development shall be processed in the following manner:

1. The Concept Plan shall follow the procedures for approval of planning items before the Planning Commission and zoning cases before the Metropolitan Council.

2. Notice of the time and place of the public hearing shall be mailed by certified mail to the owner/subdivider and all abutting property owners fifteen (15) days prior to the Planning Commission Meeting. The public hearing shall also be advertised in the official journal. All abutting property owners shall be given an opportunity to submit written comments. The legal ad must run three (3) times in the Parish’s official journal at least ten (10) days prior to the Planning Commission meeting.

3. Following required public notice, the Planning Commission shall hold a public hearing on the proposed Planned Unit Development Concept Plan. Following the hearing, the Planning Commission shall review the Concept Plan and any comments submitted by any adjoining property owners and shall make a recommendation to the Metropolitan Council to approve, approve with conditions, or deny the Planned Unit Development Concept Plan rezoning request. In their recommendation to the Metropolitan Council, the Planning Commission shall include the reasons for such recommendation.

b. Approval of Planned Unit Development Concept Plan. After receiving the recommendation of the Planning Commission, the Metropolitan Council shall review the application, including the Concept Plan, the record of the Planning Commission proceedings and the recommendation, and shall approve, approve with conditions, or deny the application in accordance with the standards and purposes set forth in Section 8.216.A.1 and Section 8.216.C. An approval with conditions shall not be considered final (and the rezoning is not final until such time) until the applicant submits a written acceptance of the conditions and all necessary revisions to the Concept Plan to the Metropolitan Council.

If approved by the Metropolitan Council, the Concept Plan and all other information and material formally submitted with the application shall be adopted as an amendment to this Unified Development Code and shall become the standards of development for the Planned Unit Development. All future development shall conform to the standards adopted for the Planned Unit Development regardless of changes in ownership.

Upon approval of the Concept Plan, the property shall be designated “PUD CONCEPT” on the official zoning map.

4. Final Development Plan
a. Submittal. Within thirty-six (36) months of the Metropolitan Council’s approval of the Concept Plan, and except as permitted under Concept Plan approval, the applicant shall submit a Final Development Plan for all or a portion of the property to the Planning Director or the Planning Director’s designee prior to commencing construction on property zoned “PUD CONCEPT”. The applicant may request an extension of up to twelve (12) additional months from the Metropolitan Council if the Final Development Plan has not been approved. If the applicant fails to timely submit a Final Development Plan for all or a portion of the property, then the Concept Plan shall be determined to be invalid, but the PUD Zoning District shall remain. If the Planned Unit Development is to be developed in phases, the applicant must submit a Final Development Plan for the first phase within thirty-six (36) months of the Metropolitan Council’s approval of the Concept Plan. All subsequent phases must follow the standards of the Concept Plan and should be submitted in a timely manner. However, there is no time limit to submit subsequent phases. If no phasing is shown on the Concept Plan, a Final Development Plan may be submitted for all or for a portion of the property to satisfy the requirement of submitting within thirty-six (36) months of the Metropolitan Council’s approval of the Concept Plan. The Final Development Plan shall contain all information required in the Final Development Plan Checklist.

b. Certification. The following design professionals shall certify direct involvement in the preparation of the Final Development Plan.

1. Licensed Architect or Licensed Civil Engineer; and
2. Licensed Landscape Architect.

c. Landscape Plan. A suitable landscape plan is required for all Planned Unit Development Final Development Plans.

d. Substantial Compliance of Final Development Plan. The Final Development Plan shall be in substantial compliance with the Concept Plan. It is not intended that the Planned Unit Development so approved shall be inflexibly applied, but rather, the Planned Unit Development shall be in conformance with the Concept Plan subject to modification due to changed economic, social, market or demographic conditions.

1. The burden shall be upon the applicant to show the Planning Commission good cause for any variation Major Change (as defined below) between the Concept Plan and the Final Development Plan as submitted for final approval. If the Final Development Plan, as submitted, contains substantial variations from the Concept Plan, or Major Changes as defined in Section 8.216.H.5 herein, the Planning Commission may, after a meeting with the applicant, within fourteen (14) days of such action, shall so meeting, advise the applicant in writing why said variations are not in the public interest, and deny the proposed variations. Nothing contained herein shall prohibit an applicant from requesting a change to an approved Planned Unit Development as set forth in Section 8.216.H.5 herein.

e. Procedure for approval. The Final Development Plan shall follow the procedure for planning items going to the Planning Commission with a
public hearing. Procedure for approval of a Final Development Plan for a Planned Unit Development shall be processed in the following manner:

1. The Department of Public Works shall review and approve the construction plans for any Public Improvements shown on the Final Development Plan prior to any construction. Improvements may be completed or bonded for final approval in the same manner as required under the Unified Development Code.

2. The Planning Commission shall issue a notice of public hearing by posting the affected site in a conspicuous place at least fifteen (15) days prior to the hearing. A record of information and materials presented at the public hearing shall be kept and maintained by the Planning Commission as part of the applicant’s permanent record.

3. Following required public notice, the Planning Commission shall hold a public hearing on the proposed Final Development Plan. Following the hearing, the Planning Commission shall review the Final Development Plan request and any comments submitted by any adjoining property owners and shall approve, approve with conditions, or deny the request.

4. Upon such approval and subsequent amendment of the Final Development Plan, construction may proceed for public and/or approved private roads, utility installations, common open space, recreational facilities, governmental structures, and similar uses provided that a preliminary subdivision plat has also been approved for the Development in accordance with the Development Code.

5. Any other proposed modifications affecting the Planned Unit Development’s legal description shall require a review and approval of the Planned Unit Development Final Development Plan by the Planning Commission staff. The burden shall be upon the applicant to demonstrate to the Planning Commission justification for any variation from the approved Final Development Plan.

6. Upon approval of a Final Development Plan, the property shall be re-designated from “PUD CONCEPT” to “PUD” on the official zoning map.

5. Changes to an Approved Planned Unit Development.

a. Types of Changes. There are three (3) types of changes; Major Use Change, Major Site Change and Minor Change. A Major Use Change and a Major Site Change are collectively referred to herein as a “Major Change”.

b. Major Use Change. A major use change (“Major Use Change”) is one that will have significant impacts on the approved Uses within the Planned Unit Development, or on the site surrounding the Planned Unit Development. Major Use Changes include, but are not limited to:

1. An increase in the Development site area of more than ten (10) percent;
2. An increase in Density of any permitted land Use, including the number of housing units, by more than ten (10) percent;

3. In residential areas, a change in the mix of Single-Dwelling and Multi-Dwelling Structures by more than ten (10) percent;

4. An increase in the amount of land in nonresidential uses by more than ten (10) percent;

5. Involve any land Use not specified on the approved Concept Plan or the list of permitted Uses;

6. Substantial and material reduction in the amenities proffered by the applicant; and/or

7. Material changes in the permitted land Use authorized in the Planned Unit Development which in the opinion of the Planning Director or Planning Director's designee will have a material adverse change with the Planned Unit Development or on the site surrounding the Planned Unit Development.

c. Major Site Change. A major site change ("Major Site Change") is a major change (other than a Major Use Change) that will have significant impact on the site and layout of the development in the Planned Unit Development which is not a Major Use Change, or on the site surrounding the Planned Unit Development. Major Site Changes include, but are not limited to:

1. Changes that vary the individual Lot Area requirement as submitted in the Concept Plan by more than ten (10) percent;

2. Changes in non-residential floor areas by more than ten (10) percent of the total floor area within a component of the Planned Unit Development;

3. Deleting or changing the purpose of Flood hazard Servitudes or Easements;

4. Changes to the vehicular systems which result in a significant adverse change in the amount or location of streets and shared Driveways, common parking areas, circulation patterns, and Access to the Planned Unit Development;

5. Changes in the allocation of prescribed land Uses such that it would result in an increase in the number of vehicle trips generated in excess of ten (10) percent;

6. Changes which are material in the typical sections of street design;

7. Changes in the designation of streets between private and public; and/or

8. Material changes in the approved overall layout of the site plan and/or matters related to onsite and/or offsite infrastructure requirements authorized in the Planned Unit Development which
in the opinion of the Planning Director or the Planning Director’s
designee will have a material adverse change with the Planned Unit
Development or on the site surrounding the Planned Unit
Development.

d. Minor Change. A minor change ("Minor Change") is a change that will not
alter the basic design and character of the Planned Unit Development, nor
any specified conditions imposed as part of the original approval. Minor
Changes include, but are not limited to:

1. Changes in location of a Mixed Residential Area, a civic area, green
area, Common Open Space, or other designated areas, if the
Planning Director determines that (a) the basic layout of the PUD
Development Plan remains the same, and (b) the PUD Development
Plan functions as well as before the revision;

2. Changes in size of a Neighborhood Center Area, a Mixed Residential
Area, a Neighborhood Edge Area, a civic area, green area, Common
Open Space or other designated areas, if the size is increased or
decreased by not more than ten (10%) percent, and the Planning
Director determines that (a) the basic layout of the PUD
Development Plan remains the same, and (b) the PUD Development
Plan functions as well as before the revision;

3. Changes in the location of a commercial Use in a Mixed Residential
Area, if the Planning Director determines that the revised location
is appropriate;

4. Change in the location or size of a Common Open Space, if the
overall amount of Common Open Space acreage does not decrease
by more than ten (10%) percent, and the Planning Director
determines that the quality and functionality of the revised
Common Open Space is the same or better. The Planning Director
may not approve a revision that includes the deletion of a Common
Open Space within 500 feet of an area that is part of a final plat in
a Mixed Residential Area;

5. Change in the location or description of a major private open space
improvement, if the Planning Director determines that the revised
improvement is as beneficial to the residents as the previous
improvement;

6. Change in the location or type of a Drainage or water quality
control, if the Planning Director determines that (a) the basic layout
of the PUD Zoning District remains the same, and (b) the revised
location or type of control functions as well as the previous location
or type of control, provided that there are no objections from the
Department of Public Works;

7. Change in the location of a 100-year floodplain, if the Planning
Director determines that revision more accurately describes the
location of the floodplain, provided that there are no objections from
the Department of Public Works;
8. Change in the locations of major utility facilities and Easements, if the Planning Director determines that the revised locations are more appropriate or functional, provided that there are no objections from the Department of Public Works;

9. Change in a preliminary architectural standard, if the Planning Director determines that the revised standard is consistent with the architectural character of the PUD Zoning District;

10. Reduction of the size of any building;

11. Movement of buildings and/or signs by no more than twenty five (25) feet, but in no event in required buffers and/or setbacks;

12. Landscaping approved in the Final Development Plan that is replaced by similar landscaping to an equal or greater extent;

13. Changes in non-residential floor plans, of up to five (5) percent of the total floor area, which do not alter the character of the use or increase the amount of required parking;

14. Internal rearrangement of a parking lot that does not affect the number of parking spaces or alter access locations or design;

15. Changes required or requested by the Parish and other State or Federal authorities in order to conform to other laws or regulations;

16. On balance, compared to the approved Planned Unit Development, the change will equally or better meet the purposes and approval criteria set forth in Section 8.216.A.1 and Section 8.216.C above in the opinion of the Planning Director or the Planning Director's designee; and/or

17. Any adverse impacts caused by the change are mitigated to the satisfaction of the Planning Director or the Planning Director's designee.

18. The addition of phasing to a previously approved Planned Unit Development Concept Plan shall be a staff level revision.

e. Permitted Uses. Any changes to the types of permitted Uses within the PUD Zoning District must be approved by the Metropolitan Council.

f. Review Procedures. Requests for changes to an approved Planned Unit Development are processed as follows:

1. Major Use Changes.

   (a) Application for Major Use Changes. The owner(s) of record of the property shall file an application with the Planning Director, upon a form prescribed therefore, which shall contain the reason for the classification of the change as a Major Use Change, as described in Section 8.216.H.5.b, and the resulting impacts from the Major Use Change on the development.
(b) Public Hearing. Upon receipt and verification of the completion of the application by the Planning Director, the Planning Director shall forward the application to the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission shall issue a notice of public hearing by posting the affected site in a conspicuous place at least fifteen (15) days prior to the hearing date. A record of information and materials presented at the public hearing shall be kept and maintained by the Planning Commission as part of the applicant’s permanent record.

(c) Findings and Recommendations. The Planning Commission shall make its findings on the Major Use Change based on the information set forth in the application and the approval criteria set forth in Section 8.216.H.5.b, and submit recommendations to the Metropolitan Council prior to noon on the Wednesday following the hearing date. The Planning Commission shall forward a copy of their findings and recommendations to the applicant.

(d) Adoption of Major Use Change. The Metropolitan Council shall adopt or reject the proposed Major Use Change at the next scheduled zoning meeting from receipt of the recommendations from the Planning Commission. The Metropolitan Council shall submit reasons for its decision to the applicant.

2. Major Site Changes.

(a) Application for Major Site Changes. The owner(s) of record of the property shall file an application with the Planning Director, upon a form prescribed therefore, which shall contain the reason for the classification of the change as a Major Site Change, as described in Section 8.216.H.5.c, and the resulting impacts from the Major Site Change on the Development.

(b) Public Hearing. Upon receipt and verification of the completion of the application by the Planning Director, the Planning Director shall forward the application to the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission shall issue a notice of public hearing by posting the affected site in a conspicuous place at least fifteen (15) days prior to the hearing date. A record of information and materials presented at the public hearing shall be kept and maintained by the Planning Commission as part of the applicant’s permanent record.

(c) Findings and Recommendations. The Planning Commission shall make its findings on the Major Site Change based on the information set forth in the application and the approval criteria set forth in Section 8.216.H.5.c. The Planning
Commission shall forward a copy of its findings and recommendations to the applicant.

(d) Appeal. The applicant may appeal the decision by the Planning Commission pursuant to Section 8.216.Q herein.


(a) Application. The owner(s) of record of the property shall file an application with the Planning Director, upon a form prescribed therefore, which shall contain the reason for the classification of the change as a Minor Change, as described in Section 8.216.H.5.d, and the resulting immaterial impacts from the change on the development, if any.

(b) Findings and Recommendations. Upon receipt and verification of the completion of the application by the Planning Director, the Planning Director shall make its findings based on the information set forth in the application and the approval criteria set forth in Section 8.216.H.5.d, and notify the applicant of its decision. If the Planning Director or the Planning Director's designee determines the change to be a Minor Change, and the decision rendered is a denial, the Planning Director's decision may be appealed to the Planning Commission by the applicant.

4. Appeal of Classification as Major Use Change or Major Site Change. If the Planning Director or the Planning Director's designee determines the change to be a Major Use Change or a Major Site Change, the applicant may appeal the decision by the Planning Director to the Planning Commission.

g. Subdivision of Land. If the PUD Zoning District involves the Subdivision of land as defined in the Unified Development Code, the applicant shall submit all required land division documents in accordance with the requirements of the Unified Development Code. If there is a conflict between the design standards of the Unified Development Code and the design guidelines of this ordinance, the provisions of this ordinance shall apply. It being understood that the size and configuration of Lots within a PUD Zoning District may otherwise be disallowed under the Unified Development Code, but encouraged and permitted within a PUD Zoning District.


a. Construction. Construction may take place only within such portion(s) of a Planned Unit Development for which a current Final Development Plan is in effect.

b. Development Schedule. The development schedule shall contain the following information:

1. The order of construction of the proposed stages delineated in the Final Development Plan.
2. The proposed date for the beginning of construction of each stage.

