



## Zoning Resolution

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# **25-60 - ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS FOR PERMITTED OR REQUIRED ACCESSORY OFF-STREET PARKING SPACES**

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## 25-60 - ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS FOR PERMITTED OR REQUIRED ACCESSORY OFF-STREET PARKING SPACES

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LAST AMENDED  
12/15/1961

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### 25-61 - General Provisions

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LAST AMENDED  
6/29/1994

R1 R2 R3 R4 R5 R6 R7 R8 R9 R10

In all districts, as indicated, all permitted or required #accessory# off-street parking spaces shall conform to the provisions of the following Sections:

Section [25-62](#) (Size and Location of Spaces)

Section [25-63](#) (Location of Access to the Street)

Section [25-64](#) (Restrictions on Use of Open Space for Parking)

Section [25-65](#) (Surfacing)

Section [25-66](#) (Screening)

No portion of a #side lot ribbon# shall be less than eight feet wide and no portion shall be more than 10 feet wide on an #interior lot# or #through lot# and not more than 20 feet wide on a #corner lot#. If two #zoning lots# share a common #side lot ribbon# along a common #side lot line#, the width of a shared #side lot ribbon# must be at least eight feet.

Special regulations applying to #large-scale residential developments# are set forth in Article VII, Chapter 8, and to #large-scale community facility developments# in Article VII, Chapter 9.

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### 25-62 - Size and Location of Spaces

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12/6/2023

R1 R2 R3 R4 R5 R6 R7 R8 R9 R10

(a) Minimum maneuvering space

In all districts, as indicated, for all #accessory# off-street parking spaces, open or enclosed, each 300 square feet of unobstructed standing or maneuvering area shall be considered one parking space, except as follows:

(1) Standard attended facilities

An area of less than 300 square feet, but in no event less than 200 square feet, may be considered as one space, where the layout and design of the parking area are adequate to permit convenient access and maneuvering in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Commissioner of Buildings, or where the developer or applicant for a building permit or certificate of occupancy certifies that such spaces will be fully attended.

In any case where a reduction of the required area per parking space is permitted on the basis of the developer's certification that such spaces will be fully attended, it shall be set forth in the certificate of occupancy that paid attendants employed by the owners or operators of such spaces shall be available to handle the parking and moving of automobiles at all times when such spaces are in use.

(2) Attended facilities with parking lift systems

For portions of an attended parking facility with parking lift systems, each individually lifted tray upon which a vehicle is stored shall be considered one parking space. Any other attended space not on a lifted tray shall be subject to the provisions of paragraph (a)(1) of this Section.

(3) #Automated parking facilities#

For #automated parking facilities#, each tray upon which a vehicle is stored shall constitute one parking space. The term "tray" shall refer to the structural support for vehicle storage in both pallet and non-pallet vehicle storage systems.

However, auxiliary parking trays in #automated parking facilities# may be exempted from constituting a parking space where the Commissioner of Buildings determines that such auxiliary parking trays are necessary to store and retrieve vehicles for the efficient operation of such #automated parking facility#.

(b) Driveway access

Driveways used to access required parking spaces must be unobstructed for a width of at least eight feet and a height of eight feet above grade and, if connecting to a #street#, such driveway may only be accessed by a curb cut.

(c) Minimum size for each parking space

In no event shall the dimensions of any parking stall be less than 18 feet long and 8 feet, 6 inches wide.

However, the width of a parking stall may be reduced to eight feet for #detached#, #semi-detached# or #zero lot line buildings# on a #zoning lot# where not more than four #accessory# parking spaces are required if such #accessory# parking spaces are located in a #side lot ribbon# and are subject to the provisions of Section [25-621](#) (Location of parking spaces in certain districts).

(d) Special rules for certain areas

In the Borough of Staten Island and in #lower density growth management areas# in Community District 10, Borough of the Bronx, for #community facility# #uses#, each required parking space in a parking area not within a #building# shall be within a parking stall accessed from a travel aisle, where each such stall and aisle complies with the maneuverability standards of paragraph (b) of Section [36-58](#) (Parking Lot Maneuverability and Curb Cut Regulations). The use of an attendant shall be permitted only where necessary to accommodate additional, non-required parking spaces within the travel aisles. For such open parking areas with 18 or more spaces, or greater than 6,000 square feet in area, the provisions of Section [37-90](#) (PARKING LOTS) shall also apply.

