



MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 11, 2018

To: Houghton Community Council

FROM: Angela Ruggeri, AICP, Senior Planner
Adam Weinstein, AICP, Deputy Planning Director
Eric Shields, AICP, Planning and Building Director

SUBJECT: Final Approval: 2017 City Initiated Comprehensive Plan, Zoning Map and Zoning Code Amendments (File CAM16-02742)

I. RECOMMENDATION

Adopt the two enclosed resolutions:

- Resolution 2018-2 to approve the amendments to the Comprehensive Plan for updates to the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center (HENC), adopted by Ordinance 4629 on December 12, 2017 by the Kirkland City Council.
- Resolution 2018-3 to approve the amendments to the Zoning Map and Zoning Code for updates to the HENC. These amendments will be considered for adoption by the City Council on January 16, 2018.

II. BACKGROUND DISCUSSION

On March 23, 2017, the Houghton Community Council (HCC) and Planning Commission (PC) held a joint public hearing on the HENC amendments. The recommendations of the HCC and PC on the HENC amendments were presented to the City Council at a Study Session on June 6, 2017. These recommendations can be found at the following link.

<http://www.kirklandwa.gov/depart/council/Meetings/Agendas/agnd060617.htm>

On December 12, 2017 the City Council adopted Ordinance No. O-4629, which included Comprehensive Plan amendments for the HENC (see Attachment 1).

Ordinance No. O-4637 amending the Zoning Map and Zoning Code (see Attachment 2) and Resolution No. R-5292 amending the Design Guidelines (see Attachment 3) include updates for the HENC and will be before the City Council on January 16. Staff will report on changes made by City Council to the proposed

ordinance and resolution at the HCC meeting on January 22. The HCC can then take into account any adjustments when considering HCC Resolutions 2018-2 and 2018-3.

III. COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS

Adopted Ordinance O-4629 includes the amendments to the Comprehensive Plan for the HENC (see Attachment 1).

The City Council agreed with many, but not all, of the recommendations made by the HCC for the amendments to the Comprehensive Plan for the HENC. The adopted amendments that are not consistent with the HCC recommendations are listed below.

1. HCC RECOMMENDATION: Maximum height for the HENC should not exceed 3 stories (maximum 35 feet).

CITY COUNCIL AMENDMENTS:

- The height limit in the Central Houghton Neighborhood Plan, which is within the jurisdiction of the HCC, was maintained at 3 stories (maximum 35 feet) per the HCC recommendation.
 - The changes made to the Comprehensive Plan for the Everest Neighborhood included requirements for a master plan that signal the **Council's openness to consider additional height** (up to five stories), in part as an incentive to develop the southbound right turn lane in the Everest portion of the HENC. The requirements and additional height will not be included in the Zoning Code until an actual proposal for the master plan is received and approved by the City Council.
2. HCC RECOMMENDATION: Delete Policy CH 5.4 and maintain existing RM 3.6 Zoning, which allows residential at 12 unit/acre in the HENC 2 zone.

CITY COUNCIL AMENDMENTS: Existing Policy CH 5.4 was amended to state the following:

Policy CH-5.4: ~~Expand the area designated for higher intensity~~ Allow higher residential density use to on properties on the west side of 106th Avenue NE of Houghton Center and south of NE 68th St.

3. HCC RECOMMENDATION: Modify Policy CH-11.4 to exclude mention of high capacity transit on the Cross Kirkland Corridor.

CITY COUNCIL AMENDMENTS: Existing Policy CH-11.4 was amended as follows to match the overall goals of the Comprehensive Plan and Transportation Master Plan.

Policy CH-11.4: Support transportation measures that will reduce commuter or pass through traffic through the neighborhood.

The City should support and encourage the following measures:

1. ***Alternatives to single-occupancy vehicles for commuting purposes, such as public transportation, bicycling, walking, commuter pools, high capacity transit and high-occupancy vehicles (HOV), and potentially other transportation modes such as light rail.***
2. *Improvements to the I-405/SR 520 corridors.*

IV. ZONING MAP AND ZONING CODE AMENDMENTS

Proposed Ordinance No. O-4637 contains amendments to the Zoning Map for the HENC, which include three new HENC zones. The ordinance also includes changes to the following chapters of the Zoning Code.

- Chapters 5 and 10 – Definitions
- Chapter 25 – High Density Residential Zoning Chart
- Chapter 35 – Commercial Zoning Chart
- Chapter 92 – Design Regulations
- Section 95.42 – Land Use Buffer Requirements
- Chapter 105 – Pedestrian Access & Parking Requirements
- Chapter 110 – Required Public Improvements
- Chapter 112 – Affordable Housing
- Chapter 142 – Design Review
- Plate 34-O – Pedestrian Circulation in Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center
- Plate 34-P – Vehicular Access Concept for Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center

Current zoning on the properties within the study area consists of Commercial (BC), Office/Residential at 3,600 square feet/unit (PR 3.6) and Medium Density Residential at 3,600 square feet/unit (RM 3.6). Three new zoning districts are proposed for the Neighborhood Center, which are shown in the Revised Zoning Map below. They include HENC Zones 1, 2, and 3. Basic zoning parameters are listed below for each zone (for exact wording see Attachment 2). The Comprehensive Plan amendments that were made for the Central Houghton Neighborhood Plan included all three zones.

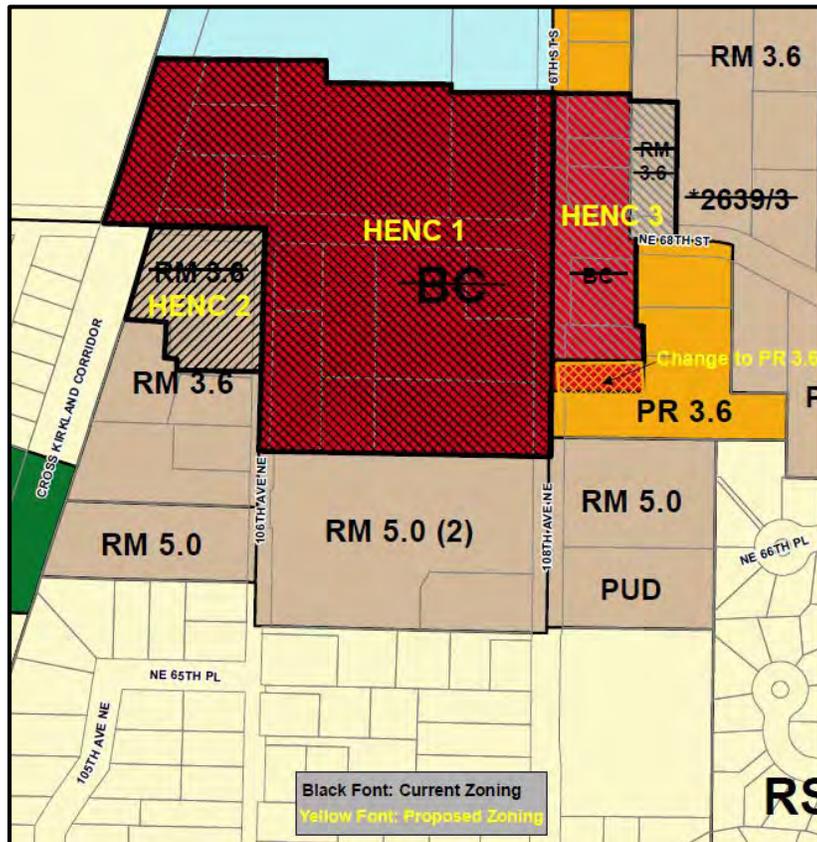
Revised Zones

The map below shows the three proposed zones for the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center.

The property currently zoned RM 3.6 to the east of the BC zone and north of NE 68th Street in the Everest Neighborhood has been added to the HENC 3 zone in order to tie it more directly to the adjacent HENC 3 properties and to encourage combined access and development. Although this property is presently zoned RM 3.6, it can be developed as a commercial property due to an old lawsuit related to the site.

The southernmost property in the Central Houghton Neighborhood currently in the BC zone will be rezoned to PR 3.6 since the boundary of the zoning district currently cuts through the Northwest University building at this location. The zoning change will eliminate the split zoning for this property.

Revised Zoning Map



Key development regulations for each of the new HENC zones are summarized below:

HENC 1 Zone – Central Area

Uses:

- Mixed use with at least 75% of the ground floor space consisting of commercial uses.
- Office uses limited to 20% of building square footage.
- The 20% limit for office uses does not apply to the existing office complex in the Everest portion of the HENC 1 zone.

Design Review: Required

Height/Density:

- 30-foot base height
 - Average 15-foot step back required above the 2nd story.
 - Density determined by height and bulk of building.
- 35 feet allowed if following conditions are met:
 - The minimum amount of lot area per residential dwelling unit is 900 square feet or 48 units/acre.
 - A development of 4 acres or less must include at least one 20,000 square foot grocery store, hardware store or drug store.
 - A development of more than 4 acres must include at least one 20,000 square foot grocery store, hardware store or drug store, and one 10,000 square foot grocery store, hardware store or drug store.
 - The site plan must be approved by the Design Review Board and include public gathering places and community plazas with public art. At least one of these public areas must comprise a minimum of 1,500 square feet with a minimum width of 30 feet.
 - The commercial floor must be a minimum of 13 feet in height.
 - The development must comply with City-approved green building standards.
 - At least 10% of residential units in the project must be affordable per Chapter 112 of the Kirkland Zoning Code.

Additional Requirements:

- Minimum 14-foot sidewalks must be provided along 106th Avenue NE, 108th Avenue NE and 6th Street South on the side of the right-of-way that abuts HENC 1, and on both sides of NE 68th Street.
- Access points must be consolidated.
- Safe pedestrian connections must be provided.
- Drive-in and drive-through facilities are allowed for gas stations and drug stores. All other drive-in and drive-through facilities are prohibited.

- 80% maximum lot coverage.
- There are no required building setbacks for retail uses.

HENC 2 Zone – Western Residential Area

Uses/Density:

- Residential uses
- Density determined by height and bulk of building

Design Review: Required

Height: 30 feet maximum

Additional Requirements:

- 14-foot sidewalks must be provided along NE 68th Street
- A safe public connection to the Cross Kirkland Corridor must be provided.
- The development must comply with City-approved green building standards.
- At least 10% of residential units in the project must be affordable per Chapter 112 of the Kirkland Zoning Code.
- 80% maximum lot coverage
- Required yards for multifamily residential: front – 10 feet, side and rear – 0 feet

The City property to the south of this area will retain its existing zoning of RM 3.6 (multifamily zoning with minimum 3,600 square feet per unit with a 30-foot height limit). In this way, the buildings will transition to the less dense zones to the south of HENC 2.

HENC 3 Zone – Area East of 6th Street and 108th Avenue NE

Uses: Mixed use with at least 75% of the ground floor consisting of commercial uses

Design Review: Required

Height: 30 feet maximum

- Average 15-foot step back required above the 2nd story
- Density determined by height and bulk of building

Additional Requirements:

- 14 foot sidewalks are required along NE 68th Street
- Drive-in and drive-through facilities are allowed for gas stations and drug stores. All other drive-in and drive-through facilities are prohibited.
- 80% maximum lot coverage
- There are no required building setbacks for retail uses

The City Council agreed with many, but not all, of the recommendations made by the HCC for the amendments to the Zoning Map and Zoning Code for the HENC. The adopted amendments that are not consistent with the HCC recommendations are listed below.

1. HCC RECOMMENDATION: Retain existing zoning in HENC 2 at RM 3.6 (12 units/acre) and maintain the City owned apartment complex property located between 106th Avenue NE and the Cross Kirkland Corridor (CKC) as affordable housing.

CITY COUNCIL PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

- Maintained RM 3.6 zoning for the City owned property; the City is talking to the King County Housing Authority about the Housing **Authority's** possible purchase of the property for affordable housing.
- The remaining property in the HENC 2 zone will have a 30 foot height limit and a density limit determined by the height and bulk of the building.

2. HCC RECOMMENDATION: Include a cross section of NE 68th Street in the Zoning Code with specific development requirements.

CITY COUNCIL PROPOSED AMENDMENTS: The cross section of NE 68th Street will be included in the 6th Street Corridor Transportation Study, but not in the Zoning Code.

3. HCC RECOMMENDATION: Only allow drive through facilities for gas stations.

CITY COUNCIL PROPOSED AMENDMENTS: Drive through facilities are allowed for drug stores and gas stations, but otherwise prohibited.

4. HCC RECOMMENDATION: Limit office uses to 20% of the building square footage and do not allow office uses above the ground floor in the HENC 1 zone.

CITY COUNCIL PROPOSED AMENDMENTS: Office uses are limited to 20% of the building square footage in the HENC 1 zone, but are allowed above the ground floor. The 20% limit does not apply to the location of the existing office complex in the Everest Neighborhood.

V. DESIGN GUIDELINES

The existing Design Guidelines for Pedestrian Oriented Business Districts will be used for design review of projects in the HENC zones. Additions to the Design Guidelines that specifically apply to the Neighborhood Center have been made to help identify conditions in the Center that should be given special consideration. Some additions are also proposed for development locations near the Cross Kirkland Corridor in order to provide guidance to the Design Review Board in addition to the requirements already in the Zoning Code for development along the corridor.

The proposed Design Guidelines were taken to the Design Review Board in May **2017 and the Board's** recommendations were incorporated into the proposed guidelines.

These design guideline changes are approved through adoption of a resolution by the City Council. Under Kirkland Municipal Code 3.30.040, design guideline changes are approved through the signature of the Mayor and Director of the Department of Planning and Community Development. Proposed City Council Resolution No. R-5292 adopts the amended guidelines as an attachment and authorizes the Mayor to sign the amended guidelines.

Attachments

1. Adopted Ordinance O-4629
2. Proposed Ordinance O-4637
3. Proposed Resolution R-5292

ORDINANCE O-4629

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND RELATING TO COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING, ZONING AND LAND USE AND AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ORDINANCE 3481, AS AMENDED, AND APPROVING A SUMMARY FOR PUBLICATION, FILE NO. CAM16-02742.

1 WHEREAS, the City Council has received a recommendation
2 from the Kirkland Planning Commission and the Houghton Community
3 Council to amend certain portions of the Comprehensive Plan for the
4 City, Ordinance 3481, as amended, as set forth in the reports and
5 recommendations of the Planning Commission dated May 25, 2017 and
6 the Houghton Community Council dated May 22, 2017, and bearing
7 Kirkland Planning and Building Department File No. CAM16-02742; and
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9 WHEREAS, prior to making the recommendation the Planning
10 Commission and the Houghton Community Council, following notice as
11 required by RCW 35A.63.070, held on March 23, 2017, a joint public
12 hearing on the amendment proposal and considered the comments
13 received at the hearing; and
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15 WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Environmental Policy Act
16 (SEPA), there has accompanied the legislative proposal and
17 recommendation, a SEPA addendum to Existing Environmental
18 Documents, issued by the responsible official pursuant to WAC
19 197-11-625; and
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21 WHEREAS, in a public meeting on December 12, 2017, the City
22 Council considered the environmental documents received from the
23 responsible official, together with the report and recommendation of the
24 Planning Commission and Houghton Community Council; and
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26 WHEREAS, RCW 36.70A.130, requires the City to review all
27 amendments to the Comprehensive Plan concurrently and no more
28 frequently than once every year.
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30 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Kirkland do
31 ordain as follows:
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33 Section 1. Comprehensive Plan amended. The Central
34 Houghton Neighborhood Plan; Everest Neighborhood Plan; the City-
35 wide Land Use Map in the Land Use Element; and Table LU-2:
36 Residential Densities and Comparable Zones in the Land Use Element
37 are amended. The Comprehensive Plan, Ordinance 3481, as amended,
38 is amended in accordance with Exhibit A attached to this Ordinance and
39 incorporated by reference.
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41 Section 2. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause,
42 phrase, part or portion of this Ordinance, including those parts adopted
43 by reference, is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by
44 any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the
45 validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

46 Section 3. To the extent that the subject matter of this
 47 Ordinance is subject to the disapproval jurisdiction of the Houghton
 48 Community Council as created by Ordinance 2001, the Ordinance shall
 49 become effective with the Houghton community either upon approval
 50 of the Houghton Community Council, or upon failure of the Community
 51 Council to disapprove this Ordinance within 60 days of its passage.

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 53 Section 4. Except as provided in Section 3, this Ordinance
 54 shall be in full force and effect five days from and after its passage by
 55 the City Council and publication, pursuant to Section 1.08.017, Kirkland
 56 Municipal Code in the summary form attached to the original of this
 57 Ordinance and by this reference approved by the City Council.

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 59 Section 5 A complete copy of this Ordinance shall be
 60 certified by the City Clerk, who shall then forward the certified copy to
 61 the King County Department of Assessments.

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 63 Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open
 64 meeting this 12th day of December, 2017.

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 66 Signed in authentication thereof this 12th day of December,
 67 2017.


 Amy Walen, Mayor

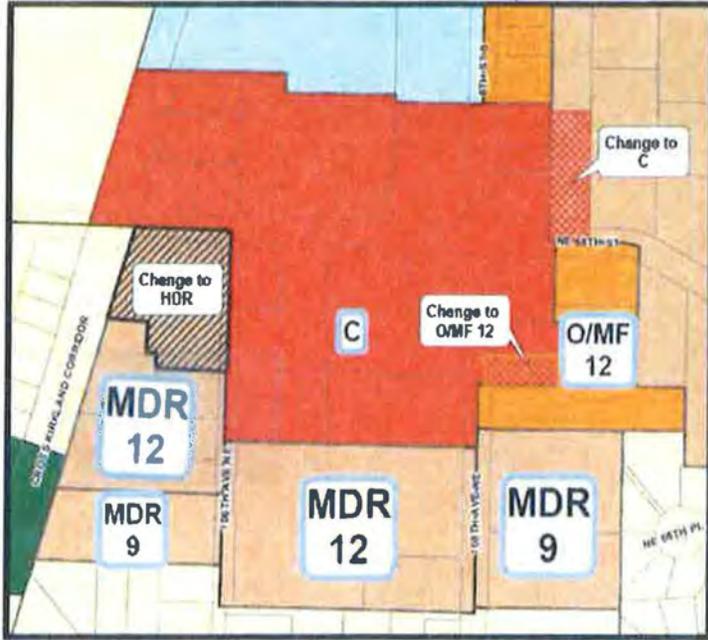
Attest:


 Kathi Anderson, City Clerk

Publication Date: December 18, 2017

Approved as to Form:


 Kevin Raymond, City Attorney



Changes to Figure LU-1
Comprehensive Land Use Map

Table LU-2
Residential Densities and Comparable Zones

General Residential Densities	Residential Densities as Specified in Comprehensive Plan in Dwelling Units per Net Acre (d/a)	Comparable Zoning Classification
GREENBELT/URBAN SEPARATOR	Up to 1 d/a	RSA – 1
LOW DENSITY	Up to 1 d/a	RS – 35,000, RSX – 35,000
	Up to 3 d/a	RS – 12,500, RSX – 12,500
	4 – 5 d/a	RS – 8,500, RSX – 8,500, RS – 7,200, RSX – 7,200, RSA – 4
	6 d/a	RS – 7,200, RSX – 7,200, RSA – 6
	7 d/a	RS – 6,300
	8 – 9 d/a	RS – 5,000, RSX – 5,000, RSA – 8
MEDIUM DENSITY	8 – 9 d/a	RM – 5,000, RMA – 5,000
	10 – 14 d/a	RM – 3,600, RMA – 3,600
HIGH DENSITY	15 – 18 d/a	RM – 2,400, RMA – 2,400, BNA
	19 – 24 d/a	RM – 1,800, RMA – 1,800, BNA
	48 d/a	BN, MSC 2
	<u>More than 48 d/a</u>	<u>HENC 2</u>

1. OVERVIEW

The Central Houghton Neighborhood is bounded by the Cross Kirkland Corridor and the Lakeview Neighborhood on the west; Interstate 405 right-of-way on the east; and NE 68th Street on the north. The southern boundary is the Kirkland City limit (see Figure CH-1, Central Houghton Land Use Map). 108th Avenue NE provides the main north-south vehicular, bicycle and pedestrian connection through the neighborhood, while NE 68th Street provides an east-west connection.

Central Houghton is predominately a single-family neighborhood. Other land uses within the neighborhood consist of medium **and high** density residential, offices, neighborhood-oriented businesses and a variety of schools, including Northwest University.

The ~~business district~~ **Neighborhood Center**, located along NE 68th Street, is the neighborhood's only commercial area. The undeveloped 73-acre Watershed Park takes up a large area in the southeastern corner of the neighborhood. Carillon Woods Neighborhood Park is in the central part of the neighborhood and Phyllis A. Needy Neighborhood Park provides a smaller neighborhood park adjacent to 108th Avenue NE.

2. VISION STATEMENT

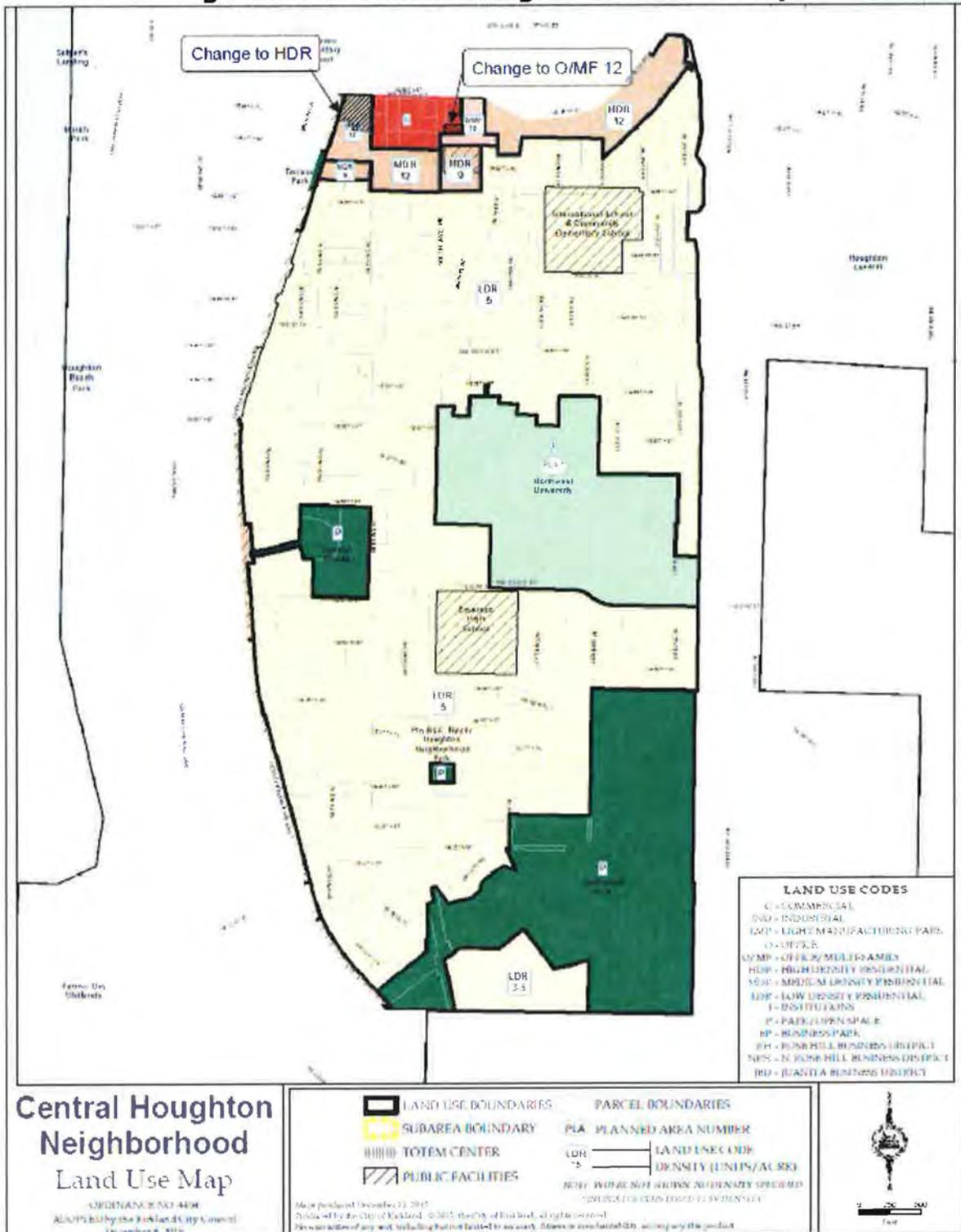
The vision statement is a verbal description of the character and qualities of the Central Houghton Neighborhood at a future time when the goals and policy direction expressed in this neighborhood plan are realized.

The Central Houghton Neighborhood has a rich and unique history. The area's political history as part of a separate city until 1968 fostered a deep community identity, establishing a tradition in which residents seek opportunities for involvement and stewardship in the neighborhood's future.

The neighborhood's predominantly low density residential character has been maintained, while the changing and varied needs of the population are accommodated through a diverse housing stock. Greater housing choices, as well as efforts to preserve affordability in housing, help to expand housing opportunities for all residents within the neighborhood.

Central Houghton is a friendly, accessible neighborhood, with safe and inviting pedestrian and bicycle routes. Healthy and active living is promoted through attractive streets and trails. Traffic on the neighborhood's major streets, 108th Avenue NE and NE 68th Street, is managed well, with improvements designed to be compatible with surrounding development. The Cross Kirkland Corridor provides pedestrian and bicycle connections linking the corridor to parks and other neighborhood gathering places.

Figure CH-1: Central Houghton Land Use Map



Local citizens value the variety of opportunities to meet in shops and restaurants within the Houghton/Everest ~~Business District~~ **Neighborhood Center**, as well as in casual locations in the neighborhood's parks and natural areas. The Houghton/Everest ~~Business District~~ **Neighborhood Center** has evolved into a thriving, pedestrian-oriented mixed use center, with businesses available to meet the retail and service needs of the community. Appropriate streetscapes, site layouts and building designs provide an attractive and coordinated appearance within the ~~district~~ **Center**. Careful attention to the placement and design of vehicle and pedestrian access from commercial areas to surrounding streets contributes to an efficient street network, and avoids conflicts with nearby low density areas.

Several schools and the Northwest University campus add to the Central Houghton community by providing neighborhood residents with a connection to the schools' students, parents, and facilities, as well as with residents of other Kirkland neighborhoods and the larger community. These campuses are valued and supported, not only for their role in providing educational opportunities and fostering community relationships, but for the additional open space they provide and share with the neighborhood.

The Central Houghton Neighborhood provides many beautiful open space experiences including the views, tree canopy and neighborhood parks. The residents cherish and preserve the territorial views, including the expansive views of Lake Washington, Seattle and the Olympic Mountains, the slopes, and the natural watershed areas that contribute to the neighborhood's distinctive character. The tree canopy in the neighborhood has been managed and enhanced, and adds to the neighborhood's peaceful setting. The neighborhood's parks meet the needs of the neighborhood's residents. Phyllis A. Needy Park provides a place for active play for the neighborhood's youngest residents, while Carillon Woods meets the neighborhood's recreational needs with a play area and both paved and natural trails. Opportunities for residents to quietly observe and enjoy wildlife habitat and open space exist at Carillon Woods and at the south end of the neighborhood, in the Watershed Natural Area.

Central Houghton residents take great pleasure and pride in calling this beautiful neighborhood their home.

5. LAND USE

Residential land uses occupy the majority of the Central Houghton neighborhood. Schools, including the expansive campus of Northwest University, are dispersed throughout the low-density residential core, while two large park and open space areas, Carillon Woods and the Watershed Natural Area, are located in the central and southern portions of the neighborhood. Multifamily apartments and condominiums are clustered along the northern edge of Central Houghton, where they adjoin the neighborhood's only commercial area, the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center.

RESIDENTIAL

Goal CH-3: Promote and retain the residential character of the neighborhood while accommodating compatible infill development and redevelopment.

Policy CH-3.1: Retain the predominately detached single-family housing style in the Central Houghton neighborhood.

Central Houghton is a well established neighborhood that has predominately low density (five to six dwelling units per acre) traditional single-family residential development. The land use transitions from low density residential to medium **and high** density multifamily and commercial development in the northern portion of the neighborhood near NE 68th Street. A mix of housing styles and sizes is important to the neighborhood's character.

Goal CH-4: Allow alternative residential development options that are compatible with surrounding development.

Policy CH-4.1: Allow a variety of development styles that provide housing choice in low density areas.

Providing housing options for a wide spectrum of households is an important value to support and encourage. Alternative housing provides more housing choice to meet changing housing demographics such as smaller households and an aging population. Allowing design innovations can help lower land and development costs and improve affordability. Compatibility with the predominant traditional detached single-family housing style in the neighborhood will determine the acceptance of housing alternatives. Alternative housing types such as cottage, compact single-family, accessory dwelling units, and clustered dwellings are appropriate options to serve a diverse population and changing household size and composition.

Policy CH-4.2: Encourage diversity in size of dwelling units by preserving and/or promoting smaller homes on smaller lots.