3. The proposed date for the completion of construction of each stage.

4. The proposed schedule for the construction and improvement of common area within each stage including any accessory buildings.

c. Enforcement of the Development Schedule. The construction and provision of all common open spaces and public facilities and infrastructure which are shown on the Final Development Plan must proceed at no slower a rate than the construction of dwelling units or other structures of a commercial nature. The Planning Commission may, at any time, compare the actual development accomplished with the approved development schedule. If the Planning Commission finds that the rate of construction of dwelling units or other commercial Structures is substantially greater than the rate at which common open spaces and public facilities and infrastructure have been constructed and provided, then either or both of the following actions may be taken:

1. The Planning Commission shall cease to approve any additional Final Development Plans for subsequent phases; and/or

2. The Building Official shall discontinue issuance of building permits.

In any instance where the above actions are taken, the Planning Commission shall gain assurance that the relationship between the construction of dwellings or other structures of a commercial nature and the provision of common open spaces and public facilities and infrastructure are brought into adequate balance prior to the continuance of construction.

d. Permits. No building permit for a structure other than a temporary contractor’s office or temporary storage building shall be issued for a lot or parcel within an approved Planned Unit Development prior to a determination by the Fire Marshal or designee that adequate fire protection and access for construction needs exists. No occupancy permit for a structure other than a temporary contractor’s office or other approved temporary building shall be issued for a structure on a lot or parcel within an approved Planned Unit Development prior to final inspection and approval of all required improvements which will serve such lot or parcel to the satisfaction of the Director of the Department of Public Works and the Building Official.

7. Expiration and Lapse of Final Development Plans. Final Development Plan approval shall expire three (3) years from the date of Planning Commission approval of a Final Development Plan. The applicant may request an extension from the Planning Commission for not more than one (1) year if the project is not complete after three (3) years.

8. The Approved Final Development Plan. Development restrictions and/or conditions, as required by the Planning Commission and/or Metropolitan Council, shall be recorded by the applicant with the Clerk of Court of East Baton Rouge Parish within fifteen (15) days of the date of the final approval of the Concept Plan.
and/or the Final Development Plan by the Planning Commission and/or Metropolitan Council, as the case may be. Certified copies of these documents shall also be filed with the Office of the Planning Commission. The applicant shall record development restrictions and other required documents, which pertain to a subdivision within the approved Final Development Plan, with the Clerk of Court of East Baton Rouge Parish within fifteen (15) days of the signing of the final plat, as provided in this Section 8.216.H.8.

9. Filing and Distribution of Final Development Plan Final Plat. The applicant shall have the appropriate number of copies of the approved final plat recorded as listed in Appendix L. The subdivider shall furnish the Director of the Planning Commission with the appropriate number of copies of the final plat to be distributed as listed in Appendix L within fifteen (15) days of approval.

10. Violations. Any person, firm, or corporation violating any provision of this ordinance, upon conviction, shall be punished for each separate offense committed after the initial thirty (30) day abatement period by a fine not exceeding five hundred (500) dollars. Each day during which the violation is committed, continued, or permitted shall constitute a separate offense. Any continued failure, refusal or neglect to comply with the requirements of this section shall be prima facie evidence of the fact that a public nuisance has been committed in connection with the erection, construction, enlargement, alteration, repair, movement, improvement, or conversion of a lighting structure erected, constructed, enlarged, altered, repaired, moved, improved, or converted contrary to the provisions of this ordinance.

11. Appeal. Notwithstanding any other provision of this ordinance at the Metropolitan Council meeting following the decision of the Planning Commission, any member of the Metropolitan Council may introduce an appeal of the decision of the Planning Commission; failure to appeal will make the Planning Commission decision final. If the Metropolitan Council introduces the appeal of the Final Development Plan, the item shall be heard at the next regularly scheduled Metropolitan Council Zoning Meeting. Failure to introduce the Final Development Plan will make the Planning Commission decision final. The Metropolitan Council shall grant or deny the appeal with a majority vote, and the Metropolitan Council’s decision shall be final.

12. If the applicant fails to timely submit a Final Development Plan for a portion of the property, the PUD Zoning District designation shall remain, but the PUD Concept Plan must be resubmitted, reviewed, and approved by the Planning Commission Staff for a three (3) year extension. If the applicant fails to timely submit a Final Development Plan for a portion of the property three (3) years from the date of the extension approval, the PUD Zoning District designation shall remain, but the applicant must resubmit the PUD Concept Plan for full Planning Commission review and approval. No permits for development shall be issued unless or until a new PUD Concept Plan is reviewed and approved pursuant to Section 8.216.H.3.a.

I. Small Planned Unit Development (SPUD)

1. Review and Approval Procedures:

SPUD Approval Process. The SPUD approval process shall consist of the following two (2) components:
a. Approval of the SPUD Development Plan and SPUD Zoning District classification, which may include a Preliminary Plat, by the Planning Commission and Metropolitan Council; and

b. Approval of a Final Plat, if land is being subdivided, by the Planning Commission Staff.

2. SPUD Development Plan:
The SPUD Development Plan shall contain all information required in the Development Plan Checklist.

3. Procedures for SPUD Development Plan approval:
The SPUD Development Plan shall follow the procedures for approval of planning items before the Planning Commission and zoning cases before the Metropolitan Council.

4. Approval of SPUD Development Plan:
If approved by the Metropolitan Council, the SPUD Development Plan and all other information and material formally submitted with the application shall be adopted as an amendment to this Unified Development Code and shall become the standards of development for that SPUD Zoning District. All future development shall conform to the standards adopted for that SPUD Zoning District regardless of changes in ownership.

5. Establishing SPUD Zoning District:
Status of land. Upon approval of the SPUD Development Plan, the property shall be designated as a SPUD Zoning District on the official zoning map.

6. Time Limits/Expiration of the SPUD Development Plan:
SPUD Development Plan approval shall expire three (3) years from the date of the Metropolitan Council SPUD Zoning District approval, unless, during that three (3) year period a construction permit is obtained and construction of infrastructure improvements has commenced. If no infrastructure improvements are permitted and constructed within three (3) years, the SPUD Zoning District designation shall remain, but the SPUD Development Plan must be resubmitted, reviewed, and approved by the Planning Commission Staff for a three (3) year extension. If no permit is obtained and infrastructure improvement construction has not commenced for three (3) years from the date of the extension approval, the SPUD Zoning District designation shall remain, but the applicant must resubmit the SPUD Development Plan for full Planning Commission review and approval.

7. Changes to an Approved SPUD Development Plan.
   a. Types of Changes. There are three (3) types of changes: Major Use Change, Major Site Change, and Minor Change. A Major Use Change and a Major Site Change are collectively referred to herein as a "Major Change".
   b. Major Use Change. A major Use change ("Major Use Change") is one that will have significant impacts on the approved Uses within the
SPUD, or on the site surrounding the SPUD. Major Use Changes include, but are not limited to:

1. An increase in the Development site area of more than ten (10%) percent;

2. An increase in Density of any permitted land Use, including the number of housing units, by more than ten (10%) percent;

3. In residential areas, a change in the mix of Single-Dwelling and Multi-Dwelling Structures by more than ten (10%) percent;

4. An increase in the amount of land in nonresidential Uses by more than ten (10%) percent;

5. Involve any land Use not specified on the approved SPUD Development Plan or the list of permitted Uses;

6. Substantial and material reduction in the amenities proffered by the applicant; and/or

7. Material changes in the permitted land Use authorized in the SPUD Development Plan which in the opinion of the Planning Director will have a material adverse change with the SPUD or on the site surrounding the SPUD.

c. Major Site Change. A major site change ("Major Site Change") is a major change (other than a Major Use Change) that will have significant impact on the site and layout of the Development in the SPUD which is not a Major Use Change, or on the site surrounding. The Major Site Changes include, but are not limited to:

1. Changes that vary the individual Lot Area requirement as submitted in the SPUD Development Plan by more than ten (10) percent;

2. Changes in non-residential Floor Areas by more than ten (10) percent of the total Floor Area within a component of the SPUD;

3. Deleting or changing the purpose of Flood hazard Servitudes or Easements;

4. Changes to Driveways, common parking areas, circulation patterns, and Access to the SPUD;

5. Changes in the allocation of prescribed land Uses such that it would result in an increase in the number of vehicle trips generated in excess of ten (10) percent;

6. Material changes in the approved overall layout of the site plan and/or matters related to onsite and/or offsite infrastructure requirements authorized in the SPUD.
Development Plan which in the opinion of the Planning Director will have a material adverse change with the SPUD or on the site surrounding the SPUD.

d. Minor Change. A minor change ("Minor Change") is a change that will not alter the basic design and character of the SPUD, nor any specified conditions imposed as part of the original approval. Minor changes include, but are not limited to:

1. Changes in location of a Mixed Residential Area, a civic area, green area, Common Open Space, or other designated areas, if the Planning Director determines that (a) the basic layout of the SPUD Development Plan remains the same, and (b) the SPUD Development Plan functions as well as before the revision;

2. Changes in size of a Neighborhood Center Area, a Mixed Residential Area, a Neighborhood Edge Area, a civic area, green area, Common Open Space or other designated areas, if the size is increased or decreased by not more than ten (10%) percent, and the Planning Director determines that (a) the basic layout of the SPUD Development Plan remains the same, and (b) the SPUD Development Plan functions as well as before the revision;

3. Changes in the location of a commercial Use in a Mixed Residential Area, if the Planning Director determines that the revised location is appropriate;

4. Change in the location or size of a Common Open Space, if the overall amount of Common Open Space acreage does not decrease by more than ten (10%) percent, and the Planning Director determines that the quality and functionality of the revised Common Open Space is the same or better. The Planning Director may not approve a revision that includes the deletion of a Common Open Space within 500 feet of an area that is part of a final plat in a Mixed Residential Area;

5. Change in the location or description of a major private open space improvement, if the Planning Director determines that the revised improvement is as beneficial to the residents as the previous improvement;

6. Change in the location or type of a Drainage or water quality control, if the Planning Director determines that (a) the basic layout of the SPUD Zoning District remains the same, and (b) the revised location or type of control functions as well as the previous location or type of control, provided that there are no objections from the Department of Public Works;

7. Change in the location of a 100-year floodplain, if the Planning Director determines that revision more accurately
describes the location of the floodplain, provided that there are no objections from the Department of Public Works;

8. Change in the locations of major utility facilities and Easements, if the Planning Director determines that the revised locations are more appropriate or functional, provided that there are no objections from the Department of Public Works;

9. Change in a preliminary architectural standard, if the Planning Director determines that the revised standard is consistent with the architectural character of the SPUD Zoning District;

10. Reduction of the size of any Building;

11. Movement of Buildings and/or Signs by no more than ten (10') feet, but in no event in required Buffers and/or setbacks;

12. Landscaping approved in the SPUD Development Plan that is replaced by similar landscaping to an equal or greater extent, provided that there are no objections from the Department of Public Works;

13. Changes in non-residential floor plans, of up to ten (10%) percent of the total Floor Area, which do not alter the character of the Use or increase the amount of required parking;

14. Internal rearrangement of a parking Lot that does not affect the number of parking spaces or alter Access locations or design;

15. Changes required or requested by the Parish and other State or Federal authorities in order to conform to other laws or regulations;

16. On balance, compared to the approved SPUD Development Plan, the change will equally or better meet the purposes and approval criteria set forth in Sections 8.216.A and 8.216.B above in the opinion of the Planning Director; and/or

17. Any adverse impacts caused by the change are mitigated to the satisfaction of the Planning Director.

e. Permitted Uses. Any changes to the permitted Uses within the SPUD Zoning District must be approved by the Council.

f. Review Procedures. Requests for changes to an approved SPUD Development Plan are processed as follows:

1. Major Use Changes.
(a) Application for Major Use Changes. The Owner(s) of record of the property shall file an application with the Planning Director, on a form prescribed therefore, which shall contain the reason for the classification of the change as a Major Use Change, as described in Section 8.216.1.7.b and the resulting impacts from the Major Use Change on the Development.

(b) Public Hearing. Upon receipt and verification of the completion of the application by the Planning Director, the Planning Director will forward the application to the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission shall issue a notice of public hearing by posting the notice of public hearing on the affected site in a conspicuous place at least fifteen (15) days prior to the hearing. A record of information and materials presented at the public hearing shall be kept and maintained by the Planning Commission as part of the applicant's permanent record.

(c) Findings and Recommendations. The Planning Commission shall make their findings on the Major Use Change based on the information set forth in the application and the approval criteria set forth in Section 8.216.1.7.b and submit recommendations to the Metropolitan Council prior to Noon on the Wednesday following the hearing date. The Planning Commission shall forward a copy of their findings and recommendations to the applicant.

(d) Adoption of Major Use Change. The Metropolitan Council shall adopt or reject the proposed Major Use Change at the next scheduled zoning meeting from receipt of the recommendations from the Planning Commission. The Metropolitan Council shall submit reasons for its decision to the applicant.

2. Major Site Changes.

(a) Application for Major Site Changes. The Owner(s) of record of the property shall file an application for major site change with the Planning Director, on a form prescribed therefore, which shall contain the reason for the classification of the change as a Major Site Change, as described in Section 8.216.1.7.c and the resulting impacts from the Major Site Change on SPUD Development Plan.

(b) Public Hearing. Upon receipt and verification of the completion of the application by the Planning Director, the Planning Director shall forward the application to the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission shall issue a notice of public hearing.
hearing by posting the notice of the application for a major site change on the affected site in a conspicuous place at least fifteen (15) days prior to the hearing. A record of information and materials presented at the public hearing shall be kept and maintained by the Planning Commission as part of the applicant’s permanent record.

(c) Findings and Recommendations. The Planning Commission shall make its findings on the application for Major Site Change based on the information set forth in the application and the approval criteria set forth in Section 8.216.I.7.c. The Planning Commission shall forward a copy of its findings and recommendations to the applicant.


(a) Application. The Owner(s) of record of the property shall file an application for a minor site change with the Planning Director, on a form prescribed therefore, which shall contain a statement of the reason for the classification of the change as a Minor Change, as described in Section 8.216.I.7.d, and the immaterial (irrelevant) impacts contemplated or a result of the change on the SPUD Development Plan, if any.

(b) Findings and Recommendations. Upon receipt and verification of the completion of the application by the Planning Director, the Planning Director shall make finding based on the information set forth in the application and the approval criteria set forth in Section 8.216.I.7.d, and notify the applicant of the decision. If the Planning Director determines the change to be a Minor Change, the Planning Director’s decision shall be final and no Appeal shall be available.

4. Appeal of Classification as Major Use Change or Major Site Change. If the Planning Director determines the change to be a Major Use Change or a Major Site Change, the applicant may appeal the decision by the Planning Director to the Planning Commission.

g. Subdivision of Land. If the SPUD Zoning District involves the Subdivision of land as defined in the Unified Development Code, the applicant shall submit all required land division documents in accordance with the requirements of the Unified Development Code. If there is a conflict between the design standards of the Unified Development Code and the design guidelines of this ordinance, the provisions of this ordinance shall apply. It being understood that the size and configuration of Lots within a SPUD Zoning District may otherwise be disallowed under the Unified
8. Recordation of SPUD Development Plan, development restrictions, and other required documents. The approved Development Plan’s development restrictions or conditions required by the Planning Commission and/or Metropolitan Council shall be recorded by the applicant with the Clerk of Court of East Baton Rouge Parish within fifteen (15) days of the date of approval by the Council and shall also file certified copies of these documents with the Office of the Planning Commission.

Filing and distribution of SPUD Development Plan. The subdivider shall provide the total number of prints as required by Appendix L of the approved SPUD Development Plan to be distributed as required by the Planning Commission staff within fifteen (15) day of approval.

9. Violations:

Any violation of the Development Plan or any other phase or plan adopted as part of the amendment to the Unified Development Code shall constitute a violation of the Unified Development Code.

J. Infill Small Planned Unit Development (ISPUD)

1. ISPUD Review and Approval Process. The ISPUD approval process shall consist of the following two (2) components.

   a. Approval of the Development Plan, which may include a Preliminary Plat, by the Planning Commission and Metropolitan Council for the entire ISPUD; and

   b. Approval of a Final Plat, if land is being subdivided, by the Planning Commission Staff.