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## 25-621 - Location of parking spaces in certain districts

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All #accessory# off-street parking spaces on #zoning lots# with #buildings# containing #residences# shall be located in accordance with the provisions of this Section, except that in R1, R2, R3, R4A and R4-1 Districts within #lower density growth management areas#, the provisions of Section [25-622](#) shall apply. In addition, all such parking spaces shall be subject to the curb cut requirements of Section [25-63](#) (Location of Access to the Street).

R1 R2 R3-1 R3A R3X R4-1 R4A R5A

- (a) In the districts indicated, #accessory# off-street parking spaces shall be located within or to the side or rear of #buildings# containing #residences#. #Accessory# parking spaces may also be located between the #street line# and #street wall# of such #buildings# and their prolongations only where such spaces are located in a driveway that accesses at least one parking space located to the side or rear of such #building# and no portion of such driveway is located in front of such #buildings#.

However, such parking spaces may also be located in a driveway directly in front of a garage, where such garage is within:

- (1) a #semi-detached# #building# in an R3-1 or R4-1 District; or
- (2) a #detached# #building# on a #zoning lot# with at least 35 feet of frontage along the #street# accessing such driveway, and at least 18 feet of uninterrupted curb space along such #street#.

No parking spaces of any kind shall be allowed between the #street line# and #street wall# of an #attached# or #semi-detached# #building# in an R1, R2, R3A, R3X, R4A or R5A District, or for an #attached# #building# in an R3-1 or R4-1 District.

R3-2 R4 R5

- (b) In the districts indicated, other than R4-1, R4A, R4B, R5A, R5B and R5D Districts, #accessory# off-street parking spaces shall be located within or to the side or rear of #buildings# containing #residences#. #Accessory# parking spaces may also be located between the #street line# and #street wall# of such #buildings# and their prolongations, provided that, for #buildings# on #zoning lots# with less than 35 feet of #street# frontage, such spaces are located in a driveway in the #side lot ribbon#, and provided that for #buildings# on #zoning lots# with at least 35 feet of #street# frontage and at least 18 feet of uninterrupted curb space along a #street#, either:

- (1) no more than two parking spaces located between the #street line# and #street wall# of such #buildings# and their prolongations shall be accessed from a single curb cut, and the parking area for these spaces shall not be more than 20 feet in width measured parallel, or within 30 degrees of being parallel, to the #street line#; or
- (2) a #group parking facility# with five or more spaces is provided and is screened in accordance with the requirements of Section [25-66](#) (Screening), paragraphs (a) or (b), as applicable.

R4B R5B R5D R6A R6B R7A R7B R7D R7X R8A R8B R8X

- (c) In the districts indicated, #accessory# off-street parking spaces shall be located only within or to the side or rear of #buildings# containing #residences#. No parking spaces of any kind shall be permitted between the #street line# and the #street wall# of such #buildings# and their prolongations.

R6 R7 R8

- (d) In the districts indicated without a letter suffix, the following provisions shall apply:
- (1) for #zoning lots# containing non-#Quality Housing buildings# or non-#Quality Housing building# #segments#,

each of which contains not more than three #dwelling units#, #accessory# off-street parking spaces shall be located in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (b) of this Section;

- (2) for #zoning lots# containing #Quality Housing buildings# or #Quality Housing building# #segments#, #accessory# off-street parking spaces shall be located in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (c) of this Section.

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## **25-622 - Location of parking spaces in lower density growth management areas**

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LAST AMENDED

4/14/2010

The provisions of this Section shall apply to all #zoning lots# with #buildings# containing #residences# in R1, R2, R3, R4-1 and R4A Districts within #lower density growth management areas#.

Required #accessory# off-street parking spaces shall be permitted only within a #building# or in any open area on the #zoning lot# that is not between the #street line# and the #street wall# or prolongation thereof of the #building#.

For #zoning lots# with less than 33 feet of #street# frontage, access to all parking spaces through a #front yard# shall be only through a single driveway no more than 10 feet in width.

For #zoning lots# with at least 33 feet of #street# frontage, access to all parking spaces through a #front yard# shall be only through a driveway no more than 20 feet in width.

No more than two unenclosed required parking spaces may be located in tandem (one behind the other), except that no tandem parking shall be permitted in any #group parking facility# with more than four spaces.

