

## Commercial and Mixed-Use Pattern Book

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#### **Purpose and Goals**

#### Purpose:

Norfolk is a city of beautiful neighborhoods, built at different periods of time, each with its own unique character. To support these unique qualities, the zoning ordinance has identified four Character Districts: 1)Traditional 2) Suburban 3) Coastal, and 4) Downtown (see the Downtown Norfolk Pattern Book).

Commercial areas are located within and along the edges of these neighborhoods. Some of these reflect the character of their District, but many do not, especially those on major roads, which are frequently gateways into the neighborhoods; however their large parking lots, placeless commercial architecture, and lack of landscaping do not appropriately represent the neighborhoods they serve.

The purpose of this Pattern Book is to provide guidelines for the development of commercial properties that will reinforce and enhance the unique qualities of each of the three Character Districts addressed in this pattern book.

#### Goals for the Pattern Book:

- Provide architectural patterns that will support comfortable pedestrian scale development and encourage human interaction.
- Provide patterns for the design of streets and public spaces that will enhance walkability.
- Provide amenities and connectivity that will encourage alternate modes of transportation.
- Respond to changes in shopping patterns.
- Encourage mixed-use development, including residential, on commercial sites.
- Encourage renovation and adaptive re-use of existing obsolete buildings and sites.

#### **Development Checklist:**

Ha	ve you read the Introduction Section?
Wh	nat is your Character District?
Wh	nat does the Development Matrix tell you about your Street/Building/L
Wh	nat is your Building Form and Type?
Wh	nat is your Street Type and Pattern?
Wh	nat is your Block Frontage Pattern?
Wh	nat is your Lot Pattern and Capacity?
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ls y	your Signage appropriate?
Ha	ve you accounted for all of your Amenities?
ls y	your Landscaping Pattern appropriate?
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## Using the Commercial and Mixed-Use Pattern Book

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#### **Find Your Character District**

- Find your site on the Character District map (page 9 and verify via Norfolk AIR) to determine your Character District
- Refer to the appropriate Character District section to find the appropriate development design patterns
- Reference the Downtown Norfolk Pattern Book for the Downtown Character District guidelines
- Commercial properties (in orange) tend to run along main roadways



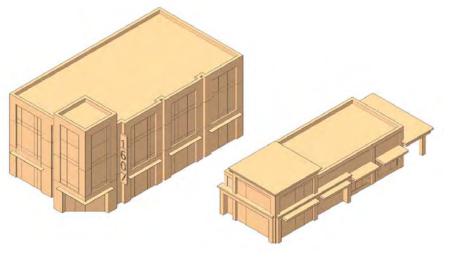
### Follow the Development Matrix in the Community Patterns Section

- If you are a property owner wishing to know what is possible on your site, find your parcel type in the matrix in the community patterns section to identify potential building forms and types
- If you wish to find a site for a specific building form and type, find it in the matrix and identify the site types that can accommodate it

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### **Determine Your Building Form and Type**

 The multiple types of commercial uses described in the Zoning Ordinance can typically be accommodated by one or more of the listed building forms. Go to the building forms and types section to identify the potential building form or forms for your use



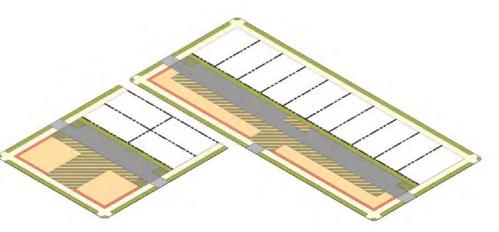
### Identify Your Street Type and Pattern

- Your street type will either be pedestrian oriented or vehicle oriented
- Your street pattern will determine the treatment for street frontage along the public right-of-way, setbacks, buffer zones, and placement of the building facade



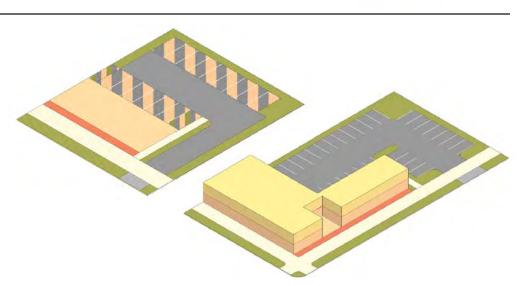
### Identify Your Block Frontage Pattern

- There are two overall types of block frontage:
- Continuous Traditional and Coastal
- Porous Suburban
- Preferred Patterns for each:
- Active Frontage
- Internal Parking, Service and Interconnection Circulation



## Identify Patterns for Your Lot Type and Determine Lot Capacity

- Individual lot patterns are based on ideal block patterns:
- Primary Building Area
- Parking and Service Areas
- Flexible Areas
- Front Facade Zone
- Capacity



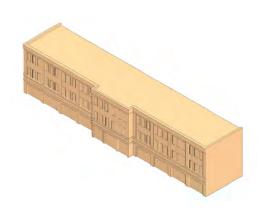
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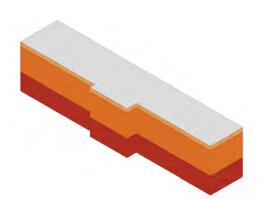
# Using the Commercial and Mixed-Use Pattern Book

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## Use Architectural Patterns to Determine Massing and Facade Composition

- Massing
- Facade Composition
- Architectural Style
- Building Materials
- Special Features





#### Select Appropriate Landscape Materials

- Paving Materials
- Landscape Buffers and Screening
- Resiliency Techniques
- Shade Trees and Devices
- Hierarchy





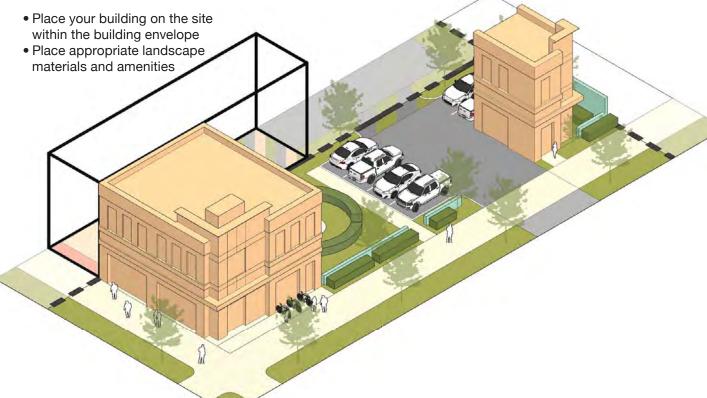
## Use Signage Patterns to Place and Design Signage for Your Building and Site

- Building signage placement
- Architectural treatment
- Types of Signage:
- Site
- Building Surface
- Perpendicular Signs



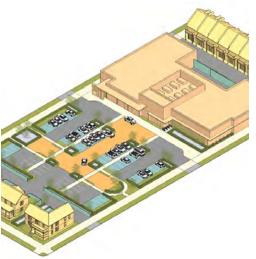


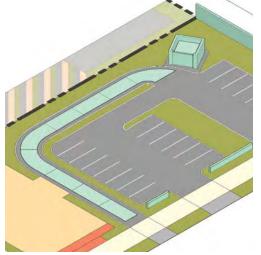
## Submit Your Proposed Development



#### Design and Place Site Amenities

- Parking Lots
- Drive Aisles
- Buffers
- Open Space and Gardens
- Other: Bike Racks, Recycling/ Trash Enclosures, Loading, Stacking, Etc





Introduction

#### Character **Districts**

#### **Attributes**

#### **Traditional Character District**

#### **Community Character**

- Rectilinear grid of streets
- Continuous building fabric
- Bikeable and walkable
- Slower vehicle speeds
- Diverse Building Types: houses, apartments, row houses, duplexes, mixed-use buildings, small office buildings, and in-line retail
- Retail and commercial inter-mixed
- Close relationship between residential and commercial areas

- Welcoming storefronts with large windows, visible from streets
- Formal landscaping
- Continuity achieved with continuous building fabric

#### **Architectural Character**

- Diversity and individuality
- Variety of architectural styles: Shingle, Arts and Crafts, Classical, and Modern



#### **Suburban Character District**

#### **Community Character**

- Combination of rectilinear and curvilinear streets
- More auto-oriented
- Houses set back from streets
- Extensive landscaping: tall trees, dense planting beds, and flower gardens
- More space between buildings
- Less diversity in housing stock
- Commercial not intermixed with Residential (currently)
- Commercial parcels are larger in scale
- District as a whole is less "walkable"

than it is "hikeable" and should be connected with wide multi-use paths/ greenways

• Individual parcels should be broken down into smaller walkable environments

#### **Architectural Character**

- Variety of architectural styles
- Retail buildings tend to be freestanding with large parking lots
- Mostly freestanding buildings as objects in the landscape
- Visible signage and storefronts

#### **Coastal Character District**

#### **Community Character**

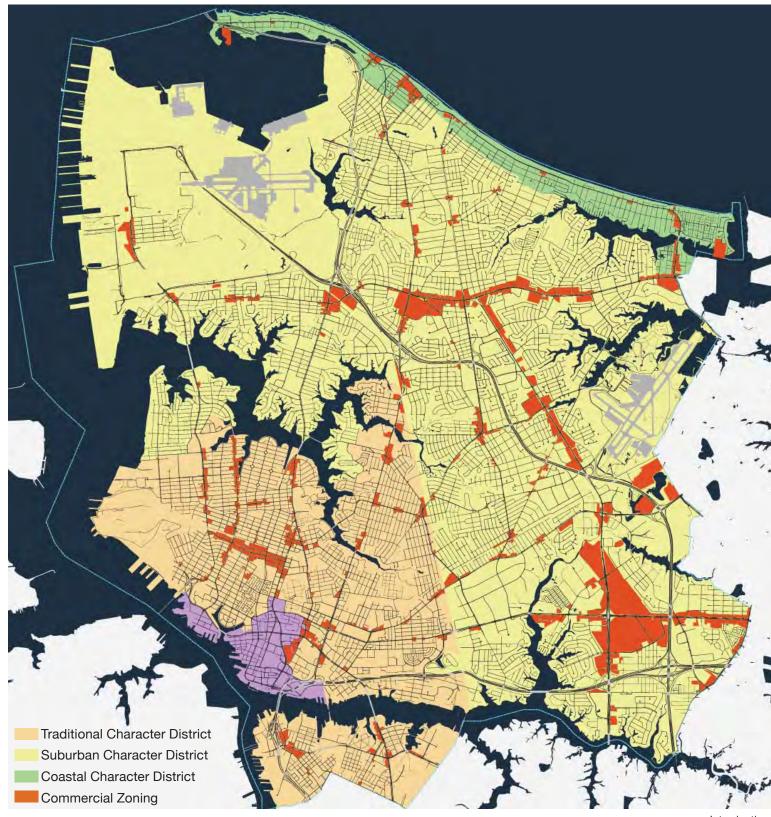
- Rectilinear grid of streets
- Bikeable and walkable
- Slower vehicle speeds
- Sense of community
- Close relationship between dwellings and the street
- Small scale, welcoming, commercial buildings
- Storefronts visible from streets
- Natural vegetation to protect the Bay and manage flooding
- Continuity achieved with combination of buildings and landscape

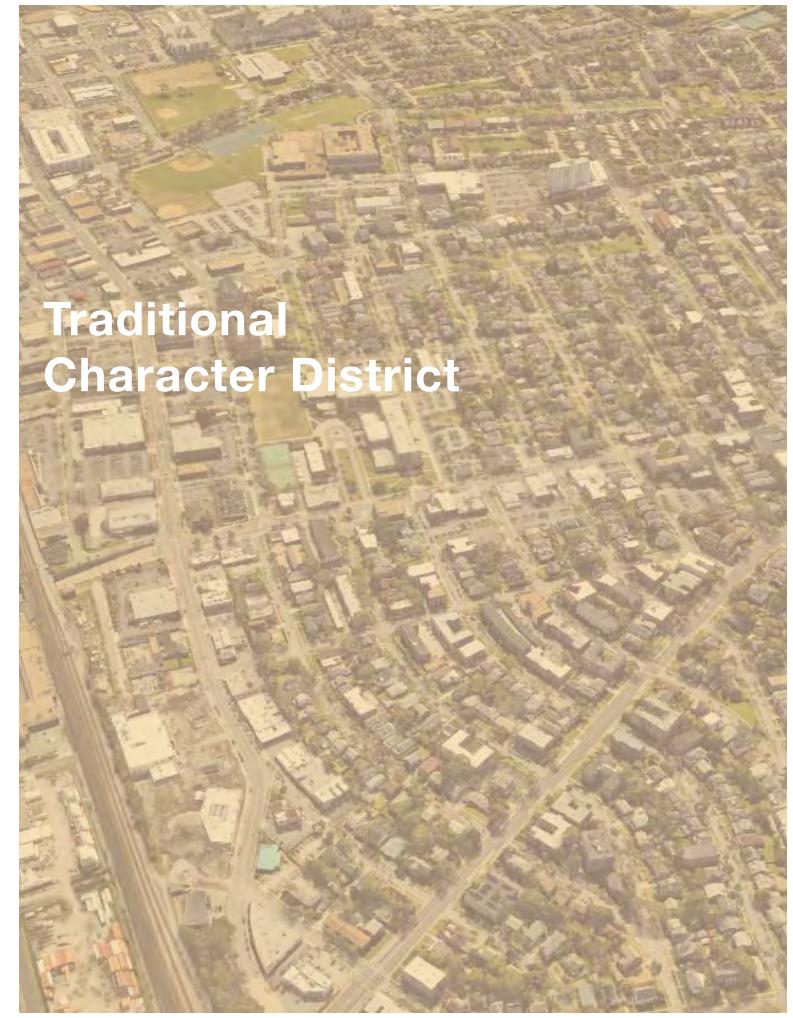
#### **Architectural Character**

- Multistory porches
- Porches on commercial buildings
- Diversity and individuality
- Simplified classical detailing
- Shingle and Arts and Craft style houses
- Soft colors and vibrant colors
- Large, vertically-proportioned windows complete with functioning storm shutters



#### **Character District Map**





## **Community Patterns: Essential Attributes**

#### **Community Patterns**

- Pedestrian friendly shopping streets with landscape buffer from cars, trees for shade, broad sidewalks with opportunity for outdoor dining, onstreet parking, and continuous, active building frontages along the shopping street
- Diverse uses, including a wide range of shop types, restaurants, offices, and residential apartments and carriage houses
- Small scale buildings and shops to provide diverse character of street facade and variety of shopping
- Parking and service areas connected to, but separated from, the street frontage
- Corner commercial and mixed residential blocks are commonplace











#### **Architectural Patterns**

- Primary role of the architecture:
- Define and enhance the pedestrian friendly quality of the street space
- Building massing and form that creates a room-like space for the street
- Cornices and/or awnings and other facade elements define the space
- Large, clear, glass, display windows provide transparency between the street and shop interiors
- Defined area for signage
- No blank walls facing the street unless designed as finished facade
- Traditional, Contemporary, or Modern architecture that follows the architectural patterns









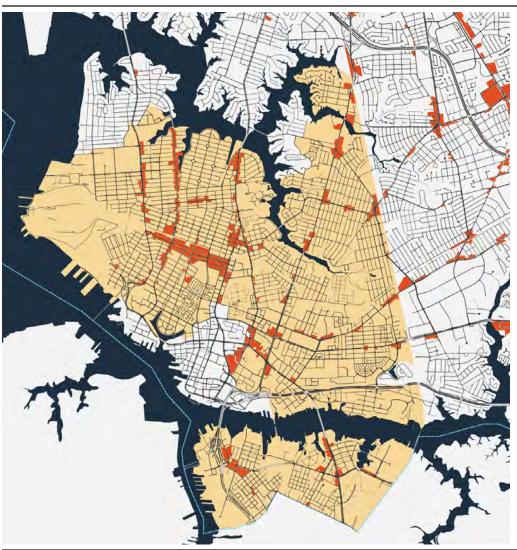




Traditional Character District:
Overview of Commercial Districts and Corridors

Matrix: Community
Patterns and
Appropriate
Commercial Building
Types

Street Type and Lot Type determine which Building Types and Forms will function well on a site.



#### **Street Type and Patterns**

- Rectangular grid of streets are the typical condition
- Angled or curved streets are an exception
- Two street types:
- Pedestrian friendly with slow moving traffic
- Vehicle oriented with fast moving traffic

### **Block Type and Commercial Patterns**

- Majority of blocks are approximately 200' X 500'
- Commercial frontage types:
- Short block frontage on main street
- Long block frontage on main street
- Full block frontage
- Preferred pattern:
- Active street frontage
- Internal block access through street frontage determines lot patterns
- Parking lots and service activities internal to the block

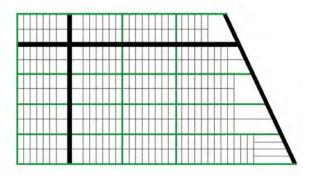
#### **Traditional Character District**

- Notable commercial districts include:
- Berkley
- Ghent
- Old Dominion University Area
- Riverview
- Notable commercial thoroughfares include:
- 21st Street
- 35th Street
- Colley Avenue
- Granby Street
- Hampton Boulevard
- Tidewater Drive

#### Lot Types

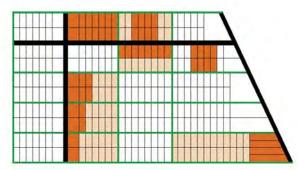
- Standard lot depth is 100'
- Short block frontages:
- lots have been expanded by acquiring adjacent non-commercial properties
- Short block lots sizes include: 100', 150', and 200' deep lots
- Long block frontages:
- Lots have been expanded by acquiring adjacent non-commercial properties to create through block lots
- Long block lot sizes include: 100' and 200' deep lots

#### **Street Type and Patterns**



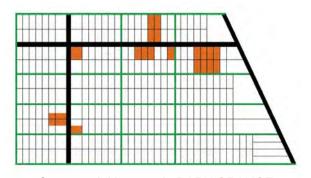
- Main streets are in BLACK
- Secondary streets are in GREEN

### **Block Type and Commercial Patterns**



- Commercial lots are DARK ORANGE
- Non-commercial lots are LIGHT ORANGE

#### **Lot Types**



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#### **Building Forms** and Types

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#### **Building Forms** and Types



- Corner Stores
- In-Line Retail Shops
- Drug Stores
- Restaurants
- Small Scale Food Stores
- Small-Box Commercial
- Offices
- Mixed-Use: Retail/Residential, Retail/ Office, Office/Residential, and Retail/ Office/Residential
- Apartments
- Carriage Houses

The challenge is to find ways of accommodating all these uses and maintaining the character and image of the Character District. Building forms are undergoing change in response to changes in the way we shop. The emphasis is now on the "experience" and on personalized service. Many startup digital retailers now need a physical location as a showroom; however stores can be smaller since they do not need to keep a large inventory.



#### In-Line Mixed-Use

- Multi-story
- Street oriented retail frontage
- Shop fronts divided
- First floor: retail/office
- Upper floor(s): retail/office/residential
- Separate entry for upper floors
- Local precedent along Colley Avenue in Ghent and Granby Street in Riverview



#### In-Line Commercial

- One-story (though the massing and facade composition shall be two-story)
- Street oriented retail frontage
- Facade divided into bays to provide flexibility and design articulation
- Local precedent along Colley Avenue in Ghent and Granby Street in Riverview



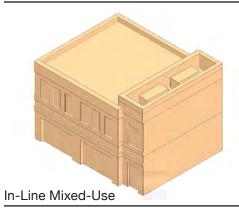
#### **Stand-Alone Mixed-Use**

- Multi-story
- Street oriented retail frontage
- Shop fronts divided
- First floor: retail/office
- Upper floor(s): retail/office/residential
- Separate entry for upper floors
- Appropriate bookend(s) for In-Line Mixed-Use
- Local precedent along 21st Street in Ghent



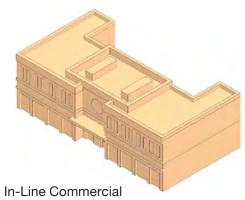
#### **Small-Box Commercial**

- One-story (though the massing and facade composition shall be two-story)
- Up to 7,500 SF
- Typically stand-alone, though simple modification allows for bookending with adjacent buildings
- Local precedent: Taste in Ghent (which is an excellent example of adaptive re-use)



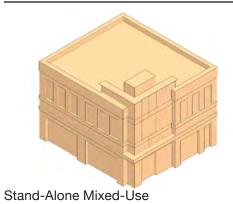






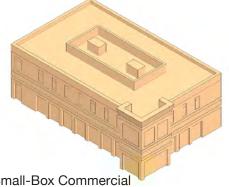


















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#### **Building Forms** and Types



Medium-Box Retail

#### **Vehicle and Parking Lot Oriented** Commercial, Retail, and Related

- Gas Stations
- Drive Through Buildings: Restaurants, Drug Stores, and Banks
- Grocery Stores
- Medium-Box Retail
- Big-Box Retail
- Large Office Buildings

The challenge is to find ways of accommodating all these uses and maintaining the character and image of the Character District. Building forms are undergoing change in response to changes in the way we shop. The emphasis is now on the "experience" and on personalized service. Many startup digital retailers now need a physical location as a showroom; however stores can be smaller since they do not need to keep a large inventory.



#### **Medium-Box Retail**

- One-story (though the massing and facade composition shall be two-story)
- Often includes a drive-through
- 7,500 SF 20,000 SF
- Typically stand-alone, though simple modification allows for bookending with adjacent buildings
- Local Precedent: Rite Aid in Ghent



#### **Big-Box Retail**

- One-story (though the massing and facade composition shall be two-story)
- Typically zoned Commercial-Regional 20,000 SF - 50,000 SF
- > 50,000 SF shall be added via additional floor levels
- Local precedent: Harris Teeter in Ghent



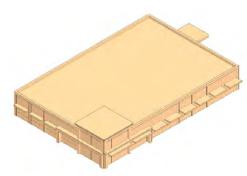
#### **Drive-Through**

- One-story (though the massing and facade composition shall be two-story)
- · Building design shall minimize or eliminate the view of the drive-through and vehicle stacking from the main street frontage



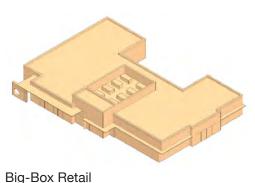
#### **Vehicle Oriented**

- One-story (though the massing and facade composition shall be two-story)
- Building design shall minimize or eliminate the view of vehicle oriented activities from the main street frontage
- Preferred location is internal to a block, and/or incorporated into the design of a more pedestrian friendly building



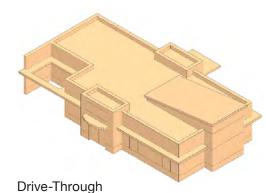






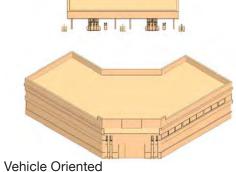














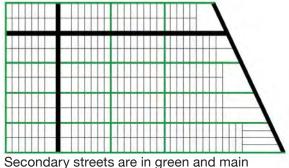


## **Street Types** and Patterns

#### **Public Right-of-Way**

The preferred patterns for the public right-of-way may require adjustments to existing conditions:

- Option 1: Extend pedestrian zone into the street
- Option 2: Provide a set back for the building facade



streets are in black

#### **Street Pattern and Street Type**

- Rectangular grid of streets are the typical condition
- Angled or curved streets are an exception
- Two street types:
- Pedestrian friendly with slow moving traffic
- Vehicle oriented with fast moving traffic

#### **Pedestrian Friendly, Primary Preferred**

Examples: Colley Ave (North)

Streets that are 4 lanes or fewer, with typical vehicular speeds of 30 mph or

The pedestrian space is protected by a combination of landscape buffers and on-street parking

- Preferred Configuration:
- On-street Parking
- 20' minimum between curb of parking lane and building facade
- 8' area for street trees
- 12' clear for pedestrian path



Travel lanes of cartway

On-street parking

vegetated buffer

path

#### **Pedestrian Friendly**

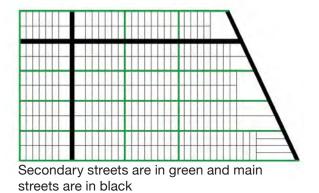




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#### **Pedestrian Friendly, Entertainment Area**

Colley Ave, 21st Street, 35th Street

Streets that are 4 lanes or fewer, with typical vehicular speeds of 30 mph or less

The pedestrian space is protected by a combination of landscape buffers and on-street parking

- the parking lane





Travel lanes of cartway



On-street parking with curb extensions



Vegetated buffer with pedestrian activity areas



Pedestrian path

#### **Pedestrian Friendly**

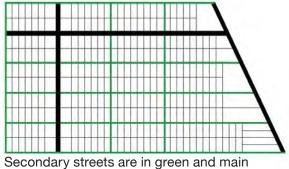




#### Public Right-of-Way

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- Option 1: Extend pedestrian zone into the street
- Option 2: Provide a set back for the building facade



Secondary streets are in green and main streets are in black

## **Pedestrian Friendly, Alternate**

Examples: 21st Street, Chelsea Area

Streets that are 4 lanes or fewer, with typical vehicular speeds of 30 mph or less

The pedestrian space is protected by a combination of landscape buffers and on-street parking

- Acceptable Configuration:
- If less than 20' to face of building, use bump-out landscape elements in the parking lane
- Areas with a high concentration of retail storefronts should have wide sidewalks to provide more room for pedestrians to move around shoppers looking into storefronts