2. Development Plan:

The Development Plan shall contain all information required in the ISPUD Development Plan Checklist.

3. Procedures for ISPUD Development Plan approval:

The Development Plan shall follow the procedures for approval of planning items before the Planning Commission and zoning cases before the Metropolitan Council.

4. Approval of ISPUD Development Plan:

If approved by the Metropolitan Council, the Development Plan and all other information and material formally submitted with the application shall be adopted as an amendment to this Unified Development Code and shall become the standards of development for the ISPUD. All future development shall conform to the standards adopted for the ISPUD regardless of changes in ownership.

5. Establishing ISPUD district:
a. Status of land. Upon approval of the Development Plan, the property shall be designated ISPUD on the official zoning map.

b. Changes to an Approved ISPUD Development Plan.

1. Types of Changes. Changes to approved ISPUD Development Plans shall be classified as administrative, minor or major.

2. Administrative change. Any change that will not alter the basic design and character of the ISPUD, nor any specified conditions imposed as part of the original approval shall be considered an administrative change and may be approved by the Planning Director. Administrative changes shall be limited to:

a. Changes in location of any areas designated on the approved ISPUD Development Plan, if the Planning Director determines that: 1) the basic layout of the plan remains the same, and 2) the ISPUD Development Plan functions as well as before the revision;

b. Changes in the locations of major utility facilities and servitudes, provided that: 1) the Planning Director determines that the revised locations are more appropriate or functional, and 2) there are no objections from the Department of Public Works;

c. Reduction in the size of any building;

d. Movement of buildings and/or signs by no more than ten (10) feet, but in no event into required buffers and/or setbacks;

e. Modifications to Landscaping approved in the ISPUD Development Plan provided that: 1) the revised landscape materials are similar to the originally approved materials and will provide a buffering effect equal to or greater than that originally approved, and 2) there are no objections from the Department of Public Works;

f. Internal rearrangement of a parking lot that does not affect the number of parking spaces or alter access locations by more than fifty (50) feet or their design on ISPUD Development Plans over one (1) acre, or that alter access locations by more than twenty (20) feet or their design on ISPUD Development Plans one (1) acre or less;

g. Changes required by the Parish and other State or Federal authorities in order to conform to other laws or regulations;

Prior to approving any administrative change, the Planning Director shall document in writing that, on balance, compared to the approved ISPUD Development Plan, the change will meet or exceed the purposes and approval criteria set forth in Sections 8.216.A and 8.216.B above in the opinion of the Planning Director and that any adverse impacts caused by the change have been mitigated.
3. Minor change. A minor change shall be any change not defined as an administrative change above or as a major change below. All minor changes shall require a public hearing and action by Planning Commission.

4. Major change. A major change shall require approval through the same process as was used in the approval of the original ISPUD, including a public hearing by the Planning Commission and action by the Metropolitan Council. Major Changes shall include the following:
   a. Any increase in density of proposed uses;
   b. Any change in location of approved uses which does not meet the criteria listed above for an administrative change.
   c. Any use not previously shown on an approved ISPUD Development Plan.

6. Time Limits/Expiration of the ISPUD Development Plan:
ISPUD Development Plan approval shall expire three (3) years from the date of the Metropolitan Council approval, unless, during that three (3) year period a construction permit is obtained. If no construction occurs within three (3) years, the property shall remain in the ISPUD district, however, no permits for development will be issued unless or until a new ISPUD Development Plan is reviewed and approved pursuant to Section 8.216.J.3. The Planning Commission will consider extending the approval for an additional six (6) months, not to exceed a maximum period of twelve (12) months, upon receiving a written request from the developer.

If a construction permit is obtained, ISPUD approval shall remain in force for three (3) years following the issuance of such construction permit, provided that construction is not stopped for a period of six (6) months, in which case the ISPUD shall expire at the end of the original expiration period. In the event that an ISPUD Development Plan expires, no additional construction permits shall be issued until a new ISPUD application has been filed and approved in accordance with the requirements for the ordinance.

7. Recordation of ISPUD Development Plan, Development Restrictions, and other required documents. The approved Development Plan's development restrictions or conditions required by the Planning Commission and/or Metropolitan Council shall be recorded by the applicant with the Clerk of Court of East Baton Rouge Parish within fifteen (15) days of the date of approval by the Council and shall also file certified copies of these documents with the Office of the Planning Commission.

Filing and distribution of ISPUD Development Plan: The applicant shall make and distribute copies of the Development Plan within the guidelines stated in Appendix L.

8. Violations:
Any violation of the Development Plan or any other phase or plan adopted as part of the amendment to the Unified Development Code shall constitute a violation of the Unified Development Code.

Section 8.217  Traditional Neighborhood Development

A. Purpose. The purpose of a Traditional Neighborhood Development (TND) Zoning District is to encourage mixed-use, compact, walkable development and facilitate the efficient use of services. A TND diversifies and integrates land uses within close proximity to each other, and it provides for the daily recreational and commercial needs of the residents. A TND is a sustainable, long-term community that provides economic opportunity and environmental and social equity for the residents. This ordinance’s intent is to encourage its use by providing incentives, rather than prohibiting conventional development. A Traditional Neighborhood Development:

1. Is designed for the human scale;

2. Provides a mix of uses, including residential, commercial, civic, and open space uses in close proximity to one another within the neighborhood;

3. Provides a variety of housing types, and sizes to accommodate households of all ages, sizes, and incomes;

4. Coordinates transportation systems with a hierarchy of appropriately designed improvements for pedestrians, bicycles, and vehicles, which incorporates a system of relatively narrow, interconnected streets, roads, drives, and other thoroughfare types, and provides for the connections of those thoroughfare types to existing and future developments;

5. Includes compatibility of buildings and other improvements as determined by their arrangement, massing, form, character and landscaping to establish a livable, harmonious and diverse environment;

6. Incorporates environmental features into the design;

7. Provides a range of open spaces configured by squares, plazas, greens, landscaped streets, preserves, greenbelts and parks woven into the pattern of the neighborhood;

8. Incorporates architecture, landscape, lighting and signage standards integrated with the zoning provisions that respond to the unique character of the region; and,

9. Provides an increased range of options than are allowed by conventional zoning.

B. Overview

1. A TND shall require an area of not less than 50 contiguous acres. Property shall be considered contiguous even if separated by a public roadway.
2. A TND shall include at least two types of areas, and each type of area shall have different land use and site development regulations. A TND shall have one Neighborhood Center Area and at least one Mixed Residential Area. A TND may also have a Neighborhood Edge Area.

3. A “Neighborhood Center Area” shall serve as the focal point of a TND, containing retail, commercial, civic, and/or public services to meet the daily needs of community residents. A “Neighborhood Center” shall be designed to encourage pedestrian movement. A square may be located in a Neighborhood Center Area. Retail and commercial uses should generally be located adjacent to a square. The Neighborhood Center Uses include retail shops, grocery stores, restaurants, offices, banks, hotels, a post office, governmental offices, churches, community centers, and attached residential dwellings.

4. A “Mixed Residential Area” may include a variety of residential land uses, including detached single-family, duplex, townhome, and multi-family. Civic uses and neighborhood-scale commercial and office uses may be permitted within a Mixed Residential Area with strict architectural and land use controls to ensure that they blend into the residential character of the neighborhood. A Mixed Residential Area shall include-open spaces such as small squares, pocket parks, community parks, and/or greenbelts. A Mixed Residential Area shall promote pedestrian activity through well-designed and varied streetscapes that also provide for the safe and efficient movement of both pedestrian and vehicular traffic. Mixed Residential Areas may utilize alleys, either public or private. Varying lot sizes are encouraged within the Mixed Residential Area.

5. A “Neighborhood Edge Area” shall represent the least dense portion of a TND, with larger lots and greater setbacks than the rest of the neighborhood. Direct vehicular access to streets shall be permitted. Only single-family residential dwellings shall be permitted. A Neighborhood Edge Area is appropriate along the perimeter of the neighborhood. A portion of a TND that abuts existing or platted conventional low density housing shall be designated as a Neighborhood Edge Area.

6. Large office, low-impact manufacturing uses and industrial uses that are not appropriate for a Neighborhood Center Area or a Mixed Residential Area but which serve the local residents may be located in a specified district.

7. Civic uses that are oriented to the general public shall be permitted in a Neighborhood Center Area and a Mixed Residential Area. Special attention should be paid to the location of government offices, libraries, museums, schools, churches, and other prominent public buildings to create focal points and landmarks for the community.

8. Open space is a significant part of a TND design. TND’s shall incorporate Common Open Spaces to be maintained by the municipality and/or private open spaces to be maintained by the community or landowners within the TND. Formal and/or informal open spaces shall be required. These serve as areas for community gatherings, landmarks, and as organizing elements for the neighborhood. Open space may include squares, plazas, greens, preserves, parks, and greenbelts.

9. TND shall be designed to be pedestrian oriented. To accomplish this goal, the pattern and design of the various thoroughfare types may be used to reduce vehicle travel speeds and
encourage pedestrian activity. An interconnected and diverse network of streets, and other thoroughfare types, shall be required. Streets may be narrower than in conventional developments and more varied in size and form to control traffic and give character to the neighborhood.

10. Thoroughfares and utilities in TNDs shall connect to existing thoroughfares and utilities, or dead-end as stubs intended for connection to future thoroughfares, unless otherwise prohibited by topography, environmental constraints or other considerations.

C. TND Design Requirements


   a. Conditions, covenants, and restrictions for all the property within a TND shall be filed in the Parish records by the Owner before a Lot is sold and/or a building permit is issued.

   b. In addition to other terms and conditions acceptable to the applicant, the conditions, covenants, and restrictions must create one or more property owners association with mandatory membership for each property owner, governed by Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, which shall:

   (1) Be organized by the applicant and operated with a financial subsidy from the applicant before the sale of any Lots within the TND;

   (2) Provide for the conditions and timing of transferring control of the Association from the applicant to the property owners;

   (3) Be responsible for maintenance of insurance and taxes on all Common Open Space, enforceable by liens placed on the Association by the Parish, as provided in the Association Bylaws;

   (4) At all times, cause all owners to have access to the Common Open Space within the TND;

   (5) Establish architectural standards that are in conformity with the requirements of this ordinance which shall be subject to review and approval by the Board of Directors of the Association or the Architectural Control Committee, as described below;

   (6) Create an Architectural Control Committee to review development for compliance with the design standards, to issue certificates of approval, and to review and approve the development’s architect, designer, and/or other professionals contributing to the development;

   (7) Provide for the ownership, development, management, and maintenance of private open space (except plazas owned by individual property owners), community parking facilities, community meeting hall, and other common areas;
(8) Provide for a maintenance program for all property within the TND, including landscaping and Trees within the streetscape;

(9) Require the collection of assessments from members in an amount sufficient to pay for its functions; and,

(10) Be effective for a term of not less than 50 years.

2. Land Use Allocations.
Each lot within a TND shall be allocated particular permitted land Use categories. The identification of permitted land uses within all or a portion of a TND may be made by reference to other zoning districts available within the Unified Development Code. Areas that would permit the sale or consumption of alcohol must be approved for an alcohol license by the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board; provided, however, in the event of a conflict between the proximity and/or distance requirements of the Parish’s Wine, Beer and Liquor ordinance for establishments licensed or seeking a license to sell or serve alcoholic beverages and the establishments and facilities defined in La. R.S. 26:81(C)(1) and this Ordinance, this Ordinance shall prevail.

3. Neighborhood Uses
In order to achieve the proximity necessary to make neighborhoods walkable, it is important to mix land uses throughout the TND and not to separate uses. A TND shall consist of a mix of residential uses, a mixed-use area, and open space as provided below:

a. Residential areas may include the following:
   (1) Single-family detached dwellings;
   (2) Single-family attached dwellings, including duplexes, and townhomes;
   (3) Multi-family dwellings, including senior housing;
   (4) Accessory dwelling units;
   (5) “Special needs” housing, such as community living arrangements and assisted living facilities;
   (6) Civic uses as provided below.

b. Mixed-Use areas with commercial, residential, civic or institutional, and open space uses as identified below. All residents’ residences shall be within approximately ¼ mile distance from existing or proposed commercial, civic, and or open space areas.
   (1) Commercial uses may include the following:
      (a) Food services (including without limitation grocery stores; butcher shops; bakeries; restaurants (including the sale and consumption of alcohol); cafes;
coffee shops; neighborhood taverns, bars or pubs); delis, ice cream parlors, specialty foods, and/or outside dining patios and areas;

(b) Retail uses (including without limitation, retail sales; florists or nurseries; gas stations, hardware stores; stationery stores; book stores; galleries, studios and shops of artists and artisans, drug stores, apparel, antiques, furniture, music, pets, farmers market, and toys);

(c) Services (including without limitation, child care centers; music, dance or exercise studios; offices, including professional and medical offices; financial and banks; medical clinics, barber; laundromats; educational, hair salon; dry cleaning, health or fitness, dry cleaners, tailor shops, repair and service shops, and postal);

(d) Accommodations (bed and breakfast establishments, small hotels or inns); and

(e) Clubs and organizations, including fraternal organizations.

(2) Residential uses may include the following:

(a) Single-family attached dwellings, including duplexes, and townhomes;

(b) Multi-family dwellings, including senior housing;

(c) Residential units located on upper floors above commercial uses or to the rear of storefronts;

(d) Live/Work Units that combine a residence and the resident’s workplace; and

(e) “Special needs” housing, such as community living arrangements and assisted living facilities.

(3) Civic or institutional uses may include the following:

(a) Municipal offices, fire stations, libraries, museums, community meeting facilities, and post offices;

(b) Places of worship;

(c) Transit shelters;

(d) Philanthropic institutions; and

(e) Educational facilities.

(4) Office uses may include the following:

(a) Art galleries and studios;
(b) Banks;
(c) Child care centers;
(d) Clubs;
(e) Offices; and
(f) Medical clinics.

(5) Open space uses may include the following:
(a) Central square;
(b) Neighborhood parks;
(c) Recreational facilities; and
(d) Playgrounds.

c. Open space uses may include those identified below as appropriate. Large outdoor recreation areas (such as playgrounds and fields) should be located at the periphery of neighborhoods rather than central locations.

(1) Environmental corridors dedicated for preservation;
(2) Protected natural areas dedicated for preservation;
(3) Community parks;
(4) Streams, ponds, and other water bodies.

4. Development Units.
The number of residential dwelling units and the amount of nonresidential development, excluding open spaces, shall be determined as follows:

a. Single-family detached dwellings shall account for at least 50 percent of the total number of residential units in the TND, and two-family units, townhomes, and multi-family units shall comprise less than 50 percent of the units.

b. In areas devoted to mixed residential Uses:

(1) The number of single-family attached and detached units permitted shall be 5–10 dwelling units per acre;
(2) The number of multi-family units shall be 8-40 dwelling units per acre.
(3) Accessory dwelling units shall be permissible in addition to the number of dwelling units authorized under this Section. However, the total number of accessory dwelling units shall not be more than 20 percent of the total number of single-family attached and detached units.

c. In Mixed-Use Areas:

(1) The number of single-family and multi-family dwelling units permitted shall be calculated the same as above plus an additional number of units not to exceed ten percent of the amount permitted above.

(2) All dwelling units constructed above commercial uses shall be permissible in addition to the number of dwelling units authorized under this Section. However, the total number of dwelling units shall not be increased by more than ten dwelling units or ten percent, whichever is greater.

(3) The total ground floor area of nonresidential uses, including off-street parking areas, shall not exceed 25 percent of the TND.

