Town of Strasburg

Planning Commission

174 E. King Street Strasburg, VA 22657

Tuesday, January 23, 2024 7:00 PM

Planning Commission Members:

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Bill Foster
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Agenda

Call to Order: Chairperson Poling

Approval of Agenda

Public Hearings:

- 1.) To receive public comment on a recommendation to the Town Council of a Rezoning (REZ24-0002) requested by Dunmore Land, LLC &, COLLEY BLOCK RD/RADIO STATION IND, owner, for property identified as Tax Map Numbers 6-((4))-1 and 6-((4))-1F located at 363 Radio Station Road, with the entrance being approximately one thousand eight hundred feet west of the intersection of Radio Station Road and Old Valley Pike and containing a total of 126.7265 acres. The request is to rezone a total of 101.7554 acres of the two lots from Medium Density Residential to Business Park/Light Industrial.
 - Staff Report (attachment)
 - Public Hearing
 - Discussion/Recommendation

Citizen Comments on non-agenda items:

Action Items:

1.) Approval of Minutes

<u>Description</u>: Approval of Minutes of the October 24, 2023 Planning Commission Meeting <u>Staff Contact</u>: Amy Keller, Clerk of Council <u>Support Materials</u>: Minutes of the October 24, 2023 Planning Commission Meeting

Staff Updates:

o Joint Meeting of Town Council and Planning Commission will be March 14, 2024

Old Business:

Valley Health Medical Office Building Sureties

New Business:

Adjournment

If you require any type of reasonable accommodation as a result of physical, sensory, or mental disability in order to participate in this meeting, please contact Amy Keller, Clerk of Council, at 1-(540)-465-9197, or akeller@strasburgva.com. Three (3) days of notice is required.



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PC Meeting Date: December 14, 2023

Agenda Title: Rezoning REZ24-0002 - Dunmore Property

Requested Action: Recommendation for Approval of Rezoning REZ24-0002, Dunmore

Property Rezoning

Summary

This is a request made by DUNMORE LAND, LLC & COLLEY BLOCK RD/RADIO STATION IND to rezone 101.7554 acres from Medium Density Residential (MDR) to Business Park/Light Industrial (BP/LI). This property is landlocked and located approximately 730-feet south of Borden Mowery Drive, between Colley Block Road and the Founders Landing subdivision. The site is identified as Tax Map #s 016 04 001, 016 04 001F.

It is the recommendation of the staff that the Planning Commission recommend approval Rezoning REZ24-0002, Dunmore Property, subject to proffered conditions.

Background

- This rezoned in 2004 from X-Transitional to Medium Density Residential.
- A subdivision plan was never submitted for either of these parcels.
- Since the housing market crash in the late 2000s there has not been any movement on developing this property.
- The site does not contain a;
 - Floodplain
 - Stream buffer
 - Conservation area
 - Battlefield overlay
 - o Identified areas of historical significance to be retained



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Zoning analysis

A. Surrounding Land Uses: This site is bordered by:

NORTH BP/LI

EAST PD/Residential, HC, and AG/Residential

SOUTH PD/Residential, MDR, and BP/LI (Electric Substation)

WEST AG/Residential

B. Current District: Medium Density Residential

Acres SFD Duplex Townhouses
Total acreage of the rezoning 101.7554 712 814 814
30% of development dedicated

to infrastructure 71.22878 499 570 570



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Zoning analysis – Cont.

- C. Proposed District:
 - 1. Business Park/Light Industrial (BP/LI)
- D. Development Standards: BP/LI standards

Development Element	Standard
Lot Size (minimum)	1 ac.
Front Yard Setback (minimum, from right-of-way)	10'
Side Yard Setback (minimum, from lot line)	20'
Side Yard Setback (minimum, from right-of-way)	20'
Rear Yard Setback (minimum, from lot line)	25'
Rear Yard Setback (minimum, from lot line, if adjacent to residential district)	50'
Frontage (minimum)	200'
Building Height (maximum)	45'
Lot Coverage (maximum)	70%

- E. Permitted Uses for BP/LI see attachment (BP/LI Uses)
- F. Buffer Yards

BP/LI to any residential district 50' Plantings

Type of Plant	Number of units per sf.
Canopy Trees	1/500
Ornamental Trees	1/500
Evergreen Trees	1/500
Shrubs	1/100

BP/LI to Highway Commercial 10' Plantings

Type of Plant	Number of units per sf.
Canopy Trees	1/500
Ornamental Trees	0
Evergreen Trees	0
Shrubs	1/100



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Infrastructure analysis

- 1. Transportation/Access
 - Current Radio Station Road easement
 - Strengths
 - Radio Station Road is currently used for and is designed to accommodate heavy traffic.
 - Weaknesses
 - The current easement may be specific to the current use which has very limited traffic impacts.
 - Possible Colley Block Road extension
 - Strengths
 - Possible connection of Colley Block Road to Borden Mowery.
 - Weaknesses
 - Colley Block is primarily residential traffic. If an extension is proposed vehicle limitations could be posted. However, this would rely heavily on enforcement versus design.
 - Borden Mowery Drive access/easement from property currently under same ownership
 - Strengths
 - Borden Mowery Road is currently used for and is designed to accommodate heavy traffic.
 - The property adjacent to Borden Mowery Drive is under the same ownership group as the subject property.
 - The owner can dedicate access to the subject lot.
 - Weaknesses
 - Easement will need to be dedicated for the BP/LI use access.





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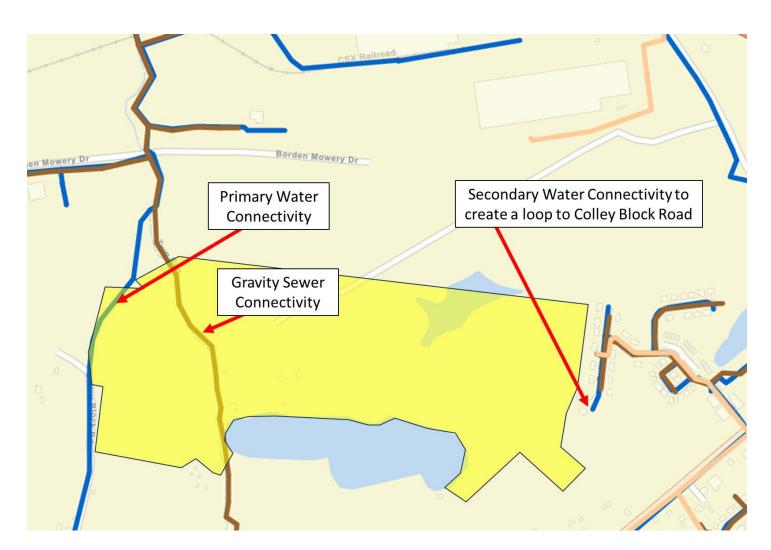
Infrastructure analysis – cont.

2. Water

- A 12-inch water line is available on the west side of the property that will be the primary supply to the development at this site.
- An 8-inch water line is located on the adjacent property to the east.
 - This property is owned by the Founders Landing Property Owners Association.
 - o A connection to this line would serve two purposes.
 - Create a secondary water line connection to this site.
 - Create a loop for the water system to allow a second connection to Founders Landing and allow staff to better isolate water lines during an outage.

3. Sewer

• A 12-inch gravity sewer located on the eastern portion of this site. This connection may prevent the need for a pump station/forced sewer.





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Comprehensive Plan analysis

In relation to a rezoning case, a rezoning generally must comply with the comprehensive plan. As the plan is a guiding, and not binding document. It is a collection of written goals, strategies, and recommendations. The town may exercise some flexibility in finding compliance.

The physical, cultural, economic, and political elements that influence how the Town will develop are dynamic and ever-changing. While the Plan attempts to project and estimate future development needs through scenarios based primarily on past trends, the future will undoubtedly present many factors that cannot be predicted. As a result, considerable effort has been made to maintain flexibility within the Plan to react to the unknown conditions that will occur during the forty-year planning horizon. This flexibility cannot be completely defined or incorporated, thus placing a burden on current and future leaders of the Town to adopt policies that implement the vision laid out in this Comprehensive Plan.

A. Future Land Use Map

- The is designated as Future Residential.
- Based on the information staff gathered, this designation was given because of the 2004 rezoning to MDR.





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Comprehensive Plan analysis - cont.

B. Strategies:

1. Goal 5: Continue developing Northern Shenandoah Industrial Park and vicinity with business and industrial uses.

Seek an ongoing collaboration with private landowners, the Shenandoah County, Virginia Board of Supervisors, and the Shenandoah County, Virginia Economic Development Authority, and encourage their investment and support for the development of the park. Initial talks should begin regarding a potential mega site as outlined in the Camoin study.

Staff Comments:

- A major challenge of the Business Park is the lack of large lots to accommodate prospective industries that need the area.
- Large industries bring the need for smaller support industries such as a large vehicle repair and maintenance shop.
- 2. Goal 7: Insure new business supplement town character and blend with surrounding built environment.
- A.) Encourage businesses to locate on sites with proper access to transportation and utility infrastructure. Where existing areas are not served by adequate access, new access roads should be developed (if feasible) in keeping with the small-town character of the Town.

 B.) Require compliance with all current environmental regulations to ensure there is no harmful pollution, waste, or stormwater generated by business and that construction does not take place in environmentally-sensitive areas.
- C.) Require the inclusion of buffer areas and/or screening between differing land uses.

Staff Comments:

- If residential development takes place in this area, connecting streets would be;
 - Colley Block Road connects to John Marshal Hwy, north of Frontier Fort Lane
 - Future Summit Crossing access connects to Old Valley Pike, across from Crystal Lane.
- If Office/Industrial development takes place, the transportation connects will be;
 - Radio Station Road to Old Valley Pike
 - Borden Mowery Drive to John Marshal Highway
- Residential traffic will increase vehicle trips in the core of town. Non-residential traffic will increase trips on the outer portions of town to connect to I-81.
- Buffer design and placement will be detrimental to protecting the adjacent residential properties.

C. Strategies:

3. Goal 5: Continue developing Northern Shenandoah Industrial Park and vicinity with business and industrial uses.



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Proposal's SWOT analysis

Strengths

- The significant lot size has been identified as a weakness of the business park. The size of this site is more attractive to industrial prospects.
- Reduces the number of potential rooftops in the "Golden Triangle" that impact streets, schools, and other available services.
- Reduces the residential related vehicle trips converging close to the towns center,
 on Old Valley Pike and John Marshal Highway

Weaknesses

The site is land-locked from industrial access. Easements are required.
 The site has topography challenges. Karst topography and adjacent quarry.
 topography.

NOTE: (Karst is a type of landscape where the dissolving of the bedrock has created sinkholes, sinking streams, caves, springs, and other characteristic features. Karst is associated with soluble rock types such as limestone, marble, and gypsum.)

Unknown end user(s) for this site.

Opportunities

- Prospective jobs for the local workforce.
- Large industry developments may attract smaller industries as a support role.
- Adaptive reuse of the quarry.

Threats

- o Generally Noise, and viewshed impacts on adjacent residential properties.
- Some by-right and special uses would have a significant impact on the adjacent residential properties.
- Access through streets utilized primarily for residential traffic should be avoided.
- The Future Land Use map identifies this site for future residential. To mitigate the negative impacts of the BP/LI uses, specific conditions may need to be proposed in order to maintain a cohesive connection dissimilar zoning districts.



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Staff recommendations of conditions

Staff identified to the applicant the following conditions may mitigate negative impacts of the proposed rezoning that have been identified by staff. All conditions shall be voluntarily provided by the applicant, in writing prior to a public hearing.

1. Buffers and Landscaping

- a. Increase the buffer design for portions of the property adjacent to residential districts. Options may be one of, or a mixture of the following.
 - i. A berm to create a physical barrier.
 - ii. Increasing the buffer depth.
 - iii. Increasing the number of plantings required in the buffer.
- b. Possible use of the draft Technical Design Manual Section 6. Landscaping and Buffers date December 6, 2023 as it requires an increased amount and variation in height of the plantings within the buffer.

2. Site development layout

- a. Creation of Land bays Identify a separate land bay to the east that would only permit uses that have limited outdoor activity and a lower impact on adjacent properties.
- b. Siting of development shall be in a manner that outdoor activities and noise are on the side of the building opposite the residential development, to allow the building to act as a buffer.

3. Infrastructure

a. At the time of site plan submission, the applicant shall make sufficient attempts to acquire an off-site utility easement on the Founders Landing Property Owners Association for the purpose of creating the loop in the water system.

4. Transportation

- a. If Colley Block Road is identified as access to this site, large vehicles (>7500 lbs GVW) are to be prohibited to reduce nonresidential related vehicle trips on this road.
- b. Access to this site shall be by access to Borden Mowery Drive or Radio Station Road.



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Staff recommendations - cont.

Staff recommends the Planning Commission to recommend approval of rezoning REZ24-0002, Dunmore Property, subject to proffered conditions for the following reasons.

- The Rezoning is not consistent with the Future Land Use Map. However, guidance within the Comprehensive Plan allows flexibility in decision-making.
- Mitigating measures should be utilized to protect the nature of the neighboring uses since this site is defined as Future Residential in the Comprehensive Plan.
- Reduce the residential impact on the Golden Triangle.
 - Based on the current zoning of all lots in the Golden Triangle, the area has the potential growth for an estimated growth of 1237 homes.
 - This estimated growth and significantly increase residential vehicle trips on portions of John Marshal Highway (via Colley Block Road) and Old Valley Pike (via Summit Crossing). This has been identified as a concern from town staff, the Planning Commission, Town Council, and the public.
 - This rezoning will reduce the number of projected dwellings by 499 to a total of 738 dwelling units.
- A site of this size has been identified as a need to spur development within the park, drive further development, and create local jobs.
- With vehicle trips related to a BP/LI use utilizing Borden Mowery Drive and Radio Station Road, and proper landscaping/buffer, impacts on the adjacent properties can be mitigated.
- The residential access to this site is extremely limited with the lack of development of projects to the south. The extension of Colley Block Road and the southern residential projects that have not been developed were intended to serve as access to this site.



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Community Input

- Notice to the Comprehensive Plan Amendment was sent via registered mail to all property owners with 500 feet on November 29, 2023
- Signs were posted at the location starting on November 29, 2023
- Notice was posted in the Northern Virginia Daily newspaper publications dated Friday, December 1, 2023 and Friday, December 8, 2023.
- Citizen comments to staff via /email.

Timing

The Planning Commission has 90 days from the initial public hearing to make a recommendation to Town Council on this application. The 90 days shall expire on March 13, 2023.

Possible Actions

Actions the Planning Commission can make are.

- Recommendation to the Town Council for approval
- Recommendation to the Town Council for approval with conditions
- Recommendation to the Town Council for denial
- Request deferral for further conversation by the Planning Commission

of rezoning case REZ24-0002 - Dunmore Property.

Attachments

Attachment A - Plat prepared by David Lellock, dated 9/18/23

Attachment B - Technical Design Manual Section 6, Landscaping and Buffers, dated December 6, 2023



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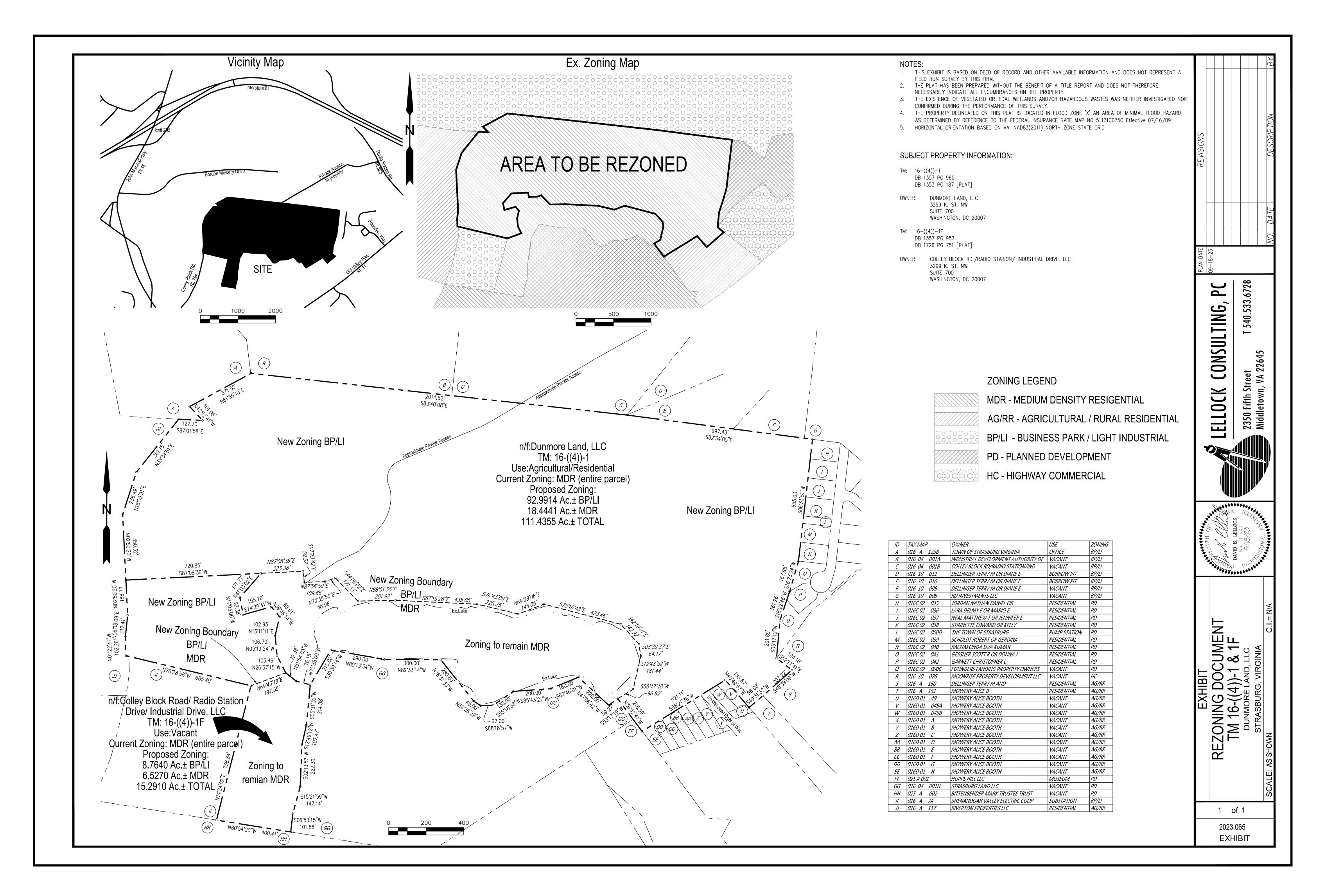
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6.1 POLICY

6.1.1 Purpose and Intent

- A. The purpose of this section is to enhance the appearance and environment of the Town of Strasburg by providing minimum standards for tree cover requirements, buffer areas, basic landscaping, landscaping of public streets, storm water management areas, parking lots, residential lots, and screening and by encouraging the conservation of the Town native woodlands. Further, the purpose of this section is to improve the safety of citizens by establishing minimum standards for the treatment of trees impacted by new development. These provisions will contribute to the quality of life of the Town. The preservation and planting of trees will aid in stabilizing the environment's ecological balance by contributing to the processes of air purification, oxygen regeneration, ground water recharge, and storm water runoff retardation, while aiding in noise, glare, and heat abatement. Woodland conservation, replanting and reforestation standards are also appropriate and essential to ensure that the Town's native woodlands are preserved and replenished, as well as for maintaining and creating wildlife habitats.
- B. In the furtherance of the general policy above, a development proposal may include a comprehensive landscaping plan. The comprehensive landscaping plan must be submitted with the preliminary or sketch plan and shall reflect the intent of the tree cover provisions of this section. Recognition shall be given to the fact that each site has its own unique character, and the purpose of the comprehensive landscaping plan is to tailor the tree cover provided to the unique character of the site on a case-by-case basis. Accordingly, a comprehensive landscaping plan, which complies with the intent and purpose of this section, shall not be required to show literal compliance with every minimum standard set forth in this section, and when approved by the Planning and Zoning Administrator, shall control the development of the site with respect to tree cover only. All other landscaping requirements shall be fulfilled as required under this section.