Diversity can be achieved by allowing properties to subdivide into lots that are smaller than the normal minimum lot size allowed in the zone if the size of houses on the small lots is limited. This encourages diversity, maintains neighborhood character, and provides more housing choice. Up to 50 percent of the single-family lots in a subdivision should be allowed to be smaller than the zoning designation allows if a small house is retained or built on the small lots. The lots containing the small houses should be no less than 5,000 square feet in the RS 7.2 zones and no less than 6,000 square feet in the RS 8.5 zones. The size of the houses on the small lots would be limited by a maximum floor area ratio and all other zoning regulations would apply.

Policy CH-4.3: The residential land south of NE 68th Street and surrounding the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center area is suitable for medium to high residential densities (see MDR, HDR and O/MF land use designations on Figure CH-1).

The area south of NE 68th Street and surrounding the Houghton/Everest Center is appropriate for medium **to high** densities because of topographic features and surrounding neighborhood conditions. This area provides a good transition between the low density residential uses to the south, and the commercial shopping area to the north.

COMMERCIAL

Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center

The Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center is defined as a “Neighborhood Center” commercial area in the Land Use Element of the Comprehensive Plan. It includes properties on the north and south sides of NE 68th Street in both the Central Houghton and Everest Neighborhoods.



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Goal CH-5: Promote a strong and vibrant Neighborhood Center with a mix of commercial and residential uses that primarily serve the adjacent neighborhoods.

Policy CH-5.1: Coordinate with the Everest Neighborhood to develop a plan for the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center, which overlays properties along the NE 68th Street corridor in both the Everest and Central Houghton neighborhoods (see inset).

This plan should promote a coordinated strategy for the Neighborhood Center while minimizing adverse impacts on surrounding residential areas. ~~The existing land use map designations will be used until the land use, zoning and development regulations for the entire Neighborhood Center are re-examined.~~

Policy CH-5.2: Encourage a mix of uses within the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center that includes commercial development such as neighborhood-oriented shops, services, and offices, as well as multifamily residential use.

A variety of uses, including retail, office and residential, should be combined in order to contribute to a vibrant mixed use Neighborhood Center.

Policy CH-5.3: Implement transportation improvements including those in the 6th Street Corridor Transportation Study that support the existing and planned land uses in the Neighborhood Center and adjoining neighborhoods.

A review of transportation impacts should be done for all new development in the Neighborhood Center. This review should also include determination of the best location for a new east/west connection between 106th Avenue NE and 108th Avenue NE. ~~with~~ Transportation system improvements should be designed to encourage traffic to use existing arterials and to include traffic calming devices on neighborhood streets. Alternate modes of transportation should also be encouraged.

Policy CH-5.4: ~~Expand the area designated for higher intensity use to~~ Allow higher residential density on properties on the west side of 106th Avenue NE of Houghton Center and south of NE 68th Street.

Land located west of the Houghton Center shopping area, directly east of the Cross Kirkland Corridor, has the potential to provide higher density residential use within walking distance of retail and business services. The Cross Kirkland Corridor provides a wide buffer between this area and the low density residential area to the west. A connection to the Cross Kirkland Corridor should be provided from 106th Street through this area.

Goal CH-6: Promote high quality design by establishing building, site, and pedestrian design standards that apply to commercial and multifamily development in the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center.

Policy CH-6.1: Establish design guidelines and regulations that apply to all new, expanded or remodeled commercial, multifamily or mixed use buildings in the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center.

These design guidelines and regulations should support appropriate building scale and massing, produce buildings that exhibit high quality design with a sense of permanence, and incorporate site design which includes pedestrian features and amenities that contribute to the livability of the surrounding area. They should also strengthen the visual identity of the neighborhood center by addressing streetscape improvements and public views to the lake along NE 68th Street.

Houghton Center: The shopping center development located at the southwest corner of NE 68th Street and 108th Avenue NE (shown in yellow on the map) is known as the “Houghton Center.” This large strip retail development sits on several parcels occupying approximately five acres. Redevelopment to a more cohesive, pedestrian-oriented concept may be feasible since a single owner controls the bulk of the site. In addition to its potential to serve the community through expanded neighborhood commercial uses, Houghton Center can contribute to the livability and vitality of the neighborhood by providing residents and visitors with a welcoming place to shop, congregate and relax.

Goal CH-7: Support the transition of the Houghton Center into a pedestrian-oriented mixed use development with access to transit, that includes including retail, with office or residential and other compatible uses that primarily serve the adjacent neighborhoods.

Policy CH-7.1: Promote a pedestrian-oriented development concept through standards for a coordinated master plan for Houghton Center including retail, with office and/or residential and other compatible uses.

A master plan for the Houghton Center should provide for a complementary arrangement of facilities, pedestrian amenities, open spaces, and linkages, as well as shared parking that meets the needs of Houghton Center and a coordinated sign system.

Policy CH-7.2: Reduce ingress and egress conflicts within and around Houghton Center through creation of a circulation system for vehicles and pedestrians as part of a master plan for development of the property.

The circulation system for both pedestrians and vehicles should provide the minimum amount of ingress and egress locations necessary for an effective circulation system into and through Houghton Center.

Policy CH-7.3: Allow building heights ~~to step up to five-three stories~~ if certain retail uses that primarily serve the neighborhood are provided. Careful attention is should be given through the Design Review process to pedestrian orientation, building modulation, upper story stepbacks, and use of materials to reduce the appearance of bulk and mass.

Specific design guidelines should be developed to ensure that modulation is used to break down scale and massing of buildings into smaller and varied volumes, and to provide upper story stepbacks from the sidewalks to improve the pedestrian experience and maintain human scale.

6. TRANSPORTATION

The circulation patterns in the Central Houghton Neighborhood are well established. 108th Avenue NE, a designated minor arterial, provides the primary north-south route through the Central Houghton Neighborhood. It also provides local access for a substantial number of residences, schools and businesses (see Figures CH-5 and CH-6).

NE 68th Street which forms the northern boundary of the neighborhood is also a minor arterial. NE 52nd Street is designated a collector street providing an east-west connection between 108th Avenue NE and Lake Washington Boulevard. NE 53rd Street between 108th Avenue NE and 114th Avenue NE is also a collector street. All other streets within the neighborhood are classified as neighborhood access streets. They provide access to adjacent residences and connect to the collectors and minor arterials.

Nonmotorized transportation is addressed in the City's Active Transportation Plan and implemented through the Capital Improvement Program or through private development. The design of these improvements should enhance neighborhood access while fitting into the unique areas they traverse.

Goal CH-11: Maintain mobility along 108th Avenue NE as a major vehicle, transit, pedestrian and bicycle corridor through the neighborhood.

Policy CH-11.1: ~~Retain~~ The existing three-lane configuration for 108th Avenue NE, should be monitored to determine appropriate measures to mitigate transportation impacts.

Traffic on 108th Avenue NE is often heavy, particularly during morning and evening commute periods. Congestion restricts local access to and from 108th Avenue NE and creates conflicts for bicyclists, **transit riders**, adjacent residents, and pedestrians, including children arriving at and leaving the schools. Future traffic levels should be monitored and appropriate measures should be considered to mitigate impacts.

Policy CH-11.2: Enhance attractiveness and accessibility of 108th Avenue NE for all modes of transportation.

A master plan for 108th Avenue NE should be established through a public process. The plan should consider installation of streetscape amenities such as pedestrian lighting, street furniture, and low level landscaping to enhance the pedestrian experience and the continuation, widening and signing of bicycle lanes.

Policy CH-11.3: Implementation of street improvements should occur through both the City's Capital Improvement Program process and through site-specific private development.

The means to implement improvements should be determined on a comprehensive area-wide basis and, to the extent possible, on an incremental basis by encouraging or requiring the incorporation of improvements into private developments.

Policy CH-11.4: Support transportation measures that will reduce commuter or pass through traffic through the neighborhood.

The City should support and encourage the following measures:

1. Alternatives to single-occupancy vehicles for commuting purposes, such as public transportation, **bicycling, walking, commuter pools, high capacity transit and** high-occupancy vehicles (HOV), ~~and potentially other transportation modes such as light rail.~~
2. Improvements to the I-405/SR 520 corridors.

Goal CH-12: Encourage mobility and the use of nonmotorized transportation by providing improvements for pedestrians and bicyclists.

Policy CH-12.1: Improve the pedestrian and bicycle circulation systems both as a recreation amenity and alternative transportation option.

Pedestrian and bicycle pathways are part of the transportation system but also provide recreational opportunities. Pathways and trails should be provided to activity nodes such as the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center, parks and transit facilities, and the Lakeview Neighborhood. Directional signs indicating path locations should also be provided.

Policy CH-12.2: Support future development of the Cross Kirkland Corridor as a multipurpose trail for pedestrians and bicycles with access points along the corridor consistent with the CKC Master Plan and the Park Recreation and Open Space Plan.

The unused BNSF railroad right-of-way, known as the Cross Kirkland Corridor, provides an opportunity for a bicycle, pedestrian and ~~rail transportation corridor~~ **high capacity transit corridor**. Pedestrian and bicycle transportation is a high priority, but regardless of the function of the corridor it should be designed so that it will:

- Serve as a gateway to the City.
- Provide neighborhood pedestrian and bicycle connections, with the highest priority access points at NE 52nd, NE 60th and NE 68th Streets.
- Be compatible with adjacent neighborhoods.
- Ensure a high degree of safety.
- Show environmental stewardship.

3. LAND USE

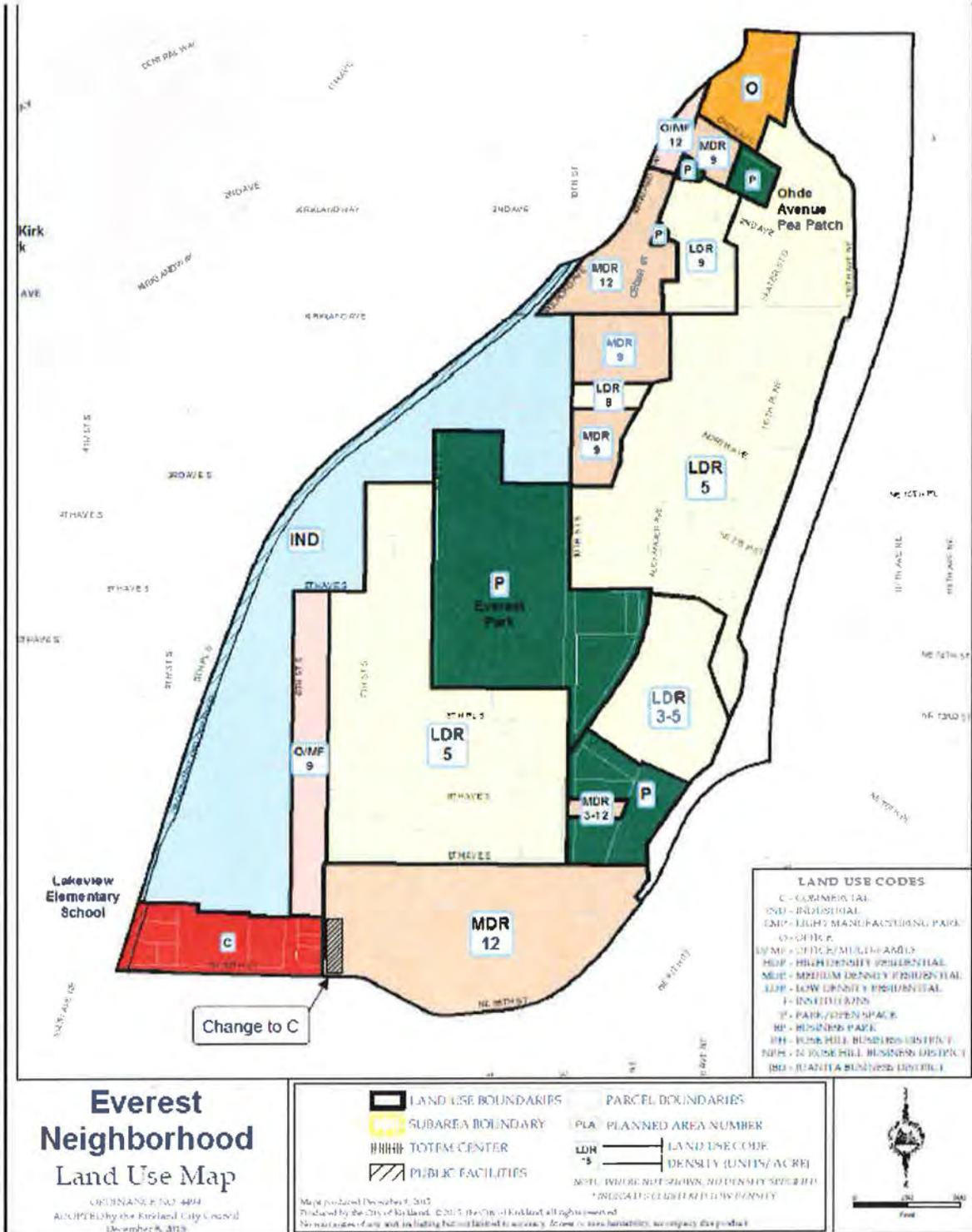
Figure EV-3 shows the land use designations in the Everest Neighborhood.

RESIDENTIAL

Single-family densities are to be maintained west and south of Everest Park.

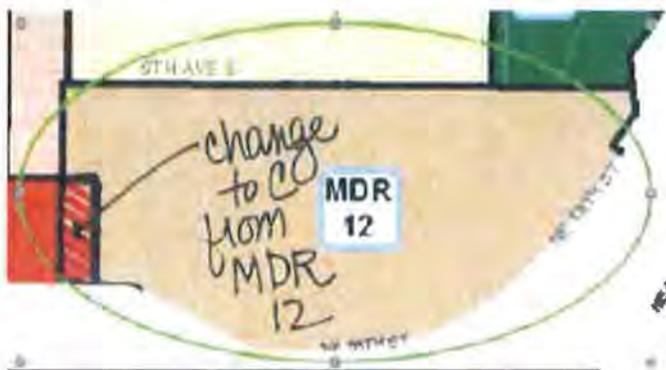
Most of the Everest Neighborhood is residential in character, including older single-family homes, which add variety to Kirkland's housing supply and provide alternatives to multifamily units and newer single-family homes (see Land Use Chapter). The residential land immediately west and south of Everest Park should be maintained at low residential densities (up to five dwelling units per acre). New single-family development could help stabilize and prolong single-family use in this area.

Figure EV-1: Everest Geologically Hazardous Areas
Figure EV-2: Everest Wetlands, Streams, and Lakes
Figure EV-3: Everest Land Use



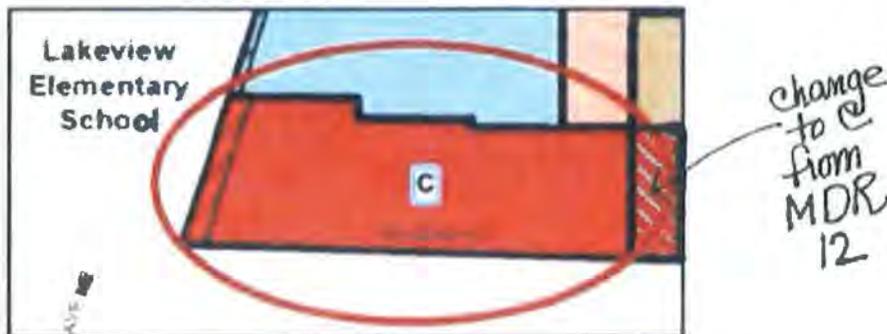
Midblock split of professional office/multifamily uses between 6th Street South and 7th Street South is discussed.

The block fronting on 6th Street South (see Figure EV-3) may develop as either office or multifamily. Multifamily should be medium density (up to nine dwelling units per acre). The easterly extension of such future development should be strictly limited to the midblock line between 6th and 7th Streets South, and access should be restricted to 6th Street South only.



Multifamily development along NE 68th Street and east of 6th Street South (up to 12 dwelling units per acre) is to be continued.

The southern portion of the Everest Neighborhood is impacted by the existence of a freeway interchange and by heavy traffic volumes along NE 68th Street. South of 9th Avenue South most land has been committed for multifamily use, although a few older single-family homes and some undeveloped land still exists. Future multifamily development in this area should be limited to a maximum of 12 dwelling units per acre.



COMMERCIAL

The Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center to be contained within its present boundaries. A plan for future development of the commercial area should be coordinated with the Central Houghton Neighborhood.

The Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center is a commercial area that spans the north and south side of NE 68th Street. Commercial uses in this area should satisfy neighborhood needs rather than include intensive uses which would be located more appropriately in the Downtown or other major commercial centers (see the Land Use Chapter). Within the Everest Neighborhood, the height of structures in this area should not exceed 35 feet. The Everest and Central Houghton Neighborhoods should coordinate a plan for the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center along both the north and south sides of NE 68th Street and involve the surrounding neighborhoods in the process. The plan should promote a coordinated strategy for future redevelopment of the Neighborhood Center which minimizes adverse impacts on surrounding residential areas. The plan should include a transportation corridor study for 6th Street South.

The existing land available for commercial use is sufficient to meet the needs of the neighborhood. Property along 6th Street South is impacted by heavy traffic volumes and by the existence of industrial and office activities located primarily to the west. These influences detract from the desirability of this area for residential use. Convenient access, however, makes this area suitable for a variety of economic activities.

The Land Use Element designates the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center as a commercial and mixed use area. It spans the north and south side of NE 68th Street and includes property on the east side of 6th Street and 108th Avenue NE. The Neighborhood Center should serve the needs for goods and services of the local community. Uses within the neighborhood center may include retail, restaurants, office, service businesses and housing with grocery and drug stores a high priority anchor to serve the everyday needs of the community. Housing provides the opportunity for people to live close to shops, services, employment, transit and the Cross Kirkland Corridor. Redevelopment plans for properties on the west side of 6th Street South/108th Avenue should promote a coordinated strategy for redevelopment of the Neighborhood Center on both sides of NE 68th Street.

The following principles should be incorporated into development plans and standards for the area:

- ◆ Preserve and enhance neighborhood-serving retail, especially grocery stores.
- ◆ Promote a mix of complementary uses.
- ◆ Promote high quality design by establishing building, site and pedestrian design standards and guidelines.
- ◆ Foster walkable neighborhoods and increased transit service.
- ◆ Create gathering places and opportunities for social interaction.

Properties along 6th Street South, 108th Avenue NE and NE 68th Street are impacted by heavy traffic volumes. Future development and transportation improvements should incorporate the recommendations from the 6th Street Corridor Transportation Study. A new east/west connection from 106th Avenue NE through the Neighborhood Center should also be considered.

Properties to the east of 6th Street South should be encouraged to develop together with joint access off of 6th Street South.

Building heights should be allowed to step up to three stories if certain retail uses that primarily serve the neighborhood are provided. Careful attention should be given through the Design Review process to pedestrian orientation, building modulation, upper story setbacks, and use of materials to reduce the appearance of bulk and mass.

With regard to building height, an additional two stories (five stories maximum) may be authorized by a Master Plan, which is approved by the City Council after full legislative process with opportunities for public participation. The Master Plan shall include the following:

- **Provision for a southbound right turn lane from 6th Street South to NE 68th Street, as recommended in the 6th St. Corridor Transportation Study;**
- **Consolidation of the property on the northwest corner of NE 68th Street and 6th Street South and property or properties west of the corner property;**
- **Compliance with the principles outlined above for development in this commercial area; and**
- **A circulation plan and a driveway consolidation plan for the Everest portion of the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center north of NE 68th Street.**

TRANSPORTATION

STREETS, BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN CIRCULATION

Circulation patterns and improvements are recommended.

The circulation pattern in the Everest Neighborhood is fairly well established and allows for convenient travel through the neighborhood with minimal impacts on the majority of residential uses (see Figures EV-4, EV-5 and EV-6). Kirkland Way and NE 68th Street serve as major east/west corridors for through traffic. Sixth Street South is, and should remain, the major north/south corridor for through traffic. Interstate 405 is located along the eastern boundary of the Everest Neighborhood. Future modifications to circulation patterns in the Everest Neighborhood should conform to the following provisions. See also the Transportation Chapter:

- (1) Industrial traffic in residential areas should be discouraged.

Industrial access should be directed towards the nearest arterial street capable of handling the traffic (see Figure EV-4).

- (2) Kirkland Way and Cross Kirkland Corridor trestle.

Although Kirkland Way presently accommodates a significant amount of traffic, this route poses several problems. Numerous accidents have occurred in the vicinity of the Cross Kirkland Corridor bridge (old railroad trestle crossing). The City should continue to find ways to solve these traffic problems.

- (3) Portions of 10th Street South to remain unopened.

Wetlands are present southeast of Everest Park and therefore 10th Street South south of Slater Avenue South should not become a through traffic route.

- (4) Improve the pedestrian/bicycle circulation system in the neighborhood by providing improvements for pedestrians and bicycles according to Figure EV-5 and consistent with the Transportation Master Plan.

Major pedestrian and bicycle pathways should be built through the area according to the designations shown in Figures EV-5 and EV-6. Unopened segments of 10th Street South, Alexander Avenue, and Slater Avenue South contain unimproved pathways which provide a pedestrian link to Everest Park for the areas to the east. Because of presence of wetlands vehicular and pedestrian access may be limited; however, these pathways should remain. If the rights-of-way are developed, the improvements should be designed to accommodate pedestrian and bicycle traffic in order to maintain the existing access to Everest Park. An additional east/west pedestrian corridor is needed between 10th Street South and 8th Street South. Portions of Kirkland Way between Kirkland Avenue and NE 85th Street lack sidewalks. The City should pursue funding to make sidewalk connections along the street. Furthermore, public pedestrian access should be developed from the east end of 9th Avenue South to NE 70th Street to provide convenient access to public transit facilities near Interstate 405.

- (5) Methods to alleviate traffic and parking problems on 8th Street South should be studied.

The residential portion of 8th Street South between Railroad Avenue and 9th Avenue South has been impacted by traffic and parking associated with industrial uses to the north and users of Everest Park. Consequently, the City should undertake measures to reduce these impacts. Traffic control measures also should be required of future industrial and/or park development.

Figure EV-4: Everest Street Classifications

Figure EV-5: Everest Street Pedestrian System

Figure EV-6: Everest Bicycle System

- (6) Support development of the Cross Kirkland Corridor as a multipurpose trail for pedestrians and bicycles with access points along the corridor.

The Cross Kirkland Corridor provides an opportunity for a bicycle, pedestrian and ~~rail-transportation~~ **high capacity transit corridor**. With development, redevelopment or platting, public pedestrian and bicycle access easements should be provided for properties adjacent to the Cross Kirkland Corridor consistent with the CKC Master Plan and the PROS Plan.

- (7) Support transportation measures that will reduce commuter or pass through traffic through the neighborhood.

PUBLICATION SUMMARY
OF ORDINANCE O-4629

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND RELATING TO COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING, ZONING AND LAND USE AND AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ORDINANCE 3481, AS AMENDED, AND APPROVING A SUMMARY FOR PUBLICATION, FILE NO. CAM16-02742.

SECTION 1. Provides amendments to the Comprehensive Plan for the Central Houghton Neighborhood, the Everest Neighborhood and the Land Use Element.

SECTION 2. Provides a severability clause for the ordinance.

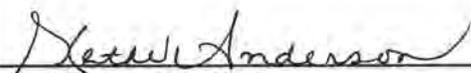
SECTION 3. Establishes that this ordinance, to the extent it is subject to disapproval jurisdiction, will be effective within the disapproval jurisdiction of the Houghton Community Council Municipal Corporation upon approval by the Houghton Community Council or the failure of said Community Council to disapprove this ordinance within 60 days of the date of the passage of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. Except as provided in Section 3, establishes the effective date of the Ordinance and authorizes the publication of the ordinance by summary, which summary is approved by the City Council pursuant to Section 1.08.017 Kirkland Municipal Code.

SECTION 6. Directs the City Clerk to certify and forward a complete certified copy of this ordinance to the King County Department of Assessments.

The full text of this Ordinance will be mailed without charge to any person upon request made to the City Clerk for the City of Kirkland. The Ordinance was passed by the Kirkland City Council at its meeting on the 12th day of December, 2017.

I certify that the foregoing is a summary of Ordinance No. O-4629 approved by the Kirkland City Council for summary publication.



Kathi Anderson, City Clerk

ORDINANCE O-4637

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND RELATING TO COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING, ZONING AND LAND USE AND AMENDING THE KIRKLAND ZONING MAP, ORDINANCE 3710, AS AMENDED, AND THE KIRKLAND ZONING CODE, ORDINANCE 3719 AS AMENDED, REGARDING STANDARDS THAT APPLY TO DEVELOPMENT IN THE HOUGHTON/EVEREST NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER, TO ENSURE THE ZONING MAP AND THE ZONING CODE CONFORM TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND THE CITY COMPLIES WITH THE GROWTH MANAGEMENT ACT, AND APPROVING A SUMMARY FOR PUBLICATION, FILE NO. CAM16-02742.

1 WHEREAS, the City Council has received a recommendation
2 from the Kirkland Planning Commission and the Houghton Community
3 Council to amend certain portions of the Zoning Map, Ordinance 3710,
4 as amended, and certain portions of the Zoning Code, Ordinance 3719,
5 as amended, to ensure the zoning map and Zoning Code conform to the
6 Comprehensive Plan and the City complies with the Growth
7 Management Act, as set forth in the report(s) and recommendation(s)
8 of the Planning Commission dated May 25, 2017 and the Houghton
9 Community Council dated May 22, 2017, and bearing Kirkland Planning
10 and Building Department File No. CAM16-02742; and

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12 WHEREAS, prior to making the recommendation the Planning
13 Commission and the Houghton Community Council, following notice as
14 required by RCW 35A.63.070, held on March 23, 2017, a joint public
15 hearing on the amendment proposals and considered the comments
16 received at the hearing; and

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18 WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Environmental Policy Act
19 (SEPA), there has accompanied the legislative proposal and
20 recommendation, a SEPA addendum to Existing Environmental
21 Documents, issued by the responsible official pursuant to WAC
22 197-11-625; and

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24 WHEREAS, in regular public meeting on January 16, 2018, the
25 City Council considered the environmental documents received from the
26 responsible official, together with the report and recommendation of the
27 Planning Commission and Houghton Community Council; and

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29 WHEREAS, the Growth Management Act (GMA), RCW
30 36.70A.130, mandates that the City of Kirkland review, and if needed,
31 revise its official Zoning Map; and

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33 WHEREAS, the Zoning Map and Zoning Code implement the
34 Comprehensive Plan (Ordinance 3481 as amended); and

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36 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Kirkland do
37 ordain as follows:

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Signed in authentication thereof this ____ day of _____,
2018.

Amy Walen, Mayor

Attest:

Kathi Anderson, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Kevin Raymond, City Attorney

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LIT

PUD

7TH ST S

9TH AVE S

6TH ST S

RM 3.6

HENC 1

HENC 3

RM 3.6

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NE 68TH ST

RM 3.6

HENC 2

BC

BC

Change to PR 3.6

RM 3.6

PR 3.6

CROSS KIRKLAND CORRIDOR

RM 5.0

106TH AVE NE

RM 5.0 (2)

108TH AVE NE

RM 5.0

PUD

NE 66TH PL

NE 65TH PL

105TH AVE NE

Black Font: Current Zoning
Yellow Font: Proposed Zoning

RS

2. Adult book store means an establishment which in whole or in portion thereof has a substantial or significant portion of its stock and trade books, magazines or other periodicals, which are distinguished or characterized by an emphasis on matter depicting, describing or relating to "specified sexual activities" or "specified anatomical areas" (as defined in KZC 5.10.885 and 5.10.884) and which excludes minors by virtue of age.
3. Adult cabaret means a cabaret, nightclub or other establishment which features go-go dancers, exotic dancers, strippers, male or female impersonators, similar entertainers or attendants, who are so clothed or dressed as to emphasize "specified anatomical areas" (defined in KZC 5.10.884) and/or whose performance or other activities include or mimic "specified sexual activities" (defined in KZC 5.10.885) and which establishment excludes minors by virtue of age.

.023 Affordable Housing Unit

1. An owner-occupied dwelling unit reserved for occupancy by eligible households and affordable to households whose household annual income does not exceed the following percent of the King County median household income, adjusted for household size, as determined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and no more than 30 percent of the monthly household income is paid for monthly housing expenses (mortgage and mortgage insurance, property taxes, property insurance and homeowners' dues):
 - a. Eighty percent in the CBD 5A, RH, TL and PLA 5C zoning districts; or
 - b. One hundred percent in density limited zoning districts.
2. A renter-occupied dwelling unit reserved for occupancy by eligible households and affordable to households whose household annual income does not exceed 50 percent of the King County median household income, adjusted for household size, as determined by HUD, and no more than 30 percent of the monthly household income is paid for monthly housing expenses (rent and an appropriate utility allowance).

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In the event that HUD no longer publishes median income figures for King County, the City may use any other method for determining the King County median income, adjusted for household size. (Ord. 4474 § 1, 2015; Ord. 4222 § 1, 2009; Ord. 3938 § 1, 2004)

.025 Air Rights

The right to in some manner control the use of the space above the surface of the ground.

.030 Alluvium

Soil deposits transported by surface waters.

.035 Alteration

A change or rearrangement of the structural members or exits in a building; an increase in the height or length or depth of the exterior walls of a building; the movement of a structure from one (1) location to another; or, for office or commercial buildings, the changing by the use of partitions of more than one-third of the gross floor area of a single floor.