5. Common Open Space

At least 20 percent of the gross acreage of the TND shall be Common Open Space. Ninety (90) percent of the lots within the areas devoted to mixed residential uses shall be within approximately ¼ mile of Common Open Space.

a. The following uses may account for Common Open Space with the stated limitations:

(1) Parks, open greenbelt areas, and other recreational space which are readily accessible must account for not less than 25 percent of the Common Open Space.

(2) Trees along streets located within designated landscape common areas or landscape servitudes and located within a street right-of-way may constitute 25 percent of the Common Open Space. There shall be an average of one street tree on both sides of the street per 40 feet of frontage, unless alternative spacing is recommended by the Director of Development.

(3) Surface drainage, including surface retention and detention, including both natural and man-made features that appear natural or enhance a particular property and increase its desirability to a community or its marketability to the public.

(b) Lakes, ponds, bayous, streams, or creeks, including stormwater wet detention basins provided that they are designed so that a minimum of 20 percent of the abutting shoreline is made accessible for the common use of the development, but in no event less than 300 feet of frontage.

(b) Storm water dry detention basins of not less than ½ acre; but may account for up to 25 percent of the Common Open Space if designed to provide for acceptable maintenance and upkeep of the detention basin.
(4) Golf courses may account for up to 50 percent of the Common Open Space provided that the course is open to the public.

(5) Natural Wetlands shall not exceed 50 percent of Common Open Space provided that they are reasonably visible and accessible from interpretive walkways provided in and through the Wetland.

(6) Hard surface recreation areas such as recreational courts and pedestrian plazas may account for up to 25 of the Common Open Space.

(7) Servitudes with existing below ground utilities and/or facilities with a width of not less than 30 feet.

(8) Electrical transmission line servitudes with a width not to exceed 150 feet, if improved, recreational use areas are available to the public.

(9) School and library yards, not to exceed 20 percent of the Common Open Space, excluding the area devoted to buildings.

(10) An existing building or buildings that have historical or cultural significance may be located in a common area space; however, the enclosed building area may not be included in the Common Open Space requirement.

(11) Innovative stormwater management designs that result in the site exceeding typical stormwater management requirements may account for up to ten percent of the Open Space at the discretion of the Planning Director.

b. Common Open Space shall not include:

(1) Yards which are not accessible for the common Use of the Development;

(2) Parking areas (other than those serving a community recreational facility);

(3) Drives;

(4) Utilities with above ground improvements or road servitudes, except as provided in paragraph a.(8), above;

(5) Paved lakes, ponds, bayous, streams, or creeks

(6) Structures (unless designed and used as an integral part of the open space such as gazebos);

(7) Required drainage ditches or canals, unless designed to create a community amenity;

(8) Any noncontiguous green area of less than 500 square feet; and,

(9) Areas reserved for the exclusive use and benefit of an individual tenant or owner.
c. Common Open Space shall be permanently set aside for the sole benefit, use, and enjoyment of present and future occupants of the TND through covenant, deed restriction, open space servitude, or similar legal instrument; or, if agreed to by a governmental agency, the open space may be conveyed to a governmental agency for the use of the general public.

c. In the event land shown on a Final Development Plan as Common Open Space is dedicated to the Parish, the Metropolitan Council may, but shall not be required to, accept the open space provided:

(1) Such land is accessible to the residents of the parish;

(3) There is no cost of acquisition other than the costs incidental to the transfer of ownership; and,

(3) The Parish agrees to maintain such lands.

e. Common Open Space shall be protected against development and environmental damage by conveying to the municipality, parish, association, or land trust an open space servitude restricting the area in perpetuity against any future building and against the removal of soil, trees and other natural features, except as the Planning Commission determines is consistent with conservation or recreational purposes.

The design and development of the TND shall minimize off-site stormwater runoff, promote on-site filtration, and minimize the discharge of pollutants to ground and surface water. Natural topography and existing land cover should be maintained/protected to the maximum extent practicable. New development and redevelopment shall meet the following requirements:

a. Untreated, direct stormwater discharges to wetlands or surface waters shall not be allowed.

b. A Drainage Impact Study shall be submitted in conformance with the requirements of Chapter 15 of the Unified Development Code.

c. Erosion and sedimentation controls shall be implemented.

d. Redevelopment stormwater management systems shall be designed to improve existing conditions and meet standards to the extent practicable.

e. All treatment systems or BMPs shall have operation and maintenance plans to ensure that systems function as designed.

7. Lot and Block Standards.

a. Block and Lot Size Diversity
Thoroughfare layouts shall provide for perimeter blocks that are generally in the range of 200 to 500 feet deep by 400 to 800 feet long. The Planning Commission may approve larger blocks if required because of existing topography. The applicant shall provide, when appropriate, a mid-block crossing for blocks longer than 500 feet in length. A variety of lot sizes shall be provided to facilitate housing diversity and choice and meet the projected requirements of people with different housing needs.

b. Lot Widths
Lot widths shall be designed to create a relatively symmetrical street or road cross section that reinforces the public space of the street or road as a simple, unified public space.

c. Building Setback, Front – Mixed-Use Areas
Structures in the Mixed-Use Areas shall be designed to abut the unless a courtyard or outdoor seating area is provided between the building and the sidewalk, in which case the building may be located as much as 15 feet behind the sidewalk; such seating areas shall include the use of plant material, walls, or fences to better define the space and soften its appearance from the street. If no sidewalk exists, the building shall be located no further than ten feet from the back of the right-of-way and a sidewalk connection between the street and the building entrance shall be provided.

d. Building Setback, Front - Areas of Mixed Residential Uses
Single-family detached residences shall have a building setback no more than 25 feet; if a front-loaded garage is provided, the garage doors shall be set back at least 25 feet from the street. Single-family attached residences and multifamily residences shall have a building setback of up to 15 feet, provided that front-loaded garages satisfy the 25 foot setback requirement above.

e. Side Setbacks
Provision for zero-lot line single-family dwellings may be made, provided that a reciprocal access easement is recorded for both lots.

8. Thoroughfare Network.

a. The circulation system shall allow for different modes of transportation.

b. The circulation system shall provide functional and visual links within the residential areas, Mixed-Use areas, and open space of the TND and shall be connected to existing and proposed external developments. The circulation system shall provide adequate capacity, provide connected pedestrian and bicycle routes (including off-street bicycle or multi-use paths or bicycle lanes on the streets where required) and ADA-approved crosswalks and sidewalks, control through traffic, provide adequate transit stops, limit access to streets of lower traffic volumes, and promote safe and efficient mobility through the TND.

c. The minimum widths of rights-of-way and private streets shall be shown as illustrated in Appendix J or alternatives approved by the Director of the Department of Transportation and Drainage.
d. Pedestrian Circulation
Convenient pedestrian circulation systems that minimize pedestrian-motor vehicle conflicts shall be provided continuously throughout the TND. Where feasible, existing pedestrian routes through the site shall be preserved and enhanced. All streets, except for alleys, shall be bordered by sidewalks on both sides in accordance with the provisions of Section 13.8 of the Unified Development Code, Sidewalks and Pedestrian Ways, with the following modifications:

(1) Sidewalks in Residential Areas
Clear and well-lighted sidewalks a minimum five feet in width, shall be provided along both sides of each street in residential areas. Sidewalks shall be separated from the curb in areas of single-family detached dwelling units by a planted area, or verge, at least six feet in width. In areas of multifamily and attached single-family dwellings, the verge may be reduced to five feet.

(2) Sidewalks in Mixed-Use Areas
Clear and well-lighted sidewalks a minimum five feet in width shall be provided along both sides of each thoroughfare type located within a Mixed-Use Area. Within Mixed-Use Areas, pavement may extend between the required sidewalk and the back of curb provided tree wells at least 25 feet in area are provided at least every 40 feet and the minimum sidewalk width is maintained. Alternatively, a verge at least five feet in width shall be provided between the sidewalk and the back of curb.

(3) Crosswalks
Intersections of sidewalks with thoroughfares shall be designed with clearly defined edges. Crosswalks shall be well lit and clearly marked with contrasting paving materials or texture at the edges.

e. Bicycle Circulation
Bicycle circulation shall be accommodated through a combination of on-street facilities and dedicated off-street bicycle paths. Where feasible, any existing bicycle routes through the site shall be preserved and enhanced.

1. Off-street bicycle paths shall typically be in the form of multi-use paths shared with pedestrians and other non-motorized users. These shall be a minimum of ten feet in width.

2. On-street bicycle facilities may be lower speed local streets shared with other vehicles ("sharrows") where the paving is marked and signage indicating “Bike May Use Full Lane” is provided or, on busier, higher volume streets, separately designated and striped, five foot bicycle lanes. If an on-street bicycle lane is adjacent to a lane for parallel parking, the width of the bicycle lane shall be at least six feet to accommodate the opening of car doors.

f. Public Transit Access
Where public transit service is available or planned, convenient access to transit stops at locations approved by the transit provider shall be provided. Transit shelters shall be
placed in highly visible locations that promote security through surveillance, and shall be well lighted.

g. Motor Vehicle Circulation
Motor vehicle circulation shall be designed to minimize conflicts with pedestrians and bicycles. Traffic calming features such as curb extensions, traffic circles, and medians may be used to encourage slow traffic speeds.

h. The thoroughfare network of the TND shall be connected to existing streets. TND streets shall be laid out to serve existing development and allow extensions to future neighborhoods. Dead-end streets shall be prohibited except in locations where reasonable connections are not practical due to topography or existing development, in which case a design element or civic feature shall be incorporated into the terminus of the street.

i. Design of Thoroughfares.

(1) General.

(a) Thoroughfares shall consist of moving lanes, parking lanes, curbs or swales, planters, trees, street lights and sidewalks.

(b) Thoroughfare types shall be designated in the Final Development Plan.

(c) Roads, streets, and commercial streets may be modified to become avenues, boulevards and drives.

(d) Thoroughfares passing from one use area to another shall change appropriately except those designated as a “connector” in the Final Development Plan shall maintain the same character throughout.

(e) The exact locations of trees and lights along thoroughfares may be adjusted for specific conditions, such as building entrances.

(f) Thoroughfares that exist in or near a TND at the time of rezoning and are consistent with the intent of this ordinance may become an approved standard for use in that TND.

(g) If striped, on-street parallel parking spaces shall be striped collectively, not individually.

(h) The full width of all paths, passages, rural lanes, lanes and alleys shall be designated a utility easement. Only in the absence of these thoroughfare types may utility easements be permitted elsewhere.

(i) All thoroughfares within a TND shall terminate at other thoroughfares, forming a network. Culs-de-sac may be permitted only when justified by site conditions.
(2) Design of Thoroughfares in Commercial Areas

(a) All lots shall front on a thoroughfare, except that a maximum of 20 percent of Lots served by a rear alley may front a path or passage.

(b) Thoroughfares may intersect at non-orthogonal angles as acute as 30 degrees.

(3) Design of Thoroughfares in Civic Areas

Thoroughfares fronting civic buildings or civic spaces shall follow the standards of the underlying use area.

9. Parking requirements

a. Generally

(1) All required parking spaces shall be shown on the Final Development Plan.

(2) On-street parking shall count toward the parking requirements.

(3) Parking facilities shall be accessed by an alley or rear lane, when these are available.

(4) On-street parking shall be prohibited within 30 feet of intersections to enable public service and emergency vehicles adequate turning radii.

b. In the Mixed-Use Area

(1) Except for parking lots associated with a grocery store, no more than one row of parking spaces shall be allowed in the front of a building on its primary frontage. All other parking lots for commercial uses shall be located at the rear or side of a building. If located at the side, screening shall be provided as specified in Section 8.217.C.14, Landscaping and Screening Standards.

(2) A grocery store may have more parking than allowed above parking located in the front of the store if the design of the grocery store building incorporates at least five of the following elements onto its street facing facades (other than the rear):

(a) Masonry, except for flat, non-decorative concrete block;

(b) Concrete or masonry plinth at the base of the wall;

(c) Belt courses of a different texture and color;

(d) Projecting cornice;

(e) Decorative tile work;

(f) Medallions;
g. Opaque or translucent glass;

h. Artwork or wall graphics;

i. Lighting fixtures;

j. Green walls; or,

k. Architectural elements not listed above, if approved by the Planning Director.

3. A parking lot shall not be adjacent to any intersection other than that of an alley with a street.

4. A commercial use shall provide one parking space for every 350 feet of gross building area.

5. Parking lots or garages shall provide not less than one bicycle parking space for every 15 motor vehicle parking spaces.

c. In Residential Areas
   Parking shall be provided consistent with the requirements of Section 17.4, Motor Vehicle Parking Requirements, except that:

   1. Multi-family uses shall be required to provide one space for the first bedroom and ½ space for every additional bedroom; and,

   2. One space shall be provided for each accessory unit.

d. Parking Reductions
   Any of the alternative parking provisions established in Chapter 17, Parking and Loading, may be used to reduce parking requirements.

10. Architectural Standards

   a. Guidelines for Existing Structures
      Existing Structures or sites, if determined to be historic or architecturally significant by the East Baton Rouge Parish Historic Preservation Commission or the Louisiana State Historic Preservation Office, or listed on the National Register of Historic Places, shall be protected from demolition or encroachment by incompatible Structures or landscape Development. The U.S. Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for alterations to historic properties shall be used as the criteria for rehabilitation and treatment of historic or architecturally significant structures or sites.

   b. Guidelines for New Structures

      1. Height

         a. New single-family residential structures shall be no more than 40 feet.
(b) New commercial, multifamily residential, or mixed-use structures shall be no more than 60–70 feet.

(2) Entries, Facades, Windows, Doors and Roofs

(a) The architectural features, materials, and the articulation of a facade of a building shall be continued on all sides visible from a public thoroughfare.

(b) Porches, shed roofs, roof overhangs, hooded front doors or other similar architectural elements shall define the front entrance to all residences.

(c) Commercial buildings other than a grocery store, shall provide a minimum of 50 percent of the front facade on the ground floor shall be transparent, including window or door openings allowing views into and out of the interior.

(d) Walls along thoroughfares shall be made of brick, block covered with stucco, or other material to match the façade of the principal building.

(e) Windows shall not be mirrored or have glass tinted darker than 20 percent.

(f) Flat roofs shall be enclosed by parapets high enough to conceal mechanical equipment.

(g) Civic uses designed specifically for civic purposes shall not be subject to the above requirements.

(1) Accessory structures, including accessory dwelling units, may be placed on a single-family detached residential lot provided that the accessory structure shall not exceed the height of the principal structure on the lot.

(2) Accessory dwelling units may be located within the principal structure on the lot or in a separate building. Such units shall not exceed 800 square feet.

(3) Accessory buildings used for a garage shall have a minimum setback of 20 feet when accessed from the front property line, and shall have a minimum setback of three feet from the rear property line when accessed from a rear alley.

11. Signage

Sign guidelines reflecting types, sizes, shapes, and materials permitted shall be submitted with each Final Development Plan.

12. Lighting

Lighting, including pedestrian scale lighting, complying with the standards of the parish shall be provided along all thoroughfares and parking areas. Lights shall be installed on both sides of streets at intervals of no greater than 75 feet apart.

13. Landscaping and Screening
a. All landscaping shall comply with the provisions of Chapter 18. Landscape and Trees, except as specified below.

b. Street Yards

(1) Street trees shall be located within the verge, the landscape area between the sidewalk and the curb, within the landscaped median of a boulevard, or in tree wells.

(2) Class A trees that grow to a minimum height of 40 feet at maturity shall be planted along all streets.

(3) Trees shall have a minimum caliper of 2½ inches at the time of planting.

c. Parking Areas

(1) All parking and loading areas fronting public thoroughfares or sidewalks, and all parking and loading areas abutting residential districts or uses, shall provide a landscaped area at least five feet wide between the thoroughfare or sidewalk; screening at least three feet in height and not less than 50 percent opaque; and one tree for each 25 linear feet of parking lot frontage.