Travel lanes of cartway

On-street parking with

curb extensions

Pedestrian path

#### **Pedestrian Friendly**

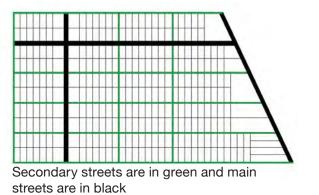




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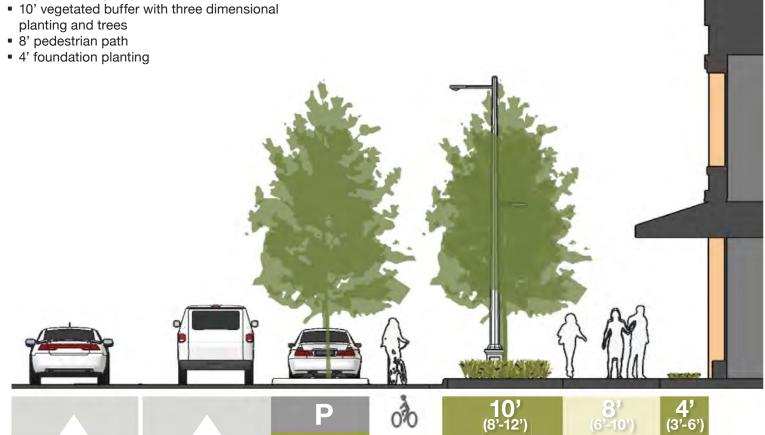
- Option 1: Extend pedestrian zone into the street
- Option 2: Provide a set back for the building facade



**Vehicle Oriented, Preferred** 

Examples: Hampton Blvd, Church Street, Brambleton Ave

- Preferred Configuration:
- 36' between curb and building facade
- Parallel parking with vegetated curb extensions
- Separated bicycle path



Travel lanes of cartway

On-street parking with curb extensions Separated Vegetated bicycle path

buffer

Pedestrian

path

Foundation planting

**Vehicle Oriented** 

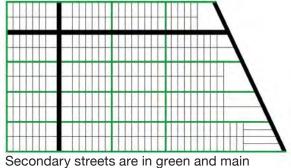


## Street Types and Patterns

#### **Public Right-of-Way**

The preferred patterns for the public right-of-way may require adjustments to existing conditions:

- Option 1: Extend pedestrian zone into the street
- Option 2: Provide a set back for the building facade



streets are in black

#### **Vehicle Oriented, Alternate**

Examples: Hampton Blvd, Church Street

- Acceptable Configuration:
- Minimum 20' between curb and building facade
- 12' buffer between curb and sidewalk with three dimensional planting and trees



Travel lanes of cartway

Vegetated buffer with pedestrian activity areas

Pedestrian path

#### **Vehicle Oriented**

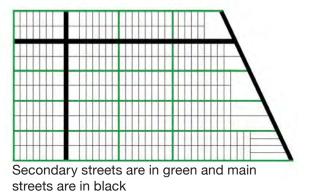




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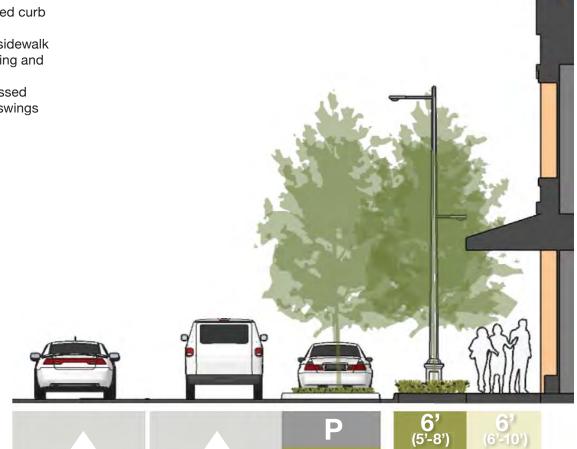
- Option 1: Extend pedestrian zone into the street
- Option 2: Provide a set back for the building facade



**Vehicle Oriented,** Compresed

Examples: Hampton Blvd, Granby Street, Colley Ave, 26th Street

- Acceptable Configuration:
- Minimum 20' between cartway and building facade
- Parallel parking with vegetated curb extensions
- 6' buffer between curb and sidewalk with three dimensional planting and trees
- 6' pedestrian path with recessed entrances to minimize door swings into pedestrian path



Travel lanes of cartway



On-street parking with curb extensions



buffer

Vegetated Pedestrian path

**Vehicle Oriented** 



### **Block Types** and Patterns



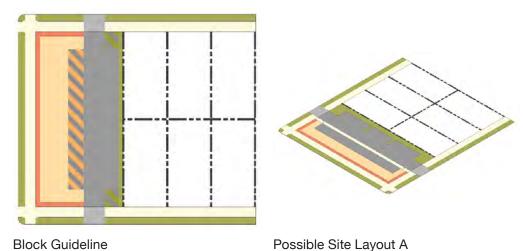
#### **Short Block**

#### 100' Deep Lot

- Parking and access in middle of block
- 5' minimum landscape buffer along the back property line (100' deep lot only)
- Breaks in the frontage are acceptable if limited to 30% of the frontage on the main street and 45% on the side street
- All parking frontage must have a 5' minimum landscape buffer

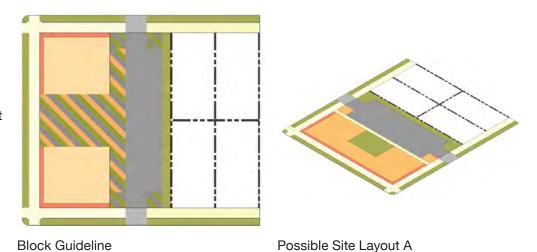


The preferred pattern maintains continuous active frontage along the full block with service and parking internal to the block. Access to service and parking is best from the side street. The diagrams indicate the desired pattern for the block. The guidelines for individual properties follow this pattern for parking and access. Over time, as properties are redeveloped, the full block pattern can be realized.



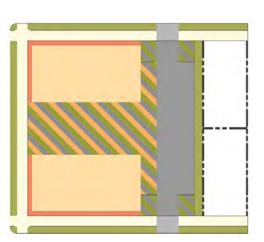
#### 150' Deep Lot

- Parking and access in middle of block
- 10' minimum landscape buffer along the back property line
- Breaks in the frontage are acceptable if limited to 30% of the frontage on the main street and 40% on the side street
- All parking frontage must have a 5' minimum landscape buffer or a carriage house or other ancillary structure screening the parking



#### 200' Deep Lot

- Parking and access in middle of block
- 10' minimum landscape buffer along the back property line
- Breaks in the frontage are acceptable if limited to 30% of the frontage on the main street and 35% on the side street
- All parking frontage must have a 5' minimum landscape buffer or a carriage house or other ancillary structure screening the parking





#### **Block Guideline** Possible Site Layout A

#### **Block Types** and Patterns

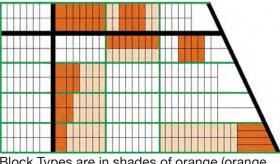


#### The majority of blocks are approximately 200' X 500'

Commercial frontage types:

- Short block frontage on main street
- Long block frontage on main street
- Full block frontage

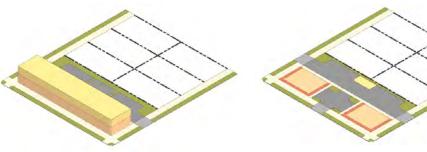
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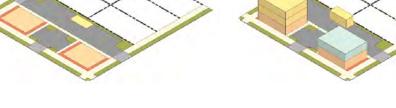


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#### **Short Block**

#### 100' Deep Lot



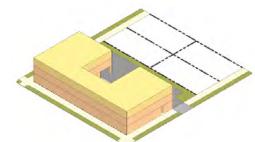


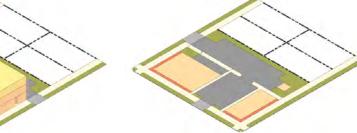
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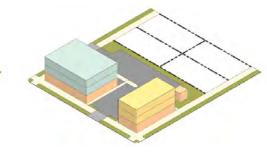
Possible Site Layout B

Possible Massing Layout B

#### 150' Deep Lot





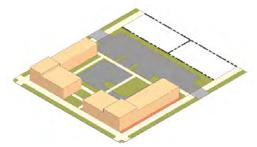


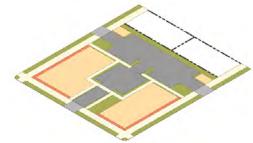
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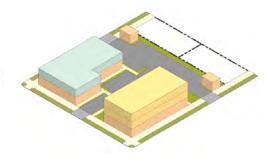
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#### 200' Deep Lot







Possible Massing Layout A

Possible Site Layout B

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### **Block Types** and Patterns

**Long Block** 

100' Deep Lots

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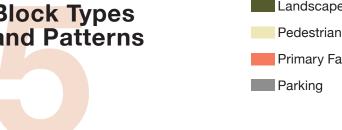
back property line (100' deep lot only)

• 5' minimum planting buffer along the

break of 45% on the long side

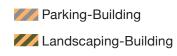
• All parking frontage must have a

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#### Landscaped Area Commercial Use Flexible Areas: Pedestrian Path Office Use Primary Facade Residential Use

Roads



### Parking-Landscaping-Building

#### **Block Types** and Patterns

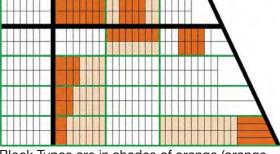


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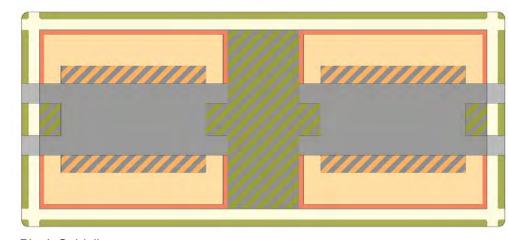


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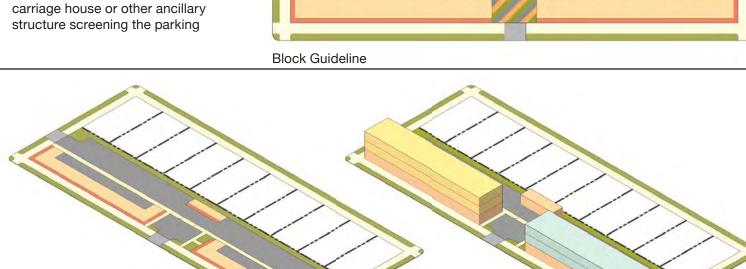
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- All parking frontage must have a 10' minimum landscape buffer or a carriage house or other ancillary structure screening the parking



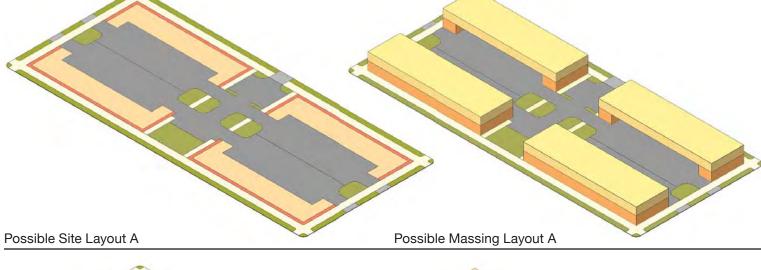
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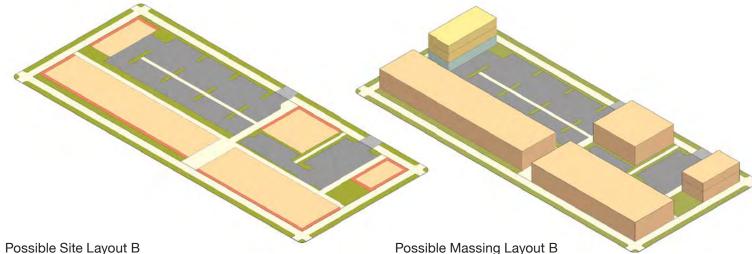


Possible Site Layout A Possible Massing Layout A









Possible Massing Layout B Possible Site Layout B

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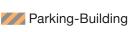
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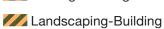




Residential Use



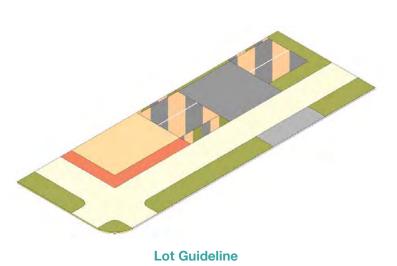
Flexible Areas:







#### 100' Deep Corner Lot



#### 25' - 50' Wide Lot

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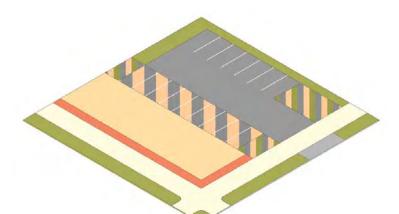
**Lot Guideline** 

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#### >100' Wide Lot

of-way pattern



**Lot Guideline** 

■ Side facade: 60% active use

■ Front facade: 70% active use

• 6' minimum landscape buffer between adjacent commercial property and parking

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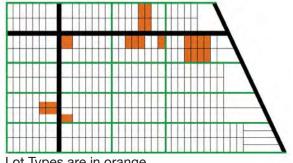
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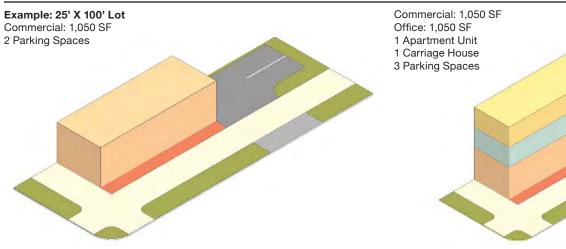
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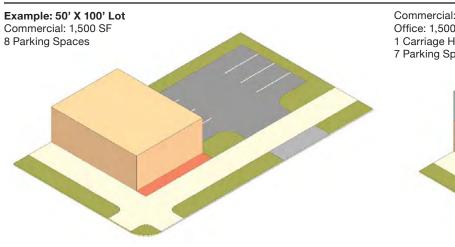
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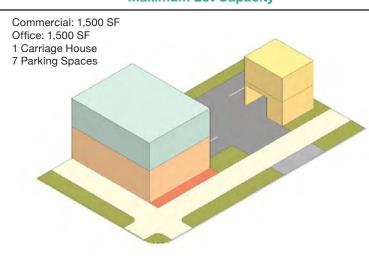


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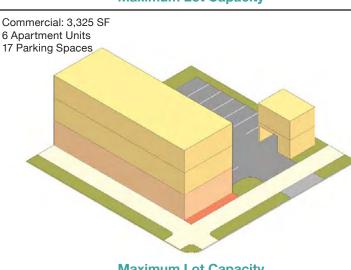
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#### 34 Traditional



Landscaped Area Commercial Use Pedestrian Path Office Use Primary Facade Residential Use Roads Parking

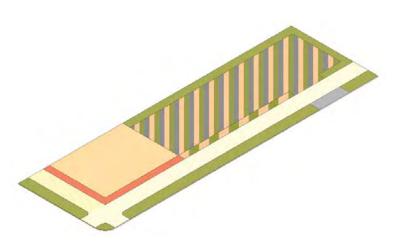
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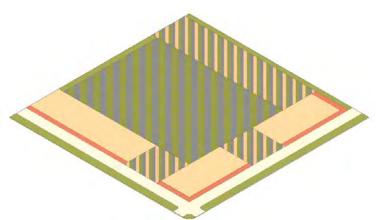


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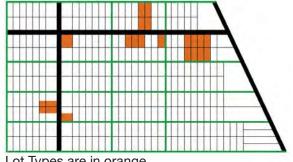
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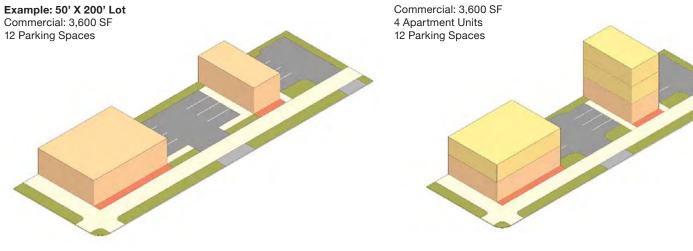
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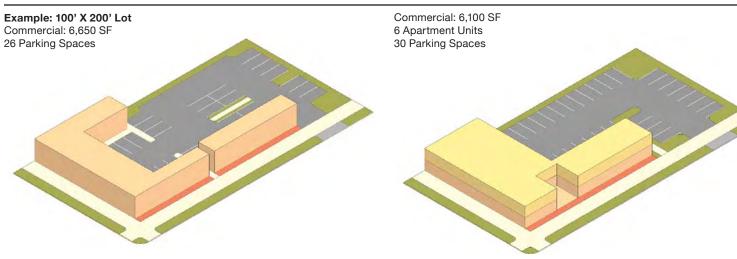
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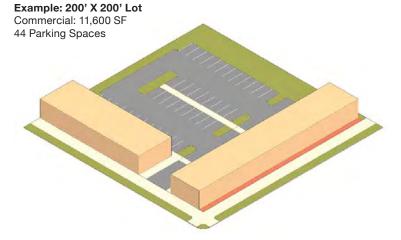
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**Maximum Lot Capacity** 



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Commercial: 8,300 SF Office: 4,200 SF 14 Apartment Units 51 Parking Spaces

**Minimum Lot Capacity** 

**Maximum Lot Capacity** 

#### **Lot Guideline** Traditional



Landscaped Area Pedestrian Path Primary Facade Parking

Office Use

Roads

Commercial Use

Residential Use

Parking-Building

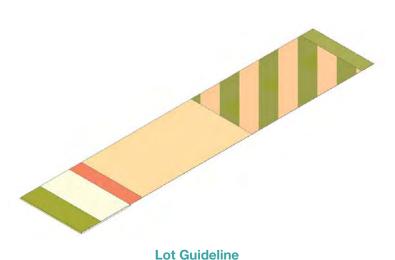
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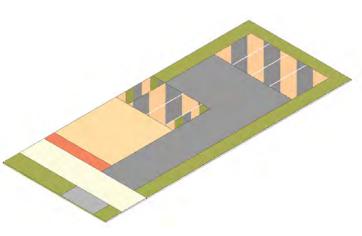
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#### 100' Deep Mid-Block Lot



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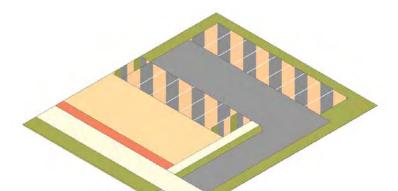


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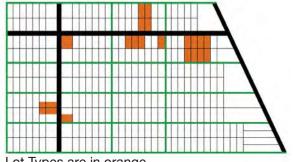
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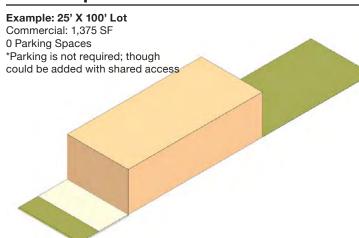
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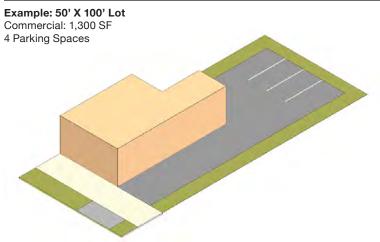
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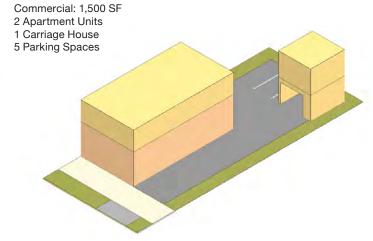


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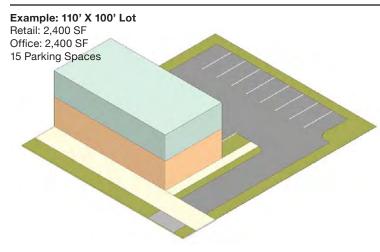
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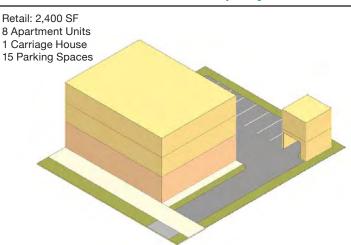




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**Lot Guideline** Traditional



Landscaped Area
Pedestrian Path
Primary Facade
Parking

Commercial Use
Office Use

Roads

Residential Use

Parking-Building

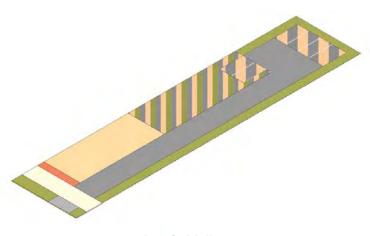
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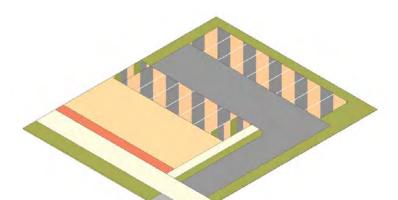


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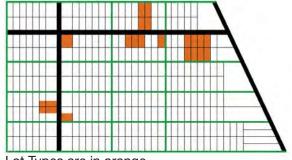
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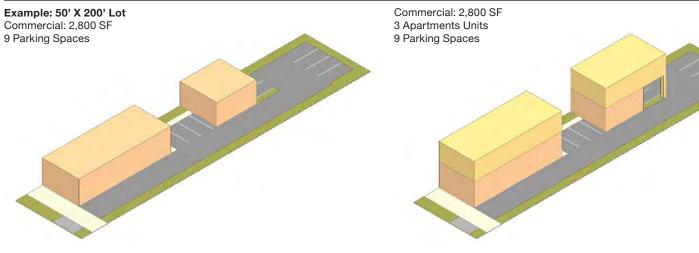
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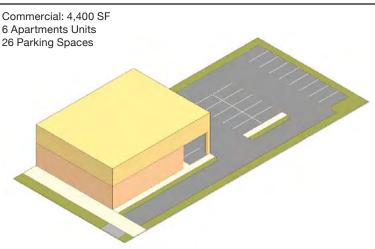
#### >100' Deep Mid-Block Lot



#### **Minimum Lot Capacity**

Example: 100' X 200' Lot
Commercial: 4,400 SF
26 Parking Spaces

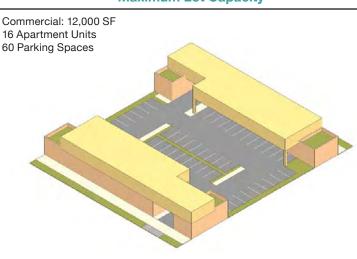
Maximum Lot Capacity



#### **Minimum Lot Capacity**

Example: 200' X 200' Through Lot
Commercial: 13,200 SF
44 Parking Spaces

Maximum Lot Capacity



**Minimum Lot Capacity** 

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#### **Architectural Patterns**

#### One-Story Buildings with < 80' Length Facade

#### **Vertical**

- Facades less than 80' in length are not required to have relief of the building footprint; however the long mass of the facade should be articulated into elements which range proportionally from 2 to 5 element zones in width. The architectural treatment of these elements should be consistent for the full height of the building.
- The massing shown indicates an offset entry located on the end of the building as a means to bring relief to the uninterrupted facade.

#### Massing

- Preferred minimum facade height in facade zones is 22'.
- The preferred massing and facade composition shall be two-story.

#### Horizontal

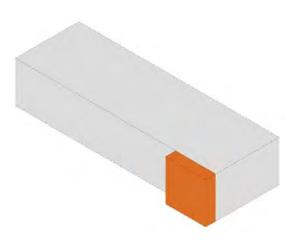
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BAYS EQUALLY SPACED

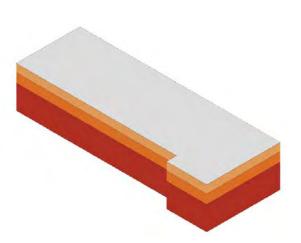
FAÇADES LESS THAN 80' WIDE DON'T REQUIRE ARTICULATION WITH OFFSETS

#### Composition

- Windows and doors, as well as other elements, should be placed in the center of bays.
- Appropriate proportions vertically for windows: 6:7.5, 4:6,



**Vertical Articulation** 



**Horizontal Articulation** 

**Assembly** 

Composition

MAIN ENTRANCE ARTICULATED

#### One-Story Buildings with > 80' Length Facade

#### **Vertical**

- Facades greater than 80' in length are required to have relief of the building footprint; the long mass of the facade should be articulated into bays which range from 2 to 5 bays in width proportionally spaced along the facade. The architectural treatment of these bays should be consistent for the full height of the building.
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#### Massing

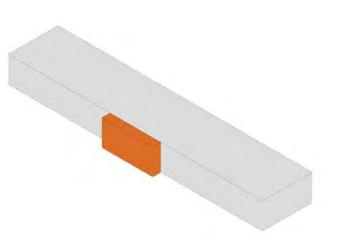
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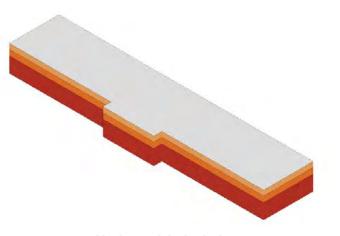
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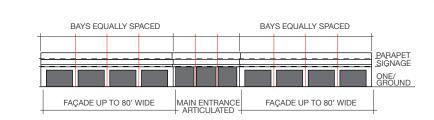
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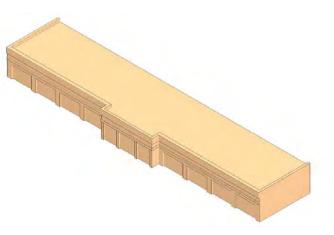
**Vertical Articulation** 



**Horizontal Articulation** 



Composition



**Assembly** 

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## **Architec**tural **Patterns**

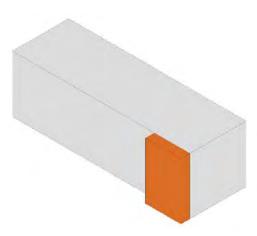
#### Two-Story Buildings with < 80' Length Facade

#### Vertical

- Facades less than 80' in length are not required to have relief of the building footprint; however the long mass of the facade should be articulated into elements which range proportionally from 2 to 5 element zones in width. The architectural treatment of these elements should be consistent for the full height of the building.
- The massing shown indicates an offset entry located on the end of the building as a means to bring relief to the uninterrupted facade.

#### Massing

• Preferred minimum facade height in facade zones is 30'.



