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**CITY OF SAINT HEDWIG, TEXAS
ORDINANCE NO.2022-24**

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 1404, REVISING THE CITY OF SAINT HEDWIG'S LAND USE REGULATIONS AND ZONING PROCEDURES; PRESERVING RIGHTS IN PENDING LITIGATION UNDER EXISTING ORDINANCES; REPEALING CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS the City of St. Hedwig is a Type A general law municipality and is authorized by Chapter 211 of the Texas Local Government Code to establish zoning districts and permissible land use regulations within those districts and throughout the incorporated limits of the City of St. Hedwig; and

WHEREAS the City of St. Hedwig adopted its original comprehensive Zoning Ordinance in 2003 and made amendments thereto in 2009 and has since determined that certain revisions to the City's Zoning regulations are necessary to reflect and address the growth of population within the City Limits

WHEREAS, the City of St. Hedwig's Planning and Zoning Commission has met for numerous months and held public meetings regarding amending the City's existing comprehensive Zoning Regulations for the City of St. Hedwig; and

WHEREAS, based on their studies and their meetings the Planning Commission has created a preliminary report of comprehensive Zoning Regulations, which includes standards and use regulations for various zoning designations; and

WHEREAS, public hearings were held by the Planning and Zoning Commission on the 8th day of February, 2022, and by the City Council on the 6 of October, 2022 on such dates preliminary policy discussions were conducted and at which all members of the public were given an opportunity to appear and express their opinion concerning the proposed comprehensive Zoning Regulations and after consideration of all such testimony, the Planning and Zoning Commission made a final report recommending the amendments of the comprehensive Zoning Regulations to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of St. Hedwig has given appropriate and reasonable consideration to the zoning regulations as most appropriate for the City and has determined that these revisions to the City's zoning ordinance are necessary in order to more accurately reflect the will of the citizens of St. Hedwig in the City's administration of its zoning regulations; and

WHEREAS, the City of St. Hedwig has determined that it is in the best interest of the city to continue to have a zoning Board of Adjustment, but that certain revisions to the ordinance's provisions governing the Board of Adjustment are also necessary; and

WHEREAS, the St. Hedwig City Council finds that the zoning ordinance, as amended, represents the best interest of all citizens of St. Hedwig and promotes the aesthetics, health, safety, general welfare, and convenience of the people.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ST. HEDWIG, TEXAS:

A. REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES RELATING TO PLANNING AND ZONING AND BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Ordinances No. 1404 is hereby repealed in its entirety and replaced as provided for herein and incorporating all exhibits and appendices. All other ordinances previously adopted or sections therein that are in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are also hereby repealed.

B. ZONING REGULATIONS

The City of St. Hedwig hereby adopts the following zoning regulations:

I. TITLE AND PURPOSE

This ordinance, together with all subsequent amendments thereto, shall hereby be referred to as the “Zoning Ordinance of the City of St. Hedwig, Texas.”

This ordinance is prepared under the authority of V.T.C.A. (Vernon’s Texas Civil Statutes, Annotated), Chapter 211 of the Texas Local Government Code, to promote health, safety, morals, and for the general welfare of the community. These zoning regulations are made in accordance with the spirit of the city’s comprehensive plan and designed to lessen congestion in the streets; to secure safety from fire, panic, and other dangers; to promote the general welfare to the community; to provide adequate light and air; to prevent overcrowding of land; to avoid undue concentration of population; and to facilitate the adequate provision of transportation, water, sewerage, schools, parks, and other public requirements. These regulations are made with reasonable consideration, among other things, to the character of the district and its peculiar suitability for particular uses, and with a view to conserving the value of buildings and encouraging the most appropriate use of land throughout the city.

II. ADMINISTRATION

A. ADMINISTRATION

The City Council shall designate an administrative official to supervise the administration and enforcement of these regulations. The city council may appoint an administrative official to assist the designated administrative official with the general administration and enforcement duties required for the implementation of this zoning ordinance.

If the designated administrative official finds that any of the provisions of this ordinance are being violated, the designated administrative official shall notify, in writing, the person responsible for such violations, indicating the nature of the violation and ordering the action necessary to correct it. The designated administrative official shall order the discontinuance of any illegal work being performed; or shall take any other action authorized by this ordinance to ensure compliance with or to prevent violation of these regulations.

B. INTERPRETATION AND APPEALS

It is the intent of this ordinance that all questions of interpretation and enforcement shall be first presented to the designated administrative official, and that such questions shall be presented to the board of adjustment only on appeal from the decision of the administrative official(s), and that recourse from the decisions of the board of adjustment shall be to the state district courts provided by law.

C. CITY COUNCIL DUTIES

The city council shall consider and adopt, modify, or reject proposed amendments to this ordinance, or its repeal. In addition, the city council shall establish a schedule of fees and charges as stated in subsection D below.

D. FEES

The city council shall, by ordinance or resolution, establish a schedule of fees and charges for the permits, certificates of occupancy, zoning change requests, and other matters governed by this ordinance. The schedule of fees and charges may be altered or amended only by action of the city council. Until all applicable fees and charges have been paid in full, no action shall be taken on any zoning application or appeal. See Fee Schedule.

E. BUILDING PERMITS AND CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY

1. No building permit shall be issued by the City of St. Hedwig for any structure unless the structure conforms to the provisions of this ordinance.
2. A certificate of occupancy shall be required for any non-residential building which is hereafter erected, changed, converted, or altered in its use or structure. Application for this certificate of occupancy shall be made at the same time as the application for a required building permit. The certificate of occupancy shall not be issued unless the building or land conforms to the requirements of this ordinance in addition to all other building codes adopted by the City.

Use or occupancy, or allowing the use or occupancy, of such a building without having obtained a certificate of occupancy as required herein shall be deemed a violation of this ordinance and shall be punishable by fine in addition to any other legal remedies available to the City by law.

3. Once issued, a certificate of occupancy is not a perpetual instrument for the specified use for which issued; should the building be changed, structurally altered, extended, or should a new use be initiated on the premises, a new and separate certificate of occupancy shall be required. However, the certificate of occupancy may be assigned upon the sale or inheritance of the property so long as the property is not changed, structurally altered, extended, or modified in connection with the sale or inheritance of the property. In the event the law required an alteration to the structure, no new certificate of occupancy is required.
4. Any person denied a certificate of occupancy under these provisions shall have the right to appeal the decision to the board of adjustment. Use or occupancy or allowing the use or occupancy of such a building without having obtained a certificate of occupancy as required herein shall be deemed a violation of this ordinance and shall be punishable by fine in addition to any other legal remedy available to the City.
5. A temporary certificate of occupancy may be issued by the City for a period not exceeding three (3) months during alterations or partial occupancy of a building pending its completion, provided that said temporary certificate may include such conditions and safeguards as will protect the safety of the occupants and the public as determined by the City's designated Building Inspector.

6. Building permits and/or certificates of occupancy issued on the basis of plans and applications approved by the City of St. Hedwig authorize only that specific use, structural arrangement, or construction as set forth in such approved plans and applications. Any other use, arrangement, or construction shall be deemed a violation of this ordinance and shall be punishable by fine in addition to any other legal remedy available to the City. The City of St. Hedwig shall maintain a public record of all certificates of occupancy.
7. Whenever a building permit or certificate of occupancy has been granted in error by an administrative official of the City of St. Hedwig, the permit or certificate may be voided by the city council. Prior to such action by the city council, the affected party shall be given an opportunity in a hearing before the city council to show why such permit or certificate should not be voided. Notice of such hearing shall be served upon the affected party at least ten (10) days prior to such hearing by personal service or by mailing such notice by certified mail, prepaid, return receipt requested, to his or her address as it appeared in the application filed for the building permit or certificate of occupancy. The city council shall give due consideration to the arguments of the affected party in determining whether to void the building permit or certificate of occupancy and shall render its decision after hearing and considering all such arguments.

III. ZONING DISTRICT MAP

A. OFFICIAL ZONING MAP

The city is hereby divided into zoning districts, as shown on the official zoning map, which together with all explanatory matter thereon, is hereby adopted and declared to be a part of this zoning ordinance. This map shall be kept on file in the office of the city secretary and shall be available for public inspection during regular office hours. The official zoning map shall be identified by the signature of the mayor and attested by the city secretary under the following words: "This is the official zoning map as adopted by (ordinance number and date of adoption) by the City Council of the City of St. Hedwig, Texas."

When changes are made in any zoning district boundaries, such changes shall be entered on the official zoning map promptly after the amendment has been approved by the city council. No zoning change shall become effective until after its approval by the city council. Zoning Map attached as Appendix B and incorporated herein for all purposes.

B. ZONING MAP REPLACEMENT

The city council may, by ordinance, adopt a new official zoning map should the original official zoning map be damaged, destroyed, lost, or become ambiguous because of the nature or number of changes and additions. The new official zoning map may correct drafting or other errors or omissions in the prior official zoning map or any subsequent amendment thereof. The new official zoning map shall also be identified by the signature of the mayor attested by the city secretary, and bearing the seal of the city under the following words:

“This map is to certify that this official zoning map supersedes and replaces the official zoning map adopted (date of adoption of map being replaced) as a part of the zoning ordinance of the City of St. Hedwig, Texas.”

C. RULES FOR INTERPRETATION OF DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

Where uncertainty exists as to the boundaries of zoning districts as shown on the official zoning map, the following shall apply:

1. Where the designation of the district map indicates that the various districts are bounded by a road or street line, the center line of such road or street shall be construed to be the district boundary line.
2. Where the district boundaries indicated follow platted lot or tract lines, the district boundaries shall be construed to follow such lot or tract lines.
3. Where the district boundaries indicated appear to follow city limit boundaries, the district boundaries shall be construed to follow the city limit boundaries.
4. Where the district boundaries indicated as dividing a lot or tract, the district boundaries shall be construed as being located as shown on the Zoning District Map. Distances not specifically indicated on the Zoning District Map shall be determined by the scale of the map.
5. Where district boundaries are disputed or not otherwise clearly designated, or where the physical or structural features are at variance with the official zoning map or in other circumstances not covered in this section, the designated administrator shall interpret the district boundaries.

IV. ZONING DISTRICTS GENERALLY

A. ESTABLISHMENT OF DISTRICTS

For the purpose of this ordinance, the City of St. Hedwig, Texas, is hereby divided into five (5) zoning districts as follows:

“A-IR”	Agricultural Residential District
“R-2”	Single Family Residential District
“HD-1”	Historic Downtown District
“C”	Commercial District
“L1”	Light Industrial District

B. NEWLY ANNEXED TERRITORY

1. All territory hereafter annexed to the city shall be temporarily zoned as “A-1R” District, until permanent zoning is established by the city council, except as provided in paragraph (3) below. The procedure for establishing permanent zoning on newly annexed territory shall conform to the procedure established by law for the adoption of the original zoning regulations. However, nothing herein shall prevent the granting of permanent zoning at the time of annexation and zoning such territory other than an “A-1R District.”
2. In an area temporarily classified as A-1R:
 - a. No person shall erect, construct, or add to any building or structure or cause same to be done in any newly annexed territory without first applying for and obtaining a building permit or certificate of occupancy from the city as required herein.
 - b. No building permit for the construction of a building or a certificate of occupancy shall be issued other than for the construction of a building or a use permitted in A-1R Districts(s).
3. Application(s) for permanent zoning of a newly annexed area may be considered by the city at the same time as the area is being considered for annexations, although annexation procedures must be completed prior to any final zoning actions by the city council.

C. GENERAL COMPLIANCE WITH DISTRICT REGULATIONS

The regulations established by this ordinance within each zoning district shall be minimum regulations and shall apply uniformly to each class and kind of structure or land, and in accordance with the following:

1. No building, structure or land shall hereafter be used or occupied, and no building or structure or part thereof shall hereafter be erected, reconstructed, enlarged or structurally altered except in conformity with all of the regulations herein specified for the zoning district in which it is located.
2. No building or other structure shall hereafter be erected, reconstructed, enlarged or structurally altered to exceed the height or to occupy a greater percentage of the lot area which is prescribed for the district in which it is located.
3. The regulations contained herein relating to the height of buildings or structures and the size of yards and other open spaces shall be subject to the following exceptions:
 - a. Chimneys, non-commercial television receiving antennas, and satellite dishes as part of a residential development or use are hereby excepted from the height regulations as established herein.
 - b. Church steeples or spires, belfries, cupolas, cooling towers, tanks, water towers, microwave radio and television relay or broadcasting towers, mast or aerials and necessary mechanical appurtenances may exceed the height limitations established by this ordinance only upon the issuance of a special use permit or variance in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance.

- c. When a lot has an area less than the minimum number of square feet, lot width or lot depth as required for the district in which it is located, and was of record as such Prior to June 2004, such lot may be continued to be occupied or used and nothing herein shall prohibit the erection a single-family dwelling.
 - d. An open slab area or paved terrace near a building may project into a required front, back or side yard setback for a distance of not more than seven (7) feet but shall not be interpreted to include or allow fixed canopies and it shall not be permanently attached to initial part of primary structure.
4. No part of a yard or other open space, off-street parking or loading space required in connection with any building for the purpose of complying with these zoning regulations shall be included as a part of a yard, open space, off-street parking or loading space similarly required for any other building.
 5. Every building hereafter erected or moved shall be on a lot adjacent to a public street, or with access to an approved private street; and all structures shall be so located on lots as to provide safe and convenient access for servicing, fire protection, and required off-street parking.
 6. Refuse containers or dumpsters shall not be located in the front or side yard of any business establishment or property zoned for non-residential, commercial or industrial use. This restriction shall not apply in cases where compliance would cause such containers to be inaccessible to refuse collection vehicles. For the purposes of this restriction, the designated administrator shall determine after reasonable investigation whether the container is accessible or not.
 7. Schedule of District Regulations Adopted can be found at Appendix C, attached herein and incorporated for all purposes.

V. “A-1R” AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT

A. PURPOSE

The “A-1R” Agricultural Residential District is established to be used primarily in areas where agricultural uses or open space is to be retained. These lands are for agricultural or open space purposes until needed for urban purposes in conformity with the orderly growth of the city.

B. PERMITTED USES

The uses permitted in the “A-1R” District include those in the “Schedule of Uses” found in Appendix D herein an incorporated for all purposes. Any use not expressly authorized and permitted herein is expressly prohibited in this district, unless otherwise allowed in conformance with Section XVII of this ordinance dealing with new and unlisted uses.

C. SPECIAL USE PERMIT

In order to allow for certain uses which, because of their nature or unusual character, cannot be unconditionally permitted in this district, yet would or could be an appropriate or compatible use under certain controlled circumstances and locations, the City Council may, after following the procedures in Section XVIII for zoning amendments and making the appropriate findings under Section XII, authorize and grant the issuance of a special use permit as allowed in the “Schedule of Uses” in Section XI and Appendix D of this ordinance. The issuance of the permit shall be contingent upon reasonable and appropriate conditions and safeguards, including the length of time, so as to properly protect any adjacent property, use or neighborhood character, as well as ensure the appropriate conduct of the special use of the land and buildings granted.

D. AREA; YARD; HEIGHT; LOT COVERAGE; AND BUILDING SIZE

The requirements regulating the minimum lot size, minimum yard sizes (front, side, and rear), maximum building height, maximum percent of lot coverage by buildings and the minimum size of buildings, as pertains to this district, shall conform with the provisions of the “Schedule of District Regulations” found in Appendix C hereof and any other applicable regulations as herein provided.

E. PARKING REQUIREMENTS

Off-street parking space requirements shall be in accordance with the parking requirements found in Appendix D hereof. Parking spaces for at least two motor vehicles shall be provided for any single-family dwelling constructed after the date of adoption of this ordinance.