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## **25-623 - Maneuverability standards for community facility uses**

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LAST AMENDED

6/6/2024

R1 R2 R3 R4 R5 R6 R7 R8 R9 R10

In all districts, as indicated, the provisions of this Section shall apply to:

- (a) #developments# with #accessory# open parking areas in which 70 percent or more of the #floor area# on the #zoning lot# is occupied by a #community facility# #use#;
- (b) #enlargements# of a #building# with #accessory# open parking areas or the #enlargement# of an open parking area, that result in:
  - (1) an increase in the total number of parking spaces #accessory# to #community facility# #uses# on the #zoning lot# that is at least 20 percent greater than the number of such spaces existing on November 28, 2007; or
  - (2) an increase in the total amount of #floor area# on the #zoning lot# that is at least 20 percent greater than the amount of #floor area# existing on November 28, 2007, and where at least 70 percent of the #floor area# on the #zoning lot# is occupied by #community facility# #uses#; and
- (c) existing #buildings# with new #accessory# open parking areas in which 70 percent or more of the #floor area# on the

#zoning lot# is occupied by a #commercial# or #community facility# #use#.

The provisions of this Section shall not apply to surface parking located on the roof of a #building#, indoor parking garages, #public parking garages#, structured parking facilities, or #developments# or #enlargements# in which at least 70 percent of the #floor area# or #lot area# on a #zoning lot# is used for automobile dealers, automotive repair and maintenance, or #automotive service stations# listed under Use Group VI.

For the purposes of this Section, an “open parking area” shall mean that portion of a #zoning lot# used for the parking or maneuvering of vehicles, including service vehicles, which is not covered by a #building#. Open parking areas shall also include all required landscaped areas within and adjacent to the open parking area.

For all such new or #enlarged# open parking areas, a site plan shall be submitted to the Department of Buildings showing the location of all parking spaces, curb cuts and compliance with the maneuverability standards, as set forth in paragraphs (b) and (c) of Section [36-58](#).

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## **25-624 - Special parking regulations for certain community facility uses in lower density growth management areas**

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LAST AMENDED

6/6/2024

- (a) In #lower density growth management areas# other than R6 and R7 Districts in Community District 10, Borough of the Bronx, all #zoning lots# containing #buildings# with the following #uses# shall be subject to the provisions of paragraph (b) of this Section:
- (1) ambulatory diagnostic or treatment health care facilities listed under Use Group III(B), except where such #zoning lot# contains #buildings# used for hospitals, as defined in the New York State Hospital Code, or #long-term care facilities#; and
  - (2) child care services as listed under the definition of #school# in Section [12-10](#) (DEFINITIONS), except where such #zoning lot# contains #buildings# used for houses of worship or, for #zoning lots# that do not contain #buildings# used for houses of worship, where the amount of #floor area# used for child care services is equal to 25 percent or less of the amount of #floor area# permitted for #community facility# #use# on the #zoning lot#.
- (b) All #zoning lots# that meet the conditions of paragraph (a) of this Section shall comply with the following provisions:
- (1) #Accessory# off-street parking spaces shall be permitted only within a #building# or in any open area on the #zoning lot# that is not between the #street line# and the #street wall# or prolongation thereof of the #building#.
  - (2) The maneuverability provisions of paragraphs (b) of Section [36-58](#) (Parking Lot Maneuverability and Curb Cut Regulations) shall apply to all such #zoning lots#. No tandem parking shall be permitted.
  - (3) The curb cut provisions of paragraph (c) of Section [36-58](#) shall apply to all such #zoning lots#, except that, for #zoning lots# with less than 75 feet of #street# frontage, a minimum distance of four feet from other curb cuts on adjacent #zoning lots# shall be maintained.
  - (4) For #zoning lots# in R1, R2, R3A, R3X, R3-1, R4-1 and R4A Districts with #buildings# containing child care services, a driveway shall be required for drop-off and pick-up of users of the child care facility. Such driveway shall have a minimum width of 15 feet and a maximum width of 18 feet and shall serve one-way traffic. Such driveway shall include a designated area for the drop-off and pick-up of users of the facility with a minimum length of 25 feet and a minimum width of 10 feet. Such drop-off and pick-up area shall #abut# a sidewalk with a

minimum width of four feet that connects to the child care facility entrance and all public sidewalks. No parking spaces shall be located within such driveway. Where the width of the #street# frontage of the #zoning lot# accessing such driveway is 75 feet or less, the minimum percentage of #front yard# required to be planted pursuant to Section [23-451](#) (Planting requirement) shall be reduced to 25 percent.

- (5) For any #zoning lot# containing child care services, driveways and open #accessory# off-street parking spaces may occupy no more than 50 percent of the #lot area# not covered by #buildings#. For #zoning lots# containing ambulatory diagnostic or treatment health care facilities, driveways and open #accessory# off-street parking spaces may occupy no more than 66 percent of the #lot area# not covered by #buildings#.
- (6) All parking areas not within a #building# shall be screened from adjoining #zoning lots# and #streets# by a landscaped strip at least four feet wide, densely planted with evergreen shrubs at least four feet high at time of planting, and of a type that may be expected to form a year-round dense screen at least six feet high within three years. Such screening shall be maintained in good condition at all times.
- (7) Any lighting provided in off-street parking areas shall be directed away from #residences#.

