

Item 1 - Proposed Zoning Ordinance Addition to Version 5.1

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The following rules of construction shall apply to the text of this ordinance.

- A. The headings the title a chapter, a section of a subsection of this Ordinance are for the purposes of clarity only and are not to be considered in any construction or interpretation of this Ordinance , or as enlarging or restricting any of its terms or provisions in any respect.
- B. The illustrations contained within this Ordinance are intended to exemplify hypothetical applications of the provisions that refer to them, and shall not have the effect of enlarging or restricting the terms or provisions which refer to them. In the event of any conflict between the provisions of the written text of this Ordinance and the illustrations, the text shall govern.
- C. When inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense shall include the future tense, words in the singular shall include the plural and words in the plural shall include the singular.
- D. The word “shall” is always mandatory and not discretionary. The word “may” is permissive.
- E. Unless the context clearly indicates the contrary, where a regulation involves two or more items, conditions, provisions, or events connected by the conjunction “and”, “or”, “either/or,” shall be interpreted as follows:
 - 1. “And” indicates that all the connected items, conditions, provisions, or events shall apply
 - 2. “Or” indicates the connected items, conditions, provisions, or events may apply singly or in any combination.
 - 3. “Either/or” indicates that the connected items, conditions, provisions, or events shall apply singly, but not in combination.
- F. A “building” or “structure” includes any part thereof unless specifically excluded.
- G. The word “person” shall include a firm, association, partnership, joint venture, corporation, trust, municipal or public entity, or equivalent entity or any combination of them as well as a natural person.
- H. The particular shall control the general.