.037 Amend

To change the Zoning Map, text of the Zoning Code, or Comprehensive Plan in accordance with this code.

Kirkland Zoning Code

.130 Clustered Development

The grouping or attaching of buildings in such a manner as to achieve larger aggregations of open space than would normally be possible from lot by lot development at a given density.

.135 Code (this)

The code of the City of Kirkland adopted as KMC Title 23.

.140 Commercial Recreation Area and Use

A commercial recreational facility, including swimming pools, tennis courts, play facilities and/or other similar uses.

.142 Commercial Use

A place of employment or a commercial enterprise that meets the definition of office use, retail establishment, restaurant or tavern, or entertainment, cultural and/or recreational facility.

.145 Commercial Zones

The following zones: BN; BNA; BC; BC 1; BC 2; BCX; CBD; JBD 1; JBD 2; JBD 4; JBD 5; JBD 6; MSC 2; MSC 3; NRH 1A; NRH 1B; NRH 4; RH 1A; RH 1B; RH 2A; RH 2B; RH 2C; RH 3; RH 5A; RH 5B; RH 5C; RH 7; TL 2; TL 4A; TL 4B; TL 4C; TL 5; TL 6A; TL 6B; TL 8; YBD 2; YBD 3.

HENC 143

.150 Common Recreational Open Space Usable for Many Activities

Any area available to all of the residents of the subject property that is appropriate for a variety of active and passive recreational activities, if that area:

1. Is not covered by residential buildings, parking or driving areas; and
2. Is not covered by any vegetation that impedes access; and
3. Is not on a slope that is too steep for the recreational activities.

.153 Community Facility

A use which serves the public and is generally of a public service, noncommercial nature, such as food banks, clothing banks, and other nonprofit social service organizations.

.155 Community Recreation Area or Clubhouse

An area devoted to facilities and equipment for recreational purposes, swimming pools, tennis courts, playgrounds, community club houses and other similar uses maintained and operated by a nonprofit club or organization whose membership is limited to the residents within a specified geographic area.

.160 Comprehensive Plan

The Comprehensive Plan of the City, listing the goals and policies regarding land use within the city.

2. Land uses that serve critical “lifeline” or emergency functions, such as fire and police facilities, utilities providing regional service, or water supplies if exposed to a significant risk that will curtail its lifeline function for a critical period of time. Utilities that provide system redundancies so that lifeline functions are not curtailed for a critical period of time are not considered high consequence land uses.
3. Uses with similar characteristics as determined by the Planning Official. (Ord. 4520 § 1, 2016; Ord. 4371 § 1, 2012)

.360 High Density Residential Zones HENC 2

The following zones: RM 2.4; RMA 2.4; RM 1.8; RMA 1.8; PLA 5A, D, E; PLA 6A, D, I, J; PLA 7A, B; and TL 1B. (Ord. 4196 § 1, 2009; Ord. 3972 § 1, 2004; Ord. 3814 § 1, 2001)

.361 High Density Use

Detached, attached, or stacked dwelling units on a subject property that contains less than 3,600 square feet of land per dwelling unit. (Ord. 4193 § 1, 2009)

.362 High Technology Use

A place of employment engaging in research, development and testing, assembly, office and manufacturing, including industries in biotechnology, medical instrumentation or supplies, communications and information technology, electronics and instrumentation, and computer hardware and software.

.365 High Waterline

This term has the same meaning as “ordinary high waterline.” (Ord. 4252 § 1, 2010)

.370 Home Occupation

An occupation, enterprise, activity, or profession which is incidental to a residential use, which is carried on for profit or customarily carried on for profit, and which is not an otherwise permitted use in the zone in which it is pursued.

.375 Horizontal Dimension

The length of the facade of a structure, including covered decks, as measured along a plane, excluding eaves that extend out to a maximum of 18 inches from the exterior walls of a structure. (Ord. 3814 § 1, 2001)

.380 Hospital

An institution providing primary health services and medical or surgical care to persons, primarily inpatients, suffering from illness, disease, injury, deformity and other abnormal physical or mental conditions, and including, as an integral part of the institution, related facilities such as laboratories, out-patient facilities, extended care facilities or training facilities.

.385 Hotel or Motel

A facility providing lodging and related services for a charge, typically for a period of one (1) month or less. “Hotel” or “motel” shall include inns, residence or extended stay hotels, other similar facilities, and all businesses subject to collection and payment of the tax levied by Chapter 67.28 RCW or City code. “Hotel” or “motel” does not include accessory dwelling unit, assisted living facility, bed and breakfast house, convalescent center, dwelling unit, nursing home, residential use, or special needs housing. (Ord. 3852 § 1, 2002)

idents share bathroom and/or kitchen facilities. "Residential suites" does not include dwelling units, assisted living facility, bed and breakfast house, convalescent center, nursing home, facility housing individuals who are incarcerated as the result of a conviction or other court order, or secure community transition facility. For purposes of zones where minimum density or affordable housing is required, each living unit shall equate to one (1) dwelling unit.

.780 Residential Use

Developments in which persons sleep and prepare food, other than developments used for transient occupancy.

.785 Residential Zone

The following zones: RS 35; RSX 35; RS 12.5; RSX 12.5; RS 8.5; RSX 8.5; RSA 8; RS 7.2; RSX 7.2; RS 6.3; RSA 6; RS 5.0; RSX 5.0; RSA 4; RSA 1; RM 5.0; RMA 5.0; RM 3.6; RMA 3.6; RM 2.4; RMA 2.4; RM 1.8; RMA 1.8; WD I; WD II; WD III; TL 1B; TL 9B; TL 11; PLA 2; PLA 3B; PLA 3C; PLA 5A, D, E; PLA 6A, C, D, E, F, H, I, J, K; PLA 7A, B, C; PLA 9; PLA 15B; PLA 16; PLA 17.

HENC 2

.790 Restaurant or Tavern

Commercial use which sells prepared food or beverages and where the seating and associated circulation areas exceed 10 percent of the gross floor area of the use.

.795 Retail Establishment

A commercial enterprise which provides goods and/or services directly to the consumer, whose goods are available for immediate purchase and removal from the premises by the purchaser and/or whose services are traditionally not permitted within an office use. The sale and consumption of food are included if: (a) the seating and associated circulation area does not exceed more than 10 percent of the gross floor area of the use, and (b) it can be demonstrated to the City that the floor plan is designed to preclude the seating area from being expanded.

.800 Retention of Storm Water

The collection of water, due to precipitation, in a given area and the dispersal of these waters through the natural process of groundwater recharge and evaporation or the incorporation of this collection area into a natural stream and lake system and setting.

.805 Right-of-Way

Land dedicated primarily to the movement of vehicles and pedestrians and providing for primary access to adjacent parcels. Secondly, the land provides space for utility lines and appurtenances and other publicly owned devices.

.810 Right-of-Way Realignment

The changing of the horizontal position of the right-of-way.

.815 Roofline

The line formed by the outside of the gable of the roof, or if the roof is flat or mansard, the top of the roof or mansard.

885.1 Step Back
An upper story building step back is the horizontal distance between a building facade and the building facade of the floor below.

3. Fondling or other erotic touching of human genitals, pubic region, buttock or breast.

886 Storm Drainage

The movement of water, due to precipitation, either surficially or subsurficially.

887 Storm Water Dispersion Device

Devices that disperse storm water, such as flow spreaders and rock pads. (Ord. 4551 § 4, 2017)

888 Storm Water Dispersion Flow Path

The route that storm water runoff follows after release from a storm water dispersion device. The route is designed to disperse water over a vegetated substrate. (Ord. 4551 § 4, 2017)

890 Story

That portion of a building included between the upper surface of any floor and the upper surface of the floor next above, except that the topmost story shall be that portion of a building included between the upper surface of the topmost floor and the ceiling or roof above. If the finished floor level directly above a usable or unused under floor space is more than six (6) feet above finished grade as defined herein for more than 50 percent of the total perimeter or is more than 12 feet above finished grade as defined herein at any point, such usable or unused under floor space shall be considered a story. (Ord. 3814 § 1, 2001)

895 Stream

For properties within the jurisdiction of the Shoreline Management Act, see Chapter 83 KZC. Otherwise, areas where surface waters produce a defined channel or bed that demonstrates clear evidence of the passage of water, including but not limited to bedrock channels, gravel beds, sand and silt beds, and defined-channel swales. The channel or bed need not contain water year-round, provided there is evidence of at least intermittent flow during years of normal rainfall. Streams do not include irrigation ditches, canals, storm or surface water runoff devices, or other entirely artificial watercourses, unless they are used by salmonids or convey a naturally occurring stream that has been diverted into the artificial channel, or are created for the purposes of stream mitigation. (Ord. 4551 § 4, 2017; Ord. 4252 § 1, 2010)

897 Stream Channel Stabilization

Actions to stabilize a stream bank to prevent or limit erosion or risk of slope failure. (Ord. 4551 § 4, 2017)

898 Stream Types

1. Type F: means segments of natural waters, which are within the bankfull widths of defined channels and periodically inundated areas of their associated wetlands, or within lakes, ponds, or impoundments having a surface area of 0.5 acre or greater at seasonal low water and which contain fish habitat pursuant to WAC 222-16-030, as amended.
2. Type Np: means all segments of natural waters within the bankfull width of defined channels that are perennial nonfish habitat streams. Perennial streams are flowing waters that do not go dry any time of a year of normal rainfall and include the intermittent dry portions of the perennial channel below the uppermost point of perennial flow pursuant to WAC 222-16-030, as amended.

10.25 Zoning Categories Adopted

The City is divided into the following zoning categories:

9.5 Houghton Everest Neighborhood Center
 HENC (followed by a designation indicating
 which sub-zone within the HENC)

<u>Zoning Category</u>	<u>Symbol</u>
1. Single-Family Residential Zones	RS, RSA and RSX (followed by a designation indicating minimum lot size per dwelling unit or units per acre)
2. Multifamily Residential Zones	RM and RMA (followed by a designation indicating minimum lot size per dwelling unit)
3. Professional Office/Residential Zones	PR and PRA (followed by a designation indicating minimum lot size per dwelling unit)
4. Professional Office Zones	PO
5. Waterfront Districts	WD (followed by a designation indicating which Waterfront District)
6. Yarrow Bay Business District	YBD (followed by a designation indicating which sub-zone within the Yarrow Bay Business District)
7. Neighborhood Business	BN and BNA
8. Community Business	BC, BC 1, BC 2 and BCX
9. Central Business District	CBD (followed by a designation indicating which sub-zone within the Central Business District)
10. Juanita Business District	JBD (followed by a designation indicating which sub-zone within the Juanita Business District)
11. Market Street Corridor	MSC (followed by a designation indicating which sub-zone within the Market Street Corridor)
12. North Rose Hill Business District	NRH (followed by a designation indicating which sub-zone within the North Rose Hill Business District)
13. Rose Hill Business District	RH (followed by a designation indicating which sub-zone within the Rose Hill Business District)
14. Business District Core (BDC) and Totem Lake Business District (TLBD)	TL (followed by a designation indicating which sub-zone within Business District Core (BDC) or the Totem Lake Business District)
15. Light Industrial Zones	LIT, TL 7B
16. Planned Areas	PLA (followed by a designation indicating which Planned Area, and in some cases, which sub-zone within a Planned Area)
17. Park/Public Use Zones	P

(Ord. 4495 § 2, 2015; Ord. 4333 § 1, 2011; Ord. 4196 § 1, 2009; Ord. 4121 § 1, 2008; Ord. 4037 § 1, 2006; Ord. 4030 § 1, 2006; Ord. 3972 § 1, 2004; Ord. 3889 § 2, 2003)

10.30 Overlay Designations Adopted

The following overlay zones apply in various areas:

<u>Overlay Zoning Category</u>	<u>Symbol</u>
1. Holmes Point Overlay Zone	"HP"
2. Adult Activities Overlay Zone	"AE"
3. Historic Landmark Overlay Zone	"HL"
4. Equestrian Overlay Zone	"EQ"

CHAPTER 25 – HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL ZONES (RM 2.4; RMA 2.4; RM 1.8; RMA 1.8; PLA 5A, PLA 5D, PLA 5E; PLA 6A, PLA 6D, PLA 6I, PLA 6J; PLA 7A, PLA 7B)

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- Step 1. Check that the zone of interest is included in KZC 25.05.010, Applicable Zones. If not, select the chapter where it is located.
- Step 2. Refer to KZC 25.05.020, Common Code References, for relevant information found elsewhere in the code.
- Step 3. Refer to the General Regulations in KZC 25.10 that apply to the zones as noted.
- Step 4. Find the Use of interest in the Permitted Uses Table in KZC 25.20 and read across to the column pertaining to the zone of interest. If a Use is not listed in the table, it is not allowed. A listed use is permitted unless "NP" (Not Permitted) is noted for the table. Note the Required Review Process and Special Regulations that are applicable. There are links to the Special Regulations listed immediately following the table (PU-1, PU-2, PU-3, etc.).
- Step 5. Find the Use of interest in the Density/Dimensions Table in KZC 25.30 and read across the columns. Note the standards (Minimum Lot Size, Required Yards, Maximum Lot Coverage, and Maximum Height of Structure) and Special Regulations that are applicable. There are links to the Special Regulations listed immediately following the table (DD-1, DD-2, DD-3, etc.).

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Step 6. Find the Use of interest in the Development Standards Table in KZC 25.40 and read across the columns. Note the standards (Landscape Category, Sign Category, and Required Parking Spaces) and Special Regulations that are applicable. There are links to the Special Regulations listed immediately following the table (DS-1, DS-2, DS-3, etc.).

Note: Not all uses listed in the Density/Dimensions and Development Standards Tables are permitted in each zone addressed in this chapter. Permitted uses are determined only by the Permitted Uses Table.

25.05.010 Applicable Zones

This chapter contains the regulations for uses in the high density residential zones of the City:

RM 2.4; RMA 2.4; RM 1.8; RMA 1.8; PLA 5A, D, E; PLA 6A, D, I, J; PLA 7A, B.

25.05.020 Common Code References

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1. Refer to Chapter 1 KZC to determine what other provisions of this code may apply to the subject property.
2. Public park development standards will be determined on a case-by-case basis. See KZC 45.50.
3. Review processes, density/dimensions and development standards for shoreline uses can be found in Chapter 83 KZC, Shoreline Management.
4. Chapter 115 KZC contains regulations regarding home occupations and other accessory uses, facilities, and activities associated with Assisted Living Facility; Detached, Attached or Stacked Dwelling Units; and Detached Dwelling Unit uses.
5. Chapter 115 KZC contains regulations regarding common recreational space requirements for Detached, Attached or Stacked Dwelling Units uses.
6. Development adjoining the Cross Kirkland Corridor or Eastside Rail Corridor shall comply with the standards of KZC 115.24.
7. Structures located within 30 feet of a parcel in a low density zone or a low density use in PLA 17 shall comply with additional limitations on structure size established by KZC 115.136.
8. A hazardous liquid pipeline extends through or near the RMA 2.4 and RMA 3.6 zones in the vicinity of 136th Avenue NE. Refer to Chapter 118 KZC for regulations pertaining to properties near hazardous liquid pipelines.

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- c. Any required yard of the subject property abutting 5th Avenue will be regulated as a rear yard.
- d. Service and parking areas must, to the maximum extent possible, be located and oriented away from the 4th Avenue right-of-way unless primary vehicular access to the subject property is directly from that right-of-way.

(Does not apply to Public Park uses).

25.10.050 PLA 5E Zones

- 1. Primary vehicular access must be directly from 2nd Street unless this is not possible (does not apply to Detached Dwelling and Public Park uses).

25.10.060 PLA 6A Zones

- 1. The required yard of a structure abutting Lake Washington Boulevard or Lake Street South must be increased two feet for each one foot that structure exceeds 25 feet above average building elevation (does not apply to Public Park uses).

25.10.070 PLA 6I Zones

- 1. The required yard of a structure abutting Lake Washington Boulevard or Lake Street South must be increased two feet for each one foot that structure exceeds 25 feet above average building elevation (does not apply to Public Park uses).

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25.10.080 HENC 2 Zone

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25.10.080 HENC 2 Zone General Regulations

1. Development adjoining the Cross Kirkland Corridor shall comply with the standards of KZC 115.24. A safe public pedestrian connection thru the site to the Cross Kirkland Corridor is required (for approximate location see Plate 34-O).
2. Minimum 14' wide sidewalks are required along NE 68th Street.
3. Development shall be designed, built and certified to achieve or exceed one or more of the following green building certification standards: Built Green 5 star certified, LEED Gold certified, or Living Building Challenge certified.

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25.20 Permitted Uses

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Permitted Uses Table – High Density Residential Zones
 (RM 2.4; RMA 2.4; RM 1.8; RMA 1.8; PLA 5A, PLA 5D, PLA 5E; PLA 6A, PLA 6D, PLA 6I, PLA 6J; PLA 7A, PLA 7B)
 (See also KZC 25.30, Density/Dimensions Table, and KZC 25.40, Development Standards Table)

Required Review Process:

I = Process I, Chapter 145 KZC
 IIA = Process IIA, Chapter 150 KZC
 IIB = Process IIB, Chapter 152 KZC

DR = Design Review, Chapter 142 KZC
 None = No Required Review Process

NP = Use Not Permitted

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= Applicable Special Regulations (listed after the table)

Use	RM, RMA	PLA 5A	PLA 5D	PLA 5E	PLA 6A	PLA 6D	PLA 6I	PLA 6J	PLA 7A, B
25.20.010 Assisted Living Facility	None 1, 2, 3, 4	None 2, 3, 4	None 2, 3, 4	None 2, 3, 4	None 2, 3, 4	I or None 2, 3, 4, 5	IIA 2, 3, 4	None 2, 3, 4	None 2, 3, 4
25.20.020 Church	IIA 1, 6	IIA							
25.20.030 Community Facility	IIA 1, 7, 8	IIA							
25.20.040 Convalescent Center	IIA 1, 3	I 3	IIA 3						
25.20.050 Detached, Attached, or Stacked Dwelling Units	None 1, 9	None	None	None	None	I or None 5, 12	None	None	None
25.20.060 Detached Dwelling Unit	None 13	None 13	None 13	None 13	None 13	None 13	None 13	None 13	None 13
25.20.070 Government Facility	IIA 1, 8	IIA							
25.20.080 Grocery Store, Drug Store, Laundromat, Dry Cleaners, Barber Shop, Beauty Shop or Shoe Repair Shop	IIA 14	NP							
25.20.090 Mini-School or Mini-Day-Care Center	None 1, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19	None 16, 17, 19, 20, 21							

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Permitted Uses Table – High Density Residential Zones (Continued)
 (RM 2.4; RMA 2.4; RM 1.8; RMA 1.8; PLA 5A, PLA 5D, PLA 5E; PLA 6A, PLA 6D, PLA 6I, PLA 6J; PLA 7A, PLA 7B)
 (See also KZC 25.30, Density/Dimensions Table, and KZC 25.40, Development Standards Table)

Required Review Process:

I = Process I, Chapter 145 KZC
 IIA = Process IIA, Chapter 150 KZC
 IIB = Process IIB, Chapter 152 KZC

DR = Design Review, Chapter 142 KZC
 None = No Required Review Process

NP = Use Not Permitted

= Applicable Special Regulations (listed after the table)

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Use	RM, RMA	PLA 5A	PLA 5D	PLA 5E	PLA 6A	PLA 6D	PLA 6I	PLA 6J	PLA 7A, B
25.20.100 Nursing Home	IIA 1, 3	I 3	IIA 3						
25.20.110 Office Uses (Stand-Alone or Mixed with Detached, Attached, or Stacked Dwelling Units)	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	NP	None 22, 23, 24
25.20.120 Piers, Docks, Boat Lifts and Canopies Serving Detached, Attached or Stacked Dwelling Units	I 11	NP							
25.20.130 Public Park	See KZC 45.50 for required review process.								
25.20.140 Public Utility	IIA 1, 8	None	IIA						
25.20.150 School or Day-Care Center	IIA 1, 10, 15, 16, 18, 19	IIA 10, 16, 19, 20, 21							

Permitted Uses (PU) Special Regulations:

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- PU-1. Within the NE 85th Street Subarea, D.R., Chapter 142 KZC.
- PU-2. A facility that provides both independent dwelling units and assisted living units shall be processed as an assisted living facility.
- PU-3. If a nursing home use is combined with an assisted living facility use in order to provide a continuum of care for residents, the required review process shall be the least intensive process between the two uses.

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25.30 Density/Dimensions

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Density/Dimensions Table – High Density Residential Zones

(RM 2.4; RMA 2.4; RM 1.8; RMA 1.8; PLA 5A, PLA 5D, PLA 5E; PLA 6A, PLA 6D, PLA 6I, PLA 6J; PLA 7A, PLA 7B)

(Refer to KZC 25.20, Permitted Uses Table, to determine if a use is allowed in the zone; see also KZC 25.40, Development Standards Table)

USE	Minimum Lot Size	REQUIRED YARDS (See Ch. 115 KZC)			Maximum Lot Coverage	Maximum Height of Structure ABE = Average Building Elevation
		Front	Side	Rear		
25.30.010 Assisted Living Facility ¹	3,600 sq. ft.	20'	5' ⁴	10'	60%	RM, PLA 6A, PLA 6D, PLA 6J: 30' above ABE. ⁵ RMA: 35' above ABE. PLA 5A, PLA 5E, PLA 6I: 30' above ABE. PLA 5D: 30' above ABE. ⁶ PLA 7A, 7B: 30' above ABE. ⁷
		RM, RMA: 20' ²	RMA: 5'			
		PLA 5A: ³ HENC 2				
		10'	0	0	80%	
25.30.020 Church	7,200 sq. ft.	20'	20'	20'	70%	RM, PLA 6D: 30' above ABE. ⁵ RMA: 35' above ABE. PLA 5A, PLA 5E, PLA 6I: 30' above ABE. PLA 5D: The lower of 4 stories or 40' above ABE. PLA 6A, PLA 6J: 30' above ABE. ^{5, 12} PLA 7A, 7B: 30' above ABE. ⁷
		RM, RMA: 20' ²				
		HENC 2				
		10'	0	0	80%	
25.30.030 Community Facility	None	20'	10'	10'	70%	RM, PLA 6A, PLA 6D, PLA 6J: 30' above ABE. ⁵ RMA: 35' above ABE. PLA 5A, PLA 5E, PLA 6I: 30' above ABE. PLA 5D: The lower of 4 stories or 40' above ABE. PLA 7A, 7B: 30' above ABE. ⁷
		RM, RMA: 20' ²				
		HENC 2				
		10'	0	0	80%	

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Density/Dimensions Table – High Density Residential Zones (Continued)

(RM 2.4; RMA 2.4; RM 1.8; RMA 1.8; PLA 5A, PLA 5D, PLA 5E; PLA 6A, PLA 6D, PLA 6I, PLA 6J; PLA 7A, PLA 7B)

(Refer to KZC 25.20, Permitted Uses Table, to determine if a use is allowed in the zone; see also KZC 25.40, Development Standards Table)

USE	Minimum Lot Size	REQUIRED YARDS (See Ch. 115 KZC)			Maximum Lot Coverage	Maximum Height of Structure ABE = Average Building Elevation
		Front	Side	Rear		
25.30.040 Convalescent Center	7,200 sq. ft. PLA 6I: None	20'	10'	10'	70%	RM, PLA 6A, PLA 6D, PLA 6J: 30' above ABE. ⁵ RMA: 35' above ABE.
		RM, RMA: 20' ²	HENC 2			PLA 5A, PLA 5E, PLA 6I: 30' above ABE. PLA 5D: The lower of 4 stories or 40' above ABE. PLA 7A, 7B: 30' above ABE. ⁷
25.30.050 Detached, Attached or Stacked Dwelling Units	3,600 sq. ft. with at least 1,800 sq. ft. per unit. RM, RMA: 3,600 sq. ft. ⁸ PLA 6I: 3,600 sq. ft. with at least 2,400 sq. ft. per unit. PLA 7A, 7B: 3,600 sq. ft. ¹⁴	20'	Detached units, 5'; attached or stacked units, 5', ^{4, 10}	10' ¹¹	60%	RM, PLA 6A, PLA 6D, PLA 6J: 30' above ABE. ^{5, 12} RMA: 35' above ABE.
		RM, RMA: 20' ²	RM, RMA: ¹³ PLA 5A: ³			PLA 5A, PLA 5E, PLA 6I: 30' above ABE. PLA 5D: 30' above ABE. ⁶ PLA 7A, 7B: 30' above ABE. ^{7, 12}
		HENC 2				
25.30.060 Detached Dwelling Unit	3,600 sq. ft.	20'	5'	10'	60%	RM, PLA 6A, PLA 6D, PLA 6J: 30' above ABE. ^{5, 12} RMA: 35' above ABE. ¹² PLA 5A, PLA 5D, PLA 5E: 25' above ABE. PLA 6I: 30' above ABE. PLA 7A, 7B: 30' above ABE. ^{7, 12}
		RM, RMA: 20' ² PLA 6I: 10'	RM, RMA: 5' ⁴	HENC 2		

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3600 sq. ft.
No density limit

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Density/Dimensions Table – High Density Residential Zones (Continued)

(RM 2.4; RMA 2.4; RM 1.8; RMA 1.8; PLA 5A, PLA 5D, PLA 5E; PLA 6A, PLA 6D, PLA 6I, PLA 6J; PLA 7A, PLA 7B)

(Refer to KZC 25.20, Permitted Uses Table, to determine if a use is allowed in the zone; see also KZC 25.40, Development Standards Table)

USE	Minimum Lot Size	REQUIRED YARDS (See Ch. 115 KZC)			Maximum Lot Coverage	Maximum Height of Structure ABE = Average Building Elevation
		Front	Side	Rear		
25.30.070 Government Facility	None	20'	10'	10'	70%	RM, PLA 6A, PLA 6D, PLA 6J: 30' above ABE. ⁵ RMA: 35' above ABE. PLA 5A, PLA 5E, PLA 6I: 30' above ABE. PLA 5D: The lower of 4 stories or 40' above ABE. PLA 7A, 7B: 30' above ABE. ⁷
		RM, RMA: 20' ²	HENC 2			
25.30.080 Grocery Store, Drug Store, Laundromat, Dry Cleaners, Barber Shop, Beauty Shop or Shoe Repair Shop	7,200 sq. ft. ⁹	20' ²	5' ⁴	10'	60%	RM: 30' above ABE. ⁵ RMA: 35' above ABE.
		10'	HENC 2			
25.30.090 Mini-School or Mini-Day-Care Center	3,600 sq. ft.	20'	5' ⁴	10'	60%	RM, PLA 6A, PLA 6D, PLA 6J: 30' above ABE. ⁵ RMA: 35' above ABE. PLA 5D: 30' above ABE. ⁶ PLA 5A, PLA 5E, PLA 6I: 30' above ABE. PLA 7A, 7B: 30' above ABE. ⁷
		RM, RMA: 20' ²	HENC 2			
25.30.100 Nursing Home	7,200 sq. ft. PLA 6I: None	20'	10'	10'	70%	RM, PLA 6A, PLA 6D, PLA 6J: 30' above ABE. ⁵ RMA: 35' above ABE. PLA 5A, PLA 5E, PLA 6I: 30' above ABE. PLA 5D: The lower of 4 stories or 40' above ABE. PLA 7A, 7B: 30' above ABE. ⁷
		RM, RMA: 20' ²	HENC 2			

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Density/Dimensions Table – High Density Residential Zones (Continued)

(RM 2.4; RMA 2.4; RM 1.8; RMA 1.8; PLA 5A, PLA 5D, PLA 5E; PLA 6A, PLA 6D, PLA 6I, PLA 6J; PLA 7A, PLA 7B)

(Refer to KZC 25.20, Permitted Uses Table, to determine if a use is allowed in the zone; see also KZC 25.40, Development Standards Table)

USE	Minimum Lot Size	REQUIRED YARDS (See Ch. 115 KZC)			Maximum Lot Coverage	Maximum Height of Structure ABE = Average Building Elevation
		Front	Side	Rear		
25.30.110 Office Uses (Stand-Alone or Mixed with Detached, Attached, or Stacked Dwelling Units)	3,600 sq. ft. with at least 1,800 sq. ft. per unit	20'	5' ⁴	10'	80%	30' above ABE.
25.30.120 Piers, Docks, Boat Lifts and Canopies Serving Detached, Attached or Stacked Dwelling Units	None	See Chapter 83 KZC.			–	Landward of the ordinary high water mark: RM: 30' above ABE. RMA: 35' above ABE.
25.30.130 Public Park	Development standards will be determined on a case-by-case basis.					
25.30.140 Public Utility	None	20' RM, RMA: 20' ² HENC 2 10'	20' HENC 2 0	RM, RMA, PLA 5D, PLA 6A, PLA 6D, PLA 6J: 20' PLA 5A, PLA 5E, PLA 6I, PLA 7A, 7B: 10' HENC 2=0	70% HENC 2 80%	RM, PLA 6A, PLA 6D, PLA 6J: 30' above ABE. ⁵ RMA: 35' above ABE. PLA 5A, PLA 5E, PLA 6I: 30' above ABE. PLA 5D: The lower of 4 stories or 40' above ABE. PLA 7A, 7B: 30' above ABE. ⁷
25.30.150 School or Day-Care Center	7,200 sq. ft.	If this use can accommodate 50 or more students or children, then:			70% HENC 2 80%	RM: 30' above ABE. ^{5, 15} RMA: 35' above ABE. PLA 5A, PLA 5E, PLA 6I: 30' above ABE. ¹⁵ PLA 5D: The lower of 4 stories or 40' above ABE. PLA 6A, PLA 6D, PLA 6J: 30' above ABE. ^{5, 15} PLA 7A, 7B: 30' above ABE. ^{7, 15}
		50'	50'	50'		
		If this use can accommodate 13 to 49 students or children, then:				
		20'	20'	20'		
		RM, RMA: ²				

- DD-14. Minimum amount of lot area per dwelling unit is as follows:
- In the PLA 7A zone, the minimum lot area per unit is 2,400 square feet.
 - In the PLA 7B zone, the minimum lot area per unit is 1,800 square feet.
- DD-15. For school use, structure height may be increased, up to 35 feet, if:
- The school can accommodate 200 or more students; and
 - The required side and rear yards for the portions of the structure exceeding the basic maximum structure height are increased by one foot for each additional one foot of structure height; and
 - The increased height is not specifically inconsistent with the applicable neighborhood plan provisions of the Comprehensive Plan; and
 - The increased height will not result in a structure that is incompatible with surrounding uses or improvements.
- This special regulation is not effective within the disapproval jurisdiction of the Houghton Community Council.*

(Ord. 4476 § 2, 2015)

25.40 Development Standards

Development Standards Table – High Density Residential Zones

(RM 2.4; RMA 2.4; RM 1.8; RMA 1.8; PLA 5A, PLA 5D, PLA 5E; PLA 6A, PLA 6D, PLA 6I, PLA 6J; PLA 7A, PLA 7B)

(Refer to KZC 25.20, Permitted Uses Table, to determine if a use is allowed in the zone; see also KZC 25.30, Density/Dimensions Table)

Use		Landscape Category (Chapter 95 KZC)	Sign Category (Chapter 100 KZC)	Required Parking Spaces (Chapter 105 KZC)
25.40.010	Assisted Living Facility	D RM, RMA: D ¹	A	1.7 per independent unit. 1 per assisted living unit.
25.40.020	Church	C RM, RMA: C ¹	B	1 for every 4 people based on maximum occupancy load of any area of worship. ²
25.40.030	Community Facility	C ³ RM, RMA: C ^{1, 3}	B RM, RMA: B ⁴	See KZC 105.25.
25.40.040	Convalescent Center	C RM, RMA: C ¹	B	1 for each bed.