(2) The corners of parking lots, islands, and all other areas not used for parking or vehicular circulation shall be landscaped. Vegetation may include turf grass, native grasses or other perennial flowering plants, vines, shrubs or trees. Such spaces may include architectural features such as benches, kiosks or bicycle parking.

(3) Parking lots with more than six spaces shall require a landscaped area comprising a minimum of 20 percent of the total parking lot area.

(4) Parking lots containing more than 200 parking spaces shall require an additional landscaped area of at least 200 square feet 25 parking spaces or fraction thereof, containing one Class A tree. The remainder shall be covered with turf grass, native grasses or other perennial flowering plants, vines or shrubs.

(4) A landscape plan shall be required for structured parking.

d. Loading Areas

A landscape plan shall be required for any loading area that abuts a street. Such a plan may include walls and berms as well as landscape materials.

14. Utilities

All utilities shall be placed underground.

15. Environmental Standards

All uses shall conform to all applicable federal, State and local laws and regulations regarding the environment such as laws and regulations concerning noise, air quality, water quality, radiation, and radioactivity.
D. Other Code and Ordinances Applicability.

1. The provisions of the Unified Development Code shall apply to a TND unless:
   a. This section expressly provides otherwise; and
   b. Only as long as such other provisions do not impede the accomplishment of the stated purpose of the TND as described in this section.

2. The requirements of this article supersede any inconsistent provision of any other provisions of the Unified Development Code.

3. A TND is a separate and distinct zoning district which shall allow the permitted uses as provided in the Concept Plan, notwithstanding any other zoning classification provided in the Unified Development Code.

4. The Final Development Plan, as approved by the Planning Commission, shall supersede any inconsistent provision of any other provisions of the Unified Development Code, including without limitation any parking, street or landscaping requirements, dimensional regulations, setbacks or proximity requirements between establishments located within the TND licensed or seeking a license to sell, consume or serve alcoholic beverages and the establishments and facilities defined in La. R.S. 26:81(C)(1), which are also located within the TND; it is the intent to give the Planning Commission the discretionary authority to deviate from those requirements when deemed appropriate by the Planning Commission in order to promote compact, mixed-use development within the TND.

E. Ownership and Control.

All land proposed to be included in the TND shall be owned by or be under the control of the applicant for the purpose of seeking the TND (including without limitation a purchase agreement, option agreement, and/or development agreement), whether that applicant be an individual, partnership, corporation (limited liability company, limited liability partnership, trust), or groups of individuals, partnerships, or corporations (limited liability company, limited liability partnerships and/or trusts). The applicant shall agree that if applicant proceeds with the Traditional Neighborhood Development applicant will do so in accordance with:

1. The Concept Plan officially adopted for the Traditional Neighborhood Developments;

2. Regulations existing when the amendment granting the Traditional Neighborhood Development was adopted; and,

3. Such other conditions or modifications as may be attached to the rezoning of the land to the Traditional Neighborhood Development.

F. Application Procedure and Approval Process; General.

Prior to the issuance of any permits for development within a TND, the following shall be completed according to the procedures outlined in this Section:
1. Pre-Application Conference;

2. Approval of a Concept Plan by the Planning Commission and the Metropolitan Council for the entire Traditional Neighborhood Development;

3. Approval of a Final Development Plan by the Planning Commission; and,

4. Approval of a Final Plat by the Planning Commission Staff.

If the Development includes the division of property into lots, the Final Development Plan shall be approved concurrently with a preliminary plat. Subdivisions of property within a TND after Concept Plan approval, but prior to Final Development Plan approval, shall meet the zoning requirements of the most restrictive zoning district allowed for each designated use for that portion of the Concept Plan. These subdivisions shall require Planning Commission approval but shall not allow development or building permit approval until a Final Development Plan is approved. Where the development is to be developed in phases, the Concept Plan that is presented for review and approval shall be the Concept Plan for the entire development and shall identify the proposed phasing. Each phase of a development shall have an individual Final Development Plan.

G. Pre-Application Conference.

1. The pre-application conference shall be held with the Planning Director for the purpose of exchanging information, providing guidance to the applicant and determining the eligibility of the request for consideration as a Traditional Neighborhood Development.

2. A request for a pre-application conference shall be made to the Planning Director. As part of the pre-application conference, the applicant shall submit that shows the property location, boundaries, significant natural features, proposed vehicular and pedestrian circulation), and proposed use(s) for the entire site, and a statement indicating financial responsibility sufficient to complete the public improvements shown on the conceptual plan.

3. The Planning Director shall advise the applicant of the general conformance of the proposed Traditional Neighborhood Development with the intent and objectives of a Traditional Neighborhood Development, and whether the general concept appears to be substantially consistent with the Unified Development Code and the Comprehensive Land Use Plan. No formal action may be taken at a pre-application conference, nor will statements made at the pre-application conference be considered legally binding commitments.

H. Concept Plan.

1. Following the pre-application conference, the applicant shall submit a completed application (Concept Plan) to the Planning Director. The Concept Plan shall contain all information required in the Concept Plan Checklist. The applicant shall subsequently be responsible for conducting a public workshop for residents of the area in which the project in proposed to be located. The workshop requirements ensure:

   a. The applicant is fully aware of the process;
b. The workshop is conducted at a place and time convenient to the residents; and,

c. Residents are properly notified of its intent.

The applicant shall conduct the workshop and document the results to the Planning Director before the application is may be deemed complete.

2. Procedures for TND Concept Plan Approval

All applications for shall follow the procedures for approval of planning and zoning items before the Planning Commission and the Metropolitan Council.

3. Approval of a TND Concept Plan

After receiving the recommendation of the Planning Commission, the Metropolitan Council shall review the Application, including the Concept Plan, the record of the Planning Commission proceedings and the recommendation, and shall approve, approve with conditions, or deny the application. An approval with conditions shall not be considered final (and the rezoning is not final until such time) until the applicant submits a written acceptance of the conditions and all necessary revisions to the Concept Plan to the Council.

If approved by the Metropolitan Council, the Concept Plan and all other information and material formally submitted with the application shall become the standards of development for the TND. All future development shall conform to the standards adopted for the TND regardless of changes in ownership.

I. Final Development Plan and Final Plat

1. Submittal.

Within 36 months of the Metropolitan Council’s approval of the Concept Plan, the applicant shall submit a Final Development Plan for all or for a portion of the property. The applicant may request an extension of up to 12 additional months from the Planning Commission. If the applicant fails to submit a Final Development Plan for all or for a portion of the property, then the Concept Plan shall be determined to be invalid, but the TND zoning designation shall remain. If the Traditional Neighborhood Development is to be developed in phases all phases shall comply with the standards of the Concept Plan and should be submitted in a timely manner; however, there is no time limit to submit subsequent phases. The Final Development Plan shall contain all information required in the Final Development Plan Checklist.

2. Certification

The following design professionals shall certify direct involvement in the preparation of the Final Development Plan.

a. A licensed architect or a licensed civil engineer; and,

b. A licensed landscape architect.

3. Final Plat
A Final Plat shall be submitted in one or more sheets and contain the information listed in the application checklist. The title of the Final Plat shall read “Final Plat of [Name of Traditional Neighborhood Development], [Section, Township, and Range]”. Where the TND is of unusual size or shape, the Planning Director may permit a variation in the scale or size of the Final Plat.

4. Landscape Plan
A landscape plan, stamped and certified by a registered landscape architect, shall be required for all Final Development Plans.

5. Substantial Compliance of Final Development Plan
The Final Development Plan shall be in substantial compliance with the Concept Plan. It is not intended that the Concept Plan shall be inflexibly applied, but rather, Final Development Plan shall be in conformance with the Concept Plan subject to modifications due to changed economic, social, market or demographic conditions. The burden shall be upon the applicant to show the Planning Commission good cause for Major Change (as defined below) between the Concept Plan and the Final Development Plan as submitted for final approval. If the Final Development Plan, as submitted, contains substantial variations from the Concept Plan, or Major Changes as defined below, the Planning Commission may, after a meeting with the applicant, within 14 days of such meeting, advise the applicant in writing why said variations are not in the public interest, and deny the proposed variations.

6. Procedure for Approval
The Final Development Plan shall follow the procedure for planning items going to the Planning Commission with a public hearing. Procedure for approval of a Final Development Plan for a TND shall be processed in the following manner:

a. The Department of Development shall review and approve the construction plans for any Public Improvements shown on the Final Development Plan prior to any construction. Improvements may be completed or bonded for final approval in the same manner as required under the Unified Development Code.

b. The notice of a public hearing shall conform to the requirements for a change of zoning.

c. Following required public notice, the Planning Commission shall hold a public hearing on the proposed Final Development Plan. Following the hearing, the Planning Commission shall review the Final Development Plan request and any comments submitted at the hearing and shall approve, approve with conditions, or deny the request.

d. Upon such approval and subsequent amendment of the Final Development Plan, construction may proceed for public and/or approved private thoroughfares, utility installations, open space, recreational facilities, governmental structures, and other uses provided that a preliminary subdivision plat has also been approved for the Development.

J. Consolidated Concept Plan and Final Development Plan
A Final Development Plan and Concept Plan may not be simultaneously heard by the Planning Commission and the Metropolitan Council.

K. Additional Regulations for Phased Developments
A TND may be developed in phases or stages in accordance with the following requirements:

1. **Boundaries**
   The boundaries of all proposed TND phases shall be shown on the Concept Plan.

2. **Data**
   All data required for the project, as a whole, shall be given for each phase shown on the Concept Plan.

3. **Improvements**
   The phasing plan shall be consistent with the traffic circulation, drainage, open space, and utilities plans for the entire TND. TNDs that are to be developed in phases or stages shall be required to provide public improvements, open space, and all amenities attributed to such phase at the same time as or before the construction of principal buildings and structures associated with the phase. The nature, type, and amount of public improvements, open space, and other project amenities provided during an individual phase of the project shall be commensurate with and proportionate to the overall development of the phase.

L. **Changes to an Approved Final Development Plan.**

1. **Types of Changes**
   Three types of changes may be considered for a Final Development Plan, Major Use Changes, Major Site Changes, and Minor Changes.

2. **Major Use Changes**
   Any change that will have significant impacts on the approved uses within the TND, or on the area surrounding the TND shall be considered a Major Use Change. These shall include, but not be limited to:
   a. Any increase in the development site area;
   b. An increase in density within any permitted land use by more than ten percent;
   c. In residential areas, a change in the mix of single-family dwelling and multi-family dwelling structures by more than ten percent;
   d. An increase in the amount of land in nonresidential uses by more than ten percent;
   e. Involve any land use not specified on the approved Concept Plan;
   f. Substantial and material reduction in the amenities proffered by the applicant; and/or
   g. Material changes in the permitted land use authorized in the Traditional Neighborhood Development which in the opinion of the Planning Director will have a material adverse change with the TND, or on the area surrounding the TND.

3. **Major Site Changes**
Any change (other than a Major Use Change) that will have significant impact on the site and layout of the development in the or on the area surrounding the TND shall be considered a Major Site Change. These shall include, but not be limited to:

a. Changes that vary the individual lot area requirement as approved in the Concept Plan by more than ten percent;

b. Changes in non-residential floor areas by more than ten percent within a component of the TND;

c. Changes to the thoroughfare network which, in the opinion of the Planning Director, result in a significant adverse change in the amount or location of thoroughfares and shared driveways, common parking areas, circulation patterns, or access to the TND;

d. Changes in the allocation of prescribed land uses that would result in an increase in the number of vehicle trips generated in excess of ten percent;

e. Changes that are material in the typical sections of thoroughfare design;

f. Changes in the designation of thoroughfares between private and public; and/or

g. Material changes in the approved overall layout of the site plan and/or matters related to onsite and/or offsite infrastructure requirements authorized in the TND that, in the opinion of the Planning Director, will have a material adverse change with the TND or on the area surrounding the TND.

4. Minor Changes

Any change that will not alter the basic design and character of the TND, nor any specified conditions imposed as part of the original approval may be considered a Minor Change, provided such changes are mitigated to the satisfaction of the Planning Director. Such changes shall include, but not be limited to:

a. Changes in the location of the Neighborhood Center Area, a Mixed Residential Area, a Neighborhood Edge Area, a civic area, or other designated areas, if the Planning Director determines that:

   (1) The basic layout of the TND remains the same; and,

   (2) The TND functions as well as before the revision;

b. Changes in size of a Neighborhood Center Area, a Mixed Residential Area, a Neighborhood Edge Area, a civic area, or other designated areas, if the size is increased or decreased by not more than ten percent, and the Planning Director determines that:

   (1) The basic layout of the TND remains the same; and,

   (2) The TND functions as well as before the revision;
c. Changes in the general location of a civic use, if the Planning Director determines that:

(1) The revised location is appropriate; and,

(2) The thoroughfare network, the infrastructure, and the overall land use mix are not adversely affected;

d. Changes in the location of a commercial use in a Mixed Residential Area, if the Planning Director determines that the revised location is appropriate;

e. Changes in the layout of the thoroughfare network, if the Planning Director determines that:

(1) The basic layout remains the same; and,

(2) The revised layout functions as well as the previous layout;

f. Changes in the location or size of designated open space, if the overall amount of open space acreage does not decrease by more than ten percent, and the Planning Director determines that the quality and functionality of the revised open space is the same or better. The Planning Director may not approve a revision that includes the deletion of any open space within 500 feet of an area that is part of a final plat in a Mixed Residential Area or Neighborhood Edge Area;

g. Changes in the location or description of a major private open space improvement, if the Planning Director determines that the revised improvement is as beneficial to the residents as the previous improvement;

h. Changes in the location or type of a drainage or water quality control, if there are no objections from the Department of Development and the Planning Director determines that:

(1) The basic layout of the TND remains the same; and,

(2) The revised location or type of control functions as well as the previous location or type of control;

i. Changes in a construction phasing plan for major private open space improvements if the change extends a deadline by not more than 24 months;

j. Changes in the locations of major utility facilities and servitudes, if the Planning Director determines that the revised locations are more appropriate or functional, and there are no objections from the Departments of Development and Transportation and Drainage;

k. Reduction of the size of any building;

l. Movement of buildings and/or signs by no more than ten feet, but in no event in required buffers and/or setbacks;
m. Landscaping approved in the Final Development Plan that is replaced by similar landscaping to an equal or greater extent, provided that there are no objections from the Department of Development;

n. Changes in non-residential floor plans, of up to ten percent of the total floor area that do not alter the character of the use or increase the amount of required parking;

o. Internal rearrangement of a parking lot that does not affect the number of parking spaces or alter access locations or design; and,

p. Changes required or requested by the Parish and other State or Federal authorities in order to conform to other laws or regulations.

5. Review Procedures
Requests for changes to an approved Traditional Neighborhood Development are shall be processed as follows:

a. Major Use Changes

1. Application
   The owner(s) of record of the property affected by the proposed change shall file an application with the Planning Director, providing the reason for the change and the anticipated impacts from the Major Use Change on the Development.

2. Public Hearing
   Upon receipt and verification of the completion of the application by the Planning Director, the Planning Director will forward the application to the Planning Commission, following the notice procedures established for zoning changes. A record of information and materials presented at the public hearing shall be kept and maintained by the Planning Commission as part of the applicant’s permanent record.

3. Findings and Recommendations
   The Planning Commission shall make a recommendation on the Major Use Change based on the information set forth in the application and comments heard at the public hearing. The Planning Commission shall forward a copy of their recommendations to the applicant.

4. Adoption
   The Metropolitan Council shall adopt or reject the proposed Major Use Change at the next available zoning meeting from receipt of the recommendations from the Planning Commission.

b. Major Site Changes

1. Application
The owner(s) of record of the property affected by the proposed change shall file an application with the Planning Director, describing the reason for the change and the resulting impacts from the Major Site Change on the development.