6.1.2 Definitions

The following standards and terminology shall apply to the design, submission requirements, installation, and maintenance of all required buffer areas, basic landscaping, screening, street planting, storm water management facility landscaping, and establishment and preservation of woodland conservation areas:

- A. Buffer Area: A buffer area is a strip of land that preserves existing vegetation and/or contains landscaping, possibly in combination with a man-made barrier (e.g., fence, wall, earthen berm), located along the common property line of two dissimilar abutting land uses or properties, between a storm water management facility and buildings, or where proffered.
- B. Tree Cover Requirements: A requirement referring to the preservation and/or planting of trees within a project to the extent that at maturity of ten years after planting, a minimum tree cover shall be provided.
- C. Basic Landscaping: The introduction or selective retention of flourishing trees and shrubs carefully selected and arranged to perform a design purpose or environmental function, such as controlling visual direction, providing definition to architecture, modifying climate, filtering

- air pollution, controlling runoff and erosion, and establishing a wildlife habitat. Basic landscaping includes parking lot landscaping, storm water management landscaping, street planting and residential landscaping and may be counted towards the tree cover requirement.
- D. Conservation Areas areas designated for a specific environmental purpose or purposes including but not limited to best management practices, tree preservation, stream protection, buffering, etc., during the development review process and generally intended to remain undisturbed except for re-vegetation or planting of trees as approved by the Department of Public Works and/or Planning and Zoning Administration. Conservation areas are to be conveyed, with appropriate restrictions as to use, to a fee title owner, a bona fide homeowners association or other entity that would maintain the conservation area in perpetuity.
- E. Screening: A natural or physical barrier providing a visual separation for loading areas, trash receptacles, maintenance and storage areas and consisting primarily of opaque fences or walls, berms and/or evergreen trees and shrubs.
- F. Specimen Tree: A tree having a diameter, measured at four and one-half (4.5) feet above the ground, of thirty (30) inches or more, or a tree having a diameter measuring seventy-five percent (75%) or more of the diameter of the current state champion of that species; includes county and state champion trees.
- G. Street Planting: Planting used in a specific relationship to the street which defines the street space with overhead canopy and with a vertical element, i.e., the trunk. Street planting generally provides a street with an aesthetic appearance, connecting disparate elements along its course.
- H. Tree Preservation Area: A defined area intended for the purpose of preserving an individual tree or a biotic community dominated by tree species and/or other woody plants.
- I. Comprehensive Landscaping Plan: An overall landscaping plan for a large or multi-phased site which shows how the tree cover requirement will be met by the phases or sections covered by the preliminary and/or sketch plan as a whole, rather than phase by phase or section by section; and which evidences compliance with the purpose and intent of this section. The proposed plan will show the locations and dimensions, where appropriate, of all tree save areas, buffers, screening, tree coverage, and landscaped areas on the site.

6.1.3 Applicability

- A. Buffer areas, basic landscaping, tree cover requirements, and screening shall be provided for all development plans, where required by the Zoning Ordinance, and in accordance with this Chapter.
- B. On sites for which a comprehensive landscaping plan is submitted and approved, the comprehensive landscaping plan shall govern development of the site with respect to tree cover and tree preservation. Where no comprehensive landscaping plan is submitted and approved, the standards contained in this section shall serve as minimum standards for development. However, the standards are not intended to be arbitrary or to inhibit creative solutions. Project or site conditions may arise where normal compliance is impractical or impossible, or where maximum achievement of the objectives can only be obtained through alternative compliance.

- C. Requests for alternative compliance may be made for a buffer or landscaping standard specified in this Chapter and shall be reviewed when one or more of the following conditions are present:
 - 1. Topography, soil, vegetation, or other site conditions are such that full compliance is impossible or impractical, or improved environmental quality would result from the alternative compliance.
 - 2. Space limitations, unusually shaped lots, and prevailing practices in the surrounding neighborhood may justify alternative compliance for in-fill sites, and for improvements and redevelopment in older communities.
 - 3. Change of use on an existing site increases the buffer area required by this Chapter of this manual more than it is feasible to provide.
 - 4. Safety conditions make alternative compliance necessary.
- D. Requests for alternative compliance shall be submitted to the Planning and Zoning Administration as part of the site plan submission requirements and shall be accompanied by sufficient explanation and justification, written and/or graphic, to allow appropriate evaluation and decision. The alternative method of compliance must be comparable to the minimum standards in terms of quality, effectiveness, and durability, and shall be limited to the specific project under review. The Planning and Zoning Administrator shall evaluate the alternatives and accept them or modify them.
- E. When a site is developed in phases or sections, each phase or section shall contain the required basic landscaping, buffer areas, and tree cover requirement. However, a comprehensive landscaping plan for meeting tree cover requirements may be submitted for the overall project. In such case, tree cover shall be in accordance with the comprehensive landscaping plan, which was submitted and approved as part of the approved preliminary or sketch plan for the entire site. A cumulative tabulation of tree cover from all previously submitted phases or sections covered by the comprehensive landscape plan shall be included with each site plan submitted, which shows details of how the overall canopy coverage is being met.

6.1.4 Landscape Escrow

- A. An escrow in the form of cash, letter of credit or bond, posted in accordance with the administrative manual shall be posted for all required planting shown on the approved landscape plan. This escrow shall also be used to correct violations for failure to comply with any requirements of this chapter or with the approved plan.
- B. Final inspection of all items covered by the landscape escrow shall take place at the time of bond release inspection. If all items are accepted, then the escrow will be released with the bond. However, any requirements covered by the landscape escrow that are not in conformance with the approved plan shall be corrected prior to release of the escrow.

6.2 PLANNING AND DESIGN

6.2.1 Buffer Areas – General

A. Certain uses, when abutting each other, are incompatible and create conflict that may be reduced or eliminated by appropriate measures. Buffer areas established between

incompatible uses minimizes these conflicts and the adverse impacts of essentially incompatible development. These provisions are intended to provide a mechanism whereby adjoining properties may be shielded from the adverse consequences of such development, where buffers separate and partially obstruct the view of incompatible abutting land uses or properties from one another. Buffers may also be required when properties with rezonings or special use permits, and, where certain zoning designations require perimeter buffers.

- B. The primary means of buffering should be through the preservation of healthy native woodlands. If preserved native woodlands sufficient to meet the intent of the buffer are not provided, then buffering shall be provided through supplemental landscaping.
- C. Except where otherwise permitted in the Zoning Ordinance or by proffers, buildings, structures, retaining walls three (3) feet or greater in height (except where utilized to retain existing vegetative cover), active recreation facilities, parking areas, loading areas, and golf cart paths shall not be located in the buffer areas between dissimilar uses. Sidewalk, trail, and golf cart path crossings may be allowed within a buffer upon approval of the Planning and Zoning Administrator, as long as comparable performance standards are maintained.
- D. The minimum buffer area width is generally a uniform width across the entire length of the common property line between properties on which uses are located that require a buffer area.
- E. Buffer areas shall be established as separate common open space in residential areas when conveyed to a homeowners' association or similar entity created to own and maintain the common open space within the project. Buffer areas platted within residential lots by deed restriction shall be located such as to provide the minimum yard depth and minimum lot size required by the Zoning Ordinance outside of the buffer area. If a homeowners' association is formed, it is required that buffers are established as separate common open space.
- F. Minimal utility crossings may be included within a buffer area upon approval of the Planning and Zoning Administrator, as long as comparable performance standards are maintained. Landscaping with shrubs, ornamental grasses and perennials may be permitted in utility easements. However, planting of trees in utility easements is not allowed, unless specifically approved by the agency controlling the easement.
- G. Any expansion of a nonconforming use shall not be permitted within buffer areas, except as specifically allowed by the Zoning Ordinance.
- H. Buffer areas can be penetrated by joint entrances connecting abutting land uses, providing the disturbed area is kept to a minimum.
- I. For non-residential lots of three acres or less, up to a 25% reduction of a buffer width shall be allowed for landscaped runoff reduction BMP facilities (bioretention, etc) and for utility easements proposed parallel to one edge of the buffer. The maximum buffer reduction shall be 25% and shall be as provided in Article 3 of the Zoning Ordinance.
- J. For areas within a Planned District and that abut with parcels that are not part of a Planned District, buffer areas between proposed uses should be reviewed on a case-by-case basis and may be modified through administrative approval by the Planning and Zoning Administrator with consultation of the Public Works Director.
- K. Riparian Buffers are measured from each defined edge of an identified watercourse or surface water body at bank full flow or level, or shall equal the extent of the 100-year floodplain, whichever is greater.

- 1. All Site Plans, plats and development plans shall reserve the following riparian protection areas:
 - a. Ephemeral Stream 25 feet;
 - b. Intermittent or Perennial Stream 50 feet;
 - c. Shenandoah River 100 feet.
- 3. Boundary Adjustments
 - a. Boundary Expansion. While the buffer is considered the general standard, there are situations where the presence of an ecologically sensitive area shall require a modification to this buffer width. In order to ensure the protection of stream integrity, the Zoning Administrator may require buffer expansions to accommodate wetlands and areas of steep slope.
 - b. Boundary Reductions shall comply with 6.2.2.C.
- 4. Activity Within RPA;
 - a. Existing vegetation within the riparian protection area should be retained to the greatest extent possible.
 - b. Best Management Practices should be incorporated into all development proposals.

6.2.2 Buffer Widths

- A. The buffer area requirements are based on the compatibility between the proposed use and that of the adjoining property. Table 6-1 identifies the minimum buffer area required to be provided by a developing property, based on the compatibility of the proposed use with the existing use of the adjoining property. Any buffer width specified within this part may be waived or modified through a request for a waiver or modification. Requests for modifications or waivers of buffer widths are subject to the review and approval of the director of Planning, with consultation of the Public Works director, as appropriate. Paragraph 'D' of this section is not subject to modification.
- B. The following buffers required by the Zoning Ordinance shall be planted as defined in this section. Plant units are as defined in Table 6-4.
 - 1. Railroad Right-of-way. As specified in Section 84-311.02.8, the 100-foot-wide buffer for residential uses that abut a railroad right-of-way shall be planted with 600 plant units per each 100 linear feet and in accordance with the provisions of this section.
 - 2. Existing cemeteries within a developing property shall have a 25-foot-wide perimeter cemetery preservation area. Where a cemetery abuts a property line a buffer as required in Table 6-1 or a 25-foot-wide cemetery preservation area shall be provided, whichever is greater. Dead, diseased, or dying trees or shrubbery, noxious weeds, and non-native invasive species within this cemetery preservation area, in accordance with Section 6.2.10 of this Manual may be removed by hand (that is, without the use of heavy equipment). Removed plants shall be replaced with plantings of native or historical ground covers, including grasses and periwinkle.
- C. The buffer width may vary, through an administrative approval process at the time of site plan, by up to twenty percent (20%) from the minimum width required at any point along a property line, as long as the buffer area provided remains equal to the minimum buffer area required along the same property line. The reduction in width shall be allowed only if the adjoining property has provided the full width of the buffer area applicable to it.

- D. The required buffer area for a developing property may be provided on the abutting property, if agreed to by the respective owners and the Planning and Zoning Administrator. (This does not release the abutting property from any obligation to meet buffering requirements, should it become a developing property). An agreement among the respective owners and the director of Planning, allocating the present and future buffer areas between the new properties shall be executed and recorded among the land records.
- E. The buffer width required in accordance with Table 6-1 may be reduced for one or more land bays of a planned mixed-use development if the following conditions are met:
 - 1. The land bays were part of one single preliminary plan and the final plans are diligently pursued for the individual projects;
 - 2. The reduction will occur on only one side of the common property line; and
 - 3. The maximum reduction allowable is from one buffer category to the next lower one (e.g., from type C to type B or from type B to type A).

6.2.3 Buffer Plantings

Where native woodland conservation is not provided to achieve the intent of a required buffer, landscaping shall be provided. The buffer area planting requirements are determined from Table 6-2.

- A. To achieve the intent of buffers, the following apply (Note: buffers adjacent to roadways do not need to meet requirement (4), below):
 - 1. A combination of large trees, medium, small and/or compact trees, and shrubs shall be used to achieve the desired buffering effect. The categories of large/medium/small/compact trees are defined in Table 6-T of the Plant Selection Guide.
 - 2. A maximum of thirty percent (30%) of the plant units may be large deciduous trees. A maximum of thirty percent (30%) of the plant units may be large evergreen trees. If large deciduous and large evergreen trees are used in combination, then a maximum of 40 plant units per 100 linear feet of large deciduous and large evergreen trees combined may be used.
 - 3. The use of ornamental grasses, perennials and mulched beds is encouraged. See Table 6-4 for plant unit credits. However, when used, ornamental grasses and perennials (combined) shall not compose more than 25% of the total plant units required.
 - 4. The limits on plant percentages of plant types listed in paragraphs 2 and 3, above, shall be applied along each property line where the buffer is required.
 - 5. All species used shall be indigenous to Virginia, unless otherwise approved by Public Works (see all Tables in the Plant Selection Guide).
 - 6. Requirements for the spacing of the various categories of trees are given in Table 1-1.
- B. The proposed combination of plants must yield a total number of plant units equal to or greater than the requirement for the buffer area type. Plant unit equivalencies are in accordance with Table 6-4.
- C. Where the buffer width will allow, a berm may be substituted for thirty percent (30%) of the plant unit requirement. The berm should be graded to appear smooth, rounded, and naturalistic. The berm shall be a minimum of four (4) feet higher than the elevation of the adjacent ground. Its slope shall not exceed three-to-one (3:1), except in unusual situations where a two-to-one (2:1) slope would be allowed with special ground cover. In such an instance where the reduction in plant units applies, at least fifty percent (50%) of the plant unit requirement shall be evergreen trees and shrubs.

- D. A six (6) foot tall opaque fence (board-on-board, masonry, or similar material) or wall may be substituted for thirty percent (30%) of the plant unit requirement. For non-residential lots of three acres or less, a 6-foot-tall board on board, solid masonry fence/wall, or equivalent barrier may be substituted for 50% of the plant unit required by the Technical Design Manual.
- E. When existing woodland is located within the entire minimum buffer area, preservation of the woodland shall be allowed to substitute for the required plant material, provided that:
 - 1. The woodland meets the minimum size requirement of Table 6-7, and
 - 2. The visual screen provided by the woodland meets the intent of this code.

6.2.5 Buffer Areas Against Vacant Properties

- A. If a developing property with a nonresidential use is adjoining a vacant property zoned or planned residential, the full buffer width, as identified in Table 6-1, shall be provided. If the vacant property is zoned and planned nonresidential and a buffer would be required, the buffer may be reduced to the next lower category. However, at a minimum, Buffer A shall be provided.
- B. If a developing property with a residential use is adjacent to a vacant property zoned or planned residential with a different density than the developing lot, and a buffer would be required, the buffer may be reduced to the next lower category. However, at a minimum, Buffer A shall be provided.
- C. For the purpose of applying the reduction in buffer width identified above, a vacant property is one which is not occupied, nor is the subject of any development activities planned at the time the buffer reduction is applied.

6.2.6 Tree Canopy Requirements – General

Preservation or replanting of trees in a development is required to provide a minimum amount of tree cover which will yield a permanent environmental and aesthetic benefit to the development. Such cover is calculated at ten (10) year maturity of the trees. Compliance with the requirement should be achieved primarily by preserving existing woodland areas.

6.2.7 Site Planning for Tree Preservation Areas

Tree preservation areas are for the purpose of retaining undisturbed native forest communities and the benefits associated with them. For this reason, even the retention of dead and dying plant material within a tree preservation area is considered desirable, primarily for the wildlife habitat such trees supply. However, this section shall not be construed to prohibit a developer or builder from removing any dead, dying or damaged tree that poses a threat to either life or structures, as determined by the Planning and Zoning Administrator in concert with the director of Public Works.

- A. The following guidelines are to be considered when tree preservation is proposed in a development area:
 - 1. Preservation of the overall composition of the forest stand. Retaining the dominant trees and understory is necessary for the health of the stand.
 - 2. Overall good health, generally free of insects, disease, and of structurally sound condition.
 - 3. Giving preference to groves of young vigorously growing trees, which adapt more readily to changing site conditions.

B. Buildings shall be located a minimum distance of twelve (12) feet from the limits of disturbance line of the tree preservation area, unless otherwise approved by the Planning and Zoning Administrator.

6.2.8 Standard Field Practices for Tree Preservation Areas

- A. Marking the Limits of Clearing and Grading:
 - 1. Prior to the start of construction, the limits of clearing shall be visibly marked with either tree protection fencing, or surveyor's tape placed on stakes. Markings for the limits of clearing and grading shall not be placed on trees to be saved. The limits of clearing and grading shall not exceed as shown on the approved plans.
 - 2. When the aforementioned marking has been completed, a meeting shall be requested with the director of Public Works to inspect the marked limits of clearing. All clearing limits shall be inspected and approved, prior to any clearing taking place.
 - 3. The permittee has the option to retain additional vegetation over and above that which is required by the approved plan. However, it is recommended that additional vegetated areas on the site that are to be preserved should be protected from encroachment by construction activity. If a natural area or individual tree not shown on the plans to be preserved is retained on site and is intended to be preserved throughout the duration of construction activity, then the permittee should protect these trees the same as designated preservation areas.
 - 4. When areas shown on the approved plans to be preserved do not contain any significant vegetation, it shall be the responsibility of the permittee to obtain approval from the Planning and Zoning Administrator for an exemption from preservation and protection requirements prior to commencing work in the area.
 - 5. If at any time, subsequent to the initial clearing, it becomes necessary to remove additional trees which were shown on the plan to be preserved, the Planning and Zoning Administrator shall be notified and must grant approval prior to performing any additional clearing.

B. Tree Protection Requirements:

- 1. The permittee shall be responsible for the protection of tops, trunks, and roots of all existing trees, as well as other vegetation to be retained on the site. After vegetation has been removed within the area authorized to be cleared, protective devices shall be installed along the limits of clearing and grading, prior to any construction work beginning on site. Protection shall be maintained until all work in the vicinity has been completed and shall not be removed without the consent of the Planning and Zoning Administrator. If the Planning and Zoning finds that the protective devices are insufficient to protect the vegetation retained on the site, additional protective devices shall be installed to insure adequate protection.
- 2. Once clearing is completed and protective devices installed, an inspection shall be requested to approve these items prior to commencing further construction.
- 3. Barricades, with appropriate signs to identify tree preservation areas shall be located along the limits of clearing line. The limits of clearing and grading line should generally be located at the drip line of the trees to be retained or spaced from the edge of the trunks equivalent to one foot for every inch in the diameter of the trees at breast height (DBH),

whichever is greater. The following standards shall apply to the area within the established limits of clearing and grading line.

- d. The soil shall not be disturbed or compacted.
- e. Heavy equipment, vehicular traffic, stockpiling or any materials, or deposition of sediment, shall not be permitted.
- f. Trees being removed shall not be felled, pushed, or pulled into trees being retained. Equipment operators shall not clean any part of their equipment by slamming it against the trunks of trees to be retained.
- g. No toxic materials shall be stored within fifty (50) feet of the limits of clearing and grading.
- h. Bum pits shall not be permitted within one hundred (100) feet of vegetated area retained, unless approved by the Planning and Zoning Administrator. They shall be limited in size so as to not to adversely affect the vegetation.
- i. No protective devices, signs, utility boxes, or other objects shall be nailed to the trees to be retained on the site.
- j. Additional trees may be left standing as protection between the trunks of the trees to be retained and the limits of grading. If the trunks of trees in this preservation area are more than six (6) feet apart, additional protection devices may be required to prevent passage of equipment and material through the area. When additional trees are used as protection, the limits of clearing shown on the approved plan shall be flagged in the field so that the additional preservation area is delineated. When this method of protection is used, these additional trees shall be removed prior to completion of the project if required by the Planning and Zoning Administrator.
- k. Sediment-laden runoff shall be diverted away from the preservation area. When the edge of a parking lot abuts a tree preservation area, curb and gutter rolled asphalt or similar type of guttering material shall be used to divert concentrated runoff away from the tree preservation area.