**Vertical Articulation** 

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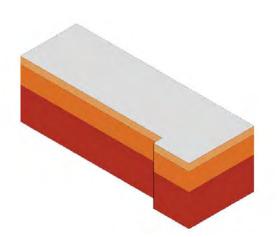
• Every building has a base, middle and top.

BAYS EQUALLY SPACED

FAÇADES LESS THAN 80' WIDE DON'T REQUIRE ARTICULATION WITH OFFSETS

#### Composition

- Windows and doors, as well as other elements, should be placed in the center of bays.
- Appropriate proportions vertically for windows: 6:7.5, 4:6,
   5:8



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**Assembly** 

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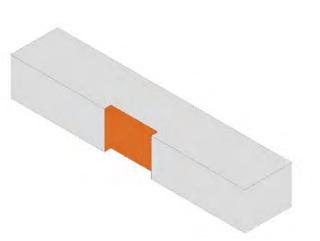
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#### Vertical

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- The massing shown indicates a grand entry centered on the building as a means to bring relief to the uninterrupted facade.

#### Massing

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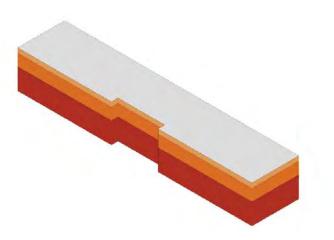
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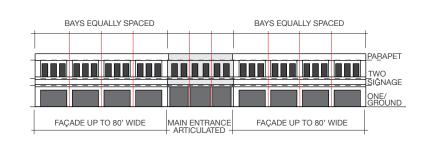
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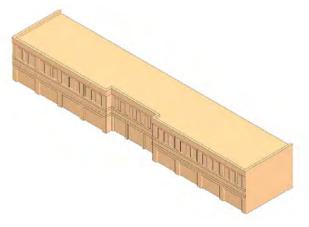
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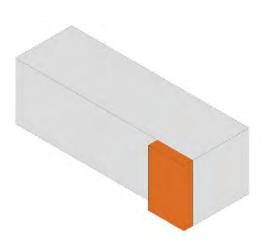
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## Architectural Patterns

#### Multi-Story Buildings with < 80' Length Facade

#### **Vertical**

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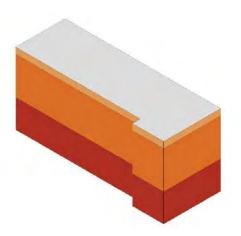
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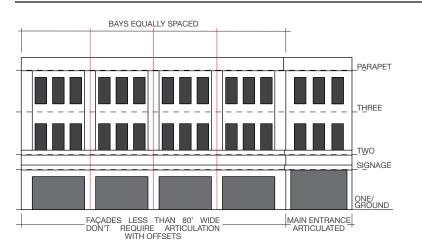
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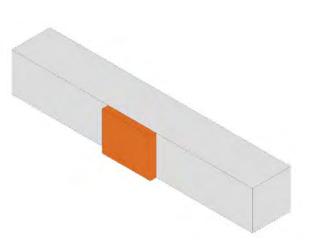
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- The massing shown indicates a grand entry centered on the building as a means to bring relief to the uninterrupted facade.



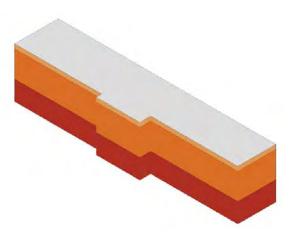
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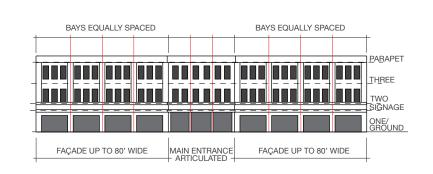
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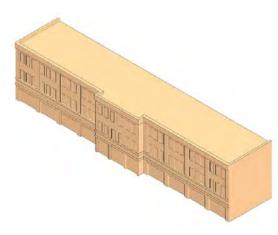
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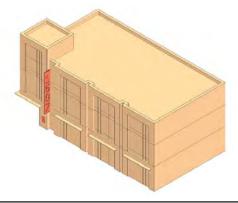


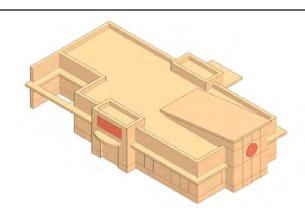
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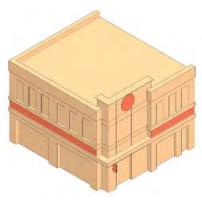
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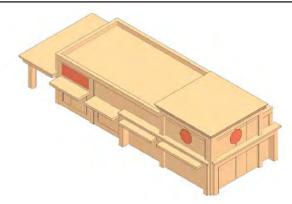
- Primary horizontal signage should be placed in the facade band above the first
- Projecting and Blade signs should be placed near entrances or on corners
- The outer perimeter of awnings and canopies provide good placement for pedestrian oriented signage

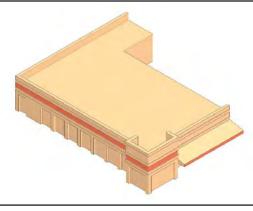
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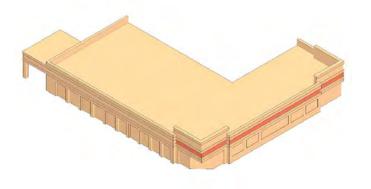


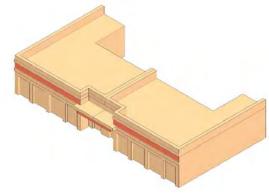














#### Signage

- Clean, simple signage is easiest for customers to read and is more memorable
  Many materials are suitable for long-lasting, beautiful signage; translucent plastic and vinyl are not the only options!
- Multiple scales and locations can be used to provide visibility to pedestrians and viewers in automobiles; maximum sizes and quantities can be referenced in the Zoning Ordinance.

#### **Examples**















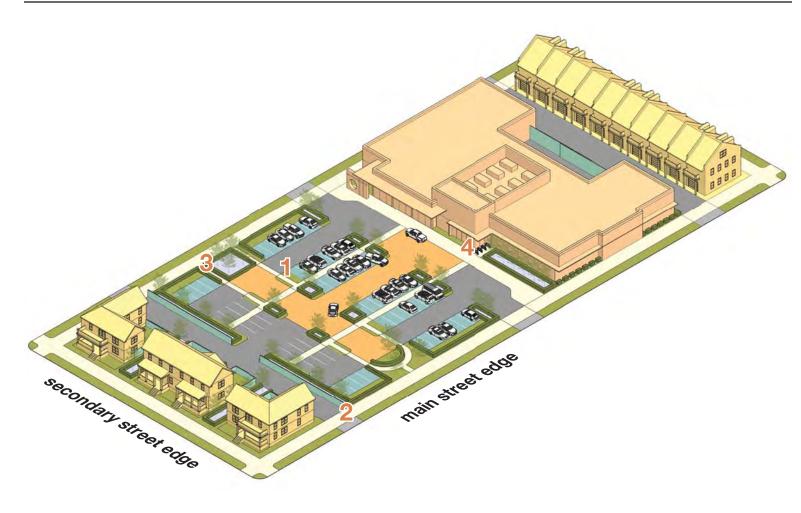




#### Site Amenities

- Commercial sites can utilize amenities to attract customers and blend in well with the contextual neighborhood
- Publicly accessible and visible a

#### **Placement Options**



#### 1. Paving Materials

- Paving of areas intended for pedestrian and vehicular circulation should not be all asphalt
- Areas with high pedestrian traffic should have paving that reduces:
- heat island effect
- rate of surface runoff
- vehicular speeds

#### 2. Screening Options

- Foliage can be used for parking screening
- When parking is located within 10' of right-of-way, an opaque wall is to be used for screening
- Dumpsters as well as Loading Docks require screening by opaque walls

#### 3. Open Space/Garden

 Gardens should be placed between the private commercial building and the public right-of-way

#### 4. Pedestrian Facilities

- Bike Racks
- Provide shelter for the bicycle as well as the cyclist when locking and unlocking
- Outdoor seating
- Publicly accessible seating

#### Site Amenities

- Paths through the site should be clearly defined by paving materials
- Foliage is a screening option that can be used to retain and filter runoff water
- Clear delineation of vehicular and pedestrian paths can improve safety on site

#### **Examples**







1. Paving Materials







2. Screening Options







3. Open Spaces and Gardens







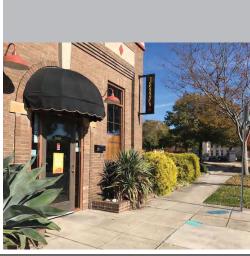
4. Pedestrian Facilities

#### Landscaping

#### **Street Level Landscaping**



















#### Landscaping

#### **Indigenous Plants for Consideration**

#### **Deciduous Large Canopy Trees**

- Hackberry (Celtis occidentalis)
- Sugarberry (Celtis laevigata)
- Sweet gum (Liquidambar styraciflua) cultivar without seed pods e.g. 'Rotundiloba'
- Black Cherry (Prunus serotina)
- Bald Cypress (Taxodium distichum)
- White oak (Quercus alba)
- Swamp white oak (Quercus bicolor)
- Willow oak (Quercus phellos) cultivar with narrower canopy e.g. 'Hightower'
- Water oak (Quercus nigra)
- Pin oak (Quercus palustris)
- Persimmon (Diospyros virginiana) edible fruit
- Black tupelo (Nyssa sylvatica) cultivar with narrower canopy e.g. 'Forum'

#### Evergreen Large Canopy Trees

- Eastern red cedar (Juniperus virginiana)
- Loblolly pine (Pinus taeda)
- American holly (Ilex opaca)
- Live oak (Quercus virginiana) cultivar with narrower canopy e.g. 'Highrise'
- Southern magnolia (Magnolia grandiflora)

#### Small Canopy Trees

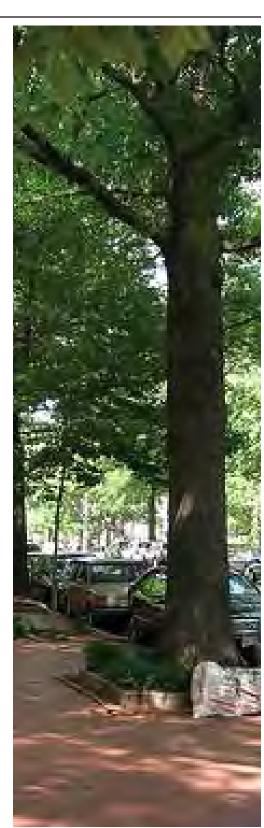
- Yaupon holly (llex vomitoria) tree & weeping varieties available
- Little Gem Magnolia (Magnolia grandiflora 'Little Gem')
- Sweetbay magnolia (Magnolia virginiana)
- Common serviceberry (Amelanchier arborea)
- Eastern serviceberry (Amelanchier canadensis)

#### Shrubs

- Red chokeberry (Aronia arbutifolia)
- Sweet pepperbush (Clethra alnifolia)
- Inkberry holly (llex glabra)
- Yaupon holly (llex vomitoria) dwarf cultivars available
- Waxmyrtle (Morella cerifera)
- Southern bayberry (Morella caroliniensis)
- Northern bayberry (Morella pensylvanica)
- Beach plum (Prunus maritima) edible fruit
- Smooth sumac (Rhus glabra)
- Elderberry (Sambucus nigra ssp. canadensis) edible fruit
- Highbush blueberry (Vaccinium corymbosum) edible fruit
- Arrowwood (Viburnum dentatum)
- Salt bush (Baccharis halmifolia)
- Marsh elder (Iva frutescens)

#### Perennials

- Hibiscus (Hibiscus moscheutos)
- Marsh mallow (Kosteletzkya virginica)
- Asters (Aster spp.)
- Blanket flower (Gaillardia spp.)



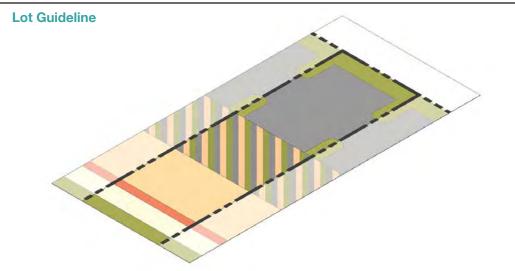
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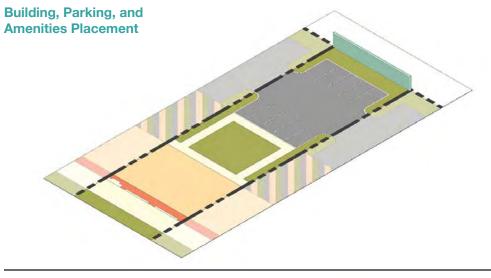
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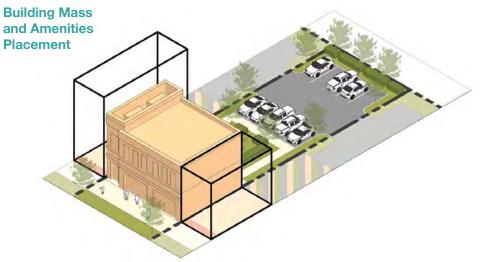
#### **Development Concept**

#### **In-Line Mixed-Use**

- 50' wide X 150' deep mid-block lot condition
- First floor is retail or service commercial
- Second floor is either commercial or residential
- As shown, this lot development is dependent on sharing parking access with adjacent properties
- Full facade frontage is encouraged and shown; though the possibility exists for an access drive aisle to the back
- Amenities include ample open space (with potential for stormwater management), 8' tall fencing and 10' of landscape buffer at the rear adjacent to properties zoned for another use
- Amenities required, but not shown, include short-term and long-term bike storage, and enclosed refuse



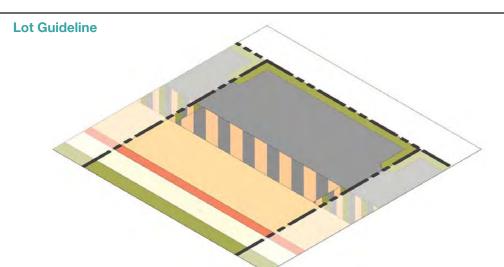


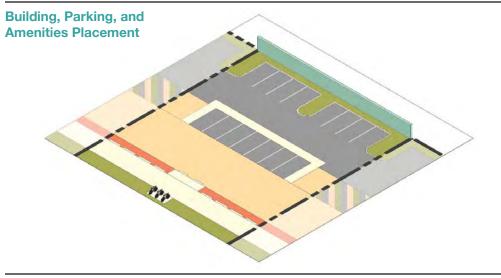


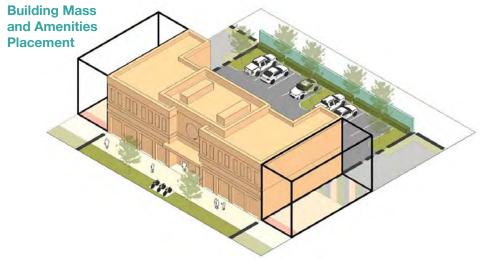
#### **Development Concept**

#### **In-Line Commercial**

- 100' wide X 100' deep mid-block lot condition
- First floor is retail or service commercial
- As shown, this lot development is dependent on sharing parking access with adjacent properties
- Full facade frontage is encouraged and shown; though the possibility exists for a pedestrian access corridor
- Amenities include 8' tall fencing and 5' (only allowed at 100' deep lots) of landscape buffer at the rear adjacent to properties zoned for another use, short-term bicycle parking is coordinated within the pedestrian right-of-way
- Amenities required, but not shown, include enclosed refuse structures as needed
- Other: In-Line Commercial is typically one-story; however for the Traditional Character District, the massing and facade composition shall be two-story as shown







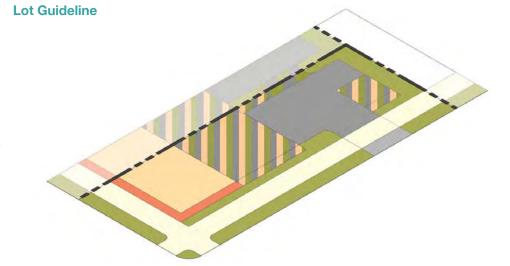
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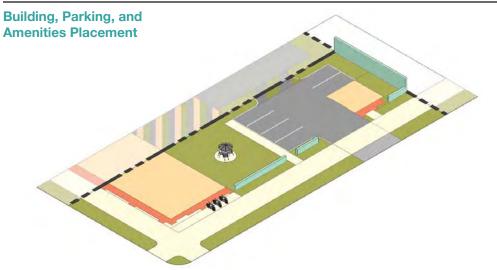
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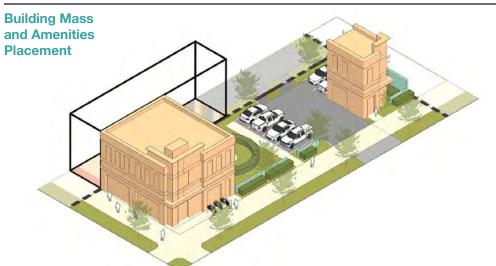
#### **Development Concept**

#### **Stand-Alone Mixed-Use**

- 50' wide X 150' deep corner lot condition
- First floor is retail or service commercial
- Second floor is either commercial or residential
- As shown, this lot development has the potential to share its parking access with adjacent sites; parking shall be screened from the right-of-way by fencing and landscaping
- Full facade frontage is encouraged and shown
- Amenities include a matching carriage house, ample open space (with potential for stormwater management), public access bicycle locks, 8' tall fencing and 10' of landscape buffer at the rear adjacent to properties zoned for another use
- Amenities required, but not shown, include long-term bike storage, and enclosed refuse
- Other: This is an example of standalone mixed-use as a bookend to adjacent uses
- Other: Per the block patterns, the side street is to have greater facade coverage; however, the small size of the lot limits efficient use of the building and parking footprints - The developer shall work to balance both requirements to arrive at an acceptable design



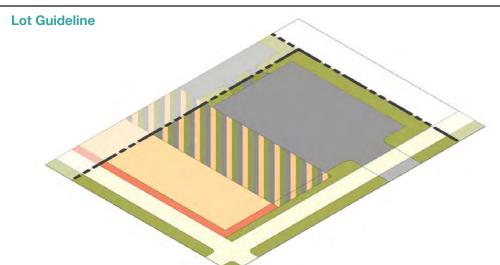


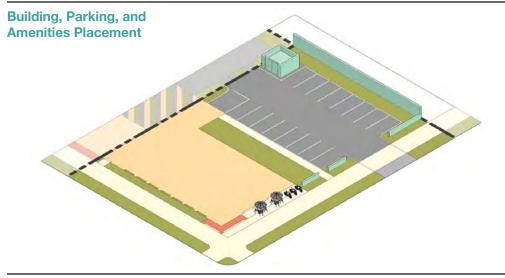


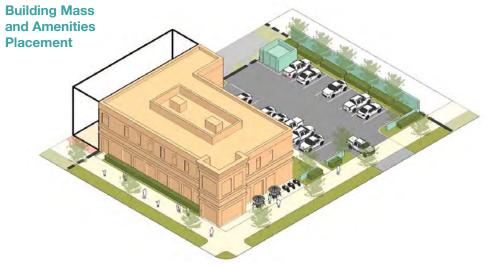
#### **Development Concept**

#### **Small-Box Commercial**

- 100' wide X 150' deep corner lot condition
- First floor is retail or service commercial
- As shown, this lot development has the potential to share its parking access with adjacent sites; parking shall be screened from the right-of-way by fencing and landscaping
- Full facade frontage is encouraged and shown
- Amenities include ample open space (with potential for stormwater management), public access bicycle locks and seating, 8' tall fencing and 10' of landscape buffer at the rear adjacent to properties zoned for another use, and enclosed refuse
- Amenities required, but not shown, include long-term bike storage
- Other: Small-Box Commercial is typically one-story; however for the Traditional Character District, the massing and facade composition shall be two-story as shown
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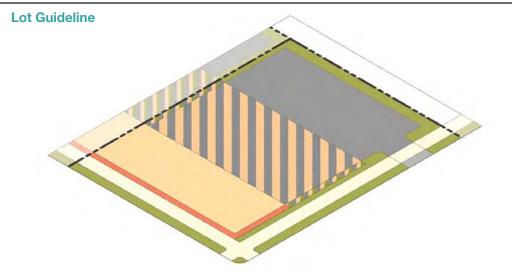
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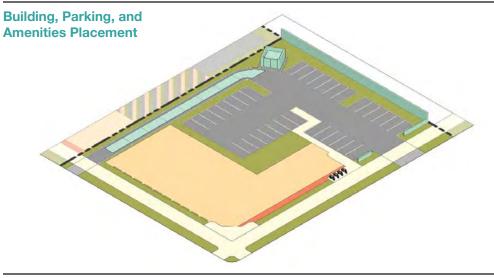
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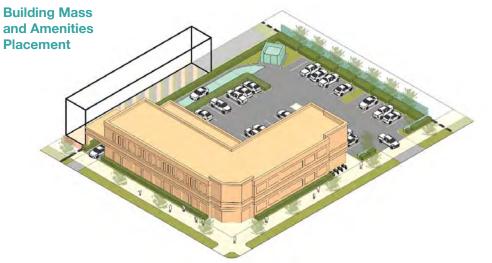
#### **Development Concept**

#### **Medium-Box Retail**

- 150' wide X 200' deep mid-block lot condition
- First floor is retail
- Parking shall be screened from the right-of-way by fencing and landscaping
- Full facade frontage is encouraged and shown, and complete at drive-through
- Amenities include ample open space (with potential for stormwater management), public access bicycle locks, 8' tall fencing and 10' of landscape buffer at the rear adjacent to properties zoned for another use, enclosed refuse, and vehicle stacking for drive-through
- Amenities required, but not shown, include long-term bike storage
- Other: Medium-Box Commercial is typically one-story; however for the Traditional Character District, the massing and facade composition shall be two-story as shown
- Other: Sight triangles and pedestrian safety shall be considered for vehicles existing adjacent to, or from, a building



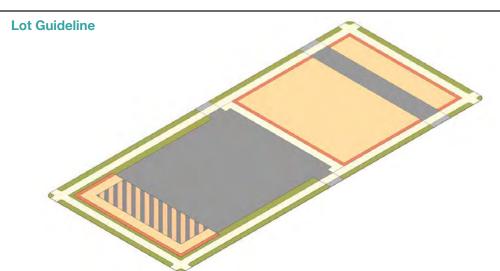


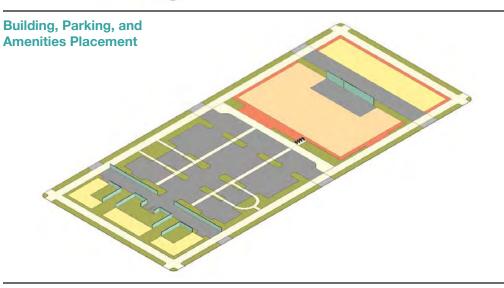


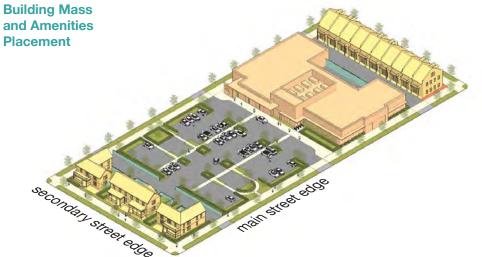
#### **Development Concept**

#### **Big-Box Retail**

- 500' wide X 200' full block lot condition
- First floor is retail
- As shown, this block development shares its parking and access with residential properties that double as parking lot screening
- Parking shall be screened from the right-of-way by fencing and landscaping
- Full facade frontage is encouraged and shown
- Amenities include ample open space (with potential for stormwater management), public access bicycle locks, enclosed loading and refuse zone
- Other: Big-Box Retail is typically one-story; however for the Traditional Character District and the building's overall area, a two-story building is the appropriate design
- Other: See Step 9 Amenities for additional information about this application







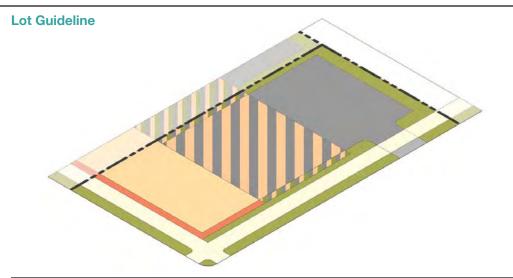


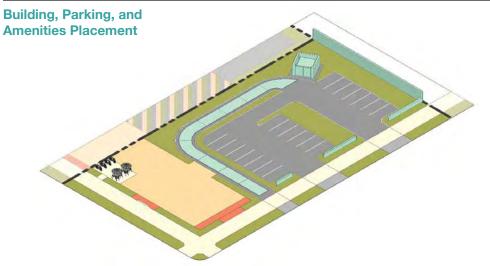
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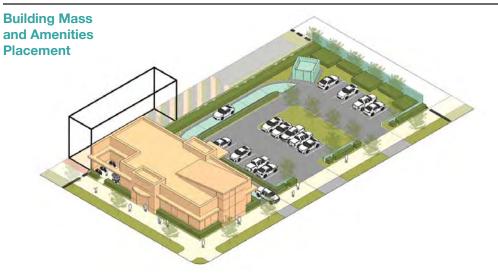
#### **Development Concept**

#### **Drive-Through**

- 100' wide X 200' deep corner lot condition
- First floor is retail
- Parking shall be screened from the right-of-way by fencing and landscaping
- Full facade frontage is encouraged and shown
- Amenities include ample open space (with potential for stormwater management), public access bicycle locks and seating, 8' tall fencing and 10' of landscape buffer at the rear adjacent to properties zoned for another use, enclosed refuse, and vehicle stacking for drive-through
- Amenities required, but not shown, include long-term bike storage
- Other: This is an example of drivethrough used as a bookend to adjacent uses
- Other: Per the block patterns, the side street is to have greater facade coverage; however, the small size of the lot limits efficient use of the building, parking, and stacking footprints The developer shall work to balance both requirements to arrive at an acceptable design For example, a carriage house is an appropriate design option to screen the parking and complete the side street frontage
- Other: Sight triangles and pedestrian safety shall be considered for vehicles existing adjacent to, or from a building