2. Public Hearing
   Upon receipt and verification of the completion of the application, the Planning Director shall forward the application to the Planning Commission providing notice as required for a change of zoning. A record of information and materials presented at the public hearing shall be kept and maintained by the Planning Commission as part of the applicant’s permanent record.

3. Approval
   The Planning Commission shall make its decision on the Major Site Change based on the information set forth in the application and comments received at the public hearing. The Planning Commission shall forward a copy of its findings to the applicant.

c. Minor Changes.

1. Application.
   The owner(s) of record of the property affected by the proposed change shall file an application with the Planning Director containing the reason for the change and the anticipated impacts of the change, if any.

2. Approval
   Upon receipt and verification of the application, the Planning Director shall make a decision based on the information set forth in the application and notify the applicant of the decision.

6. Subdivision of Land
   If the TND involves the subdivision of land as defined in the Unified Development Code, the applicant shall submit all required land division documents in accordance with the requirements of the Unified Development Code. If there is a conflict between the design standards of the Unified Development Code and the design guidelines of this ordinance, the provisions of this ordinance shall apply. It being understood that the size and configuration of lots within a TND may be disallowed in a typical zoning district under the Unified Development Code, but permitted within a TND Zoning District.

M. Maintaining a Final Development Plan.

1. Ownership and Maintenance of Public Spaces
   Provision shall be made for the ownership and maintenance of public thoroughfares, squares, parks, open spaces, and other public spaces in a TND by dedication to the Parish and/or Association(s).

2. Construction
   Construction may take place only within such portion(s) of a TND for which a current Final Development Plan is in effect.
3. Development Schedule
The Development schedule shall contain the following information:

a. The order of construction of the proposed stages delineated in the Final Development Plan.

b. The proposed date for the beginning of construction of each stage.

c. The proposed date for the completion of construction of each stage.

d. The proposed schedule for the construction and improvement of common areas within each stage including any accessory buildings.

4. Enforcement of the Development Schedule
The construction and provision of all common open spaces and public facilities and infrastructure which are shown on the Final Development Plan shall proceed at no slower a rate than the construction of dwelling units or structures of a commercial nature. The Planning Commission may, at any time, compare the actual development accomplished with the approved development schedule. If the Planning Commission finds that the rate of construction of dwelling units or commercial structures is substantially greater than the rate at which common open spaces and public facilities and infrastructure have been constructed and provided, then either or both of the following actions may be taken:

a. The Planning Commission may cease to approve any additional Final Development Plans for subsequent phases; and/or

b. The Building Official may discontinue issuance of building permits.

In any instance where the above actions are taken, the Planning Commission shall gain assurance that the relationship between the construction of dwellings or structures of a commercial nature and the provision of common open spaces and public facilities and infrastructure are brought into adequate balance prior to the continuance of construction.

5. Permits
No building permit for a structure other than a temporary contractor’s office or temporary storage building shall be issued for a lot or parcel within an approved TND prior to a determination by the fire marshal or designee that adequate fire protection and access for construction needs exists. No occupancy permit for a structure other than a temporary contractor’s office or other approved temporary building shall be issued for a Structure on a Lot or Parcel within an approved Traditional Neighborhood Development prior to final inspection and approval of all required improvements which will serve such Lot or Parcel to the satisfaction of the Building Official.

N. Expiration and Lapse of Final Development Plans
Final Development Plan approval shall expire if work stops for more than 24 months. In this event, the applicant will be required to submit an updated Final Development Plan for approval.

O. Development Restrictions
Development restrictions and/or conditions, as required by the Planning Commission and/or the Metropolitan Council, shall be recorded by the applicant with the Clerk of Court of East Baton Rouge Parish within 15 days of the date of the final approval of the Concept Plan and/or the Final Development Plan by the Metropolitan Council or Planning Commission, as the case may be. Certified copies of these documents shall also be filed with the Planning Director. The applicant shall record development restrictions and other required documents, which pertain to a subdivision within the approved Final Development Plan, with the Clerk of Court of East Baton Rouge Parish within 15 days of the signing of the Final Plat.

P. Filing and Distribution of Final Development Plan
The applicant shall provide the total number of copies of the approved Final Plat to be disbursed as required by the Planning Commission staff.

Q. Violations
Any violation of the Concept Plan and/or Final Development Plan or any other phase or plan adopted as part of the amendment to the Unified Development Code shall constitute a violation of the Unified Development Code. Any person, firm, or corporation violating any provision of this Ordinance, upon conviction, shall be punished for each separate offense committed after the initial 30 day abatement period by a fine not exceeding 500 dollars. Each day during which the violation is committed, continued, or permitted shall constitute a separate offense. Any continued failure, refusal or neglect to comply with the requirements of this section shall be prima facie evidence of the fact that a public nuisance has been committed in connection with the erection, construction, enlargement, alteration, repair, movement, improvement, or conversion of a lighting structure erected, constructed, enlarged, altered, repaired, moved, improved, or converted contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance.

R. Appeals
1. The applicant may appeal any decision of the Planning Director to the Planning Commission by submitting a request within one week of the decision. Such an appeal shall be heard at the first available Planning Commission hearing following the Planning Director’s decision. Failure to submit the appeal will make the Planning Director’s decision final.

2. Notwithstanding any other provision of this ordinance, at the Metropolitan Council meeting following the decision of the Planning Commission, any member of the Metropolitan Council may introduce an appeal of the decision of the Planning Commission; failure to appeal will make the Planning Commission decision final. If the Metropolitan Council introduces the appeal of the TND, the item shall be heard at the next regularly scheduled Metropolitan Council Zoning Meeting. Failure to introduce the appeal will make the Planning Commission decision final.

S. If the applicant fails to submit a Final Development Plan for a portion of the property in a timely manner, the TND designation shall remain, but the TND Concept Plan shall be resubmitted, reviewed, and approved by the Planning Commission for a three year extension. If the applicant fails to timely submit a Final Development Plan for a portion of the property within three years from the date of the approval of the initial extension, the TND designation shall remain, but the applicant must resubmit the TND Concept Plan reflecting any changes required to comply with up-dated regulatory requirements for Planning Commission review and approval in a public
hearing. No permits for development shall be issued unless or until a new TND Concept Plan is reviewed and approved.

T. Relation to Zoning Districts
An approved TND shall be considered to be a separate zoning district in which the Concept Plan in combination with the Final Development Plan, as approved, establish the restrictions and regulations according to which development shall occur, and may depart from the normal standards and requirements of the other sections of the Unified Development Code to the extent provided herein.

Section 8.218  UDD1 Urban Design District One – Bluebonnet Boulevard

A. Purpose
To provide guidelines for development activity in the Bluebonnet Urban Design District (District) as shown in Appendix G, which includes lots along Bluebonnet Boulevard from Gail Drive to Claycut Bayou. This District is to strengthen the physical and economic character of the neighborhood by mitigating or avoiding functional and architectural incompatibility of buildings or services.

B. Enforcement and Review
1. Change of Permitted Use
   a. Any property within this overlay district may not be re-zoned to any classification other than UDD1. The Planning Commission staff shall certify compliance prior to issuance of building permits in UDD1.

2. Subareas for the District are as below and shown in Appendix G.
      (i) In Sub Area A1 the designated line is three hundred (300) feet from the right-of-way line of Bluebonnet Boulevard.
      (i) In Sub Area A2 the Designated Line is three hundred (300) feet from the right-of-way line of Bluebonnet Boulevard.
   c. Sub Area B1 are Lots D, E.
   d. Sub Area B2 are Lots C, 168 C and CP DPW (N).
   e. Sub Area B3 are Lots 369, 368.
   f. Sub Area C1 are Lots 315, 314, 320, 316.
      (i) In Sub Area C1 the eastern rear Designated Line of Lot 320 and Lot 316 shall have an eight (8) foot fence.
g. Sub Area C2 are Lots 308, 307A, 168C.
   (i) In Sub Area C2 (Lots 308, 307A, 168C) - The Designated Line coincides with the eastern property line of Lots 307A and 168C.
   (ii) In Sub Area C2 the Designated Line coincides with the eastern property line of Lots 307A and 168C.

h. Sub Area D are Lots A, B.

i. Sub Area E are Lots 19-B, 61A, 61B, 60A, 60B, 59D, and 59C.
   (i) In Sub Area E the Designated Line is one hundred eighty-five (185) feet west of the right-of-way line of Inniswold Road.

C. Permitted Uses
   1. Financial institutions without drive-thru.
   2. Medical Clinics (no public visitation after 9:00 p.m.).
   3. Offices.
   5. Public parks.

D. Dimensional Regulations
   1. Permitted Height
      a. One (1) and One and a half (1.5) story buildings are buildings whose roof rises from a single story plate height, uninterrupted by vertical walls to its peak, and has a maximum top plate height of twelve (12) feet above the top edge of the slab. The maximum building height shall not exceed forty-one (41) feet measured from the ground to the highest level of the roof ridge. A building’s primary roof area shall have a minimum six (6) on twelve (12) pitch. Gable walls are permitted if the rafter bearing walls comply with the twelve (12) foot plate height.
      b. Two (2) story buildings are buildings that have two story exterior walls with two (2) floors of space enclosed within as long as each floor does not exceed the twelve (12) foot top plate height. The maximum top plate height is twenty-six (26) feet from the top edge of the slab to the exterior wall’s top plate. A building’s primary roof area shall have a minimum six (6) on twelve (12) pitch. The maximum building height shall not exceed forty-five (45) feet measured from the ground to the highest level of the roof ridge. Gable walls are permitted if the rafter bearing walls comply with the twelve (12) foot plate height.
      c. In Sub Area A1, the maximum building height is two (2) stories.
      d. In Sub Area A2 the maximum building height is thirty (30) feet.
e. In Sub Area B1 the maximum building height is one and a half (1.5) stories.

f. In Sub Area B2 the maximum building height is one and a half (1.5) stories.

g. In Sub Area B3 the maximum building height is one and a half (1.5) stories.

h. In Sub Area C1 the maximum building height is one and a half (1.5) stories.

i. In Sub Area C2 the maximum building height is one and a half (1.5) stories.

j. In Sub Area D the maximum building height is one a half (1.5) stories.

k. In Sub Area E the maximum building height is thirty (30) feet.

2. Minimum Lot Area and Widths

a. All lots shall contain a minimum of seven thousand five hundred (7,500) square feet and a minimum of sixty (60) feet of frontage. All buildings included in the District along Bluebonnet Boulevard must be set back a minimum distance of ten (10) feet from the right-of-way line of Bluebonnet Boulevard. No building or parking lot is allowed within the ten (10) foot building line setback.

3. Geometric Standards for Development

a. In Sub Area A1 the Building Setback is seventy-five (75) feet from the Designated Line for a two (2) story.

b. In Sub Area A1 the Building Setback is forty-five (45) feet from the Designated Line for a one (1) story building or a one-half (1.5) story building.

c. In Sub Area A2 the Building Setback begins at the Designated Line and extends one hundred (100) feet beyond the Designated Line to a total distance of four hundred (400) feet from the right-of-way of Bluebonnet Boulevard.

d. In Sub Area B1 the Building Setback is fifty (50) feet from the Designated Line.

e. In Sub Area B1 the Building Setback is thirty (30) feet from the right-of-way line of Oliphant Road.

f. In Sub Area B2 the Building Setback is fifty (50) feet from the Designated Line.

g. In Sub Area B2 the Building Setback is thirty (30) feet from the right-of-way line of Oliphant Road.
h. In Sub Area B3 the Building Setback is fifty (50) feet from the Designated Line along west boundary line.

i. In Sub Area B3 the Building Setback is twenty-five (25) feet along the northern Designated Line.

j. In Sub Area B3 the Building Setback is thirty (30) feet from the right-of-way line of Gail Drive.

k. In Sub Area C1 the Building Setback is fifty (50) feet along the Designated Line of the portions of Lot 320 and 316 extending two hundred (200) feet from Gail Road.

l. In Sub Area C1 the Building Setback is one-hundred seventy (170) feet from Cal Road, respectively.

m. In Sub Area C1 the Building Setback is thirty (30) feet from the right-of-way line from Gail Drive.

n. In Sub Area C1 the Building Setback is fifteen (15) feet off of the right-of-way line of Gail Drive.

o. In Sub Area C1 the Building Setback from the right-of-way line of Cal Road is thirty (30) feet.

p. In Sub Area C1 the eastern rear Designated Line of Lot 320 and Lot 316 not within the area previously described shall have a twenty (20) foot Building Setback.

q. In Sub Area C2 the Building Setback is fifty (50) feet from the Designated Line.

r. In Sub Area C2 the Building Setback is thirty (30) feet from the right-of-way line of Cal Road.

s. In Sub Area D the Building Setback is fifty (50) feet from the right-of-way line of Oliphant Road.

t. In Sub Area D the Building Setback is twenty-five (25) feet from the Designated Line.

u. In Sub Area E the Building Setback is seventy-five (75) feet from the Designated Line along the east boundary for a two (2) story building or twenty-five (25) feet for a one (1) or one and one-half (1.5) story building.

v. In Sub Area E the Building Setback from the Designated Line along the south boundary is twenty-five (25) feet.

4. Building Siting and Orientation

a. All buildings are limited to a maximum of six thousand (6,000) square feet of enclosed area.

b. All foundations must be built of concrete slab construction on grade.
c. Storage sheds must be attached to the building and will be constructed of the same materials as the building. No prefab, freestanding structures will be permitted.

E. Utilities

1. Lighting
   a. Lighting mounted on buildings or fences shall be no more than seven (7) feet above the ground.
   b. Pole lighting is allowed in parking areas. Pole lighting is limited to eighteen (18) feet in height and must be located no closer than fifty (50) feet of the Designated Line.
   c. Any external lighting must be oriented inward toward the development or structures to minimize intrusion into surrounding property.

F. Signage

1. Calculations
   a. In no event shall the dimensions of the sign exceed the size limitations based on the zoning classification of a lot set forth generally in the Unified Development Code.

2. Prohibited Signs
   a. Only Monument Signs or Wall Signs are allowed. Other signage, including, but not limited to window signs, display windows, wall paintings and graphics are prohibited.

3. Illumination
   a. A Monument Sign or Wall Sign may be illuminated but may not flash, blink or fluctuate and may not be animated. No internal illumination is allowed.

4. Permanent On-Premise Signs By Type
   a. Wall Signs
      (i) Wall sign or signs shall not exceed a total of eight (8) square feet per primary building entrance. Wall signs are permitted at secondary exits or fire exits but shall not exceed three (3) square feet in size. Wall paintings and graphics, including but not limited to murals and air-brushed or paint sprayed signs, are not permitted. Only one (1) Wall Sign is permitted in each building entrance. A Wall Sign must appear within five (5) feet from the entrance of the building.
b. Detached Signs

(i) Only one (1) Monument Sign is allowed per curb cut or driveway. A Monument Sign must not be taller than eight (8) feet and must not exceed thirty-two (32) square feet of area.

G. Parking

1. Off-Street Parking

a. All parking lots must have a concrete curb and gutter configuration. “Pin-on” curbs and/or parking blocks are not allowed.

b. All parking must be placed to the side or rear of buildings.

c. Shared parking areas and driveways are encouraged.

2. Design Standards

a. In Sub Area B1 access is permitted on Oliphant Road but limited to one driveway.

b. In Sub Area B2 access is permitted on Oliphant Road but limited to one driveway.

c. In Sub Area B3 access is permitted only from Gail Drive.

d. In Sub Area B3 no access is permitted from Bluebonnet Road or Bluebonnet Boulevard.

e. In Sub Area C1 access is permitted on Gail Drive and Cal Road.

f. In Sub Area C1 no access is permitted from Bluebonnet Boulevard.

g. In Sub Area C2 access to the site is permitted from Bluebonnet Boulevard from a right turn only. (No median cut will be permitted).

h. In Sub Area C2 access is not permitted from Cal Road.

i. In Sub Area D no access is permitted from Oliphant Road.

j. No direct access is allowed to Bluebonnet Road or Inniswold Road.