6.2.9 Dead, Dying, or Damaged Trees

- A. Dead and Dying Trees and Replacements: If any trees shown on the approved plan to be saved are dead or dying, due to acts of negligence by the permittee, they shall be removed and replaced.
 - 2. The number of replacement trees shall be based on guidelines specified by the Planning and Zoning Administrator.
 - 3. The size of replacement trees shall be as specified by the Planning and Zoning Administrator or as set forth in 6.4.1.G.
 - 4. Replacement trees shall be planted as nearly as possible to the location of the trees which were removed unless other arrangements are agreed to by the owner or the permittee and the Planning and Zoning Administrator.

B. Hazardous Trees:

1. In the event any tree or portion thereof is dead, dying, or damaged, due to construction or environmental changes brought about by construction and/or clearing, and poses a hazard to either life or structures, the permittee shall be required to take such action as required by the director of Public Works to eliminate the hazard carefully.

- 2. Trees that are required to be removed by the permittee shall be cut down flush with the ground (as low as conditions permit) and cut into movable lengths to prevent the creation of a new hazard. If site conditions interfere with the permittee's ability to do this, then an inspection by Town staff will be necessary to determine if the remaining stump can be left or must be removed by other means.
- 3. If a stump created by the removal of a hazardous tree is determined by the director of Public Works to pose a hazard in itself, i.e., jagged stumps, stumps of hollow trees, then the stump shall be removed by acceptable means, in conjunction with the removal of the tree.

C. Pruning:

- 1. In the event any tree or portion thereof is damaged, due to construction or environmental changes brought about by construction and/or clearing and is determined by the Planning and Zoning Administrator to be in a state of decline, the permittee may be required by the Planning and Zoning Administrator to perform remedial action to correct the damage.
- 2. All pruning of branches shall be done in accordance with ANSI A300, Tree, Shrub and Other Woody Plant Maintenance Standard Practices, published by the American National Standards Institute and by Tree Pruning Guidelines, published by the National Arborist Association. Trees which are further damaged by pruning practices not recognized in the standards above may be rejected, and the trees may be required to be removed and replaced.
- 3. When pruning above ground level, a climbing method other than one requiring tree spikes shall be used, unless otherwise approved by the Planning and Zoning Administrator.
- 4. Any damage caused by the permittee to the crown, trunk or root system of trees retained on the site shall be repaired immediately.
- 5. Remedial treatment required may include pruning, cabling, bracing, fertilization, aeration, and/or vertical mulching.
- D. It shall be the responsibility of the permittee to obtain written permission from the property owner or his/her agent to enter upon such property for the purpose of complying with the paragraphs above, prior to commencing action. In the event such permission is denied, and such denial is demonstrated to the satisfaction of the director of Public Works, the permittee will be relieved of the obligations under the paragraphs above.
- E. When trees must be taken down, removed, or pruned as a result of the paragraphs above, the wood from these operations shall remain the property of the property owner.

6.2.10 Nonresidential Landscaping - General

The purpose of landscaping nonresidential developments is to soften the visual impact of large expanses of paving from the right-of-way and from adjacent properties, to provide shaded areas, to control runoff and to assist in meeting clean air goals. This shall be accomplished by parking lot landscaping and providing a landscape strip along the right-of-way, in addition to landscaping around storm water management facilities and along internal streets, where applicable.

6.2.11 Landscaping Strip Along Right-of-way

A. For non-residential developments adjacent to a right-of-way, other than "freestanding retail uses" with buildings equal to or exceeding eighty-thousand (80,000) square feet, items 1

through 5 are required; Whenever the parking lot of a development meeting the standards of 6.2.13 abuts a right-of-way this Section shall govern.

- 1. A minimum of ten (10) foot wide landscape strip along the right-of-way shall be provided.
- 2. Eighty (80) plant units per 100 linear feet are required within this landscape strip. The plant unit credits shall be in accordance with Table 6-4. A maximum of thirty (30) plant units per 100 linear feet may be large deciduous trees. A maximum of forty (40) plant units per 100 linear feet may be large evergreen trees. If large deciduous and large evergreen trees are used in combination, then a maximum of 40 plant units per 100 linear feet of large deciduous and large evergreen trees combined may be used. A maximum of 25% of the plant units required may be ornamental grasses and/or perennials. Given these limits on quantities of certain plant types, a mixture of plant types should be utilized.
- 3. Utilities and the Landscape Strip: The 10' landscape strip shall be provided outside of all existing and proposed utility easements, except for crossings (meaning perpendicular crossings), unless approved by the utility having the easement.
- 4. LID in the Landscape Strip: Low Impact Development (LID) features designed to control storm water runoff, that meet the Zoning Ordinance requirements with regard to structures and that employ landscaping in accordance with this section, may be allowed within the ten (10) foot wide landscape strip subject to the approval of the Planning and Zoning Administrator or designee.
- 5. A wall cannot be used as an acceptable alternative for landscape strips along the right-of-way.
- B. For all "freestanding retail uses" with buildings equal to or exceeding eighty thousand (80,000) square feet, the following is required:
 - 1. A minimum twenty-five (25) foot wide landscape strip along all existing and proposed rights-of-way.
 - 2. One hundred fifty (150) plant units per 100 linear feet of landscape strip. A maximum of thirty (30) plant units per 100 linear feet may be large deciduous trees. A maximum of forty (40) plant units per 100 linear feet may be large evergreen trees. A maximum of 25% of the required plant units may be ornamental grasses and perennials.
 - 3. This landscape strip shall be provided outside of any utility easements or existing or proposed public right-of-way but may contain pedestrian and utility crossings.
 - 4. Plant units shall be in accordance with Table 6-4.

6.2.12 Perimeter Parking Lot Landscaping

- A. For parking lots of nonresidential developments, which contain twenty (20) spaces or more, and for all townhouse and multi-family developments, any of which abut a property line, and which do not abut buffer areas or other required screening/landscaping, a ten (10) foot landscape strip along the perimeter of the property line shall be required. For the purposes of this section, a parking lot is considered abutting a property line where any part of it is within thirty (30) feet of the property line.
- B. Eighty (80) plant units per 100 linear feet are required within this landscape strip. A maximum of thirty (30) plant units per 100 linear feet may be large deciduous trees. The plant unit credits shall be in accordance with Table 6-4. A maximum of forty (40) plant units per 100 linear feet may be large evergreen trees. If large deciduous and large evergreen trees are used in combination, then a maximum of 40 plant units per 100 linear feet of large deciduous and

- large evergreen trees combined may be used. A maximum of 25% of the plant units required may be ornamental grasses and/or perennials. Given these limits on quantities of certain plant types, a mixture of plant types should be utilized.
- C. Utility easements shall not be located in the landscape strips, unless planting in the easement is specifically approved by the entity controlling such easement.
- D. Low Impact Development (LID) features designed to control and infiltrate storm water runoff and that employ landscaping in accordance with this section, are encouraged within landscape strips and planting areas described in this section, subject to the approval of the Planning and Zoning Administrator or designee.

6.2.13 Interior Parking Lot Landscaping

- A. Any surface parking lot containing twenty (20) or more spaces (except for shopping centers and shopping malls) shall be provided with interior landscaping area covering not less than five percent (5%) of the total area of the parking lot. The total area of a parking lot shall include the parking spaces, planting islands, curbed areas, loading spaces, interior driveways, travelways, and aisles, exclusive of the parking and loading areas for tractor trailer trucks. For shopping centers and shopping malls, see paragraph L, below.
- B. Only islands containing large or medium deciduous trees or evergreen trees shall count toward meeting the five percent (5%) requirement. Islands four hundred (400) square feet in area or smaller may not contain evergreen trees, in order to avoid line of sight problems. For the purpose of this section, an island is defined as an area within the perimeter curbing or edge of pavement of the total area of the parking lot (as defined in A above) or an area contiguous to the perimeter curbing or edge of pavement, which protrudes into the parking lot (e.g., comers of parking lots).
- C. At least one (1) large or medium deciduous tree or evergreen tree shall be provided for each two hundred (200) square feet of interior landscape area required. These large and medium deciduous trees at planting shall have a clear trunk at least six (6) feet above finish grade.
- D. The predominant landscaping materials used to meet the interior parking lot landscaping requirement shall be large and/or medium deciduous trees suitable for a parking lot environment and having a spreading canopy as their typical form. The intent is that deciduous trees capable of providing shade shall be the predominant element of interior parking lot landscaping. Evergreen trees are allowed, due to their desirability as wind and visual breaks, in large parking lots. However, evergreen trees may not be the sole type of tree within any island that contributes to the five percent (5%) requirement. Shrubs and ornamentals may be used to complement the large and medium deciduous trees but shall not count toward meeting the five percent (5%) requirement. Refer to the plant selection guide, for aid in species selection. Designs which make effective use of shrubs and ornamentals and seek credit toward the five percent (5%) requirement are encouraged to be submitted through the use of alternative compliance.
- E. The landscape areas shall be reasonably dispersed throughout the parking lot so as to give maximum shading effect over paved surfaces, while minimizing impacts on sight lines and ease of access. However, landscaped areas may be grouped in wide islands at selected locations, if appropriate.
- F. Plant material at entrances shall be located so as to maintain safe sight distances in accordance with Town and VDOT standards.

- G. Trees in or at the edge of parking lots should be species that branch no lower than eight (8) feet from the ground at maturity, to allow cars and trucks to circulate beneath the canopy without causing damage.
- H. Good visibility in the parking lot is important both for security and traffic safety reasons. Plants which restrict visibility, such as tall shrubs and low branching trees, must be avoided.
- I. The interior width, soil volume and soil quality of any planting area shall be sufficient to protect the plants and allow for mature growth of the species. Accordingly, the following minimum standards and guidelines are established:
 - 1. A minimum planting area of one hundred fifty (150) square feet of continuous pervious area shall be provided for each tree. No tree planting area shall be less than eight (8) feet wide in any direction with the exception that, if parking spaces are located on only one (1) side of a planting island perpendicular to the parking spaces, then the island may be reduced to a minimum of six (6) feet wide.
 - 2. A curb or similar devices, such as wheel stops or railroad ties, should be installed around the perimeter of all planting areas to prevent contact with the plant material. If a curb or other device is not used, then the soil within the island shall be mounded to a minimum of twelve (12) inches above grade.
 - 3. All planting areas, including parking lot islands, shall contain soils suitable for planting. Soils shall be clean and free of all construction materials. The top three (3) feet of soil shall be loose. If previously compacted, it shall be loosened by tilling or other measure to a depth of three (3) feet. The top six (6) inches of soil shall be clean topsoil, or other clean soils amended with organic material. This requirement shall be met prior to the installation of landscaping.
- J. Utility easements shall not be located within the planted portion of parking lot islands, unless planting in the easement is specifically approved by the agency controlling such easement.
- K. For freestanding retail uses of eighty thousand (80,000) square feet or greater the requirements of 6.2.14 above shall apply with the following changes:
 - 1. A minimum of ten (10) percent of the total area of the parking lot shall contain landscape areas. Landscape areas may include: plantable areas up to 6' from the perimeter curbing of the parking lot, comer islands, and interior islands.
 - 2. No individual landscape area shall be less than six hundred (600) square feet in size. The minimum dimension shall be twelve (12) feet or greater.
 - 3. All landscaped areas shall be irrigated.
- L. For all shopping centers and shopping malls (as defined in the Zoning Ordinance), exclusive of any freestanding retail use of eighty thousand (80,000) square feet or greater, interior planting areas and landscaping shall be provided in addition to and outside of any planting areas and landscaping required by the Zoning Ordinance or Technical Design Manual for buffers, landscape strips along rights-of-way, perimeter parking lot landscaping and storm water management facilities (per Section 6.2.15) as follows:
 - Planting areas equal to or greater than 17% of the total site impervious area for the shopping center shall be provided. These planting areas may be contiguous to perimeter planting areas listed in Paragraph L, however the emphasis shall be on planting areas reasonably dispersed throughout the interior of the site with, as described in Paragraph B, for the purpose of shading the parking lot. Area within a 100-year floodplain shall not be credited toward meeting the 17%.

- 2. All areas credited toward the 17% shall be landscaped with ornamental grasses, perennials, shrubs and/or trees. Landscaping shall be provided at a rate of 50 plant units per 1000sf of the planting area determined under L.1, above. Plant unit credits shall be in accordance with Table 6-4. A minimum of 40% of the plant units required shall be large or medium deciduous trees.
- 3. The minimum width (i.e., the narrowest dimension) and surface area of all planting areas shall be in accordance with Table PG-2.
- 4. Any building within a shopping center that has a building footprint less than fifteen thousand (15,000) square feet shall provide a minimum of one (1) plant unit for each three (3) linear feet of building foundation perimeter. Planting shall be provided interior to the site and within eighty (80) feet of the building foundation, although not necessarily contiguous to the foundation. These planting areas may be credited toward the 17% requirement of paragraph L. I. The remaining planting areas required to meet the I 7% shall be reasonably dispersed throughout the interior of the site.
- 5. Areas credited toward these requirements shall be clearly identified on the landscape plan.
- 6. Combining planting areas within the parking lot is encouraged so that they are larger than the minimum set forth in Table PG-2 and more suited to the long-term health of the plant material and to LID practices.
- 7. Any new building not previously shown on an approved site plan shall meet the requirements of this section. The total site impervious area shall be based on the area occupied by the proposed building, proposed, or required parking (whichever is greater) and all other impervious areas proposed or required as part of the proposed development.

6.2.14 Landscaping of Storm Water Management Facilities

- A. Landscaping of storm water management facilities is intended to insure that these important urban open spaces are developed in a manner that will yield the greatest environmental and amenity benefit to the community. The plant credits shall be in accordance with Table 8-3. Consideration of the landscape elements of the SWM facility should begin at the concept stage with the formulation of design objectives.
- B. For dry ponds, no trees shall be planted on or within twenty (20) feet of the dam embankment, on the emergency spillway, below the 2-year water surface elevation, or on the access road. However, at a minimum:
 - 1. Landscaping shall surround the basin within the storm water management easement.
 - 2. Eighty (80) plant units per 100 linear feet of the 100-year water surface elevation, exclusive of the dam embankment and spillway, shall be provided. A maximum of fifty (50) plant units per 100 linear feet may be large deciduous or large evergreen trees. If large deciduous and large evergreen trees are used in combination, then a maximum of fifty (50) plant units per 100 linear feet of large deciduous and large evergreen trees combined may be used. A maximum of 25% of the plant units required may be ornamental grasses and/or perennials. Given these limits on quantities of certain plant types, a mixture of plant types should be utilized.
 - 3. A combination of shade, ornamental and/or evergreen trees, and shrubs shall be used. Perennials and ornamental grasses may be used.
 - 4. If plantings are approved within the two (2) year water surface elevation they shall be specified as wet-cultivated on the plant schedule.

- C. For wet ponds, no trees shall be planted on or within twenty (20) feet of the dam embankment, on the access road, or the emergency spillway. However, at a minimum:
 - 1. Landscaping shall surround the basin within the storm water management easement.
 - 2. Eighty (80) plant units per one hundred (100) linear feet of the 100-year water surface elevation, exclusive of the dam embankment and spillway, shall be provided above the IO-year water surface elevation. A maximum of fifty (50) plant units per 100 linear feet may be large deciduous or large evergreen trees. If large deciduous and large evergreen trees are used in combination, then a maximum of fifty (50) plant units per 100 linear feet of large deciduous and large evergreen trees combined may be used. A maximum of25% of the plant units required may be ornamental grasses and/or perennials. Given these limits on quantities of certain plant types, a mixture of plant types should be utilized.
 - 3. A combination of shade, ornamental and/or evergreen trees and shrubs shall be used. Perennials and ornamental grasses may also be used.
 - 4. Where possible, shade trees should be planted near the water's edge to moderate thermal impact on the pool, and some open areas provided for access to dredge the facility.
 - 5. Where a wet pond is provided as a golf course feature and does not abut adjacent properties, the landscaping requirements of this Paragraph C.1 through C.7, above do not apply; however, the buffer requirement of section 6.2.2.B.4 shall be met.
 - 6. Where an amenity that is a hard structure (for example, a deck or patio) or where a building is proposed to the water's edge, the length of the 100-year water surface elevation abutting the hard structure or building may be deducted from the linear feet of the 100-year water surface elevation used to calculate the plant units required. This concept of a hard structure shall not include retaining walls, trails/sidewalks, parking lots or features where landscape planting is possible.
 - 7. If plantings are approved below the ten (10) year water surface elevation they shall be specified as wet-cultivated on the plant schedule.
- D. Additional area may be needed to fulfill the design objectives. With the overall goal of maximizing the benefits of the facility, objectives such as the following, shall be considered for SWM landscape design:
 - 1. Enhancement of water quality.
 - 2. Creation of passive recreation opportunities.
 - 3. Assurance of aesthetic compatibility with community.
 - 4. Ease of maintenance.
- E. To allow flexibility in the planning of landscapes for SWM facilities and to encourage creative and innovative approaches to design, the following criteria shall apply to ensure the safety of the public and the functionality of the facility:
 - 1. Pond slopes shall be three-to-one (3:1) or flatter when existing slopes are three-to-one (3:1) or flatter. Steeper slopes may be approved on a case-by-case basis to allow for the preservation of natural vegetation and topography.
 - 2. Where possible, vegetative strips should be used in place of fencing around outfalls into the pond. These plantings shall be adequate to restrict easy access.
 - 3. Trees or shrubs shall not be allowed around structural items without the approval of the Planning and Zoning Administrator.
 - 4. Where required, fences should be compatible with the environmental and architectural surroundings of the facility site.

- 5. Only herbaceous plants such as low maintenance ground covers and required stabilization grasses/legumes shall be permitted on the dam unless they are associated with plantings on a public road and are approved by the Planning and Zoning Administrator.
- 6. Rip-rap areas or fill embankments may be screened or enhanced with plant materials.
- 7. Plantings, bollards (sturdy freestanding posts) or a park-type post and rail may be used to discourage use of grassed areas by vehicles.
- 8. Opportunities for passive recreation should be provided whenever possible. Fishing, hiking, birding, picnicking, and nature study are among the activities appropriate on many SWM facility sites.
- F. When wet ponds are allowed by the Zoning Ordinance to be located in buffer areas, additional landscaping features must be provided to enhance their appearance.

6.2.15 Optional Street Planting

- A. Street plantings in the right-of-way are optional, however, when provided within the right-of-way they shall be in accordance with VDOT's Subdivision Street Design Guide. Where VDOT and Town standards differ, the stricter standard shall apply. The following requirements are intended to ensure that street trees are selected and planted in a manner that will promote their long-term health and survival, enhancing streets throughout the Town, both visually and environmentally.
- B. General Standards for All Street Trees:
 - 1. Trees shall be the primary element of all streetscapes. Complimenting street trees with shrubs, perennials, annuals, grasses, etc. is encouraged.
 - 2. Species Selection. The species (or cultivar) of tree selected for any streetscape design (median or alongside the roadway) shall be compatible with the width and: function of the street and shall be in accordance with Tables PG-3 and 6-T. Generally, all street trees planted along the side of the roadway shall be single stemmed. Multi-stemmed trees may be permitted if selected sizes and varieties or cultivars will not conflict with pedestrian and vehicle movement and at the discretion of the Planning and Zoning Administrator.
 - 3. Only those trees planted within fifteen (15) feet of the curb or edge of pavement shall be considered street trees.
 - 4. The location of street trees shall be designed so as to avoid conflicts with existing and proposed utility easements.
- C. Soils (for median or alongside the roadway) shall meet VDOT requirements and specifications. They shall be clean and free of concrete, debris, trash, gravel, or other foreign materials, and shall be loose soils, lightly tamped but otherwise uncompacted.

6.2.16 Residential Landscaping

- A. Residential Landscaping: The purpose of landscaping residential lots is to provide a minimum amount of tree canopy cover which will yield a permanent environmental and aesthetic benefit to the development. Residential landscaping in accordance with Table 6-5 is required, in addition to the other requirements for storm water management facilities landscaping and street planting. They all may be used to meet the tree canopy cover requirement. Residential landscaping shall comply with the standards in Table 6-5.
- B. Community Facilities. Community facilities, such as community recreational facilities (i.e., tennis court, swimming pools, club houses) or meeting houses, when constructed as

freestanding uses internal to a residential development, shall be treated as non-residential development for landscaping purposes. The following landscaping is required:

- 1. A minimum fifteen (15) foot wide landscaped area shall be established and maintained around the perimeter of the community facility and landscaped in accordance with a Type A buffer
- 2. Parking areas shall meet the requirements of this section.
- 3. When a community facility is located along the property boundary at the edge of the residential development it serves, a buffer shall be provided in accordance with the buffering requirements of this section.