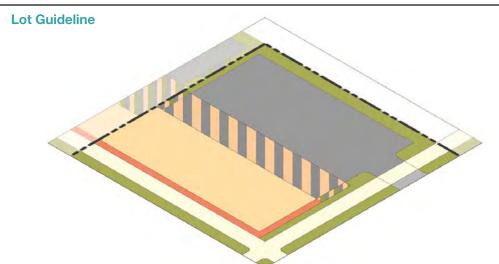


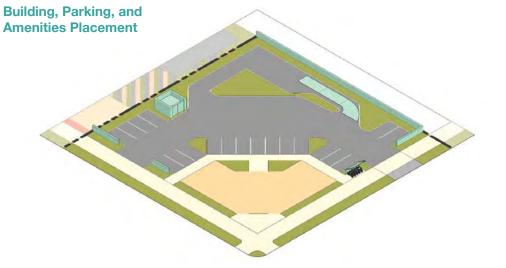


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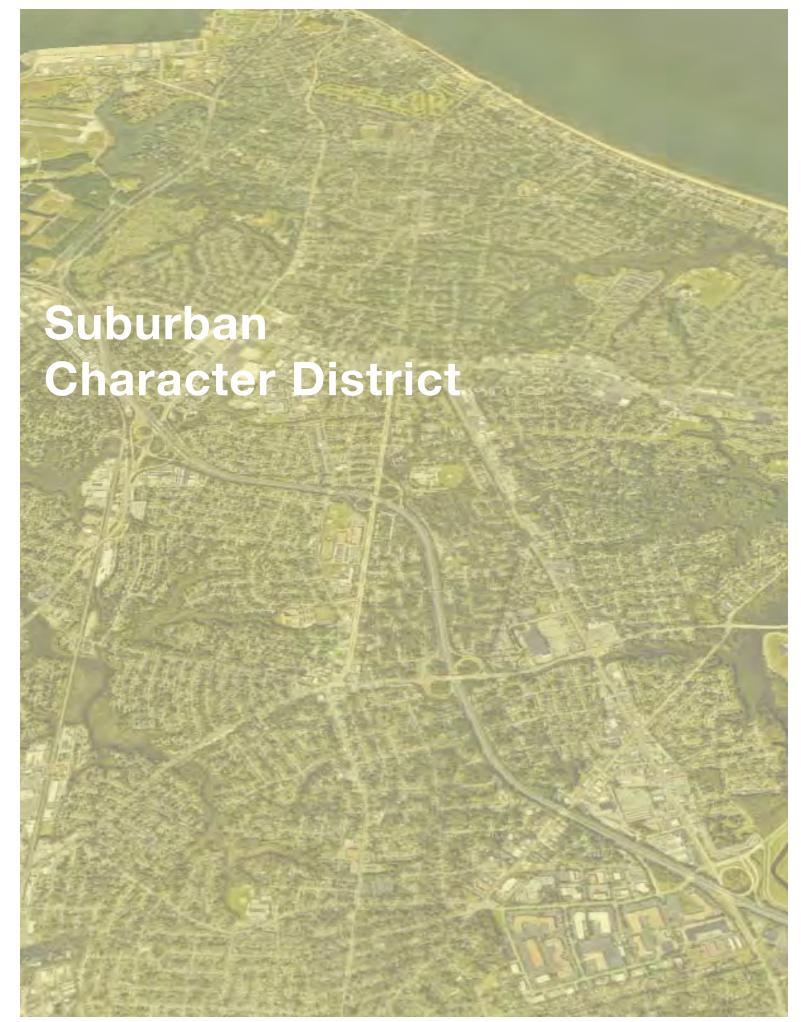
#### **Vehicle Oriented**

- 150' wide X 150' deep corner lot condition
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- Full facade frontage is encouraged and shown
- Amenities include ample open space (with potential for stormwater management), public access bicycle locks and seating, 8' tall fencing and 10' of landscape buffer at the rear adjacent to properties zoned for another use, and enclosed refuse
- Amenities required, but not shown, include long-term bike storage
- Other: Vehicle oriented is typically one-story; however for the Traditional Character District, the massing and facade composition shall be two-story
- Other: Per the block patterns, the streets are to have greater facade coverage; however, the small size of the lot and the nature of the use place significant limits on design options - The developer is encouraged to incorporate this use into a larger mixed-use development, and to site the building internal to a block









## **Community Patterns: Essential Attributes**

#### **Community Patterns**

- Vehicle-oriented, heavily-used roads lined with continuous landscape treatment to create a parkway like environment:
- Coordinated landscape treatment on the public right-of-way and private property to create a parkway setting
- Pedestrian and bicycle path through the landscaped areas lining the road
- Commercial buildings set in the landscape, yet visible from the road
- Clearly marked vehicle entrances
- Parking areas aligned with other parking areas to create circulation across each block without returning to the main road
- Pedestrian friendly parking areas within blocks with paths linking parking to building entrances and connecting all properties in the block
- Landscape and trees in parking areas that visually extend the parkway image
- Larger properties and blocks that create a self-contained, pedestrianfriendly, mixed-use environment

#### **Architectural Patterns**

- Buildings with finished facades on all sides visible from the street and parking areas
- Signage that is legible from the street
- Transparent glazing on all facades visible from the public right-of-way
- Clear articulation of entrances
- Appropriate height to be visible from the public right-of-way
- A variety of architectural styles
- Individual buildings in a well landscaped setting
- The landscape treatment provides coherence to a collection of individual and diverse buildings

















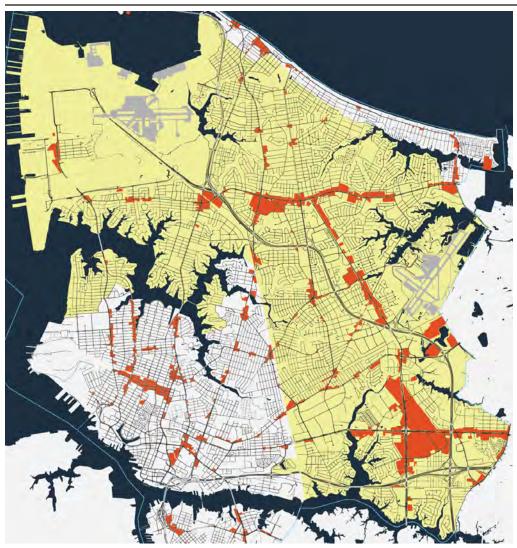


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Suburban Character **District:** Overview of **Commercial Districts** and Corridors

**Matrix:** Community Patterns and **Appropriate Commercial Building Types** 

Street Type and Lot Type determine which Building Types and Forms will function well on a site.



#### **Street Type and Patterns**

- Irregular grid, angled, and/or curved streets are the typical condition
- Rectangular grid of streets is an exception
- Two street types:
- Vehicle oriented main arterial roads with fast moving traffic
- Vehicle oriented secondary neighborhood access roads with slow moving traffic

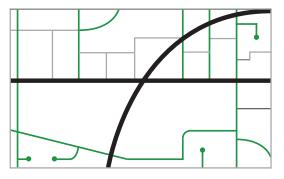
#### **Block Type and Commercial Patterns**

- Defined blocks are an exception
- Commercial main street frontage types: Short (<200'), Medium (200'-500'), Long (500'-1,000'), and Continuous (>1,000')
- Preferred pattern:
- Buildings to the front of the property with passive street frontage and active internal frontage
- Parking lots and service activities internal to the block and/or heavily screened from the perimeter roads

#### **Lot Improvements**

- Suburban lots come in a multitude of • Notable commercial districts include: shapes and sizes; to rationalize: Five Points
  - Small Lots: <200' X 200'
  - Medium Lots: 200' X 200' to 400' X 400'
  - Large Lots: >400' X 400'
  - Acceptable lot redevelopment
  - Incorporates and reinforces the overall preferred block patterns
  - Shares vehicle access to parking and service areas
  - Rebuilds a pedestrian friendly and "hikeable" community
  - Prioritizes landscaping and building prominence over surface parking

#### **Street Type and Patterns**



- Main streets are in BLACK
- Secondary streets are in GREEN
- Lot boundaries are in LIGHT GREY

#### **Block Type and Commercial Patterns**



- Commercial lots are ORANGE
- Non-commercial lots are LIME

#### **Lot Improvements**



- New secondary streets are dashed in
- New lot boundaries are dashed in GREY

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#### Southern Shopping Center Area Ward's Corner

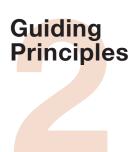
**Suburban Character District** 

- Notable commercial thoroughfares include:
- Little Creek Road
- Military Highway
- Princess Anne Road

Military Circle/JANAF

Virginia Beach Boulevard

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Some sites and developments will not be able to be configured to fully conform to the patterns established in this document due to space limitations, existing conditions, or complications due to neighboring uses or configurations. These Guiding Principles are the foundation of the system used for these patterns and should be applied to the extent possible in order to come as close as is practical to the prescribed pattern.

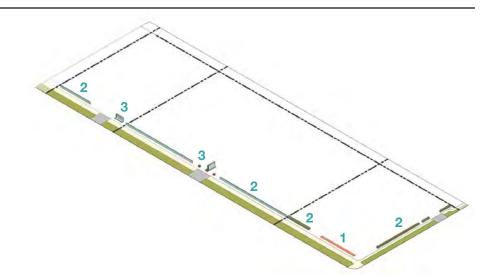
For example: The development below includes a Mid-Block Drive-Through (fast food restaurant), a Mid-Block In-Line Commercial (shopping center), and a Corner-Block Drive-Through (bank).



#### **Hold the Street Edge**

To delineate between the right-of-way and the commercial property and to create a sense of place, it is import to hold the street edge. A combination of the following will help to accomplish this:

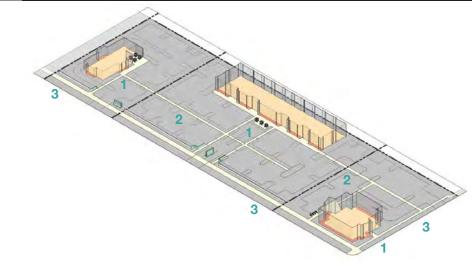
1. For buildings located adjacent to the right-of-way, hold the facade tight to the setback, or in line with adjacent buildings 2. A combination of hard fencing and landscaping along the right-of-way. The fencing shall be of a timeless, harmonious, and durable design 3. Monument signage can also help to hold the street edge at entry locations



#### **Welcome Pedestrians**

To encourage a "hikeable" community and decrease reliance on vehicles, pedestrians shall be welcomed by:

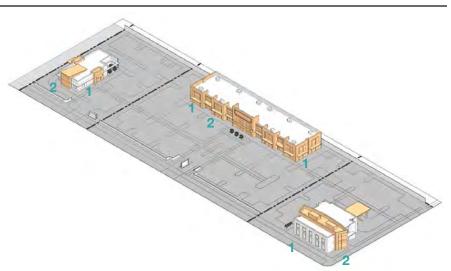
- 1. Building entrances and sidewalks that connect to the street
- 2. Direct and comfortable pedestrian access
- 3. Sidewalks along street frontage



#### **Scale the Facade**

To enhance the character and presence of the building, the massing should be scaled to provide the primary focal point of the site:

- 1. Buildings should be at least two stories in height if at the street edge, or if fronted by large parking areas. Taller elements help to orient customers to building entrances
- 2. Eye-level windows at the entry that allow customers to see into the building give a sense of comfort and confidence before entering. The rest of the facade should have 30%-50% fenestration to avoid the imposing appearance of blank walls 3. High quality materials such as masonry metals.
- 3. High quality materials such as masonry, metal, and wood are more durable and attractive



#### **Buffer the Street Edge**

So that the buildings are the primary focal point of the site, the parking lot(s) shall be screened from direct view from the right-of-way:

- 1. Minimize driveways and share where possible (minimize curb cuts)
- 2. Concealment of drive-throughs (where applicable)
- 3. Minimize the impact of parking by using vegetation to screen cars and parking lots. Plantings 3'-5' in height are sufficient to screen cars and asphalt while still allowing visual connection to the business



#### Landscape Liberally

Landscaping helps create a more comfortable atmosphere for everyone:

- 1. Landscaping in parking lots minimizes the "sea of asphalt" appearance and also provides shade for customers walking to the business, as well as providing shade for their cars
  2. Landscape between uses to define boundaries and help with runoff
  3. Functional pedestrian amenities where appropriate allow customers and employees to enjoy being outside
- Low monument signs call attention to the business without becoming dominant or distracting

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#### **Building Forms** and Types

The multiple types of commercial uses described in the Zoning Ordinance can typically be accommodated by one or more of the listed building forms. The Building Forms and Types section will identify the potential building form or forms for your use.

#### **Building Forms** and Types



- Corner Stores
- In-Line Retail Shops
- Drug Stores
- Restaurants
- Small Scale Food Stores
- Small-Box Commercial
- Offices
- Mixed-Use: Retail/Residential, Retail/ Office, Office/Residential, and Retail/ Office/Residential
- Apartments
- Carriage Houses

The challenge is to find ways of accommodating all these uses and maintaining the character and image of the Character District. Building forms are undergoing change in response to changes in the way we shop. The emphasis is now on the "experience" and on personalized service. Many startup digital retailers now need a physical location as a showroom; however stores can be smaller since they do not need to keep a large inventory.



#### **In-Line Mixed-Use**

- Multi-story
- Street oriented retail frontage
- Shop fronts divided
- First floor: retail/office
- Upper floor(s): retail/office/residential
- Separate entry for upper floors



#### **In-Line Commercial**

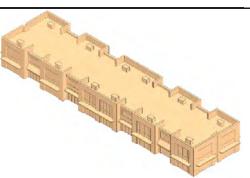
- One-story
- Street oriented retail frontage
- Facade divided into bays to provide flexibility and design articulation



#### **Stand-Alone Mixed-Use**

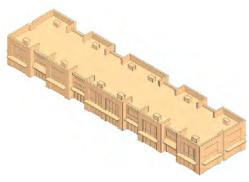
- Multi-story
- Street oriented retail frontage
- Shop fronts divided
- First floor: retail/office
- Upper floor(s): retail/office/residential
- Separate entry for upper floors
- Appropriate bookend(s) for In-Line Mixed-Use







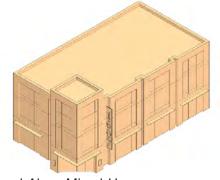


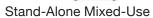


In-Line Commercial



















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## **Building Forms** and Types



- Gas Stations
- Drive-Through Buildings: Restaurants, Drug Stores, and Banks
- Grocery Stores
- Medium-Box Retail
- Big-Box Retail
- Large Office Buildings

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#### **Medium-Box Retail**

- One-story
- > 10,000 SF is encouraged to be multistory
- Often includes a drive-through
- 7,500 SF 20,000 SF



#### **Big-Box Retail**

- One-story (though the massing and facade composition shall be two-story)
- Typically zoned Commercial-Regional
- 20,000 SF 50,000 SF
- > 50,000 SF is encouraged to be multi-story



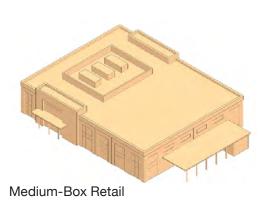
#### **Drive-Through**

- One-story
- Building design shall minimize or eliminate the view of the drive-through and vehicle stacking from the main street frontage



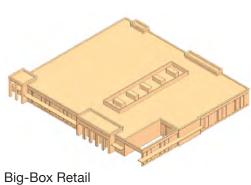
#### **Vehicle Oriented**

- One-story
- Building design shall minimize or eliminate the view of vehicle oriented activities from the main street frontage
- Preferred location is internal to a block, and/or incorporated into the design of a more pedestrian friendly building



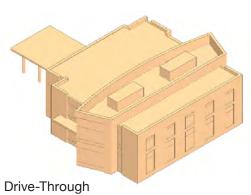






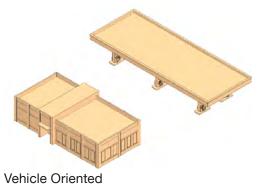
















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### Contextual Residential Infill

Multi-family apartments and condominiums along with high density townhouses and row-houses are allowed to infill commercial redevelopment. Residential infill shall follow the steps to creating appropriate commercial developments and incorporate the Guiding Principles with a focus on Community, Scale, and Context.

### Contextual Residential Infill





#### Community

Housing shall create a sense of community via:

- Clearly defined entries and community-wide connections to welcome pedestrians
- Landscaping to provide coherence between the collection of individual buildings
- Walkable conditions to encourage pedestrian activity
- Enlivening spaces generally vacant after business hours
- Screening and minimizing the impact of parking





#### Scale

Housing shall be scaled appropriately:

- Multi-family and multi-story is preferred; housing shall be a minimum of two-stories
- Single-family detached-housing is not appropriate; however, single family townhouses and row-house are appropriate
- Materials shall be appropriate for the scale, and the overall look shall not mimic scaled-up detached-housing
- Building facades shall contribute to defining street edges and community squares





#### Contextual

From Traditional to Contemporary, housing shall be designed in coordination with the commercial development:

- To highlight material, scale, and overall design direction
- Housing shall be more commercial in character
- Pedestrian connections and parking plans shall be guided by the overall vision for the redevelopment
- Consideration shall be given to adjacent neighborhoods, but not necessarily as a primary consideration





















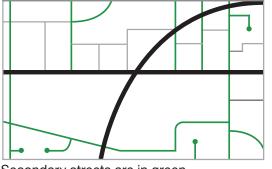
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#### **Public Right-of-Way**

The preferred patterns for the public right-of-way may require adjustments to existing conditions:

- Option 1: Extend pedestrian zone into the street
- Option 2: Provide a set back for the building facade



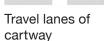
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#### **Street Pattern and Street Type**

- Curving, high-speed streets are the typical condition
- Two street types:
- Large, high-speed corridor with 6 lanes or more
- Small, high-speed corridor with fewer than 6 lanes







#### **Vehicle Oriented, Large**

Examples: Military Highway



Variable width vegetated buffer with rain gardens



multi-use path

**10'** (8'-14')

Meandering

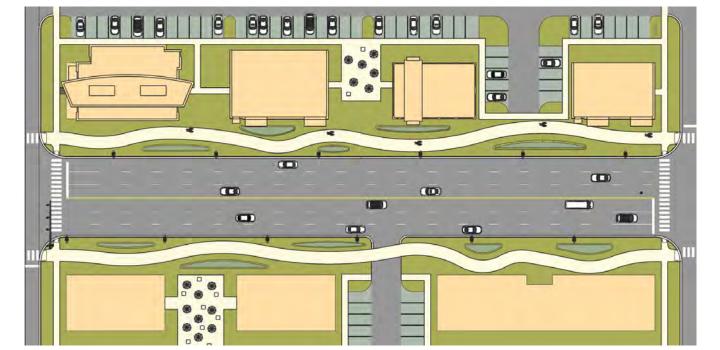
pedestrian

Variable width vegetated buffer with rain gardens

Fewer pedestrians are expected to traverse these areas in the immediate future, however, as more single-use low-density properties are converted to mixed-use developments, the number of pedestrians can be expected to rise. Many of these people will be traveling a greater distance than would be expected in the Traditional or Coastal Character Districts. Therefore, the goal is to create a "hikeable" buffer that promotes pedestrian use by shading and protecting them with significant tree cover. This dense buffer also provides a more pleasant experience to the patrons of roadside businesses while also serving to help calm traffic on the busy roads.

- Preferred Configuration:
- 30' minimum between curb of parking lane and building facade
- Variable area for trees, grasses, and water catchment or rain gardens
- 10' minimum clearance for multi-use pedestrian and bicycle path





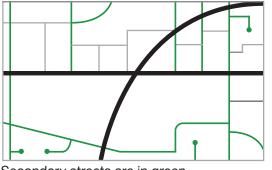
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# Street Types and Patterns

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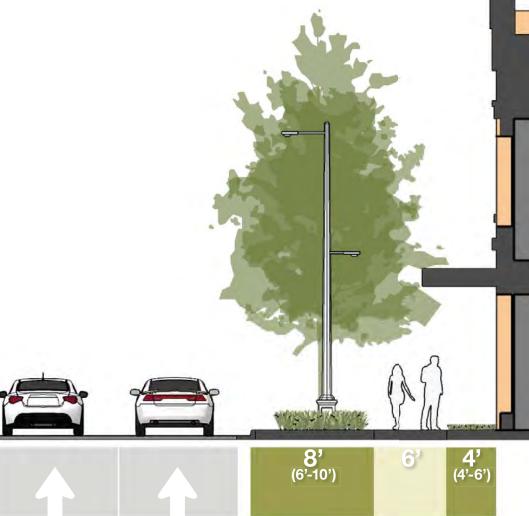


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#### **Vehicle Oriented, Small**

Smaller suburban commercial streets typically connect the large commercial corridors to neighborhoods or other walkable places. To help with this transition, these roads should provide a 20' buffer from the street comprising a 10' vegetated buffer and 6' sidewalk.

- Preferred Configuration:
- 20' minimum between curb of road and building facade
- 10' vegetated buffer
- 6' minimum clear for pedestrian sidewalk
- 4' minimum foundation planting



Travel lanes of cartway

Vegetated buffer

path

Pedestrian Foundation planting or fence and landscaping to hold the building line

#### **Vehicle Oriented, Small**



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#### **Block Types** and Patterns



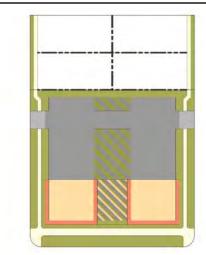
#### **Short Block**

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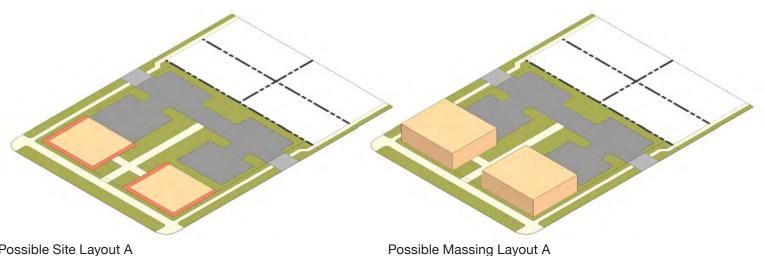
- <200' of street frontage
- Parking and access in rear of block
- Limit parking and service access to side streets (no main street curb cuts)
- 10' landscape buffer along the back property line (5' @ <100' deep lot only)
- All parking frontage must have an additional 5' minimum planting buffer beyond the building frontage line
- Not Shown Lots >200' in depth start to allow for additional commercial or residential development at the rear of the property



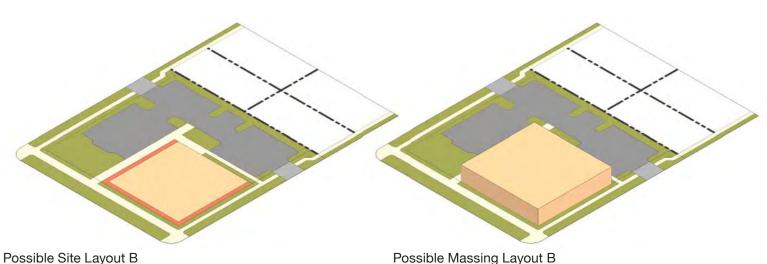
The preferred pattern maintains continuous passive frontage of buildings and landscaping along the entire length of the block with active frontage of buildings, parking, and service internal to the block. Access to parking and service is best from the secondary side streets. The diagrams indicate the desired pattern for the block. Over time, as properties are redeveloped, the full block pattern can be realized.