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(RM 2.4; RMA 2.4; RM 1.8; RMA 1.8; PLA 5A, PLA 5D, PLA 5E; PLA 6A, PLA 6D, PLA 6I, PLA 6J; PLA 7A, PLA 7B)

(Refer to KZC 25.20, Permitted Uses Table, to determine if a use is allowed in the zone; see also KZC 25.30, Density/Dimensions Table)

Use		Landscape Category (Chapter 95 KZC)	Sign Category (Chapter 100 KZC)	Required Parking Spaces (Chapter 105 KZC)
25.40.050	Detached, Attached, or Stacked Dwelling Units	D RM, RMA: D ^{5,6} PLA 7A, 7B: D ⁶ HENC 2	A	1.2 per studio unit. 1.3 per 1 bedroom unit. 1.6 per 2 bedroom unit. 1.8 per 3 or more bedroom unit. See KZC 105.20 for visitor parking requirements.
25.40.060	Detached Dwelling Unit	E	A	2.0 per unit.
25.40.070	Government Facility	C ³ RM, RMA: C ^{1,3}	B RM, RMA: B ⁴	See KZC 105.25.
25.40.080	Grocery Store, Drug Store, Laundromat, Dry Cleaners, Barber Shop, Beauty Shop or Shoe Repair Shop	B	E	1 per each 300 sq. ft. of gross floor area.
25.40.090	Mini-School or Mini-Day-Care Center	E RM, RMA: D	B	See KZC 105.25. ^{7,8} RM, RMA: See KZC 105.25. ⁷
25.40.100	Nursing Home	C RM, RMA: C ¹	B	1 for each bed.
25.40.110	Office Uses (Stand-Alone or Mixed with Detached, Attached, or Stacked Dwelling Units)	C	D	See KZC 105.25.
25.40.120	Piers, Docks, Boat Lifts and Canopies Serving Detached, Attached or Stacked Dwelling Units	B	B	None
25.40.130	Public Park	Development standards will be determined on a case-by-case basis.		
25.40.140	Public Utility	A ³ RM, RMA: A ^{1,3} PLA 7A, PLA 7B: A	B RM, RMA: B ⁴	See KZC 105.25.
25.40.150	School or Day-Care Center	D	B	See KZC 105.25. ^{8,9} RM, RMA: See KZC 105.25. ⁹

CHAPTER 35 – COMMERCIAL ZONES (BN, BNA, BC, BC 1, BC 2, BCX)

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- 35.05 User Guide
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- 35.20 Permitted Uses
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35.05 User Guide

- Step 1. Check that the zone of interest is included in KZC 35.05.010, Applicable Zones. If not, select the chapter where it is located.
- Step 2. Refer to KZC 35.05.020, Common Code References, for relevant information found elsewhere in the code.
- Step 3. Refer to the General Regulations in KZC 35.10 that apply to the zones as noted.
- Step 4. Find the Use of interest in the Permitted Uses Table in KZC 35.20 and read across to the column pertaining to the zone of interest. If a Use is not listed in the table, it is not allowed. A listed use is permitted unless "NP" (Not Permitted) is noted for the table. Note the Required Review Process and Special Regulations that are applicable. There are links to the Special Regulations listed immediately following the table (PU-1, PU-2, PU-3, etc.).
- Step 5. Find the Use of interest in the Density/Dimensions Table in KZC 35.30 and read across the columns. Note the standards (Minimum Lot Size, Required Yards, Maximum Lot Coverage, and Maximum Height of Structure) and Special Regulations that are applicable. There are links to the Special Regulations listed immediately following the table (DD-1, DD-2, DD-3, etc.).
- Step 6. Find the Use of interest in the Development Standards Table in KZC 35.40 and read across the columns. Note the standards (Landscape Category, Sign Category, and Required Parking Spaces) and Special Regulations that are applicable. There are links to the Special Regulations listed immediately following the table (DS-1, DS-2, DS-3, etc.).

Note: Not all uses listed in the Density/Dimensions and Development Standards Tables are permitted in each zone addressed in this chapter. Permitted uses are determined only by the Permitted Uses Table.

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35.05.010 Applicable Zones

This chapter contains the regulations for uses in the commercial zones (BN, BNA, BC, BC 1, BC 2, BCX) of the City.

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35.05.020 Common Code References

1. Refer to Chapter 1 KZC to determine what other provisions of this code may apply to the subject property.
2. Public park development standards will be determined on a case-by-case basis. See KZC 45.50.
3. Review processes, density/dimensions and development standards for shoreline uses can be found in Chapter 83 KZC, Shoreline Management.
4. Some development standards or design regulations may be modified as part of the design review process. See Chapters 92 and 142 KZC for requirements.
5. Chapter 115 KZC contains regulations regarding home occupations and other accessory uses, facilities, and activities associated with Assisted Living Facility, Attached or Stacked Dwelling Units, and Stacked Dwelling Unit uses.
6. Development adjoining the Cross Kirkland Corridor or Eastside Rail Corridor shall comply with the standards of KZC 115.24.
7. Structures located within 30 feet of a parcel in a low density zone or a low density use in PLA 17 shall comply with additional limitations on structure size established by KZC 115.136.

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35.10 General Regulations35.10.010 All Commercial Zones

The following regulations apply to all uses in these zones unless otherwise noted:

1. Surface parking areas shall not be located between the street and building unless no feasible alternative exists. Parking areas located to the side of the building are allowed; provided, that the parking area and vehicular access occupies less than 30 percent of the property frontage and design techniques adequately minimize the visibility of the parking.

35.10.040 BCX Zones

1. The required yard of any portion of the structure must be increased one foot for each foot that any portion of the structure exceeds 30 feet above average building elevation (does not apply to Public Park uses).
2. The following requirements shall apply to all development that includes residential or assisted living uses:
 - a. The development must include commercial use(s) with gross floor area on the ground floor equal to or greater than 25 percent of the parcel size for the subject property. Commercial floor area shall be one or more of the following uses: Retail; Restaurant or Tavern; Entertainment, Cultural and/or Recreational Facility; or Office.
 - b. The commercial floor shall be a minimum of 13 feet in height. The height of the structure may exceed the maximum height of structure by three feet.
 - c. Commercial uses shall be oriented to adjoining arterials.
 - d. Residential uses, assisted living uses, and parking for those uses shall not be located on the street level floor unless an intervening commercial frontage is provided between the street and those other uses or parking subject to the standards above. The intervening commercial frontage shall be a minimum of 20 feet in depth. The Planning Director may approve a minor reduction in the depth requirements if the applicant demonstrates that the requirement is not feasible given the configuration of existing or proposed improvements and that the design of the commercial frontage will maximize visual interest. Lobbies for residential or assisted living uses may be allowed within the commercial frontage provided they do not exceed 20 percent of the building's linear commercial frontage along the street.

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35.10.050 HENC 1 & 3 Zones

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35.10.050 HENC 1 and 3 Zones - General Regulations

1. In the HENC 1 and 3 zones:

- a. At least 75 percent of the total gross floor area located on the ground floor of all structures on the subject property must contain retail establishments, restaurants, taverns or offices. These uses shall be oriented to a pedestrian oriented street, a major pedestrian sidewalk, a through-block pathway or the Cross Kirkland Corridor.
- b. Adjacent to NE 68th Street, 106th Avenue NE, 108th Avenue NE, 6th Street South and the Cross Kirkland Corridor (CKC), any portion of a structure greater than two stories in height must be stepped back from the façade below by an average of 15' with a minimum step back of 5'.

The Design Review Board is authorized to allow rooftop deck and/or garden structures within the step back area.

- c. Development adjoining the Cross Kirkland Corridor shall comply with the standards of KZC 115.24. Safe public pedestrian connections through sites to the Cross Kirkland Corridor are required (for approximate locations see Plate 34-O).
- d. Minimum 14' wide sidewalks are required along 106th Avenue NE, 108th Avenue NE and 6th Street South on the side of the right-of-way that abuts HENC 1; and on both sides of NE 68th Street.
- e. Drive-in and drive-through facilities are allowed for gas stations and drug stores. All other drive-in and drive-through facilities are prohibited.

2. In the HENC 1 zone:

- a. No more than 20% of the gross floor area for any building may include office uses. This requirement does not apply to the area in HENC 1 that is located north of NE 68th Street between the Cross Kirkland Corridor and what would be the northern extension of 106th Avenue NE.
- b. Structure height may be increased to 35' above ABE if:
 - (1). A development of 4 acres or less includes at least one grocery store, hardware store, or drug store containing a minimum of 20,000 square feet of gross floor area.
 - (2). A development of more than 4 acres includes at least one grocery store, hardware store, or drug store containing a minimum of 20,000 square feet

of gross floor area and one grocery store, hardware store, or drug store containing a minimum of 10,000 square feet of gross floor area.

- (3) The site plan is approved by the Design Review Board and includes public gathering places and community plazas with public art. At least one of these public areas must measure a minimum of 1500 square feet with a minimum width of 30'.
- (4) The commercial floor is a minimum of 13 feet in height.
- (5) Maximum allowed lot area per residential dwelling unit is 900 square feet or 48 units per acre.
- (6) Development shall be designed, built and certified to achieve or exceed one or more of the following green building certification standards: Built Green 5 star certified, LEED Gold certified, or Living Building Challenge certified.
- (7) At least 10% of the units provided in new residential developments of four units or greater shall be affordable housing units, as defined in Chapter 5 KZC. See Chapter 112 KZC for additional affordable housing requirements and incentives.

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35.20 Permitted Uses

Permitted Uses Table – Commercial Zones (BN, BNA, BC, BC 1, BC 2, BCX)
 (See also KZC 35.30, Density/Dimensions Table, and KZC 35.40, Development Standards Table)

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Use		Required Review Process:		
		BN, BNA	BC, BC 1, BC 2	BCX
		I = Process I, Chapter 145 KZC IIA = Process IIA, Chapter 150 KZC IIB = Process IIB, Chapter 152 KZC DR = Design Review, Chapter 142 KZC None = No Required Review Process NP = Use Not Permitted # = Applicable Special Regulations (listed after the table)		
35.20.010	Assisted Living Facility	DR 1, 2, 3	None 1, 2, 4	None 1, 2, 5
35.20.020	Attached or Stacked Dwelling Units*	DR 3	None 4	None 5
35.20.030*	Reserved			
35.20.040	Church	DR 10	None 10	None 10
35.20.050	Community Facility	DR	None	None
35.20.060	Convalescent Center	DR	None 2	None
35.20.070	Entertainment, Cultural and/or Recreational Facility	DR 11, 12, 13, 14	None	None
35.20.080	Government Facility	DR	None	None
35.20.090	Hotel or Motel	NP	None 15	None 15
35.20.100	Mini-School or Mini-Day-Care Center	DR 10, 16, 17	None 10, 16, 17	None 10, 16, 17
35.20.110	Nursing Home	DR	None 2	None

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 DR required for all allowed uses except public parks

Permitted Uses Table – Commercial Zones (BN, BNA, BC, BC 1, BC 2, BCX) (Continued)
 (See also KZC 35.30, Density/Dimensions Table, and KZC 35.40, Development Standards Table)

Use		Required Review Process:		
		BN, BNA	BC, BC 1, BC 2	BCX
		I = Process I, Chapter 145 KZC IIA = Process IIA, Chapter 150 KZC IIB = Process IIB, Chapter 152 KZC		DR = Design Review, Chapter 142 KZC None = No Required Review Process
		NP = Use Not Permitted # = Applicable Special Regulations (listed after the table)		
				HENC 143 DR required for all allowed uses except public parks
35.20.120	Office Use	DR 18, 19, 20, 21	None 18, 19	None 18, 19
35.20.130	Private Lodge or Club	DR	None	None
35.20.140	Public Park	See KZC 45.50 for required review process.		
35.20.150	Public Utility	IIA	None	None
35.20.160	Restaurant or Tavern	DR 11, 12, 13	None 11, 13	None 11, 13
35.20.170*	Retail Establishment other than those specifically listed in this zone, selling goods, or providing services	NP	None 11, 12, 23, 30	None 11, 12, 23
35.20.180*	Retail Establishment providing banking and related financial services	DR 11	None 11	None 11
35.20.190*	Retail Establishment providing laundry, dry cleaning, barber, beauty or shoe repair services	DR 11, 12, 13	None 11, 12	None 11, 12
35.20.200	Retail Establishment providing storage services	NP	None 25, 26	None 25
35.20.210*	Retail Establishment providing vehicle or boat sales or vehicle or boat service or repair	NP	None 27 ← Not allowed in HENC 143	None 6, 7, 8, 9
35.20.220*	Retail Establishment selling drugs, books, flowers, liquor, hardware supplies, garden supplies or works of art	DR 11, 23, 30	None 11, 12, 23, 30	None 11, 12, 23

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Permitted Uses Table – Commercial Zones (BN, BNA, BC, BC 1, BC 2, BCX) (Continued)
(See also KZC 35.30, Density/Dimensions Table, and KZC 35.40, Development Standards Table)

Use	Required Review Process:		
	I = Process I, Chapter 145 KZC IIA = Process IIA, Chapter 150 KZC IIB = Process IIB, Chapter 152 KZC		DR = Design Review, Chapter 142 KZC None = No Required Review Process
	NP = Use Not Permitted # = Applicable Special Regulations (listed after the table)		
	BN, BNA	BC, BC 1, BC 2	BCX
35.20.230* Retail Establishment selling groceries and related items	DR 11, 23	None 11, 12, 23, 30	None 11, 12, 23
35.20.240* Retail Variety or Department Store	DR 11, 23	None 11, 12, 23, 30	None 11, 12, 23
35.20.250 School or Day-Care Center	DR 10, 16, 17	None 10, 16, 17	None 10, 16, 17
35.20.260* Reserved			
35.20.270 Vehicle Service Station	DR 17, 28, 29	I 28	I 28

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DR required for all allowed uses except public parks

Permitted Uses (PU) Special Regulations:

- PU-1. A facility that provides both independent dwelling units and assisted living units shall be processed as an assisted living facility.
- PU-2. If a nursing home use is combined with an assisted living facility use in order to provide a continuum of care for residents, the required review process shall be the least intensive process between the two uses.
- PU-3. This use is only allowed on the street level floor subject to the provisions of KZC 35.10.020(1).
- PU-4*. Attached Dwelling Units are not allowed in the BC, BC 1 and BC 2 zones. In the BC zone, this use, with the exception of a lobby, may not be located on the ground floor of a structure. In the BC 1 and BC 2 zones, this use is only allowed subject to the provisions of KZC 35.10.030(2). *and HENC 1#3*
- PU-5*. Attached Dwelling Units are not allowed in the BCX zone. This use is only allowed subject to the provisions of KZC 35.10.040(2).
- PU-6*. This use specifically excludes new or used vehicle or boat sales or rentals, except motorcycle sales, service, or rental is permitted if conducted indoors.

35.30 Density/Dimensions

Density/Dimensions Table – Commercial Zones (BN, BNA, BC, BC 1, BC 2, BCX) ← HENC 1#3

(Refer to KZC 35.20, Permitted Uses Table, to determine if a use is allowed in the zone; see also KZC 35.40, Development Standards Table)

USE	Minimum Lot Size	* REQUIRED YARDS (See Ch. 115 KZC)			Maximum Lot Coverage	** Maximum Height of Structure ABE = Average Building Elevation
		Front	Side	Rear		
35.30.010 Assisted Living Facility HENC 1#3 →	BN: None ³ BNA: None ^{2,3} BC, BC 1, BC 2: None ¹ BCX: None	BN, BNA: ⁴ BC, BC 1, BC 2: ^{4,5} BCX: ^{4,6}				
35.30.020* Attached or Stacked Dwelling Units HENC 1#3 →	BN: None ^{2,7} BC, BCX: None BC, BC 1, BC 2: None ¹⁶	⁴				
35.30.030* Reserved						
35.30.040 Church	None	BN, BC, BCX: 20' BNA, BC 1, BC 2: 10'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	80%	BN: 30' above ABE. ^{9,10} BNA: 35' above ABE. ^{9,10} BC, BC 1, BC 2: ¹¹ BCX: 30' above ABE.
35.30.050 Community Facility	None	BN, BC, BCX: 20' BNA, BC 1, BC 2: 10'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	80%	BN: 30' above ABE. ^{9,10} BNA: 35' above ABE. ^{9,10} BC, BC 1, BC 2: ¹¹ BCX: 30' above ABE.
35.30.060 Convalescent Center	None	BN, BC, BCX: 20' BNA, BC 1, BC 2: 10'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	80%	BNA: 35' above ABE. ^{9,10} BC, BC 1, BC 2: ¹¹ BCX: 30' above ABE.
35.30.070 Entertainment, Cultural and/or Recreational Facility	None BNA: None ¹³	BNA: 10' BC: 20' BC 1, BC 2: 10' BCX: 20'	BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	80%	BN: 30' above ABE. ^{9,10} BNA: 35' above ABE. ^{9,10} BC, BC 1, BC 2: ¹¹ BCX: 30' above ABE.

* See attached for required yards for HENC 1#3.
 ** Maximum height in HENC 1#3 127 is 30' above ABE, except see 35.10.050.
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Density/Dimensions Table – Commercial Zones (BN, BNA, BC, BC 1, BC 2, BCX) (Continued) - HENC 1#3
 (Refer to KZC 35.20, Permitted Uses Table, to determine if a use is allowed in the zone; see also KZC 35.40, Development Standards Table)

USE	Minimum Lot Size	* REQUIRED YARDS (See Ch. 115 KZC)			Maximum Lot Coverage	** Maximum Height of Structure ABE = Average Building Elevation
		Front	Side	Rear		
35.30.080 Government Facility	None	BN, BC, BCX: 20' BNA, BC 1, BC 2: 10'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	80%	BN: 30' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BNA: 35' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BC, BC 1, BC 2: 11 BCX: 30' above ABE.
35.30.090 Hotel or Motel	None	BC, BCX: 20' BC 1, BC 2: 10'	BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	80%	BC, BC 1, BC 2: 11 BCX: 30' above ABE.
35.30.100 Mini-School or Mini-Day-Care Center	None	BN: 0' BNA, BC 1, BC 2: 10' BC, BCX: 20'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	80%	BN: 30' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BNA: 35' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BC, BC 1, BC 2: 11 BCX: 30' above ABE.
35.30.110 Nursing Home	None	BN, BC, BCX: 20' BNA, BC 1, BC 2: 10'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	80%	BN: 30' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BNA: 35' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BC, BC 1, BC 2: 11 BCX: 30' above ABE.
35.30.120 Office Use	None	BN: 0' BNA, BC 1, BC 2: 10' BC, BCX: 20'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	80%	BN: 30' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BNA: 35' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BC, BC 1, BC 2: 11 BCX: 30' above ABE.
35.30.130 Private Lodge or Club	None	BN, BC, BCX: 20' BNA, BC 1, BC 2: 10'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	80%	BN: 30' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BNA: 35' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BC, BC 1, BC 2: 11 BCX: 30' above ABE.
35.30.140 Public Park	Development standards will be determined on a case-by-case basis.					
35.30.150 Public Utility	None	BN, BC, BCX: 20' BNA, BC 1, BC 2: 10'	BN, BNA: 20' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	BN, BNA: 20' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	80%	BN: 30' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BNA: 35' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BC, BC 1, BC 2: 11 BCX: 30' above ABE.

* See attached for required yards for HENC 1#3. (Except public parks)
 ** Maximum height in HENC 1#3 is 30' above ABE, except see 35.10.050.

Density/Dimensions Table – Commercial Zones (BN, BNA, BC, BC 1, BC 2, BCX) (Continued) ← HENC 1#3
 (Refer to KZC 35.20, Permitted Uses Table, to determine if a use is allowed in the zone; see also KZC 35.40, Development Standards Table)

USE	Minimum Lot Size	* REQUIRED YARDS (See Ch. 115 KZC)			Maximum Lot Coverage	** Maximum Height of Structure ABE = Average Building Elevation
		Front	Side	Rear		
35.30.160 Restaurant or Tavern	None ¹²	BN: 0' BNA, BC 1, BC 2: 10' BC, BCX: 20'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	80%	BN: 30' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BNA: 35' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BC, BC 1, BC 2: ¹¹ BCX: 30' above ABE.
35.30.170* Retail Establishment other than those specifically listed in this zone, selling goods, or providing services	None	BC, BCX: 20' BC 1, BC 2: 10'	BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	80%	BC, BC 1, BC 2: ¹¹ BCX: 30' above ABE.
35.30.180* Retail Establishment providing banking and related financial services	None ¹²	BN: 0' BC, BCX: 20' BNA, BC 1, BC 2: 10'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	80%	BN: 30' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BNA: 35' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BC, BC 1, BC 2: ¹¹ BCX: 30' above ABE.
35.30.190* Retail Establishment providing laundry, dry cleaning, barber, beauty or shoe repair services	None ¹²	BN: 0' BC, BCX: 20' BNA, BC 1, BC 2: 10'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	80%	BN: 30' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BNA: 35' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BC, BC 1, BC 2: ¹¹ BCX: 30' above ABE.
35.30.200 Retail Establishment providing storage services	None	BC, BCX: 20'	BC: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	BC: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	80%	BC: ¹¹ BCX: 30' above ABE.
35.30.210* Retail Establishment providing vehicle or boat sales or vehicle or boat service or repair	None	BC, BCX: 20' BC 1, BC 2: 10'	BC, BCX, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸	BC, BCX, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸	80%	BC, BC 1, BC 2: ¹¹ BCX: 30' above ABE.
35.30.220* Retail Establishment selling drugs, books, flowers, liquor, hardware supplies, garden supplies or works of art	None ¹⁴ HENC 1#3 None	BN: 0' BC, BCX: 20' BNA, BC 1, BC 2: 10'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	80%	BN: 30' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BNA: 35' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BC, BC 1, BC 2: ¹¹ BCX: 30' above ABE.
35.30.230* Retail Establishment selling groceries and related items	None ¹⁴ HENC 1#3 None	BN: 0' BC, BCX: 20' BNA, BC 1, BC 2: 10'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	80%	BN: 30' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BNA: 35' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BC, BC 1, BC 2: ¹¹ BCX: 30' above ABE.

* See attached for required yards for HENC 1#3.
 ** Maximum height in HENC 1#3 is 29' 30" above ABE, except see 35.10.050.
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Density/Dimensions Table – Commercial Zones (BN, BNA, BC, BC 1, BC 2, BCX) (Continued) ← HENC 1-3
 (Refer to KZC 35.20, Permitted Uses Table, to determine if a use is allowed in the zone; see also KZC 35.40, Development Standards Table)

USE	Minimum Lot Size	* REQUIRED YARDS (See Ch. 115 KZC)			Maximum Lot Coverage	** Maximum Height of Structure ABE = Average Building Elevation	
		Front	Side	Rear			
35.30.240* Retail Variety or Department Store	None ¹⁴ HENC 1-3 None	BN: 0' BC, BCX: 20' BNA, BC 1, BC 2: 10'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	80%	BN: 30' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BNA: 35' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BC, BC 1, BC 2: ¹¹ BCX: 30' above ABE.	
35.30.250 School or Day-Care Center	None	BN: 0' BNA, BC 1, BC 2: 10' BC, BCX: 20'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	BN, BNA: 10' BC, BC 1, BC 2: 0' ⁸ BCX: 0'	80%	BN: 30' above ABE. ^{9, 10, 15} BNA: 35' above ABE. ^{9, 10, 15} BC, BC 1, BC 2: ¹¹ BCX: 30' above ABE.	
35.30.260* Reserved							
35.30.270 Vehicle Service Station	22,500 sq. ft.		40'	15'	15'	80%	BNA: 35' above ABE. ^{9, 10} BC, BC 1, BC 2: ¹¹ BCX: 30' above ABE.
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Density/Dimensions (DD) Special Regulations:

- DD-1. In BC 1 and BC 2, subject to density limits listed for attached and stacked dwelling units. For density purposes, two assisted living units constitute one dwelling unit.
- DD-2. In the BNA zone, the gross floor area of this use shall not exceed 50 percent of the total gross floor area on the subject property.
- DD-3. For density purposes, two assisted living units shall constitute one dwelling unit. Total dwelling units may not exceed the number of stacked dwelling units allowed on the subject property.
- DD-4. Same as the regulations for the ground floor use.
- DD-5. See KZC 35.10.030(2).
- DD-6. See KZC 35.10.040(2).

* See attached for required yards for HENC 1-3, except vehicle service station.
 ** Maximum height in HENC 1-3 is 30' above ABE, except see 35.10.050.

35.30 Density/Dimensions Charts for HENC 1 and 3 Zones

Required Yards:

All retail uses (except storage services) and restaurants or taverns

Front 0, Side 0, Rear 0

Remaining ground floor uses:

Front 10', Side 0, Rear 0

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35.40 Development Standards

Development Standards Table – Commercial Zones (BN, BNA, BC, BC 1, BC 2, BCX) ← HENC 1 + 3
 (Refer to KZC 35.20, Permitted Uses Table, to determine if a use is allowed in the zone; see also KZC 35.30, Density/Dimensions Table)

Use	Landscape Category (Chapter 95 KZC)	Sign Category (Chapter 100 KZC)	Required Parking Spaces (Chapter 105 KZC)
35.40.010 Assisted Living Facility	1	A	1.7 per independent unit. 1 per assisted living unit.
35.40.020 Attached or Stacked Dwelling Units	1	A	1.2 per studio unit. 1.3 per 1 bedroom unit. 1.6 per 2 bedroom unit. 1.8 per 3 or more bedroom unit. See KZC 105.20 for visitor parking requirements.
35.40.030* Reserved			
35.40.040 Church	C	B	1 for every four people based on maximum occupancy load of any area of worship. ³
35.40.050 Community Facility	C ⁴	B BN, BNA: B ⁵	See KZC 105.25.
35.40.060 Convalescent Center	C BN, BNA: B ⁶	B	1 for each bed.
35.40.070 Entertainment, Cultural and/or Recreational Facility	B BNA: B ⁶	E BNA: D	See KZC 105.25.
35.40.080 Government Facility	C ⁴	B BN, BNA: B ⁵	See KZC 105.25.
35.40.090 Hotel or Motel	B	E	1 per each room. ⁷
35.40.100 Mini-School or Mini-Day-Care Center	D BN, BNA: B ⁶	B	See KZC 105.25. ^{8, 9}
35.40.110 Nursing Home	C BN, BNA: B ⁶	B	1 for each bed.