6.2.17 Residential Development Buffers from Major Roadways

- A. The purpose of these requirements is to ensure that the rear and side yard and the lowest story of the rear outside wall of any single family attached or detached dwelling is screened from the view of any street classified as a major collector or higher. It is not the intent of these regulations to provide uniform linear strips of completely opaque screening but to provide an attractive view of residential neighborhoods from major streets and ensure adequate buffering for the residential neighborhood from the street.
- B. When the rear or side yards of single-family attached or detached dwellings in any district are oriented toward a major collector, parkway, arterial street, freeway, or an interstate, a buffer area shall be provided between the rear or side lot lines and the public right-of-way, as part of the common open space owned and maintained by the homeowners' association. If allowed within individual lots, the buffer area must be such that it still provides the minimum back and side yard depth required by the Zoning Ordinance outside the buffer area.
- C. The width of the buffer area and the plant units required within the buffer area shall be in accordance with Table 6-3. The buffer width may be reduced by up to twenty percent (20%) when the line of sight from the traveling lane is at least ten (10) feet above the rear yard elevation at the entrance to the dwelling.
- D. When existing woodland is located within the entire buffer area, preservation of that woodland will be allowed to substitute for the required plant materials, provided that the woodland meets 80% of the minimum planting units of Table 6-2 and the intent of the buffer expressed in Paragraph A, above.
- E. Fences, walls, or berms may also be employed within the required buffer area to interrupt the views of the rear yards. If a six (6) foot high opaque fence or wall or a four (4) foot high berm is used within the buffer area, the requirement for plant materials in accordance with Table 6-3 may be reduced by thirty percent (30%).

6.2.18 Screening

- A. When screening of certain on-site functions (e.g., loading, dumpsters, trash collection, outside storage areas, maintenance areas and equipment, mechanical equipment, etc.) is required by the Zoning Ordinance, the following screening options shall be used, depending on the type of function being screened:
 - 1. A minimum six (6) foot high opaque fence or wall, the height of the fence or wall shall be no lower than the functions/items being screened. An appropriate gate shall be provided, if applicable.

- 2. A three (3) foot high berm with plantings of six (6) feet high evergreen screening is provided.
- 3. For mechanical and similar equipment, any architectural element compatible with the building is acceptable, as long as it covers the view of the equipment.
- B. The site functions listed above shall be oriented on the site so as to be as inconspicuous as possible and shall be screened from all public streets and adjoining properties.

6.3 LANDSCAPING - SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

6.3.1 General

- A. A landscape plan is a required element of all development plans. The landscape plan must address the requirements for buffer areas, basic landscaping, as well as tree canopy cover requirement calculations, as applicable.
- B. The landscape plan shall be made part of the site development plan and shall be submitted and reviewed in accordance with this section and Chapter 1 of this manual.
- C. The plan shall be prepared by a certified or registered landscape architect, a registered professional engineer, or a certified land surveyor.
- D. A comprehensive landscape plan shall reflect the intent of the provisions of this section, while allowing for modifications based on the particulars of a site and its unique characteristics. This plan shall be submitted with all future site development plans to which it applies. At a minimum, the comprehensive landscape plan shall include:
 - 1. The approximate limits of clearing and grading.
 - 2. A tree stand description providing the proposed save areas (forest cover type(s), average size of the dominant canopy species, and the approximate area).
 - 3. Calculations demonstrating how the required tree cover is proposed to be met.
- E. Alternate compliance shall be accepted in accordance with Section 6.1.3, paragraph C.

6.3.2 Plan Elements

- A. The landscape plans shall be drawn to the same scale as the site and subdivision plan details but no less than 1" = 50' scale.
- B. A tabulation showing how each required element of Section 802.00 has been met and where credit was used, when applicable, shall be shown on the plan.
- C. Planting elements shall be shown as follows:
 - 1. Location, general type, and quality of the existing vegetation and specimen trees to be retained. The drip line of specimen trees to be retained shall be shown.
 - 2. Methods and details for protection of existing vegetation during construction and tree protection after construction.
 - 3. Location and labels of all proposed plants, with tree symbols shown to scale for their ten (10) year canopy.
 - 4. Location and description of other landscape improvements.
 - 5. Proposed grading.
 - 6. The zoning and use of all abutting properties.
 - 7. Planting methods and installation details as necessary to ensure conformance with the standards in this section.

- 8. Schedules or lists showing required and proposed quantities for items called for by this section.
- 9. Location, size, and description of all elements which are required to be screened.
- 10. Maintenance schedule. In addition, every site plan or subdivision plan submitted shall include the following note on the landscape plan and plat: The owner of fee title to any property on which plant material has been established in accordance with an approved landscape/planting plan, shall be responsible for the maintenance, repair, and replacement of the approved plant material, as required by the ordinance.
- 11. The location, type, size, and quantity of trees to be planted in the right-of-way and in accordance with the Guidelines for Planting Along Virginia Roadways.
- 12. Where applicable, habitat enhancement features in storm water management facilities such as islands, nesting boxes, and loafing/nesting platforms.
- 13. Collected plants or transplanted trees may be specified on the plan, provided that planting location and conditions will permit.
- 14. All proposed and existing easements and utilities as shown on other plan sheets.

6.3.3 Substitution of Planting Materials

The plants that are planted shall be of the species and size specified on the approved plans unless substitutions have been approved by the director of Public Works prior to planting. Substitutions that have been planted without prior approval by the Planning and Zoning Administrator shall be removed and replaced by acceptable species, if required by the Planning and Zoning Administrator. See Plant Selection and Cover Guides, for more information on acceptable species.

6.4 LANDSCAPING SPECIFICATIONS

6.4.1 Specifications

- A. Plant names used in the plant schedule shall be identified in accordance with Hortus Third, by Liberty Hyde Bailey Horitorium, latest edition.
- B. All plant materials shall be specified to be equal to or better than the standards for nursery stock, by the American Nursery and Landscapers Association (ANLA).
- C. Trees and shrubs shall be nursery grown, unless otherwise approved, and shall be healthy and vigorous plants, free from defects, decay, disfiguring roots, sun-scald, injuries, abrasions of the bark, plant diseases, insect pest eggs, borers and all forms of infestations or objectionable disfigurements, as determined by the director of Public Works. Container plants shall have roots established throughout the pot but shall not be root bound. Plants shall be in accordance with the current American Nursery and Landscape Association and conform in general to representative species.
- D. Plants should be predominately native species. Species to be planted in woodland conservation areas shall be native and suited to the site conditions. Exceptions to this paragraph are allowed with approval of the director of Public Works, provided they are suited to the site.
- E. Plants collected within the site or transplanted trees may be specified on the plans, provided that planting locations and soil conditions will permit, and provided that the plants meet the specifications of subsection G below.

- F. In order to curtail the spread of disease or insect infestation, projects containing two hundred (200) trees or more shall plant no more than thirty percent (30%) of the required newly planted trees from one taxonomic family. Not more than thirty percent (30%) of the required newly planted trees shall be of the same genus, and not more than twenty percent (20%) may be of the same species.
- G. Plant measurements: All plants shall conform to the measurements specified in the plant schedule of the landscape plan. All plant sizes specified in the plans shall generally be the median for the size ranges indicated in the ANLA standards and, at a minimum, shall comply with the following. (Certain species may be planted at smaller sizes than those specified below. With the approval of the Planning and Zoning Administrator, any species in the Tree Selection and Cover Guide, which has tree cover area noted under a given size category, may be planted at that size category. However, only trees a minimum of 5' in height at the time of planting shall receive tree cover credit.):
 - 1. Caliper measurements shall be taken six (6) inches above grade for trees under four (4) inches caliper, and twelve (12) inches above grade for trees four (4) inches in caliper and over.
 - 2. The minimum branching height for all shade trees shall be six (6) feet.
 - 3. The minimum size for planting large deciduous trees shall be two to two and one-half (2-2 1/2) inch caliper, twelve (12) feet to fourteen (14) feet in height.
 - 4. The minimum size for planting all other deciduous trees shall be one to one and one-half (1 to 1-1/2) inch caliper, six (6) feet to eight (8) feet in height.
 - 5. The minimum size for planting evergreen trees shall be six (6) feet to seven (7) feet in height.
 - 6. The minimum size for planting shrubs shall be eighteen (18) to twenty-four (24) inches in height or spread, except for quality dwarf varieties.
 - 7. Minimum size for planting perennials and ornamental grasses shall be #1 Containers (aka. 1 gal.). A typical #1 container measures approximately 6" to 7" in diameter at the top by 7" deep. Plants shall be appropriate sizes for the container.
- H. Spacing: All landscaping shall be designed and planted in accordance with Table PG-1 of the Plant Selection Guide.

6.4.2 Plant Selection and Cover Guide

Plants from Plant Selection and Cover Guides, shall be used to fulfill all planting requirements. Species, varieties or cultivars listed in Table PG-NA, "Plants Not Acceptable for General Use", shall not be accepted. Exceptions to this paragraph may be allowed if approved by the Planning and Zoning Administrator and provided they are suited to the site.

6.4.3 Planting

- A. Plants shall be protected during delivery to prevent desiccation of leaves.
- B. Insofar as is practicable, all plants shall be planted on the day of delivery. If this is not possible, the contractor shall protect unplanted plants by keeping them in shade, well protected with soil, mulch or other acceptable material and shall keep all plant material well-watered. Plant material shall not remain unplanted for more than two (2) weeks.
- C. All plants shall be planted in such a manner as to ensure their survival. This shall include the planting of intact balls, planting at proper depth, proper backfilling and watering, and

construction of a planting saucer (for trees). All planting areas shall contain soils suitable for planting. Soils shall be clean and free of all construction materials. (See planting procedures for trees and planting procedures for shrubs in the latest edition of Landscape Specification Guidelines for Baltimore, Washington Metropolitan Area, prepared by the Landscape Contractors Association of Metropolitan Washington and American Society of Landscape Architects for adequate specifications.)

- D. Any rope or wire binding the ball shall be cut prior to the conclusion of backfilling operations to prevent girdling of the tree trunk.
- E. If a non-biodegradable material is used around the ball, it shall be completely removed prior to backfilling.

6.4.4 Landscape Plantings on Fences and Walls

When a wall or a solid fence is used for landscaping/buffering purposes, plantings should be provided on both sides of the fence to soften its visual impact and to deter access for graffiti vandals. Suggested plantings to restrict access to walls susceptible to graffiti vandalism:

- Barberry or pyracantha to block access to the wall.
- Ivy or other plantings to cover the wall. Use of vine type plantings should depend on the type of material used for the wall, as some building materials can be damaged by the plants.

	TABLE 6-1 MINIMUM BUFFER AREA										
Pro	Proposed Use Adjoining Use/Zoning District										
	RESIDENTIAL	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	Single-family Detached	-	Α	В	В	В	В	В	В	С	С
2	Single-family Attached	Α	-	Α	В	Α	В	В	В	С	С
3	Multi-family	В	Α	1	В	В	В	В	В	С	С
	PUBLIC/SEMI PUBLIC										
4	Institutional (e.g., schools, church, library)	Α	В	В	-	Α	В	Α	В	D	С
5	Public Recreational Use	Α	Α	Α	Α	-	Α	Α	В	D	С
6	Public Facilities (e.g., pump station, treatment plant)	С	С	С	В	Α	-	Α	В	D	D
	COMMERCIAL										
7	Light (B-2 & B-H)	В	В	В	Α	Α	Α	-	Α	Α	В
8	Heavy (B-1)	В	В	В	В	В	В	Α	-	Α	В
	INDUSTRIAL										
9	Local (M-2)	С	С	С	D	D	D	Α	Α	-	С
10	Park (M-1)	С	С	С	С	С	D	В	В	С	-

A, B, C - Buffer width in accordance with Table 6-2.

D - Determined on a case-by-case basis, depending on the activity.

TABLE 6-2 BUFFER AREA WIDTH AND PLANT REQUIREMENTS					
# of Plant Units Per 100 Fo Width of R/W Type feet or Property Line					
A	15	110			
В	30	180			
С	50	320			
D	Case by case - Minimum 15'	Based on approved width			

TABLE 6-3 RESIDENTIAL BUFFER FOR RIGHT-OF-WAYS					
Street Classification	Width of the Buffer (feet)	Number of Plant Units Per 100 ft. of Right-of-way or Property Line			
Major Collector/Minor Arterial	30	180 (no more than 60 for shrubs)			
Parkway and Principal Arterial	50	320 (no more than 100 for			
Freeway/Interstate	75	400 (no more than 140 for			

TABLE 6-4 PLANT UNIT EQUIVALENTS				
Plant Type*	Plant Unit Credits			
1 large deciduous tree	10			
1 medium, small, or compact deciduous				
understory tree)	5			
1 large evergreen tree	10			
1 medium, small, or compact evergreen tree)	5			
1 shrub	2			
1 ornamental grass	1			
1 perennial	0.25			
*Minimum plant size in accordance with Section 6.4.1.G				

TABLE 6-5 ON-SITE RESIDENTIAL PLANTING						
Residential Type	Minimum Number of Trees*	Notes				
Single-family detached lots one acre or larger.	3 LD per lot 3 AT per lot	Preserved trees which meet the minimum area requirement of Table 8-4 and are located on an individual lot				
Single-family detached lots 20,000 sq. ft. to one acre	2 LD per lot 2 AT per lot	within 60 ft. of a dwelling, and which are in good health, may be counted on a one-to-one basis towards fulfillment of the requirement for trees on that lot.				
Single-family detached and weak link lots smaller than 20,000 sq. ft	1 LD per lot 1 AT per lot	Preserved trees which meet the minimum area requirements of Table 8-4 and are located on an individual lot within 30 feet of a dwe11ing, and which are in good health, may be considered as fulfi11ing the requirement for residential trees on that lot.				
Single-family detached cluster subdivision	Minimum number of large deciduous trees and other trees will be provided, as for a conventional subdivision, but based on the average lot size provided in the cluster subdivision	Total number of trees to be located on lots and in common open space must meet or exceed the requirement under the conventional subdivision.				
Townhouses, single-family attached, two-family	1 LD or MD per end unit and 1 SD or CD per unit	If space does not permit, the LD and MD required per end unit may be located in common open space for the site. Existing shade trees exceeding two-inch caliper, located anywhere in the open space area, may be counted on a one-to-one basis towards fulfilling the requirement for large and medium deciduous trees on that site.				

	I LD per 1,600 sq. ft. of open	A) Trees which count toward a
	space area	perimeter parking lot landscaping may
		be counted towards fulfillment of this
	1 AT per 1,600 sq. ft. of open	requirement.
Multifamily	space area	
ividitilalilily		B) Preserved trees which meet the
		minimum area requirement of Table 8-4
		and are located within 60 ft. of a
		building, and which are in good health,
		may be counted on a one-to-one basis
		towards fulfillment of the requirement.

^{*}LD = Large Deciduous Tree; MD = Medium Deciduous Tree; SD = Small Deciduous Tree; CD = Compact Deciduous Tree;

AT = Trees from any category of the Plant Selection and Cover Guide.

TABLE 6-6 MINIMUM PLANTING ZONE DIMENSIONS FOR STREET TREES					
Tree Category	Minimum Planting Zone Width (at top of soil)	Minimum Soil Volume of Planting Zones or Planters* (cubic ft.)			
Large Street Tree	8 ft.	970 cf			
Medium Street Tree	8 ft.	750 cf			
Small Street Tree	6 ft.	500 cf			
*All volumes are based on a soil depth of 3.0 feet.					

TABLE 6-7 TREE PRESERVATION CREDIT				
VEGETATION COVER OF PRESERVATION AREA	MINIMUM SIZE	CREDIT FACTOR		
Environmentally Sensitive Areas: RPA & Floodplains	10,000 sq. ft.	1.0		
Environmentally Sensitive Areas: Wooded Slopes 15% adjacent to an intermittent stream.	See 802.30B	2.0		
Connecting Forested Areas (See 802.30 C)	10,000 sq. ft.	1.7-2.0		
Older hardwood forest with dominant canopy trees of diameters larger than 12 inches	30 ft. by 50 ft.	1.7- 2.0 *		
Young hardwood forest with dominant canopy trees of diameters of 4 to 12 inches	30 ft. by 30 ft.	1.5-1.7 *		
Old field with successional growth of predominantly eastern red cedar, short leaf pine or Virginia pine, with diameters of 3 to 6 inches, mixed with deciduous trees	30 ft. by 30 ft.	1.2		
Younger, old field successional growth of eastern red cedar or Virginia pine up to 3 inches mixed with deciduous trees	20 ft. by 20 ft.	1.1		
Stands predominantly of Virginia pine, greater than 6"	75 ft. by 75 ft.	1.0		

^{*} To receive credit for young or older hardwood forests, a tree preservation plan must be submitted in the first submission of the site plan and approved by the director of Public Works. This plan will meet the minimum standards set forth in the Plant Selection Guide.

LANDSCAPING - PLANT SELECTION AND COVER GUIDES

 Plant Selection and Cover Guides for Buffer Areas, Basic Landscaping, Street Planting, and Reforestation Areas:

The plant selection guides to be utilized by persons preparing landscape plans for buffer areas, basic landscaping, street planting, and reforestation areas are found in Tables PG-T (trees), PG-S (shrubs), PG-P (perennials), and PG-G (grasses). The following is an explanation of the columns and codes contained therein:

- A. Tree Categories/Tree Canopy Coverage -- Table PG-T is divided into categories of trees (i.e., large, medium, small, and compact) for purposes of calculating tree canopy coverage. The category each tree is placed in is determined by the projected size of the tree's canopy spread.
- B. Botanical Name, Common Name -- The first column contains the Latin name and the common name for the plant.
- C. Projected 10-Year Tree Cover--These three columns in Table PG-T list the area of tree canopy coverage in square feet for each species. The canopy area is determined by the size of a tree at planting related to the projected size of the tree's canopy after 10 years of growth in an urban environment. Also note that the tree cover credit is based on the area of the projected canopy for the species. If cultivars or varieties, which vary significantly from the species, are used then applying canopy credit consistent with the characteristics of the cultivar or variety may be required. For example, if a narrow columnar cultivar of red maple is proposed, then the canopy credit for that selection would be chosen from the compact deciduous category.
- D. Uses -- This column is used to select a species which will thrive and exhibit desirable characteristics suitable to the demands of a particular environment. Five situations are considered in Table PG-3 as follows:
 - 1. Interior Parking Lot Planting Areas -- Trees indicated as (P) tolerate poor soils, drought, reflected heat, and restricted root zones. They are, therefore, acceptable for use as interior parking lot landscaping. Desirable branching habit is also considered. Trees and shrubs indicated as (CP) have the same tolerances but are not shade trees. They are suitable as complimentary to parking lot landscaping.
 - 2. Native -Plants indicated as (N) are native to Virginia. They are intended for use in basic landscaping but particularly for use in buffers. Buffers are open spaces which are intended to provide screening of undesirable views, which usually will become naturalized over time. Both deciduous and evergreen species are listed; a combination of both is needed for an effective buffer.
 - **3.** Street Planting Areas -- Trees indicated as (SS, MS or LS) are appropriate for planting within a streetscape and have been selected based on their form, potential spread, overall size, and tolerance of urban conditions.