F. SALES DISPLAYS PROHIBITED

1. Garage sales signs shall be allowed in accordance with the St. Hedwig Sign Ordinance.
2. It shall be unlawful for any person to display or allow to be displayed for sale or lease on any lot any motor vehicle, boat or vessel subject to registration under V.T.C.A., Parks & Wildlife Code, Chapter 31, or camper shell designed for use of a motor vehicle unless such vehicle is owned by the actual occupant of the premises. Additionally, no person or persons shall at any time be permitted to display more than two, or combination thereof, of the following: motor vehicles; boats or other similar vessels subject to registration under V.T.C.A., Parks & Wildlife Code, Chapter 31; or camper shells per lot. The restrictions herein shall not prevent the display for sale of tractors, plows, mowing equipment, or other implement of farming in the “A-1R” District provided that no more than two of any such items shall be displayed for sale at any given time.

G. EXTENDING FAMILY QUARTERS

1. Accessory Buildings used as Extended Family Quarters are not to exceed 1000 sq ft. in gross floor area. Only one attached or separate structure (per primary residence) for use as extended family is permitted. Travel trailers are not allowed for use as extended family quarters or for residential use.

2. Extended family quarters are allowed as attached or separate structures to the primary residence. The height of such separate structure shall be located behind the location of the primary residence considering the public or private street to be the front, regardless of the orientation of the front of the primary residence. The extended family quarters shall not have a separate address assigned to it.

H. ANIMALS

Commercial breeding or feeding of animals, birds, poultry, fish, or reptiles is prohibited in this district. The operation of a commercial dairy, commercial dog boarding kennel, or veterinary hospital, or the operation of a commercial livery or commercial boarding stable for horses, a commercial riding academy or commercial rodeo or commercial roping arena is also prohibited.

I. HOME OCCUPATION/HOME OFFICE

No business shall be conducted in a Home Occupation or home office that would regularly cause clients or customers to come to the premise in a manner that unreasonably disturbs the peace and quiet of the surrounding neighbors and/or community. No continuous activity shall be permitted in a home office which would produce noise, odors, fumes, vibration, dust or electronic interference outside the premise, or which would cause the dwelling to be ineligible for normal residential water, electric or garbage collection rates. The entrance to the home office shall be within the dwelling, and no construction features that are not customarily found in a dwelling shall be permitted.

J. TEMPORARY RESIDENCES

Property owner may use a temporary structure as a residence while building, repairing, or remodeling a permanent residence, for a period defined in the building permit by the City, but not greater than a period of one year. Temporary residences include but are not limited to, trailers, motor homes, manufactured homes, basements, garages, barns, or other outbuildings. No temporary use of a structure as a residence shall be allowed without issuance of a permit.

VI. **“R-2” SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT**

A. PURPOSE

The “R-2” Single Family Residential District is established to allow for large to medium sized single-family dwellings on large lots. It is designed to protect the residential character of each district by prohibiting non-residential activities and by encouraging a suitable neighborhood environment for family life. In addition to purely residential purposes, parks and open space are permitted and encouraged in this district.

B. PERMITTED USES

The uses permitted in the “R-2” District include those listed in the “Schedule of Uses” found in Appendix D herein and incorporated for all purposes. Any use not expressly authorized and permitted herein is expressly prohibited in this district, unless otherwise allowed in conformance with Section XVII of this ordinance dealing with new and unlisted uses.

C. SPECIAL USE PERMIT

In order to allow for certain uses which, because of their nature or unusual character, cannot be unconditionally permitted in this district, yet would or could be an appropriate or compatible use under certain controlled circumstances and locations, the City Council may, after following the procedures in Section XVIII for zoning amendments and having made the appropriate findings under Section XII, authorize and grant the issuance of a special use permit as allowed in the Schedule of Uses” in Section XI and Appendix D of this ordinance. The issuance of the permit shall be contingent upon reasonable and appropriate conditions and safeguards, including the length of time, so as to properly protect any adjacent property, use or neighborhood character, as well as ensure the appropriate conduct of the special use of the land and buildings granted.

D. AREA; YARD; HEIGHT; LOT COVERAGE; AND BUILDING SIZE

The requirements regulating the minimum lot size, minimum yard sizes (front side and rear), maximum building height, maximum percent of lot coverage by buildings and the minimum size of buildings, as pertains to this district, shall conform with the provisions of the “Schedule of District Regulations” found in Appendix C herein and any other applicable regulations as herein provided.

E. PARKING REQUIREMENTS

Off-Street parking space requirements shall be in accordance with the parking requirements found in Appendix D herein. Parking spaces for at least two motor vehicles shall be provided for any single-family dwelling constructed after the date of adoption of this ordinance.

F. SALES DISPLAYS PROHIBITED

1. Garage sales signs shall be allowed in accordance with of the St. Hedwig Sign Ordinance.
2. It shall be unlawful for any person to display or allow to be displayed for sale or lease on any lot any motor vehicle, boat, or vessel subject to registration under V.T.C.A., Parks & Wildlife Code, Chapter 31, or camper shell designed for use on a motor vehicle unless such vehicle is owned by the actual occupant of the premises. Additionally, no person or persons shall at any time be permitted to display more than two, or combination thereof, of the following: motor vehicles; boats or other similar vessels subject to registration under V.T.C.A., Parks & Wildlife Code, Chapter 31; or camper shells per lot. The restrictions herein shall not prevent the display for sale of tractors, plows, mowing equipment, or other implements of farming in the “R-2” District provided that no more than two of any such items shall be displayed for sale at any given time.

G. OUTBUILDINGS

All dwellings in the residential districts may also include customary outbuildings. A detached accessory building shall not exceed 1875 square feet (5 bays with dimensions of 15 feet by 25 feet) in the single-family residential districts. Detached carports may be used instead of garages but shall conform to the size limitations of garages.

H. ANIMALS

Commercial breeding or feeding of animals, birds, poultry, fish, or reptiles is prohibited in this district. The operation of a commercial dairy, commercial dog boarding kennel, or veterinary hospital, or the operation of a commercial livery or commercial boarding stable for horses, a commercial riding academy or commercial rodeo or commercial roping arena is also prohibited. This restriction shall not be construed to prohibit the keeping of a six or fewer domestic animals for family enjoyment, but where domestic animals are kept, the premise shall be maintained in a clean condition and in a manner to avoid excessive noise, the breeding of flies or the production of noxious odors.

I. HOME OCCUPATION/HOME OFFICE

No business shall be conducted in a home office that would regularly cause clients or customers to come to the premise in a manner that unreasonably disturbs the peace and quiet of the surrounding neighbors and/or community. No continuous activity shall be permitted in a home office which would produce noise, odors, fumes, vibration, dust or electronic interference outside the premise, or which would cause the dwelling to be ineligible for normal residential water, electric or garbage collection rates. The entrance to the home office shall be within the dwelling or accessory building and no construction features that are not customarily found in a dwelling or accessory building shall be permitted.

J. TEMPORARY RESIDENCES

Property owners may use a temporary structure as a residence while building, repairing, or remodeling a permanent residence, for a period defined in the building permit by the City, but not greater than a period of one year. Temporary residences include but are not limited to trailers, motor homes, manufactured homes, basements, garages, barns, or other outbuildings. No temporary use of a structure as a residence shall be allowed without issuance of a permit.

VII. “HD-1” HISTORIC DOWNTOWN DISTRICT

A. PURPOSE

The Historic Downtown District was designated in 2009 and has been established to limit commercial uses and encourage operations within enclosed buildings and prohibiting outside storage of new goods and materials, and new or used vehicles and equipment. This district is intended to accommodate the basic shopping and service needs of residents and to provide retail and office space for merchants and financial, administrative, government and business services. This section is not intended to prohibit the outside display of merchandise in the normal course of retail business.

B. PERMITTED USES

The uses permitted in the HD-1” District include those listed in the “Schedule of Uses” found in Appendix D hereof. Any use not expressly authorized and permitted herein is expressly prohibited in this district, unless otherwise allowed in conformance with Section XVII of this ordinance dealing with new and unlisted uses.

C. SPECIAL USE PERMIT

In order to allow for certain uses which, because of their nature or unusual character, cannot be unconditionally permitted in this district, yet would or could be an appropriate or compatible use under certain controlled circumstances and locations, the City Council may, after following the procedures in Section XVII for zoning amendments and having made the appropriate findings under Section XII, authorize and grant the issuance of a special use permit as allowed in the “Schedule of Uses” In Section XI and Appendix D of this ordinance. The issuance of the permit shall be contingent upon reasonable and appropriate conditions and safeguards, including the length of time, so as to properly protect any adjacent property, use or neighborhood character, as well as ensure the appropriate conduct of the special use of the land buildings granted.

D. AREA; YARD; HEIGHT; LOT COVERAGE; AND BUILDING SIZE

The requirements regulating the minimum lot size, minimum yard sizes (front, side and rear), maximum building height, maximum percent of lot coverage by buildings and the minimum size of buildings, as pertains to this district, shall conform to the provision of the “Schedule of District Regulations” found in Appendix C and any other applicable regulations as herein provided.

E. PARKING REQUIREMENTS

Off-street parking space requirements shall be in accordance with the parking schedule found in Section XI and Appendix D hereof. No enclosed or covered parking is specifically required.

F. ALL COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS AND SALES TO BE ENCLOSED, EXCEPTION

All commercial uses, operations, and sales, except for off-street parking and off-street loading facilities, shall be conducted within completely enclosed buildings. Sidewalk sales may be held on occupants’ property.

G. CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS

1. Non-conforming structures built prior to the adoption of this ordinance will be exempt from these construction restrictions. The building material regulations provided for in this section are limited to the Historic District.
2. Due to the highly residential nature of this district, the City Council finds building footprints larger than 10,000 sq ft inappropriate and a use that does not conform to the character of this district. Therefore, structures with a building footprint exceeding 10,000 sq. ft. shall be prohibited in this district.
3. Front elevations on all new structures shall be constructed with brick, stone, fiber reinforced cementitious board (otherwise known as Hardiboard), other masonry material and wood material.
4. Unless it has the appearance of brick, stone, masonry or wood, metal materials will not be allowed on the front elevations as it distracts from the overall character of the Historic Downtown District.
5. Buildings with side street exposure will use the same materials on the side elevation facing the street as is required on the front elevation.

6. Mobile or modular manufactured homes will not be allowed in this district for non-residential use.

VIII. “C” COMMERCIAL DISTRICT

A. PURPOSE

The Commercial District has been established to limit commercial uses and operations within enclosed buildings and prohibiting outside storage of new goods and materials, and new or used vehicles and equipment. This district is intended to accommodate the basic shopping and service needs of residents and to provide retail and office space for merchants and financial, administrative, government and business services. This section is not intended to prohibit outside display of merchandise in the normal course of retail business.

B. PERMITTED USES

The uses permitted in the “C” District include those listed in the “Schedule of Uses” found in Appendix D hereof. Any use not expressly authorized and permitted herein is expressly prohibited in this district, unless otherwise in conformance with Section XVII of this ordinance dealing with new and unlisted uses.

C. SPECIAL USE PERMIT

In order to allow for certain uses which, because of their nature or unusual character, cannot be unconditionally permitted in this district, yet would or could be an appropriate or compatible use under certain controlled circumstances and locations, the City Council may, after following the procedures in Section XVII for zoning amendments and having made the appropriate findings under Section XII, authorize and grant the issuance of a special use permit as allowed in the “Schedule of Uses” In Section XI and Appendix D of this ordinance. The issuance of the permit shall be contingent upon reasonable and appropriate conditions and safeguards, including the length of time, so as to properly protect any adjacent property, use or neighborhood character, as well as ensure the appropriate conduct of the special use of the land buildings granted.

D. AREA; YARD; HEIGHT; LOT COVERAGE; AND BUILDING SIZE

The requirements regulating the minimum lot size, minimum yard sizes (front, side, and rear), maximum building height, maximum percent of lot coverage by buildings and the minimum size of buildings, as pertains to this district, shall conform with the provision of the “Schedule of District Regulations” found in Appendix C and any other applicable regulations as herein provided.

E. PARKING REQUIREMENTS

Off-street parking space requirements shall be in accordance with the parking schedule found in Appendix D hereof. No enclosed or covered parking is specifically required.

F. ALL COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS AND SALES TO BE ENCLOSED, EXCEPTION

All commercial uses, operations, and sales, except for off-street parking and off-street loading facilities, shall be conducted within completely enclosed buildings. Sidewalk sales may be held on by occupants.

IX. “LI” LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT**A. PURPOSE**

The “LI” District is established to accommodate most industrial and manufacturing uses, provided such use is not noxious or offensive by reason of emission of odors, soot, dust, noise, fumes, or vibrations.

B. PERMITTED USES

The uses permitted in the “LI” District include those listed in the “Schedule of Uses” found in Appendix D hereof. Any use not expressly authorized and permitted herein is expressly prohibited in this district, unless otherwise allowed in conformance with Section XVII of this ordinance dealing with new and unlisted uses.

C. SPECIAL USE PERMIT

In order to allow for certain uses which, because of their nature or unusual character, cannot be unconditionally permitted in this district, yet would or could be an appropriate or compatible use under certain controlled circumstances and locations, the City Council may, after following the procedures in Section XVII for zoning amendments and having made the appropriate findings under Section XII, authorize and grant the issuance of a special use permit as allowed in the “Schedule of Uses” in Appendix D of this ordinance. The issuance of the permit shall be contingent upon reasonable and appropriate conditions and safeguards, including the length of time, so as to properly protect any adjacent property, use or neighborhood character, as well as ensure the appropriate conduct of the special use of the land buildings granted.

D. AREA; YARD; HEIGHT; LOT COVERAGE; AND BUILDING SIZE

The requirements regulating the minimum lot size, minimum yard sizes (front, side, and rear), maximum building height, maximum percent of lot coverage by buildings and the minimum size of buildings, as pertains to this district, shall conform to the provision of the “Schedule of District Regulations” found at Appendix C and any other applicable regulations as herein provided.

E. PARKING REQUIREMENTS

The minimum off-street parking space requirements for manufacturing and industrial uses shall be one (1) space for each two (2) employees or one (1) space for each one thousand square feet of gross floor area of all buildings used for such manufacturing or industrial purposes, whichever is greater. Such off-street parking shall also be in accordance with Appendix D hereof.

IX.I “PCI” PUBLIC/CIVIC/INSTITUTIONAL DISTRICT**A. PURPOSE**

The “PCI” Public/Civic/Institutional District is established to provide areas for those governmental, civic, public, institutional and related uses which are established in response to the educational, safety and welfare needs of the community, those lands that are owned or may be owned by Federal, State, County or Local governmental agencies, and land that has been dedicated to the City for public uses such as parks and recreation facilities.

B. PERMITTED USES

The uses permitted in the “PCI” District include those listed in the “Schedule of Uses” found in Appendix D herein and incorporated for all purposes. Any use not expressly authorized and permitted herein is expressly prohibited in this district, unless otherwise allowed in conformance with Section XVII of this ordinance dealing with new and unlisted uses.

C. SPECIAL USE PERMIT

In order to allow for certain uses which, because of their nature or unusual character, cannot be unconditionally permitted in this district, yet would or could be an appropriate or compatible use under certain controlled circumstances and locations, the City Council may, after following the procedures in Section XVII for zoning amendments and having made the appropriate findings under Section XII, authorize and grant the issuance of a special use permit as allowed in the “Schedule of Uses” in Section XI and Appendix D of this ordinance. The issuance of the permit shall be contingent upon reasonable and appropriate conditions and safeguards, including the length of time, so as to properly protect any adjacent property, use or neighborhood character, as well as ensure the appropriate conduct of the special use of the land and buildings granted.