Development Standards Table – Commercial Zones (BN, BNA, BC, BC 1, BC 2, BCX) (Continued) ← HENC 1#3
 (Refer to KZC 35.20, Permitted Uses Table, to determine if a use is allowed in the zone; see also KZC 35.30, Density/Dimensions Table)

Use		Landscape Category (Chapter 95 KZC)	Sign Category (Chapter 100 KZC)	Required Parking Spaces (Chapter 105 KZC)
35.40.120	Office Use	BN, BNA: B ⁶ HENC 1#3 → BC, BC 1, BC 2: C BCX: B	D	1 per each 300 sq. ft. of gross floor area. ¹³
35.40.130	Private Lodge or Club	C BN, BNA: B ⁶	B	1 per each 300 sq. ft. of gross floor area.
35.40.140	Public Park	Development standards will be determined on a case-by-case basis.		
35.40.150	Public Utility	A ⁴	B BN, BNA: B ⁵	See KZC 105.25.
35.40.160	Restaurant or Tavern	BN, BNA: B ⁶ BC, BC 1, BC 2, BCX: B ¹⁰	E BN, BNA: D	1 per each 100 sq. ft. of gross floor area.
35.40.170*	Retail Establishment other than those specifically listed in this zone, selling goods, or providing services	B	E	1 per each 300 sq. ft. of gross floor area.
35.40.180*	Retail Establishment providing banking and related financial services	B ⁶	BN, BNA: D HENC 1#3 → BC, BC 1, BC 2, BCX: E	1 per each 300 sq. ft. of gross floor area.
35.40.190*	Retail Establishment providing laundry, dry cleaning, barber, beauty or shoe repair services	B ⁶	BN, BNA: D A → BC, BC 1, BC 2, BCX: E	1 per each 300 sq. ft. of gross floor area.
35.40.200	Retail Establishment providing storage services	A	E	See KZC 105.25.
35.40.210*	Retail Establishment providing vehicle or boat sales or vehicle or boat service or repair	A	E	BC, BC 1, BC 2: See KZC 105.25. ¹¹ BCX: 1 per each 250 sq. ft. of gross floor area. ²
35.40.220*	Retail Establishment selling drugs, books, flowers, liquor, hardware supplies, garden supplies or works of art	B ⁶	BN, BNA: D HENC 1#3 → BC, BC 1, BC 2, BCX: E	1 per each 300 sq. ft. of gross floor area.

Development Standards Table – Commercial Zones (BN, BNA, BC, BC 1, BC 2, BCX) (Continued) ← HENC 173
 (Refer to KZC 35.20, Permitted Uses Table, to determine if a use is allowed in the zone; see also KZC 35.30, Density/Dimensions Table)

Use		Landscape Category (Chapter 95 KZC)	Sign Category (Chapter 100 KZC)	Required Parking Spaces (Chapter 105 KZC)
35.40.230*	Retail Establishment selling groceries and related items	B ⁶	BN, BNA: D BC, BC 1, BC 2, BCX: E	1 per each 300 sq. ft. of gross floor area.
35.40.240*	Retail Variety or Department Store	B ⁶	BN, BNA: D BC, BC 1, BC 2, BCX: E	1 per each 300 sq. ft. of gross floor area.
35.40.250	School or Day-Care Center	D BN, BNA: B ⁶	B	See KZC 105.25. ^{9, 12}
35.40.260*	Reserved			
35.40.270	Vehicle Service Station	A	E BNA: D	See KZC 105.25.

Development Standards (DS) Special Regulations:

- DS-1. Same as the regulations for the ground floor use.
- DS-2. Ten percent of the required parking spaces on site must have a minimum dimension of 10 feet wide by 30 feet long for motor home/travel trailer use.
- DS-3. No parking is required for day-care or school ancillary to this use.
- DS-4. Landscape Category A or B may be required depending on the type of use on the subject property and the impacts associated with the use on the nearby uses.
- DS-5. One pedestal sign with a readerboard having electronic programming is allowed at a fire station only if:
 - a. It is a pedestal sign (see Plate 12) having a maximum of 40 square feet of sign area per sign face;
 - b. The electronic readerboard is no more than 50 percent of the sign area;
 - c. Moving graphics and text or video are not part of the sign;
 - d. The electronic readerboard does not change text and/or images at a rate less than one every seven seconds and shall be readily legible given the text size and the speed limit of the adjacent right-of-way;
 - e. The electronic readerboard displays messages regarding public service announcements or City events only;
 - f. The intensity of the display shall not produce glare that extends to adjacent properties and the signs shall be equipped with a device which automatically dims the intensity of the lights during hours of darkness;

92.05 INTRODUCTION

1. General – This chapter establishes the design regulations that apply to development in Design Districts including the Central Business District (CBD), Market Street Corridor (MSC), Neighborhood Business Districts (BN, BNA), Juanita Business District (JBD), Rose Hill Business District (RHBD), Totem Lake Business District (TLBD), North Rose Hill Business District (NRHBD), Business District Core (BDC), Yarrow Bay Business District (YBD) and in PLA 5C. Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center (HENC)
Special provisions that apply to a particular Design District are noted in the section headings of the chapter.
2. Applicability – The provisions of this chapter apply to all new development, with the exception of development in the TL 7 zone. The provisions of Chapters 142 and 162 KZC regarding Design Review and nonconformance establish which of the regulations of this chapter apply to developed sites. Where provisions of this chapter conflict with provisions in any other section of the code, this chapter prevails. For more information on each Design District refer to the Design Guidelines applicable to that Design District adopted by reference in Chapter 3.30 KMC.
3. Design Review Procedures – The City will use Chapter 142 KZC to apply the regulations of this chapter to development activities that require Design Review approval.
4. Relationship to Other Regulations – Refer to the following chapters of the Zoning Code for additional requirements related to new development on or adjacent to the subject property.
 - a. Landscaping – Chapter 95 KZC describes the installation and maintenance of landscaping requirements on the subject property.
 - b. Installation of Sidewalks, Public Pedestrian Pathways and Public Improvements – Chapter 110 KZC describes the regulations for the installation of public sidewalks, major pedestrian sidewalks, pedestrian-oriented sidewalks, or other public improvements on or adjacent to the subject property in zones subject to Design Review. Plate 34 in Chapter 180 KZC provides the location and designation of the sidewalk, pedestrian walkways, pathways or other required public improvements within each Design District.
 - c. Pedestrian Access to Buildings, Installation of Pedestrian Pathways, Pedestrian Weather Protection – Chapter 105 KZC describes the requirements for pedestrian access to buildings and between properties, through parking areas and requirements for pedestrian weather protection. See also Plate 34 in Chapter 180 KZC.
 - d. Parking Area Location and Design, Pedestrian and Vehicular Access – Chapter 105 KZC describes the requirements for parking lot design, number of driveways, or pedestrian and vehicular access through parking areas.
 - e. Screening of Loading Areas, Outdoor Storage Areas and Garbage Receptacles – Chapter 95 KZC describes the location and screening requirements of outdoor storage. Chapter 115 KZC describes the screening of loading areas, waste storage and garbage disposal facilities.
5. Dedication – The City may require the applicant to dedicate development rights, air space, or an easement to the City to ensure compliance with any of the requirements of this chapter.
6. Design Districts in Rose Hill Business District – Various places in this chapter refer to the three (3) Design Districts in the Rose Hill Business District: Regional Center, Neighborhood Center and East End. Figure 92.05.A below describes where these are located. For a more detailed description of each area, see the Design Guidelines for the Rose Hill Business District adopted by reference in Chapter 3.30 KMC.

- 1) Locate and orient the building towards the street corner (within 10 feet of corner property line). To qualify for this option, the building must have direct pedestrian access from the street corner. Exception: Properties in the RHBD Regional Center must provide a 10-foot minimum setback between NE 85th Street and any building.
 - 2) Provide an architectural feature that adds identity or demarcation of the area. Such an architectural element may have a sign incorporated into it (as long as such sign does not identify an individual business or businesses) (see Figure 92.10.D).
 - 3) Provide a "pedestrian-oriented space" at the corner leading directly to a building entry or entries (see KZC 92.15 and Figure 92.10.D).
 - 4) Install substantial landscaping (at least 30-foot by 30-foot or 900 square feet of ground surface area with trees, shrubs, and/or ground cover).
- b. RHBD Properties Located at the 124th, 126th, and 128th Avenue NE Intersections – Buildings must be located at the street corner and provide pedestrian-oriented facades along both streets. Exceptions:
- 1) Setbacks will be allowed only where the space between the sidewalk and the building meets the definition of a pedestrian-oriented space. An example is shown in Figure 92.10.D.
 - 2) Vehicle sales and properties on the west side of the 124th Avenue NE are exempt from this standard because of transmission line easement limitations.

Building located directly on a street corner with direct pedestrian access and pedestrian-oriented facades.

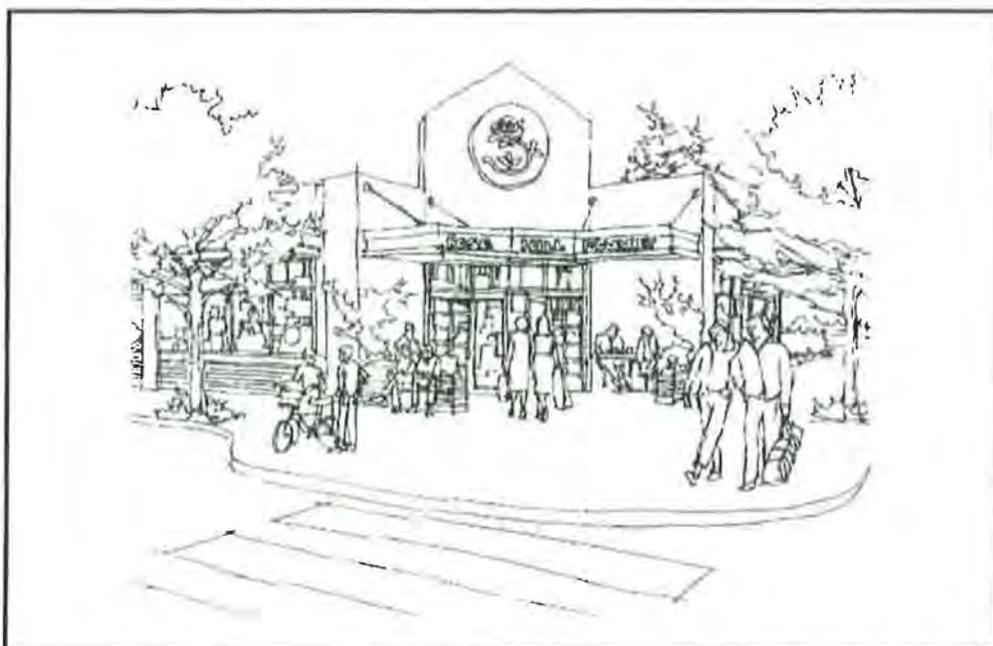


FIGURE 92.10.D

7. Building Location at Street Corners in CBD and HENC 1#3
- a. Building Corners in the CBD and HENC 1#3 – If the subject property is adjacent to the intersection of two (2) streets, at least one (1) of which is a pedestrian-oriented street, the applicant shall use

more of the following elements or treatments in the design and construction of the corner of the building facing the intersection of the streets which includes the pedestrian-oriented street. As an alternative, the applicant may propose other techniques, elements or treatments in the design of the corner which are consistent with the design guidelines and the provisions of the Comprehensive Plan.

- 1) Provide at least 100 square feet of sidewalk area or pedestrian-oriented open space in addition to the area required to produce a 10-foot-wide sidewalk as required under KZC 110.52, pedestrian-oriented street (see Figure 92.10.E).
- 2) Provide an entranceway to a store, building atrium or lobby, exterior courtyard or pedestrian-oriented open space (see Figure 92.10.F).
- 3) Provide a pedestrian pathway, at least eight feet in width, that connects to another street, public feature or building (see Figure 92.10.F).
- 4) Provide one or more of the elements listed below on both sides of an axis running diagonally through the corner of the building and bisecting the angle formed by the two building facades (see Figure 92.10.G):
 - a) A bay window or turret.
 - b) A roof deck.
 - c) Balconies above the ground floor.
 - d) A building corner setback notch or curved facade surface.
 - e) Sculpture or artwork, either bas-relief or figurative.
 - f) Distinctive use of facade materials.
- 5) Provide special or unique treatment, other than the use of fabric or vinyl awnings, for pedestrian weather protection at the corner of the building.

92.15 **PEDESTRIAN-ORIENTED IMPROVEMENTS ON OR ADJACENT TO THE SUBJECT PROPERTY**

1. All Zones – Pedestrian-Oriented Space and Plazas in Parking Areas – The applicant must provide at least 175 square feet of pedestrian-oriented space at the main building entrance in a central location, or adjacent to a parking area. This area must be raised at least six (6) inches above the parking lot surface and must be paved with concrete or unit pavers.
2. Pedestrian-Oriented Space and Plazas in BDC, CBD, BN, BNA, MSC 2, NRHBD, RHBD and TLBD Zones
 - a. In the CBD, BN, BNA, MSC 2 or in BDC – If the subject property abuts a pedestrian-oriented street (see Plate 34 in Chapter 180 KZC) or public park, the space, if any, between the sidewalk and the building must be developed consistent with the following criteria:
 - 1) Enhance visual and pedestrian access, including handicapped access, onto the subject property from the sidewalk.
 - 2) Contain paved walking surface of either concrete or approved unit pavers.
 - 3) Contain on-site or building-mounted lighting which provides adequate illumination.
 - 4) Contain two (2) linear feet of seating area or one (1) individual seat per 65 square feet of area between the sidewalk and the building.
 - 5) Contain landscaping such as trees, shrubs, trellises, or potted plants.
 - 6) It may not include asphalt or gravel pavement or be adjacent to an unscreened parking area, a chain link fence or a blank wall which does not comply with the requirements of subsection (3) of this section, Blank Wall Treatment.
 - 7) An alternative solution for the pedestrian-oriented space may be established through a Conceptual Master Plan in TL 2.
 - b. In the NRHBD Zones – If the subject property abuts a major pedestrian sidewalk on the southwest corner of NE 116th Street and 124th Avenue NE (see Plate 34 in Chapter 180 KZC), the space, if any, between the sidewalk and the building must be developed consistent with the following criteria:
 - 1) Enhance visual and pedestrian access, including handicapped access, onto the subject property from the sidewalk.
 - 2) Contain paved walking surface of either concrete or approved unit pavers.
 - 3) Contain on-site or building-mounted lighting which provides adequate illumination.
 - 4) Contain two (2) linear feet of seating area or one (1) individual seat per 65 square feet of area between the sidewalk and the building.
 - 5) Contain landscaping, such as trees, shrubs, trellises, or potted plants.
 - 6) In the alternative, the pedestrian-oriented space can be integrated with a pedestrian connection linking Slater Avenue NE and NE 116th Street, anywhere on the subject property, consistent with the criteria in subsections (2)(b)(1) through (5) of this section.
 - c. In the RHBD and TLBD Zones – All nonresidential uses must provide pedestrian-oriented space in conjunction with new development according to the formula below. For the pur-

2. Standards. The applicant shall provide the following at a minimum:
- a. Living plant material which will cover 80 percent of the area to be landscaped within two (2) years. If the material to be used does not spread over time, the applicant shall re-plant the entire area involved immediately. Any area that will not be covered with living plant material must be covered with nonliving groundcover.
 - b. One (1) tree for each 1,000 square feet of area to be landscaped. At the time of planting, deciduous trees must be at least two (2) inches in caliper and coniferous trees must be at least five (5) feet in height.
 - c. If a development requires approval through Process I, IIA or IIB as described in Chapters 145, 150 and 152 KZC, respectively, the City may require additional vegetation to be planted along a building facade if:
 - 1) The building facade is more than 25 feet high or more than 50 feet long; or
 - 2) Additional landscaping is necessary to provide a visual break in the facade.
 - d. In RHBD varieties of rose shrubs or ground cover along with other plant materials shall be included in the on-site landscaping.
 - e. If development is subject to Design Review as described in Chapter 142 KZC, the City will review plant choice and specific plant location as part of the Design Review approval. The City may also require or permit modification to the required plant size as part of Design Review approval.

(Ord. 4238 § 2, 2010)

95.42 Minimum Land Use Buffer Requirements

The applicant shall comply with the provisions specified in the following chart and with all other applicable provisions of this chapter. Land use buffer requirements may apply to the subject property, depending on what permitted use exists on the adjoining property or, if no permitted use exists, depending on the zone that the adjoining property is in.

ADJOINING PROPERTY → LANDSCAPING CATEGORY ↓	*Public park or low density residential use or if no permitted use exists on the adjoining property then a low density zone.	Medium or high density residential use or if no permitted use exists on the adjoining property then a medium density or high density zone.	Institutional or office use or if no permitted use exists on the adjoining property then an institutional or office zone.	A commercial use or an industrial use or if no permitted use exists on the adjoining property then a commercial or industrial zone.
A	Must comply with subsection (1) (Buffering Standard 1)	Must comply with subsection (1) (Buffering Standard 1)	Must comply with subsection (2) (Buffering Standard 2)	
B	Must comply with subsection (1) (Buffering Standard 1)	Must comply with subsection (1) (Buffering Standard 1)		
C	Must comply with subsection (1) (Buffering Standard 1)	Must comply with subsection (2) (Buffering Standard 2)		
D	Must comply with subsection (2) (Buffering Standard 2)			
E				
Footnotes:		*If the adjoining property is zoned Central Business District, Juanita Business District, North Rose Hill Business District, Rose Hill Business District, Business District Core or is located in TL 5, this section KZC 95.42 does not apply.		

↑ Houghton Everest Neighborhood Center

This chart establishes which buffering standard applies in a particular case. The following subsections establish the specific requirement for each standard:

1. For standard 1, the applicant shall provide a 15-foot-wide landscaped strip with a 6-foot-high solid screening fence or wall. Except for public utilities, the fence or wall must be placed on the outside edge of the land use buffer or on the property line when adjacent to private property. For public utilities, the fence or wall may be placed either on the outside or inside edge of the landscaping strip. A fence or wall is not required when the land use buffer is adjacent and parallel to a public right-of-way that is improved for vehicular use. See KZC 115.40 for additional fence standards. The land use buffer must be planted as follows:
 - a. Trees planted at the rate of one (1) tree per 20 linear feet of land use buffer, with deciduous trees of two and one-half (2-1/2) inch caliper, minimum, and/or coniferous trees eight (8) feet in height, minimum. At least 70 percent of trees shall be evergreen. The trees shall be distributed evenly throughout the buffer, spaced no more than 20 feet apart on center.
 - b. Large shrubs or a mix of shrubs planted to attain coverage of at least 60 percent of the land use buffer area within two (2) years, planted at the following sizes and spacing, depending on type:
 - 1) Low shrub – (mature size under three (3) feet tall), 1- or 2-gallon pot or balled and burlapped equivalent;
 - 2) Medium shrub – (mature size from three (3) to six (6) feet tall), 2- or 3-gallon pot or balled and burlapped equivalent;
 - 3) Large shrub – (mature size over six (6) feet tall), 5-gallon pot or balled and burlapped equivalent.

- c. Living ground covers planted from either 4-inch pot with 12-inch spacing or 1-gallon pot with 18-inch spacing to cover within two (2) years 60 percent of the land use buffer not needed for viability of the shrubs or trees.
2. For standard 2, the applicant shall provide a 5-foot-wide landscaped strip with a 6-foot-high solid screening fence or wall. Except for public utilities, the fence or wall must be placed on the outside edge of the land use buffer or on the property line when adjacent to private property. For public utilities, the fence or wall may be placed either on the outside or inside edge of the landscaping strip. A fence or wall is not required when the land use buffer is adjacent and parallel to a public right-of-way that is improved for vehicular use. See KZC 115.40 for additional fence standards. The landscaped strip must be planted as follows:
 - a. One (1) row of trees planted no more than 10 feet apart on center along the entire length of the buffer, with deciduous trees of 2-inch caliper, minimum, and/or coniferous trees at least six (6) feet in height, minimum. At least 50 percent of the required trees shall be ever-green.
 - b. Living ground covers planted from either 4-inch pot with 12-inch spacing or 1-gallon pot with 18-inch spacing to cover within two (2) years 60 percent of the land use buffer not needed for viability of the trees.
 3. Plant Standards. All plant materials used shall meet the most recent American Association of Nurserymen Standards for nursery stock: ANSI Z60.1.
 4. Location of the Land Use Buffer. The applicant shall provide the required buffer along the entire common border between the subject property and the adjoining property.
 5. Multiple Buffering Requirement. If the subject property borders more than one (1) adjoining property along the same property line, the applicant shall provide a gradual transition between different land use buffers. This transition must occur totally within the area which has the less stringent buffering requirement. The specific design of the transition must be approved by the City.
 6. Adjoining Property Containing Several Uses. If the adjoining property contains several permitted uses, the applicant may provide the least stringent land use buffer required for any of these uses.
 7. Subject Property Containing Several Uses. If the subject property contains more than one (1) use, the applicant shall comply with the land use buffering requirement that pertains to the use within the most stringent landscaping category that abuts the property to be buffered.
 8. Subject Property Containing School. If the subject property is occupied by a school, land use buffers are not required along property lines adjacent to a street.
 9. Encroachment into Land Use Buffer. Typical incidental extensions of structures such as chimneys, bay windows, greenhouse windows, cornices, eaves, awnings, and canopies may be permitted in land use buffers as set forth in KZC 115.115(3)(d); provided, that:
 - a. Buffer planting standards are met; and
 - b. Required plantings will be able to attain full size and form typical to their species.

(Ord. 4495 § 2, 2015; Ord. 4238 § 2, 2010)

- 5) Must be accessible;
 - 6) Barriers which limit future pedestrian access between the subject property and adjacent properties are not permitted;
 - 7) Easements to provide rights of access between adjacent properties shall be recorded prior to project occupancy.
- b. Overhead Weather Protection – Location – The applicant shall provide pedestrian overhead weather protection in the following locations:

- 1) Along any portion of the building which is adjacent to a pedestrian walkway or sidewalk;
- 2) Over the primary exterior entrance to all buildings including residential units.
- 3) Exceptions in Design Districts:

In CBD Zones: Along at least 80 percent of the frontage of the subject property on each pedestrian-oriented street.

In RHBD, BN, BNA, MSC 2 and TLBD Zones: Along at least 75 percent of a pedestrian-oriented building facade.

In JBD Zones: Along 100 percent of a building facade abutting a street or through-block pathway.

For more information regarding designated pedestrian-oriented streets see Plate 34 in Chapter 180 KZC, and pedestrian-oriented facades in Chapter 92 KZC.

- c. Overhead Weather Protection – Configuration – The overhead weather protection may be composed of awnings, marquees, canopies, building overhangs, covered porches, recessed entries or other similar features. The overhead weather protection must cover at least five (5) feet of the width of the adjacent walkway and must be at least eight (8) feet above the ground immediately below it.

If development is subject to Design Review, the City will specifically review and approve the color, material and configuration of all overhead weather protection and the material and configuration of all pedestrian walkways as part of the Design Review decision.

105.50 Location of Parking Areas – Adjoining Low Density Zones

The applicant shall locate a parking area for a use other than a detached dwelling unit as far as possible from any adjoining low density zone, or existing low density permitted use.

105.55 Location of Parking Areas – Required Setback Yards

For regulations on parking areas in required setback yards, see Chapter 115 KZC.

105.58 Location of Parking Areas Specific to Design Districts

If the subject property is located in a Design District, the applicant shall locate parking areas on the subject property according to the following requirements:

1. Location of Parking Areas in the CBD, BDC (TL 1, TL 2, TL 3) Zones

- a. Parking areas shall not be located between a pedestrian-oriented street and a building unless specified in a Conceptual Master Plan in TL 2. (See Plate 34 in Chapter 180 KZC and Chapters 92 and 110 KZC for additional requirements regarding pedestrian-oriented streets).
- b. On all other streets, parking lots shall not be located between the street and the building on the subject property unless no other feasible alternative exists.

2. Location of Parking Areas in the JBD 2, NRHBD and YBD Zones – Parking areas shall not be located between the street and the building unless no other feasible alternative exists on the subject property.3. Location of Parking Areas in Certain TLBD and RHBD Zones – Parking areas and vehicular access may not occupy more than 50 percent of the street frontage in the following zones (see Figure 105.58.A):

- a. TL 4, only properties fronting on 120th Avenue NE;
- b. TL 5;
- c. TL 6A, only properties fronting on 124th Avenue NE. Auto dealers in this zone are exempt from this requirement;
- d. TL 6B, only properties fronting on NE 124th Street;
- e. TL 10E.

Alternative configurations may be considered through the Design Review process, if the project meets the objectives of the KMC Design Guidelines for the Totem Lake Business District.

- f. In the Regional Center (RH 1A, RH 2A, RH 3 and RH 5A zones west of 124th Avenue). For parcels over two (2) acres in size, parking lots and vehicular access areas may not occupy more than 50 percent of the NE 85th Street property frontage (see Figure 105.58.A). Alternative configurations will be considered through the Design Review process, if the project meets the intent of the KMC Design Guidelines for the Rose Hill Business District.

110.45 Minor Arterial Streets

The Public Works Director shall determine the extent and nature of other improvements required in minor arterial streets on a case-by-case basis. See also KZC 110.65 through 110.75 for other requirements that apply to improvements in the right-of-way.

(Ord. 4001 § 1, 2005; Ord. 3886 § 1, 2003)

110.50 Principal Arterial Streets

The Public Works Director shall determine the extent and nature of improvements required in principal arterial streets on a case-by-case basis. See also KZC 110.65 through 110.75 for other requirements that apply to improvements in the right-of-way.

(Ord. 4001 § 1, 2005; Ord. 3886 § 1, 2003)

110.52 Sidewalks and Other Public Improvements in Design Districts

1. This section contains regulations that require various sidewalks, pedestrian circulation and pedestrian-oriented improvements on or adjacent to properties located in Design Districts subject to Design Review pursuant to Chapter 142 KZC such as CBD, JBD, TLBD, BDC, RHBD, NRHBD and YBD zones.

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The applicant must comply with the following development standards in accordance with the location and designation of the abutting right-of-way as a pedestrian-oriented street or major pedestrian sidewalk shown in Plate 34 of Chapter 180 KZC. See also Public Works Pre-Approved Plans manual for public improvements for each Design District. If the required sidewalk improvements cannot be accommodated within the existing right-of-way, the difference may be made up with a public easement over private property; provided, that a minimum of five (5) feet from the curb shall be retained as public right-of-way and may not be in an easement. Buildings may cantilever over such easement areas, flush with the property line in accordance with the International Building Code as adopted in KMC Title 21. (See Figure 110.52.A and Plate 34.)

2. Pedestrian-Oriented Street Standards – Unless a different standard is specified in the applicable use zone chart, the applicant shall install a 10-foot-wide sidewalk along the entire frontage of the subject property abutting each pedestrian-oriented street. (See Figure 110.52.A.)

Chapter 112 – AFFORDABLE HOUSING INCENTIVES – MULTIFAMILY

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112.05 User Guide

This chapter offers dimensional standard flexibility and density and economic incentives to encourage construction of affordable housing units in commercial zones, high density residential zones, medium density zones and office zones.

If you are interested in proposing four (4) more residential units in commercial zones, high density residential zones, medium density zones or office zones, or you wish to participate in the City's decision on such a project, you should read this chapter.

(Ord. 4392 § 1, 2012; Ord. 4222 § 1, 2009; Ord. 3938 § 1, 2004)

112.10 Purpose

There is a limited stock of land within the City zoned and available for residential development and there is a demonstrated need in the City for housing which is affordable to persons of low and moderate income. Therefore, this chapter provides development incentives in exchange for the public benefit of providing affordable housing units in commercial zones, high density residential zones, medium density zones and office zones.

(Ord. 4392 § 1, 2012; Ord. 4222 § 1, 2009; Ord. 3938 § 1, 2004)

112.15 Affordable Housing Requirement

1. Applicability –

- a. Minimum Requirement – All developments creating four (4) or more new dwelling units in commercial, high density residential, medium density and office zones shall provide at least 10 percent of the units as affordable housing units and comply with the provisions of this chapter as established in the General Regulations or the Special Regulations for the specific use in Chapters 15 through 56 KZC. This subsection is not effective within the disapproval jurisdiction of the Houghton Community Council, **except in the HENC 1 + 2 zones.**
- b. Voluntary Use – All other provisions of this chapter are available for use within the disapproval jurisdiction of the Houghton Community Council and in developments where the minimum requirement does not apply; provided, however, the provisions of this chapter are not available for use in developments located within the BN zone.

- 2. Calculation in Density-Limited Zones – For developments in density-limited zones, the required amount of affordable housing shall be calculated based on the number of dwelling units proposed prior to the addition of any bonus units allowed pursuant to KZC 112.20.

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3. Calculation in CBD 5A, RH, TL and PLA 5C Zones – For developments in the CBD 5A, RH, TL and PLA 5C Zones, the required amount of affordable housing shall be calculated based on the total number of dwelling units proposed. HENC 2
4. Rounding and Alternative Compliance – In all zones, the number of affordable housing units required is determined by rounding up to the next whole number of units if the fraction of the whole number is at least 0.66. KZC 112.30 establishes methods for alternative compliance, including payment in lieu of construction for portions of required affordable housing units that are less than 0.66 units.