- **4.** Reforestation Areas -- Trees indicated as (RF) are appropriate for planting in areas which are to be reforested.
- **5.** Areas near or under overhead utilities -- Trees indicated as (U) are appropriate for planting near or under overhead utilities and have been selected based on their ultimate height and spread. Use of the selected species can prevent disfigurement and associated structural and health problems caused by periodic topping or pruning of trees near power lines. Virginia Power and NOVEC have available lists of trees suitable for planting under or near overhead utility lines.
- **6.** Rain Gardens Plants indicated as (RG) are suitable for planting in rain gardens (aka bioretention facilities). They may also be suitable for other low impact development features. Consideration of water retention/detention rates needs to be made before selecting a particular species.
- E. Environmental Tolerances -- This column is used to select species that are tolerant of specific environmental factors, both natural and man-made. Nine factors are considered, as follows:
 - 1. Restricted Root Zone -Plants indicated as (RZ) are recommended for areas which are relatively limited in soil volume and surrounded by impervious barriers typical of parking lot islands and planting strips provided between parking bays and between sidewalks and curbs. A larger planting space will result in a more healthy and vigorous tree.
 - 2. Poor Soil-Plants indicated as (SL) are recommended for soil conditions which are poor. These trees are noted for their tolerance to a wide range of soils found in an urban environment. Most trees, however, do not tolerate poor soils. Better soils will result in a more healthy and vigorous tree. Subsoils used to provide a stable base for sidewalks, parking lots, buildings, etc. and general grading purposes are often found to be inadequate for plant growth. Soil amendments are generally needed.
 - **3.** Partial Shade-Plants indicated as (PS) are recommended for areas receiving partial amounts of direct sunlight such as on the eastern or western boundary of a structure.
 - 4. Shade -- Trees indicated as (SH) are recommended for a shaded environment.
 - **5.** Air Pollution -- Plants indicated as (AP) are recommended for areas subject to exhaust emissions, as found along a highway or in a parking lot with excessive stop and go traffic. Deciduous trees are more tolerant of air pollution than evergreen trees.
 - **6.** Deicing Salts -Plants indicated as (IS) are recommended for areas near streets and parking lots where deicing salts containing sodium chloride and/or calcium chloride are used.

- **7.** Wet Soil-Plants indicated as (WS) are recommended for areas near waterways, ponds, lakes, and storm water management facilities.
- **8.** Drought Plants indicated as (DR) are recommended for hot, dry conditions, such as along streets, near or in parking lots, and near buildings.
- F. Associated Problems -- This column is used to identify general problems associated with specific tree species. Five problem codes are provided: disease, insect damage, storm and structural damage, due to weak wood, production of objectionable fruit, and production of objectionable root systems.
 - 1. Disease -- Trees indicated as (D) are susceptible to severe stress, disfigurement, or death brought about by disease-causing agents which produce symptoms not curable or controllable by known or practical methods. Some of these species are susceptible to one or more pathogens.
 - 2. Insect Damage -- Trees indicated as (I) are susceptible to damage by insects. Considerable damage, such as defoliation and sometimes death, can result. Pests causing such damage cannot be effectively controlled without considerable maintenance with pesticides.
 - **3.** Storm and Structural Damage Due to Weak Wood --Trees indicated as (W) are susceptible to structural failure, such as branches breaking and falling or major portions of the maintrunk snapping off during storms. These species should not be planted near buildings.
 - **4.** Objectionable Fruit: -- Trees indicated as (F) produce fruit that is capable of causing damage when falling, is slick or stickyon roads and walkways, attracts pests, produces disagreeable odors, and/or produces prolific seedlings.
 - **5.** Objectionable Root Systems: -- Trees indicated as (R) produce shallow or surface-oriented root systems that may heave sidewalks and asphalt surfaces, clog sewer and drainage pipes, or damage foundations, if planted too close tobuildings.
 - **6.** Transplanting Difficulty: -- Trees indicated as (T) produce deep root systems which are difficult to retain in transplanting.

Table PG-3 provides a listing of the codes found in the plant selection guide.

Table PG-1				
Minimum Spacing Requirements for Landscaping *				
Plant Category Minimum Spacing Between Trees of the Same Category				
Compact Deciduous	10 ft			
Small Deciduous	10 ft			
Medium Deciduous	20 ft			
Large Deciduous	30 ft.			
Compact Evergreen	10 ft.			
Small Evergreen	10 ft.			
Medium Evergreen	15 ft			
Large Evergreen	20 ft			
* Minor variation in spacing may be allowed with approval				

^{*} Minor variation in spacing may be allowed with approval of the Director of Public Works, or designee.

TABLE PG-2
Minimum Planting Area

Tree Category	Minimum Width	Minimum Planting surface area
Large deciduous or evergreen tree	8 ft	150 sf
Medium deciduous or evergreen tree	8 ft	150 sf
Small deciduous or evergreen tree	6 ft	60 sf
Compact deciduous or evergreen tree	6ft	40 sf
<u>Shrub</u>	4ft	20 sf

TABLE PG-3 PLANT SELECTION GUIDE CODES				
Uses	Codes			
Interior parking lot planting trees	р			
Complimentary Interior Parking Lot Planting	СР			
Native	N			
Street Tree Categories Large Street Tree Medium Street Tree Small Street Tree	LS MS ss			
Areas near overhead utilities	U			
Rain Gardens	RG			
Environmental Tolerances				
Restricted root zone	RZ			
Poor soils	SL			
Partial shade	PS			
Shade	SH			
Air pollution	АР			
Deicing salts	IS			
Wet soils	ws			
Drought	DR			
Associated Problems				
Disease	D			
Insect damage	I			
Weak wood	W			
Objectionable fruit	F			
Objectionable root systems	R			
Transplanting Difficulty	Т			
Non-native Invasive	NI			

TABLE PG -T TREE SELECTION AND C	COVER GUIDE						
BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	PROJECTED 10 - YR TREE COVER IN ft ² BY CALIPER OR HEIGHT AT PLANTING 1" 2" 3"				USE	ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	ASSOCIATED PROBLEMS
COMPACT							
DECIDUOUS TREES							
Acer palmatum Japanese Maple		40	50	75	U,RG	SH,PS	
Comus kousa Kousa Dogwood		40	50	75	SS, U, CP,RG	PS	
Comusmas Corneliancherry Dogwood		40	50	75	U,RG	PS	
Cotinus obovatus American Smoketree		40	50	75	N,RG		
Ilex vomitoria Yaupon Holly		40	50	75	N,RG	PS, DR, WS	
Lagerstromia indica Crape Myrtle		40	50	75	RG,CP, SS, U	SL	
Magnolia stellata Star Magnolia		40	50	75	U,RG	AP	
Malus spp. Crabapples		40	50	75	u	AP,DR	F,D,I
Ostrya virginiana Hophornbeam		40	50	75	N,MS, RG		Т
Oxydendrum arboreum Sourwood		40	50	75	N,RG	PS	Т
Prunus cerasifera Flowering Plum		40	50	75	RG,U	AP	D, I
Sorbus alnifolia Korean Mountainash		40	50	75		AP,WS	
Stewartia koreana Korean Stewartia		40	50	75	u		
Stewartia ovata Mountain Stewartia		40	50	75	RG,U		
Stewartia pseudocamellia Japanese Stewartia		40	50	75	RG,U		
Styrax japonicus Japanese Snowbell		40	50	75	RG,U		
Syringa reticulata Japanese Tree Lilac		40	50	75	RG,U	PS	

	PROJ	ECTED	10 - YR	TREE		۱۲ ۱۲	
BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	COVER	IN ft ²	BY CALI	PER OR	USE	ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	ASSOCIATED PROBLEMS
COMMON NAME		1"	2"	3"		ENVIRG	ASSC
SMALL							
DECIDUOUS TREES							
Acer griseum		75	100	125	CC CD DC	DC	
Paperbark Maple					SS,CP,RG	PS	
Acer buergeranum Trident Maple		75	100	125	SS,CP		
Acer ginnala Amur Maple		75	100	125	RG,SS,U,CP	PS	
Amelanchier arborea Downey Serviceberry		75	100	125	N,U,RG	PS, WS,SH	I
Amelanchier laevis Allegheny Serviceberry		75	100	125	N	PS	
Asimina triloba Paw Paw		75	100	125	RG,N	WS	Т
Carpinus caroliniana American Hornbeam		75	100	125	N,RG	WS,PS, SH	T,D
Cercis canadensis Redbud		75	100	125	N,U,RG	SL,DR, SH,PS	D
Chionanthus virginicus Fringetree		75	100	125	RG,N,U	PS	
Cornus alternifolia Pagoda Dogwood		75	100	125	N		T,D
Cornus florida Flowering Dogwood		75	100	125	N,U,RG	PS,SH	D,I
Crataegus crus-gali 'inermis' Thornless Cockspur Hawthorn		75	100	125	SS,CP		
Crataegus phaenopyrum Washington Hawthorn		75	100	125	N,U	SL, DR	D
Crataegus viridus 'Winter King' 'Winter King' Hawthorn		75	100	125	CP,SS,RG	DR	
Cyrilla racemiflora Swamp Cyrilla		75	100	125	N		
Euonymus atropurpureus Eastern Wahoo		75	100	125	N,RG		
Franklin alatamaha Franklinia		75	100	125	N,RG	PS	Т

TABLE PG -T TREE SELECTION AND	COVER G	UIDE c	ont.				
BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	COVER	R IN ft ²	10 - YR BY CALI T PLANT	PER OR	USE	ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	ASSOCIATED PROBLEMS
COMMON NAME		1"	2"	3"		ENVIRO	ASSC
SMALL DECIDUOUS TREES cont.							
Halesia carolina (H. tetraptera) Carolina Silverbell		75	100	125	N,RG	PS,SH	
Halesia diptera Two-winged Silverbell		75	100	125	N		
Lagerstroemia fauriei Japanese Crape Myrtle		75	100	125	SS		
Magnolia soulangiana Saucer Magnolia		75	100	125	RG,MS	AP	
Parrotia persica Persian Parrotia		75	100	125	SS,CP		
Prunus <u>x</u> incam 'Okame' Okame Cherry		75	100	125	U,CP		D,I
Prunus sargentii Sargent Cherry		75	100	125	CP,MS		
Prunus virginiana Choke Cherry		75	100	125	N		D,I
Quercus marilandica Blackjack Oak		75	100	125	N		Т
Quercus myrsinifolia Chinese Evergreen Oak		75	100	125	CP,SS		
Rhamnus caroliniana Carolina Buckthorn		75	100	125	N		
Sassafras albidum Sassafras		75	100	125	N,RG	S,PS,W	Т
MEDIUM DECIDUOUS TREES							
Acer campestre Hedge Maple		125	150	175	RG,MS,U, CP	AP,DR	
Aesculus flava Yellow Horsechestnut		125	150	175	N,MS		
Aesculus hippocastanum Horsechestnut		125	150	175	RZ,SL,IS	D,I	

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COMMON NAME		1"	2"	3"		ENVIRO	ASSC
MEDIUM DECIDUOUS TREES cont.							
Betula lenta Black Birch		125	150	175	N,RG	WS	
Betula nigra River Birch		125	150	175	M,CP,MS ,RG	WS	
Carpinus betulus European Hornbeam		125	150	175	MS,CP,S	SL,AP,PS	
Carya cordiformis Bitternut Hickory		125	150	175	N		Т
Carya glabra Pignut Hickory		125	150	175	N		Т
Carya laciniosa Shellbark Hickory		125	150	175	N		Т
Caryaovata Shagbark Hickory		125	150	175	N		Т
Carya tomentosa Mockernut Hickory		125	150	175	N		Т
Castanea mollissima Chinese Chestnut		125	150	175			F,d
Celtis occidentalis Hackberry		125	150	175	N,MS,P, RG	WS,DR	
Cercidiphyllum japonicum Katsura Tree		125	150	175	MS,RG	PS	Т
Cladrastis kentuckea Yellowwood		125	150	175	N,P,MS,RG		W
Corylus columa Turkish Filbert		125	150	175	P,MS		
Diospyros virginiana Persimmon		125	150	175	N,RG	DR,PS	F,T
Ginkgo biloba (MALE ONLY) Ginkgo, Maidenhair Tree		125	150	175	P,LS	RZ,AP,DR	Т
Gymnocladus diocus Kentucky Coffeetree		125	150	175	р	SL,WS,DR, IS	

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COMMON NAME		1"	2"	3"			
MEDIUM DECIDUOUS TREES cont.							
Juglans cinerea Butternut		125	150	175	N		Т
Koelreuteria paniculata Goldenrain Tree		125	150	175	RG,MS	SL,DR,AP	W
Liquidambar styraciflua Sweetgum		125	150	175	N,MS,RG	S,WS,SH	F
Magnolia macrophylla Bigleaf Magnolia		125	150	175	N		Т
Metasequoia glyptostroboides Dawn Redwood		125	150	175	CP,LS,RG	AP,WS	
Nyssa sylvatica Black Gum, Tupelo		125	150	175	N,MS,P, RG	PS,WS	Т
Pistacia chinensis Chinese Pistache		125	150	175	MS,P		
Prunus serrulata 'Kwanzan" Kwanzan Cherry		125	150	175	U,MS	АР	W,D,I
Prunus subhirtella 'Pendula' Weeping Japanese Cherry		125	150	175			D,I
Prunus x yedoensis Yoshino Cherry		125	150	175	RG,CP		D,I
Quercus acutissima Sawtooth Oak		125	150	175	P,MS		
Quercus hemisphaerica Laurel Oak		125	150	175	N,MS	WS	Т
Quercus lyrata Overcup Oak		125	150	175	N,MS		Т
Quercus muehlenbergii Chinkapin Oak		125	150	175	N,LS,RG		Т
Quercus nigra Water Oak		125	150	175	N,RG	SH,WS	T,W
Quercus robur English Oak 'Fastigiata'		125	150	175	P,MS	SL	

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COMMON NAME		1"	2"	3"			ASSC PRO
MEDIUM DECIDUOUS TREES cont.							
Quercus stellata Post Oak		125	150	175	N,RG,LS	Т	
Robinia pseudoacacia Black Locust		125	150	175	N	SL,DR	D,I
Salix nigra Black Willow		125	150	175	N,RG	WS	D,I
Sophora japonica Japanese Pagoda Tree		125	150	175	P,LS	AP,DR	F,D
Taxodium ascendens Pondcypress		125	150	175	N,P		
Taxodium distichum Bald Cypress		125	150	175	N,LS,RG	WS,PS	R
Tilia americana American Linden		125	150	175	N,RG	WS	
Tilia cordata Littleleaf Linden		125	150	175	P,LS		I
Tilia tomentosa Silver Linden		125	150	175	P,LS		I
Ulmus parvifolia Lacebark Elm		125	150	175	P,MS,RG	SL	I,R,W
LARGE DECIDUOUS TREES							
Acer pseudoplatanus Sycamore Maple		150	200	250	P,LS	PS,IS	I
Acer rubrum Red Maple		150	200	250	N,P,LS,RG	PS,IS,WS	R,W
Acer saccharum Sugar Maple		150	200	250	LS	PS	
Carya illinoinensis Pecan		150	200	250		WS	T,D,I
Celtis laevigata Sugar Hackberry		150	200	250	N,LS	WS	

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COMMON NAME		1"	2"	3"	USE	ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	ASSOCIATED PROBLEMS
ARGE DECIDUOUS TREES cont.							
Eucommia ulmoides Hardy Rubbertree		125	150	175	Р		
Fagus grandifolia American Beech		125	150	175	N	PS	T,R
Fagus sylvatica European Beech		125	150	175		PS	R
Gleditia triacanthos inermis Thornless Honeylocust		125	150	175	N,P,RG, MS	RZ,SL,IS, WS	D,I,W
Juglans nigra Black Walnut		125	150	175	N	WS	F,T
Liriodendron tulipfera Tulip Poplar		125	150	175	N,RG	AP,WS	W
Madura pomifera Osage-Orange		125	150	175		DR,WS,AP	F,R
Magnolia acuminata Cucumber Tree		125	150	175	RG	WS	Т
Phellodendron amurense Amur Corktree		125	150	175		Р	AP
Platanus x. acerfolia London Planetree		125	150	175	P,LS	AP	R
Platanus occidentalis Sycamore		125	150	175	N,RG	WS	R,D,I
Quercus alba White Oak		125	150	175	N	IS	Т
Quercus bicolor Swamp White Oak		125	150	175	N,P,LS,RG	SL,IS,WS, DR	Т
Quercus coccinea Scarlet Oak		125	150	175	N,LSLRG	SL,DR	
Quercus falcata Southern Red Oak		125	150	175	N,PMRG	RD,IS	Т
Quercus falcata var. pagodifolia Cherrybark Oak		125	150	175	N,RG		Т

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BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	COVER	R IN ft ²	10 - YR BY CALII PLANT	PER OR	USE	ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	ASSOCIATED PROBLEMS
COMMON NAME		1"	2"	3"		ENVIRO	
LARGE DECIDUOUS TREES cont.							
Quercus imbricaria Shingle Oak		125	150	175	N,RG,LS	DR	Т
Quercus michauxii Swamp Chestnut Oak		125	150	175	N,P,LS,RG		
Quercus palustris Pin Oak		125	150	175	N,P,S,RG	WS,DR	
Quercus phellos Willow Oak		125	150	175	N,P,S,RG	WS,DR	Т
Quercus prinus Chestnut Oak		125	150	175	N	DR,SL	Т
Quercus rubra Northern Red Oak		125	150	175	RG,N,P,L, S	SL,DR,IS	
Quercus velutina Black Oak		125	150	175	N		Т
Salix babylonica Weeping Willow		125	150	175	RG	WS	W,D,I
Salix matsudana 'Tortuosa' Corkscrew Willow		125	150	175		WS	W,D,I
Ulmus Americana: 'Princeton', 'Valley Forge', 'New Harmony' American Elm		125	150	175	N,LS,P	WS	I
Ulmus hollandica 'Groenceldt' Groenveldt Elm		125	150	175	LS	DR	1
Zelkova serrata Japanese Zelkova		125	150	175	P,LS,RG	AP,DR	

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BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	COVER	JECTED R IN ft ² IGHT A1	BY CALI	IPER OR	USE	ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	ASSOCIATED PROBLEMS
COMMON NAME		6-7'	7-8'	8-10'"			
COMPACT EVERGREEN TREES							
Abies fraseri Frasier Fir		75	100	125	N	PS	
Chamaecyparis lawsoniana Lawson False Cypress		40	50	75		PS	
Chamaecyparis obtusa Hinoki False Cypress		40	50	75	RG		
Chamaecyparis pisifera 'Plumosa' Plume Sawara False Cypress		40	50	75			
Chamaecyparis thyoides Atlantic White Cedar		40	50	75	N,RG	WS	
Ilex aquifolia English Holly		40	50	75	U	PS,SH	Т
llex x attenuata 'Fosteri' Foster's Holly		40	50	75	RG,U	PS,SH	
llex vomitoria Yaupon		40	50	75	N	WS	
Juniperus chinensis Chinese Juniper (Columnar varieties)		40	50	75	U,CP	DR	I
Juniperus scopulorum Rocky Mountain Juniper		40	50	75		DR	I
Calocedrus decurrens Incense Cedar		40	50	75		WS	
Taxus baccata 'Fastigata' Upright Irish Yew		40	50	75			D
Taxus cuspidata 'Capitata' Pyramidal Japanese Yew		40	50	75			
Thuja occidentalis American Arborvitae		40	50	75	N,CP,RG	PS	I
Thuja orientalis Columnar Oriental Arborvitae		40	50	75	СР	PS,SH	I

BOTANICAL NAME	COVER	IN ft ²	10 - YR BY CALI PLANT	PER OR	USE	ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	ASSOCIATED PROBLEMS
COMMON NAME		6-7'	7-8'	8-10'"		ENVIRO	ASSO
SMALL EVERGREEN TREES							
Cryptomeria japonica Japanese Cryptomeria		75	100	125	CP,RG	IS	
Cupressocyparis leylandi Leyland Cypress		75	100	125	U,RG,CP	IS	
Ilex opaca American Holly		75	100	125	N,RG,U	PS,SH,IS, WS	Т
Juniperus virginiana Eastern Red Cedar		75	100	125	N,CP,RG	DR,AP	
Osmanthus americana Devilwood		75	100	125	N,RG	PS,WS	
Picea glauca White Spruce		75	100	125		DR	I
Picea omorika Serbian Spruce		75	100	125	RG,CP		1
Picea pugens Colorado Blue Spruce		75	100	125			D,I
Pseudotsuga menziesii Douglas Fir		75	100	125	RG		I
Tsuga caroliniana Carolina Hemlock		75	100	125	N	PS,SH	I
MEDIUM EVERGREEN TREES							
Cedrus atlantica Atlas Cedar		125	150	175	RG		Т
Cedrus deodora Deodar Cedar		125	150	175	RG		Т
Cunnunghamia lanceolata China Fur		125	150	175			
Picea abies Norway Spruce		125	150	175		PS	
Pinus bungeana Lace-Bark Pine		125	150	175			