Block Guideline with 200' Deep Lots



Possible Site Layout A



Possible Massing Layout B

#### **Block Types** and Patterns



**Block Types** 

Commercial frontage types:

- Short block frontage on main street
- Medium block frontage on main street
- Long block frontage on main street
- Continuous block frontage on main street

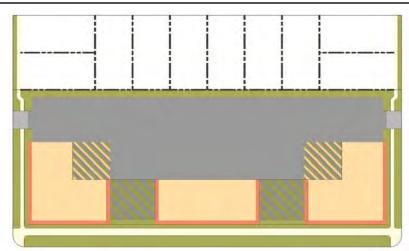


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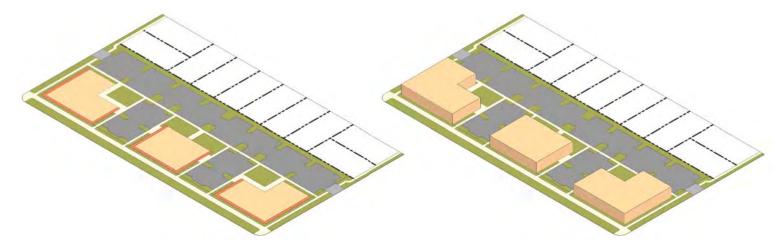
#### **Medium Block**

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- 200'-500' of street frontage
- Parking and access internal to the block
- Limit parking and service access to side streets (no main street curb cuts)
- 10' landscape buffer along the back property line (5' @ <100' deep lot only)
- All parking frontage must have an additional 5' minimum planting buffer beyond the building frontage line
- Lots >200' in depth start to allow for additional commercial or residential development at the rear of the property

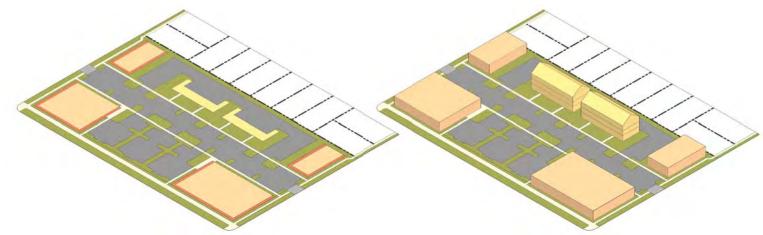


Block Guideline with 200' Deep Lots



Possible Site Layout A

Possible Massing Layout A



Possible Site Layout - 300' Deep

Possible Massing Layout - 300' Deep

### **Block Types** and Patterns

- Landscaped Area Commercial Use Pedestrian Path Office Use Primary Facade Residential Use Roads Parking
  - Parking-Building
    - Landscaping-Building

Flexible Areas:

Parking-Landscaping-Building

# **Block Types** and Patterns

#### **Block Types**

Commercial frontage types:

- Short block frontage on main
- Medium block frontage on main street
- Long block frontage on main
- Continuous block frontage on main street

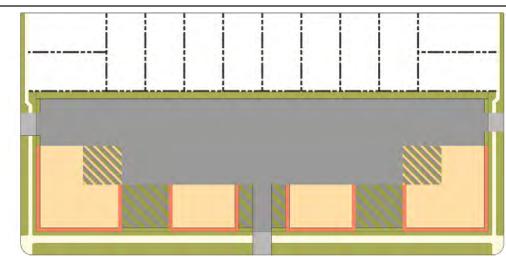


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#### **Long Block**

#### **Long Block**

- 500'-1,000' of street frontage
- Parking and access internal to the block
- Limit parking and service access to side streets and one mid-block curb-
- 10' landscape buffer along the back property line (5' @ <100' deep lot only)
- All parking frontage must have an additional 5' minimum planting buffer beyond the building frontage line
- Lots >200' in depth start to allow for additional commercial or residential development at the rear of the property



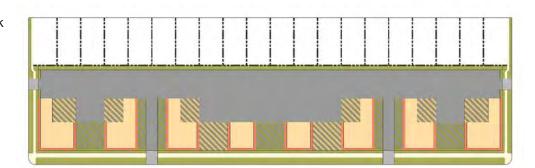
Possible Massing Layout - Irregular Block

Block Guideline with 200' Deep Lots

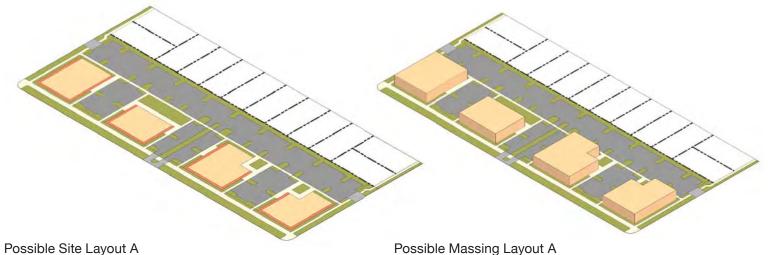
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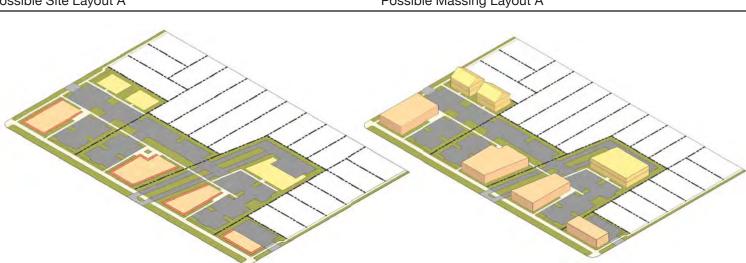
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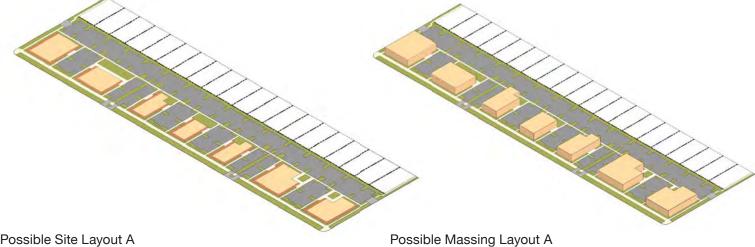
- >1,000' of street frontage
- Parking and access internal to the block
- Limit parking and service access to side streets and a mid-block curb-cut approximately every 500'
- 10' landscape buffer along the back property line (5' @ <100' deep lot only)
- All parking frontage must have an additional 5' minimum planting buffer beyond the building frontage line
- Not Shown Lots >200' in depth start to allow for additional commercial or residential development at the rear of the property



Block Guideline with 200' Deep Lots







Possible Site Layout A \*Parking in front of the building along the main street is a secondary option, and shall be limited to a singleloaded drive aisle only

Possible Site Layout B Possible Massing Layout B

Possible Site Layout - Irregular Block 80 Suburban

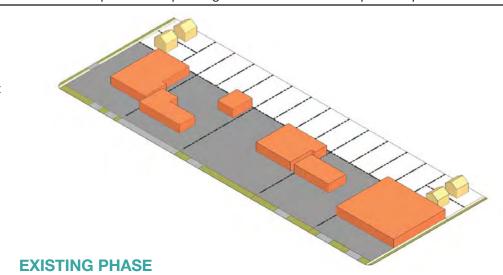
# Lot | Commercial Use | Pedestrian Path | Office Use | Existing Structure | Residential Use | Parking | Roads

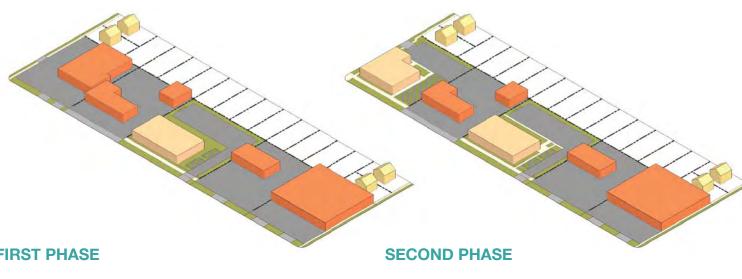
While individual lot redevelopment can incorporate parts of the block guidelines, to capture more value per lot and create a more vibrant commercial community; envisioning whole block redevelopment while planning for individual lot redevelopment is paramount..

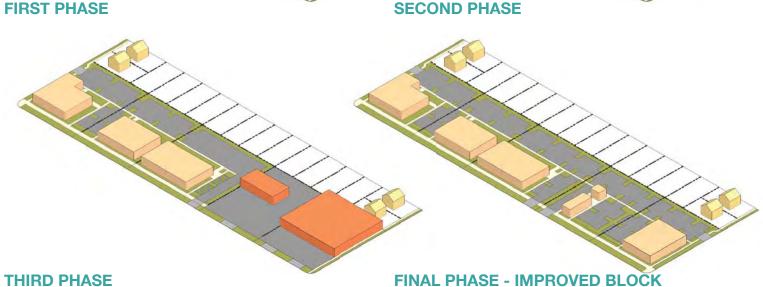
#### **Transformation Block**

**Lot Improvements** 

- Regular 200' X 800' Long Block
- A middle lot is redeveloped first with parking and access inclusive to the lot
- A corner lot is redeveloped second with side street access and the potential for a shared access drive aisle
- A middle lot is redeveloped third and shares access, parking, and connections with the previously redeveloped adjacent lots
- Finally, the other corner lot is redeveloped to complete a block that follows the preferred pattern



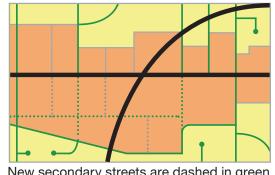




### Lot Improvements

#### **Block Improvements Over Time**

Lot redevelopment builds a "hikeable" community with other lots by breaking down the scale of parking, introducing shared access, and rebuilding a community-scaled grid (especially on large lots)

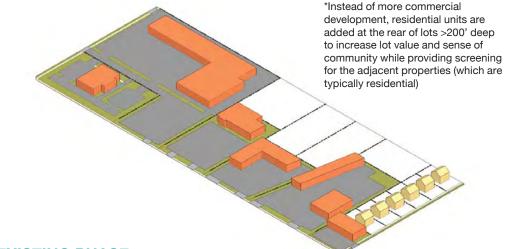


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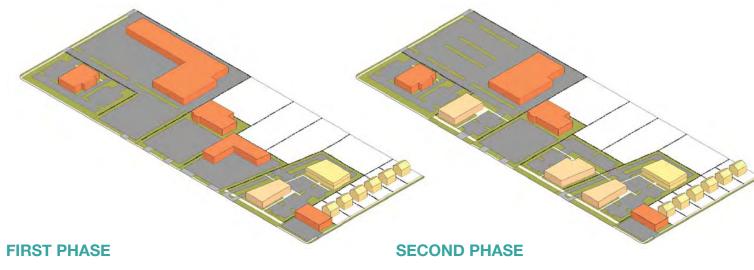
#### **Lot Improvements**

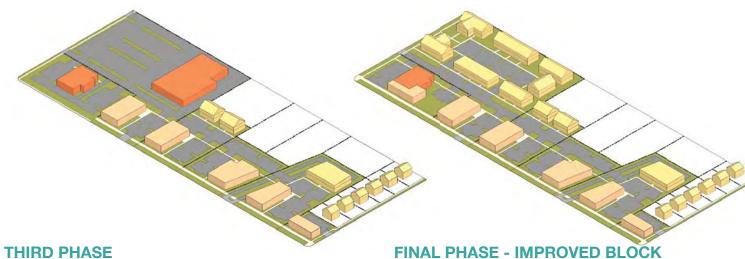
#### **Transformation Block**

- Irregular 400' X 1,000' Continuous Block
- A middle lot is redeveloped first with parking and access inclusive to the lot
- Middle lots are redeveloped second with shared or existing vehicle access
- A large rear lot undergoes adaptive
- A middle lot is redeveloped third and shares access, parking, and connections with the previously redeveloped adjacent lots
- Finally, the rear lot is redeveloped with residential to complete a block that closely follows the preferred pattern



**EXISTING PHASE** 





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#### **Architectural Patterns**

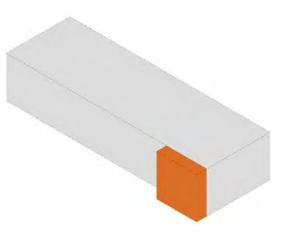
#### One-Story Buildings with < 80' Length Facade

#### **Vertical**

- Facades less than 80' in length are not required to have relief of the building footprint; however the long mass of the facade should be articulated into elements which range proportionally from 2 to 5 element zones in width. The architectural treatment of these elements should be consistent for the full height of the building.
- The massing shown indicates an offset entry located on the end of the building as a means to bring relief to the uninterrupted facade.

#### Massing

• Preferred minimum facade height in facade zones is 22'.



**Vertical Articulation** 

#### Horizontal

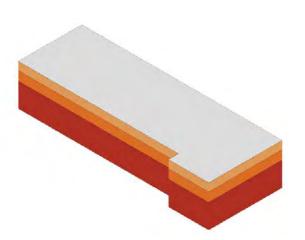
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BAYS EQUALLY SPACED

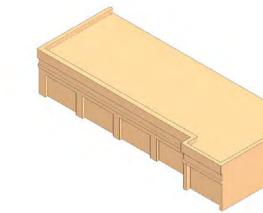
FAÇADES LESS THAN 80' WIDE DON'T REQUIRE ARTICULATION WITH OFFSETS

#### Composition

- Windows and doors, as well as other elements, should be placed in the center of bays.
- Appropriate proportions vertically for windows: 6:7.5, 4:6,



**Horizontal Articulation** 



Composition

MAIN ENTRANCE ARTICULATED

**Assembly** 

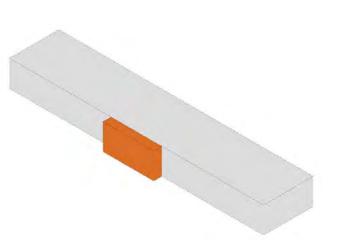
#### One-Story Buildings with > 80' Length Facade

#### **Vertical**

- Facades greater than 80' in length are required to have relief of the building footprint; the long mass of the facade should be articulated into bays which range from 2 to 5 bays in width proportionally spaced along the facade. The architectural treatment of these bays should be consistent for the full height of the building.
- The massing shown indicates a grand entry centered on the building as a means to bring relief to the uninterrupted facade.

#### Massing

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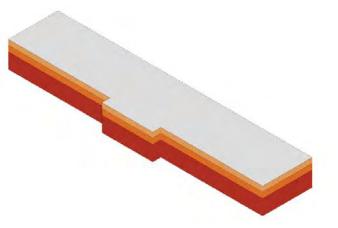
**Vertical Articulation** 

#### Horizontal

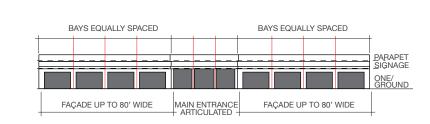
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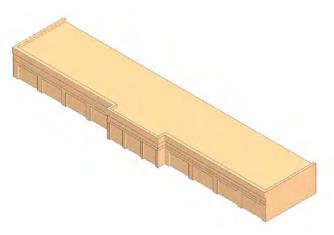
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- Appropriate proportions vertically for windows: 6:7.5, 4:6,



**Horizontal Articulation** 





Composition **Assembly** 

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#### **Architectural Patterns**

#### Two-Story Buildings with < 80' Length Facade

#### **Vertical**

- Facades less than 80' in length are not required to have relief of the building footprint; however the long mass of the facade should be articulated into elements which range proportionally from 2 to 5 element zones in width. The architectural treatment of these elements should be consistent for the full height of the building.
- The massing shown indicates an offset entry located on the end of the building as a means to bring relief to the uninterrupted facade.

#### Massing

• Preferred minimum facade height in facade zones is 30'.



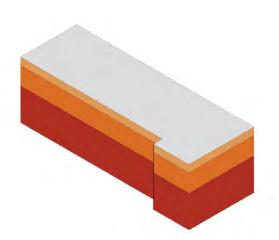
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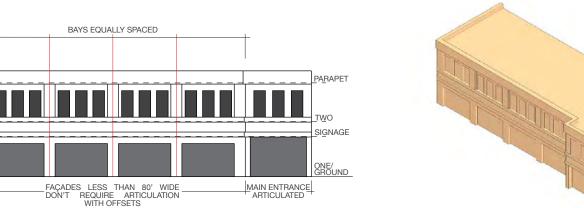
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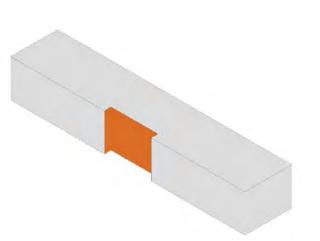
#### Two-Story Buildings with > 80' Length Facade

#### **Vertical**

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- The massing shown indicates a grand entry centered on the building as a means to bring relief to the uninterrupted facade.

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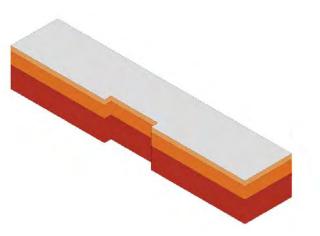
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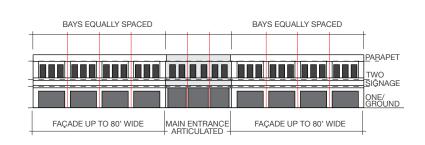
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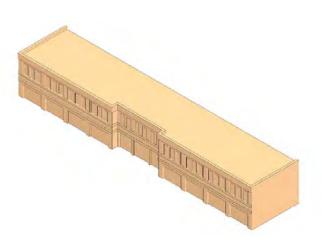
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## Architectural Patterns

#### Multi-Story Buildings with < 80' Length Facade

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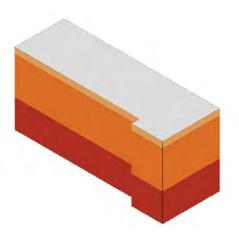
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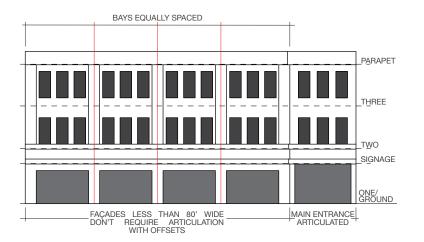
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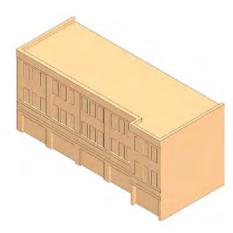
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**Horizontal Articulation** 

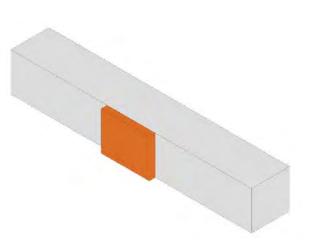




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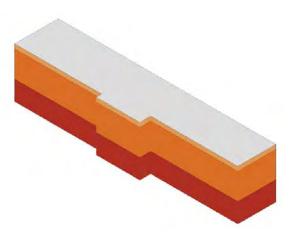
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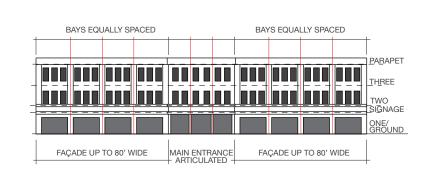
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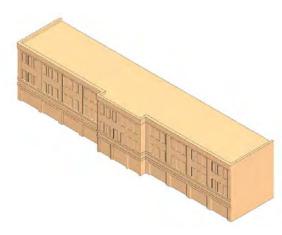
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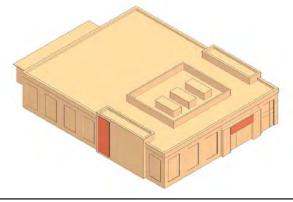
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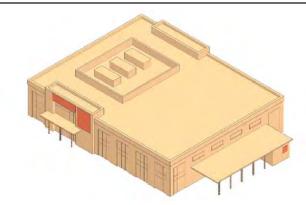
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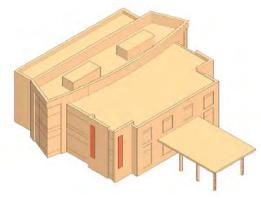
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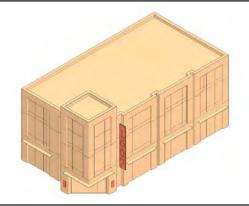
- Primary horizontal signage should be placed in the facade band above the first
- Projecting and Blade signs should be placed near entrances or on corners
- The outer perimeter of awnings and canopies provide good placement for pedestrian oriented signage
- See Guiding Principles for guidance on multi-tenant signage

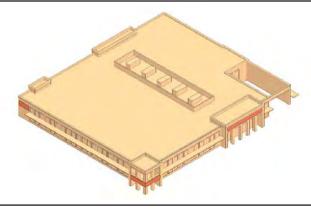
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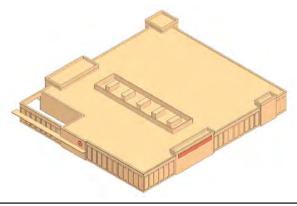


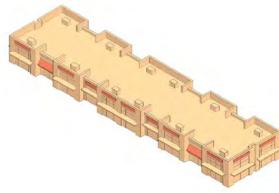


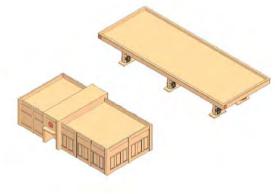












#### Signage

- Clean, simple signage is easiest for customers to read and is more memorable
- Many materials are suitable for long-lasting, beautiful signage; translucent plastic and vinyl are not the only options!
- Multiple scales and locations can be used to provide visibility to pedestrians and viewers in automobiles; maximum sizes and quantities can be referenced in the Zoning Ordinance.

#### **Examples**

















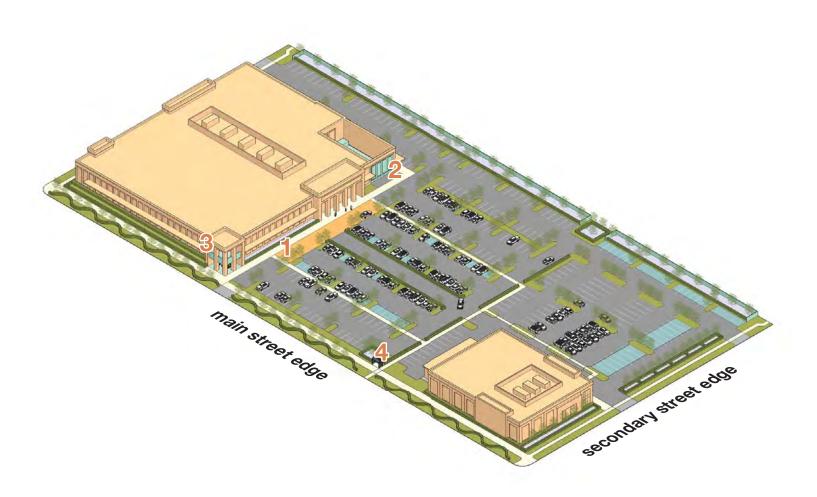


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#### Site Amenities

- Commercial sites can utilize amenities to attract customers and blend in well with the contextual neighborhood.
- Publicly accessible and visible a

#### **Placement Options**



#### 1. Paving Materials

- Paving of areas intended for pedestrian and vehicular circulation should not be all asphalt
- Areas with high pedestrian traffic should have paving that reduces:
- heat island effect
- rate of surface runoff
- vehicular speeds

#### 2. Screening Options

- Foliage can be used for parking screening
- When parking is located within 10' of right-of-way, an opaque wall is to be used for screening
- Dumpsters as well as loading docks require screening by opaque walls

#### 3. Open Space/Garden

 Gardens should be placed in visible areas of the site

#### 4. Pedestrian Facilities

- Bike racks
- Provide shelter for the bicycle as well as the cyclist when locking and unlocking
- Outdoor seating
- Publicly accessible seating

#### Site Amenities

- Paths through the site should be clearly defined by paving materials
- Foliage is a screening option that can be used to retain, and filter runoff water
- Clear delineation of vehicular and pedestrian paths can improve safety on site

#### **Examples**







1. Paving Materials







2. Screening Options







3. Open Spaces and Gardens







4. Pedestrian Facilities

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#### Landscaping

#### **Street Level Landscaping**



















#### **Indigenous Plants for Consideration**

#### **Deciduous Large Canopy Trees**

- Hackberry (Celtis occidentalis)
- Sugarberry (Celtis laevigata)
- Sweet gum (Liquidambar styraciflua) cultivar without seed pods e.g. 'Rotundiloba'
- Black Cherry (Prunus serotina)
- Bald Cypress (Taxodium distichum)
- White oak (Quercus alba)
- Swamp white oak (Quercus bicolor)
- Willow oak (Quercus phellos) cultivar with narrower canopy e.g. 'Hightower'
- Water oak (Quercus nigra)
- Pin oak (Quercus palustris)
- Persimmon (Diospyros virginiana) edible fruit
- Black tupelo (Nyssa sylvatica) cultivar with narrower canopy e.g. 'Forum'

#### Evergreen Large Canopy Trees

- Eastern red cedar (Juniperus virginiana)
- Loblolly pine (Pinus taeda)
- American holly (Ilex opaca)
- Live oak (Quercus virginiana) cultivar with narrower canopy e.g. 'Highrise'
- Southern magnolia (Magnolia grandiflora)

#### Small Canopy Trees

- Yaupon holly (llex vomitoria) tree & weeping varieties available
- Little Gem Magnolia (Magnolia grandiflora 'Little Gem')
- Sweetbay magnolia (Magnolia virginiana)
- Common serviceberry (Amelanchier arborea)
- Eastern serviceberry (Amelanchier canadensis)

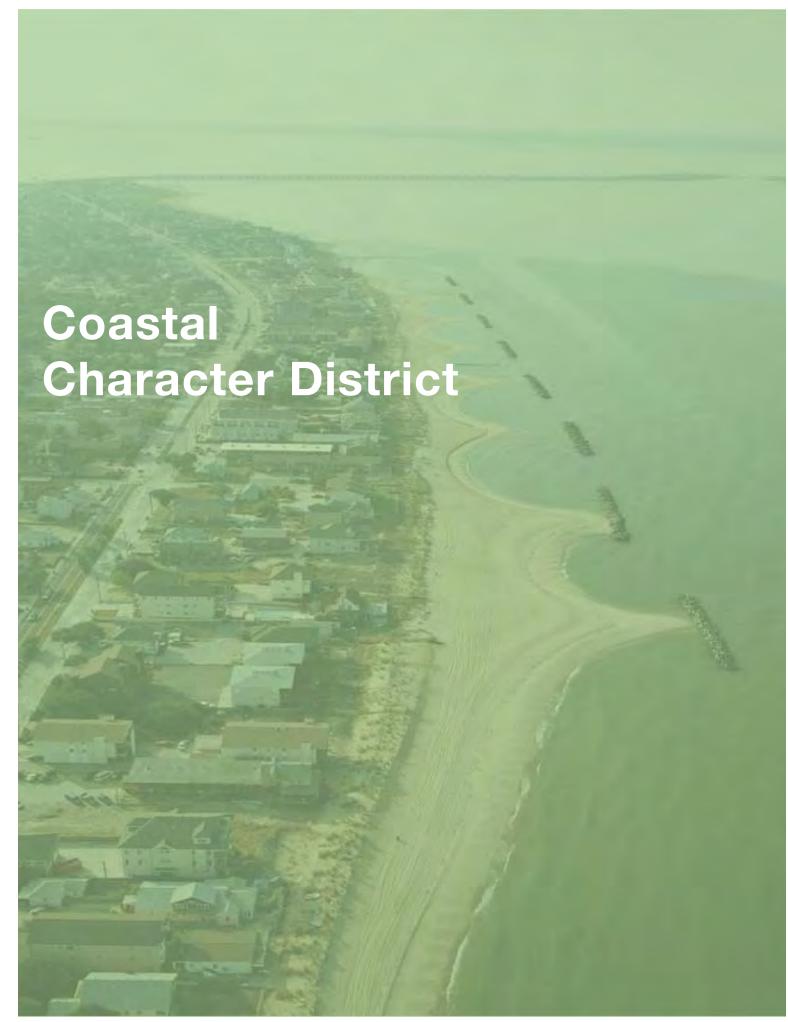
#### Shrubs

- Red chokeberry (Aronia arbutifolia)
- Sweet pepperbush (Clethra alnifolia)
- Inkberry holly (llex glabra)
- Yaupon holly (llex vomitoria) dwarf cultivars available
- Waxmyrtle (Morella cerifera)
- Southern bayberry (Morella caroliniensis)
- Northern bayberry (Morella pensylvanica)
- Beach plum (Prunus maritima) edible fruit
- Smooth sumac (Rhus glabra)
- Elderberry (Sambucus nigra ssp. canadensis) edible fruit
- Highbush blueberry (Vaccinium corymbosum) edible fruit
- Arrowwood (Viburnum dentatum)
- Salt bush (Baccharis halmifolia)
- Marsh elder (Iva frutescens)

#### Perennials

- Hibiscus (Hibiscus moscheutos)
- Marsh mallow (Kosteletzkya virginica)
- Asters (Aster spp.)
- Blanket flower (Gaillardia spp.)