(Ord. 4476 § 3, 2015; Ord. 4474 § 1, 2015; Ord. 4392 § 1, 2012; Ord. 4390 § 1, 2012; Ord. 4337 § 1, 2011; Ord. 4286 § 1, 2011; Ord. 4222 § 1, 2009; Ord. 3938 § 1, 2004)

112.20 Basic Affordable Housing Incentives

1. Approval Process – The City will use the underlying permit process to review and decide upon an application utilizing the affordable housing incentives identified in this section.
2. Bonus
 - a. Height Bonus. In RH, PLA 5C, and TL use zones where there is no minimum lot size per dwelling unit, additional building height has been granted in exchange for affordable housing, as reflected in each Use Zone Chart for the RH and TL zones and table for the PLA 5C zone.
 - b. Development Capacity Bonus. On lots or portions of lots in the RH 8 use zone located more than 120 feet north of NE 85th Street, between 132nd Avenue NE and parcels abutting 131st Avenue NE, and in the CBD 5A use zone where there is no minimum lot size per dwelling unit, additional residential development capacity has been granted in exchange for affordable housing as reflected in the Use Zone Chart. in the HENC 2 use zone,
 - c. Bonus Units. In use zones where the number of dwelling units allowed on the subject property is determined by dividing the lot size by the required minimum lot area per unit, two (2) additional units ("bonus units") may be constructed for each affordable housing unit provided. (See Plate 32 for example of bonus unit calculations.)
 - d. Maximum Unit Bonuses. The maximum number of bonus units achieved through a basic affordable housing incentive shall be 25 percent of the number of units allowed based on the underlying zone of the subject property.
 - e. Density Bonus for Assisted Living Facilities. The affordable housing density bonus may be used for assisted living facilities to the extent that the bonus for affordable housing may not exceed 25 percent of the base density of the underlying zone of the subject property.
3. Alternative Affordability Levels – An applicant may propose affordability levels different from those defined in Chapter 5 KZC for the affordable housing units.

- a. In use zones where a density bonus is provided in exchange for affordable housing units, the ratio of bonus units per affordable housing unit for alternative affordability levels will be as follows:

Affordability Level	Bonus Unit to Affordable Unit Ratio
Renter-Occupied Housing	
60% of median income	1.9 to 1
70% of median income	1.8 to 1
Owner-Occupied Housing	
90% of median income	2.1 to 1
80% of median income	2.2 to 1

- b. In the CBD 50 RH, TL and PLA 5C use zones, the percent of affordable units required for alternative affordability levels will be as follows:

Affordability Level	% of Project Units Required to Be Affordable
Renter-Occupied Housing	
60% of median income	13%
70% of median income	17%
Owner-Occupied Housing	
70% of median income	8%
90% of median income	13%
100% of median income	21%

- c. To encourage "pioneer developments" in the Rose Hill and Totem Lake business districts, the definition of affordable housing for projects in the RH and TL zones shall be as provided in the following table. This subsection shall apply only to those projects which meet the affordability requirements on site or off site. This subsection shall not apply to those projects which elect to use a payment in lieu of constructing affordable units as authorized in KZC 112.30(4).

The affordable housing requirements for projects vested on or after the effective date of the ordinance codified in this section must be targeted for households whose incomes do not exceed the following:

Number of Total Units		Affordability Level	
RH Zones	TL Zones	Renter-Occupied	Owner-Occupied
First 50 units	First 150 units	70% of median income	100% of median income
Second 50 units	Second 150 units	60% of median income	90% of median income
All subsequent units	All subsequent units	50% of median income	80% of median income

"Number of Total Units" shall mean the total number of housing units (affordable and otherwise) permitted to be constructed within the RH and TL zones where affordable housing units are required and which have not received funding from public sources.

- 2) Any development in the following zones within the NE 85th Street Subarea: RH 8 except development that includes lots or portions of lots located more than 120 feet north of NE 85th Street, between 132nd Avenue NE and properties abutting 131st Avenue NE, PR 3.6, RM, PLA 17A.
 - 3) Any development in the MSC 1 and MSC 4 zones located within the Market Street Corridor.
2. Administrative Design Review (A.D.R.) – All other development activities not requiring D.B.R. review under subsection (1) of this section shall be reviewed through the A.D.R. process pursuant to KZC 142.25.
 3. Exemptions from Design Review – The following development activities shall be exempt from either A.D.R. or D.B.R. and compliance with the design regulations of Chapter 92 KZC:
 - a. Any activity which does not require a building permit; or
 - b. Interior work that does not alter the exterior of the structure; or
 - c. Normal building maintenance including the repair or maintenance of structural members; or
 - d. Any development listed as exempt in the applicable Use Zone Chart.

(Ord. 4498 § 3, 2015; Ord. 4392 § 1, 2012; Ord. 4390 § 1, 2012; Ord. 4177 § 2, 2009; Ord. 4107 § 1, 2007; Ord. 4097 § 1, 2007; Ord. 4037 § 1, 2006; Ord. 4030 § 1, 2006; Ord. 3833 § 1, 2002)

142.25 Administrative Design Review (A.D.R.) Process

1. Authority – The Planning Official shall conduct A.D.R. in conjunction with a related development permit pursuant to this section.

The Planning Official shall review the A.D.R. application for compliance with the design regulations contained in Chapter 92 KZC, or in zones where so specified, with the applicable design guidelines adopted by KMC 3.30.040. In addition, the following guidelines and policies shall be used to interpret how the regulations apply to the subject property:

- a. Design guidelines for pedestrian-oriented business districts, as adopted in KMC 3.30.040.
 - b. Design guidelines for the Rose Hill Business District (RHBD), the Totem Lake Business District (TLBD) and Yarrow Bay Business District (YBD) as adopted in KMC 3.30.040.
 - c. For review of attached or stacked dwelling units within the NE 85th Street Subarea, the PLA 5C Zone and the Market Street Corridor, Design Guidelines for Residential Development as adopted in KMC 3.30.040.
2. Application – As part of any application for a development permit requiring A.D.R., the applicant shall show compliance with the design regulations in Chapter 92 KZC, or where applicable, the design guidelines adopted by KMC 3.30.040, by submitting an A.D.R. application on a form provided by the Planning and Building Department. The application shall include all documents and exhibits listed on the application form, as well as application materials required as a result of a pre-design conference.
 3. Pre-Design Conference – Before applying for A.D.R. approval, the applicant may schedule a pre-design meeting with the Planning Official. The meeting will be scheduled by the Planning Official upon written request by the applicant. The purpose of this meeting is to provide an opportunity for an applicant to discuss the project concept with the Planning Official and for the

- c. The Design Guidelines for Residential Development, as adopted in KMC 3.30.040, for review of attached and stacked dwelling units located within the NE 85th Street Subarea, the PLA 5C zone, and the Market Street Corridor.
 - d. The Parkplace Master Plan and Design Guidelines for CBD 5A as adopted in Chapter 3.30 KMC.
4. The Design Review Board is authorized to approve minor variations in development standards within certain Design Districts described in KZC 142.37, provided the variation complies with the criteria of KZC 142.37.
 5. Pre-Design Conference – Before applying for D.B.R. approval, the applicant shall attend a pre-design conference with the Planning Official. The conference will be scheduled by the Planning Official upon written request by the applicant. The purpose of this conference is for the Planning Official to discuss how the design regulations, design guidelines, and other applicable provisions of this code and the Comprehensive Plan relate to the proposed development and to assist the applicant in preparing for the conceptual design conference. A pre-design conference may be combined with a pre-submittal meeting.
 6. Conceptual Design Conference – Before applying for design review approval, the applicant shall attend a conceptual design conference (CDC) with the Design Review Board. The conference will be scheduled by the Planning Official to occur within 30 days of written request by the applicant. The applicant shall submit a complete application for Design Review within six (6) months following the CDC, or the results of the CDC will be null and void and a new CDC will be required prior to application for design review approval. The purpose of this conference is to provide an opportunity for the applicant to discuss the project concept with the Design Review Board and:
 - a. To discuss how the design regulations, design guidelines and other applicable provisions of the Comprehensive Plan affect or pertain to the proposed development;
 - b. For the Design Review Board to designate which design regulations, design guidelines and other applicable provisions of the Comprehensive Plan apply to the proposed development based primarily on the location and nature of the proposed development; and
 - c. For the Design Review Board to determine what models, drawings, perspectives, 3-D CAD models, or other application materials the applicant will need to submit with the design review application.
 7. Application – Following the conceptual design conference, the applicant shall submit the design review application on a form provided by the Planning and Building Department. The application shall include all documents and exhibits listed on the application, as well as all application materials required as a result of the conceptual design conference.
 8. Public Notice
 - a. Contents – On receipt of a complete design review application, the Planning Official shall schedule a design response conference with the Design Review Board to occur within 60 calendar days of receiving the complete application. The Planning Official shall provide public notice of the design response conference. Public notice shall contain the name of the applicant and project, the location of the subject property, a description of the proposed project, time and place of the first design response conference, and a statement of the availability of the application file.

Conceptual Master Plan Conference for TL 5 – The Design Review Board shall consider a Conceptual Master Plan (CMP) for properties over four (4) acres in size in TL 5. The CMP shall incorporate the design principles set forth in the special regulations for the use in the TL 5 zoning chart.

Conceptual Master Plan Conference for RHBD – The Design Review Board shall consider a Conceptual Master Plan (CMP) in the RH 3 zone within the NE 85th Street Subarea. The CMP shall incorporate the design considerations for the RH 3 zone set forth in the Design Guidelines for the Rose Hill Business District.

10. Approval – After reviewing the D.B.R. application and other application materials, the Design Review Board may grant, deny or conditionally approve subject to modifications the D.B.R. application for the proposed development. No development permit for the subject property requiring D.B.R. approval will be issued until the proposed development is granted D.B.R. approval or conditional approval. The terms of D.B.R. approval or conditional approval will become a condition of approval on each subsequent development permit and no subsequent development permit will be issued unless it is consistent with the D.B.R. approval or conditional approval. The Planning Official shall send written notice of the D.B.R. decision to the applicant and all other parties who participated in the conference(s) within 14 calendar days of the approval. If the D.B.R. is denied, the decision shall specify the reasons for denial. The final D.B.R. decision of the City on the D.B.R. application shall be the date of distribution of the written D.B.R. decision or, if the D.B.R. decision is appealed, the date of the City's final decision on the appeal. Notwithstanding any other provision of this code, if an applicant submits a complete application for a building permit for the approved D.B.R. development within 180 days of the final D.B.R. decision, the date of vesting for the building permit application shall be the date of the final D.B.R. decision.

Additional Approval Provision for TL 2 and TL 5 – The Notice of Approval for a Conceptual Master Plan (CMP) shall set thresholds for subsequent D.B.R. or A.D.R. review of projects following approval of a CMP in TL 2 or TL 5. The Notice of Approval shall also include a phasing plan for all improvements shown or described in the CMP.

Additional Approval Provision for RHBD – The Design Review Board shall determine the thresholds for subsequent D.B.R. or A.D.R. review of projects following approval of a Conceptual Master Plan (CMP) in the RHBD. The Notice of Approval for the CMP will state the thresholds for future review of projects and also include a phasing plan for all improvements shown or described in the CMP.

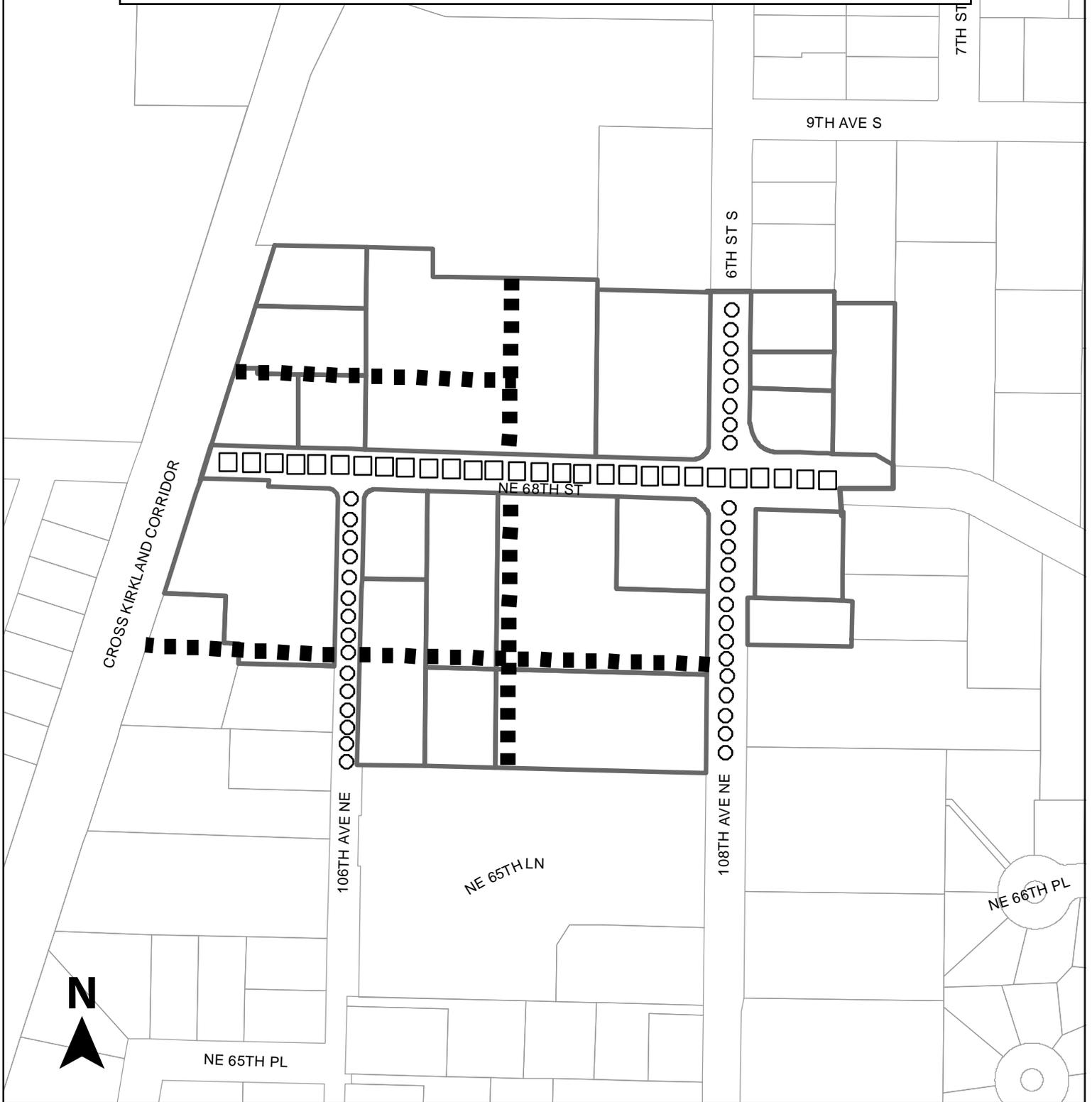
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142.37 Design Departure and Minor Variations

1. General – This section provides a mechanism for obtaining approval to depart from strict adherence to the design regulations or for requesting minor variations from requirements in the following zones:
- In the CBD and YBD: minimum required yards; and
 - In the Business District Core: minimum required yards, floor plate maximums and building separation requirements; and
 - In the RHBD, the PLA 5C zone, and the TLBD: minimum required yards, and landscape buffer; and

the HENC,

Plate 34-O Pedestrian Circulation in Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center

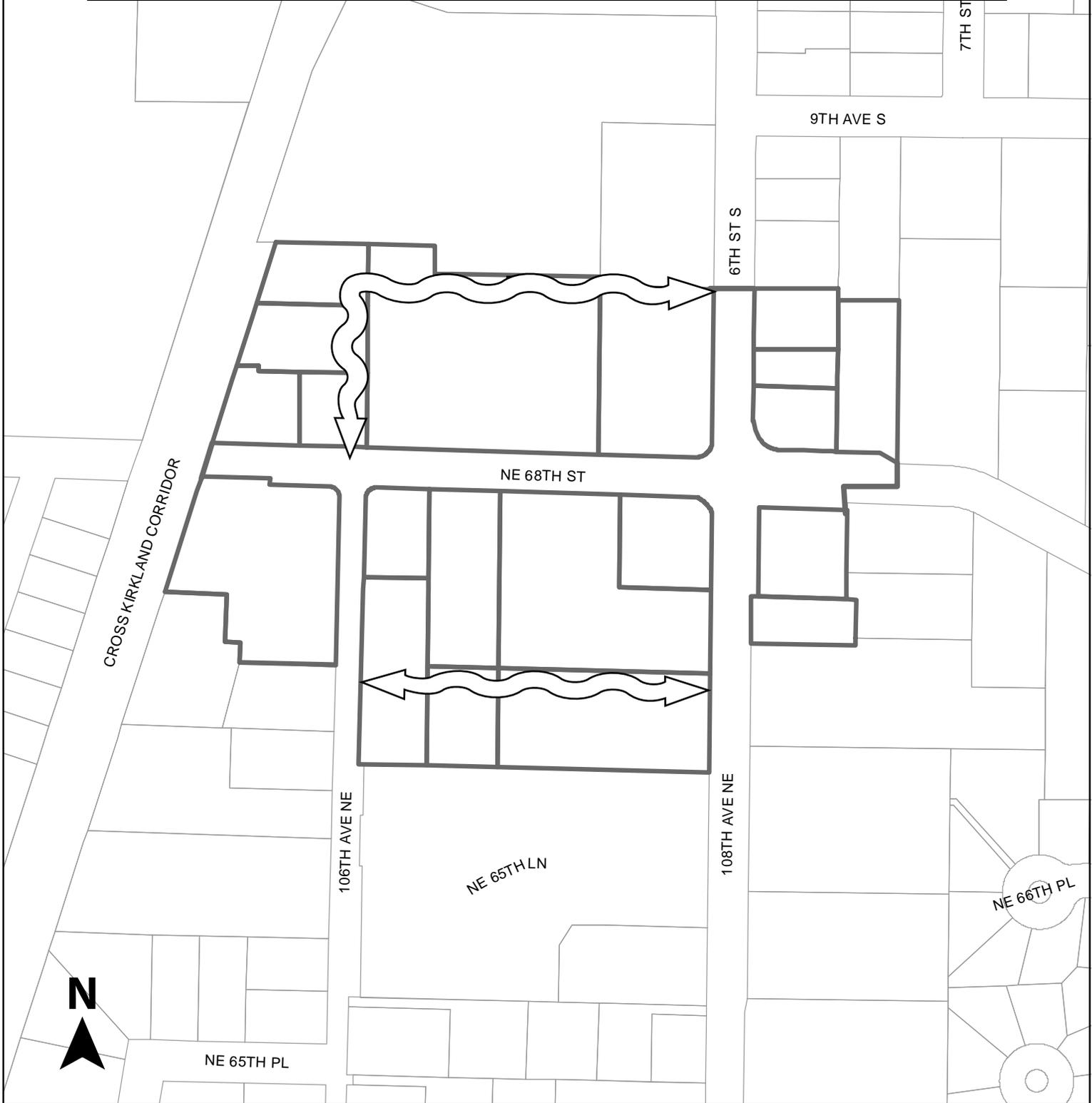


14' SIDEWALK REQUIRED

- Both sides of NE 68th Street
- East side of 106th Ave. NE
- West Side of 108th Ave NE
- West Side of 6th Street South

- ○ ○ ○ Major Ped Sidewalks
- □ □ □ Pedestrian-Oriented Street
- ■ ■ ■ Through-Block Pathway
(Location Estimated)

Plate 34-P
Vehicular Access Concept for Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center



Consolidate driveways per ZC section 105.35

 **Vehicular Access**
(Location Estimated)

RESOLUTION R-5292

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND APPROVING AMENDED DESIGN GUIDELINES FOR PEDESTRIAN ORIENTED BUSINESS DISTRICTS AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN.

1 WHEREAS, the Planning Commission and the Houghton
2 Community Council considered the proposed amendments to the Design
3 Guidelines for Pedestrian Oriented Business Districts at their joint public
4 hearing on March 23, 2017, in association with related amendments to
5 the Kirkland Comprehensive Plan, Zoning Map and Zoning Code; and
6

7 WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is appropriate
8 to amend the Design Guidelines for Pedestrian Oriented Business
9 Districts as they support the Comprehensive Plan, Zoning Map and
10 Zoning Code amendments for the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood
11 Center and under Kirkland Municipal Code 3.30.040 design guidelines
12 bearing the signature of the Mayor and Director of the Department of
13 Planning and Community Development are adopted by reference;
14

15 NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City
16 of Kirkland as follows:
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18 Section 1. The amendments to the Design Guidelines for
19 Pedestrian Oriented Business Districts, attached as Exhibit A, are
20 approved.
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22 Section 2. The Mayor is authorized to sign the amended Design
23 Guidelines for Pedestrian Oriented Business Districts.
24

25 Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open
26 meeting this ____ day of _____, 2018.
27

28 Signed in authentication thereof this ____ day of _____,
29 2018.

Amy Walen, Mayor

Attest:

Kathi Anderson, City Clerk

The City of Kirkland

Design Guidelines

For Pedestrian-Oriented Business Districts



Adopted by the City Council pursuant to
Kirkland Municipal Code Section 3.30.040.

Dated August 3, 2004.

Updated December 11, 2012, R-4945 & R-4946.

Attest:



Joan McBride,
Mayor

Eric Shields
Director,
Planning & Community
Development

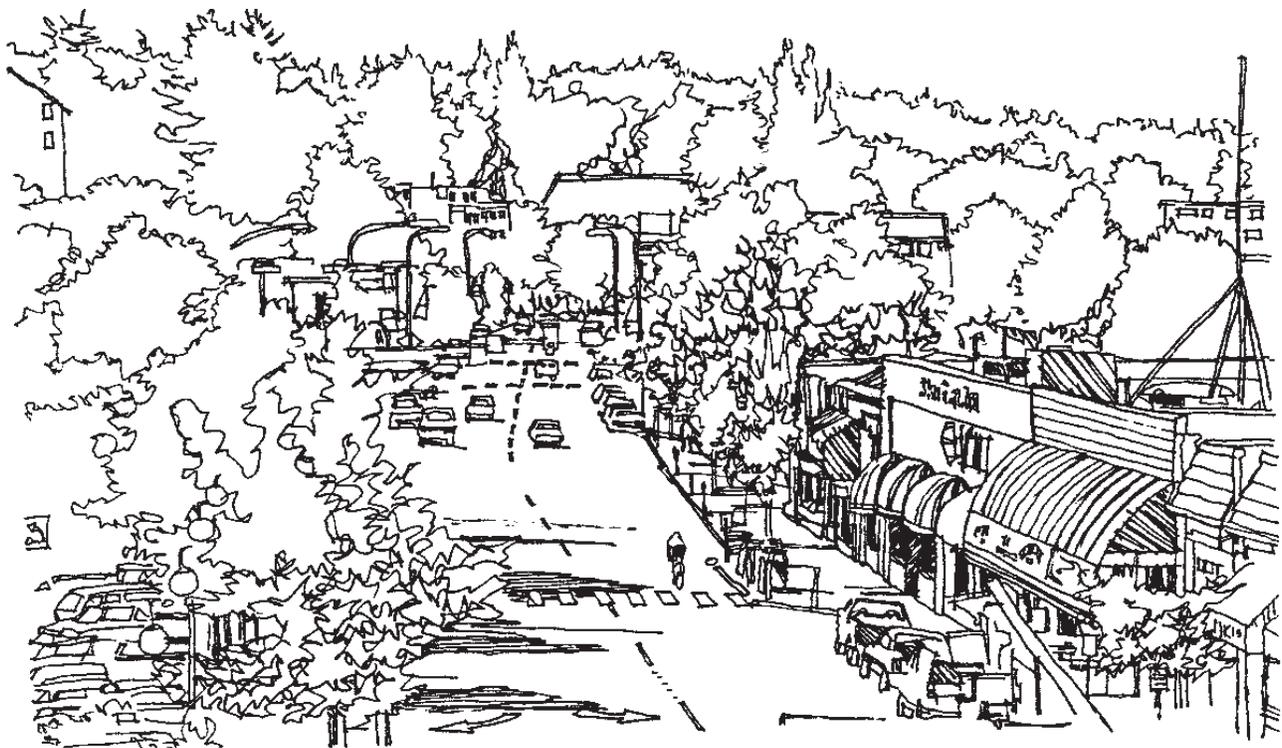
Introduction

This document sets forth a series of Design Guidelines, adopted by Section 3.30 of the Kirkland Municipal Code, that will be used by the City in the design review process. For Board Design Review (BDR), the Design Review Board will use these guidelines in association with the Design Regulations of the Kirkland Zoning Code. To the extent that the standards of the Design Guidelines or Design Regulations address the same issue but are not entirely consistent or contain different levels of specificity, the Design Review Board will determine which standard results in superior design. For Administrative Design Review (ADR), the Planning Official will use these guidelines when necessary to interpret the Design Regulations. They are also intended to assist project developers and their architects by providing graphic examples of the intent of the City's guidelines and regulations.

Most of the concepts presented in the Design Guidelines are applicable to any pedestrian-oriented business district.* “Special Considerations” have been added, such as for Downtown Kirkland, to illustrate how unique characteristics of that pedestrian-oriented business district relate to the Guideline.

The Design Guidelines do not set a particular style of architecture or design theme. Rather, they will establish a greater sense of quality, unity, and conformance with Kirkland's physical assets and civic role.

The Design Guidelines will work with improvements to streets and parks and the development of new public facilities to create a dynamic setting for civic activities and private development. It is important to note that these Guidelines are not intended to slow or restrict development, but rather to add consistency and predictability to the permit review process.



* The guidelines also apply to residential development in the Central Business District (CBD), the Juanita Business District (JBD), the North Rose Hill Business District, the Market Street Corridor (MSC), Totem Center, and Planned Area 5C (PLA5C); and to mixed use development throughout the City.

the Houghton/Everest
 Neighborhood Center
 (HENC),



Kirkland Design Guidelines

The drawing below illustrates many of the design Guidelines described in this appendix

- 1 Pedestrian plazas and places for vendors encouraged through several regulations.
- 2 Buildings on corner lots may be required to incorporate an architectural or pedestrian-oriented feature at the corner. Many options are possible including plazas, artwork, turrets, curved corners, ← stepbacks, setbacks,

Special architectural requirements placed on use of concrete block and metal siding.

- 3 “Architectural scale” requirements direct large buildings to fit more comfortably with neighboring development. This example employs building setbacks, decks, curved surfaces, and recessed entries to reduce appearance of building mass.
- 4 Parking garages on pedestrian-oriented streets or through-block sidewalks may incorporate pedestrian-oriented uses or pedestrian-oriented space into front facades.

Street trees required along certain streets.

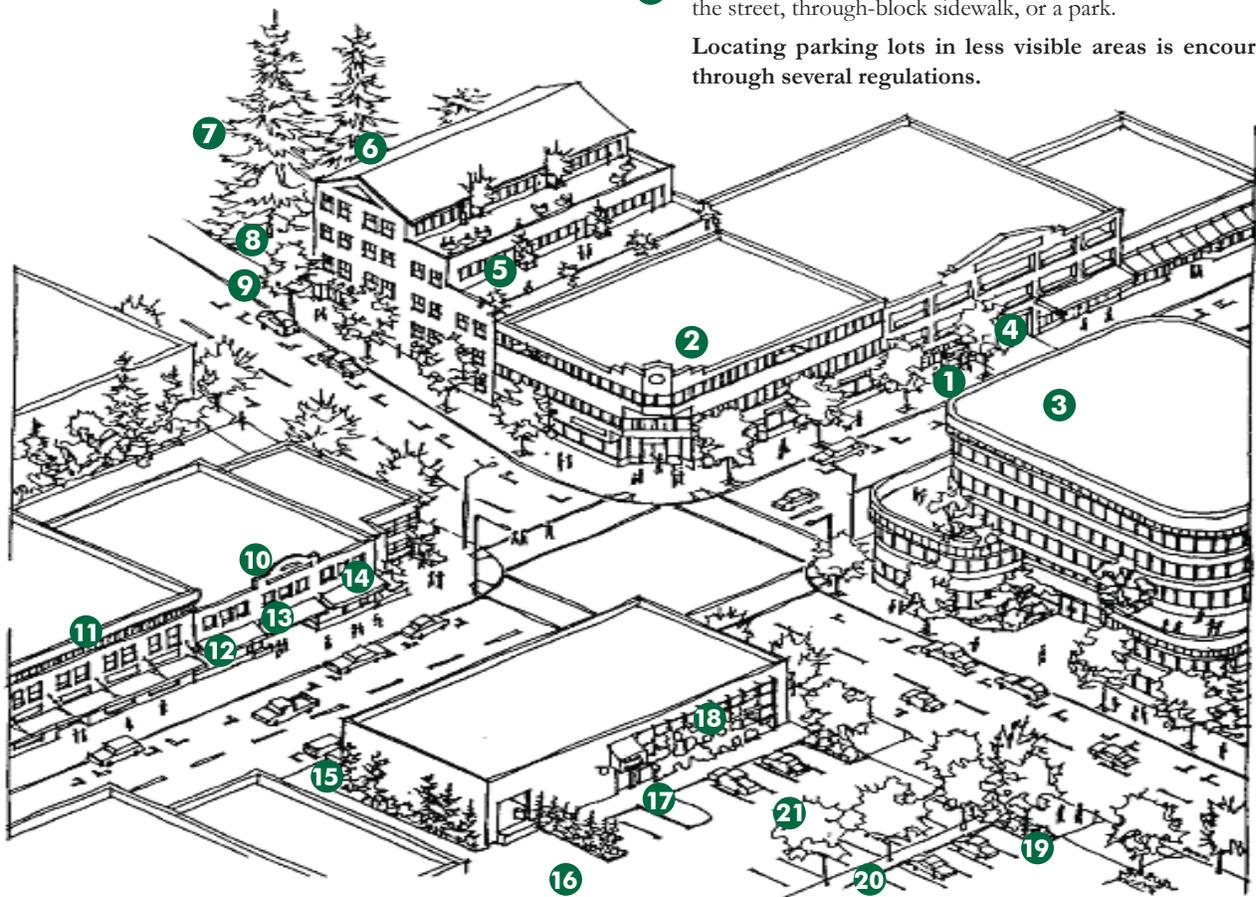
- 5 Human scale features such as balconies or decks, bay windows, covered entries, gable or hipped rooflines, multiple paned windows, or pedestrian-oriented space may be required.
- 6 More flexible method of measuring building height on slopes.
- 7 New policies regarding tree protection and enhancement of wooded slopes. Standards for size, quantity, quality, and maintenance of landscape plant materials are set by the Zoning Code.