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BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	COVER		BY CALI	PER OR	USE	ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	ASSOCIATED PROBLEMS
COMMON NAME		6-7' 7-8' 8-10'"		_	ENVIRC	ASSC	
MEDIUM EVERGREEN TREES cont.							
Pinus echinata Shortleaf Pine		125	150	175	N,RG	PS	Т
Pinus virginiana Virginia Pine		125	150	175	N,CP	DR	
Tsuga canadensis Canadian Hemlock		125	150	175	N	PS,SH	I
LARGE EVERGREEN TREES							
Magnolia grandiflora Southern Magnolia		150	200	250	RG	PS,WS	W
Pinus rigida Pitch Pine		150	200	250	N,CP	DR	
Pinus sylvestris Scotch Pine		150	200	250			D
Pinus taeda Loblolly Pine		150	200	250	N,CP,RG		

TABLE PG -S SHRUB SELECTION A	ND COVER	GUIDE	cont.		
BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	MATU	JRE SIZE	ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	ASSOCIATED PROBLEMS	NOTES
	Height	Width			
DECIDUOUS SHRUBS					
Aesculus parviflora Bottlebrush Buckeye	8-12'		RG,PS		N; Full sun; moist, well drained soils
Alnus serrulate	12-20'		WS		RG; large suckering shrub;
Tag Alder					birds, waterfowl, small
Amelanchier canadensis Shadblow Serviceberry	6-20'		RG, WS		N; full sun
Aronia arbutifolia	6'-10'	3'-5'	RG, PS,	D,I	N; suckers to form colony
Red Chokeberry	-11	1	SL,		
Aronia melanocarpa Black Chokeberry	3'-10'		RG,PS, WS	D,I	N; Forms large colonies
Aucuba japonica 'Variegata' Gold-Dust Plant	6'-10'	5'-8'	SH		Requires male for berries
Buxus microphylla Boxwood	3'-4'	3'-4'	PS	D, I	
Callicarpa americana American Beautyberry	3-8'		PS,RG		N
Calycanthus floridus Sweetbush / Carolina Allspice	6'-9'	6'-12'	RG,PS		N
•	10'-15'	6'-10'	PS	D, I	
Camellia japonica Japanese Camellia	10-13	0-10	F3	D, 1	
Caryopteris x clandonensis Blue-Mist Shrub	3'-4'	3'-4'	PS		Almost herbaceous, cut back in winter
Ceanothus americanus	3'-4'	3'-5'	PS, SH	Т	N
New Jersey Tea					
Cephalanthus occidentalis	3'-6'	5'-10'	RG,PS,		N
Buttonbush	-1	41.61	WS		
Clethra alnifolia	4'-8'	4'-6'	RG,PS, WS	I	N
Summersweet Cornus amomum	6'-10'	6'-10'	RG,PS,	ı	N
Cornus amomum	0-10	0-10	WS	'	IV
Silky Dogwood Cornus sericea	7'-9'	6'-10'	RG,WS	D, I	N; Forms large colonies
Redosier Dogwood					

TABLE PG -S SHRUB SELECTION AND COVER GUIDE cont.							
BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	MATURE SIZE		ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	ASSOCIATED PROBLEMS	NOTES		
	Height	Width					
DECIDUOUS SHRUBS Cont.							
Cotinus coggygria Smokebush	10'-15'	10'-15'	DR	D			
Cory/us americana American Filbert	8"-10"	5"-7"	PS				
Deutzia gracilis Deutzia	2'-4'	3'-4'		D, I			
Euonymus americanus	4'-6'		SH	D, I	N; Suckers to form colony		
American Strawberry Bush							
Euonymus japonicus	10'-15'	5'-8'	PS, IS	D,I			
Japanese Euonymus	21.121	-1.01					
Fothergilla major Fothergillia	6'-10'	5'-8'			Suckers to form colony		
Gaylussacia spp. Huckleberries	6"-18"		PS		Spreads indefinitely		
Hamamelis virginiana Virginia Witchhazel	15'-20'	15'-20'	PS,RG		N; Don't use near birch trees		
Hibiscus syriacus Rose of Sharon	8'-12'	6'-10'	RG,PS	D, I			
Hydrangea macrophylla Bigleaf Hydrangea	3'-6'	3'-6'	PS	D, I			
Hydrangea quercifolia Oakleaf Hydrangea	4'-6'	4'-6'	RG,PS		N		
Hypericum calycinum St. John's Wort	1-11h'	1 <i>Y2</i> - 2'	RG,PS		Ground cover		
Hypericum prolificum	1'-4'	1'-4'	RG,PS	D	N		
Shrubby St. John's Wort							
Illicium parvifolium Anise	8-10'		RG,PS				
IlexDecidua Possumhaw	9-18"		RG,WS, PS				
Ilex laevigata Smooth Winterberry	6"-10"	6"-10"	PS,WS	D			

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BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME		MATURE SIZE		ASSOCIATED PROBLEMS	NOTES	
	Height	Width				
DECIDUOUS SHRUBS Cont.						
llex verticillata Winterberry Holly	6"-10"	6"- 10"	PS,WS	D	N; Bird Food	
Itea virginica Virginia Sweetspire	3'-5'	6'-10'	RG,PS, SH, SW,DR		N; Summer Flowering, Fragrant	
Kerria japonica Japanese Kerria	3'-6'	6'-9'	SH	D	Suckers to form colony	
Lindera benzoin Spicebush	6'-12'	6'-12'	RG, PS	R, T	N	
Leucothoe fontanesia Drooping Leucothoe	3'-6 '	3' -6'	PS,SH	D	Sensitive to site, drought intolerant	
Leucothoe racemosa Fetterbush	4-6'		RG,PS		N; moist, acid soils	
Morella pensylvanica Northern Bayberry	6'-9'	6'-9'	PS		N; Suckers to form colony, Bird Food	
Osmanthus heterophyllus Falseholly or Tea-Olive	8'-10'	6'-9'	PS			
Rhododendron arborescens Sweet Azalea	8'-20'	8'-20'	PS		N	
Rhododendron viscosum Swamp Azalea	1'-8'	3'-8'	RG, SH,WS		N	
Rhus typhina Staghorn Sumac	15'-25'	l 5'-25'	DR	D, I	N; Suckers profusely	
Rosa palustris Swamp Rose	3-6'		RG,PS		N; full sun, moist, acidic soils	
Sambucus canadensis American Elder	5'-12'	5'-12'	RG,WS	D, I	N; Suckers to form colony	
Spiraea japonica Japanese Spirea	4'-5'	4'-5'	PS			
Spiraea prunifolia Bridalwreath Spirea	4'-9'	6'-8'	PS			
Spiraea tomentosa Steeple Bush	2'-4'		RG,WS		Suckers to form colony	

TABLE PG -S TREE SELECTION AND COVER GUIDE cont.						
BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	MATURE SIZ		ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	ASSOCIATED PROBLEMS	NOTES	
	Height	Width				
DECIDUOUS SHRUBS Cont.						
Spiraea x vanhouttei	6'-8'	10'-12'	PS			
Vanhoutte Spirea						
Vaccinium corymbosum	6'-12'	8'-12'	RG, WS,PS	D, I	N; Food Source	
Highbush Blueberry						
Viburnum opulus	8'-12'	10'-15'	RG,PS, WS	I		
European Cranberry						
Viburnum acerifolium	4:-6:	3'-4'	PS, SH, DR		N; Best in Naturalized Settings	
MapleleafViburnum						
Viburnum carlesii	10'	6'-8'	PS		Fragrant	
Koreanspice Viburnum						
Viburnum cassinoides	5'-10'	5'-6'	RG		N; Excellent Fruit,	
Witherod Viburnum						
Viburnum dentatum	15'	6'-8'	RG, S,PS		Naturalizing, Massing	
Arrowwood Viburnum		0 0	1.0, 5,1 5		N; Good in hedges, borders,	
Viburnum lentago Nannyberry Viburnum	15'-25'	8'-10'	RG,PS, SH	D	naturalizing N; Naturalizing, Wildlife	
Viburnum plicatum var.	8'-10'	9'-12'			Intolerant of heavy clay &	
tomentosum					poor drainage	
Doublefile Viburnum						
Viburnum prunifolium	12'-15'	8'-12'	PS		N	
Blackhaw Viburnum						
EVERGREEN SHRUBS						
Aucuba japonica 'Variegata'	6'-10'	5'-8'	SH	D	Requires male for berries	
Gold-Dust Plant						
Buxus microphylla 'Green Beauty'	3'-4'	3'-4'	PS	D, I		
Green Beauty Boxwood						
Camellia japonica	10'-15'	DC	<u> </u>			
Japanese Camellia		PS	D,I			
Cephalotaxus harringtonia	5'-10'	5'-10'	PS,DR			
'Prostrata'						
Prostrate Japanese Plum Yew						

TABLE PG -S SHRUB SELECTION A	AND COVER	GUIDE	cont.		
BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	MATU	MATURE SIZE		ASSOCIATED PROBLEMS	NOTES
	Height	Width			
EVERGREEN SHRUBS Cont.					
Euonymus kiautschovicus 'Manhattan' Manhattan Euonymus	4'-6'	4'-6'	PS	D,I	
llex aquipernyi 'Meschick' Dragon Lady Holly	12'-15'	6'-W	PS		
Ilex cornuta 'Burfordii' Burford Holly	10'-20'	10'-12'	PS,DR	I	
llex crenata Japanese Holly	5'-10'	5'-10'	PS	D,I	
llex glabra Inkberry Holly	6'-8'	8'-10'	RG,PS, WS		Evergreen
llex x 'Nelly R. Stevens' Nelly Stevens Holly	15'-25'	8'-10'	PS		
Kalmia angustifolia Sheep Laurel	l'-3'	2'-3'	PS		Poisonous foliage
Kalmia latifolia Mountain Laurel	7'-15'	7'-15'	PS	D, I	N
Mahonia aquifolium Oregon Grapeholly	3'-6'	3'-5'	SH	D,I	Suckers to form colony
Cephalotaxus harringtonia 'Prostrata' Prostrate Japanese Plum Yew	5'-10'	5'-10'	PS, DR		
Osmanthus americana Devilwood	15'-25'		RG, PS,WS,DR		N
Osmanthus heterophyllus Falseholly or Tea-Olive	8'-10'	6'-8'	PS		
Pieris japonica Japanese Pieris	9'-12'	6'-8'	PS	D,I	
Rhododendron catawbiense Catawba Rhododendron	6'-10'	5'-8'	PS		N; Do not plant in full sun

TABLE PG -S SHRUB SELECTION AND COVER GUIDE cont.						
BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	MATURE SIZE		ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	ASSOCIATED PROBLEMS	NOTES	
	Height	Width				
EVERGREEN SHRUBS Cont.						
Rhododendron maximum Rosebay Rhododendron	4'-15'	4'-15'	SH		N	
Rhododendron spp. Azalea	4'-9'	3'-8'	PS	D, I		
Skimma japonica Japanese Skimma	3'-4'	3'-4'	SH	I		
Taxus x media Yew	3'-20'	3'-8'	SH	D, I		
Viburnum rhytidophyllum Leatherleaf Viburnum	10'-15'	10'-15'	SH			

TABLE PG -P PERENNIAL SELECTION	TABLE PG -P PERENNIAL SELECTION AND COVER GUIDE					
BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	MATURE HEIGHT	ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	USES	NOTES		
Acanthus spinosus Acanthus/Bear's Breeches	l '-2'			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions		
Achillea filipendula Yarrow	2'-3'	DR,SL		Full sun, butterfly, beneficial bugs, fragrant		
Achillea millefolium Yarrow	2'-3'	DR,SL		Full sun, butterfly, beneficial bugs, fragrant		
Aegopodium podagraria 'Variegatum' Bishopsweed	ľ	PS, SH		Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficial insects, ground cover		
Agapanthus Nile Lily	2'-3'			Full sun, butterfly, hummingbirds		
Ajania pacifica Chrysanthemum	1'-2'			Full sun, butterfly, beneficial bugs, ground cover		
Ajuga reptans Bugleweed	3-6"	PS,SH,WS	RG	Ground cover; tolerates a variety of soils; full sun		
Allium spp. Ornamental Onion	1'-2'			Tolerant of most landscape conditions		
Amsonia hubrectii Willow Blue Star	2'-3'	PS		Full sun, tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials		
Amsonia tabernaemontana Bluestar	2-3'	WS, DR,PS	RG	Full sun; ground cover; butterfly, beneficials		
Anacyclus pyrethrum var. deprussus Anacyclus/Mt. Atlas Daisy	4-6"			Tolerant of most landscape conditions		
Anemone blanda Windflower	6-8"	PS	RG	Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials		
Anemone coronaria Israelian Anemone	1'	PS	RG	Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials		
Anemone x hybrida Japanese anemone	2'-3'	PS		Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials		
Anemone hupehensis Japanese anemone	2'-3'	PS		Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials		

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BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	MATURE HEIGHT	ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	USES	NOTES			
Anemone mutifida 'Rubra' Windflower	1'	PS	RG	Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials			
Anemone sylvestris Snowdrop anemone	1'-1'	PS	RG	Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials			
Anemone tomentosa 'Robustissima' Japanese anemone	2'-3'	PS	RG	Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials			
Anthemis tinctoria Anthemis/ Marguerite Daisy				Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions			
Aquilegia alpina Alpine columbine	12-30"	PS, SH		Tolerant of most landscape conditions; Hummingbirds			
Aquilegia caerulea Columbine	12-30"	PS, SH		Tolerant of most landscape conditions; Hummingbirds			
Aquilegia canadensis Red Columbine	1-2'	WS,PS	RG	N; tolerates variety of soils; full sun; song birds, pollinators, hummingbirds			
Aquilegia chrysantha Golden Columbine	12-30"	PS, SH		Tolerant of most landscape conditions; Hummingbirds			
Aquilegia flabellata Fan columbine	12-30"	PS, SH		Tolerant of most landscape conditions; Hummingbirds			
Aquilegia viridiflora Columbine	12-30"	PS, SH		Tolerant of most landscape conditions; Hummingbirds			
Aquilegia vulgaris Columbine	12-30"	PS,SH		Tolerant of most landscape conditions; Hummingbirds			
Arabis blepharophylla 'Red Sensation' Arabis/Rock Cress	6-10"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; beneficial bugs			
Arctostaphylos uva-ursi Kinnikinnick/Bearberry	4-6"	PS, SH		N; tolerant of most landscape conditions; groundcover			
Arenaria montana Arenaria/Sandwort	4-5"	PS		Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions			
Armeria maritima Armeria/Thrift	5-18"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions			

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BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	MATURE HEIGHT	ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	USES	NOTES	
Armeria pseudarmeria Armeria/Thrift	5-18"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions	
Artemisia lacinata 'Ghizhou' Artemisia/Wormwood	5'			Full sun	
Artemisia ludoviciana 'Valerie Finnis' Artemisia/Wormwood	15-18"			Full sun	
Artemisia 'Powis Castle' Artemisia/Wormwood	5-18"			Full sun	
Artemisia schmidtiana 'Si/vermound' Artemisia/Wormwood	5-18"			Full sun	
Aruncus aethusifolius Aruncus/Goatsbeard	8-12"			Prefers moist soil	
Aruncus diocus Aruncus/Goatsbeard	30-48"			Prefers moist soil	
Asarum canadense Wild Ginger				N; low ground cover; not full sun	
Asclepias incarnata Swamp Milkweed				N; full sun, fragrant; beneficial insects, pollinators	
Asclepias tuberosa Butterflyweed				Full sun; Butterfly, beneficials	
Aster amellus 'Violet Queen' Italian Aster				N; Full sun; Butterfly, beneficials	
Aster divaricatus Whitewood Aster				Full sun; Butterfly, beneficials	
Aster laterifolius 'Lady in Black'				Full sun; Butterfly, beneficials	
Calico Aster					
Aster linosyris Goldilocks Aster				Full sun; Butterfly, beneficials	
Aster nova-angliae cvs. New England Aster				Full sun; Butterfly, beneficials	
Aster oblongifolia October Skies				Full sun; Butterfly, beneficials	

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BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	MATURE HEIGHT	ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	USES	NOTES
Aster sp. 'Fanny'				Full sun; Butterfly, beneficials
Fanny's Aster				
Aster tataricus 'Jindai' Tatarian Daisy				Full sun; Butterfly, beneficials
Aster tongolensis 'Wartbergstern' East Indies Aster				Full sun; Butterfly, beneficials
Aster x dumosus cvs.				Full sun; Butterfly, beneficials
Hardy Aster				
Aster xfrikartii cvs.				Full sun; Butterfly, beneficials
Frikart's Aster				
Aurinia saxatilis				Butterfly, beneficials
Aurinia/Basket-of-Gold				
Baptisia australis				Full sun; tolerant of most landscape
Baptisia/False Indigo				conditions
Baptisia leucophaea				Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions
White False indigo				conditions
Baptisia pendula White Wild Indigo				Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions
Begonia grandis				
Hardy Begonia				
Belmcanda chinensis Blackberry Lily				Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials
Boltonia asteroides Boltonia	2'-3'			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions
Brunnera macrophylla Siberian Bugloss	1-1.5'	WS,PS	RG	Tolerates all but dry conditions; groundcover
Campanula glomerata				Full sun; tolerant of most landscape
Clustered Bellflower	24-30"	PS		conditions; butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds
Campanula latifolia Great Bellflower	4'-6'	PS		Full sun
Campanula persicifolia Peachleaf Bellflower	2'-3'	PS		Full sun

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BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	MATURE HEIGHT	ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	USES	NOTES	
Campanula punctata Spotted Bellflower	1 Vi-3'	PS		Full sun	
Cannaspp. Canna Lily	3'	WS	RG	Tolerates variety of soils, full sun	
Caryopteris x clandonensis Caryopteris	2'-3'			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions	
Caltha palustris Marsh Marigold	Vi'-2'	WS,PS	RG	Good for stream banks; full sun; hummingbirds & butterflies; poisonous	
Catanache caerulea Cupid's Dart	18-30"	DR		Full sun	
Centranthus ruber Red Valerian	24-36"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficial bugs	
Cerastium tomentosum Snow-in-Winter	6-8"	PS		Full sun; butterfly, beneficial bugs; quick spreading	
Ceratostigma plumbaginoides Plumbago	6-12"	PS,SH	RG	Full sun; well drained soil; ground cover	
Chelone lyonii Pink Turtlehead	2-3'	WS,PS	RG	Not full sun	
Chelone obliqua Red Turtlehead	2-3'	WS,PS	RG	N; full sun	
Chrysogonum virginianum Green and Gold	6-9"	WS,PS	RG	Ground Cover; N; full sun; tolerates a variety of soil conditions	
Coreopsis auriculata 'Nana' Tickseed	6-12"			Fullsun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials	
Coreopsis grandiflora cvs. Tickseed	18-24"			Full sun; long blooming	
Coreopsis lanceolata Lanceleaf Coreopsis	12-18"		RG	Full sun; long blooming	
Coreopsis rosea Lanceleaf Coreopsis	18-24"		RG	Full sun; long blooming	
Coreopsis verticillata Lanceleaf Coreopsis	18-24"		RG	N; full sun; long blooming	

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Delosperma cooperi Ice Plant	2-6"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions	
Delosperma floribumdum 'Starburst' Ice Plant	2-6"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions	
Delosperma nubigenum Ice Plant	2-6"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions	
Delphinium grandiflomm Larkspur	14-24"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials	
Dendranthema sp. Chrysanthemum	2'-3'			Full sun; late blooming	
Dianthus barbatus Sweet William	8-10"			Full sun; Butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds	
Dianthus alpinus Rockery Pinks	3-6"			Full sun; Butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds	
Dianthus deltoides Garden Pinks	8-12"			Full sun; Butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds	
Dianthus gratianopolitanus Cheddar Pinks	6-10"			Full sun; Butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds	
Dianthus plumaris Cottage Pinks	14-16"			Full sun; Butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds	
Dianthus x alwoodii Garden Pinks	12"			Full sun; Butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds	
Echinacea purpurea Echinacea/Coneflower	18-36"		RG	N; full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials	
Echinops bannaticus 'Blue Glow' Globe Thistle	18-36"			Full sun; butterfly; clumping	
Echinops ritro Globe Thistle	18-36"			Full sun; butterfly; clumping	
Erigeron sp. Fleabane	18-30"			Full sun	
Eryngeum planum 'Blaukappe' Eryngium/Sea Holly	24-30"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly	