H. Landscape and Trees

1. Landscape Standards

a. Street Yard Planting Area

(i) The minimum requirements for the street planting area include one (1) Class “A” tree or three (3) Class “B” trees for every fifty (50) linear feet of public street frontage, or fraction thereof, measured at the property line. Seventy-five (75) percent of the required trees must
be evergreens and may be located anywhere within the street planting area.

(ii) The street planting area will also be planted with shrubs and ground cover plantings to the extent that forty (40) percent of the street planting area is planted with vegetation other than turf grass. The street planting area is that area located within the ten (10) foot front yard on Bluebonnet Boulevard. The ten foot street planting must be measured from the street right of way.

(iii) Corner lots with frontage on more than one street must provide a street planting requirement along the entire street frontage.

b. Buffer Yard Screening

(i) When an office is constructed on a newly zoned UDD1 lot, a solid eight (8) foot wood or masonry fence must be installed on the designated lot line with a minimum twenty (20) foot landscape buffer, or a six (6) foot fence may be installed with a twenty-five (25) foot landscape buffer except as otherwise provided in this ordinance.

(ii) In Sub Area A1 a twenty-five (25) foot landscape buffer with a six (6) foot fence or a twenty (20) foot landscape buffer with an eight (8) foot fence for a two (2) story building.

(iii) In Sub Area A1 a twenty-five (25) foot landscape buffer with a six (6) foot fence or twenty (20) feet with an eight (8) foot fence shall be located along the Designated Line, for a one-half (1.5) story building.

(iv) In Sub Area A2 the landscape buffer encompasses the same one hundred (100) foot area as the Building Setback.

(v) In Sub Area B1 a twenty-five (25) foot landscape buffer with six (6) foot fence or twenty (20) feet with an eight (8) foot fence shall be located between the Building Setback and the Designated Line.

(vi) In Sub Area B1 along Oliphant Road a twenty (20) foot landscape buffer and a three and one-half (3.5) foot masonry wall shall be located along the Designated Line.

(vii) In Sub Area B2 a twenty-five (25) foot landscape buffer with six (6) foot fence or twenty (20) feet with an eight (8) foot fence shall be located along the Designated Line.

(viii) In Sub Area B2 a twenty (20) foot landscape buffer and a three and one-half (3.5) foot masonry wall shall be located within the Building Setback along Oliphant Road.

(ix) In Sub Area B3 including a twenty-five (25) foot landscape buffer with a six (6) foot fence or twenty (20) feet with an eight (8) foot fence shall be located along the Designated Line.
(x) In Sub Area B3 along the northern Designate Line a twenty (20) foot landscape buffer with an eight (8) foot fence or twenty-five (25) feet with a six (6) foot fence.

(xi) In Sub Area B3 along a twenty (20) foot landscape buffer along Gail Drive.

(xii) In Sub Area C1 a twenty-five (25) foot landscape buffer with six (6) foot fence or twenty (20) feet with an eight (8) foot fence shall be located along Cal Road.

(xiii) In Sub Area C1 a twenty (20) foot landscape buffer, except Lot 315 shall be located along Gail Drive.

(xiv) In Sub Area C1 the northern boundary of Lot 314 need have only a ten (10) foot landscape buffer.

(xv) In Sub Area C2 a twenty-five (25) foot landscape buffer with a six (6) foot fence or twenty (20) feet with an eight (8) foot fence shall be located along the Designated Line.

(xvi) In Sub Area C2 a twenty (20) foot landscape buffer shall be constructed along the Designated Line.

(xvii) In Sub Area D (Lots A, B) a landscape buffer of twenty-five (25) feet with a six (6) foot fence, or twenty (20) feet with a landscape buffer of twenty (20) feet with an eight (8) foot fence shall be located along the Designated Line.

(xviii) In Sub Area D a twenty (20) foot landscape buffer with a three and one-half (3.5)-foot masonry wall along Oliphant Road.

(xix) In Sub Area E a twenty-five (25) foot landscape buffer with a six (6) foot fence or twenty (20) foot landscape buffer with an eight (8) foot fence along the Designated Line.

(xx) In Sub Area E a twenty-five (25) foot landscape buffer with a six (6) foot fence or a twenty (20) foot landscape buffer with an eight (8) foot fence shall be located along the Designated Line.

c. Vehicular Use Area

(i) All parking areas must contain a minimum of one (1) Class “A” tree for each ten (10) parking spaces. No parking places are allowed to be further than fifty (50) feet from a tree.

(ii) Service Areas

! All air-conditioning condensers will be ground mounted and visually screened.

! Refuse collection must be kept in a dumpster enclosed by a six (6) foot opaque, wood, or masonry fence. Dumpsters may not be located in Building Setback areas or Landscape Buffer areas.
Tree and Urban Forest Preservation Standards

a. A Tree Removal Permit is required for trees that measure ten (10) inches diameter at breast height.

b. In Sub Area B1 a tree preservation plan must be submitted as part of any site plan.

c. In Sub Area D a tree preservation plan must be submitted as part of any site plan for Lot B.

I. Design Standards

1. Building Materials

a. Exterior Building Materials

(i) Not Permitted

! No concrete block or metal wall panels are allowed on the exterior wall.

! No vinyl or aluminum siding.

! No pre-engineered metal or concrete buildings are allowed.

! Skylights will not be located on the front elevations of the office. Bubble skylights and solar collectors are not allowed.

! All exposed portions of chimneys must be brick or stucco. Chimney caps are required with no exposed spark arrestors. Chimney materials will be brick, copper, bronze color clad, slate, or flagstone. Stack vents will be painted to match the color of the shingles and must be located at the rear of the Unit.

b. Roof Type

(i) A building’s primary roof area shall have a minimum six (6) on twelve (12) pitch. Smaller secondary roof areas may utilize less than a six (6) on twelve (12) pitch.

(ii) The main roof type must be of gable or hip design. Dormers or other architectural features may be included in the main roof design.

(iii) Materials are limited to the following:

! Architectural Asphalt Shingles

! Standard Seam Copper

! Slate (or imitation slate)

! Clay Tile
Section 8.219  UDD2 Urban Design District Two – Highland Road between Lee Drive and Duplantier Boulevard

A. Purpose

To provide guidelines for development activity in the designated area as shown in Appendix G along the Southwesterly side of Highland Road between Lee Drive and Duplantier Boulevard to strengthen the physical and economic character of the neighborhood by mitigating or avoiding functional and architectural incompatibility of buildings or services. Any property within this overlay district may not be re-zoned to any classification other than UDD2.

B. Permitted Uses

1. Uses allowed in Neighborhood Office zoning district with buildings up to seven thousand five hundred (7500) square feet, not including the following:
   a. Animal hospitals
   b. Child care centers
   c. Schools or preschools
   d. Governmental facilities
   e. Parking lots
   f. Public open spaces
   g. Public parks

2. Financial institutions without drive-throughs and without walk-up ATMs that operate beyond normal business hours may be allowed with a Conditional Use Permit only.

C. Definitions

Front Building Setback is the distance between the location of a building and the centerline or the front right-of-way line of Highland Road.

D. Lot size, setbacks, maximum heights and access

All lots shall contain a minimum of 1000 square feet and a minimum of 50 feet of frontage.

Front building line for all building included in the Design District along Highland Road, shall be a minimum distance of fifty (50) feet from the centerline or twenty (20) feet from the right-of-way line of Highland Road, whichever is greater. No building or parking lot shall be allowed within the twenty (20) foot front building line setback.

The maximum building height is 1½ story.

A minimum side yard setback of five (5) feet will be required.

A tree preservation plan must be submitted as part of any site plan.
B. Landscaping and Buffers

When an office is constructed on a lot re-zoned to UDD2 after the effective date of this ordinance, adjacent to an existing residence, a solid eight (8) foot wood or masonry fence must be installed on the common property line to a point ten (10) feet past the rear of the proposed improvements. Landscape buffers between interior lot lines within the overlay district will not apply.

A street planting area is required within the twenty (20) foot front yard on Highland Road. The minimum requirements for the street planting area include one (1) Class “A” tree or three (3) Class “B” trees for every fifty (50) linear feet of public street frontage, or fraction thereof, measured at the property line.

Seventy-five percent (75%) of the required trees must be evergreens and may be located anywhere within the street planting area. The street planting area will also be planted with shrubs and ground cover plantings to the extent that 40% of the street planting area is planted with vegetation other than turf grass. All landscaping requirements may be met by existing vegetation with approval by City Landscape Architect.

A Tree Removal Permit is required for trees that measure ten (10) inches dbh or greater.

E. Building Size

All commercial buildings are limited to a maximum of 7,500 square feet of climate controlled space. No more than one primary structure is allowed per lot.

H. Parking Areas

All parking areas must contain a minimum of one Class “A” tree for each ten (10) parking spaces. No parking places are allowed to be further than fifty (50) feet from a tree.

Rear parking areas, where feasible and shared driveways are encouraged.

I. Building Materials

Roofing materials are limited to the following:

Architectural Asphalt Shingles

Standard Seam Copper

Slate (or imitation slate)

Clay Tile

No concrete block or metal wall panels are allowed on the exterior wall.

No pre-engineered metal or concrete buildings are allowed.

All exposed portions of chimneys must be constructed of the same materials as the building. Chimney caps are required, with no exposed spark arrestors. Stack vents will be painted to match the color of the shingles and must be located at the rear of the Unit.

Accessory buildings must be constructed of the same materials as the primary structure.
All air-conditioning compressors will be roof mounted or screened.

Refuse collection for non-residential uses must be kept in a dumpster located at the rear of the building, enclosed by a six (6) foot opaque, word or masonry fence. Dumpsters may not be located in Building Setback areas.

Any chain link fencing must be coated with black or green vinyl.

J. Lighting

Lighting mounted on buildings or fences shall be no more than seven (7) feet above the ground.

Pole lighting is allowed in parking areas. Pole lighting is limited to eighteen (18) feet in height and a maximum of 250 watts per fixture.

Any external lighting must be oriented inward, toward the development or structures, to minimize intrusion into surrounding property. Lighting levels on the ground within five (5) feet of the property line shall not exceed one (1) foot candle.

K. Signage

Notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary, only Monument Signs or Wall Signs are allowed in the Design District.

Only one Monument Sign is allowed per entrance or driveway.

One Wall Sign is permitted at each building entrance.

A Monument Sign or Wall Sign may be illuminated but may not flash, blink or fluctuate; and may not be animated. No internal illumination is allowed.

Section 8.220 UDD 3 Urban Design District Three - Oak Villa Boulevard

A. Purpose

The provide guidelines for development activity within the Oak Villa Boulevard Urban Design District (District) as shown in Appendix G. This District is to strengthen the physical and economic character of the neighborhood by mitigating or avoiding incompatibility, and to permit commercial and office activity.

B. Enforcement and Review

1. New Construction

   a. For new construction, Planning Commission staff shall certify compliance prior to issuance of building permits.
2. Existing Development
   a. For existing structures, Planning Commission staff shall certify compliance prior to issuance of Certificates of Occupancy.

3. Change of Permitted Use
   a. Any property within this design district may not be re-zoned to any classification other than UDD 3.

4. Subareas for this District are as below and shown in Appendix G.
   a. Subarea A is Lots 3 through 31.
   b. Subarea B is Lots 32 through 71.

C. Permitted Uses
   1. Animal hospitals – all animals are kept inside a building.
   2. Art Galleries
   3. Art studio – No outside production or storage.
   4. Bed and breakfast inns – limited to a maximum of ten (10) guestrooms.
   5. Child care centers
   6. Financial institutions without drive-thrus
   7. Medical clinics
   8. Nursing homes
   9. Offices
   10. Personal services and retail shops
   11. Restaurant
   12. Restaurants serving alcohol
   13. Retail sales

D. Dimensional Regulations
   1. Permitted Height
      a. Buildings will be limited to a maximum height of one and a half (1.5) stories.
      b. One and a half (1½) story buildings are buildings whose roof rises from a single story plate height, uninterrupted by vertical walls to its peak, and has a maximum top plate height of twelve (12) feet above the top edge of the slab. The maximum building height shall not exceed forty-one (41) feet
measured from the ground to the highest level of the roof ridge. A building's primary roof area shall have a minimum six (6) on twelve (12) pitch. Gable walls are permitted if the rafter bearing walls comply with the twelve (12) foot plate height.

2. Minimum Yard Requirements
   a. Front Yard is twenty (20) feet.
   b. Side Yard is five (5) feet.
   c. Rear Yard is twenty (20) feet.

3. Minimum Lot Area and Widths
   a. In Subarea A a minimum lot size for new construction is twenty-one thousand (21,000) square feet.
   b. In Subarea B a minimum lot size for new construction is sixty-three thousand (63,000) square feet.

4. Geometric Standards for Development
   a. All commercial and office activities must be contained within the building — no outside work or storage areas permitted.

5. Building Siting and Orientation
   a. Buildings are limited to six thousand (6,000) gross square feet of floor area.

E. Utilities

1. Lighting
   a. Lighting mounted on buildings or fences directed toward residential property shall be no more than seven (7) feet above the ground.
   b. Pole mounted lighting cannot exceed eighteen (18) feet in height.
   c. Any external lighting must be oriented inward toward the development to minimize intrusion on abutting residential property.
   d. Single lamp outdoor lighting installations cannot exceed an output rating of ten-thousand (10,000) lumens. The maximum level of light trespass shall be two (2) foot-candles. All luminaries or light fixtures must be shielded or cut-off.

F. Signage

1. Prohibited Signs
   a. Wall, canopy, awning, projecting, and monument signs are allowed. Pole signs, temporary signs, and changeable letter signs are not allowed.

2. Illumination
a. A wall, canopy, awning, projecting, or monument sign may be illuminated but may not flash, blink or fluctuate and may not be animated. No internal illumination is allowed.

3. Permanent On-Premise Signs By Type
   a. Wall Signs
      (i) Wall signs may not exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in sign area. One wall sign is allowed per primary business entrance.
   b. Canopy and Awning Signs
      (i) Canopy and awning are not to exceed twelve (12) feet in length and thirty-two (32) square feet per face.
   c. Projecting Signs
      (i) Projecting signs are not to exceed twelve (12) feet in length and thirty-two (32) square feet per face.
   d. Detached Signs
      (i) One monument sign is allowed per street frontage. Monument signs may not exceed six (6) feet in height or width. The sign area may not exceed thirty-six (36) square feet per face.

G. Parking
   1. Off-Street Parking
      a. When additional parking areas/spaces are created, parking areas must have concrete curb and gutter configuration. Parking blocks/logs are not allowed.
      b. In Subarea A only, stacking shall be allowed.
   2. Alternative Porous Pavement Parking
      a. When additional parking areas/spaces are created, ten (10) percent of parking lot pavement must utilize alternative porous pavement.
   3. Schedule of Off-Street Parking Requirements
      a. In Sub Area A twenty-five (25) percent of parking requirement may account for on-street parking along Crestaire Drive when structures are rezoned to UDD3 and existing building is converted for office/commercial use.
4. Design Standards
   
a. Properties on the west side of Crestaire Drive may only have access from Oak Villa Boulevard and Syble Drive. No access is permitted from Crestaire Drive.

b. Cross access servitudes/easements are encouraged in site plan review to minimize curb cuts.

H. Landscaping

1. Landscape Standards
   
a. Street Yard Planting Area
   
   (i) A ten (10) foot street planting area is required along Oak Villa Boulevard. The ten-foot street planting must be measured from the street right of way. The minimum requirements for the street planting area include one (1) Class “A” tree or three (3) Class “B” trees for every fifty (50) linear feet of public street frontage, or fraction thereof, measured at the property line. Seventy-five (75) percent of the required trees must be evergreens and may be located anywhere within the street planting area.