## **Community Patterns: Essential Attributes**

#### **Community Patterns**

- Pedestrian friendly mixed-use streets with a variety of building types and uses
- Well landscaped pedestrian spaces, buffered from cars with landscape treatment using plant materials appropriate for a coastal climate
- Easy relationship between indoor spaces and outdoor gathering places, along the sidewalk, in courtyards, or at the edge of parking lots
- Active building frontage along the street where appropriate and facing outdoor gathering places within the site
- Small scale shops and buildings to provide a diverse character
- Parking and service areas easily accessible from the street, but screened from it with landscaping and building location
- Corner buildings to serve as gateway buildings for the residential side streets











#### **Architectural Patterns**

- Primary role of the architecture:
- Define and enhance the pedestrian friendly quality of the street spaces and outdoor gathering places on site
- Building massing and form that either creates a room-like space along the street or supports the creation of social gathering spaces within the site, e.g. courtyards/patios
- Cornices and other architectural elements that either define the public space or the volume of the building
- Large, clear, glass display windows provide transparency between the public space and shop interiors
- Defined area for signage
- No blank walls facing the street unless designed as finished facade
- Resilient design and construction to handle coastal storms and flooding
- Architectural character using the elements from the Coastal Pattern Book, e.g. porches and simple













Coastal Character
District:
Overview of
Commercial Districts
and Corridors

Matrix: Community
Patterns and
Appropriate
Commercial Building
Types

Street Type and Lot Type determine which Building Types and Forms will function well on a site.



#### **Coastal Character District**

- Notable commercial districts include:
- Ocean View Shopping Center Area
- Notable commercial thoroughfares include:
- Ocean View Avenue
- Shore Drive

#### **Street Type and Patterns**

- Rectangular grid of streets are the typical condition
- Angled or curved streets are an exception
- Two street types:
- Pedestrian friendly with slow moving traffic
- Vehicle oriented with fast moving traffic

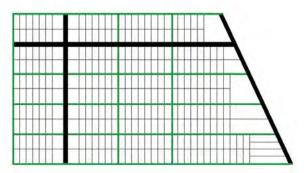
### **Block Type and Commercial Patterns**

- Majority of blocks are approximately 200' X 500'
- Commercial frontage types:
- Short block frontage on main street
- Long block frontage on main street
- Full block frontage
- Preferred pattern:
- Active street frontage
- Internal block access through street frontage determines lot patterns
- Parking lots and service activities internal to the block

#### **Lot Types**

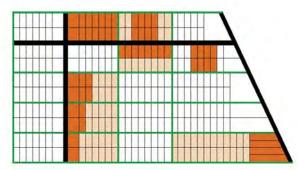
- Standard lot depth is 100'
- Short block frontages:
- Lots have been expanded by acquiring adjacent non-commercial properties
- Short block lots sizes include: 100', 150', and 200' deep lots
- Long block frontages:
- Lots have been expanded by acquiring adjacent non-commercial properties to create through block lots
- Long block lot sizes include: 100' and 200' deep lots

#### **Street Type and Patterns**



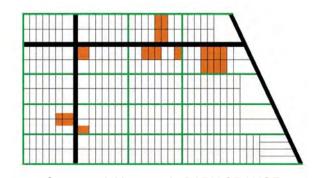
- Main streets are in BLACK
- Secondary streets are in GREEN

### **Block Type and Commercial Patterns**

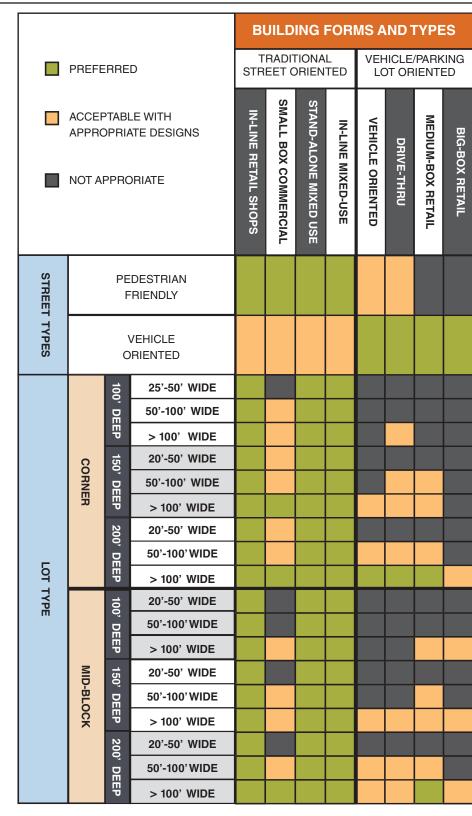


- Commercial lots are DARK ORANGE
- Non-commercial lots are LIGHT ORANGE

#### **Lot Types**



Commercial lots are in DARK ORANGE



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# **Building Forms** and Types

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# **Building Forms** and Types



- Corner Stores
- In-Line Retail Shops
- Drug Stores
- Restaurants
- Small Scale Food Stores
- Small-Box Commercial
- Offices
- Mixed-Use: Retail/Residential, Retail/ Office, Office/Residential, and Retail/ Office/Residential
- Apartments
- Carriage Houses

The challenge is to find ways of accommodating all these uses and maintaining the character and image of the Character District. Building forms are undergoing change in response to changes in the way we shop. The emphasis is now on the "experience" and on personalized service. Many start-up digital retailers now need a physical location as a showroom; however stores can be smaller since they do not need to keep a large inventory.



#### **In-Line Mixed-Use**

- Multi-story
- Street oriented retail frontage
- Shop fronts divided
- First floor: retail/office
- Upper floor(s): retail/office/residential
- Separate entry for upper floors



#### **In-Line Commercial**

- One-story (though the massing and facade composition shall be two-story)
- Street oriented retail frontage
- Facade divided into bays to provide flexibility and design articulation
- Local precedent along Colley Avenue in Ghent and Granby Street in Riverview



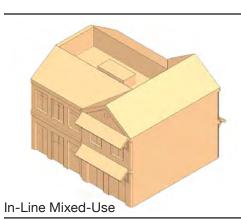
#### **Stand-Alone Mixed-Use**

- Multi-story
- Street oriented retail frontage
- Shop fronts divided
- First floor: retail/office
- Upper floor(s): retail/office/residential
- Separate entry for upper floors
- Appropriate bookend(s) for In-Line Mixed-Use
- Local precedent located in East Beach



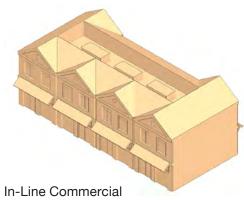
#### **Small-Box Commercial**

- One-story (though the massing and facade composition shall be two-story)
- Up to 7,500 SF
- Typically stand-alone, though simple modification allows for bookending with adjacent buildings



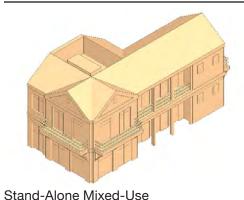






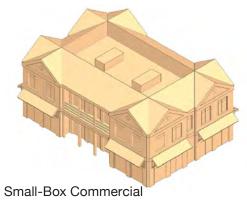
















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### Vehicle and Parking Lot Oriented Commercial, Retail, and Related Uses:

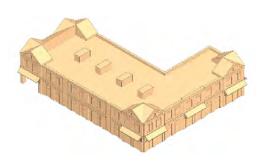
- Gas Stations
- Drive-Through Buildings: Restaurants, Drug Stores, and Banks
- Grocery Stores
- Medium-Box Retail
- Big-Box Retail
- Large Office Buildings

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#### **Medium-Box Retail**

- One-story (though the massing and facade composition shall be two-story)
- Often includes a drive-through
- 7,500 SF 20,000 SF
- Typically stand-alone, though simple modification allows for bookending with adjacent buildings



Medium-Box Retail

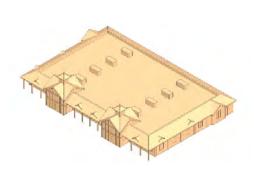






#### **Big-Box Retail**

- One-story (though the massing and facade composition shall be two-story)
- Typically zoned Commercial-Regional
- 20,000 SF 50,000 SF
- > 50,000 SF shall be added via additional floor levels



Big-Box Retail

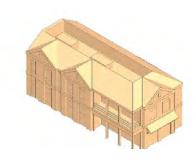


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#### **Drive-Through**

- One-story (though the massing and facade composition shall be two-story)
- Building design shall minimize or eliminate the view of the drive-through and vehicle stacking from the main street frontage



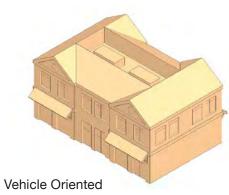
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#### **Vehicle Oriented**

- One-story (though the massing and facade composition shall be two-story)
- Building design shall minimize or eliminate the view of vehicle oriented activities from the main street frontage
- Preferred location is internal to a block, and/or incorporated into the design of a more pedestrian friendly building (reference the model image that masks its primary uses as a automotive shop)



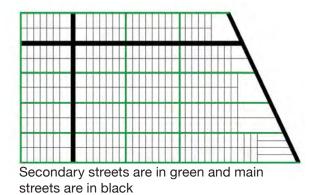


# Street Types and Patterns

#### Public Right-of-Way

The preferred patterns for the public right-of-way may require adjustments to existing conditions:

- Option 1: Extend pedestrian zone into the street
- Option 2: Provide a set back for the building facade



#### **Street Pattern and Street Type**

- Rectangular grid of streets are the typical condition
- Angled or curved streets are an exception
- Two street types:
- Pedestrian friendly with slow moving traffic
- Vehicle oriented with fast moving traffic

# Pedestrian Friendly Secondary Street

Examples: 1st Bay Street, Cape View Street

The pedestrian space is protected by a combination of landscape buffers and on-street parking

- Preferred Configuration:
- On-street parking
- 20' minimum between curb of parking lane and building facade
- 8' area for tree
- 12' clear for pedestrian path



**Pedestrian Friendly Secondary Street** 



Travel lanes of cartway

On-street parking with curb extensions

Vegetated buffer with pedestrian activity areas

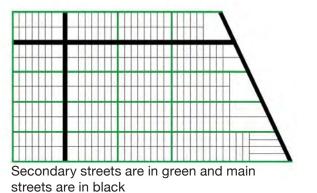
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### **Pedestrian Friendly Side Street**



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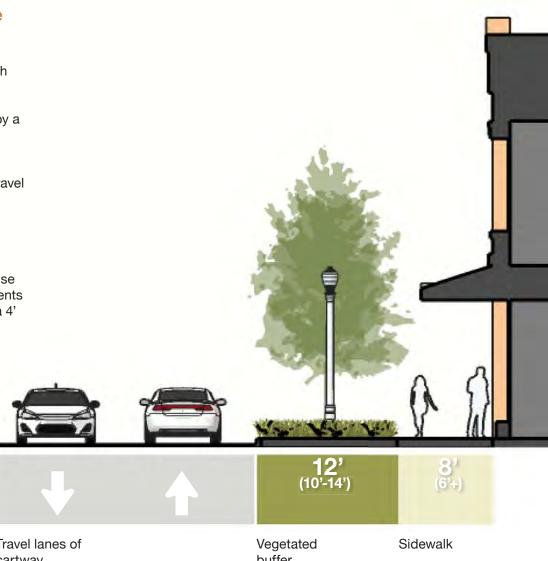
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#### **Pedestrian Friendly Side Street**

Examples: 20th Bay Street, N. Beach View Street

The pedestrian space is protected by a landscape buffer

- Preferred Configuration:
- 20' minimum between curb of travel lane and building facade
- 12' area for tree
- 8' clear for pedestrian path
- Acceptable Configurations:
- If on-street parking is desired, use curb extension landscape elements to form an 8' parking lane with a 4' vegetated buffer



Travel lanes of cartway

buffer

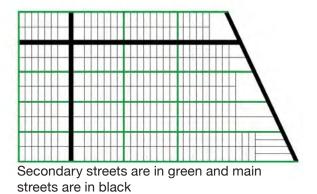
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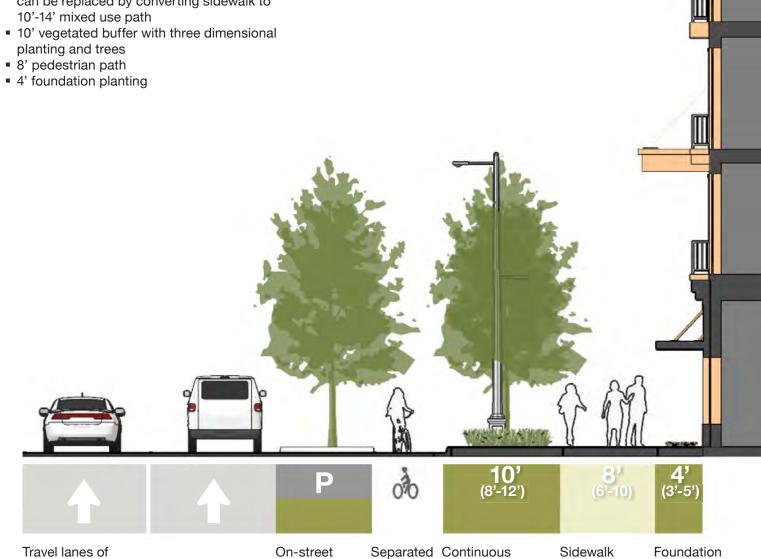
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#### **Vehicle Oriented Primary Street**

- Preferred Configuration, Ocean View Avenue:
- 36' between curb and building facade
- Parallel parking with vegetated curb extensions
- Separated bicycle path where width allows, can be replaced by converting sidewalk to 10'-14' mixed use path
- planting and trees
- 8' pedestrian path

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#### **Vehicle Oriented Primary Street**



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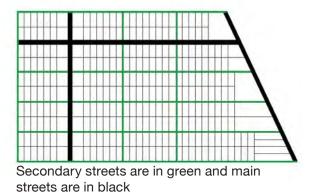
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#### **Vehicle Oriented Alternative**

Narrow portions of Ocean View Ave.

- Acceptable Configuration:
- Minimum 20' between curb and building facade
- 12' vegetated buffer between curb and sidewalk with three dimensional planting and trees

cartway

8' pedestrian path



vegetated

buffer

Pedestrian path

**Vehicle Oriented Alternative** 



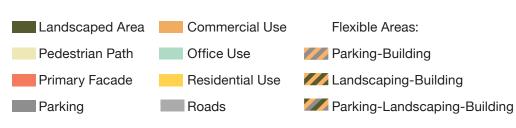
#### **Block Types** and Patterns



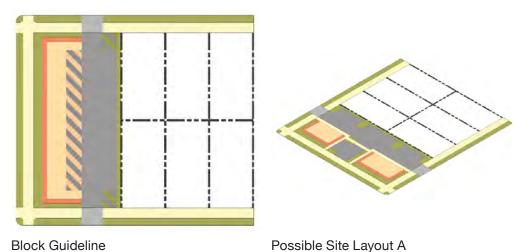
#### **Short Block**

#### 100' Deep Lot

- Parking and access in middle of block
- 5' minimum landscape buffer along the back property line (100' deep lot only)
- Breaks in the frontage are acceptable if limited to 30% of the frontage on the main street and 45% on the side street
- All parking frontage must have a 5' minimum landscape buffer

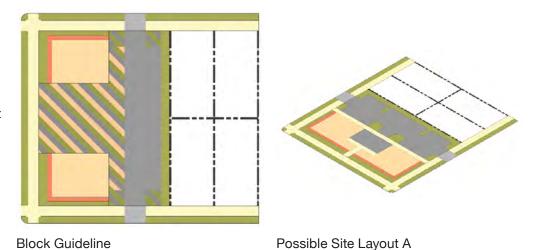


The preferred pattern maintains continuous active frontage along the full block with service and parking internal to the block. Access to service and parking is best from the side street. The diagrams indicate the desired pattern for the block. The guidelines for individual properties follow this pattern for parking and access. Over time, as properties are redeveloped, the full block pattern can be realized.



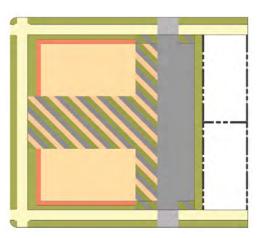
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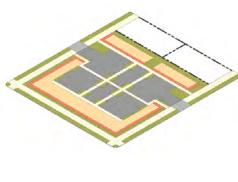
- Parking and access in middle of block
- 10' minimum landscape buffer along the back property line
- Breaks in the frontage are acceptable if limited to 30% of the frontage on the main street and 40% on the side street
- All parking frontage must have a 5' minimum landscape buffer or a carriage house or other ancillary structure screening the parking



#### 200' Deep Lot

- Parking and access in middle of block
- 10' minimum landscape buffer along the back property line
- Breaks in the frontage are acceptable if limited to 30% of the frontage on the main street and 35% on the side street
- All parking frontage must have a 5' minimum landscape buffer or a carriage house or other ancillary structure screening the parking





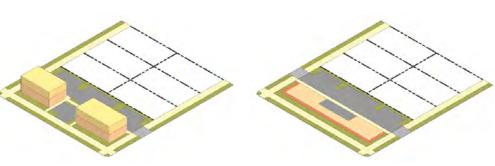
Possible Site Layout A **Block Guideline** 

#### **Block Types** and Patterns



#### **Short Block**

#### 100' Deep Lot



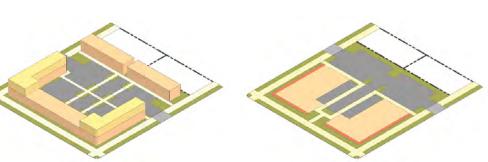
Possible Massing Layout A

150' Deep Lot



Possible Massing Layout A

#### 200' Deep Lot



Possible Massing Layout A

#### **Block Types**

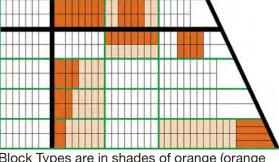
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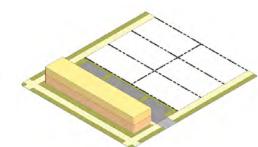
- Short block frontage on main street
- Long block frontage on main street
- Full block frontage

Possible Site Layout B

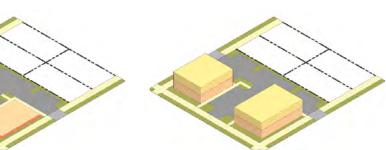
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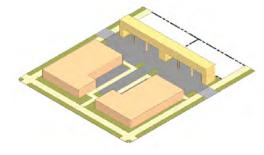
Block Types are in shades of orange (orange for commercial and light orange for other)



Possible Massing Layout B



Possible Massing Layout B



Possible Site Layout B Possible Massing Layout B

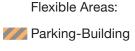
### **Block Types** and Patterns

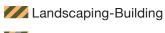




Residential Use

Roads







# **Block Types** and Patterns



**Beach Block** 

150' Deep Lots

#### **Block Types**

The majority of blocks are approximately 200' X 500'

Commercial frontage types:

- Short block frontage on main
- Long block frontage on main street
- Full block frontage

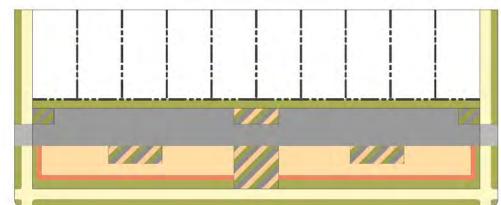


Block Types are in shades of orange (orange for commercial and light orange for other)

#### **Long Block**

#### 100' Deep Lots

- The long frontage should be broken to provide access to the middle of the block. It should be a maximum of 20% of the frontage and a maximum of 30% per break with a maximum cumulative break of 45% on the long side
- 5' minimum planting buffer along the back property line (100' deep lot only)
- All parking frontage must have a 5' minimum landscape buffer or a carriage house or other ancillary structure screening the parking



Block Guideline

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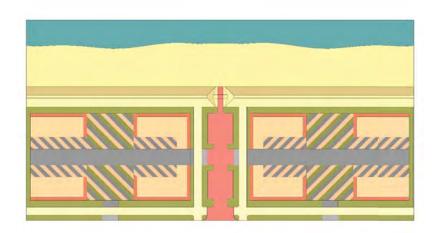
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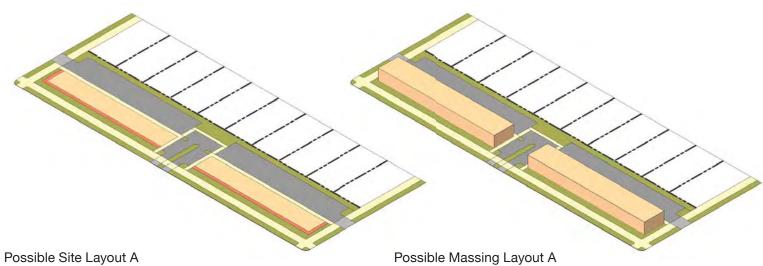
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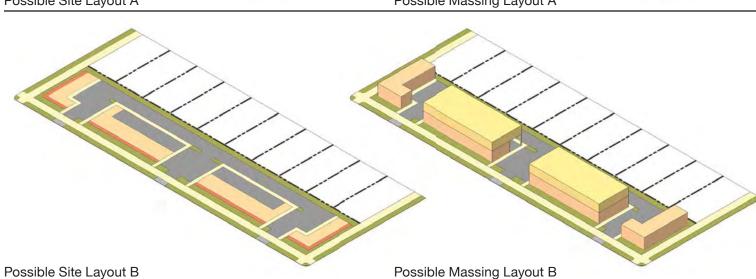
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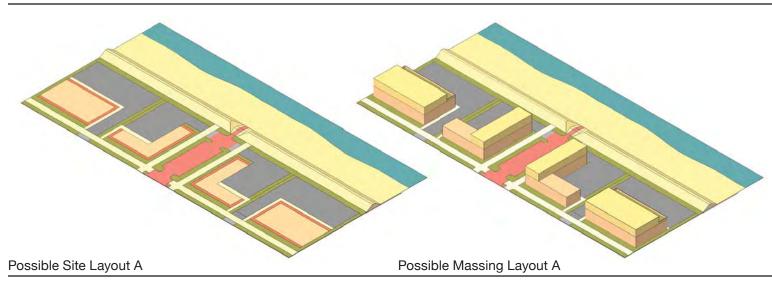
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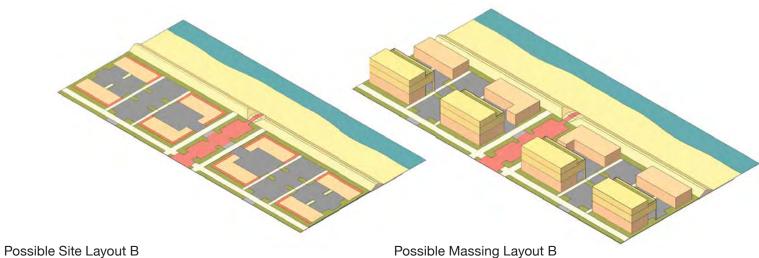


**Block Guideline** 









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Landscaped Area Pedestrian Path Primary Facade Parking

Commercial Use Office Use

Roads

Residential Use

Parking-Building

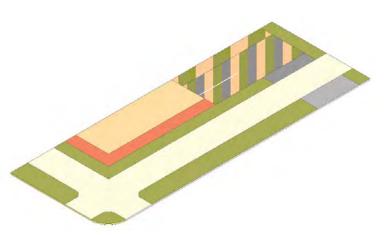
Flexible Areas:

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Parking-Landscaping-Building



#### 100' Deep Corner Lot



**Lot Guideline** 

#### 25' - 50' Wide Lot

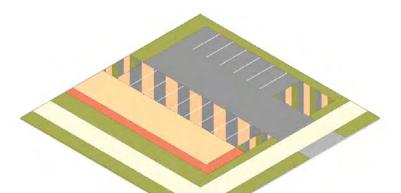
- Front and Side Facade Zones: Facades placed on front and side property lines or setback line adjusted for public rightof-way pattern
- Front facade: 100% active use
- Side facade: 60% active use
- 6' minimum landscape buffer between adjacent commercial property and parking (consult Planning Department for 25' wide lots)
- 5' landscape screen or carriage house or ancillary structure between sidewalk and parking
- Ground floor building coverage a maximum of 25' deep with double loaded parking or 45' with single loaded parking
- Sites less than 2,500 SF have no parking requirement for retail or office, but do require 1.75 spaces per residential unit

# 50' - 100' Wide Lot

- Front and Side Facade Zones: Facades placed on front and side property lines or setback line adjusted for public rightof-way pattern
- Front facade: 100% active use Side facade: 60% active use
- 6' minimum landscape buffer between adjacent commercial property and parking
- 5' landscape screen or carriage house or ancillary structure between sidewalk and parking
- Ground floor building coverage a maximum of 25' deep with double loaded parking or 45' with single loaded parking



#### >100' Wide Lot



of-way pattern ■ Front facade: 70% active use ■ Side facade: 60% active use

• 6' minimum landscape buffer between adjacent commercial property and parking

• Front and Side Facade Zones: Facades placed on front and

side property lines or setback line adjusted for public right-

- 5' landscape screen or carriage house or ancillary structure between sidewalk and parking
- Ground floor building coverage a maximum of 25' deep with double loaded parking or 45' with single loaded parking