D. AREA; YARD; HEIGHT; LOT COVERAGE; AND BUILDING SIZE

The requirements regulating the minimum lot size, minimum yard sizes (front, side, and rear), maximum building height, maximum percent of lot coverage by buildings and the minimum size of buildings, as pertains to this district, shall conform with the provision of the “Schedule of District Regulations” found in Appendix C and any other applicable regulations as herein provided.

E. PARKING REQUIREMENTS

Off-street parking space requirements shall be in accordance with the parking schedule found in Appendix D hereof. No enclosed or covered parking is specifically required.

X. STRUCTURAL REQUIREMENTS OF PLACES OF ASSEMBLY**A. LARGE PLACES OF ASSEMBLY****1. Area; Yard; Height; Lot Coverage; And Building Size:**

The requirements regulating the minimum lot size, minimum yard sizes (front, side, and rear), maximum building height, maximum percent of lot coverage by buildings and the minimum size of buildings, as pertains to this district, shall conform to the provision of the “Schedule of District Regulations” found in Appendix D and any other applicable regulations as herein provided.

2. Parking Requirements:

Off-street parking space requirements shall be in accordance with the parking schedule found in Appendix D hereof. No enclosed or covered parking is specifically required.

B. SMALL PLACES OF ASSEMBLY**1. Area; Yard; Height; Lot Coverage; And Building Size:**

The requirements regulating the minimum lot size, minimum yard sizes (front, side, and rear), maximum building height, maximum percent of lot coverage by buildings and the minimum size of buildings, as pertains to this district, shall conform to the provision of the “Schedule of District Regulations” found at Appendix C and any other applicable regulations as herein provided.

2. Parking Requirements:

Off-street parking space requirements shall be in accordance with the parking schedule found in Appendix D hereof. No enclosed or covered parking is specifically required.

XI. SPECIAL USE PERMITS

A. SPECIAL USE CRITERIA

No application for a special use permit shall be granted by the City Council unless the City Council finds all of the following conditions are present:

1. That the establishment, maintenance or operation of the use will not be materially detrimental to or endanger the public health, safety, morals or general welfare;
2. That the uses, values and enjoyment of other property in the neighborhood for purposes already permitted shall be in no foreseeable manner substantially impaired or diminished by the establishment, maintenance or operation of the use;
3. That the establishment of the use will not significantly impede the normal and orderly development and improvement of the surrounding property for uses permitted in the district;
4. That adequate utilities, access roads, drainage and other necessary site improvements have been provided;
5. That adequate measures have been or will be taken to provide ingress or egress so designed as to minimize traffic congestion in the public streets; and
6. That the use shall conform to all applicable area, yard, height, lot coverage, building size and exterior requirements and parking space regulations of the district in which it is located.

B. CONDITIONS AND GUARANTEES

Prior to the granting of any special use permit, the city council may stipulate such conditions and restrictions upon the establishment, location, construction, maintenance, and operation of the special use as deemed necessary to protect the public health, safety and general welfare of the community and to secure compliance with the standards and requirements specified in Subsection A above. In all cases in which special use permits are granted, the City Council shall require such evidence and written guarantees as it may deem necessary as proof that the conditions stipulated in connection therewith are being and will be complied with. A special use permit expires upon the conveyance of property to a different property owner. See Appendix X regarding fees and documents that may be required for the review process.

See Special Use Permit Form for additional conditions and requirements.

C. EFFECT OF DENIAL OF APPLICATION

No application for a special use permit which has been denied wholly or in part shall be re-submitted for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of said denial.

D. SPECIAL USE EXPIRATION

A special use permit is valid only for the use specifically granted in the permit new. The special use permit shall automatically expire if a building permit is not issued, and construction begun within six (6) months of the granting of the SUP.

XII. HOME OCCUPATIONS

A. QUALIFYING HOME OCCUPATIONS

The following are home occupations which are permitted to be conducted in a residential zone provided it is in accordance with the section or other city ordinance or state and federal law. The following listed uses automatically qualify as a home occupation: Teleworking, music instruction, handicraft, dressmaking, preserving, accountant, artist, author, business or management consultant, individual tutoring, millinery, childcare of no more than six (6) children, and home-based computer service businesses.

B. HOME OCCUPATIONS CRITERIA

The purpose of this section is to permit the conduct of home occupations which are not incompatible with the neighborhoods in which they are located. Such home occupations are permitted as an accessory use in the residential district and are subject to the requirements of that district in which the use is located, in addition to the following:

1. Only the person or persons residing in the dwelling shall be engaged in the home occupation;
2. The home occupation shall be conducted only within the enclosed area of the dwelling unit, garage, or accessory buildings. No storage or display of materials, goods, supplies, or equipment related to the operation of home occupation shall be visible outside any structure on the premises;
3. Not more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the living area of the principal building, up to a maximum of 300 square feet, shall be devoted to the home occupation;
4. There shall be no exterior alterations which changes the character thereof as a dwelling or exterior evidence of the home occupation;
5. No home occupation shall create smoke, fumes, glare, noise, dust, vibration, electrical interference or any other nuisance not normally associated with the average residential use in the district;
6. No home occupation shall become a fire hazard;
7. The home occupation shall not create any significant increase in vehicular flow or parking and shall not create greater pedestrian traffic than normal for the residential district;
8. No home occupation shall cause a significant increase in the use of any utilities, or generate trash or refuse beyond the average of the residences in the neighborhood; and
9. No advertising sign may be placed on the premises.

10. A use considered not within the scope of these home occupation provisions shall be subject to the provisions of the commercial or industrial zones of this ordinance or require a special use permit.

XIII. OFF-STREET PARKING AND LOADING REQUIREMENTS GENERALLY

A. PURPOSE

To secure safety from fire, panic, and other dangers; to lessen congestion on the streets; to facilitate the adequate provision of transportation; to conserve the value of buildings; and to encourage the most appropriate use of land, minimum off-street parking and loading areas shall be provided as set forth in the following schedules and provisions.

B. GENERAL PROVISIONS FOR OFF-STREET PARKING

1. Off-street parking required by this zoning ordinance shall be on an all-weather surface and shall be connected by an all-weather surfaced driveway to an approved public or private street or alley. For new construction or development started after the effective date of this ordinance, an all-weather surface shall be either asphalt or concrete pavement, crush rock, stone, gravel or another similar semi-permeable surface. For existing development and new residential development located on one or more acres started after the effective date of this ordinance, an all-weather surface shall be either asphalt or concrete pavement, crushed rock, stone, gravel or another similar semi-permeable surface.
2. No parking space shall be less than eighteen feet (18') in length (22' for parallel parking) and nine feet (9') in width. Exception: parking spaces may be reduced in length when a tire-stop curb is installed sixteen feet (16') from the maneuvering lane and a clear space of two feet (2') is provided for a vehicle overhang. The overhang is not permitted over public property or a setback in which parking is not permitted.
3. Required off-street parking for residential uses shall be provided on the lot or tract occupied by the principal use. Required off-street parking for non-residential uses shall be provided on the lot or tract occupied by the principal use; however, the city may permit either required or additional off-premise parking, as a special exception, under such regulations and conditions as the board of adjustment may deem advisable when the proposed parking is on a platted lot within three hundred feet (300') of the principal use property. In the case of churches, off-site parking may be permitted by the board; provided it is located within one thousand (1,000) feet of the church building. The city council shall approve the location of entrances and exits to these parking facilities and may require screening devices along the parking facility boundaries.
4. In determining the required number of parking spaces, fractional spaces shall be counted to the nearest whole space. Parking spaces located in buildings used for repair garages or car washes shall not be counted as meeting the required minimum parking.
5. The floor area of structures devoted to off-street parking of vehicles shall be excluded in computing the floor area for off-street parking requirements.

6. Where a lot or tract of land is used for a combination of uses, the off-street parking requirements shall be the composite or sum of the requirements for each type of use and no off-street parking space provided for one type use shall be included in calculation of the off-street parking requirements for any other use or building except as prescribed by this zoning ordinance.
7. Head-in parking spaces so situated that the maneuverings of a vehicle in entering or leaving such spaces is done on a public street or within public right-of-way shall not be classified as off-street parking in computing any parking requirements herein. The construction of head-in parking facilities in existence at the same time of the enactment of this section are hereby declared to be a non-conforming use of land subject to the provisions of Section XVIII of this ordinance.
8. No off-street parking facility shall be located, either in whole or in part, in a public street or sidewalk, parkway, alley, or other public right-of-way.
9. No off-street parking facility shall be located, either in whole or in part, within any fire lane required by the city or within aisles, driveways or maneuvering areas necessary to provide reasonable access to any parking space.
10. Tandem parking is prohibited, unless specifically authorized by variance granted by the board of adjustment.
11. No required off-street parking facility shall be used for sales, non-vehicular storage, repair, or service activities.
12. Lighting facilities, if provided, shall be so arranged as to be reflected away from property zoned or used for residential purposes.
13. For all multi-family and non-residential uses, parking spaces shall be striped or otherwise clearly designated on the parking facility surface and shall not include any fire lane or other area necessary for aisles or maneuvering of vehicles.

C. HANDICAPPED PARKING REQUIREMENTS

The owner of private property open to the public for public purposes shall designate specific parking spaces for the disabled in conformance with state and federal law. All such spaces shall be striped and designated by signs located where they will not be obscured. Further information may be obtained from the U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Disability Rights Section. Information may also be obtained by visiting the website www.ada.gov.

D. OFF-STREET LOADING REQUIREMENTS

All commercial and industrial uses shall be provided with off-street facilities for receiving and loading merchandise, supplies and materials within a building or on the lot or tract. Such off-street loading space may be adjacent to a public street or alley, private service drive, or may consist of a truck berth within the structure. No loading docks shall be constructed facing on any public street or highway unless said loading dock is at least seventy-five feet (75') inside the right-of-way line of the street or highway on which said loading dock fronts.

Such off-street loading space or truck berth shall consist of a minimum area of ten feet by forty-five feet (10' x 45') and such spaces or berths shall be provided in accordance with the following schedule:

Square Feet of Gross Floor Area in Structure	Minimum Required Spaces or Berths
0 to 5,000	0
5,000 to 25,000	1
25,000 to 45,000	2
45,000 to 65,000	3
65,000 to 100,000	4
Each additional 50,000 or portion thereof	1

The Existence of a twenty-foot (20') alley adjacent to the property shall be construed as equivalent to one (1) berth. All off-street loading spaces shall have an all-weather surface of asphalt or concrete construction and shall be accessible by a street, driveway or alley.

E. COUNTING PARKING AND LOADING SPACE TWICE PROHIBITED

No part of any off-street parking or loading space required in connection with any building for the purpose of complying with these zoning regulations shall be included as a part of any off-street parking or loading space similarly required for any other building.

XIV. SCREENING REQUIREMENTS

A. SCREENING REQUIRED BETWEEN INCOMPATIBLE ZONING DISTRICTS

Screening is required between Commercial/Light Industrial Districts and Residential Districts. Insofar as practical, screening must be erected, placed, grown and maintained along the common boundary line of incompatible zoning districts before any use is made of the property.

This screening requirement shall be the responsibility of the owner of the less restrictive district, with the single-family residential district (R-2) being the most restrictive and the light industrial district (LI) being the least restrictive district. This is illustrated by the following chart:

(Most Restrictive)	
	"R-2" Single Family Residential
↑	"A-1R" Agricultural/Residential
↓	"HD-1" Historic Downtown District
	"C" Commercial District
	"LI" Light Industrial District
(Least Restrictive)	"PCI" Public/Civic/Institutional District

Such screening shall not be less than six feet (6') in height. However, no fence, wall, or hedge on a corner lot shall have a height in conflict with the regulations governing visibility at intersections.

XV. ACCESSORY USES AND STRUCTURES

A. Any accessory use may be permitted provided there is association with a primary use that may be permitted in accordance with Appendix C and Appendix D. The establishment of such accessory uses shall be consistent with any or all of the following standards:

1. The accessory use shall be subordinate to and support a primary use or main building;
2. The accessory use shall be subordinate in area, extent or purpose to the primary use;
3. The accessory use shall contribute to the comfort, convenience or necessity of the primary use;
4. The accessory use shall be located within the same zoning district as the primary use and/or;
5. Accessory uses located in residential districts shall not be used for commercial purposes other than authorized and legitimate Home Occupations.
6. Upon submittal and review, a special exception may be allowed for agriculture or ranching uses. If the primary use of the property is designated for such uses. Incidental use for agricultural or ranching uses shall not qualify.

B. ACCESSORY STRUCTURES:

1. The combined floor area of all accessory structures on any R-2 residential lot will not exceed ten percent (10%) of the total lot area.
2. There will be no accessory structure used for, or intended to be used for, living quarters on any residential lot. Refer to an extended family residence requirement.
3. No accessory structure will be erected in any required setback area.

XVI. CLASSIFICATION OF NEW AND UNLISTED USES

It is recognized that new types of land uses will develop, and forms of land use not anticipated may seek to locate in the city. In order to provide for such uses and contingencies, a determination as to the appropriate classification of any new or unlisted form of land use shall be made as follows:

- A. The applicant shall refer the question of any new or unlisted use to the City Council and request an interpretation as to the zoning classification into which such use may be placed. Such request shall be accompanied by a statement of facts listing the nature of the use and whether it involves dwelling activity, sales, processing, type of product, storage and amount or nature thereof, enclosed or open storage, anticipated employment, transportation requirements, the amount of noise, odor, fumes, toxic material and vibration likely to be generated and the general requirements for public utilities and sanitation collection.
- B. The City Council shall then consider the nature and described performance of the proposed use and its compatibility with the uses permitted in the various districts, and after public hearing, determine the zoning district or districts within which such use should be permitted.

- C. The city council shall follow the same procedures as outlined in Section XVII pertaining to amendments, including the public notice and hearing requirements, when considering any zoning classification request for a new or unlisted land use.
- D. The same procedures should be followed as outlined in Section XVII pertaining to amendments, including the public notice and hearing requirements, when considering any zoning classification request for a new or unlisted land use.

XVII. NONCONFORMING USES

A. DEFINITION OF NONCONFORMING USE OR STRUCTURE

A use or structure shall be considered as a nonconforming when on the effective date of this zoning ordinance:

1. A use or structure does not conform to the regulations prescribed in the zoning district in which such use or structure is located but was in existence and lawfully operating prior to the adoption of this zoning ordinance, or
2. Should the owner or occupant of a legal nonconforming building or use as defined by this ordinance desire to change, alter, enlarge, or otherwise modify the nonconforming building or use, he or she shall be required to:
 - a. File an affidavit with the city stating that such building or land occupied by the nonconforming building or use was, to the best of the owner or occupant's knowledge, in lawful use and lawfully existing as of the date of adoption of this ordinance. Said affidavit shall include a statement providing the basis for the person's knowledge of the statement made; and
 - b. Submit an application and certification that the nonconforming building or use was in existence as of the date of adoption of this ordinance, the city may issue a certificate of occupancy for the lawful nonconforming building or use in accordance with the rules and requirements for such issuance.

B. BUILDING ON NONCONFORMING LOTS OF RECORD

In any district in which residential, commercial, or industrial buildings are permitted, buildings may be erected on any single lot of record, provided there is access to such buildings or houses from a street on the effective date of this ordinance. This provision shall apply even though such lot or lots fail to meet the minimum requirements for area, width, or depth, for the district in which located; however, all other requirements shall still apply. No building or structure shall be constructed on multiple lots. Whenever construction is desired on multiple lots, the property owner or his/her agent shall replat the property into a single lot.