- 8 Standards for size, quantity, quality, and maintenance of landscape plant materials are set by the Zoning Code.
- 9 Standards are set for pathway width, pavement, lighting, and site features on required major pathways and public properties.
- 10 A building cornerstone or plaque may be required.
- 11 Covering up existing masonry or details with synthetic materials is restricted.
- 12 Ground story facades of buildings on pedestrian-oriented streets or adjacent to parks may be required to feature display windows, artwork, or pedestrian-oriented space.
- 13 Pedestrian weather protection required on pedestrian-oriented streets.
- 14 Architectural detail elements such as decorative or special windows, doors, railings, grillwork, lighting, trellises, pavements, materials, or artwork to add visual interest may be required.

Size of parking lots abutting pedestrian-oriented streets may be restricted.

- 15 Quantity and locations of driveways are regulated.
- 16 Visible service areas and loading docks must be screened.
- 17 Provision for pedestrian circulation is required in large parking lots.
- 18 Blank walls near streets or adjacent to through-block sidewalks must be treated with landscaping, artwork, or other treatment.
- 19 Screening of parking lots near streets is required.
- 20 Standards for curbs, signing, lighting, and equipment are set for parking lots.
- 21 Internal landscaping is required on large parking lots visible from the street, through-block sidewalk, or a park.

Locating parking lots in less visible areas is encouraged through several regulations.



- ◆ Use materials and forms that reinforce the visual coherence of the campus.
- ◆ Provide inviting and useable open space.
- ◆ Enhance the campus with landscaping.
- ◆ Guidelines for the transit center to be located on the hospital campus should be developed and incorporated with guidelines for the rest of the campus.

The following guidelines do not apply to Totem Center:

- ◆ Height Measurement on Hillsides
- ◆ Views of Water



Introduction

Successful pedestrian-oriented business districts, as opposed to “commercial strips,” depend upon making pedestrian circulation more convenient and attractive than vehicular circulation, because the retail strategy for such districts

Purpose of the Design Guidelines for Neighborhood Business Districts

The Comprehensive Plan establishes a hierarchy of commercial districts, with regional goods and services the upper end and neighborhoods goods and services the lower end.

Kirkland's Neighborhood Business Districts (BN, BN and MSC2) are important in providing neighborhood goods and services. Given the more localized draw for residents to meet their everyday needs, an emphasis on convenient and attractive pedestrian connections and vehicular access is important.

In addition, because these districts are surrounded by residential land uses they serve, the design character in context of new development is critical to ensure that it integrates into the neighborhood.

The design guidelines are intended to further the following design objectives that are stated in the Plan:

- ◆ Establish development standards that promote attractive commercial areas and reflect the distinctive role of each area.
- ◆ Encourage and develop places and events throughout the community where people can gather and interact.
- ◆ Moss Bay neighborhood: Ensure that building design is compatible with the neighborhood in scale, and character.
- ◆ South Rose Hill neighborhood: Residential scale and design are critical to integrate these uses into the residential area.

The following guidelines do not apply to these districts:

- ◆ Protection and Enhancement of Wooded Slopes
- ◆ Height Measurement on Hillsides
- ◆ Culverted Creeks

Purpose of the Design Guidelines for the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center

The plan for the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center was adopted in 2017. The primary goal of the plan is to promote a strong and vibrant pedestrian oriented neighborhood center with a mix of commercial and residential land uses that primarily serve the adjacent neighborhoods.

In addition, the neighborhood center contains an important interface with the Cross Kirkland Corridor (CKC). Successfully integrating site and building design, as well as public access, with this important transportation and open space amenity will mutually benefit the neighborhood center and the CKC. Thoughtful design of the interface will attract nonmotorized customers and residents to the neighborhood center and create an attractive and safe space for pedestrians and bicyclists using the CKC.

The Guidelines are intended to further the following design objectives that are stated in the Comprehensive Plan.

- Coordinate development on both sides of the NE 68th Street Corridor in the Everest and Central Houghton neighborhoods.
 - Promote a pedestrian-oriented development concept through standards for a coordinated master plan for the center.
 - Reduce ingress and egress conflicts within and around the center through creation of a circulation system for all users including vehicles, bicycles and pedestrians.
 - Design buildings with careful attention given to modulation, upper story step backs, and use of materials to reduce the appearance of bulk and mass.
 - Coordinate street improvements.
 - Provide transitions between commercial and low density residential areas.
 - Discourage southbound through traffic on 106th Avenue NE.
 - Enhance the gateway at the corner of NE 68th Street and 108th Avenue NE.
 - Provide gathering spaces and relaxation areas within the center.
- The following guidelines do not apply to the Neighborhood Center:
- Protection and Enhancement of Wooded Slopes
 - Height Measurement on Hillsides
 - Culverted Creeks



“Pedestrian-Friendly” Building Fronts

Issue

Building setbacks were originally developed to promote “pedestrian-friendly” building fronts by providing light, air, and safety. But dull building facades and building setbacks that are either too wide or too narrow can destroy a pedestrian streetscape. A successful pedestrian business district must provide interesting, pedestrian-friendly building facades and sidewalk activities.

Discussion

Building fronts should have pedestrian-friendly features transparent or decorative windows, public entrances, murals, bulletin boards, display windows, seating, or street vendors that cover at least 75 percent of the ground-level storefront surface between 2’ and 6’ above the sidewalk.



Sitting areas for restaurant and merchandise displays should allow at least a 10’ wide pavement strip for walking. Planters can define the sitting area and regulate pedestrian flow.

Blank walls severely detract from a pedestrian streetscape. To mitigate the negative effects of blank walls:

- ◆ Recess the wall with niches that invite people to stop, sit, and lean.
- ◆ Allow street vendors.
- ◆ Install trellises with climbing vines or plant materials.
- ◆ Provide a planting bed with plant material that screens at least 50 percent of the surface.
- ◆ Provide artwork on the surface.

Guideline

All building fronts should have pedestrian-friendly features as listed above.

Special Consideration for Downtown Kirkland - Glazing

Building frontages along pedestrian-oriented streets in the Central Business District should be configured to have a 15’ story height to ensure suitability for diverse retail tenants and enhance the pedestrian experience. Where these taller retail stories are required, special attention to storefront detailing is necessary to provide a visual connection between pedestrian and retail activity.

Guideline

Storefronts along pedestrian-oriented streets should be highly transparent with windows of clear vision glass beginning no higher than 2’ above grade to at least 10’ above grade. Windows should extend across, at a minimum, 75% of the façade length. Continuous window walls should be avoided by providing architectural building treatments, mullions, building modulation, entry doors, and/or columns at appropriate intervals.

Special Consideration For Non-Retail Lobbies In Central Business District 1A & 1B

Non-retail uses are generally not allowed along street frontage within Central Business District 1. However, in order to provide pedestrian access to office, hotel, or residential uses located off of the street frontage or above the retail, some allowance for lobbies is necessary.

Guideline

Lobbies for residential, hotel, and office uses may be allowed within the required retail storefront space provided that the street frontage of the lobby is limited relative to the property’s overall retail frontage and that the storefront design of the lobby provides continuity to the retail character of the site and the overall street.

Special Consideration for Totem Center

Since pedestrians move slowly along the sidewalk, the street level of buildings must be interesting and varied. Since the potential exists for large tenants to locate within TL 2, efforts should be made to minimize the impacts of these uses along pedestrian-oriented streets and concourses. Along 120th Avenue NE, buildings should be designed to add vitality along the sidewalk, by providing multiple entrance points to shops, continuous weather protection, outdoor dining, transparency of windows and interactive window displays, entertainment and diverse architectural elements. Ground floor development in TL 2 should be set close to the sidewalk along pedestrian streets and concourses to orient to the pedestrian and provide an appropriately-scaled environment.



Special Consideration for Neighborhood Business Districts

Issue

and Houghton/Everest
 Neighborhood Center

To create a focal point for the community and engage pedestrians, buildings are encouraged to be oriented to pedestrian-oriented streets in these zones. However, commercial space that is above or below the grade of the sidewalk can compromise the desired pedestrian orientation.

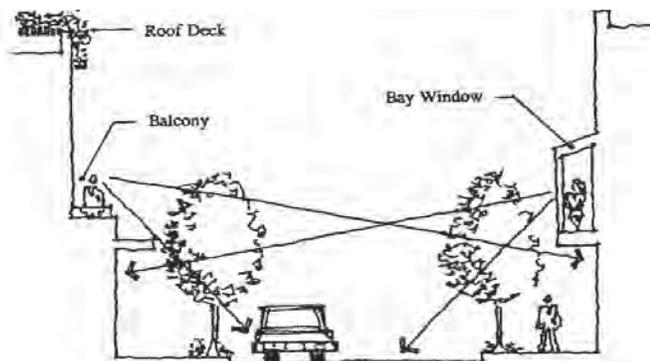
Guideline

Commercial space should generally be at grade with the adjoining sidewalk. Where this is not feasible, the building should be setback from the sidewalk far enough to allow a comfortable grade transition with generous pedestrian-oriented open space.

Upper-Story Activities Overlooking the Street

Issue

Upper-story architectural features such as balconies, roof decks, and bay windows improve the relation between the upper-story living and working units and the street. Upper-story activity provides additional security at night – people overlooking a street tend to “patrol” it – and give the street a more human, people-oriented quality.



Discussion

All buildings should have either an individual balcony or bay window for each dwelling unit or a collective roof deck that overlooks the street or both. This is especially important on the second and third floors where it is easier to establish connection with people on the street level.

Retail stores, offices, and studios liven second stories, particularly at night when second story activities are silhouetted.

Balconies should have direct access from an interior room and be at least 6' in depth so that two or three people can sit at a small table and have enough room to stretch their legs.

Plantings are encouraged on balconies and roof decks in order to bring more greenery into the City. Window seating at bay windows enables people to sit by a window and overlook the street.

Guideline

All buildings on pedestrian-oriented streets should be encouraged to have upper-story activities overlooking the street, as well as balconies and roof decks with direct access from living spaces. Planting trellises and architectural elements are encouraged in conjunction with decks and bay windows. Upper-story commercial activities are also encouraged.

Lighting from Buildings

Issue

Overpowering and uniform illumination creates glare and destroys the quality of night light. Well-placed lights will form individual pools of light and maintain sufficient lighting levels for security and safety purposes.

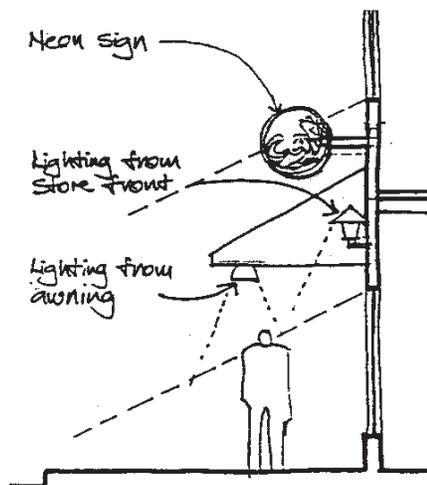
Discussion

All building entries should be lighted to protect occupants and provide an inviting area.

Building facades, awnings, and signs should not be lighted with overpowering and uniform lights. They should be lighted with low-level building-mounted lights and placed apart to form pools of light. Lighting from storefronts, canopies, or awnings is a very attractive and effective way to light sidewalks.

Recommended Minimum Light Level:

- ◆ Primary pedestrian walkway: 2 foot candle
- ◆ Secondary pedestrian walkway: 2 foot candle
- ◆ Parking lot: 1 foot candle



Guideline

All building entries should be well lit. Building facades in pedestrian areas should provide lighting to walkways and sidewalks through building-mounted lights, canopy- or awning-mounted lights, and display window lights. Encourage variety in the use of light fixtures to give visual variety from one building facade to the next. Back-lit or internally-lit translucent awnings should be prohibited.

Pedestrian-Oriented Plazas

Issue

Too often we see well-designed – but empty – plazas. There is no clear formula for designing a plaza, but a poorly designed plaza will not attract people.

Discussion

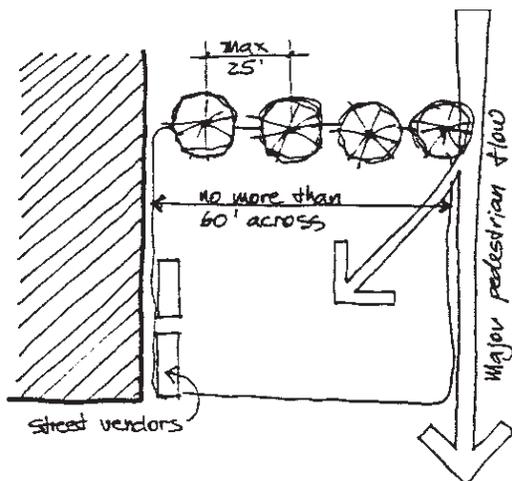
Plazas should be centrally located on major avenues, close to bus stops, or where there are strong pedestrian flows on neighboring sidewalks.

Plazas should be no more than 60’ across and no more than 3’ above or below the sidewalk. They must be handicapped accessible.

Plazas should have plenty of benches, steps, and ledges for seating. At least one linear foot of seating per 30 square feet of plaza area should be provided; seating should have a minimum depth of 16”.

Locate the plaza in a sunny spot and encourage public art and other amenities. At least 50 percent of the total frontage of building walls facing a plaza should be occupied by retail uses, street vendors, or other pedestrian-oriented uses.

Provide plenty of planting beds for ground cover or shrubs. One tree should be required for every 200 square feet at a maximum spacing of 25’ apart. Special precaution must be taken to prevent trees from blocking the sun.



Guideline

Successful pedestrian-oriented plazas are generally located in sunny areas along a well-traveled pedestrian route. Plazas must provide plenty of sitting areas and amenities and give people a sense of enclosure and safety.

Special Considerations for Totem Center

Public spaces, such as landscaped and/or furnished plazas and courtyards should be incorporated into the development, and be visible and accessible from either a public sidewalk or pedestrian connection. Primary pedestrian access points to retail development in TL 2 along 120th Avenue NE may be especially effective locations for public plazas.

Open spaces are especially important in TL 1, where the built environment may be dense. Well designed open spaces in front of and between buildings, visually linked with the open spaces of adjacent developments, will help to provide relief for the pedestrian.

Pedestrian Connections

Issue

the Cross Kirkland Corridor and Eastside Rail Corridor,

The ability to walk directly into a commercial center from the public sidewalk or a bus stop is essential to both pedestrian and vehicular safety.

Discussion

Well defined, direct pedestrian connections from the building to the public sidewalk are not always available in commercial centers. The connection between the internal pedestrian system on the site and the public sidewalk is often interrupted by landscaping or an automobile driveway.

Properly located landscaping can be used along with special paving to help define pedestrian links through the site



Guideline

the Cross Kirkland Corridor and Eastside Rail Corridor,

Commercial developments should have well defined, safe pedestrian walkways that minimize distances from the public sidewalk and transit facilities to the internal pedestrian system and building entrances.

Blank Walls

Issue

Blank walls create imposing and dull visual barriers. On the other hand, blank walls are ready “canvases” for art, murals, and landscaping.

Discussion

Blank walls on street fronts. Blank walls on retail frontage deaden the surrounding space and break the retail continuity of the block. Blank walls should be avoided on street front elevations. The adverse impact of a blank wall on the pedestrian streetscape can be mitigated through art, landscaping, street vendors, signs, kiosks, bus stops, or seating. Design guidelines in New York, San Francisco, and Bellevue recommend that ground floor retail with pedestrian-oriented displays be the primary uses in commercial districts. This approach is meant to restore and maintain vitality on the street via continuous rows of retail establishments.

Blank walls perpendicular to street fronts. In some cases fire walls require the intrusion of a flat, unadorned surface. These conditions merit landscaping or artistic treatment. Examples of such treatment include installing trellises for vines and plant material, providing landscaped planting beds that screen at least 50 percent of the wall, incorporating decorative tile or masonry, or providing artwork (mural, sculpture, relief) on the wall.



Guideline

the Cross Kirkland Corridor and Eastside Rail Corridor,

Blank walls should be avoided near sidewalks, parks, and pedestrian areas. Where unavoidable, blank walls should be treated with landscaping, art, or other architectural treatments.

Public Improvements and Site Features

Introduction

Site features and pedestrian amenities such as lighting, benches, paving, waste receptacles, and other site elements are an important aspect of a pedestrian-oriented business district’s character. If these features are design-coordinated and high quality, they can help to unify and upgrade the district’s visual character. Development of a master plan for public spaces can provide a coordinated approach to their installation throughout the district.

The guidelines in this section apply primarily to elements associated with street right-of-ways, public parks, and required *major pedestrian pathways*. Although the standards do not apply to private property, except where a *major pedestrian pathway* is required, property owners are encouraged to utilize the standards in private development where they are appropriate. However, there may be cases where different site features, such as light fixtures and benches, should be selected to complement the architectural design of the individual site.



Special Consideration for Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center
 Through block pedestrian connections and connections to the Cross Kirkland Corridor are important features that will help to provide pedestrian access throughout the center.

Pathway Width

Issue

Pathways must be sufficiently wide to handle projected pedestrian traffic. A pathway that is too narrow will have maintenance problems at its edges. A pathway that is too wide is unnecessarily costly and a poor use of space.

Discussion

A pedestrian path of 10’ to 12’ can accommodate groups of persons walking four abreast or two couples passing each other.

A path near a major park feature or special facility like a transit center should be at least 12’ wide. An 8’ path will accommodate pedestrian traffic of less than 1,000 persons per hour.

Empirical Comparison:

- ◆ Green Lake path = 8’
- ◆ Burke-Gilman Path = 8’
- ◆ Typical sidewalk = 8’ to 14’

Guideline

Design all major pedestrian pathways to be at least 8’ wide. Other pathways with less activity can be 6’ wide.

Special Considerations for Juanita Business District

Through-site connections from street to street are a desirable pedestrian amenity in Land Use Area JBD-1.

The goal of these pedestrian connections will be to knit the individual developments into a more cohesive whole, providing convenient pedestrian mobility throughout even if the parcels are developed individually.

Special Consideration for North Rose Hill Business District

Buildings in the NRHBD will be setback at least ten feet from the sidewalk. Landscaping and entry features will be located within this setback yard. Therefore, the sidewalk can be somewhat narrower than on a pedestrian oriented street.

Special Considerations for Totem Center

Through-site connections from street to street, between the upper and lower portions of TL 2, and within TL 2 are needed to provide convenient pedestrian mobility, and to contribute to the village-like character desired for TL 2. Pedestrian connections to surrounding related uses, such as the hospital campus and transit center should also be provided.

tion between the upper and lower mall, such as the use of larger trees at crossings and major points of entry. Choose spacing and varieties to create a plaza-like character to encourage pedestrian activity. Trees in planters and colorful flower beds will soften the area for pedestrians but allow visual access to adjoining businesses. The tree planting plan used along NE 128th Street between Totem Lake Boulevard and 120th Avenue NE should be continued to the segment of 120th Avenue NE between NE 128th Street and NE 132nd Street, to provide a consistent identity throughout the district.

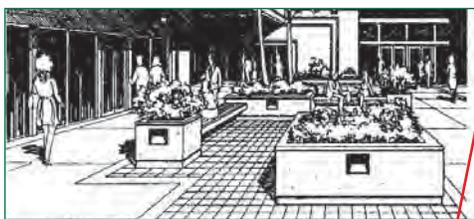
NE 132nd Street: Create a strong streetscape element, inviting to the pedestrian, with street trees proportionate to adjacent land uses.

Public Improvements and Site Features

Issue and Discussion

The quality and character of public improvements and site features such as street and park lights, benches, planters, waste receptacles, pavement materials, and public signs are critical components of a city’s image. Standards for public improvements and site features, along with a master plan for public spaces, will assist in the development of a coordinated streetscape that will unify the variety of private development. Successful standards help assure high quality, low maintenance site features, and simplify the purchase and replacement of features for parks and public works departments.

Since public improvement standards have long-term implications for the community, relevant City departments must be involved in their development to make sure all concerns are met. Standards should permit some flexibility and address technical issues such as cost, availability, handicapped accessibility, and durability.



Special Consideration for Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center
 Pedestrian lighting should be provided along school walk routes and all pedestrian oriented streets in the the center.

Guideline

Planning and Building Department

The ~~Department of Planning and Community Development~~, along with other City departments, should develop a set of public improvement and site feature standards for use in pedestrian-oriented business districts. The standards can be the same or unique for each district. A master plan for public spaces within a district should be adopted to coordinate placement of the features and otherwise carry out the Comprehensive Plan.

The City of Kirkland should work with interested groups to design a public sign system for gateways, pathways, information kiosks, etc., with a signature color palette and identifying logo.

Special Considerations for the Market Street Corridor

An historic style of street light should be used to reflect the nature of the 1890's buildings in the historic district at 7th Avenue and Market Street. These lights may also be used along other stretches of the corridor, particularly in the area between the Historic District and the Central Business District.

Entry Gateway Features

Issue

The Comprehensive Plan calls for gateway features at the key entry points into neighborhoods and business districts. Entry points differ in topography, available space, and surrounding visual character; nevertheless, gateway features should be reinforced by a unified design theme. Gateway features can be different in size or configuration, yet still incorporate similar materials, landscaping, graphics, and design elements.

Discussion

The gateway features should frame and enhance views. Large sign bridges or flashing graphics would dominate the view and are inappropriate. Consistent elements that could be incorporated at all entry points might include:

- ◆ Distinctive landscaping such as floral displays or blue-green colored evergreen foliage.
- ◆ Multicolored masonry, perhaps forming a screen or wall on which an entry sign is placed.
- ◆ A distinctive light such as a column of glass block or cluster of globes.

Parking Lot Location and Design

Introduction

In pedestrian-oriented business districts, improperly located and poorly designed parking lots can destroy the ambiance and qualities that attract people to the district in the first place. This section contains guidelines to direct development of parking facilities. The number of required stalls is specified in the Kirkland Zoning Code. The guidelines in this section deal with:

- ◆ Parking lot location – Parking in front of buildings is discouraged, and combined lots that serve more than one business or use are encouraged.
- ◆ Parking lot entrances – The number of entries is addressed.
- ◆ Parking lot circulation and pedestrian access – Clear internal vehicular and pedestrian circulation is required, especially in large parking lots.
- ◆ Parking garages – Parking garages provide convenient, less intrusive parking. Yet, garages can themselves be intrusive since they are often large monolithic structures with little refinement, interest, or activity. The guidelines for parking garages are intended to make them fit into the scale and character of pedestrian-oriented districts.
- ◆ Parking Lot Landscaping – Parking lot landscaping should be more extensive if the lot has to be in a location that is visible from a street or public park than if the lot is located at the rear of the site hidden away from streets and neighboring properties. This provision is made to encourage parking lot development in less visible locations.

On the following pages, urban design guidelines are presented that outline design information, concepts, and solutions associated with parking lot development. They serve as a conceptual basis for the regulations in the Zoning Code.

Parking Locations and Entrances

Issue

Parking lots can detract from the pedestrian and visual character of a commercial area. The adverse impacts of parking lots can be mitigated through sensitive design, location, and configuration.

Discussion

The ingress and egress of vehicles in parking lots disrupts pedestrian movement and through traffic – especially near intersections. Moreover, busy streets are a safety hazard. Parking lots that are accessed by a single curb cut reduce potential conflict and use land more efficiently. Also, combining the parking lots of individual stores into a large parking network makes it easier for patrons to find convenient parking stalls.

Parking lots should be encouraged in rear or side yards. The parking lot at Wendy's restaurant on Central Way is an example of this configuration.

The City of Seattle limits parking lot access on pedestrian-oriented streets such as Broadway on Capitol Hill.



Guideline

Minimize the number of driveways by restricting curb cuts and by encouraging property and business owners to combine parking lot entrances and coordinate parking areas. Encourage side and rear yard parking areas by restricting parking in front yards. Require extensive screening where there is front yard parking.

Special Consideration for Downtown Kirkland

Parking lot location and design is critical on busy entry streets such as Market Street, Central Way, Lake Street, Kirkland Avenue, and in the congested core area where pedestrian activities are emphasized. The *Downtown Plan* calls for limiting the number of vehicle curb cuts.

Special Consideration for Juanita Business District and North Rose Hill Business District

Shared accesses and reciprocal vehicular easements should be established in order to reduce the number of curb cuts. The Juanita Business District Plan also encourages shared parking/service areas in Land Use Area JBD-1. This is particularly critical in TL 2, where buildings should front on 120th Avenue NE to foster the desired pedestrian-oriented environment.



Special Considerations for Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center
Consolidate driveways within the neighborhood center, especially existing driveways that are currently closely spaced. Restrict or mitigate surface parking between buildings and the Cross Kirkland Corridor.

Special Consideration for Totem Center

Throughout Totem Center, parking areas located between the street and the building should be discouraged. This is particularly critical in TL 2, where buildings should front on 120th Avenue NE to foster the desired pedestrian-oriented environment.

Circulation Within Parking Lots

Issue

Large parking lots can be confusing unless vehicle and pedestrian circulation patterns are well organized and marked. Parking lots should be combined to reduce driveways and improve circulation.

Discussion

Vehicle Circulation. Parking lots should have few dead-end parking lanes and provide drive-through configurations. The APA *Aesthetics of Parking* publication recommends channelized queuing space at the entrances and exits to parking lots to prevent cars from waiting in the street.

Pedestrian Circulation. Good pedestrian circulation is critical. A clear path from the sidewalk to the building entrance should be required for all sites, even through parking lots in front yards. For sites with large parking lots, clear pedestrian circulation routes within the lot from stalls to the building entrances should be provided. In addition, a raised concrete pavement should also be provided in front of the entrance as a loading or waiting area so the entrance will not be blocked by parked vehicles. Finally, pedestrian access between parking lots on adjacent properties should be provided.

Guideline

Parking lot design should be clear and well organized. Space should be provided for pedestrians to walk safely in all parking lots.

Special Consideration for Downtown Kirkland

Because land is limited in Downtown Kirkland, efficient and compact parking lot configurations are a top priority. Parking lots in the periphery of the core area that accommodate about 100 vehicles (approximately 3/4 to 1 acre) should be articulated with landscaped berms.

Issue

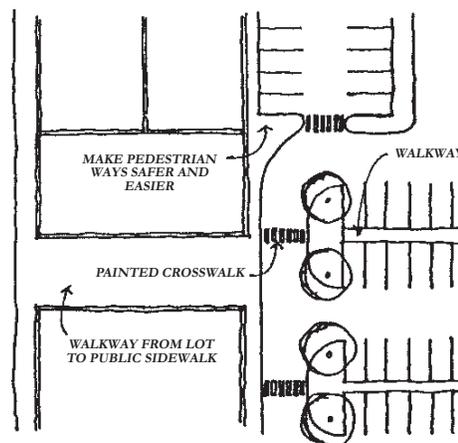
Parking lots are typically unsightly, require vast quantities of space, break the links between buildings, and destroy the continuity of streetfronts. If possible, parking lots should be located at the rear of buildings. When this is not possible, landscaping can be used to break up and screen parking lots.

Discussion

Parking lots can be concealed by a structural screen wall or through the use of plant materials. Plant materials can create dense, hedge-like screens, separating lots from adjacent uses or public right-of-ways. Perimeter plantings must provide an adequate screen. A screen wall constructed in a similar style as adjacent development may be used in lieu of perimeter landscaping.

Trees along the edges of and within parking lots can effectively soften an otherwise barren and hostile space. Interior plantings can be consolidated to provide islands of greenery or be planted at regular intervals. Use of drought-tolerant plants can improve the likelihood that the landscaping will survive and look good.

Landscaping guidelines should be flexible and allow creative screening methods (e.g., clustering trees, berming, mixing structures, and trees). Less landscaping should be required if the lot is hidden from view.



Guideline

Parking lots must be integrated with the fabric of the community by creatively using landscaping to reduce their visual impact.

Special Consideration for Downtown Kirkland

Pedestrian features should be differentiated from vehicular features; thus fenestration detailing, cornices, friezes, and smaller art concepts should be concentrated in Design Districts 1 and 2, while landscaping and larger architectural features should be concentrated in Design Districts 3, 5, 7, and 8.