# Lot **Patterns**

#### **Lot Capacities**

### some of the possible configurations. Parking is calculated at 1 space per 300 SF for

**Building Envelope and Capacity** 

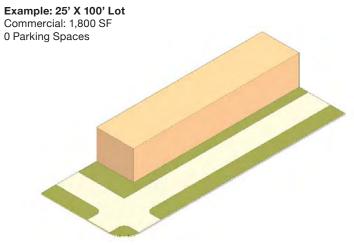
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Lot Types are in orange

#### 100' Deep Corner Lot

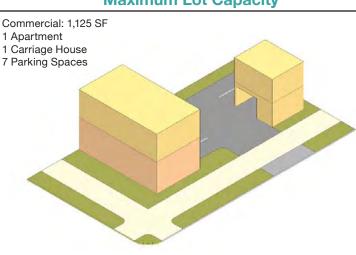


Commercial: 940 SF 2 Apartments 2Parking Spaces

#### **Minimum Lot Capacity**

Example: 50' X 100' Lot Commercial: 1,400 SF 6 Parking Spaces

**Maximum Lot Capacity** 



#### **Minimum Lot Capacity**

Example: 110' X 100' Lot Commercial: 3,200 SF 13 Parking Spaces

**Minimum Lot Capacity** 

**Maximum Lot Capacity** 

Commercial: 2,200 SF 4 Apartments 1 Carriage House 17 Parking Spaces **Maximum Lot Capacity** 

**Lot Guideline** 

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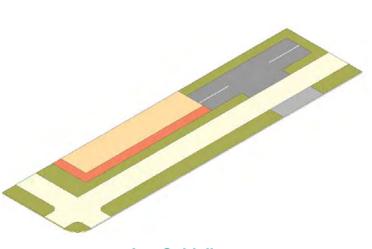
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- Flexible Areas: Parking-Building
- Landscaping-Building
- Parking-Landscaping-Building



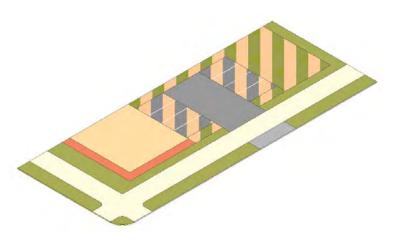
#### >100' Deep Corner Lot



#### 25' - 50' Wide Lot

- Front and Side Facade Zones: Facades placed on front and side property lines or setback line adjusted for public rightof-way pattern
- Front facade: 100% active use
- Side facade: 60% active use
- 6' minimum landscape buffer between adjacent commercial property and parking (consult Planning Department for 25' wide lots)
- 5' landscape screen or carriage house or ancillary structure between sidewalk and parking
- Ground floor building coverage a maximum of 25' deep with double loaded parking or 45' with single loaded parking





**Lot Guideline** 

#### 50' - 100' Wide Lot

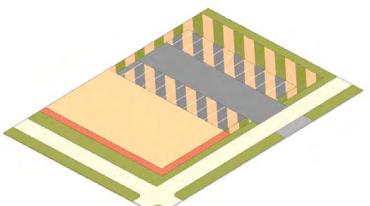
- Front and Side Facade Zones: Facades placed on front and side property lines or setback line adjusted for public rightof-way pattern
- Front facade: 100% active use
- Side facade: 60% active use
- 6' minimum landscape buffer between adjacent commercial property and parking (consult Planning Department for 25' wide lots)
- 5' landscape screen or carriage house or ancillary structure between sidewalk and parking
- Ground floor building coverage a maximum of 25' deep with double loaded parking or 45' with single loaded parking

• Front and Side Facade Zones: Facades placed on front and side property lines or setback line adjusted for public right-

#### >100' Wide Lot

of-way pattern

■ Front facade: 70% active use



**Lot Guideline** 

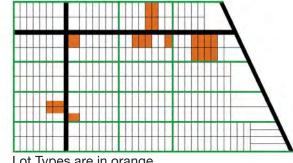
- Side facade: 60% active use • 6' minimum landscape buffer between adjacent commercial property and parking (consult Planning Department for 25' wide lots)
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- Ground floor building coverage a maximum of 25' deep with double loaded parking or 45' with single loaded parking

# Lot **Patterns**

#### **Lot Capacities**

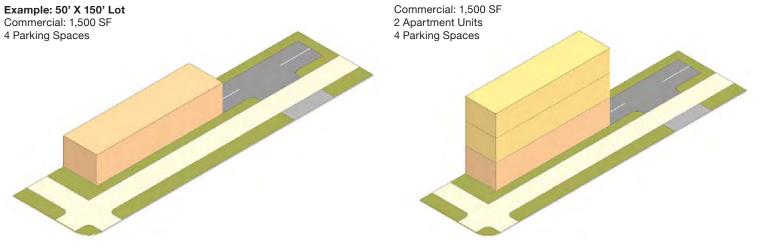
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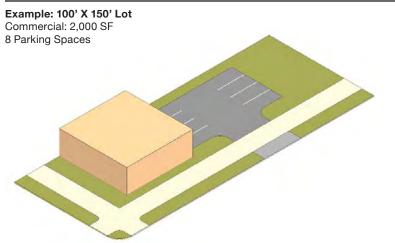
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#### >100' Deep Corner Lot



#### **Minimum Lot Capacity**

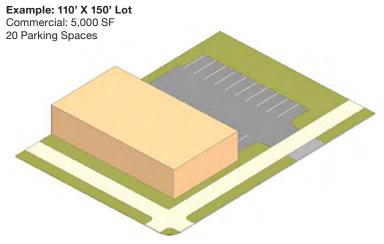
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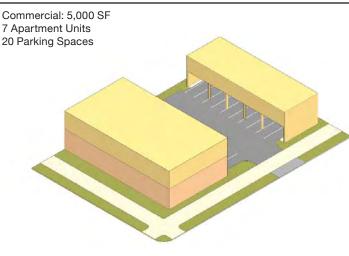
**Minimum Lot Capacity** 

# Commercial: 1,900 SF 3 Apartment Units 8 Parking Spaces

**Maximum Lot Capacity** 



**Minimum Lot Capacity** 



**Maximum Lot Capacity** 



Landscaped Area Pedestrian Path Primary Facade

Parking

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Residential Use

Parking-Building

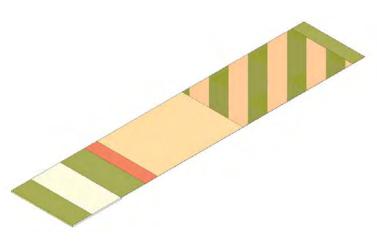
Flexible Areas:

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**Lot Guidelines** 

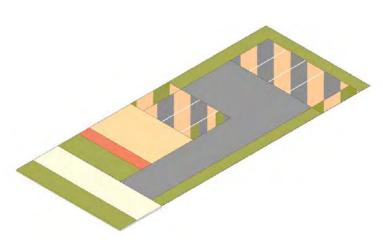
#### 100' Deep Mid-Block Lot



#### 25' - 50' Wide Lot

- Front Facade Zone: Facades placed on front and side property lines or setback line adjusted for public right-ofway pattern
- Front facade: 100% active use
- 6' minimum landscape buffer between adjacent commercial property and parking where applicable (consult Planning Department for 25' wide lots)
- Ground floor building coverage a maximum of 25' deep with double loaded parking or 45' with single loaded parking
- Sites less than 2,500 SF have no parking requirement for retail or office, but do require 1.75 spaces per residential unit

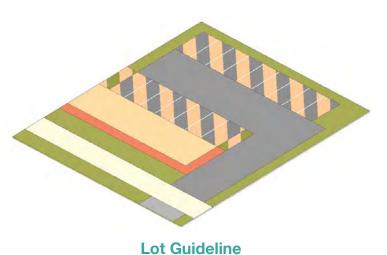
#### **Lot Guideline**



#### 50' - 100' Wide Lot

- Front Facade Zone: Facades placed on front and side property lines or setback line adjusted for public right-ofway pattern
- Front facade: 60% active use
- 6' minimum landscape buffer between adjacent commercial property and parking
- Ground floor building coverage a maximum of 25' deep with double loaded parking or 45' with single loaded parking

**Lot Guideline** 



#### >100' Wide Lot

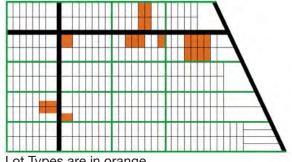
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- Front facade: 70% active use
- 6' minimum landscape buffer between adjacent commercial property and parking
- Ground floor building coverage a maximum of 25' deep with double loaded parking or 45' with single loaded parking

# Lot **Patterns**

#### **Lot Capacities**

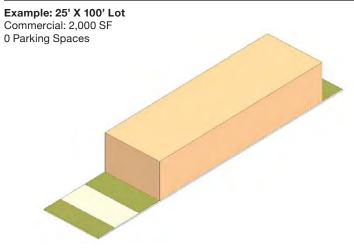
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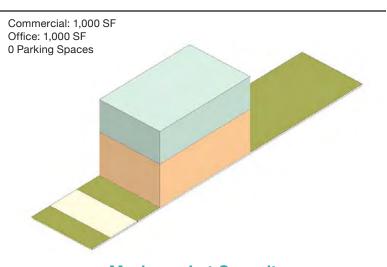
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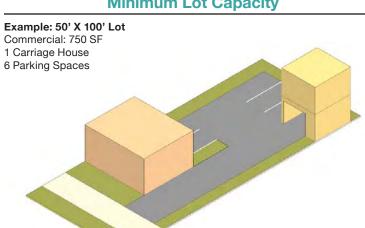
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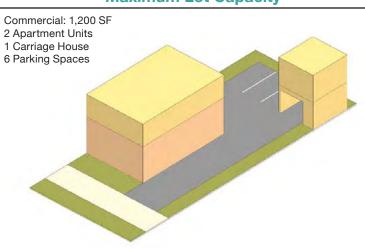




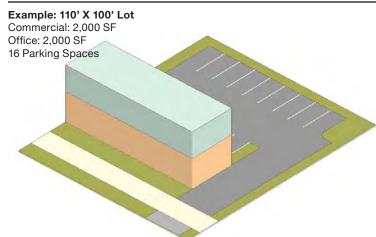
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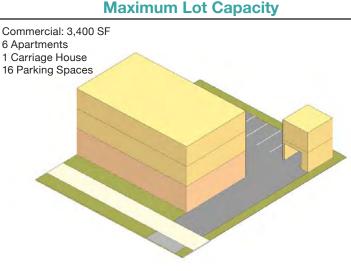


#### **Maximum Lot Capacity**



#### **Minimum Lot Capacity**





**Minimum Lot Capacity** 

**Maximum Lot Capacity** 



Landscaped Area
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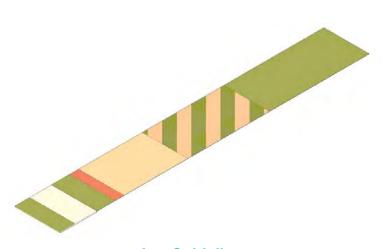
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Landscaping-Building

Parking-Landscaping-Building

**Lot Guidelines** 

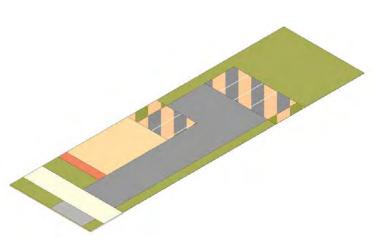
#### >100' Deep Mid-Block Lot



#### 50' Wide Lot

- Front Facade Zone: Facades placed on front and side property lines or setback line adjusted for public right-ofway pattern
- Front facade: 100% active use
- 6' minimum landscape buffer between adjacent commercial property and parking where applicable (consult Planning Department for 25' wide lots)
- Ground floor building coverage a maximum of 25' deep with double loaded parking or 45' with single loaded parking

#### **Lot Guideline**

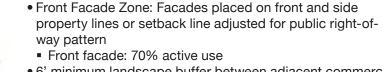


#### 50' - 100' Wide Lot

- Front Facade Zone: Facades placed on front and side property lines or setback line adjusted for public right-ofway pattern
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- 6' minimum landscape buffer between adjacent commercial property and parking
- Ground floor building coverage a maximum of 25' deep with double loaded parking or 45' with single loaded parking

**Lot Guideline** 



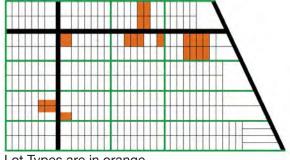


- 6' minimum landscape buffer between adjacent commercial property and parking
- Ground floor building coverage a maximum of 25' deep with double loaded parking or 45' with single loaded parking

Lot Patterns

#### **Building Envelope and Capacity**

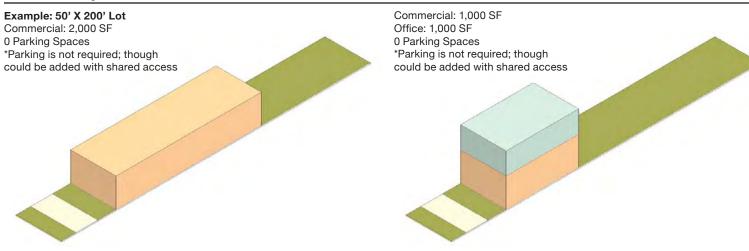
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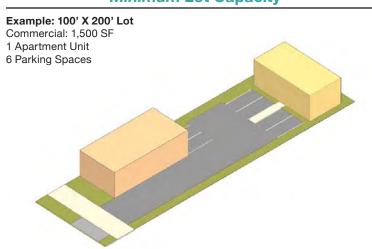
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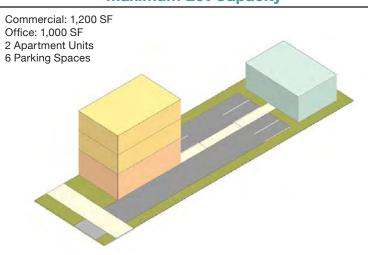
#### >100' Deep Mid-Block Lot



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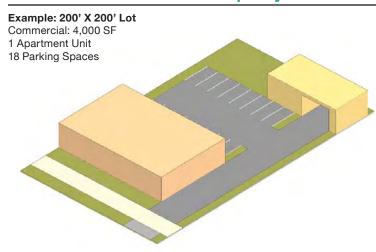
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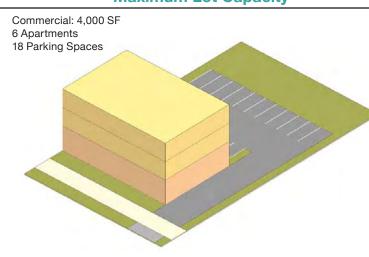




#### **Minimum Lot Capacity**

#### **Maximum Lot Capacity**





Minimum Lot Capacity

**Maximum Lot Capacity** 

**Lot Guideline** 

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#### **Architectural Patterns**

#### One-Story Buildings with < 80' Length Facade

#### **Vertical**

- Facades less than 80' in length are not required to have relief of the building footprint; however the long mass of the facade should be articulated into elements which range proportionally from 2 to 5 element zones in width. The architectural treatment of these elements should be consistent for the full height of the building.
- The massing shown indicates an offset entry located on the end of the building as a means to bring relief to the uninterrupted facade.

#### Massing

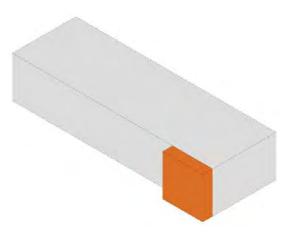
- Preferred minimum facade height in facade zones is 22'.
- The preferred massing and facade composition shall be two-story

#### Horizontal

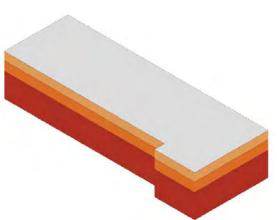
• Every building has a base, middle and top.

#### Composition

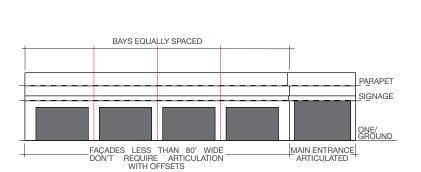
- Windows and doors, as well as other elements, should be placed in the center of bays.
- Appropriate proportions vertically for windows: 6:7.5, 4:6,



**Vertical Articulation** 



# **Horizontal Articulation**



#### One-Story Buildings with > 80' Length Facade

#### **Vertical**

- Facades greater than 80' in length are required to have relief of the building footprint; the long mass of the facade should be articulated into bays which range from 2 to 5 bays in width proportionally spaced along the facade. The architectural treatment of these bays should be consistent for the full height of the building.
- The massing shown indicates a grand entry centered on the building as a means to bring relief to the uninterrupted facade.

#### Massing

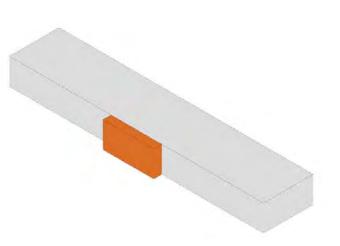
- Preferred minimum facade height in facade zones is 22'.
- The preferred massing and facade composition shall be two-story.

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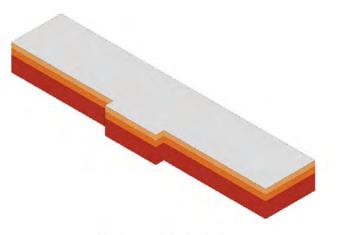
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#### Composition

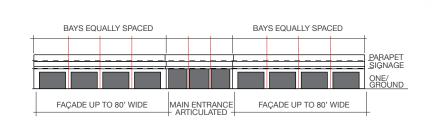
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- Appropriate proportions vertically for windows: 6:7.5, 4:6,

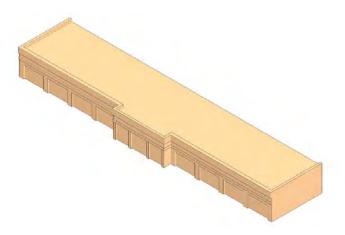


**Vertical Articulation** 



**Horizontal Articulation** 





Composition Composition **Assembly Assembly** 

## Architectural Patterns

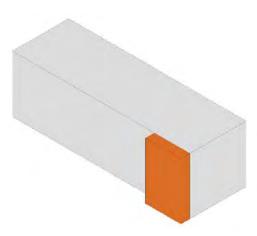
#### Two-Story Buildings with < 80' Length Facade

#### Vertical

- Facades less than 80' in length are not required to have relief of the building footprint; however the long mass of the facade should be articulated into elements which range proportionally from 2 to 5 element zones in width. The architectural treatment of these elements should be consistent for the full height of the building.
- The massing shown indicates an offset entry located on the end of the building as a means to bring relief to the uninterrupted facade.

#### Massing

• Preferred minimum facade height in facade zones is 30'.



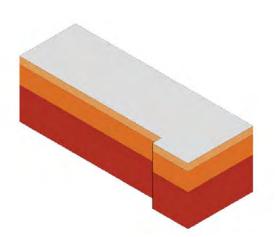
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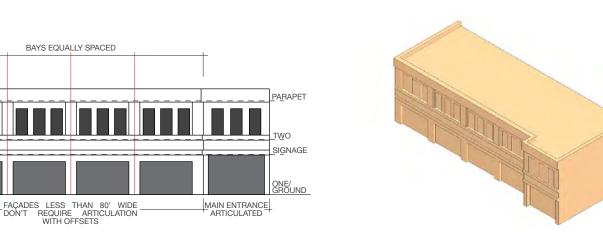
• Every building has a base, middle and top.

#### Composition

- Windows and doors, as well as other elements, should be placed in the center of bays.
- Appropriate proportions vertically for windows: 6:7.5, 4:6,
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**Horizontal Articulation** 



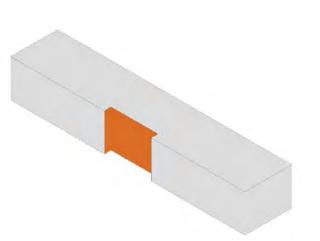
#### Two-Story Buildings with > 80' Length Facade

#### Vertical

- Facades greater than 80' in length are required to have relief of the building footprint; the long mass of the facade should be articulated into bays which range from 2 to 5 bays in width proportionally spaced along the facade. The architectural treatment of these bays should be consistent for the full height of the building.
- The massing shown indicates a grand entry centered on the building as a means to bring relief to the uninterrupted facade.



• Preferred minimum facade height in facade zones is 30'.



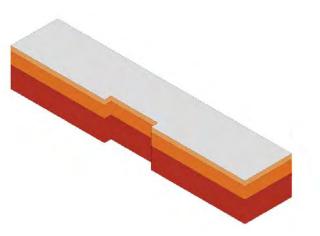
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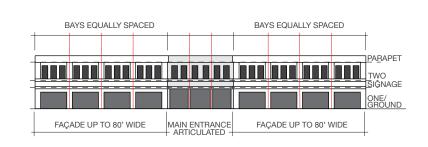
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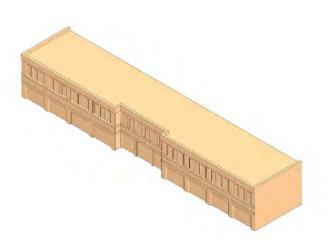
#### Composition

- Windows and doors, as well as other elements, should be placed in the center of bays.
- Appropriate proportions vertically for windows: 6:7.5, 4:6, 5:8



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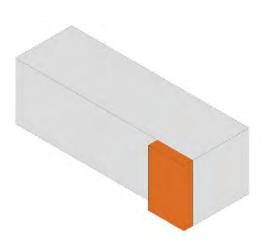
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## Architectural Patterns

#### Multi-Story Buildings with < 80' Length Facade

#### **Vertical**

- Facades less than 80' in length are not required to have relief of the building footprint; however the long mass of the facade should be articulated into elements which range proportionally from 2 to 5 element zones in width. The architectural treatment of these elements should be consistent for the full height of the building.
- The massing shown indicates a offset entry located on the end of the building as a means to bring relief to the uninterrupted facade.



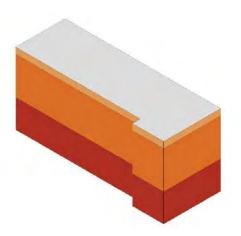
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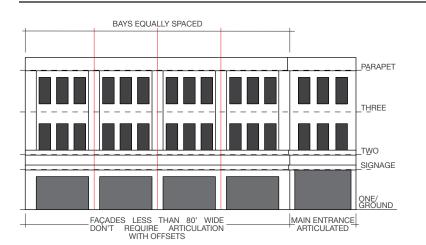
• Every building has a base, middle and top.

#### Composition

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- Appropriate proportions vertically for windows: 6:7.5, 4:6,
   5:8



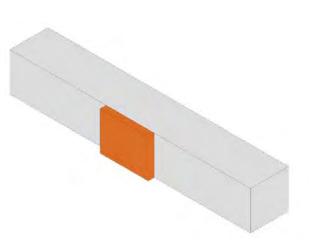
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#### Multi-Story Buildings with > 80' Length Facade

#### Vertical

- Facades greater than 80' in length are required to have relief of the building footprint; the long mass of the facade should be articulated into bays which range from 2 to 5 bays in width proportionally spaced along the facade. The architectural treatment of these bays should be consistent for the full height of the building.
- The massing shown indicates a grand entry centered on the building as a means to bring relief to the uninterrupted facade.



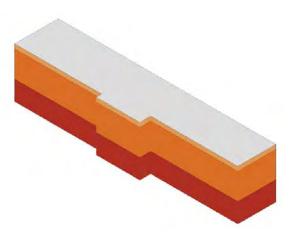
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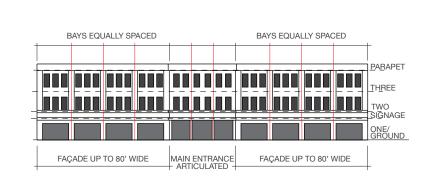
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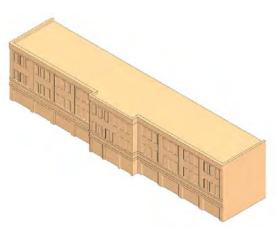
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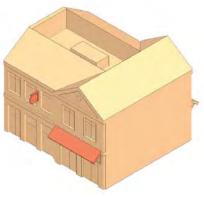


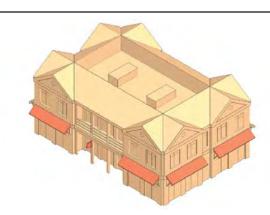
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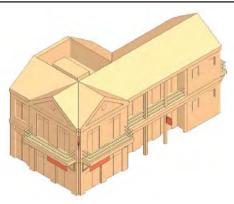
#### Signage

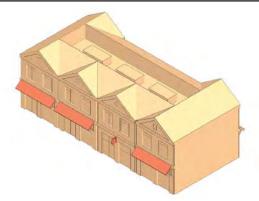
- Primary horizontal signage should be placed in the facade band above the first
- Projecting and Blade signs should be placed near entrances or on corners
- The outer perimeter of awnings and canopies provide good placement for pedestrian oriented signage

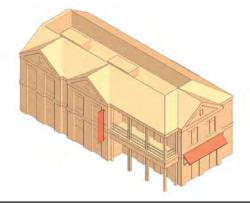
#### **Placement Options**

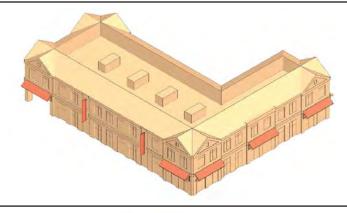


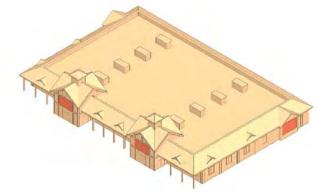


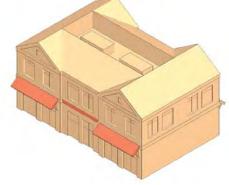












#### Signage

- Clean, simple signage is easiest for customers to read and is more memorable
  Many materials are suitable for long-lasting, beautiful signage; translucent plastic and vinyl are not the only options!
  Multiple scales and locations can be used to provide visibility to pedestrians and viewers in automobiles; maximum sizes and quantities can be referenced in the Zoning Ordinance.