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BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	MATURE HEIGHT	ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	USES	NOTES	
Eupatorium fistulosum Hollow-stem Joe Pye Weed	5-8'	PS	RG	N; full sun; butterfly; late season bloom	
Eupatorium maculatum Joe Pye Weed	5-6'	PS	RG	N; full sun; butterfly; late season bloom	
Eupatorium rugosum 'Chocolate' Chocolate leaf snakeroot	4-5'	PS	RG	Full sun; butterfly; late season bloom	
Euphorbia amygdaloides 'Purpurea' Wood Spurge	10-12"	PS	RG	Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials	
Euphorbia cyparissus 'Fen's Ruby' Cushion Spurge	6-10"	PS	RG	Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials	
Euphorbia dulcis 'Chameleon: Purple Spurge	12"	PS		Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials	
Euphorbia griffithii 'Fireglow' Griffith's Spurge	2'-3'	PS		Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials	
Euphorbia myrsinites Myrtle Euphorbia	6-9"	PS		Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials	
Euphorbia polychroma Cushion spurge	12-18"	PS		Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials	
Euphorbia robbiae Robb's Spurge	24"	PS		Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials	
Gaillardia aristata 'Tokajer' Blanket Flower	8-30"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials	
Gaillardia x grandiflora Blanket Flower	8-30"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials	
Gaura linheimeri Gaura	18-24"	PS		Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials	
Gazania linearis 'Colorado Gold' Gazania	8-12"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions	
Geranium 'Brookside' Cranesbill/Hardy Geranium	10-18"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds	

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BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	MATURE HEIGHT	ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	USES	NOTES	
Geranium macrorrhizum Cranesbill/Hardy Geranium	15"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds	
Geranium phaeum var. purpureum Cranesbill/Hardy Geranium	18-24"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds	
Geranium 'Philippe Vapelle' Cranesbill/Hardy Geranium	10-12"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds	
Geranium praetense Cranesbill/Hardy Geranium	2'-3'			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds	
Geranium sanguineum Bloody Cranesbill/Geranium	6-18"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds	
Geranium soboliferum 'Stanhoe' Cranesbill/Hardy Geranium	5-6"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds	
Geranium x cantabrigense 'Biokovo' Cranesbill/Hardy Geranium	8-12"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds	
Geranium x magnificum Cranesbill/Hardy Geranium	18-24"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds	
Geranium x oxonianum 'Claridge Druce' Cranesbill/Hardy Geranium	18"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds	
Goniolimon tataricum Goniolimon/German Statice	10-15"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds	
Gypsophila cerastoides Baby's Breath	2-3"			Full sun; well drained slightly alkaline soil	
Gypsophila paniculata Baby's Breath	18-24"			Full sun; well drained slightly alkaline soil	
Gypsophila repens Creeping Baby's Breath	4-8"			Full sun; well drained slightly alkaline soil	

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BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	MATURE HEIGHT	ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	USES	NOTES		
Goniolimon tataricum Goniolimon/German Statice	10-15"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds		
Helanthus maximiliani Perennial Sunflower Helenium autumnale	3-10"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials Full sun; tolerant of most landscape		
Common Sneezeweed Helianthemum cvs.	3'-4'			conditions Full sun; tolerant of most landscape		
Rock Rose Heliopsis helianthoides Heliopsis/False Sunflower	2'-3'			conditions; butterfly, beneficial bugs Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly		
Hemerocallis spp. Daylilies	1'	PSWS	RG	Tolerates variety of soils, full sun; see unacceptable species list.		
Hedychium spp. Gingers	4-6'	WS	RG	Tolerates variety of soils, full sun; bees, birds, butterflies		
Helianthus angustifolius Swamp Sunflower	6-8'	WS	RG	Full sun; bees, butterflies, birds		
Hibiscus coccineus Scarlet Rose Mallow	4-6'	WS	RG	N; full sun; nectar feeders and birds		
Hibiscus moscheutos Marsh Mallow	4-6'	WS	RG	N; full sun; nectar feeders and birds		
Iberis sempervirens Candytuft	6-12"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficial bugs		
<i>lris x</i> Louisiana Iris	2-3'	WS,PS, SH	RG	Hybrids of native sp; full sun; Tolerates variety of soils		
Pale Yellow Iris	2-3'	WS	RG	N; Tolerates variety of soils, full sun		
Iris versicolor Slender Blue Flag Iris	2-3'	WS	RG	N; Tolerates variety of soils except dry full sun;		
Iris virginica Virginia Iris	2-3'	WS	RG	N; Tolerates variety of soils except dry full sun		
Kalimeris pinnat fia 'Hortensis' Japanese Aster	2'-3'			Tolerant of most landscape conditions; long blooming		
Kalimeris yomena 'Aurea' Japanese Aster	2'-3'			Tolerant of most landscape conditions; long blooming		

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BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	MATURE HEIGHT	ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	USES	NOTES
Knautia macedonica Knautia	24"			Full sun; butterfly, beneficial bugs
Kniphofia uvaria Red Hot Poker	2'-3'			Full sun; hummingbird
Lamiastrum galeobdolon Yellow Archangel	12-18"	PS		Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions
Lavandula angustifolia Lavender	12-36"			Full sun; prefers alkaline soil; butterfly, beneficial bugs
Lavandula x intermedia Lavender	12-36"			Full sun; prefers alkaline soil; butterfly, beneficial bugs
Liatris spicata Liatris/Blazing Star	2-4'	RG,WS		N; tolerates variety of soils- not wet soils in winter, full sun
Liatris squarrosa Gayfeather/Blazing Star	12-36"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficial bugs
Liriope muscari Lilyturf	1-1.5'	WS,PS, SH	RG	Groundcover; tolerates variety of soils full sun, evergreen
Lirope spicata Liriope/Monkey Grass	12-16"		P.G	Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials;
Ligularia tussilaginea Leopard Plant	1-3'	WS,PS	RG	Tolerates variety of soils
Lithodora diffusa Lithodora	6-12"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions
Lobelia cardinalis Cardinal Flower	2-4'	PS, WS	RG	N; tolerates variety of soils, full sun; hummingbirds, butterflies
Lychnis chalcedonica Lychnis /Campion	24-36"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions
Mazus reptans Mazus	< Yi'	PS, WS	RG	Ground cover; full sun
Mertensia virginica Virginia Bluebells	1-2'	WS,PS, SH	RG	N; not full sun; prefers seeps & floodplains
Mimulus ringens Monkey Flower	1-3'	WS,PS	RG	Rich soil, full sun
Monarda didyma Beebalm	2-3'	WS,PS	RG	Full sun; bees, hummingbirds, butterflies

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12-24"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficial bugs
18-30"			Full sun; late blooming
8-12"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficial bugs
18-24"			N
6-12"	PS,SH		Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; ground cover Powdery mildew
15-36"			Fullsun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficial bugs
3-7"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; ground cover
15-24"	PS,WS	RG	Full sun; needs well drained soil; butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds
15-18"	PS,WS	RG	Full sun; needs well drained soil; butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds
30-36"	PS, WS	RG	Full sun; needs well drained soil; butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds
15-18"	PS,WS	RG	Full sun; needs well drained soil; butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds
15-18"	PS, WS	RG	Full sun; needs well drained soil; butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds
24-36"	PS, WS	RG	Full sun; needs well drained soil; butterfly, beneficials, hummingbirds
36"	DR		Full sun; butterfly,beneficial bugs, hummingbirds
24-36"	PS		Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions
24-36"	PS		Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions
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Phlomis tuberosa	4-5'	DR		Full sun; tolerant of most landscape
Jerusalem Sage Phlox maculata Wild Sweet William	2'-3'	WS		conditions N; full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; Powdery mildew
Phlox stolonifera Creeping Phlox	12-15"	PS,SH	RG	N; Full sun
Phlox subulata Moss Phlox	6-10"	DC	RG	N; Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials;
Phlox paniculata Garden Phlox	24-36"		RG	N; full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; Powdery mildew
Physotegia virginiana Obedient Plant	up to 4'	WS,PS	RG	N; tolerates variety of soils, full sun; pollinators, hummingbirds
Platycodon grandiflorus Balloon Flower	8"-24"			
Prune/la grandiflora 'Rubra' Prunella	8-12"	PS		Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; can be invasive
Pontederia cordata Pickerelweed	1-3'	WS,PS	RG	N; full sun; emergent
Primula spp. Primroses	4-6"	WS,PS	RG	Tolerates variety of soils; full sun
Pulmonaria spp. Lungwort	1-1.5'	WS,SH	RG	Tolerates dry sites
Rubus pentalobus (calycinoides) Creeping Bramble	6-12"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; ground cover
Rudbeckia fulgida Black-eyed Susan	20-24"			N; Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials
Rudbeckia hirta Blackeyed Susan	2-3'	WS	RG	N; Tolerates variety of soils, full sun; bees, butterflies, insects, birds
Rudbeckia lacinata 'Goldquelle' Cutleaf Coneflower	36"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials
Rudbeckia maxima Giant coneflower	6'			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials
Rudbeckia nitida 'Herbstonne' Autumn Sun Rudbeckia	4-5'			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials

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BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	MATURE HEIGHT	ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	USES	NOTES
Rudbeckia triloba Three lobed coneflower	2'-3'			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials
Salvia greggii Texas sage	30-36"	PS		Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials
Salvia koyame Japanese Yellow Sage	24-36"	PS		Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials
Salvia lyrata Sage	12-18"	PS		Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials
Salvia nemorosa Meadow Sage	18-24"	PS		Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials
Santolina virens Santolina	12-18"	PS		Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials
Santolina chamaecyparissus Lavender cotton	12-18"	PS		Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials
Saururus cernuus Lizard Tail	1.5-3'	RG, WS,PS		N; wet soils only; food for ducks
Scabiosa caucasica Pincushion Flower	18-24"			Full sun; prefers slightly alkaline soil; butterfly, beneficial bugs
Scabiosa columbaria Pincushion Flower	12-15"			Full sun; prefers slightly alkaline soil; butterfly, beneficial bugs
Sedum acre Sedum	6"-24"	DR		Full sun
Sedum album Biting stonecrop	2-4"	DR		Full sun
Sedum floriferum Trailing stonecrop	6-8"	DR		Full sun
Sedum 'John Creech' Stonecrop	6-8"	DR		Full sun
Sedum kamtschaticum Kamtschatka stonecrop	6-8"	DR		Full sun
Sedum rupestre Sedum	6-8"	DR		Full sun
Sedum sarmentosum Stonecrop	6-8"	DR		Full sun
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BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	MATURE HEIGHT	ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	USES	NOTES
Sedum sieboldii	6-8"	DR		Full sun
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Sedum spurium Stonecrop	6-8"	DR		Full sun
Sedum spectabile cvs. Stonecrop	18-24"	DR		Full sun
Silene schafta Silene/Campion	2-10"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions
Sisyrinchium angust(folium Blue-Eyed Grass	6-20"			N; full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions
Solidago flexicaulis Goldenrod	1-3'	RG,PS, WS		Tolerates variety of soils, full sun; Wildlife: butterflies
Solidago 'Golden Baby' Goldenrod	20"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficial bugs
Solidago 'Golden Fleece' Goldenrod	18"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficial bugs
Solidago 'Laurin' Goldenrod	1'			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficial bugs
Solidago ohiensis Goldenrod	2'			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficial bugs
Solidago rugosa 'Fireworks' Rough-stemmed Goldenrod	3'-4'			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficial bugs
Stachys byzantina Lamb's ear	12-18"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions
Stachys officinalis Wood betony	24"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions
Stokesia laevis Stokes' Aster	14-48"	DR		Full sun
Tanacetum coccineum Tanacetum/Painted Daisy	24-32"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials
Tiarella cordifolia Foamflower	Vz'-1'	WS,PS,	RG	N; ground cover; tolerates a variety of soil conditions
Tradescantia x andersonia Spiderwort	15-30"	PS,WS	RG	Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials

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Verbena canadensis 'Homestead Purple'	6-10"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, beneficials,
Verbena Verbena bonariensis Brazilian verbena	18-36"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; butterfly, hummingbirds
Veronica alpina 'Alba' Alpine Speedwell	10"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; ground cover
Veronica austriaca 'Crater Lake Blue' Speedwell	15"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions
Veronica gentianoides Gentian Speedwell	8-18"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; ground cover
Veronica 'Goodness Grows' Spike Speedwell	12"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; ground cover
Veronica longifolia 'Icicle' Spike Speedwell	18-24"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions
Veronica peduncularis Speedwell	3"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; ground cover
Veronica prostrata 'Rosea' Harebell Speedwell	6-8"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; ground cover
Veronica repens Creeping Speedwell	1-4"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; ground cover
Veronica spicata Spike Speedwell	8-10"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; ground cover
Veronica 'Sunny Border Blue' Speedwell	18-20"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions
Veronica 'Waterperry' Speedwell	4-6"			Full sun; tolerant of most landscape conditions; ground cover
Vernonia noveboracensis Ironweed	3-7'	WS	RG	N; tolerates variety of soils, full sun; bees, butterflies, beneficial insects

TABLE PG -G DECORATIVE GRASSES	SELECTI	ON GUIDE		
BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	MATURE HEIGHT	ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	USES	NOTES
Achnathemm calamagrostis Silver Spike Grass	2'-2.5'		Full sun	Needs well drained soil, Panicles June-Fall
Alopecurus pratensis Foxtail Grass	1'	RG,WS, PS		Full sun
Andropogon gerardii Big Bluestem	2'-6'	DR;PS	Full sun	Erosion control; May become invasive if not property managed
Andropogon glomeratus Bushy Beardgrass	2'-4'	WS	Full sun to light	Native; Upright, Retains fall color into winter
Andropogon virginicus Broomsedge	1'-3'	RG,DR, WS	Full sun	Native; Grows in tufts, reddish fall color; wildlife food/cover
Arrhenatherum elatius Tall Oats Grass	1'-2'	DR,PS	Full sun	Best in spring & fall, cut back in summer
Bouteloua gracilis Mosquito Grass	1.5-2'	DR	Full sun	Blooms mid-late summer; early fall
Calamagrostis x acutiflora Feather Reed Grass	3'-4'	RG,DR, SL,PS	Full sun	Won't self seed
Carex morrowii 'Aurea Variegata'	1'-1.5'	PS	Full sun	Acidic rich soil, Evergreen; Cluster grass
Deschampsia caespitosa Tufted Hair Grass	1.5-2'	PS	Full sun	Four seasons of interest; evergreen
Elymus hystrix Bottlebrush Grass	2'-5'	PS; SH		Native
Festuca amethystina Large Blue Fescue	1-1.5'	DR,PS	Full sun	Heat tolerant, narrow green foliage
Festuca mairei Atlas Fescue	3-3.5'	DR	Full sun	Heat tolerant once established, evergreen
Festuca ovina Blue Fescue	0.5-1'		Full sun	Well drained soil, silvery blue foliage
Helictotrichon sempervirens	1.5-2'	PS,SL	Full sun	Powder blue foliage, spiky
Imperata cylindrica Japanese Blood Grass	1-1.5'	PS		Well drained soil; red color during whole growing season
Koeleria macrantha Prairie June Grass	1'	SL	Full sun	Green flattened flower heads
Molinia litorialis Tall Purple Moor Grass	2'-3'	SL	Full sun	Summer flowers; variegated foliage

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BOTANICAL NAME COMMON NAME	MATURE HEIGHT	ENVIRONMENTAL TOLERANCES	USES	NOTES
Ophiopogon planiscarpus 'Ebkinzam' Black Mondo Grass	1'	PS	Full sun	Prefers rich soils, summer pink bloom color
Panicum virgatum 'Dallas Blue', 'Heavy Metal', 'Hanse Herms'	3'-6'	SL	Full sun	Native, Red/purple flowers
Pennisetum alopecuroides Chinese Fountain Grass	3'-4'		Full sun	Flowers August - October fertile soil; adequate moisture
Pennisetum japonicum	3'-4'	DR,SL	Full sun	Bottle brush type flowers; summer to fall
Pennisetum villosum Feather Top	1'-3'	PS	Full sun	Needs fertile soil, adequate moisture; spikes light green to
Phalaris arundinacea Ribbon Grass	2'-3'	DR,PS	Full sun	Moderate drought tolerance, interest whole growing season
Saccharum ravennae Ravannae Grass	.5-1.5'		Full sun	Blooms fall; bronze color in winter, well drained soils
Schizachyrium scoparium Little Bluestem	1.5-4'	SL	Full sun	Winter interest; wildlife cover
Sorghastrum nutans 'Sioux Blue'	3'-5'	SL	Full sun	Blooms August with good winter color
Spartina cynosuroides Big Cordgrass	To 8'	WS	Full sun	Wetland obligate; Saltwater tolerant
Spodiopogon sibericus	3'-4'	PS		Not drought tolerant, Red/burgundy fall color,
Themeda triandrajaponica		DR,SL,PS	Full sun	Summer flowers; maroon-colored flowers
Japanese Themeda	2'-3'			
Tripsacum dactyloides Eastern Gama Grass	To 8'	WS	Full sun	Requires careful site selection, cultivation, and management

TABLE PG-NA	A Plants Not Acceptable for G	eneral Use
SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	CODE
TREES		
Acer negundo	Boxelder	D,L,W,R
Acer platanoides	Norway Maple	R
Acer saccharinum	Silver Maple	D,I,W,R
Ailanthus altissima	Tree of Heaven	W,NI
Albizzia julibrissin	Mimosa	D,W,NI
Betula papyrifera	Paper Birch	D,I
Betula pendula	European White Birch	D,I,W
Betula populifolia	Gray Birch	D,I
Broussonetia papyrifera	Paper Mulberry	NI
Gingko biloba	Female Ginkgo	F
Gledistsia triacanthos	Thorny Honeylocust	I, Thorns
Maclura pomifera	Osage Orange	F, Thorns
Melia azedarach	Chinaberry tree	NI
Morusspp.	Mulberry	W,F,NI
Pauwlonia tomentosa	Empress Tree	W,F
Pinus strobus	White Pine	D,W
Populus deltoids	Eastern Cottonwood	W
Populus spp.	Poplar	D,W,R
Prunus serotina	Black Cherry	D,I
Pyrus calleryana	Callery Pear	W,NI
Quercus acutissima	Sawtooth Oak	NI
Salix spp.	Willows	W,R
Sorbus spp. (except S. alnifolia)	Mountain Ash	D,I
Triadica sebifera	Tallowtree, Popcorntree	NI
Ulmus pumila	Siberian Elm	W
SHRUBS		
Azalea - Japanese cultivars	Japanese Azalea	D,I
Berberis thunbergii	Japanese barberrry	NI
Elaeagnus angustifolia	Russian Olive	NI
Eleagnus umbellatus	Autumn Olive	NI
Euonymus alata	Burning Bush	NI
Ligustrum (all species)	Privet	NI

Lonicera maackii; L. x bella; L.		
xylosteum; L. fragrantissima; L.		NI
tatarica	Bush honeysuckles	
Nanadina domestica	Sacred bamboo; Nandina	NI
Pieris japonica	Andromeda	I
Pyracantha: coccinea	Scarlet Firethom	NI, I
Pyracantha angustifolia	Narrow-leaf Firethom	NI
Rosa multiflora	Multiflora Rose	NI
Rosa rugosa	Rugosa Rose	NI
Spiraea japonica	Japanese Spiraea	NI
GRASSES		
Bambusa, Phyllostachys and Pseudosasa sp	Bamboo	NI
Microstegium vimineum	Japanese Stiltgrass	NI
Miscanthus sinensis	Chinese Silver grass	NI
Phragmites australis	Comon Reed	NI
Phalaris arundinacea	Ribbon Grass	NI
Polygonum cuspidatum	Japanese Knotweed	NI
PERENNIALS		
Alliaria petiolata	Garlic Mustard	NI
Hemerocallis fulva	Common Daylily	NI
Iris pseudoacorus	Water Iris	NI
Lespedeza bicolor	Shrubby Lespedeza	NI
Lespedeza cuneata	Chinese Lespedeza	NI
Lythrum salicaria	Purple Loosestrife	NI
Rannunculus ficaria	Lesser Celadine	NI
Rubus phoenicolasius	Wineberry	NI
VINES		
Akebia quinata	Five-leaved Akebia	NI
Ampelopsis brevipedunculata	Porcelainberry	NI
Celastrus orbiculatus	Oriental Bittersweet	NI
Euonymus fortunei	Creeping Euonymus	NI
Hedera helix	English Ivy	NI
Pueraria montana	Kudzu	NI
Wisteria floribunda	Japanese Wisteria	NI
Wisteria sinensis	Chinese Wisteria	NI
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MINUTES OF THE STRASBURG PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2023 AT 7 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE STRASBURG TOWN HALL.