C. EXPANSIONS OR ENLARGEMENTS PROHIBITED

Repairs and alterations may be made to a legal nonconforming building, provided that no structural alterations shall be made except those required by law or ordinance, unless the building is changed to a conforming use. No nonconforming use or building may be expanded or increased beyond the lot or tract of land upon which such non-conforming use or structure is located after the passage of this ordinance except to provide off-street loading or off-street parking space facilities. However, the board of adjustment shall have the authority after a hearing to grant extension of a nonconforming building not to exceed 25% of the existing building area in case of hardship.

To find unnecessary hardship exists the board must affirmatively find:

1. The hardship is in no way the result of the applicant's own actions; and
2. Special conditions exist of restricted area, topography or physical features that are peculiar to the subject property and are not applicable to other properties in the same zoning district; and
3. The application of the regulation to the subject property deprives the applicant of rights commonly enjoyed by other properties in the same zoning district that are in compliance with the same regulation.

To avoid undue hardship, nothing in this section shall be deemed to require a change in the plans, construction, or designated use of any building for which a building permit has been properly secured from the city.

D. WHEN DISCONTINUED, CONFORMANCE REQUIRED

The lawful use of a building or land existing at the date of enactment of this ordinance, although such use does not conform to the provisions hereof, may be continued. However, if the nonconforming use of any land is discontinued for a period of sixty (60) consecutive calendar days, it shall not thereafter be resumed, and any future use of such land shall be in conformity with this zoning ordinance. If a nonconforming building or structure is discontinued for a period of six (6) consecutive calendar months, it shall not thereafter be resumed and any future use of such building or structure shall be in conformity with this zoning ordinance. Upon evidence of hardship, the board of adjustment shall have the power to extend the time limits for the non-conforming use, building, or structure not to exceed one (1) year.

E. CLASSIFICATION CHANGES

A nonconforming building changed to a conforming use or building may not thereafter be changed back to a non-conforming use or building. Also, whenever a nonconforming use of a building or structure is changed to a use of a more restrictive classification, such use shall not thereafter be changed to a use of a less restricted classification. For the purpose of this regulation, the most restrictive zoning classification shall be specified in the chart located in Section XIV A of this zoning ordinance.

F. WHEN RESTORATION ALLOWED

A nonconforming building or structure destroyed or damaged by fire, flood, wind, earthquake, explosion, or other casualty, or by the public enemy, to the extent where the cost of restoration would amount to less than fifty percent (50%) of its assessed value may be restored. If the damage is in excess of fifty percent (50%) of its value, application for restoration shall first be made to the board of adjustment to permit such restoration. The board may grant or deny such restoration only after public hearing and taking into consideration the property owner's circumstances and the effect on the surrounding property. Homeowners, as shown by the city tax records on the effective date of this ordinance, shall be able to restore their property regardless of the extent of destruction, without making application to the board of adjustment. However, said restoration shall comply with all construction codes then in effect within the city and reconstruction must be started within six (6) months. The failure to start restoration or reconstruction within six (6) months shall forfeit the owner's right to restore to reconstruct the same unless as a conforming building or structure.

XVIII. AMENDMENTS (REZONING)

A. GENERAL

The zoning regulations, restrictions and boundaries may from time to time be amended, supplemented, changed, modified, or replaced. Such amendments, supplements, changes, modifications, or repeal shall be deemed to amend, supplement, change, modify or repeal the comprehensive plan of the city and shall become a part of such comprehensive plan.

An amendment to this ordinance may be initiated at the request of the owner, his/her agent, the designated administrative official or the city council on its own motion when it finds that the public may benefit from the consideration of such matter.

B. PROCEDURE

All requests for amendments to zoning district boundaries shall be submitted, together with required fees to the designated administrative official, who shall ensure that proper procedures are initiated thereafter in accordance with state law and these regulations. These procedures shall be as follows:

1. Notice of the time and place of a public hearing at which parties interest and citizens have an opportunity to be heard shall be published in an official newspaper or a newspaper of general circulation in the community at least 16 days before the date of the public hearing.
2. Notice of the proposed change in zoning classification shall be sent to each owner, as indicated by the most recently approved City of St. Hedwig municipal tax roll, of real property within 200 feet of the property on which the change in classification is proposed at least 11 days before the date of the public hearing. The notice may be served by its deposit in the municipality, properly addressed with postage paid, in the United States mail. If the property within 200 feet of the property on which the change is proposed is located in the territory annexed to the municipality and is not included on the most recently approved tax roll, notice shall be given in the manner provided in Section B (1).

3. **ZONING NOTICE SIGNS:** The applicant is required to post a zoning notice sign(s) on the property at least 16 days (to coincide with the date of the public notice in the newspaper) before City Council hearing. The sign must remain posted until either the final City Council action or the applicant withdraws the request. Failure to properly post the sign(s) may result in postponement of the application until the next available meeting agenda. One sign is required for each 1,000 feet of street frontage. For the purpose of calculation the required number of signs for a property with more than one street frontage, each street frontage will be calculated separately. Zoning notice signs are available for the City of St. Hedwig. Signs must be picked up at St. Hedwig City Hall.
4. The City Council shall hold a public hearing and may not adopt the proposed zoning change until the 31st day after the date the notice required by Section B (2) is given.
5. If a proposed change to a regulation or boundary is protested in accordance with this ordinance, the proposed change must receive, in order to take effect, the affirmative vote of at least three-fourths of all members of the City Council. The protest must be written and signed by the owners of at least 20 percent of either:
 - (a) The area of the lots or land covered by the proposed change; or
 - (b) The area of the lots or land immediately adjoining the area covered by the proposed change and extending 200 feet from that area.

In computing the percentage of land area under section B (5), the area of streets and alleys shall be included.

Requests for changes in zoning districts shall include the proposed designation or designations for the area concerned. Alternative proposals may be made at the time of filing the original request for amendment, however, all hearings and deliberations shall be limited to the request as submitted by the applicant at the time of original filing.

C. HEARINGS AND NOTICES

During the public hearing the city council may make a report based on the input received from the hearing's attendees and may include in the minutes from the hearing a synopsis of the comments and questions posed by the public regarding the proposed zoning change. The city council shall take said input, comments, and questions into consideration during the meeting at which final action is taken on the proposed zoning change.

XIX. RESERVED

XX. ESTABLISHMENT OF PENALTIES

1. Any person violating any of the provisions of this zoning ordinance shall be fined, upon conviction, not more than two thousand dollars (\$2000.00), and each day any violation or noncompliance continues shall constitute a separate and distinct offense.

2. **Additional Remedies:** In case any structure is erected, constructed or reconstructed, altered, repaired, converted or maintained in violation of this ordinance, the City may institute any appropriate action or proceedings to prevent such use or action, to restrain, correct or abate such violation, or to prevent any illegal act, business or use in or upon such premise, including but not limited to, all remedies provided in Sections 211.012 and 54.012 of the Texas Local Government Code. In addition to the remedies enumerated above, the City may recover a civil penalty of one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) for each day's violation of this Ordinance. The imposition of any penalty hereunder shall not preclude the City from instituting any appropriate action or proceedings to require compliance with provisions of this Ordinance and with administrative orders and determinations made hereunder.
3. The penalty provided herein shall be cumulative of other remedies provided by state law and the power of injunction as provided in V.T.C.A., Local Government Code, Sections 211.012 and 54.012 as may be amended, may be exercised in enforcing this ordinance whether or not there has been a criminal complaint filed.

C. INTERPRETATION AND CONFLICT

In interpreting and applying the provisions of this ordinance, they shall be held to be the minimum requirements for the promotion of the public safety, health, convenience, comfort, prosperity, or general welfare. It is not intended by this ordinance to interfere with or abrogate or annul any easements, covenants, or other agreements between parties, provided, however, that where this ordinance imposes a greater restriction upon the use of buildings or premises or upon height of building, or requires larger open spaces than are imposed or required by other ordinances, rules, regulations or by easements, covenants or agreements, the provision of this ordinance shall govern.

D. PRESERVING RIGHTS RE: PENDING LITIGATION AND EXISTING ORDINANCES

By the passage of this ordinance, no presently illegal use shall be deemed to have been legalized unless such use falls within a use district where the actual use is a conforming use. Otherwise, such uses shall remain nonconforming uses where recognized, or an illegal use, as the case may be. It is further the intent and declared purpose of this ordinance that no offense committed, and no liability, penalty or forfeiture, either civil or criminal, incurred prior to the time the existing zoning ordinance was hereby amended, shall be discharged or affected by such amendment; but the prosecutions and suits for such offenses, liabilities, penalties or forfeitures may be instituted or causes presently pending proceeded with in all aspects as if such prior ordinance has not been amended.

E. SEVERABILITY

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the city council that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this ordinance are severable and, if any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionally shall not affect any of the remaining sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses and phrases of this ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the city council without the incorporation in this ordinance of any such unconstitutional section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase.

F. REPEALER

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are, to the extent of any such conflict, hereby repealed.

G. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage publication of the caption, as required by law.

PASSED and APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Saint Hedwig on this the 6th day of October 2022.

Approved:

Attest:

Dee Grimm, Mayor

Janice Staudt, City Secretary

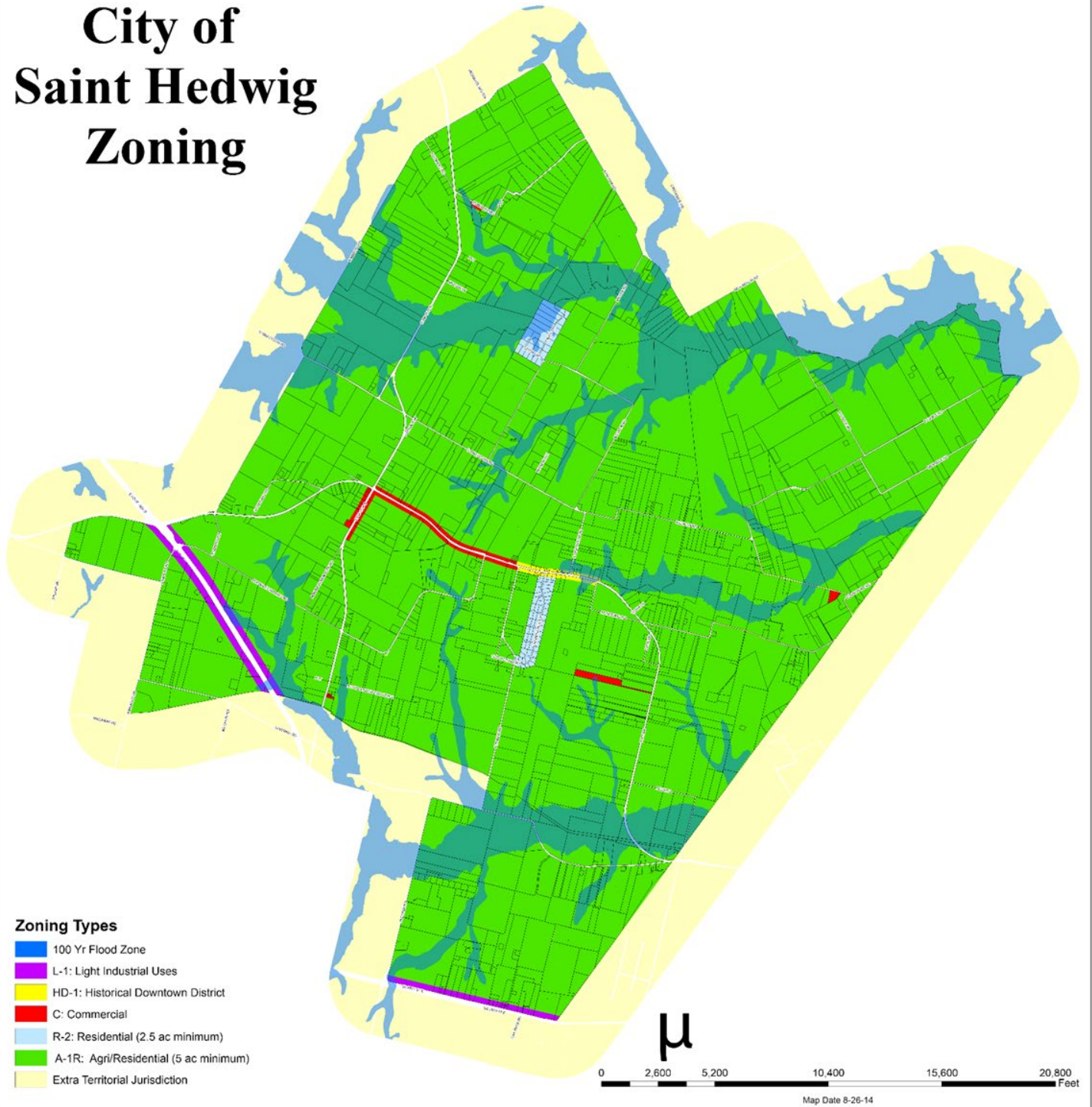
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APPENDIX A

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**APPENDIX B
OFFICIAL ZONING MAP**

City of Saint Hedwig Zoning



APPENDIX C**SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT REGULATIONS ADOPTED**

The following table of district regulations is hereby adopted and shall be considered as part of each applicable zoning district regulation as hereafter described in this ordinance:

	A-1R	HD-1	R-2	PCI	C	LI
Minimum Lot Area [sq. ft.]	5 acres	2.5 acres	2.5 acres		12,000	5 acres
Minimum Lot Frontage Width [ft.] a	30	30	30	80	80	150
Maximum Lot Depth [ft.]	N/A	200	N/A	200	200	500
Front Yard Setback [ft.]	75	10	50	30	30	100
Rear Yard Setback [ft.] b	25	25	25	25	25	100
Side Yard Setback [ft.], Interior Lot	25	15	25	15	15	50
Side Yard Setback [ft.], Corner Lot [street side only]	25	15	25	15	15	50
Maximum Height [stories] [ft.]	2.5 35	2.5 35	2.5 35	2.5 35	2 35	2.5 35
Maximum Lot Coverage	50%	50%	50%	60%	60%	60%
Masonry Requirement c		85%		none	none	none

APPENDIX D

{Amend Appendix D – Schedule of Uses in District to add permitted land uses for the PCI district}

SCHEDULE OF USES AND OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS

Land and buildings in each of the following classified districts may be used for any of the following listed uses but no land shall hereinafter be used and no building or structure shall hereinafter be occupied, used, erected, altered, removed, placed, demolished, or converted which is arranged or designed to be used for other than those uses specified for the district in which it is located as set forth by the following schedule of uses:

- Y Designates use PERMITTED in district
 - Designates use PROHIBITED in district
 - S Designates use permitted with Special Use Permit
- NOTE: g.f.a. = gross floor area

Notes to Schedule of Uses:

- *2--Home occupations are permitted when in accordance with Section XII. Home occupations not specifically permitted in Section XII may be permitted only with a special use permit.
- *4--The minimum off-street parking space requirements for manufacturing and industrial uses shall be one (1) space for each two (2) employees or one (1) space for each one thousand square feet of gross floor area of all buildings used for such manufacturing or industrial purposes, whichever is greater.
- *5. All accessory uses and building are subject to the size requirements, impervious cover requirements and must be incidental to the main building use.