Special Consideration for Totem Center

Balconies provide private open space, and help to minimize the vertical mass of structures. Residential building facades visible from streets and public spaces should provide balconies of a sufficient depth to appear integrated with the building and not “tacked on”.

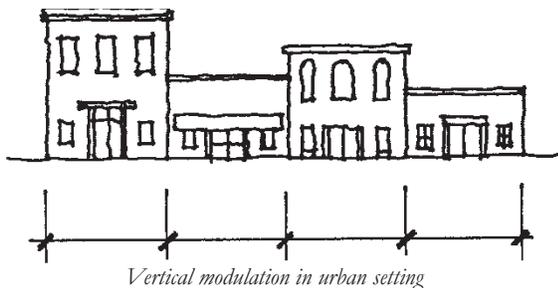
Building Modulation – Vertical

Issue

Vertical building modulation is the vertical articulation or division of an imposing building facade through architectural features, setbacks, or varying rooflines. Vertical modulation adds variety and visual relief to long stretches of development on the streetscape. By altering an elevation vertically, a large building will appear to be more of an aggregation of smaller buildings. Vertical modulation is well-suited for residential development and sites with steep topography.

Discussion

Urban design guidelines should address vertical modulation in order to eliminate monotonous facades. Vertical modulation may take the form of balcony setbacks, varied rooflines, bay windows, protruding structures, or vertical circulation elements – the technique used must be integral to the architecture.



Vertical modulation is important primarily in neighborhoods where topography demands a stepping down of structures. The vertical modulation of a large development project in a residential area can make the project appear to be more in scale with the existing neighborhood. Long facades can be vertically modulated to better conform to the layout and development pattern of single-family houses. The vertical modulation of buildings on steep slopes also provides terraced development rather than one single building block, thereby better reflecting the existing terrain.

Guideline

Vertical building modulation should be used to add variety and to make large buildings appear to be an aggregation of smaller buildings.



This building uses both horizontal and vertical modulation to add interest and reduce its visual bulk.

Special Considerations for Totem Center

Since greater heights are allowed in TL 1 than elsewhere in the city, the impacts of increased height are a concern. Impacts associated with taller buildings are generally ones of reduced open space and privacy, shadowing and loss of light.

Massing of development in slimmer but taller towers rather than in shorter, wider buildings presents an opportunity to create open space between existing buildings, particularly when buildings step back from property lines and neighboring structures. For new buildings to fit in to the existing setting, a balance between higher and lower structures should be maintained.

To preserve openness between structures, separation between towers, both on a development site and between adjacent properties, should be provided. The specific separation should be determined based on height, relation and orientation to other tall structures, configuration of building mass and solar access to public spaces.

Taller buildings or “towers” in TL 1 should have relatively compact floor plates. The use of towers above a two-three story podium creates a varied building footprint and the perception of a smaller overall building mass. When the building’s mass is instead concentrated in lower buildings with larger floor plates, greater emphasis should be placed on open space and plazas to provide relief at the pedestrian level.

Design treatments used in the upper portion of a building can promote visual interest and variety in the Totem Center skyline. Treatments that sculpt the facades of a building, provide for variety in materials, texture, pattern or color, or provide a specific architectural rooftop element can contribute to the creation of a varied skyline.

Special Considerations for Neighborhood Business Districts

Issue

and the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center

Because these districts are typically integrated into residential areas, the design should reflect the scale of the neighborhood by avoiding long façades without visual relief.

Guideline

Façades over 120 feet in length should incorporate vertical definition including substantial modulation of the exterior wall carried through all floors above the ground floor combined with changes in color and material.

Building Modulation – Horizontal

Issue

Horizontal building modulation is the horizontal articulation or division of larger building façades. The lower portion of a multi-story building should incorporate pedestrian-scale elements and a strong base. The top of the building should incorporate distinctive roof treatments. Elevations that are modulated with horizontal elements appear less massive than those with sheer, flat surfaces. Horizontal modulation is well suited to downtown areas and automobile-oriented streetscapes where the development of tall building masses is more likely.

Discussion

A lively urban character uses a variety of architectural forms and materials that together create an integrated pattern of development with recurring architectural features. Horizontal awnings, balconies, and roof features should be incorporated into new development provided that their appearance varies through the use of color, materials, size, and location.



Horizontal modulation elements: canopy, brick banding, and window details.

Guideline

Horizontal building modulation may be used to reduce the perceived mass of a building and to provide continuity at the ground level of large building complexes. Building design should incorporate strong pedestrian-oriented elements at the ground level and distinctive roof treatments.

Special Consideration for Downtown Kirkland

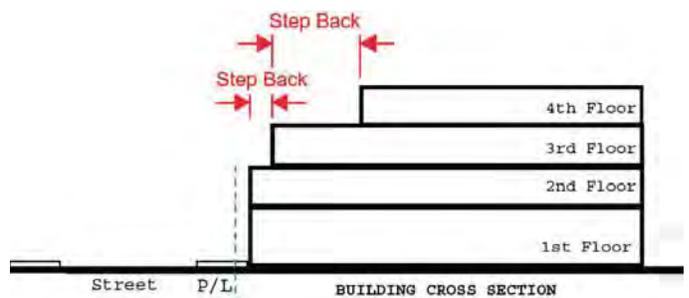
Large-scale developments, particularly east of the core area, should stress continuity in streetscape on the lower two floors. Setback façades and varied forms should be used above the second stories.

Special Consideration for Building Massing in Central Business District 1 (CBD 1A & 1B) - Upper Story Step Backs

and the Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center

Issue

Taller buildings can negatively affect human scale at the street level and should be mitigated. Upper story step backs provide a way to reduce building massing for larger structures. An upper story building step back is the horizontal distance between a building façade and the building façade of the floor below.



By reducing mass at upper stories, visual focus is oriented towards the building base and the pedestrian experience. In addition, greater solar access may be provided at the street level due to the wider angle which results from the recessed upper stories



Marina Heights

Upper story step backs are appropriate in areas where taller buildings are allowed and imposing building facades at the sidewalk are intended to be avoided.

Discussion

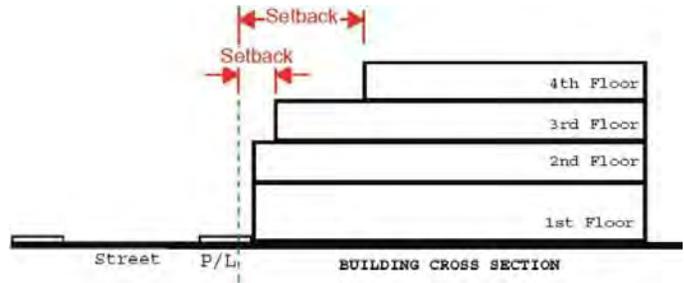
Design guidelines should address upper story step backs to improve the pedestrian experience and maintain human scale. When viewed from across the street, upper story step backs generally reduce perceived building massing and provide additional sunlight at the ground level. When viewed from the sidewalk immediately adjacent to the building, upper story step backs reduce the view of the upper stories and help maintain pedestrian scale by preventing large buildings from looming over the sidewalk.

Since the benefits of upper story step backs are primarily experienced from the public realm in front of buildings, the step backs should be located within a zone along the front property line.

Overly regimented building forms along front facades should be avoided to prevent undesirable building design. The arrangement of building step backs should create varied and attractive buildings consistent with the principles discussed in previous sections.

Upper story step backs also allow for additional eyes on the street in the form of decks and/or balconies. Upper story activities help improve the relationship of the building to the streetscape. Landscaping should also be incorporated at the upper stories to help soften building forms.

In order to quantify upper story step backs, measurement should be taken from the property line. Setback is the term used to describe the distance of a structure from the property line. By measuring from the pre-existing property line, setbacks provide for consistency in measurement and will account for projects where additional right-of-way is proposed or required along the property frontage for wider sidewalks and/or additional public open space.

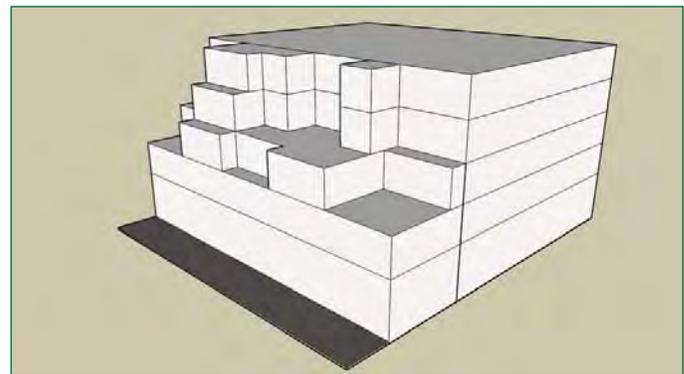


The required upper story setback should be allowed to be reduced if an equal amount of beneficial public open space is provided at the street level. A certain amount of building cantilevering over sidewalks may also be allowed if the pedestrian environment is not adversely affected.

The Kirkland Zoning Code establishes the requirements for upper story setbacks and provisions for allowing reductions to the required upper story setbacks in exchange for open space at the street level. The following guidelines are intended to provide the Design Review Board the tools to create varied and attractive buildings.

Guidelines - Upper Story Setbacks

- ◆ ***Buildings above the second story (or third story where applicable in the Downtown Plan) should utilize upper story step backs to create receding building forms as building height increases, allow for additional solar access, and maintain human scale at the street level.***
- ◆ ***The final arrangement of building mass should be placed in context with existing and/or planned improvements, solar access, important street corners, and orientation with the public realm.***
- ◆ ***A rigid stair step or “wedding cake” approach to upper story step backs is not appropriate.***
- ◆ ***Decks and/or balconies should be designed so that they do not significantly increase the apparent mass of the building within the required upper story setback area.***



Varied step back approach

- ◆ In addition to applying setbacks to upper stories, building facades should be well modulated to avoid blank walls and provide architectural interest.
- ◆ Along pedestrian oriented streets, upper story building facades should be stepped back to provide enough space for decks, balconies and other activities overlooking the street
- ◆ Landscaping on upper story terraces should be included where appropriate to soften building forms and provide visual interest.
- ◆ Continuous two or three story street walls should be avoided by incorporating vertical and horizontal modulations into the building form.
- ◆ Limited areas of vertical three, four, or five story walls can be used to create vertical punctuation at key facades. Special attention to maintain an activated streetscape is important in these areas.
- ◆ For properties on Park Lane which front multiple streets and upper story setbacks are proposed to be averaged, concentration of upper story building mass along Park Lane should be avoided.

Guideline - Open Space at Street Level

Reductions to required upper story setbacks may be appropriate where an equal amount of beneficial public open space is created at the street level consistent with the following principles:

- ◆ Public open space should be open to the sky except where overhead weather protection is provided (e.g. canopies and awnings).
- ◆ The space should appear and function as public space rather than private space.
- ◆ A combination of lighting, paving, landscaping and seating should be utilized to enhance the pedestrian experience within the public open space.
- ◆ Public open space should be activated with adjacent shops, outdoor dining, art, water features, and/or landscaping while still allowing enough room for pedestrian flow.
- ◆ Where substantial open space “trade-offs” are proposed, site context should be the primary factor in the placement of the public open space (e.g. important corners, solar access.)

Guideline - Building Cantilevering Over Sidewalks for CBD 1A & 1B only

Buildings may be allowed to cantilever over sidewalks if a sidewalk dedication and/or easement is required consistent with following guidelines:

- ◆ The total length of cantilevered portions of a building should be no more than 1/3rd of the entire length of the building façade. The cantilevered portions of a building should be spread out and not consolidated in a single area on the building façade.
- ◆ Unobstructed pedestrian flow should be maintained through the subject property to adjoining sidewalks.
- ◆ Space under the building cantilever should appear and function as part of the public realm.
- ◆ The sense of enclosure is minimized.

Special Considerations for Neighborhood Business Districts

Issue

Where buildings are close to the street in these neighborhood areas, vertical building massing can negatively affect human scale at the street level. Upper story step backs provide a way to reduce building massing. An upper story building step back is the horizontal distance between a building façade and the building façade of the floor below.

Guideline

Above the ground floor, buildings should utilize upper story step backs to create receding building forms as building height increases. Rather than a rigid stair step approach, varied step back depths and heights should be used to create well modulated façades and usable decks and balconies overlooking the street.

Issue

Within the South Rose Hill Neighborhood Plan, additional mitigation of scale impacts is called for.

Guideline

Building height, bulk, modulation, and roofline design should reflect the scale and character of adjoining single-family development.

Special Considerations for the Market Street Corridor

Emphasis on building features such as doors, windows, cornice treatment, bricks and ornamental masonry should be taken into consideration when designing new or remodeled buildings in the historic district. These features should be in keeping with the building materials, colors and details of the existing historic buildings.

Color

Issue

Color bolsters a sense of place and community identity (e.g., white New England villages, adobe-colored New Mexico towns, limestone Cotswold villages). Kirkland should consider emphasizing the existing color scheme and developing a unified design identity.

Discussion

A variety of colors should be used in Kirkland. By no means should design be limited by overly-restrictive guidelines dictating color use. Based on Kirkland’s existing color scheme, the following general guidelines can prevent garish, incongruous colors from being inappropriately applied or juxtaposed to more subdued earth tones and colors.

- ◆ Where appropriate, use the natural colors of materials such as brick, stone, tile, and stained wood (painted wood is acceptable).
- ◆ Use only high-quality coatings for concrete.
- ◆ Emphasize earth tones or subdued colors such as barn red and blue-gray for building walls and large surfaces.
- ◆ Reserve bright colors for trim or accents.
- ◆ Emphasize dark, saturated colors for awnings, and avoid garish and light colors that show dirt.
- ◆ Avoid highly-tinted or mirrored glass (except stained-glass windows).
- ◆ Consider the color of neighboring buildings when selecting colors for new buildings.

Guideline

Color schemes should adhere to the guidelines enumerated above. The use of a range of colors compatible within a coordinated color scheme should be encouraged.

Special Consideration for Houghton/Everest Neighborhood Center

The corner of NE 68th Street and 108th Avenue NE provides a gateway to the Neighborhood Center. Buildings at this corner should be designed to enhance this gateway with elements such as building setbacks and step backs, architectural features, public open space, view preservation and art (see also Design Guidelines for Entry Gateway Features). Building frontages should encourage street level pedestrian activity.

Street Corners

Issue

Street corners provide special opportunities for visual punctuation and an enhanced pedestrian environment. Buildings on corner sites should incorporate architectural design elements that create visual interest for the pedestrian and provide a sense of human proportion and scale.

Discussion

Corners are crossroads and provide places of heightened pedestrian activity. Rob Krier notes that: “The corner of a building is one of the most important zones and is mainly concerned with the mediation of two facades.” Corners may be accentuated by towers and corner building entrances.



Guideline

Buildings should be designed to architecturally enhance building corners.

Special Consideration for Downtown Kirkland

Special attention should be paid to both the design and detailing of new buildings on corner sites in the pedestrian oriented design districts. Existing buildings could incorporate some of these elements (human-scale and visual punctuation) through the use of such elements as awnings and well-designed signs at the corner.

Downtown Kirkland has several “T” intersections, and the building located at the terminus of the street view corridor presents a high-visibility opportunity for special architectural treatment.

The corner of Central Way and Third Street marks a prominent gateway to the core area as well as the Downtown Transit Center and deserves special design emphasis.



Natural Features

Introduction

General

An important aspect of a pedestrian-oriented business district is its physical setting. Natural features of a place are key to residents' and visitors' perception. This section lays out guidelines which serve to merge the design of structures and places with the natural environment. It discusses concepts behind new landscaping as well as the maintenance and protection of existing natural features.

Special Considerations for Downtown Kirkland

A primary goal stated in the Downtown Plan's Vision Statement is to "clarify Downtown's natural physical setting." Besides its excellent waterfront, Downtown Kirkland's most important natural feature is its bowl-shaped topography which provides views down from the heights and views from the downtown of the wooded hillsides surrounding the district. The valley topography also helps to define the downtown's edges and facilitates the transition from largely commercial activities in the valley floor to the mostly residential areas in the uplands. Although Peter Kirk Park is a man-made open space, it too provides a naturalizing function.

Special Considerations for Juanita Business District

The underlying goal of redevelopment in the business district is to create a neighborhood-scale, pedestrian district which takes advantage of the amenities offered by Juanita Bay.

Special Considerations for Totem Center

An important goal in the Totem Lake Neighborhood Plan is to establish a "greenway" extending in an east/west direction across the neighborhood. Portions of the greenway follow Totem Lake Boulevard, along the western boundary of TL 2. Properties abutting the designated greenbelt should be landscaped with materials that complement the natural areas of the greenway where possible.

Visual Quality of Landscapes

Issue

The relationship between landscaping and architecture is symbiotic; plant materials add to a building's richness, while the building points to the architectural qualities of the landscaping.

Discussion

Foliage can soften the hard edges and improve the visual quality of the urban environment. Landscaping treatment in the urban environment can be categorized as a *pedestrian/ auto, pedestrian, or building landscape*.



The Pedestrian/Auto Landscape applies to where the pedestrian and auto are in close proximity. Raised planting strips can be used to protect the pedestrian from high-speed and high-volume traffic. Street trees help create a hospitable environment for both the pedestrian and the driver by reducing scale, providing shade and seasonal variety, and mitigating noise impacts.

The Pedestrian Landscape offers variety at the ground level through the use of shrubs, ground cover, and trees. Pedestrian circulation, complete with entry and resting points, should be emphasized. If used effectively, plant materials can give the pedestrian visual cues for moving through the urban environment. Plant materials that provide variety in texture, color, fragrance, and shape are especially desirable.

The Building Landscape. Landscaping around urban buildings – particularly buildings with blank walls – can reduce scale and add diversity through pattern, color, and form.

Examples of how landscaping is used to soften and enhance the visual quality of the urban environment include:

- ◆ Dense screening of parking lots;
- ◆ Tall cylindrical trees to mark an entry;



- ◆ Continuous street tree plantings to protect pedestrians;
- ◆ Several clusters of dense trees along long building facades;
- ◆ Cluster plantings at focal points;
- ◆ Parking with trees and shrubs planted internally as well as on the perimeter.

Guidelines

The placement and amount of landscaping for new and existing development should be mandated through design standards. Special consideration should be given to the purpose and context of the proposed landscaping. The pedestrian/auto landscape requires strong plantings of a structural nature to act as buffers or screens.

The pedestrian landscape should emphasize the subtle characteristics of the plant materials. The building landscape should use landscaping that complements the building's favorable qualities and screens its faults.

Special Consideration for North Rose Hill Business District

A dense landscape buffer should be utilized to provide a transition separating commercial uses from adjoining single family or multi-family residential uses.

Special Consideration for Totem Center

Within TL 1, special landscaping elements such as gateways, arches, fountains and sculptures should be incorporated, in order to create a lively streetscape and provide visual interest along the street edge. Where possible, existing mature landscaping should be retained and incorporated into new development to soften the impact of increased site coverage and preserve the green character of the area.

Protection and Enhancement of Wooded Slopes

Issue

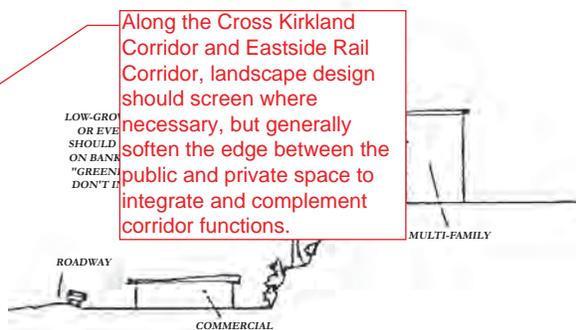
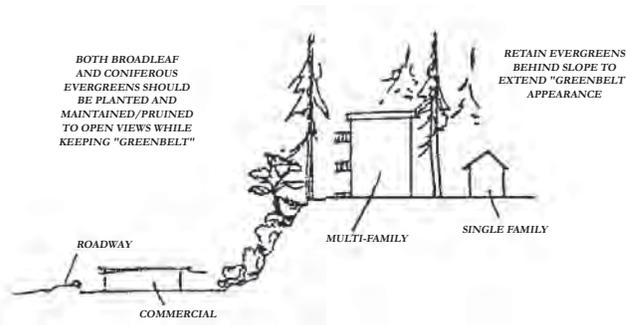
Topography provides opportunities for natural screening that maintains views.

Discussion

New plantings on wooded slopes should be selected for their slender, open growth pattern. Limbing-up and thinning-out branches should also be allowed to maintain views while keeping the character of the wooded hillsides. Weed species should be removed and replaced with appropriate native species. Wooded slopes can:

- ◆ Reduce visual impacts of the urban environment.

- ◆ Separate uses by providing a transition zone.
- ◆ Mitigate urban noise and air pollution for upland uses.
- ◆ Provide wildlife habitat.



Guidelines

Vegetation on slopes should be preserved and maintained as a buffer using native vegetation wherever possible.

New multifamily and single-family residential developments on slopes should be required to retain about 30 percent of the site in wooded open space and inventoried significant trees. Tree removal or enhancement can be determined by the use and site design.

Property owners of lowlands should be sensitive to upland uses and enhance hillsides to maintain existing views. Deciduous trees should be restricted to small varieties; coniferous evergreens should be thinned-out or limbed-up to allow for views from adjoining properties.

In developments above view slopes, coniferous evergreens should be incorporated into the site back from the slope to give continuity with the wooded slope. The back sides of commercial lots at the base of hillsides should be planted to screen upland properties from unsightly views of rooftops.

Special Consideration for Downtown Kirkland

Using and enhancing existing wooded slopes is especially important to Kirkland’s natural setting. The hillsides surrounding Downtown Kirkland can provide a “ring of green.” As vegetation ascends the slope it provides a “greenbelt” effect. The proper maintenance or enhancement of such slopes need not disrupt view corridors of upland properties.

Special Consideration for Juanita Business District

The views of wooded hillsides surrounding the Juanita Business District are a local asset that can be used to upgrade the area’s visual impact.

Height Measurement on Hillsides

Issue

Maintaining views and enhancing natural land forms is important to the design character of Kirkland. The scale relationships of built forms to their terrain should minimize visual barriers to views and lessen the impact on surrounding neighborhoods. In order to promote responsible design, building height restrictions should permit a development envelope that conforms to the terrain. Terracing, the stepping down of horizontal elements, is an effective way to develop hillsides and maintain views.

Discussion

The visual character of a landscape should be reflected in the buildings. Buildings that do not conform to steep inclines detract from the natural features of the site and should be avoided. In contrast, buildings that use the terrain as an opportunity for variation in the built form easily fit into their setting without disruption. Terracing a building to roughly parallel the slope of a site will create a building envelope that follows the contour of its property. Terraced roof decks, modulated roofs, and sloped roofs can carry out this objective.



Terraced buildings reflect the hillside topography ringing Kirkland’s Downtown.

Guideline

The top of the building should roughly follow the slope of the existing terrain.

Views of Water

Issue

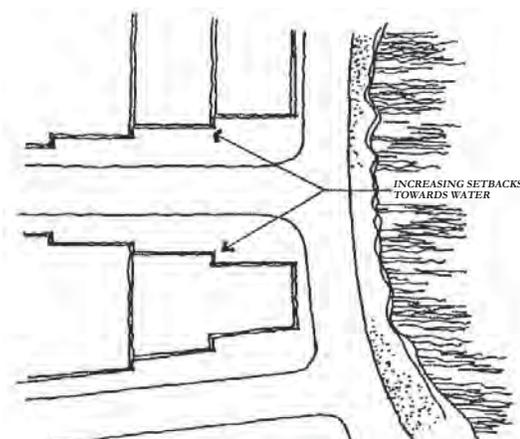
Views of Lake Washington give Kirkland its sense of place within the regional context. The waterfront remains an exceptional resource that should be better linked to nearby districts. A water view is a recurring reminder of the direction, function, and origin of Kirkland.

Discussion

Views may be considered in three ways. The *distant panorama* may be seen from one-quarter to more than one mile away. Development has eliminated most of Kirkland’s panoramic views; remaining views should be protected. *View corridors* are places where an avenue between buildings creates a slotted visual path allowing a glimpse of the water beyond. *Proximity views* are those adjacent to and within one block away from the waterfront; they extend the waterfront’s character. Each type of view is critical to Kirkland’s urban design character.

View corridors and panoramic views from higher ground can be protected by height restrictions and limitations on rooftop clutter. Existing structures in some areas block views of the Lake. With renovation of existing structures, opening up of views should be encouraged. New development should respect the existing view corridors.

Proximity views require much larger fields of vision, therefore, development should remain a comfortable distance from the shore and be set back along view corridors. This will allow views of the water to widen from increasingly closer distances and will eliminate an abrupt change between development and shoreline.



Guideline

Existing views should be maintained. This can be accomplished by widening setbacks as development approaches the water. Buildings should step down hillsides. Buildings and rooftop appurtenances should be placed perpendicular to the water in order to safeguard views.

Special Consideration for Juanita Business District

View corridors to the Lake should be explored through new development in the business district. Existing residential views and view opportunities through Juanita Beach Park and down public streets should be preserved.

Special Consideration for Houghton/ Everest Neighborhood Center
Buildings, landscaping and street
scape features along the NE 68th
Street corridor should be designed to
preserve existing views from the public
right-of-way. Public spaces should be
oriented to take advantage of views
when possible.

Culverted Creeks

Issue

Often stream beds fall victim to progress and their stream banks are reduced to a drain pipe. One way to further the objective of clarifying the natural physical setting is to reopen stream beds wherever possible.

Guideline

Opportunities should be sought to restore portions of culverted creeks to their natural state.

Special Consideration for Downtown Kirkland

A former stream bed, now enclosed in culverts, flows through the center of downtown from 6th Street, through Peter Kirk Park, just south of Central Way and into Marina Park. A restored stream bed could be incorporated in the parks and other public sites, and possibly on private property.

Special Considerations for Totem Center

One channel of the Totem Lake tributary extends along I-405, west of Totem Lake Boulevard in a culvert to Totem Lake. If it is feasible, restoration of this stream bed could be incorporated into the “greenway” design developed for this segment of Totem Lake Boulevard. Another tributary of Juanita Creek runs across the northwest section of Totem Center, with portions in a culvert and other portions remaining in an open stream bed. Redevelopment of these properties could include restoration of the culverted portions of the stream as an amenity provided on site.

RESOLUTION 2018-2

A RESOLUTION OF THE HOUGHTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL APPROVING ORDINANCE NO. 4629 ADOPTED BY THE KIRKLAND CITY COUNCIL ON DECEMBER 12, 2017, ADOPTING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS FOR THE HOUGHTON/EVEREST NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER, (FILE NO. CAM16-02742).

WHEREAS, the Houghton Community Council has received from the Kirkland City Council Ordinance No. 4629, adopting the amendments to the Comprehensive Plan.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance 2001, the subject matter of this ordinance is subject to the disapproval jurisdiction of the Houghton Community Council and shall become effective within the Houghton Community Municipal Corporation only upon (i) approval by the Houghton Community Council, or (ii) failure of said Community Council to disapprove this ordinance within 60 days of the date of its passage; and

WHEREAS, the pertinent subject matter of this ordinance was reviewed and discussed by the Houghton Community Council at the joint public hearing with the Planning Commission on March 23, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Houghton Community Council finds that the pertinent subject matter of this ordinance will serve the interests and promote the health, safety, and welfare of the Houghton Community Municipal Corporation;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that Ordinance 4629 is hereby approved by the Houghton Community Council and shall be effective within the Houghton Community Municipal Corporation.

PASSED by majority vote of the Houghton Community Council in regular, open meeting this 22nd day of January, 2018.

SIGNED IN AUTHENTICATION thereof this _____ day of _____, 2018.

Chair, Houghton Community Council

City Clerk

RESOLUTION 2018-3

A RESOLUTION OF THE HOUGHTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL APPROVING ORDINANCE NO. 4637 ADOPTED BY THE KIRKLAND CITY COUNCIL ON JANUARY 16, 2018, ADOPTING THE ZONING MAP AND ZONING CODE AMENDMENTS FOR THE HOUGHTON/EVEREST NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER, (FILE NO. CAM16-02742).

WHEREAS, the Houghton Community Council has received from the Kirkland City Council Ordinance No. 4637, adopting the amendments to the Zoning Map and Zoning Code.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance 2001, the subject matter of this ordinance is subject to the disapproval jurisdiction of the Houghton Community Council and shall become effective within the Houghton Community Municipal Corporation only upon (i) approval by the Houghton Community Council, or (ii) failure of said Community Council to disapprove this ordinance within 60 days of the date of its passage; and

WHEREAS, the pertinent subject matter of this ordinance was reviewed and discussed by the Houghton Community Council at the joint public hearing with the Planning Commission on March 23, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Houghton Community Council finds that the pertinent subject matter of this ordinance will serve the interests and promote the health, safety, and welfare of the Houghton Community Municipal Corporation;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that Ordinance 4637 is hereby approved by the Houghton Community Council and shall be effective within the Houghton Community Municipal Corporation.

PASSED by majority vote of the Houghton Community Council in regular, open meeting this 22nd day of January, 2018.

SIGNED IN AUTHENTICATION thereof this _____ day of _____, 2018.

Chair, Houghton Community Council

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