PLANNING COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Chairperson Poling, Commissioners Dean, Foster, Nicholson, Rhodes, Zeimet, and Vice Mayor McCoryn. Absent: Commissioners Dean and Zeimet.

STAFF PRESENT: Planning & Zoning Administrator Otis and Clerk Keller.

Chairperson Poling called the meeting to order and reviewed the agenda.

Approval of Agenda:

The agenda was approved unanimously with a motion by Vice Chair Dean and a second by Commissioner Foster.

Public Hearings:

1.) To receive public comment on a recommendation to the Town Council of a Zoning Text Amendment (ZTA2024-0001) requested by the Town Council for the revision of the Unified Development Ordinance Section 6.2 Regulations of a Specific Use, Short-term Rental and Bed and Breakfast Establishments.

Staff Report: P&Z Administrator Otis said to ensure we have enough time to get the ordinance the way we want, staff was instructed to go to public hearing for an amendment to a revision to the short term rental ordinance. If passed, this zoning text amendment would repeal the entire ordinance, but those that already have a permit would not be affected. Staff should then be directed to research how this use has impacted other jurisdictions and what language is in their ordinances. These findings will be provided to the Planning Commission and the Town Council and will be used to determine if and where the Short Term Rental use is appropriate within the town.

• Public Hearing: The Public Hearing opened at 7:02 p.m.

Tom Grant, Owner of the AirBnB at 112 East King Street: Stated he thought they were going to be looking at the residential zoning side of the ordinance and now he is hearing the entire ordinance will be repealed. He has not been able to find the wording. When there is a public hearing, there should be specific things that citizens should know to give their voice to. Because of things he has learned about in the last few meetings, he thought this would be just for those that are in the residential zoning and his is in the commercial district.

Being no other speakers, the Public Hearing closed at 7:05 p.m.

• Discussion/Recommendation:

Chairperson Poling asked if there would be any impact on establishments already approved and P&Z Administrator Otis said there would not be any. There were four applications that had been approved for Short Term Rentals through SUPs. When he took the job, he met with the Town Attorney to discuss some properties that were already acting

as Short Term Rentals and it was determined they were "legal non-conforming" because they were in business before the ordinance was approved. If this is now adopted (to repeal the ordinance), they will remain legal non-conforming just as those that have been approved will remain legal.

Chairperson Poling said he thought the reason for wanting to repeal the ordinance was to give the staff time to find out what other localities are doing. He thinks it was to find out exactly where they would be allowed.

Mr. Grant said he thought they had already decided. P&Z Administrator Otis said the way it is currently written, they are allowed in commercial zoning and in residential zoning with a Special Use Permit.

Chairperson Poling said if **Mr. Grant** is operating lawfully, this will not impact him at all; he would be "grandfathered".

Vice Mayor McCoryn said Council's point-of-view was that the way it was written was not meeting the town's needs. Short Term Rentals were brand new, and this was the best effort they thought they could regulate them with. They have found there were problems, so they now want something that is deemed more worthy.

Chairperson Poling moved to recommend to Town Council the approval of ZTA2024-0001 with staff being directed to find out how this has impacted other jurisdictions and how they use is; second by Commissioner Dean. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

2.) To receive public comment on a recommendation to the Town Council on a Zoning Text Amendment (ZTA2024-0002) requested by the Town Council for the revision of the Unified Development Ordinance Sections 2.5 Public Hearings, 2.8 Completeness Review, 2.14 Public Hearing Process Overview, 2.16 UDO Amendments, 2.20 Special Use Permit to reflect the Code of Virginia requirements for public hearings and the related applications.

• Staff Report:

P&Z Administrator Otis said he provided the affected zoning language. The reason for the amendments is that the way the UDO is written, it is challenging to meet the deadlines. The Planning Commission only has 30 days from the day the application is deemed complete to act on an application. To advertise, it may be longer than 30 days before it even comes before the Planning Commission. Town Council also only has 30 days to act on it after the Planning Commission makes a recommendation on an application. Staff is asking to follow the guidelines of State Code which allows for the Planning Commission to act within 90 days and the Town Council one year. All of the different sections listed will need to have the changes made to them.

• Public Hearing:

The Public Hearing opened at 7:13 and with no speakers, closed immediately.

• Discussion/Recommendation:

Chairperson Poling said the UDO was written more stringently than the State Code allows. He asked about the public hearing review and the sections that were taken out. P&Z Administrator Otis will correct the chart and the Planning Commission will continue the reviews as usual. Chairperson Poling said if staff wants to, they can stand on their own, but P&Z Administrator Otis said Commissioner Dean had steered him away from that when discussed at a previous meeting.

Chairperson Poling said that this is only looking at the timeframe and not the approval process.

Chairperson Poling moved to recommend to Town Council the approval of Zoning Text Amendment (ZTA2024-0002) requested by the Town Council for the revision of the Unified Development Ordinance Sections 2.5 Public Hearings, 2.8 Completeness Review, 2.14 Public Hearing Process Overview, 2.16 UDO Amendments, 2.20 Special Use Permit to reflect the Code of Virginia requirements for public hearings and the related applications. The changes will affect the timeframes, but the uses will remain the same. Commission Foster offered the second to the motion. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

3.) To receive public comment on a recommendation to the Town Council of a Special Use Permit (SUP2024-0001) requested by Byron Brill, owner, for property identified as 385 East King Street, Tax Map # 025A4 A 057 for a Commercial property-related, mini- or self-storage Use within the Community Commercial District.

• Staff Report:

P&Z Administrator Otis said Byron Brill came to him and questioned what he could do with his property. He told him he could not act as his lawyer. He then came to see if a self-storage could be put into an existing building. **P&Z** Administrator Otis said his only concern was parking and the UDO addresses this. He has parking space at the location, but they are not clearly marked. We do not have any requirements for storage facilities. **Mr.** Brill will provide access through the building.

Staff recommends approval because the parking is not an issue and it will cause no more impact on the neighborhood than what is already there.

Commissioner Dean asked if there are any storage units within the town limits and P&Z Administrator Otis did not think there were any.

• Public Hearing: The Public Hearing opened at 7:23 and closed immediately with no speakers.

• Discussion/Recommendation:

Commissioner Foster said the building is where lumber was stored so it is not enclosed, and it is totally enclosed. He also said he shows two ten-minute parking spaces in the drawing.

Commissioner Dean said there are two buildings at the location, but the other building is not part of the application; the one in the application is enclosed.

Commissioner Dean moved to recommend approval to the Strasburg Town Council the Special Use Permit (SUP2024-0001) requested by Byron Brill, owner, for property identified as 385 East King Street, Tax Map # 025A4 A 057 for a Commercial property-related, mini- or self-storage Use within the Community Commercial District; second by Commissioner Rhodes. With no other discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

Citizen Comments on non-agenda items:

Action Items:

1.) Approval of Minutes

<u>Description</u>: Approval of Minutes of the September 26, 2023 Planning Commission Meeting

The minutes of the September 26, 2023 Planning Commission meeting were approved unanimously on a motion by Vice Mayor McCoryn and the second by Commissioner Foster.

Staff Updates:

- A Joint Meeting of Town Council and Planning Commission will be held on December 19, 2023. The Berkley Group will be bringing their findings before both groups for discussion.
- Annual Report

P&Z Administrator Otis said Staff needs to work on an annual report of items the Commission has acted on.

Old Business:

New Business:

P&Z Administrator Otis introduced **Mellanie Shipe**, the new Assistant Town Manager for the Town of Strasburg.

Adjournment: Commissioner Foster moved for adjournment; second by Vice Mayor McCoryn. With no discussion, the motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at



continue in full force and effect.

Town of Strasburg Sureties Agreement

Planning & Zoning Administration 174 E. King Street, P.O. Box 351 Strasburg, VA 22657 (540) 465-9197 ext. 127

AGREEMENT

Shenandoah Memorial Hospital _____, party of the first part, hereinafter called the DEVELOPER,

THIS AGREEMENT made the ______ day of _______, 20_23_, by and between

and the Town of Strasburg, Viginia Town Council, party of the second part, hereinafter called TOWN COUNCIL.

WITNESSETH:
IN CONSIDERATION OF the approval by the TOWN COUNCIL through its designee, of a subdivision plat, site plan or construction plan for a project known as (Plan Number), (Plan Name), (Plan Name)
assigns, or other successors in interest, agrees to construct and install all of the physical improvements and facilities shown on the approved plans and profiles, and approved revisions thereof, within 24 months of the date hereof.
DEVELOPMER FURTHER AGREES:
1. To comply with all requirements of the Town of Strasburg Code and the Town of Strasburg Unified Development Ordinance.
2. Provide and maintain adequate all-weather access, including snow removal and ice control, from all occupied dwellings to an established public roadway.
3. To be responsible for having the street and other improvements in any dedicated right-of-way accepted the Virginia Department of Transportation into the State system of highways or the Town of Strasburg Department of Public Works and Utilities into the Town system of roadways; to comply with all requirements of the Virginia Department of Transportation or the Town of Strasburg Department of Public Works and Utilities for acceptance, and to make prompt application upon completion of the required work by that Department.
4. That no construction or improvement required hereunder shall be considered complete until it is accepted by the governmental unit which is to have ultimate responsibility for its maintenance. The DEVELOPER further agrees to be responsible for all maintenance and deterioration of the physical improvements and facilities until such acceptance.
5. To provide surety satisfactory to the Town in accordance with the Town's adopted bonding policies, to secur performance of this agreement.
6. To indemnify and hold harmless the Town from all loss or damage to property. Or injury, or death of any and all persons, or from any suits, claims, liability or demands in connection with the physical improvements and facilities however caused, arising directly or indirectly from construction, failure to maintain or use of such improvements prior to final acceptance.

7. That if any clause or portion of this Agreement is found not to eb valid and binding, the remainder shall



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Plan Number: SPR2023-0002 Plan Name: Valley Health MOB

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This document shall be signed by an authorized person(s). Individuals who have the authority to bind an organization are Partners of a Partnership or Joint Venture or Vice President of a Corporation and Member or Manager of a Limited Liability Company. For any person signing in a representative capacity (e.g., an attorney-in-fact), notarized evidence of authority must be furnished with this Agreement.
IN WITNESS of which of parties have signed and sealed this Agreement.
DEVELOPER Type of Organization: (e.g., Corporation, Partnership, Limited Liability Company, etc.)
Legal Name: Shenandoah Memorial Hospital
Address: 759 S Main St. Woodstock, VA 22664
BY Maller its VP, FCCS
Signature
Print Name: MANUX BANCAL Telephone#: 540 536 4543
Developer's E-Mail Address: Mbalcore, valleyhea Hhlink.com
ACKNOWLDGEMENT OF DEVELOPER
STATE OF <u>Virgenia</u> : COUNTY OF Frederick : to wit:
COUNTY OF Frederick
and the second s
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this
20 23, by Mark Baker
(Name of Person Signing Above)
Notary Public My Commission expires: Sept. 30, 12024
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TOWN OF STRASBURG TOWN COUNCIL
By:
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STATE OF Virginia: Planning and Zoning Administrator
COUNTY OF Sterandoan : to wit:
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 8th day of December
2023, by Brian Otis
(Name of Person Signing Above)
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Notary Public My Commission expires: 7-31-24
Notary I.D. Number: 353861
AMY A KELLER
NOTARY PUBLIC REGISTRATION # 383981
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES
JULY 31, 2024

Selective Insurance Company of America 40 Wantage Avenue Branchville, New Jersey 07890 973-948-3000

Bond No. B1296350 KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, Valley Health System, Inc. 220 Campus Blvd, Suite 420, Winchester, VA 22601 (hereinafter called the Principal). and Selective Insurance Company of America, a corporation of the State of New Jersey and whose principal office is located in Branchville, State of New Jersey (hereinafter called the Surety), are held and firmly bound unto (hereinafter called the Obliges), in the full and just sum of Eight hundred eighty eight thousand three hundred ninty dollars and 13/100 Dollars (\$_888.390.13 to the payment of which sum, well and truly to be made, the said Principal and Surety bind themselves, their and each of their heirs, administrators, executors, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents. WHEREAS, the above bonded Principal has entered into a certain written contract with the above mentioned Obligee dated November 20, 2023 Project Name; Valley Health MOB, Plan #SPR2023-0002 years which contract is hereby referred to and made a part hereof as fully and to the same extent as if copied at length herein, and WHEREAS, the Obligee has agreed to accept a bond guaranteeing the performance of said contract for a period of NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH, that if the above bounden Principal shall well and truly keep, do and perform, each and every, all and singular the matters and things in said contract set forth and specified to be by the said Principal kept, done and performed, at the time and in the manner in said contract specified during the term of this bond, and shall pay over, make good and reimburse to the above named Obligee, all loss and damage which said Obligee may sustain by reason of failure or default on the part of said Principal, then this obligation shall be void, otherwise to be and remain in full force and effect. Provided, however, that this bond is subject to the following conditions and provisions: 1. This bond is for the term beginning November 20, 2023 November 20, 2025 2. In the event of default by the Principal in performance of the contract during the term of this bond the Surety shall be liable only for the loss to the Obligee due to actual excess costs of performance of the contract up to the termination of the term of this bond. 3. No claim, action, suit or proceeding, except as hereinafter set forth; shall be had or maintained against the Surety on this instrument unless same be brought or instituted and process served upon the Surety within six months after

the completion of the contract. 4. The bond may be extended for additional terms at the option of the Surety, by continuation certificate executed by the Surety. Signed and sealed this _____ day of Valley Health System, Inc. Selective Insurance Company of America

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Town of Strasburg, Virginia

for a period of TWO

two years.



Selective Insurance Company of America 40 Wantage Avenue Branchville, New Jersey 07890 973-948-3000

BondNo.B 1296350

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Site Work

SELECTIVE INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA, a New Jersey corporation having its principal office at 40 Wantage Avenue, in Branchville, State of New Jersey ("SICA"), pursuant to Article VII, Section 1 of its By-Laws, which state in pertinent part:

The Chairman of the Board, President, Chief Executive Officer, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Corporate Secretary may, from time to time, appoint attorneys in fact, and agents to act for and on behalf of the Corporation and they may give such appointee such authority, as his/her certificate of authority may prescribe, to sign with the Corporation's name and seal with the Corporation's seal, bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance or conditional undertaking, and any of said Officers may, at any time, remove any such appointee and revoke the power and authority given him/her.

does hereby appoint Nadine J. DePew

, its true and lawful attorney(s)-in-fact, full authority to execute on SICA's behalf fidelity and surety bonds or undertakings
and other documents of a similar character issued by SICA in the course of its business, and to bind SICA thereby as fully
as if such instruments had been duly executed by SICA's regularly elected officers at its principal office, in amounts or
penalties not exceeding the sum of: Eight Hundred Eighty Eight Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$888,390.00)

Signed this <u>21st</u> day of	November - 2023
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SELECTIVE INSURANCE COMPANY OF AM

Brian C. Sarisky

Its SVP, Strategic Business Units, Commerce

STATE OF NEW JERSEY:

:ss. Branchville

COUNTY OF SUSSEX

On this 21st day of November, 2023 before me, the undersigned officer, personally appeared Brian G. Sarisky, who acknowledged himself to be the Sr. Vice President of SICA, and that he, as such Sr. Vice President, being part of Ect. 300 do, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained, by signing the name of the comparison by himself as Sr. Vice President and that the same was his free act and deed and the free act and deed of SICA.

Charlene Kimble
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
ID # N/A
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 4/2/26

Notary Public

The power of attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of SICA at a meeting duly called and held on the 6th of February 1987, to wit:

"RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of Selective Insurance Company of America authorizes and approves the use of a facsimile corporate seal, facsimile signatures of corporate officers and notarial acknowledgements thereof on powers of attorney for the execution of bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writing obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance or conditional undertaking."

CERTIFICATION

I do hereby certify as SICA's Corporate Secretary that the foregoing extract of SICA's By-Laws and Resolver force and effect and this Power of Attorney issued pursuant to and in accordance with the By-Laws is valid.

Signed this 21st day of November, 2023

Michael H. Lanza, SICA Corporate Secretary

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Important Notice: If the bond number embedded within the Notary Seal does not match the number in the upper right-hand corner of this Power of Attorney, contact us at 973-948-3000.

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Selective Insurance Company of America 40 Wantage Avenue Branchville, New Jersey 07890 973-948-3000

BondNo.B 1296352

POWER OF ATTORNEY

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SELECTIVE INSURANCE COMPANY OF AMERICA, a New Jersey corporation having its principal office at 40 Wantage Avenue, in Branchville, State of New Jersey ("SICA"), pursuant to Article VII, Section 1 of its By-Laws, which state in pertinent part:

The Chairman of the Board, President, Chief Executive Officer, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Corporate Secretary may, from time to time, appoint attorneys in fact, and agents to act for and on behalf of the Corporation and they may give such appointee such authority, as his/her certificate of authority may prescribe, to sign with the Corporation's name and seal with the Corporation's seal, bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance or conditional undertaking, and any of said Officers may, at any time, remove any such appointee and revoke the power and authority given him/her.

does hereby appoint Nadine J. DePew

, its true and lawful attorney(s)-in-fact, full authority to execute on SICA's behalf fidelity and surety bonds or undertakings and other documents of a similar character issued by SICA in the course of its business, and to bind SICA thereby as fully as if such instruments had been duly executed by SICA's regularly elected officers at its principal office, in amounts or penalties not exceeding the sum of: Thirty Three Thousand Seven Hundred Forty Dollars (\$33,740.00)

Signed	this	21st	_day of	November ,	2023
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SELECTIVE INSURANCE COMPANY OF AM

Brian C. Sarisk

Its SVP, Strategic Business Units, Commerce

STATE OF NEW JERSEY:

:ss. Branchville

COUNTY OF SUSSEX

On this 21st day of November, 2023 before me, the undersigned officer, personally appeared Brian G. Sarisky, who acknowledged himself to be the Sr. Vice President of SICA, and that he, as such Sr. Vice President, being authorized to do, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained, by signing the name of the combination by himself as Sr. Vice President and that the same was his free act and deed and the free act and deed of SICA.

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Charlene Kimble
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
ID # N/A
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES \$225

ID#N/A Notary Public

The power of attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of SICA at a meeting duly called and held on the 6th of February 1987, to wit:

"RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of Selective Insurance Company of America authorizes and approves the use of a facsimile corporate seal, facsimile signatures of corporate officers and notarial acknowledgements thereof on powers of attorney for the execution of bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writing obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance or conditional undertaking."

CERTIFICATION

I do hereby certify as SICA's Corporate Secretary that the foregoing extract of SICA's By-Laws and Resolution and effect and this Power of Attorney issued pursuant to and in accordance with the By-Laws is valid

Signed this 21st day of November, 2023

Michael H. Lanza, SICA Corporate Secretary

Important Notice: If the bond number embedded within the Notary Seal does not match the number in the upper right-hand corner of this Power of Attorney, contact us at 973-948-3000.

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