Residential Use:	PCI	A-1R	R-2	HD-1	C	LI	Parking
Single Family Dwelling		Y	Y	Y			2/dwelling unit
Two-Family Dwelling							2/dwelling unit
Three-Family Dwelling							2/dwelling unit
Four-Family Dwelling							2/dwelling unit
Apartment or Multi-Family Bldg.							2.5/dwelling unit
Manufactured Home		Y	Y	Y			2/dwelling unit
Manufactured Home Park							2/dwelling unit
Townhouse							2/dwelling unit
Condominium/Bardominium		Y	Y				2/dwelling unit
Trailer Camp or Park							
Bed and Breakfast/Short Term Rentals		Y	Y	Y			
Bardominium		Y	Y				

Child Day Care (Home)		Y	Y	Y			2/dwelling
Group Home		S	S	S			2/dwelling
Group Day Care Home		S	S	S			Specified by SUP
Halfway House							1/2 occupants
Guest House/Servant Quarters		Y					1/dwelling unit
Accessory Building	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	None
Tennis Court (private)		Y	Y	Y			None
Solar Panels (Residential)		Y	Y	Y			
Swimming Pool (private)		Y	Y	Y			None
Home Occupation		Y	Y	Y			None
Wind Turbines (Residential)		Y					
Agriculture/Ranch Uses:	PCI	A-1R	R-2	HD-1	C	LI	Parking
Exotic Animals		S			S	S	
Farm or Ranch		Y			Y	Y	2/dwelling unit
Farmer's Market		S		S	Y	Y	2/stall
Feed Lot							None
Grainery or Gin						Y	1/2000 site area
Orchard		Y			Y	Y	1/employee
Portable Shipping Container (Conex)							
Produce Stand		S		S	Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Rodeo Arena (Private)		Y					None
Rodeo Ground, Arena (Public)							
Stable, Private		Y			Y	Y	None
Stable, Public					Y	Y	1/2 stalls
Solar Panels (Agricultural)		Y					
Wind Turbines (Agricultural)		Y					
Utility/Solid Waste Uses:	PCI	A-1R	R-2	HD-1	C	LI	Parking
Cable TV Lines		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	None
Electric Substations		S			S	Y	None
Gas Regulating/Gas Station					Y	Y	None
Microwave Tower					S	S	None
Radio and Television Tower					S	S	None
Railroad Freight Terminal							1 per employee
Railroad Yard							1 per employee
Recycling Collection Facility						S	1 per employee
Refuse Transfer Station						S	1 per employee
Sewer Lift Station						Y	None
Telephone Exchange		S	S	S	Y	Y	None
Utility Poles and Lines		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	None
Utility Mains and Lines		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	None
Wastewater Treatment Plant							

Water Pump Station		S			Y	Y	None
Water Storage Tank		S	S	S	Y	Y	None
Water Treatment Plant					S	Y	2 minimum
Water Well		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	None
Gov& Institutional Uses:	PCI	A-1R	R-2	HD-1	C	LI	Parking
Athletic Field or Stadium	Y				Y	Y	1/4 seats
Auditorium or Amphitheater	Y				Y	Y	1/4 seats
Cemetery or Mausoleum		S	S	S	S	S	None
College or University	Y			Y	Y	Y	1/3 students
Community Center	Y			Y	Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Convalescent Center				S	S	Y	1/3 beds
Fire Station	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	2/bay
Government Office	Y			S	Y	Y	1/300 g.f.a.
Hospital	Y				Y	Y	1/bed
Library	Y			Y	Y	Y	1/300 g.f.a.
Museum or Art Gallery	Y			S	Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Park or Playground	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	1/2000 site area
Places of Assembly (Large)	Y			S	Y	Y	1/4 seats
Places of Assembly (Small)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	1/4 seats
Police Station	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	2 visitor spaces
Post Office	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Prison or Penitentiary							1/6 cells
Sanitarium							1/6 beds
School (nursery or kindergarten)	Y				Y	Y	1/10 children
School (trade or business)	Y				Y	Y	1/3 students
School (elementary or middle)	Y				Y	Y	1/10 students
School (high school)	Y				Y	Y	1/3 students
Swimming Pool (public)	Y				Y	Y	10 minimum
Tennis Court (public)	Y				Y	Y	2/court
Commercial Uses:	PCI	A-1R	R-2	HD-1	C	LI	Parking
Amusement Park (outside)						Y	1/500 site area
Animal Shelter						Y	1/500 g.f.a.
Antique Shop				Y	Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Apparel or Clothing Store				Y	Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Appliance Repair Shop					Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Appliance Store (retail)					Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Arcade					Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Art Supply Store				Y	Y	Y	1/300 g.f.a.
Athletic or Fitness Club					Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Auction					Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.

Audio Store (retail)				Y	Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Auto Inspection Station					S	Y	2/service bay
Auto Paint & Body Shop						Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Auto Parts Store					Y	Y	1/300 g.f.a.
Auto Rental					S	Y	1.25/rental car
Auto Repair Garage					S	Y	3/service bay
Auto Sales Lot					S	Y	1/1000 site area
Bakery (retail)				Y	Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Bank or Financial Institution					Y	Y	1/300 g.f.a.
Bar				S	Y	Y	
Bed & Breakfast Accommodation		Y	Y	Y			1/guest room
Barber or Beauty Shop				Y	Y	Y	3/chair
Bicycle Sales & Repair					Y	Y	1/300 g.f.a.
Boat Sales					S	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Boat Storage						Y	1/1000 site area
Book Store				Y	Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Bowling Alley					Y	Y	6/lane
Building Materials/Lumber yard						Y	1/500 g.f.a.
Bus terminal						Y	1/300 g.f.a.
Business Office				Y	Y	Y	1/300 g.f.a.
Cabinet Shop					Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Camera Store (retail)				Y	Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Car Wash					Y	Y	1/wash bay
Carnival or Circus				S		S	SUP
Carpet Store (retail)					Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Catering Shop				Y	Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Cemetery Monument Sales					Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Child Care Center or Facility					Y	Y	1/6 children
Christmas Tree Sales		S		S	Y	Y	1/1000 site area
Computer Store (retail/service)				Y	Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Contractor yard (outside storage)						Y	1/2000 site area
Dental Clinic or Office				S	Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Department Store					Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Electrical Sales & Service					Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Electronics Store (retail)					Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Employment Agency					Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Farm Implement Sales					S	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Feed Store					Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Feed Store with animal sales					Y	S	1/400 g.f.a.
Fire Wood Sales		S			Y	Y	1/1000 site area
Florist Shop				Y	Y	Y	1/300 g.f.a.
Flea Market (inside)						S	1/200 g.f.a.

Flea Market (outside)						S	1/1000 site area
Fraternity/Sorority Lodge				S	S	S	1/200 g.f.a.
Furrier					S	S	1/400 g.f.a.
Furniture Store (retail)					Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Game Hall					Y	Y	1/100 g.f.a.
Gift or Novelty Shop				Y	Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Glass Sales					Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Go-Cart Track							1/go cart
Golf Course		S			S	S	2/green
Golf Course, miniature					S	Y	1.5/hole
Golf Driving Range		S			S	S	1/driving tee
Grocery Store				S	Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Gun Shooting Range (indoor)					S	Y	1/500 g.f.a.
Gunsmith Shop				S	Y	Y	1/300 g.f.a.
Hardware store				S	Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Health Food Store				Y	Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Heating/Ac Sales & Service					Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Heavy Equipment Sales						Y	1/1000 site area
Hobby Shop				Y	Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Hotel or Motel							1/guest room
Insurance Sales Office				Y	Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Interior Decorator Studio				Y	Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Jewelry Store				Y	Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Kennel		S			S	S	1/400 g.f.a.
Laboratory, Medical or Dental					S	S	1/400 g.f.a.
Laundry or Dry Cleaners					Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Lawnmower Sales & Service					Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Leather Goods Shop (retail)				Y	Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Lithographic Shop				Y	Y	Y	1/300 g.f.a.
Liquor/Wine Store				S	Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Locksmith Shop				Y	Y	Y	1/300 g.f.a.
Meat, Poultry & Fish Market				S	Y	Y	1/300 g.f.a.
Medical Clinic or Office				Y	Y	Y	1/300 g.f.a.
Manufactured Home Sales Lot							1/1000 site area
Manufactured Home Storage							None
Massage Establishment					Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Metal Building Sales					S	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Metal Supply						Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Mini-warehouse						Y	1/500 g.f.a.
Mobil Food Vendor (food truck)							1/100 g.f.a.
Mortuary or Funeral Home					S	Y	1/3 seats
Motorcycle Sales						Y	1/200 g.f.a.

Movie Theater (drive-in)							1/employee
Movie Theater (indoor)						Y	1/3 seats
Musical Instrument Store			Y	Y	Y		1/200 g.f.a.
Newspaper Office			Y	Y	Y		1/200 g.f.a.
Newsstand			Y	Y	Y		1/200 g.f.a.
Nightclub or Dance Hall				S	Y		1/100 g.f.a.
Office Supply Store			Y	Y	Y		1/200 g.f.a.
Optical Clinic or Office			Y	Y	Y		1/200 g.f.a.
Optical Dispensary Store			Y	Y	Y		1/200 g.f.a.
Paint Sales Store (retail)				Y	Y		1/200 g.f.a.
Paintball Sports/Survival Games					Y		1/500 site area
Pawnshop				Y	Y		1/200 g.f.a.
Pet Grooming Shop				Y	Y		1/200 g.f.a.
Pet Shop				Y	Y		1/200 g,f,a,
Pharmacy or Drug Store			S	Y	Y		1/200 g.f.a.
Photography Studio			Y	Y	Y		1/200 g.f.a.
Picture Framing Shop			Y	Y	Y		1/200 g.f.a.
Plant Nursery			S	Y	Y		1/400 g.f.a.
Plumbing Sales & Service				Y	Y		1/400 g.f.a.
Pool or Billiard Hall				S	Y		1/100 g.f.a.
Portable Metal Bldg Sales					Y		1/400 g.f.a.
Portable Metal Container Sales							1/400 g.f.a.
Portable Metal Container Storage Facility							1/400 g.f.a.
Print Shop			Y	Y	Y		1/400 g.f.a.
Professional Offices			Y	Y	Y		1/300 g.f.a.
Racquetball Court	Y			Y	Y		2/court
Race Track (All Types)							None
Real Estate or Leasing Office			Y	Y	Y		1/300 g.f.a.
Recording Studio			Y	Y	Y		1/300 g.f.a.
Recreational Vehicle Park							None
Recreational Vehicle Sales				S	Y		1/400 g.f.a.
Recreational Vehicle Storage					Y		1/400 g.f.a.
Rental Store				S	Y		1/400 g.f.a.
Restaurant or Cafe(inside)			Y	Y	Y		1/3 seats
Restaurant (drive-in)				S	Y		1/100 g.f.a.
Solar Farms					S		1/400 g.f.a.
Second Hand Store			Y	Y	Y		1/200 g.f.a.
Service Station				S	S		4 minimum
Sexually Oriented Business					S		Specified by SUP
Shoe or Boot Store			Y	Y	Y		1/200 g.f.a.
Shopping Center or Mall				S	S		1/200 g.f.a.

Sign Shop				Y	Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Skating Rink					S	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Sporting Goods Store				S	Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Tack Store				S	Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Tailor or Seamstress Shop				Y	Y	Y	1/300 g.f.a.
Tanning Salon				Y	Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Tattoo Shop					S	S	1/200 g.f.a.
Taxidermist					S	S	1/400 g.f.a.
Tire Sales, Repair & Installation					S	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Title and Abstract Office				Y	Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Tobacco Sales				S	S	S	1/400 g.f.a.
Tool & Equipment Rental					S	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Trailer Sales & Rental					S	Y	1/1000 site area
Travel Agency				Y	Y	Y	1/300 g.f.a.
Trophy Sales				Y	Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Truck Rental					S	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Truck Repair					S	S	1/400 g.f.a.
Truck Sales					S	Y	1/1000 site area
Truck Wash						Y	2/wash bay
Upholstery Shop				Y	Y	Y	1/400 g.f.a.
Veterinary Clinic					Y	Y	1/300 g.f.a.
Veterinary Hospital					Y	Y	1/300 g.f.a.
Video Store					Y	Y	1/200 g.f.a.
Washateria (self-service)					Y	Y	1/wash machine
Wind Turbines						S	None
Industrial Uses:	PCI	A-1R	R-2	HD-1	C	LI	Parking
Airport							
Ammonia Manufacturing							4
Apparel Manufacturing						Y	4
Appliance Manufacturing						Y	4
Artificial Limb Manufacturing						Y	4
Asphalt Batching Plant							4
Bakery, Commercial						Y	4
Bleach Manufacturing							4
Bookbinding & Publishing					S	Y	4
Bottling Plant						Y	4
Box Manufacturing						Y	4
Brewery-Bar				S	S	Y	4
Brick or Tile manufacturing						Y	4
Canning Operation						Y	4
Carpet Manufacturing						Y	4

Chemical Storage or Mfg.							4
Chlorine Manufacturing							4
Cold Storage Plant					Y		4
Composite Manufacturing							4
Composting (Commercial)							4
Concrete Batching Plant					Y		4
Concrete Produce Casting Plant					Y		4
Contractor Yard-outside storage					Y		4
Creamery					Y		4
Creosote Manufacturing							4
Distribution Center (small)					Y		4
Distribution Center (large)					Y		4
Distillation Plant					S		4
Dyeing Plant					Y		4
Electrical Components Mfg.					Y		4
Electroplating					Y		4
Envelope Manufacturing					Y		4
Explosives Manufacturing							4
Fertilizer Manufacturing					S		4
Fiberglass Manufacturing							4
Fireworks Manufacturing							4
Food Processing					Y		4
Foundry							4
Freight Terminal, Motor					Y		4
Freight Terminal, Railroad							4
Furniture Manufacturing					Y		4
Garment Manufacturing					Y		4
Glass Manufacturing					Y		4
Glue Manufacturing					S		4
granary or Gin					Y		4
Gypsum Manufacturing					S		4
Heliport or Helistop				S	S		4
Ice Cream Plant					Y		4
Ice Plant					Y		4
Incinerator							4
Insecticide Processing							4
Junkyard							4
Laundry Plant					Y		4
Light Fabrication Plant					Y		4
Machine Shop					Y		4
Marble Manufacturing					Y		4
Mattress Manufacturing					Y		4

Meat, Poultry, & Fish Processing						Y	4
Metal Fabrication						Y	4
Metal Plating						Y	4
Metal Stamping and Extrusion						Y	4
Mining, Extraction Operation						S	4
Monument Works						Y	4
Packaging Operation						Y	4
Paint Manufacturing							4
Pallet Manufacturing						Y	4
Paper Mill							4
Paper Products Manufacturing						S	4
Pesticide Processing							4
Petroleum Products (wholesale)						S	4
Petroleum Refinery or Storage							4
Pharmaceutical Manufacturing						Y	4
Planing Mill						Y	4
Plastic Product Manufacturing						S	4
Pottery Manufacturing						Y	4
Radio Transmitting Station					S	S	4
Recycling Processing Plant						S	4
Rendering Plant							4
Rock Crushing Plant							4
Salvage Yard							4
Smelter Plant							4
Tanning Plant							4
Television Transmitting Station					S	S	4
Temporary Construction Office		S	S	S	S	Y	None
Textile Manufacturing						Y	4
Tire Manufacturing							4
Vehicle Conversion Facility						Y	4
Warehouse						Y	4
Welding Shop					S	Y	4

APPENDIX E

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

A. MEMBERSHIP AND ORGANIZATION

There is hereby created a board of adjustment which shall consist of five (5) members who are residents of the city, or who reside in the city's extraterritorial jurisdiction, each to be appointed by the Mayor *with ratification by the City Council* for a staggered term of two (2) years. The Mayor shall designate one (1) member as chair. Members may be removed for cause following a public hearing. Vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term of any member whose place becomes vacant for any cause, in the same manner as the original appointment was made. City Council shall appoint two individuals as alternates to serve in the absence of one or more regular members when requested to do so by the Mayor. The alternates shall serve for the same period as a regular member and is subject to removal in the same manner as a regular member. A vacancy among the alternate members is filled in the same manner as a vacancy among the regular members.

Each member of the Board after being appointed by the Mayor shall attend a training on the authority and procedures of the Board of Adjustment. This requirement may be satisfied by attendance at a training session approved by the City Council, given by a person selected by the City Council or conducted by a person of the Board's choice so long as the person is qualified to provide the information necessary for the Board member to fulfill his or her duties under applicable law. Failure to satisfy this requirement within 90 days of appointment shall constitute cause for removal in accordance with section XIX.