#### **Examples**

















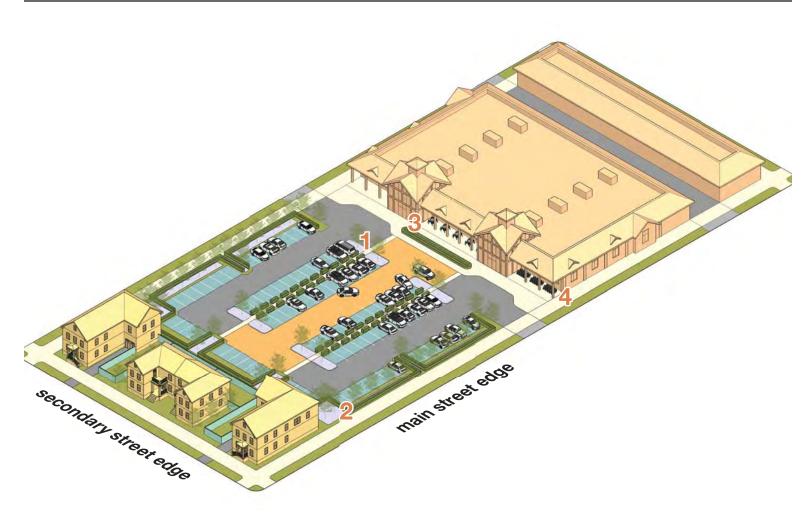


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#### Site Amenities

- Commercial sites can utilize amenities to attract customers and blend in well with the contextual neighborhood.
- Publicly accessible and visible

#### **Placement Options**



#### 1. Paving Materials

- Paving of areas intended for pedestrian and vehicular circulation should not be all asphalt
- Areas with high pedestrian traffic should have paving that reduces:
- heat island effect
- rate of surface runoff
- vehicular speeds

#### 2. Screening Options

- Foliage can be used for parking screening
- When parking is located within 10' of right-of-way, an opaque wall is to be used for screening
- Dumpsters as well as loading docks require screening by opaque walls

#### 3. Open Space/Garden

• Gardens should be placed in visible areas of the site

#### 4. Pedestrian Facilities

- Bike racks
- Provide shelter for the bicycle as well as the cyclist when locking and unlocking
- Outdoor seating
- Publicly accessible seating

#### Site Amenities

- Paths through the site should be clearly defined by paving materials
- Foliage is a screening option that can be used to retain and filter runoff water
- Clear delineation of vehicular and pedestrian paths can improve safety on site

#### **Examples**







1. Paving Materials







2. Screening Options







3. Open Spaces and Gardens







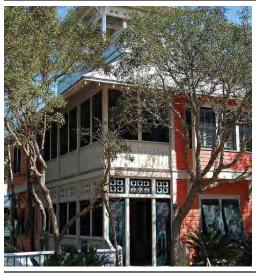
4. Pedestrian Facilities

#### Landscaping

#### **Street Level Landscaping**

















#### **Indigenous Plants for Consideration**

#### **Deciduous Large Canopy Trees**

- Hackberry (Celtis occidentalis)
- Sugarberry (Celtis laevigata)
- Sweet gum (Liquidambar styraciflua) cultivar without seed pods e.g. 'Rotundiloba'
- Black Cherry (Prunus serotina)
- Bald Cypress (Taxodium distichum)
- White oak (Quercus alba)
- Swamp white oak (Quercus bicolor)
- Willow oak (Quercus phellos) cultivar with narrower canopy e.g. 'Hightower'
- Water oak (Quercus nigra)
- Pin oak (Quercus palustris)
- Persimmon (Diospyros virginiana) edible fruit
- Black tupelo (Nyssa sylvatica) cultivar with narrower canopy e.g. 'Forum'

#### Evergreen Large Canopy Trees

- Eastern red cedar (Juniperus virginiana)
- Loblolly pine (Pinus taeda)
- American holly (llex opaca)
- Live oak (Quercus virginiana) cultivar with narrower canopy e.g. 'Highrise'
- Southern magnolia (Magnolia grandiflora)

#### Small Canopy Trees

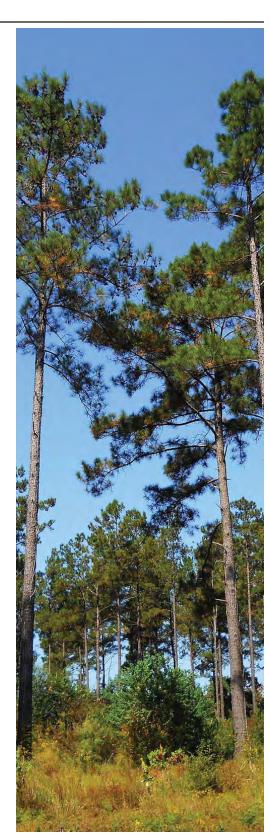
- Yaupon holly (Ilex vomitoria) tree & weeping varieties available
- Little Gem Magnolia (Magnolia grandiflora 'Little Gem')
- Sweetbay magnolia (Magnolia virginiana)
- Common serviceberry (Amelanchier arborea)
- Eastern serviceberry (Amelanchier canadensis)

#### Shrubs

- Red chokeberry (Aronia arbutifolia)
- Sweet pepperbush (Clethra alnifolia)
- Inkberry holly (Ilex glabra)
- Yaupon holly (llex vomitoria) dwarf cultivars available
- Waxmyrtle (Morella cerifera)
- Southern bayberry (Morella caroliniensis)
- Northern bayberry (Morella pensylvanica)
- Beach plum (Prunus maritima) edible fruit
- Smooth sumac (Rhus glabra)
- Elderberry (Sambucus nigra ssp. canadensis) edible fruit
- Highbush blueberry (Vaccinium corymbosum) edible fruit
- Arrowwood (Viburnum dentatum)
- Salt bush (Baccharis halmifolia)
- Marsh elder (Iva frutescens)

#### Perennials

- Hibiscus (Hibiscus moscheutos)
- Marsh mallow (Kosteletzkya virginica)
- Asters (Aster spp.)
- Blanket flower (Gaillardia spp.)



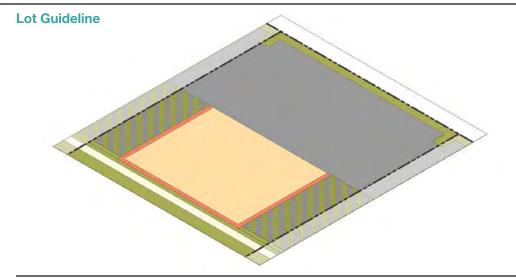


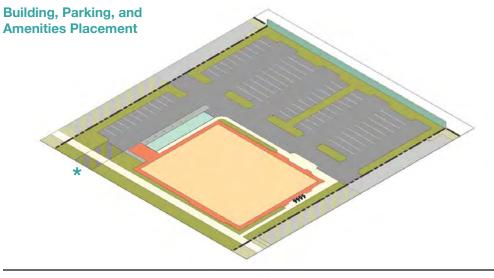
#### **Applications**

#### **Development Concept**

#### **Medium-Box Retail**

- 250' wide X 300' deep mid-block lot condition
- First floor is retail
- Parking shall be screened from the right-of-way by fencing and heavy landscaping
- Amenities include ample open space (with potential for stormwater management), public access bicycle locks, 8' tall fencing and 10' of landscape buffer at the rear adjacent to properties zoned for another use, enclosed refuse and covered loading
- Amenities required, but not shown, include long-term bike storage
- \* The preferred block pattern consolidates main street access; though individual, interior-block parcel redevelopment access is anticapted and allowed for - Consideration should be given to future, adjacentparcel redevelopment either through shared, main street access, or shared, secondary street access



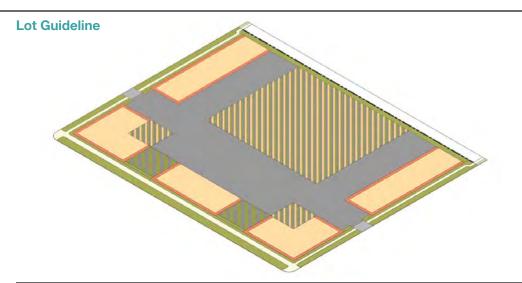


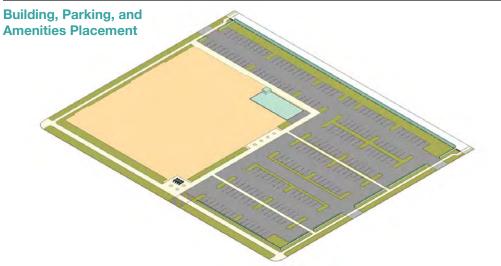


#### **Development Concept**

#### **Big-Box Retail**

- 500' wide X 400' deep medium block lot condition
- First floor is retail
- As shown, this block development shares its parking and access with residential properties that double as parking lot screening
- Parking shall be screened from the right-of-way by fencing and heavy landscaping
- Amenities include ample open space (with potential for stormwater management), public access bicycle locks, enclosed loading and refuse zone, parking lot pathways
- Other: See Step 9 Amenities for additional information about this application







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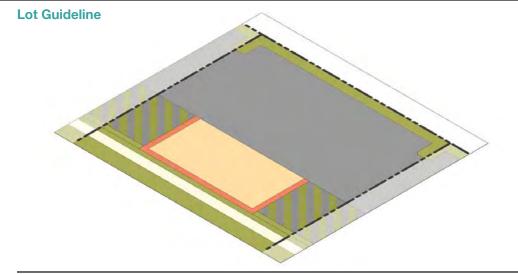


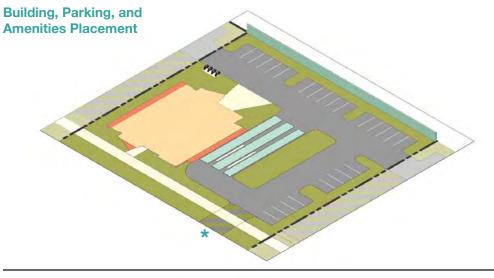
#### **Applications**

#### **Development Concept**

#### **Drive-Through**

- 200' wide X 200' deep mid-block lot condition
- First floor is retail
- Parking shall be screened from the right-of-way by fencing and heavy landscaping
- Amenities include ample open space (with potential for stormwater management), public access bicycle locks, 8' tall fencing and 10' of landscape buffer at the rear adjacent to properties zoned for another use, and vehicle stacking for drive-through
- Amenities required, but not shown, include long-term bike storage
- \* The preferred block pattern consolidates main street access; though individual, interior-block parcel redevelopment access is anticapted and allowed for - Consideration should be given to future, adjacentparcel redevelopment either through shared, main street access, or shared, secondary street access



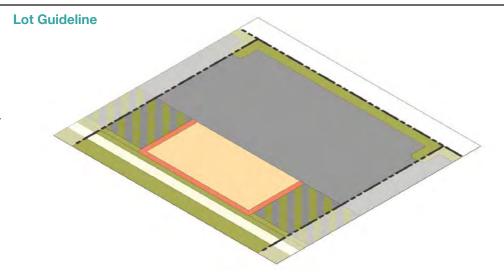


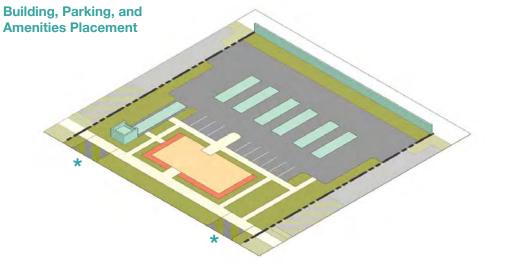


#### **Development Concept**

#### **Vehicle Oriented**

- 200' wide X 200' deep mid-block lot condition
- First floor is retail
- Parking and vehicle related functions shall be screened from the right-of-way by heavy landscaping
- Amenities include ample open space (with potential for stormwater management), 8' tall fencing and 10' of landscape buffer at the rear adjacent to properties zoned for another use, and enclosed refuse
- Amenities required, but not shown, include short-term and long-term bike storage
- Other: The developer is encouraged to incorporate this use into a larger mixed-use development, and to site the building internal to a block
- \* The preferred block pattern consolidates main street access; though individual, interior-block parcel redevelopment access is anticapted and allowed for - Consideration should be given to future, adjacentparcel redevelopment either through shared, main street access, or shared, secondary street access







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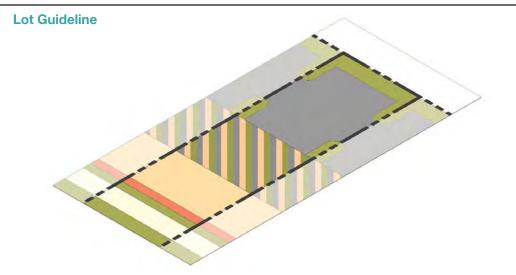


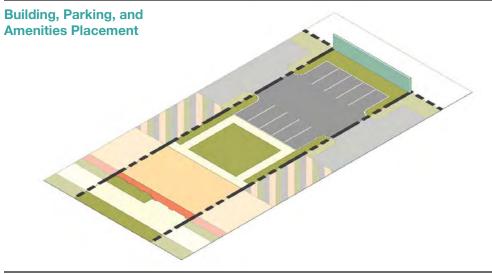
#### **Applications**

#### **Development Concept**

#### **In-Line Mixed-Use**

- 50' wide X 150' deep mid-block lot condition
- First floor is retail or service commercial
- Second floor is either commercial or residential
- As shown, this lot development is dependent on sharing parking access with adjacent properties
- Full facade frontage is encouraged and shown, though the possibility exists for an access drive aisle to the back
- Amenities include ample open space (with potential for stormwater management), 8' tall fencing and 10' of landscape buffer at the rear adjacent to properties zoned for another use
- Amenities required, but not shown, include short-term and long-term bike storage, and enclosed refuse



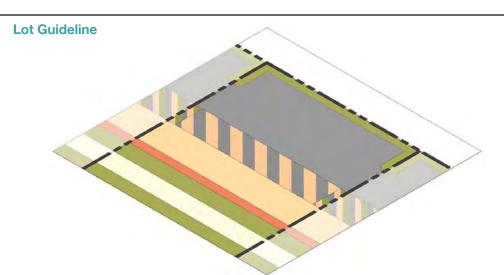


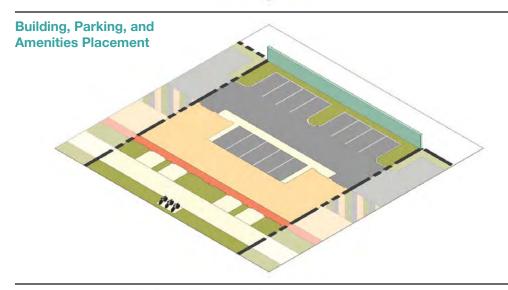


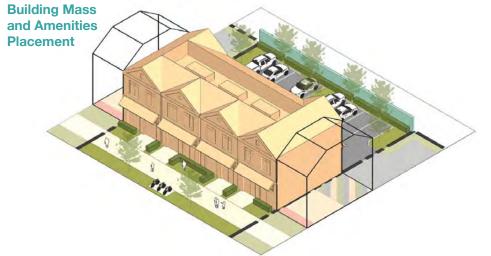
#### **Development Concept**

#### **In-Line Commercial**

- 100' wide X 100' deep mid-block lot condition
- First floor is retail or service commercial
- As shown, this lot development is dependent on sharing parking access with adjacent properties
- Full facade frontage is encouraged and shown, though the possibility exists for a pedestrian access corridor
- Amenities include 8' tall fencing and 5' (only allowed at 100' deep lots) of landscape buffer at the rear adjacent to properties zoned for another use, short-term bicycle parking is coordinated within the pedestrian right-of-way
- Amenities required, but not shown, include enclosed refuse structures as needed
- Other: In-Line Commercial is typically one-story; however for the Coastal Character District, the massing and facade composition shall be two-story as shown







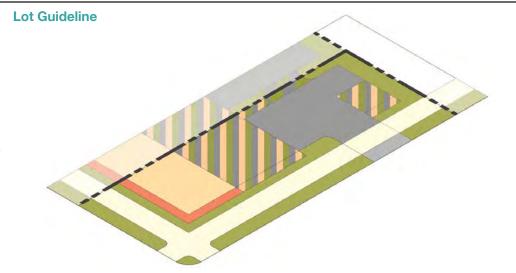


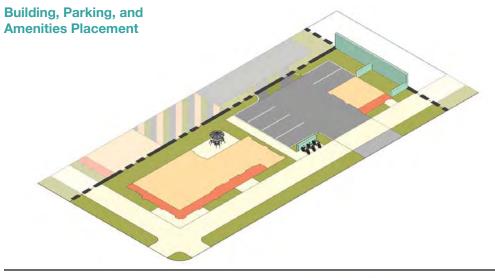
#### **Applications**

#### **Development Concept**

#### **Stand-Alone Mixed-Use**

- 50' wide X 150' deep corner lot condition
- First floor is retail or service commercial
- Second floor is either commercial or residential
- As shown, this lot development has the potential to share its parking access with adjacent sites, parking shall be screened from the right-of-way by fencing and landscaping
- Full facade frontage is encouraged and shown
- Amenities include a matching carriage house, ample open space (with potential for stormwater management), public access bicycle locks, 8' tall fencing and 10' of landscape buffer at the rear adjacent to properties zoned for another use
- Amenities required, but not shown, include long-term bike storage and enclosed refuse



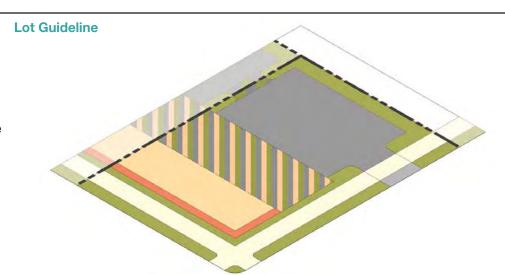


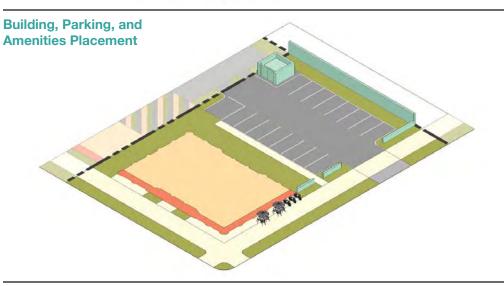


#### **Development Concept**

#### **Small-Box Commercial**

- 100' wide X 150' deep corner lot condition
- First floor is retail or service commercial
- As shown, this lot development has the potential to share its parking access with adjacent sites, parking shall be screened from the right-of-way by fencing and landscaping
- Full facade frontage is encouraged; though a small 10' setback at the side property line is shown in keeping with the character of the building type
- Amenities include ample open space (with potential for stormwater management), public access bicycle locks and seating, 8' tall fencing and 10' of landscape buffer at the rear adjacent to properties zoned for another use, and enclosed refuse
- Amenities required, but not shown, include long-term bike storage
- Other: Small-Box Commercial is typically one-story; however for the Coastal Character District, the massing and facade composition shall be twostory as shown
- Other: This is an example of smallbox commercial used as a bookend to adjacent uses
- Other: Per the block patterns, the side street is to have greater facade coverage; however, the small size of the lot limits efficient use of the building and parking footprints - The developer shall work to balance both requirements to arrive at an acceptable design







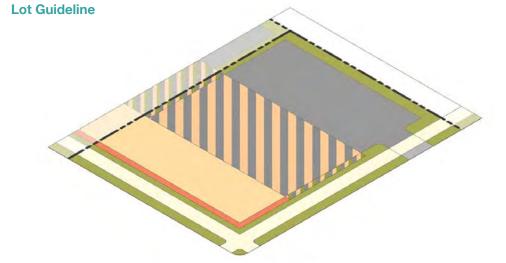


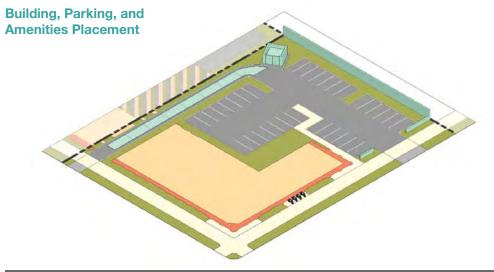
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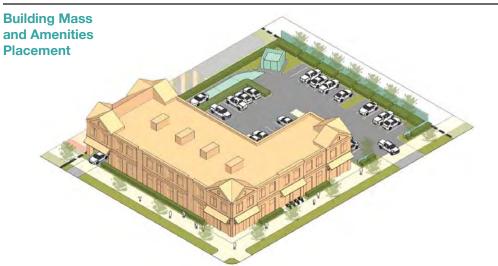
#### **Development Concept**

#### **Medium-Box Retail**

- 150' wide X 200' deep mid-block lot condition
- First floor is retail
- Parking shall be screened from the right-of-way by fencing and landscaping
- Full facade frontage is encouraged and shown, and complete at drive-through
- Amenities include ample open space (with potential for stormwater management), public access bicycle locks, 8' tall fencing and 10' of landscape buffer at the rear adjacent to properties zoned for another use, enclosed refuse, and vehicle stacking for drive-through
- Amenities required, but not shown, include long-term bike storage
- Other: Medium-Box Commercial is typically one-story; however for the Coastal Character District, the massing and facade composition shall be twostory as shown
- Other: This is an example of mediumbox retail used as a bookend to adjacent uses
- Other: Sight triangles and pedestrian safety shall be considered for vehicle existing adjacent to, or from, a building



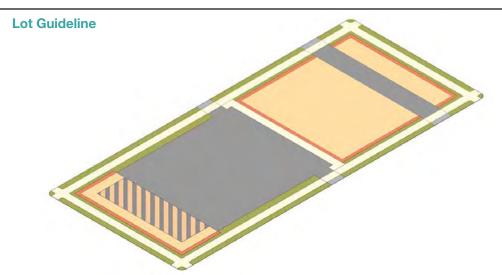


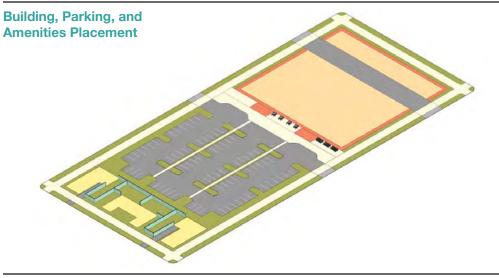


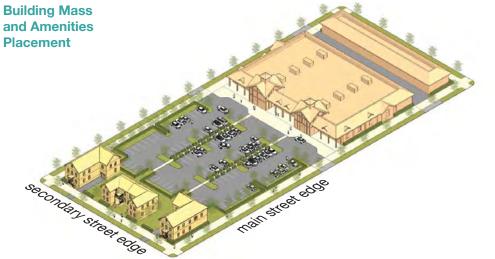
#### **Development Concept**

#### **Big-Box Retail**

- 500' wide X 200' full block lot condition
- First floor is retail
- As shown, this block development shares parking with adjacent residential properties that double as parking lot screening
- Parking shall be screened from the right-of-way by fencing and landscaping
- Full facade frontage is encouraged and shown
- Amenities include ample open space (with potential for stormwater management), public access bicycle locks, enclosed loading and refuse zone
- Other: Big-Box Retail is typically one-story; however for the Coastal Character District and the building's overall area, a two-story building is the appropriate design
- Other: See Step 9 Amenities for additional information about this application







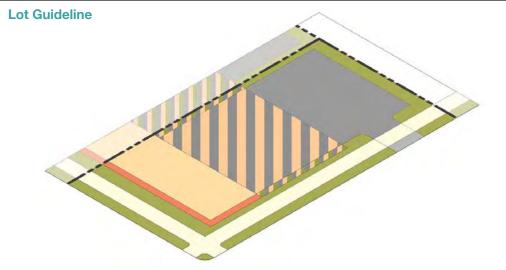
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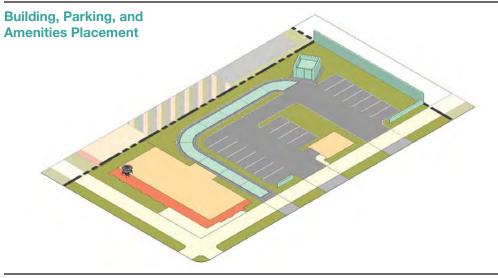
#### **Applications**

#### **Development Concept**

#### **Drive-Through**

- 100' wide X 200' deep corner lot condition
- First floor is retail
- Parking shall be screened from the right-of-way by fencing and landscaping
- Full facade frontage is encouraged; though a 10' setback at the side property line is shown in keeping with the character of the building type
- Amenities include ample open space (with potential for stormwater management) public seating, 8' tall fencing and 10' of landscape buffer at the rear adjacent to properties zoned for another use, enclosed refuse, and vehicle stacking for drive-through
- Amenities required, but not shown, include long-term bike storage and public access bicycle locks
- Other: Per the block patterns, the side street is to have greater facade coverage; however, the small size of the lot limits efficient use of the building, parking, and stacking footprints The developer shall work to balance both requirements to arrive at an acceptable design For example, a carriage house is an appropriate design option to screen the parking and complete the side street frontage
- Other: Sight triangles and pedestrian safety shall be considered for vehicles existing adjacent to, or from, a building







#### **Development Concept**

#### **Vehicle Oriented**

- 100' wide X 100' deep corner lot condition
- First floor is retail
- Parking shall be screened from the right-of-way by fencing and landscaping
- Full facade frontage is encouraged though a mid-block access way is shown for compatibility with the use
- Amenities include ample open space (with potential for stormwater management), public access bicycle locks and seating, 8' tall fencing and 5' of landscape buffer at the rear (100' deep lots only) adjacent to properties zoned for another use, and enclosed refuse
- Amenities required, but not shown, include long-term bike storage
- Other: Vehicle oriented is typically one-story; however for the Coastal Character District, the massing and facade composition shall be two-story
- Other: Vehicle Oriented uses are preferred internal to a block, or incorporated into the design of a more pedestrian friendly building (as shown)
- Other: Sight triangles and pedestrian safety shall be considered for vehicles existing adjacent to, or from, a building