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## **25-625 - Special certification to modify the parking regulations for certain community facility uses in lower density growth management areas**

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LAST AMENDED

6/6/2024

In #lower density growth management areas# other than R6 and R7 Districts in Community District 10, Borough of the Bronx, the Chairperson of the City Planning Commission may modify the amount of #accessory# off-street parking required pursuant to Section [25-31](#) (General Provisions), or the parking regulations of paragraphs (b)(3), (b)(4), and (b)(5) of Section [25-624](#) (Special parking regulations for certain community facility uses in lower density growth management areas), for any #enlargement# of a #building# containing a #use# listed in paragraphs (a) or (b) of this Section, or a change of #use# to, or an #extension# of, such #use#, provided that the applicant submits a site plan that demonstrates to the Chairperson that the location of the existing #building# on the #zoning lot# impedes compliance with the parking requirements of Sections [25-31](#) and [25-624](#), and that the Chairperson certifies to the Department of Buildings, that the #enlargement#, #extension# or change of #use# complies with such requirements to the maximum extent feasible.

- (a) Ambulatory diagnostic or treatment health care facilities listed under Use Group III(B), except where such #zoning lot# contains #buildings# used for hospitals, as defined in the New York State Hospital Code, or #long-term care facilities#; and
- (b) Child care services listed under the definition of #school# in Section [12-10](#) (DEFINITIONS), except where such #zoning lot# contains #buildings# used for houses of worship and, for #zoning lots# that do not contain #buildings# used for houses of worship, where the amount of #floor area# used for child care services is equal to 25 percent or less of the amount of # floor area# permitted for #community facility# #use# on the #zoning lot#.

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## **25-626 - Calculating floor area in parking facilities with lift systems, or in automated parking facilities**

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LAST AMENDED

12/6/2023

For enclosed #accessory# off-street parking facilities, for the purposes of determining #floor area# in an #automated parking

facility#, or an attended parking facility with parking lift systems, each tray upon which a vehicle is stored at a height that exceeds the permitted exemption set forth in the definition of #floor area# in Section [12-10](#), or as otherwise modified in this Resolution, shall be considered #floor area# in an amount of 153 square feet, or the size of such lifted tray, whichever is greater.

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## **25-63 - Location of Access to the Street**

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LAST AMENDED  
12/15/1961

R1 R2 R3 R4 R5 R6 R7 R8 R9 R10

In all districts, as indicated, the entrances and exits for all permitted or required #accessory# #group parking facilities# with 10 or more spaces shall be located not less than 50 feet from the intersection of any two #street lines#. However, access located within 50 feet of such intersection may be permitted if the Commissioner of Buildings certifies that such a location is not hazardous to traffic safety and not likely to create traffic congestion. The Commissioner of Buildings may refer such matter to the Department of Transportation for a report and may base his determination on such report.

The waiver provisions of Sections [25-27](#) or [25-34](#) (Waiver of Requirements for All Zoning Lots Where Access Would Be Forbidden) shall apply when the Commissioner of Buildings has certified that there is no way to arrange the spaces with access to the #street# to conform to the provisions of this Section.

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## **25-631 - Location and width of curb cuts in certain districts**

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LAST AMENDED  
2/2/2011

All curb cuts on #zoning lots# with #buildings# containing #residences# shall comply with the provisions of this Section, except that, in #lower density growth management areas#, the provisions of Section [25-632](#) shall apply. The minimum width of a curb cut shall be eight feet, including splays. In addition, for #non-conforming# #buildings# in all districts, the provisions of Section [25-633](#) (Curb cut restrictions for certain buildings in R1 through R5 Districts) shall apply.

R2A

- (a) In the district indicated, the maximum width of a curb cut shall be 18 feet, and the maximum width of a driveway within a #front yard# shall be 20 feet. All #zoning lots# shall maintain at least 18 feet of uninterrupted curb space along each #street# frontage.