   (ii) The street planting area will also be planted with shrubs and ground cover plantings to the extent that fifty (50) percent of the street planting area is planted with vegetation other than turf grass.

b. Buffer Yard Screening
   
   (i) When a new building is constructed in the design district, a solid eight (8) foot fence with a flat top must be installed between any commercial or office and residential properties, or a landscape/buffer plan must be approved by the Planning Commission staff. The fence shall be maintained in a structurally sound manor, in good appearance, replaced when necessary and kept free of refuse and debris.

   (ii) A solid eight (8) foot fence with a flat top is required on the east property line of Subarea A when the property is rezoned to UDD3.

   (iii) Fencing made of barbed wire, razor wire, plastic or chain-link is prohibited.

c. Vehicular Use Area
   
   (i) All parking areas must contain a minimum of two (2) Class “A” trees or four (4) Class “B” trees for every fifteen (15) parking spaces, or fraction thereof.

   (ii) All vehicular use areas shall be required to have a minimum of ten (10) percent of the total vehicular use area landscaped with trees, shrubs and ground cover other than turf grass.
(iii) No parking space is allowed to be further than forty (40) feet from a Class “A” tree.

(iv) Impervious parking areas must include tree plantings designed to result in forty (40) percent shading of parking lot surface areas within fifteen (15) years.

(v) Service Areas

! Utility areas, mechanical equipment or designated loading space shall be located at the rear of the building. Service areas should be designed to be part of the primary building for new construction.

! If the service area is separate from the building it serves, it must be enclosed by a six (6) foot opaque, wood, or masonry fence. The fence shall be maintained in a structurally sound manner, in good appearance, replaced when necessary and kept free of refuse and debris.

! All exterior trash, exposed storage areas, machinery, service areas, truck loading areas, utility buildings, air conditioning units and other similar structures must be screened from view from neighboring properties and streets with the same materials, color and/or style as the primary building in order to be architecturally compatible with the primary building.

! All roof equipment must be screened from public view so as not to be visible from the street.

I. Design Standards

1. Building Materials

   a. Exterior Building Materials

      (i) Permitted

      ! Unpainted or painted standard grey concrete masonry units.

      ! Residential type Vinyl or Aluminum siding (i.e. simulated-lapped board types).

      ! Non-Architectural type pre-engineered metal building wall and roof components (trapezoidal panels with exposed fasteners, etc.).

      ! Exterior Insulation Finish System (i.e. FIFS one-coat soft systems).

      ! Non-architectural type asphalt shingles (i.e. three-tab asphalt shingles).
! Non-Exposed Low Pitch Roofing Systems (i.e. Built-up roofing, modified bitumen, EPDM, sprayed foam, etc.).

(ii) Not Permitted

! Ceramic tile.

! Stucco (three-coat hard systems with hard or synthetic finish coat).

! Architectural type metal wall and roof panels (standing-seam panels, flush panels, etc. with concealed fasteners).

! Wood and/or Composite type siding and trim (i.e. beveled lapped siding, Hardiplank siding/trim and wood trim).

! Wood, Vinyl and Metal Soffit Panels (i.e. finished wood trim, perforated Hardiplank panels, vinyl or metal interlocking panels, aluminum vents, etc.).

! Decorative type concrete masonry units (i.e. split-faced, ground face, ribbed, brick, etc.).

b. Roof Type

(i) The main roof type must be of gable or hip design. Dormers or other architectural features may be included in the main roof design.

(ii) Exposed High Pitch roofing (architectural-type asphalt shingles, slate shingles, clay tile shingles, wood shingles, composite/cementitious simulated slate shingles, and metal shingles, etc.).

Section 8.221 Jefferson Highway Urban Design District Four

A. Purpose

To provide guidelines for development activity within the Jefferson Highway Urban Design District (District) as shown in Appendix G, which include lots fronting the south side of Jefferson Highway from Ward’s Creek to Bluebonnet Road. This District is to strengthen the physical and economic character of the neighborhood by mitigating or avoiding functional and architectural incompatibility of buildings or uses.

B. Permitted Uses

1. Single family residential

2. Town homes and duplex with a maximum of two stories with attached and enclosed garages within townhouse subdivisions developed in accordance with Section 4.9 of the UDC and otherwise in compliance with all other requirements of the UDC and particularly Section 8.221.

3. Neighborhood Office
Office building with a maximum of six thousand (6,000) gross square footage of floor area and a maximum height of two and a half (2 ½) stories are also permitted.

C. Standards for Development

Any “development” as defined in Section 10.102h zoned UDD 4 must comply with the requirements imposed based on this zoning classification as well as the additional requirements set forth therein.

AIRPORT ZONING

Section 8.301 Zones

In order to carry out the provisions of the Unified Development Code, there are hereby created and established certain zones which include all of the land lying within the precision instrument approach zones, non precision instrument approach zones, transition zones, horizontal zone, and conical zone. Such areas and zones are shown on the Ryan Airport Zoning Map consisting of one sheet, prepared by the East Baton Rouge Parish Department of Public Works and dated July, 1974, a copy of which is on file and of record in the Office of the Parish Clerk. The various zones are hereby established and defined as follows:

A. PRECISION INSTRUMENT APPROACH ZONE—An instrument approach zone is established at the NW end of the instrument runway 13/31 for precision instrument landings and takeoffs. The instrument approach zone shall have a width of one thousand (1,000) feet at a distance of two hundred (200) feet beyond the physical end of the runway, widening thereafter uniformly to a width of sixteen thousand (16,000) feet at a distance of fifty thousand two hundred (50,200) feet beyond the physical end of the runway, its centerline being the continuation of the centerline of the runway.

B. NON PRECISION INSTRUMENT APPROACH ZONE WITH VISIBILITY MINIMUMS GREATER THAN THREE FOURTHS (¾) OF A MILE—A non-precision instrument approach zone is established at each end of runway 4/22 for non-precision instrument approaches for landings and takeoffs. The non precision instrument approach zone shall have a width of five hundred (500) feet at a distance of two hundred (200) feet beyond the physical end of the runway, widening thereafter uniformly to a width of three thousand six hundred (3,600) feet at a distance of ten thousand two hundred (10,200) feet beyond each physical end of the runway, its centerline being the continuation of the centerline of the runway.

C. NON PRECISION INSTRUMENT APPROACH ZONE WITH VISIBILITY MINIMUMS AS LOW AS THREE FOURTHS (¾) OF A MILE—A non-precision instrument approach zone is established at the SE end of Runway 13/31 for non-precision instrument approaches for landings and takeoffs. The non precision instrument approach shall have a width of one thousand (1,000) feet at a distance of two hundred (200) feet beyond the physical end of the runway widening thereafter uniformly to a width of four thousand (4,000) feet at a horizontal distance of ten thousand two hundred (10,200) feet from the physical end of the runway, its centerline being the continuation of the centerline of the runway.

D. TRANSITION ZONES—These zones are hereby established as the area beneath the transitional surfaces which extend outward and upward at ninety (90) degree angles to the runway centerline and the runway centerline extended at a slope of seven (7) feet horizontally for each foot vertically from the sides of the primary and approach surfaces to where they intersect the horizontal and conical surfaces. The primary surface is centered longitudinally on the runway, extends two hundred (200) feet beyond each physical end of the runway, is one thousand (1,000) feet wide for Runway 13/31, is five
hundred (500) feet wide for Runway 4/22, and the elevation of any point on the primary surface is the same as the elevation of the nearest point on the runway centerline. Transitional zones for those portions of the precision approach zone which project through and beyond the limits of the conical surface extend a distance of five thousand (5,000) feet measured horizontally from the edge of the approach zone and at ninety (90) degree angles to the extended runway centerline.

E. HORIZONTAL ZONE—A horizontal zone is hereby established as the area within a figure constructed by swinging arcs of ten thousand (10,000) feet radii from the center of each end of the primary surface of each runway and connecting the adjacent arcs by lines tangent to those arcs.

When an adjacent arc or tangent encompasses an arc or tangent it shall be disregarded in the construction of the perimeter of the horizontal zone. The horizontal zone does not include the approach and transitional zones.

F. CONICAL ZONE—A conical zone is hereby established as the area that commences at the periphery of the horizontal zone and extends outward there from a distance of four thousand (4,000) feet. The conical zone does not include the instrument approach zones and transition zones.

Section 8.302 Height Limitations

Except as otherwise provided in the Unified Development Code, no structure or tree shall be erected, altered, allowed to grow, or maintained in any zone created by the Unified Development Code to a height limit herein established for such zone. Such height limitations are hereby established for each of the zones in question as follows:

A. PRECISION INSTRUMENT APPROACH ZONE—One (1) foot in height for each fifty (50) feet in horizontal distance beginning at a point two hundred (200) feet from and at the centerline elevation of the end of the instrument runway and extending to a distance of ten thousand two hundred (10,200) feet from the end of the runway; thence one (1) foot in height for each (40) feet in horizontal distance to a point fifty thousand two hundred (50,200) feet from the end of the runway.

B. NON PRECISION INSTRUMENT APPROACH ZONES—One (1) foot in height for each thirty-four (34) feet in horizontal distance beginning at a point two hundred (200) feet from and at the centerline elevation of the end of the non precision instrument runway and extending to a point ten thousand two hundred (10,200) feet from the physical end of the runway.

C. TRANSITION ZONES—One (1) foot in height for each seven (7) feet in horizontal distance beginning at the side of and at the same elevation as the primary surface and the approach zones and extending to a height of one hundred fifty (150) feet above the airport elevation, which is seventy (70) feet above mean sea level.

In addition to the foregoing, there are established height limits sloping upward and outward seven (7) feet horizontally for each foot vertically beginning at the side of and at the same elevation as the approach zones and extending to where they intersect the conical surface. Where the precision instrument runway approach zone projects beyond the conical zone, height limits sloping upward and outward seven (7) feet horizontally for each foot vertically shall be maintained beginning at the sides of and at the same elevation as precision instrument runway approach surface, and extending to a horizontal distance of five thousand (5,000) feet measured at ninety (90) degree angles to the extended runway centerline.
D. **HORIZONTAL ZONE**—One hundred fifty (150) feet above the airport elevation or a height of two hundred twenty (220) feet above mean sea level.

E. **CONICAL ZONE**—One (1) foot in height for each twenty (20) feet of horizontal distance beginning at the periphery of the horizontal zone extending to a height of four hundred twenty (420) feet above the airport elevation.

F. **EXCEPTED HEIGHT LIMITATIONS**—Nothing in the Unified Development Code shall be construed as prohibiting the growth, construction, or maintenance of any tree or structure to a height up to one hundred twenty-five (125) feet above the surface of the land except in the approach and transition zones.

Where an area is covered by more than one (1) height limitation, the more restrictive limitation shall prevail.

**Section 8.303 Use Regulations**

From and after the taking effect of this Part, it shall be unlawful to put any land located within any zone hereby created to any of the following additional uses:

A. Any use, which would create unreasonable electrical interference with navigational signals or radio communication between the airport and aircraft, or unreasonably interfere with electronic navigational aids established for the airport.

B. Any use which would make it difficult for pilots to distinguish between airport lights and others.

C. Any use which would result in glare in the eyes of the pilots using the airport.

D. Any use which would impair visibility in vicinity of the airport.

E. Any use which would otherwise endanger the landing, taking off, or maneuvering of aircraft.

F. Any business, structure, growth, or occupation which by its very nature is inherently dangerous or hazardous as respects likelihood of causing or resulting in injury or damage to aircraft or persons using Ryan Airport or flying in the vicinity, thereof, except as otherwise provided hereinafter.

G. Any other use or uses, which would be detrimental, hazardous, or injurious to the safety of aircraft using the Ryan Airport or maneuvering in the vicinity, thereof, or to the health, safety, or general welfare of airport personnel and other persons using said airport except as otherwise provided hereinafter.

**Section 8.304 Nonconforming Uses**

A. **EXISTING NONCONFORMING USE**—The regulations prescribed by this Part shall be construed to require the removal, lowering, or other change or alteration of any structure or tree not conforming to the regulations as of the effective date, hereof, or to otherwise interfere with the continuance of any nonconforming use. Nothing, herein, contained shall require any change in the construction, alteration, or intended use of any structure for which the necessary permits were issued and the construction or alteration of which was begun prior to the effective date of this part.
B. ALTERATION OF NONCONFORMING USES—Before any nonconforming structure or tree may be replaced, substantially altered or repaired, rebuilt, allowed to grow higher, or replanted, a permit must be secured from the Building Official authorizing such replacement, change, or repair. No permit shall be granted that would allow a structure or tree, or nonconforming use to be made or become higher or become a greater hazard to air navigation than it was when this part became effective; and whenever the Building Official determines that a nonconforming structure or tree has been abandoned or more than eighty (80) percent torn down, destroyed, deteriorated, or decayed:

1. No permit shall be granted that would allow said structure or tree to exceed the applicable height limit or otherwise deviate from the zoning regulations; and

2. Whether application is made for a permit under this paragraph or not, the Building Official may by appropriate action compel the owner of the nonconforming structure or tree, at his own expense, to lower, remove, reconstruct, or equip such object as may be necessary to conform to the regulations, or if the owner of the nonconforming structure or tree shall neglect or refuse to comply with such order for ten (10) days after notice, thereof, the said Building Official may proceed to have the object so lowered, removed, reconstructed, or equipped and assess the cost and expense thereof upon the object or the land whereon it is or was located. Unless such an assessment is paid within ninety (90) days from the service of notice thereof on the agent or owner of such object or land, the sum shall bear interest at the rate of ten (10) percent per annum until paid and shall be collected in the same manner, as are general taxes.

Section 8.305 Administrations

A. The administration and enforcement of this Part shall be the responsibility of the Building Official of the Parish of East Baton Rouge.

B. Applications for permits shall be made to the Building Official upon a form furnished by him. Applications, which are by this Part to be decided by the Building Official, shall be promptly considered and granted or denied by him. The Building Official shall forthwith transmit applications for action by the Board of Adjustment to the Board of Adjustment for hearing and decision.

Section 8.306 Permits

A. Permits shall be obtained in each of the following instances:

1. Where it is desired to increase the height of an existing structure to a point, which is less than ten (10) feet below the height limit within any zone hereby created.

2. Where it is desired to increase the height of any structure, which already projects upward to a point, which is less than ten (10) feet below the height limit within any zone hereby created.

3. Where it is desired to erect a new or additional structure, which will project upward to a point, which is less than ten (10) feet below the height limit within any zone hereby created.

B. How obtained:

1. Application for such permit shall be made to the Building Official of the Parish of East Baton Rouge.
2. Each such application shall indicate the purpose for which the permit is desired with sufficient particularity to permit a determination of whether the structure will conform to the regulations, herein, prescribed.

3. If the Building Official determines that the structure will conform to the regulations, the permit shall be granted.

C. Variances:

1. Any person desiring to erect any structure, increase the height of any structure, permit the growth of any tree, or otherwise use his property in violation of airport zoning regulations adopted under this Part may apply to the Board of Adjustment for a variance from the zoning regulations in question. Such variance shall be allowed where a literal application or enforcement of the regulations would result in practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship and the relief granted would not be contrary to the public interest but do substantial justice and be in accordance with the spirit of the regulations and this Part provided that any variance may be allowed subject to any reasonable conditions that the Board of Adjustment may deem necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Part.

D. Hazard Marking and Lighting:

1. In granting any permit or variance under this Section, the Building Official or Board of Adjustment may, if it deems such action advisable to the effectuate the purposes of the Part and reasonable in the circumstances, so condition such permit or variance as to require the owner of the structure or tree in question to permit the East Baton Rouge Airport Commission at its own expense to install, operate, and maintain suitable obstruction markers and obstruction lights thereon.