The board shall adopt rules by a majority vote to govern its proceedings, provided that such rules are not inconsistent with state law or this ordinance. Meetings shall be held in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, at the call of the chair and at such other times as the board may determine. All cases to be heard by the board shall be heard by at least 75 percent of its members. The chair, or in his/her absence, the vice-chair may administer oath and compel the attendance of witnesses. The board shall keep minutes of its proceedings, including the vote of each member upon each question, or if absent or failing to vote, indicating such fact, and shall keep record of its examinations and other official actions, all of which shall be immediately filed in the office of the city secretary and shall be a public record.

B. AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD

The Board of Adjustment may:

- (1) hear and decide an appeal that alleges an error in an order, requirement, decision, or determination made by an administrative official in the enforcement of Chapter 211 of the Local Government Code or this ordinance;
- (2) hear and decide special exceptions to the terms of the zoning ordinance when the ordinance requires the board to do so;
- (3) authorize in specific cases a variance from the terms of a zoning ordinance, including the following: the front yard, side yard, rear yard, lot width, lot depth, coverage, minimum setback standards, off-street parking, off-street loading regulations, lot area, maximum height, or building, if the variance is not contrary to the public interest and due to special conditions, a literal enforcements of the ordinance would result in unnecessary hardship, and so that the spirit of the ordinance is observed and substantial justice is done;
- (4) Hear appeals on zoning boundary disputes;
- (5) Initiate on its own motion or cause presented by interested property owner's action to bring about the discontinuance of a nonconforming use;
- (6) Permit the reconstruction of a nonconforming structure or building on the lot or tract occupied by such building, provided such reconstruction does not, in the judgment of the board, prevent the return of such property to a conforming use or increase the nonconformity of a nonconforming structure beyond what is permitted by Section XVII; and
- (7) Hear and decide other matters authorized by the City's zoning ordinance. In exercising its powers under this ordinance and the Local Government Code, the Board may reverse or affirm in whole or in part, or may modify an administrative official's order, requirement, decision or determination from which an appeal is taken and make the correct order, requirement, decision, or determination, and for that purpose the board has the same authority as the administrative official.

The concurring vote of 75 percent of the members of the board is necessary to:

- (1) reverse an order, requirement, decision, or determination of an administrative official.
- (2) decide in favor of an applicant on a matter on which the board is required to pass under the zoning ordinance; or
- (3) authorize a variation from the terms of this zoning ordinance as provided for herein.

C. LIMITATIONS ON POWER TO GRANT VARIANCES

1. Such variances will not be contrary to public interest.

2. Such variance will not authorize the operation of a use other than the one that is specifically authorized for the district in which the subject property is located.

3. Such variance will not substantially or permanently injure the appropriate use of adjacent or nearby conforming property in the same district.

4. Such variance will be in harmony with the spirit and purpose of this ordinance.

5. The plight of the owner of the property for which the variance is sought is due to unique circumstances existing on the property, and the unique circumstances were not created by the owner of the property and are not merely financial and are not due to or the result of general conditions in the district in which the property is located.

6. The variance will not adversely affect the public health, safety, or welfare.

The following are additional criteria that the board may consider as grounds to determine whether compliance with the ordinance as applied to a structure that is the subject of the appeal would result in unnecessary hardship:

(1) the financial cost of compliance is greater than 50 percent of the appraised value of the structure as shown on the most recent appraisal roll certified to the assessor for the municipality under Section 26.01, Tax Code;

(2) compliance would result in a loss to the lot on which the structure is located of at least 25 percent of the area on which development may physically occur;

(3) compliance would result in the structure not being in compliance with a requirement of a municipal ordinance, building code, or other requirement;

(4) compliance would result in the unreasonable encroachment on an adjacent property or easement; or

(5) the municipality considers the structure to be a nonconforming structure.

D. BOARD PROCEDURES

Appeals to the board can be taken to the board by any person aggrieved by any decision of the city manager or his/her designated zoning administrator; or by any officer, department, board, or bureau of the City affected by the decision, with the exception of a member of the city council who also serves as a member of the board of adjustments.

The appellant must file with the board and the official from whom the appeal is taken a notice of appeal specifying the grounds for the appeal. Such appeal shall be filed within fifteen (15)

days after the decision has been rendered. On receiving the notice, the official from whom the appeal is taken shall immediately transmit to the board all the papers constituting the record of the action that is appealed.

An appeal shall stay all proceedings in furtherance of the action appealed from, unless the official from whom the appeal is taken certifies in writing to the board facts supporting the official's opinion that a stay would cause imminent peril to life or property. In such case, proceedings may be stayed only by a restraining order granted by the board or a court of record on application after notice to the official, if due cause is shown.

No appeal to the board for the same or related variance on the same piece of property shall be allowed prior to the expiration of one hundred eighty (180) days from a previous ruling of the board on any appeal to such body unless other property in the immediate vicinity has, within the said 180 days period been changed or acted on by the board or city council so as to alter the facts and conditions on which the previous board action was based. Such change of circumstances shall permit the re-hearing of an appeal by the board, prior to the expiration of the one hundred eighty-day period, but such conditions shall in no way have any force in law to compel the board, after a hearing, to grant a subsequent appeal such subsequent appeal shall be considered entirely on its merits and the peculiar and specific conditions related to the property on which the appeal is brought.

All appeals shall be set for a hearing before the board no later than 30 days after the date on which a notice of appeal has been filed. The board shall publish notice of the hearing to the public and to all parties in interest. At a public hearing relative to any appeal, a party may appear in person or by his or her agent or attorney. The burden of proof shall be on the applicant to establish the necessary facts to warrant favorable action of the board on any appeal or variance request. The board shall render a decision on the appeal within 30 days.

Any variance granted or authorized by the Board under the provisions of this ordinance shall authorize the issuance of a building permit or certificate of occupancy, as the case may be, for a period of 90 days from the date of the favorable action of the board unless said board shall have in its action approved a longer period of time and has so shown such specific longer period in the minutes of its action. If the building permit and/or certificate of occupancy shall not have been applied for within said 90-day period or such extended period as the board may have specifically granted, then the special exception or variance shall be deemed to have been waived and all rights thereunder terminated. Such termination and waiver shall be without prejudice to a subsequent appeal and such subsequent appeal shall be subject to the same regulation and requirement for hearing as herein specified for the original appeal.

The board shall hold a public hearing on all requests for special use permits and variances and written notice of such public hearings shall be sent to the applicant and any other interested parties.

Fees

All applications for Board of Adjustment variance requests shall be submitted along with the appropriate fee set forth in the Fee Schedule.

E. SITE PLAN AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS REQUIRED--BOA REQUEST -

When, in the opinion of the designated administrative official, Board of adjustments, greater information is required from the applicant concerning the nature, extent and impact of his or her request than supplied with his or her application for a change in zoning or special use permit request, in order to properly review and evaluate all relevant factors thereof, the board of adjustment may require the applicant to submit a site plan and/or supporting documents conforming with all or a portion of the requirements set forth in this section, prior to rendering a decision thereon.

The applicant is encouraged to meet with the designated administrative official in an informal work session to ascertain the exact extent of plans and documents required, if any, prior to the city initiating the advertisement for public hearing on the petition.

The general type and extent of plans and supporting documents which may be required of the petitioner include, but are not necessarily limited to:

1. Site Plan--Site Drawing to illustrate desired construction. Additional site plan drawing information which the reviewing body may require include:
2. Drawings-- Photos or Elevations, concept sketches, or rendering depicting building types and other significant proposed improvements, to describe to the BOA the applicant's intended land use and development proposals; and
3. Completed signed and notarized BOA request form including:
 - a. Statement(s) on planning objectives to be achieved in use/development proposal, including a narrative description of the character of the proposed development and rationale behind the assumptions and choices made by the applicant, including use and ownership of open spaces, etc.;
 - b. Legal descriptions of the total site area proposed for construction, or conditional use permit;
 - c. An approximate date when construction of the proposed development, and subsequent stages or phases thereof, is any, can be expected to begin and be completed, to the best of the applicant's knowledge and belief.
 - d. A statement as to the present ownership of the site or parcels thereof discussed by the application

F. APPEAL OF BOARD ACTION

Any person or persons, jointly or severally aggrieved by any decision of the board, any taxpayer or any officer, department or board of the municipality may present to a district court, county court, or county court at law a verified petition, duly verified, setting forth that such decision is illegal, in whole or in part, specifying the grounds of illegality. Such petition shall be presented to the court within ten days after the decision of the board and not thereafter.

APPENDIX F

DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this zoning ordinance, certain terms and words are defined and shall have the meanings ascribed in this ordinance unless it is apparent from the context that different meanings are intended.

Any term not expressly defined in this section shall be defined by a common planning definition from the American Planning Association's, A Planners Dictionary or have their usual and customary meaning. The administrative official shall determine the appropriateness of a definition.

Words used in the present tense include the future tense, words singular form include the plural, and words in the plural form include the singular. The word “building” includes the word “structure,” except as otherwise specified. The term “use” means “used or intended to be used for or arranged or designed for use.” The word “shall” is mandatory not directory; the word “may” is permissive. The word “person” includes a firm, association, organization, partnership, trust foundation, company, or corporation as well as an individual. The word “including” means “including, but not limited to.”

Accessory Building- A subordinate building which is incidental to and secondary in scale to that of the main building on the same lot and may not exist without a main building. Accessory buildings in residential districts shall be limited to attached or detached garages, carport, storage building, bath house, greenhouse, tornado, bomb or fall-out shelter, stable, and barn. Typically, the Accessory Building is located to the side and/or rear of the main building and is subject to any applicable building codes and regulations.

Accessory Structure - non-residential zones - A structure or combination of structures that (1) are located on the same lot, tract, or development and is not for use as a residential building, (2) are clearly incidental to and customarily found in connection with the primary building of use; and (3) are subordinate to and serving a primary building or use.

Accessory Use- A subordinate use which is incidental to the main or primary use.

Adult Arcade- Any place which the public is permitted or invited wherein coin-operated, token-operated, or electronically, electrically or mechanically controlled still or motion picture machines, projectors, or other image-producing devices are maintained to show images to five (5) or fewer persons per machine at any time, and where the images so displayed are distinguished or characterized by an emphasis on matter depicting or describing sexual activities or specified anatomical areas.

Adult Bookstore- A commercial establishment which as one its principal business purposes offers for sale or rental for any form of consideration books, magazines, periodicals or other printed

matter which are distinguished or characterized by an emphasis on matters depicting or describing specified sexual activities or specified anatomical areas.

Adult Cabaret- A nightclub, bar, restaurant, or similar commercial establishment which regularly features persons who appear in a state of nudity or give live performances which are distinguished or characterized by an emphasis on the exposure of specified anatomical areas or by an emphasis on specified sexual activities.

Adult Motel-A hotel, motel or similar commercial establishment which:

1. Offers accommodations to the public for any form of consideration and provides patrons with closed-circuit television transmissions, films, motion pictures, video cassettes, slides, or other photographic reproductions which are distinguished or characterized by an emphasis on matters depicting or describing specified sexual activities or special anatomical areas and has a sign visible from the public right-of-way which advertises the availability of this adult type of photographic reproductions; or
2. Offers a sleeping room for rent for a period of time that is less than ten hours; or
3. Allows a tenant or occupant of a sleeping room to sublet the room for a period of time that is less than ten hours.

Adult Movie Theater- A commercial establishment where, for any form of consideration, films, motion pictures, video cassettes, video reproductions, slides or other visual representations are regularly shown which are distinguished or characterized by an emphasis on matters depicting or describing specified sexual activities or specified anatomical areas.

Adult Video Store- A commercial establishment which as one its principal business purposes offers for sale or rental for any form of consideration photographs, films, motion pictures, video cassettes, video reproductions, slides or other visual representations which are distinguished or characterized by an emphasis on matters depicting or describing specified sexual activities or specified anatomical areas.

Agricultural Use- The use of land for farming or raising livestock. To be classified as agricultural, the use must be consistent with agricultural use as defined by Tax Code section 23.51, as amended.

Alley- A way which affords only a secondary means of access to abutting property.

Applicant- The legal or beneficial owner, or duly appointed owner's representative, of the land proposed to be included in the application. Applicant, if not the owner, must submit the written approval of the owner for the request.

Amusement Park- Any building, lot, tract, or parcel of land used in whole or part for the operation and maintenance of a circus, carnival, miniature golf course, golf driving range, batting cages, skating rinks, go-kart racing tracks and/or minstrel shows.

Animal Hospital or Clinic- A facility operated by a veterinarian for the purpose of examining and treating animals including outdoor facilities for caring for the animals and allowing the keeping of animals overnight.

Animal Shelter- A facility that keeps impounded stray, homeless, abandoned, or unwanted animals.

Apartment (Multi-Family) Building- Any building which is intended, designed, or occupied as the home or residence of three (3) or more families living independently of each other and maintaining separate cooking facilities.

Arcade- A public place of business where 50% or more of the gross sales are derived from amusement machines. The term amusement machine shall mean every machine of any kind of character whatsoever, when such a machine is capable of use or operations for amusement, other than for the purpose of vending merchandise, music, or a service such as telephone service, laundry service, etc. Included in the description of amusement machines, and all other machines which designed for challenge, entertainment, or pleasure.

Art Gallery- An establishment for the display of works of art, including the sale of the items exhibited.

Asphalt, Concrete Batching Plant- A facility, permanent or temporary, which mixes asphalt or cement with various aggregates and water in large quantities for transport elsewhere.

Auto Repair Shop- A building or space for the repair or maintenance of motor vehicles, but not including factory assembly of such vehicles, auto wrecking establishments or junkyards.

Auto Sales Lot- An open area or lot used for the display or sale of automobiles, where no repair work is done except minor reconditioning of the cars to be displayed and sold on the premise, and no dismantling of cars for sale or keeping of used car parts or junk on the premises.

Bakery, Retail- An establishment which produces bakery goods and various confectionery items, such as rolls, bread, etc. for direct sale to the consumer.

Bank-A financial institution, including a bank, savings bank, savings and loan, or other similar institution however designated, which transacts business with its customers in an interior-banking lobby. A bank may also include a drive-thru bank. An administrative office is one which is solely involved in managing the internal administration of a bank and which does not directly transact any business with the bank's customers.

Bar -An establishment where liquors are sold to be consumed on the premises.

Barn – An accessory building used for storage of grain, hay and other farm projects or the sheltering of livestock or farm/ranch equipment.

Barn dominium – is a combination of a “barn” and a “condominium.” Barn dominium is an open concept building with large square footage that combines living space and working area.

Basement- A story below the first story of a building.

Bed and Breakfast – A lodging facility with up to ten (10) rooms available for overnight guests. A Bed and Breakfast Inn may provide for guest stays up to fourteen (14) consecutive calendar days; however, Bed and Breakfast Inns do not offer weekly rental rates. Kitchen and dining room facilities may be included to provide meals for guests only; however, no food preparation occurs in guest bedrooms. A Bed and Breakfast Inn does not include restaurants, banquet facilities or similar services.

Block- That property abutting on one side of a street and lying between the nearest intersecting or intersecting streets or nearest intersecting or intercepting street and railroad right-of-way, waterway, or other barrier to or gap in the continuity of development along such street.

Boarding (rooming) House- A dwelling wherein lodging or meals for three (3) or more persons, not members of the principal family therein, is provided for compensation, but not including a building in which ten (10) or more guest rooms are provided.

Brewery – An industrial use that brews sales, beers, meads, and/or similar beverages on site.

Buffer Area- An area of land together which specified planting and/or structures thereon, which may be required between land uses of different intensities to eliminate or minimize conflicts between such uses.

Building- Any structure built for the support, shelter, or enclosure of persons, animals, chattels, or movable property of any kind.

Building Area- Means the portion of the lot remaining after the required yards have been provided.

Building Height-The vertical distance from the grade to the highest point of the coping of a flat roof, to the deck line of a mansard roof, or the mean height level between the eaves and ridge for a gable and hip roof.

Building Materials and Lumber Yard- A business which stocks building materials, such as fencing, wire, bricks, cement, and lumber, for use in building construction and landscaping.

Business- Includes retail, commercial, personal services, excavation, manufacturing, and industrial operations and uses.

Business Office- A room or group of rooms where the general administration and affairs of a business are carried on, but where no retail transactions are conducted.

Cabinet Shop- A building and/or premises used for the design and construction of cabinets, shelves and similar structures for subsequent sales, installation and use in homes, businesses, and offices.

Carport – Roof structure only with no walls. Used to shelter cars or equipment.

Car Wash- A building, or portion thereof, where automobiles or other motor vehicles are automatically or manually washed regularly as a business.

Cellar- A building story with more than one-half of its height below the average level of the adjoining ground. A cellar shall not be counted as a story in computing building height.

Cemetery- Land used or intended to be used for the burial of deceased humans, including mausoleums and mortuaries.

Certificate of Occupancy- An official certificate issued by the City of St. Hedwig which indicates conformance with or approved conditional waiver from the zoning regulations or building code regulations and authorizes the legal use of the premises for which it is issued.

Child Care Center or Facility- A facility that provides care or supervision for children who are not related by blood, marriage, or adoption to the owner or operator of the facility for less than twenty-four (24) hours a day for more than twelve (12) children under the age of fourteen (14), whether or not the facility is operated for profit or charges for the services it offers.

Child Day Care Home- A facility, sometimes referred to as a “Registered Family Home,” that regularly provides care in the caretaker’s own residence for not more than six (6) children under the age of fourteen (14) years of age, excluding the caretaker’s own children. When more than six (6) children are kept in the home, it shall be considered as either a “Group Day Care Home” or “Childcare Center.”

Church or Rectory- A place of worship and religious training of recognized religions including the on-site housing of ministers, rabbis, priests, and nuns.

Clinic- A group of offices for one or more physicians, surgeons, opticians or dentists to treat patients who do not remain overnight.

Commercial- The land use or other activity involving the sale of goods or services for financial gain.

Community Center- A building used for the social or recreational activities serving the city, neighborhood, or apartment complex.

Condominium- A form of real property ownership that combines separate ownership of individual apartments or units with common ownership of other elements.

Contractor Yard- A building and/or premises for the storage of materials, tools, products, and vehicles used in the conduct of a construction business related to heating and air conditioning service, building construction, electrical service, landscaping service, plumbing service, utility service, etc.

Convalescent Center- Any building or structure used for or customarily occupied by persons recovering from illness or suffering from infirmities of age.

Country Club (Private)- An area of land containing either a golf course or tennis courts, or both, and a clubhouse and which is available to members only. Country clubs may contain adjunct facilities such as private club, dining room, swimming pool, and other similar recreational or service facilities.

Courtyard- An open, unoccupied space on the same lot with a building and bounded on three (3) or more sides by such building; or the open space provided for access to a dwelling group.

Display- The exhibition of vehicles, trailers, boats, goods, wares, or merchandise for sale, rental, or lease.

Distribution Center, Large- A building or group with cumulative storage space of over 5,000 square feet in area which is used for the storage of merchandise, goods, and wares which are intended to be distributed to other retail or wholesale establishments.

Driveway – A property access from public road to a building/structure or to provide other access to the property. Driveways shall not prevent the natural water flow or drainage.

Dwelling or Dwelling Unit- A building or portion of a building which is arranged, occupied or intended to be occupied as living quarters and includes facilities for food preparation, restroom/sanitary facilities and sleeping.

Dwelling, Single Family- A detached building which is designed for or occupied as a home or residence by one (1) family.

Dwelling, Two-Family – A structure containing two dwelling units, each of which has direct access to the outside.

Dwelling, Three- Family – a building containing three individual dwellings. Accessory dwelling units are not included in the definition.

Dwelling, Four- Family – (Quad home) a single structure containing four dwelling units.

Dwelling, Multi-Family- A building containing two (2) or more dwelling units which is designed for or occupied as a home or residence for two (2) or more families living independently of each other and maintaining separate cooking facilities.

Easement Ingress/Egress- The right of a property owner who has no street front to use a particular segment of the real property of another property owner to gain access to the public road.

Electrical Sales & Service- An establishment selling electrical supplies and parts an/or providing the servicing and installation of electrical equipment and fixtures.

Exotic animals- refers to grass-eating or plant eating, single-hoofed or cloven-hoofed mammals that are not indigenous or native to Texas and are known as ungulates, including animals from the deer and antelope families that landowners have introduced into this state. Includes but is not limited to: feral hog, Aoudad sheep, Axis deer, Elk, Sika deer, Fallow deer, Blackbuck antelope, Nilgai antelope, and Russian boar. Exotic Fowl refers to any avian species that is not indigenous to this state, including ratites (emu, ostrich, rhea, cassowary, etc.).

Extended Family Quarters - a secondary dwelling unit located on a lot with a main residential structure and used as living quarters for persons living on the premises”.

Family- One or more persons immediately related by blood, marriage or adoption living together as a single housekeeping unit or one or more persons living and cooking together as a single nonprofit housekeeping unit having a continuing non-transient domestic character though not related by blood, adoption, or marriage.

Farm- An area of two (2) acres or more which is used for the growing of farm products such as vegetables and grain as well as raising thereon of the usual farm poultry and farm animals such as chickens, horses, mules, cattle, pigs and sheep.

Farmer’s Market- Two or more stalls or stands that are owned, leased, or rented, for the display or vending of farmer products or farm crops.

Feed Store- A commercial establishment which sells animal feed; feeding troughs; animal cages, pens, and gates; fencing materials; pesticides; seeds; and other gardening farming, and ranching supplies. The sale of baby chicks, rabbits, guinea pigs, and other similar small or domesticated animals may be permitted in accordance with all ordinances.

Fence- A barrier composed of posts connected by boards, rails, panels, or wire on or within property lines to identify and separate properties, and/or to prevent access or to confine. The term “fence” does not include retaining walls.

Fine Arts- Music, painting, sculpture, and including drawing, etchings, ceramics, inlays, needlework, knitting, weaving, and craftwork involving leather, wood, metal, and glass.

Flea Market- A collection of two or more stalls, booths, tables, or other similar arrangements, used by individual vendors, for the display and sale of various items of new or used personal property.

Flood Plain- Any land area susceptible to being inundated by water from any source.

Floodway- The channel of a river or other watercourse and the adjacent land areas that must be reserved in order to discharge the base flood without cumulatively increasing the water surface elevation more than a designated height.

Floor Area- The area of a building, including the walls thereof, but excluding all porches, open breezeways and garages.

Freight Terminal, Motor- A property or building in which freight is brought by common carriers during and is stored for interstate or intrastate shipment by motor truck, including the necessary warehouse space for storage of transitory freight.

Freight Terminal, Railroad- A property or building in which freight is brought by common carriers during and is stored for interstate or intrastate shipment by rail, including the necessary warehouse space for storage of transitory freight.

Frontage- The full length of a plot of land measured alongside the road onto which the plot or building fronts.

Front Yard - A yard across the full width of a lot extending from the front line of the main building to the front street line of the lot. See Appendix C.

Future Land Use Plan – A potential land use, as part of the Comprehensive Master Plan. A Future Land Use Plan is not a zoning regulation and does not establish zoning category boundaries.

Game Hall- A facility open to the public and used for the playing of games of chance, skill, sport or amusement. Such games include but are not limited to the following: dominoes, cards, bingo, darts, and amusement machines.

Garage, Auto Repair- A building or portion of a building used for the general repair and/or painting of motor vehicles.

Garage, Parking- A building or portion of a building used for the parking and storage of motor vehicles, other than a private garage or an auto repair garage, in which any sale of gasoline, oil, and accessories is only incidental to the storage of the vehicles.

Garage, Private- An accessory building or portion of a main building on the same lot and intended to be used for the parking and storage of private passenger motor vehicles, boats, or other vehicles.

Garage Sale- Occasional sales at retail by residential owners or occupants conducted in the garage, patio, driveway or yard of the residential premises occupied by the person holding the sale, for the purpose of disposing surplus personal property accumulated incidentally in the regular course of residential occupancy.

Government Office- Any building or facility either owned or leased for use by local, state or federal governments and in which the affairs of the governmental body are carried on.

Grade- When used as a reference point in measuring height of building, the average elevation of the finished ground at the exterior walls of the main building.

Gross Floor Area- The total area of all floors as measured to the outside walls, excluding open porches, breezeways, balconies, and terraces. In computing the gross floor area of residential uses, garages and carports shall be excluded.

Group Day Care Home- A facility that regularly provides care in the caretaker's own residence of seven (7) to twelve (12) children under the age of fourteen (14) years of age, excluding the caretaker's own children.

Group Home- A residential facility licensed by the Texas Department of Human Resources to operate such facility house pursuant to chapter 123 of the Texas Human Resources Code.

Halfway House- A residential facility providing shelter, supervision and residential rehabilitative services for persons who have been inmates of any county, state, for federal correctional institution and released and require a group setting to facilitate the transition to a functional member of society.

Heating/Air Conditioning (AC) Sales & Service- An establishment selling heating and air conditioning units, supplies and parts and/or providing the servicing and installation of heating and air conditioning equipment.

Heavy Equipment Sales- A business offering for sale, and including the servicing and repair of, equipment as construction graders, earth movers, backhoes, cement mixer trucks, dirt moving trucks, etc.

Height (of Building)- The vertical distance from the grade to the highest point of the coping of a flat roof or to the deck line of a mansard roof, or the highest ridge board, for gable, hip and gambrel roof.

Hobby- The engagement of a person in an activity such as music, painting, sculpturing, drawing, etching, ceramics, needlework, knitting, weaving, craftwork involving leather, wood, metal, and glass, etc. in his or her spare-time activity within his or her premises. Such activity shall be carried on within an enclosed or screened area and shall not involve any activity that requires open storage. No activity which is obnoxious or offensive by reason of vibration, electrical interference, glare, noise, odor, dust, smoke, or fumes shall be permitted.

Home Occupation- Any occupation or activity listed in Section X of this ordinance which is clearly incidental and secondary to the residential use of the premises, and which is carried on wholly within a main building or accessory building by a member of a family residing on the premises and which does not change the character thereof. However, such use will not be obnoxious or offensive due to vibration, smoke, dust, odor, heat, glare, noise or which increases traffic.

Hospital- An institution or place where sick or injured patients are kept overnight and given medical or surgical care.

Hotel Or Motel-A building or arrangement of buildings designed for and occupied as a temporary abiding place by transient guest who are lodged with or without meals for compensation.

House Trailer- A vehicle without automotive power designed for human habitation and for carrying persons and property upon its own structure and for being drawn by a motor vehicle.

Industrial Park- A parcel of land which has been planned and/or coordinated for a variety of industrial and related activities and business uses. This development may be on a one parcel or may be subdivided. The project is either owned, controlled or managed by a single entity and has its own master plan and/or covenants, conditions, and restrictions.

Industrialized Housing- A residential structure that is designed for the use and occupancy of one or more families, that is constructed in one or more modules or constructed using one or more modular components built at a location other than the permanent residential site, and that is designed to be used as a permanent residential site and are erected or installed on a permanent foundation system. The term includes the plumbing, heating, air conditioning, and electrical systems. The term shall not mean nor apply to (a) housing constructed of sectional or panelized systems not utilizing modular components; or (b) any ready-built home which is constructed so that the entire living area is contained in a single unit or section at a temporary location of the purpose of selling it and moving it to another location.

Industrialized Building- A commercial or industrial structure that is constructed on one or more modules or constructed using one or more modular components built at a location other than the permanent site, and that is designed to be used as a commercial building when the modules or

modular components are transported to the permanent commercial or industrial site and are erected or installed on a permanent foundation system. The term includes the plumbing, heating, air-conditioning and electrical systems. An industrialized building includes a permanent commercial structure and a commercial structure designed to be transported from one commercial site to another commercial site but does not include a commercial building or structure that is (1) installed in a manner other than on a permanent foundation; and (2) either not open to the public; or less than 1,500 square feet in total area and used other than as a school or a place of religious worship.

Junk- Copper, brass, iron, steel, rope, rags, batteries, paper, rubber, tires, pipe, plastic, debris, trash, rubbish, waste, metal, and ferrous or non-ferrous materials which are old, scrapped, discarded, second-hand, or otherwise used. Any worn out, cast off, discarded article or material which is ready for destruction or has been collected or stored for salvage or conversion to some other use.

Junkyard- Any lot or tract of land upon which junk is kept, stored, bought, sold, or otherwise placed.

Kindergarten or Nursery School- Any facility, whether known or incorporated under such descriptive title or name as “Child Playschool,” “Child Development Center,” “Early Childhood Center,” and the like, where six (6) or more children are left for care, training, or education during the portion of the day and a fee is charged for this service.

Kennel- Any place or premise where four (4) or more dogs, cats, or other domestic animals at least four (4) months of age are raised, trained, boarded, or kept with or without charge, except for veterinary clinics, animal hospitals, and animal shelters.

Landscaping- Living plant material, including but not limited to grass, turf, trees, shrubs, natural landforms, water forms, planters; and other landscape features, including walks and plaza areas consisting of enhanced paving, which are a function of the building and not the streetscape.

Laundry- A building or place where clothes and linens are washed and thoroughly dried and pressed by the use of washing, drying, and ironing machines for fee basis and shall include the term “cleaners,” and “dry cleaners.”

Leather Goods, Retail- A commercial establishment which sells leather materials and supplies or leather goods.

Living Area- That portion of the dwelling unit which is used or designed for occupancy but does not include carports, garages, porches, breezeways, balconies, and terraces.

Loading Space- A space within the main building or on the same lot therewith, providing for the standing, loading or unloading of trucks, and having a minimum dimension of twelve (12) feet by thirty-five (35) feet and a vertical clearance of fourteen (14) feet.

Lot- A parcel of land occupied or intended to be occupied by a main building and its accessory buildings, or by a group of buildings and their accessory buildings and having frontage on a dedicated street.

Lot, Corner- A lot located at the intersection of two (2) or more streets.

Lot Coverage- The percentage of the total area of a lot occupied by the first story or ground floor of all buildings located on the lot.

Lot Depth - The distance of a line connecting the midpoints of the front and rear lot lines, which line shall be at right angle to the front lot or radial to a curved lot line.

Lot, Double Frontage - A lot having frontage on two (2) streets that do not intersect.

Lot, Interior- A lot other than a corner lot.

Lot of Record- A lot, which is part of a subdivision, the plat of which has been recorded in the office of the county clerk, or a parcel of land the deed for which was recorded in the office of the county clerk prior to passage of this ordinance.

Lot Width- The width of a lot shall be considered to be the distance of a line (drawn perpendicular to the lot depth line) connecting the side lot lines at the building setback line or at a point no farther than thirty-five (35') feet from the front lot line.

Main Building- A building in which is conducted the principal use of the lot on which it is situated.

Manufactured Home- A structure that was constructed on or after June 15, 1976, according to the rules of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and is transportable in one or more sections, which, in the traveling mode, is eight body feet or more in width or forty body feet or more in length, or when erected on site, is 320 or more square feet, and which is built on a permanent chassis and designed to be used as a dwelling with or without a permanent foundation when connected to the required utilities, and includes the plumbing, heating, air-conditioning and electrical systems. The definition does not include recreational vehicles as defined by Title 24 Code of Federal Regulations, section 3282.8(g).

Manufactured Home Lot- That part of a parcel of land in a manufactured home park which has been reserved for the placement of one (1) manufactured home unit.

Manufactured Home Park- A parcel of land, which is owned by an individual, a firm, trust, partnership, public or private association or corporation, and has been developed for rental of lots to tenants with mobile homes.

Masonry or Masonry Units- That form of solid construction composed of stone, brick, concrete, fiber cement siding, gypsum, hollow clay tile or other similar building units or materials or combination of these materials.

Massage Establishment- Any building, room, place, or establishment, other than a regularly licensed hospital, where manipulated massage or manipulated exercises are practiced upon the human body by anyone not a duly licensed physician, osteopath, chiropractor or a registered nurse or a doctor whether with or without the use of mechanical, therapeutic or bathing devices, and shall include Turkish bathhouses. This term shall not include duly licensed beauty parlors or barber shops or a place wherein registered physical therapists treat only patients recommended by a licensed physician and operate only under such physician's direction.

Mini-warehouse - A building or group of buildings in a controlled access compound that contains individual, compartmentalized, and controlled access stalls or lockers of varying sizes not to exceed 5,000 square feet for the storage of merchandise, goods, and wares.

Mobile Home- A structure that was constructed before 15 June 1976, transportable in one or more sections, which in the traveling mode, is eight body feet or more in width or 40 body feet or more in length, or, when erected on-site, is 320 or more square feet, and which is built on a permanent chassis and designed to be used as a dwelling with or without a permanent foundation when attached to the required utilities and includes the plumbing, heating, air-conditioning and electrical systems.

Motel - See "Hotel".

Motor Vehicle - Every kind of motor driven or propelled vehicle whether required or not required to be registered or licensed under the laws of the State of Texas, including trailers, house trailers, and semi-trailers, and shall also include motorcycles, dirt bikes, or other off-road/all-terrain vehicles.

Neighborhood Convenience Center- Centers which carry convenience goods, such as groceries, drugs, hardware and some variety items, and also may include some service stores. The neighborhood convenience center may contain one or two small apparel or shoe stores, but it is clearly dominated by convenience goods, which are items of daily consumption and very frequent purchase. This neighborhood serving store group is within convenient walking distance of families served (within convenient driving range in low-density areas), with due consideration for pedestrian access and amenity of surrounding areas.

Nightclub or Dancehall- An establishment operated as a place of entertainment, characterized by any of the following as a principal use of the establishment: Live, recorded, or televised entertainment, including, but not limited to performances by magicians, musicians, or comedians; dancing; or any combination of the above.

Nonconforming Use - Nonconforming use, structure, or lot: The use of land or a building, or a portion thereof, which use does not conform with the regulations of the zoning district in which it is situated, and which was in existence prior to the effective date of this ordinance and/or prior to being annexed into the City.

Nursing Home - See “Convalescent Home”.

Orchard - An area of one acre or more which is used for the growing of fruit trees.

Off-street- Off the rights-of-way of a public street, court, or place.

Park or Playground (Public) - An open recreation facility or park owned and operated by a public agency such as the city or the school district and available to the general public or neighborhood use.

Parking Lot- An unenclosed, all-weather surface area used exclusively for the temporary parking and/or storage of motor vehicles.

Parking Space- An area measuring at least 9 feet wide by 18 feet in length, surfaced with an all-weather surface, enclosed or unenclosed, together with an all-weather surfaced driveway connecting the parking space with a street or alley permitting satisfactory ingress and egress. For computing off-street parking space requirements, parking spaces on public streets, alleys or rights-of-way shall not be used.

Paved Area- An area surfaced with asphalt, concrete, or similar all-weather surface, not including gravel.

Person- An individual, firm, partnership, or corporation, it’s or their successors or assignees, or the agent of any of those given before.

Personal Services- Businesses which provide services customized for an individual generally involving the care of the person or his or her apparel including, but not limited to barber and beauty shops, shoe and boot repair, dry-cleaning shops, laundries, reducing salons, and health clubs.

Plant Nursery- An establishment which grows and sells plants, flowers, shrubs, grass and other items typically used and associated with outdoor landscaping or houseplants.

Places of Assembly (Large)-A building or portion of a building used for the gathering together of 50 or more persons for such purposes as deliberation, education, instruction, religious worship, entertainment, amusement, drinking or dining, or awaiting transportation.

Places of Assembly (Small) - A building or portion of a building used for the gathering together of 49 or less persons for such purposes as deliberation, education, instruction, religious worship, entertainment, amusement, drinking or dining, or awaiting transportation.

Planned Unit Development- A residential subdivision which includes private streets, landscaped areas and other facilities or amenities, all of which are developed as a unit and owned and maintained as common area property by a mandatory association of the property owners in the subdivision.

Plumbing Sales and Service- An establishment selling plumbing supplies and parts and/or providing the repair and installation of plumbing and fixtures.

Portable Metal Container – Portable shipping container or Conex used for storage of items while shipping. A container, usually metal, being repurposed for storage or for residential or commercial structures for habitable purposes. Shipping container placement is not permitted in the city limits.

Principal Use or Building-The main use or building on a lot that subordinates an accessory use or structure.

Print Shop- An establishment utilizing letter press, duplicating equipment, rotary presses, or linotype equipment to produce in printed form orders for its clients or customers.

Private Club- Facilities where food, beverages (including alcoholic beverages), entertainment, or meeting space are provided to members only.

Produce Stand- A store, stand or stall used for the display or vending of fruit, vegetables, and another garden or farm crop.

Professional Office- A room or group of rooms occupied by a physician, optometrist, psychologist, chiropractor, dentists, attorney, engineer, survey, architect, accountant, planner, management consultant, or any other similar vocation. Veterinary clinics are specifically excluded from this definition.

Public Facilities- A facility publicly owned and operated to serve a need or needs of the general public with or without the payment of user fees. Public facilities may include but are not limited to a City Hall, Police Station, Fire Station, Park or Recreation Center.

Ranch- An area of 5 or more acres which is used for the keeping or raising of farm animals and livestock including, but not limited to chickens, horses, mules, sheep, goats, and cattle.

Recreational Vehicle- A vehicle or portable structure built on a chassis, used as a temporary dwelling, self-propelled or towed behind a motor vehicle that shall only be occupied in recreational vehicle parks.

Recreational Vehicle Park- A unified development designed to provide adequate parking spaces for recreational vehicles for limited periods of time.

Recycling Collection Facility- A facility designed to collect, sort, and package, by either manual or mechanical processes, recyclable items for transport to a processing plant.

Rental Store- An establishment which offers an array of items such as appliances, furniture, stereo equipment, televisions, etc. At a stated price for a fixed interval of time under a lease or rental agreement.

Restaurant- Any eating or drinking establishment where the preparation and serving of food is the primary business of such establishment including cafes, bistros, cafeterias, and other fast food and drive-in establishments.

Salvage- Shall necessarily include discarded, abandoned, junked, wrecked, dismantled, worn out or ruined motor vehicles (including automobiles, trucks, tractor, trailers, and buses) motor vehicle parts, boats, travel trailers, cranes, machinery or equipment, machinery or equipment parts, recreational vehicles and/or any junk.

Salvage yard- Any lot or tract of land upon which three or more discarded, abandoned, junked, wrecked, dismantled, worn out or ruined motor vehicles, or motor vehicles parts are kept, stored, bought, sold, recycled or otherwise placed, or are disassembled, dismantled, stripped, scrapped, recycled or cut up. This shall include automotive wrecking yard and automotive graveyard.

School - A place having a curriculum for the purpose of giving instruction, training or education in a service, art, trade or for general knowledge.

Screening (Device)- Any solid fence or wall constructed of metal, brick, masonry, concrete *or wood*; the vertical surface of which shall be without gaps, except opening for access or any dense, screening shrubs providing a visual barrier, provided such shrubs shall be maintained in a healthy growing condition.

Screening Shrubs, Large- Shrubs with an installed minimum height of three feet as identified below, or any other shrubs which, when mature, shall reach a minimum of six feet, provide a dense visual barrier, be drought resistant, and possess compact root systems posing minimum danger to integrity of public utilities. The large screening shrubs included on the following list are recommended to be planted to screen incompatible land uses, parking facilities and dumpsters by forming a visual barrier.

Common Name

Botanical Name

Photina

Photina Serrulata

Frasier’s Photina
 Buford Holly
 Chinese Holly
 Waxmyrtle
 Yaupon Holly
 Nellie R. Stevens Holly

Photina Fraseri
 Ilex Cornuta Burfordi
 Ilex Cornuta Rotunda
 Myrica Cerifera
 Ilex Vomitoria
 Ilex Cornuta

Screening Shrubs, Small- Shrubs with an installed minimum height of two feet as identified below, or any other shrubs which, when mature, shall reach a minimum of two feet and provide a dense visual barrier. The small screening shrubs included on the following list are recommended to be planted to screen parking lots, playgrounds, ballfields, swimming pools and tennis courts by forming a visual barrier.

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Botanical Name</u>
Compact Nandina	Nadina Compacta
Dwarf Abelia	Abelia Edeard Goucher
	Abelia Prostata
Dwarf Burford Holly	Ilex Cornuta Burfordii Nana
Dwarf Yaupon Holly	Ilex Vomitoria Nana

Seat- For the purposes of this ordinance, such sitting space as needed, or is designed to be used for one person to sit down and occupy.

Secondhand Store- An establishment specializing in the sale of previously used materials, goods, and merchandise of less than twenty years of age and of that material, goods and merchandise over twenty years of age which do not derive their value as a result of their age.

Service Station- A business establishment where gasoline, oil, grease, batteries, tires and motor vehicle accessories may be supplied and dispensed at retail, and the servicing of vehicles occurs, but not including the major overhaul of automobiles, body work, or repair of heavy trucks and equipment.

Setback -A line within a lot, parallel to and measured from a corresponding lot line, which no building may be erected within.

Sexually Oriented Business- Any commercial enterprise whose primary business is the offering of a service or the selling, renting, or exhibiting of devices or any other items intended to provide sexual stimulation or sexual gratification to the customer. This includes, but is not limited to any love parlor, nude modeling studio, adult bookstore, adult movie theater, adult video arcade, adult video store, and adult motel.

Shed - An enclosed building of 500 sq. ft. or less with approved utility connections. A three sided or less building of 2000 sq. ft. or less with approved utility connections.

Shipping Container – See Portable Metal Container.

Shopping Center or Mall- A planned and coordinated grouping of retail business and service uses on a single site or a combination of sites where special attention is given to on-site vehicular circulation, parking and building design and orientation.

Special Use- A use that may be allowed if it meets certain specified requirements or conditions and meets the approval of the *city council*.

Stable, Private- An accessory building used by the residents of the premises for sheltering and quartering horses owned by the occupants and for which no fee is charged for stabling the horses.

Stable, Public- A lot or tract of land used for the sheltering and quartering of horses for which a fee or charge is made for the stabling of the horses.

Story- That portion of a building, other than a basement, included between the surface of a floor and the surface of a floor next above it, or if there is not floor above it, then the portion of the building between the surface of a floor and the ceiling or roof above it.

Story, Half- The topmost story under a gable, hip or gambrel roof, the wall plates of which on at least two opposite exterior walls are not more than four feet above the floor of such story, except that any partial story used for residence purposes shall be deemed a fully story.

Street- A public or private thoroughfare or road that affords the principal means of access to abutting property.

Structural Alteration- Any change, addition or modification in construction in the supporting members of a building, such as exterior walls, bearing walls, beams, columns, foundations, girders, floor joists, roof joists, rafters or trusses.

Structure- Anything constructed or erected having location on or under the ground or attached to something having location on or under the ground.

Swimming Pool, Private- A recreational facility used for swimming which is used by the owners, employees, or residents of the property and their guests.

Swimming Pool, Public- A recreational facility used for swimming which is open to the public and/or for which a membership is required, or a fee or charge is made for the use of the facility.

Tack Store- A commercial establishment which sells horse equipment such as saddles, bridles, blankets, riding accouterments, etc.

Television Satellite Dish- An earth-based station shaped like a dish which is used for the reception of satellite signals for television programs.

Temporary Construction Office- A building or trailer in which a person or persons perform administrative functions with a development or construction project that is placed at the site of the project and remains only with the approval of the designated administrative office of the City.

Tennis Court, Private- A concrete, clay or asphalt court which is used for the playing of tennis by the owners, employees, or residents of the property and their guests.

Tennis Court, Public- A concrete, clay or asphalt court which is used by the general public and/or for which membership is required or a fee or charge is made for the use of the facility.

Tool and Equipment Rental- An establishment which offers an array of tools and equipment and machinery such as cranes, backhoes, trucks, tractors, etc. At a stated price for a fixed interval of time under a lease or rental agreement.

Townhouse- A single family dwelling constructed as part of a series of dwellings, all of which are either attached to the adjacent dwelling or dwellings by party or common walls or are located immediately adjacent thereto with no visible separation between walls or roofs.

Trailer Camp or Park- An area designed, arranged or used for the parking or storing of one or more recreational vehicles, travel trailers, motor homes, motor coaches, pick-up campers, and camping trailers which are occupied or intended for occupancy as temporary living quarters by individuals or families.

Turfs- The following list of turfs and any other turfs which can be demonstrated to the building official to be drought resistant.

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Botanical Name</u>
Bermuda Grass	Cynodon Dactylon
Bermuda Grass hybrids	
St. Augustine	Stenotaphrom Secopndatum
Buffalo Grass	Buchloe Dectyloides
Fescue and combinations	Festuca Arundinacea

Underground Shelter- A metal or concrete structure designed for the protection of humans from tornadoes or from nuclear blast, heat or fall-out, the main portion of which is underground.

Utility-Any facility, other than an administrative office, of any agency which under public franchise or ownership or certificate of convenience and necessity provides the public with general public service, included but not limited to gas, electricity, water, sewerage, telephone, communication, cable television, or any other similar device.

Use- The purpose for which land or a building or structure thereon is designed, arranged, intended or maintained or for which it is or may be used or occupied.

Use, Accessory- A subordinate use on the same lot with the principal use and incidental and accessory thereto.

Variance- A request for relief before the Board of Adjustments (BOA) of a specific regulation within the zoning ordinance for a particular parcel of property which, because of special conditions or circumstances peculiar to the particular parcel, is necessary to prevent the property from being deprived of rights and privileges enjoyed by other parcels in the same vicinity and zoning district.

Veterinary Clinic- An establishment for the care and medical veterinary practice on or for domestic household animals, conducted completely within an enclosed structure. This term shall also include “animal clinic”.

Veterinary Hospital- An establishment for the care and medical veterinary practice on or for large animals and household domestic animals and at which animals may be boarded during treatment in outside pens, runs or stables. This term shall also include “animal hospital”.

Video Arcade- See definition of Arcade.

Warehouse- A building or group of buildings used for the storage of merchandise, goods, and wares.

Washateria- A building or place where clothes and linens are washed and thoroughly dried on a self-service basis by the use of washing, drying and ironing machines.

Yard- An open space, other than a court, on the same lot with a building and which is not obstructed from ground level to the sky except for roof overhangs, fences, trees and shrubs.

Yard, Front - A yard across the full width of a lot extending from the front line of the main building to the front property line of the lot.

Yard, Rear - A yard extending across the full width of the lot and measured between the rear property line of the lot and rear line of the main building, except that area included in the side yard.

Yard, Side - A yard between the building and the side property line of the lot and extending from the front yard to the required minimum rear yard.

Zoning Map- The official zoning map of the City of Saint Hedwig, Texas. Appendix B.