R2X R3 R4 R5

- (b) In the districts indicated, except R4B and R5B Districts, curb cuts shall comply with the following provisions:
- (1) For #zoning lots# containing #residences# where not more than two #accessory# parking spaces are required:
    - (i) for #zoning lots# with less than 50 feet of frontage along a #street#, only one curb cut, having a maximum width, including splays, of 10 feet, shall be permitted;
    - (ii) for #zoning lots# with at least 50 feet of frontage along a #street#, no more than two curb cuts shall be permitted along such #street# frontage. If one curb cut is provided, such curb cut shall have a maximum width, including splays, of 18 feet. If two curb cuts are provided, the maximum width of each curb cut, including splays, shall be 10 feet, and a minimum distance of 30 feet of uninterrupted curb space shall be provided between such curb cuts;



- (iii) wherever #accessory# parking spaces are provided in adjacent #side lot ribbons# on #zoning lots# subdivided after June 30, 1989, the curb cuts giving access to such #side lot ribbons# shall be contiguous (paired), so that only one curb cut, having a maximum width of 18 feet, including splays, shall serve both #side lot ribbons#; and
  - (iv) a minimum distance of 16 feet of uninterrupted curb space shall be maintained between all curb cuts constructed after June 30, 1989, provided that this requirement shall not apply to #zoning lots# existing both on June 30, 1989, and April 14, 2010, that are less than 40 feet wide and where at least 16 feet of uninterrupted curb space is maintained along the #street# in front of the #zoning lot#; or
- (2) For #zoning lots# containing #residences# where more than two #accessory# parking spaces are required:
- (i) #zoning lots# with 35 feet or more of frontage along a #street# shall maintain a minimum distance of 16 feet of uninterrupted curb space along such #street#;
  - (ii) a minimum distance of 16 feet of uninterrupted curb space shall be maintained between all curb cuts constructed after June 30, 1989, provided that this requirement shall not apply to any #zoning lot# existing both on June 30, 1989 and April 14, 2010, that is less than 40 feet wide and where at least 16 feet of uninterrupted curb space is maintained in front of such #zoning lot# along the #street#;
  - (iii) all driveways shall be located at least 13 feet from any other driveway on the same or adjoining #zoning lots#. However, driveways may be paired with other driveways on the same or adjoining #zoning lots#, provided the aggregate width of such paired driveways, including any space between them, does not exceed 20 feet. Curb cuts accessing such paired driveway shall have a minimum width of 15 feet and a maximum width, including splays, of 18 feet; and
  - (iv) except for paired driveways as set forth in paragraph (b)(2)(iii) of this Section, the maximum width of a curb cut accessing less than 50 parking spaces shall be 12 feet, including splays, and the maximum width of a curb cut accessing more than 50 parking spaces shall be 22 feet, including splays. However, where Fire Department regulations set forth in the Administrative Code of the City of New York require curb cuts of greater width, such curb cuts may be increased to the minimum width acceptable to the Fire Department.

#### R4B R5B

- (c) In the districts indicated, curb cuts are permitted only on #zoning lots# with at least 40 feet of #street# frontage and existing on the effective date of establishing such districts on the #zoning maps#. Any such #zoning lot# may be subdivided; however, curb cuts are permitted only for a resulting subdivided #zoning lot# that has at least 40 feet of #street# frontage. For #detached#, #semi-detached# and #zero lot line buildings#, the width and location of curb cuts shall be in accordance with paragraph (b)(1), inclusive, of this Section. For #attached# #buildings# and #building segments#, and for multiple dwellings in R5B Districts, at least 34 feet of uninterrupted curb space shall be maintained between all curb cuts constructed after June 30, 1989, provided that this requirement shall not apply to #zoning lots# existing on both June 30, 1989, and April 14, 2010, that are less than 76 feet wide and where at least 34 feet of uninterrupted curb space is maintained along the #street# in front of the #zoning lot#.

For #zoning lots# with less than 40 feet of #street# frontage and existing on the effective date of establishing such districts on the #zoning maps#, curb cuts shall be prohibited.

#### R6 R7 R8

- (d) In the districts indicated without a letter suffix, for #zoning lots# containing non-#Quality Housing buildings# or non-

#Quality Housing building# #segments#, each of which contains not more than three #dwelling units#, #accessory# off-street parking spaces shall be located in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (b)(2), inclusive, of this Section.

R6 R7 R8

- (e) In the districts indicated, except as provided for in paragraph (d) of this Section, only one curb cut, having a maximum width of 12 feet, including splays, shall be permitted on any #street# frontage of a #zoning lot#. However, where a curb cut accesses a #group parking facility# with 50 or more spaces, the maximum width of a curb cut shall be 22 feet, including splays, or alternatively, two curb cuts shall be permitted to access such #group parking facility#, each with a maximum width of 12 feet, including splays, and spaced at least 60 feet apart. For #zoning lots# subdivided after April 14, 2010, curb cuts shall only be permitted along the #street# frontage of such subdivided #zoning lot# where at least 34 feet of uninterrupted curb space is maintained, and shall comply with the width and spacing requirements of this paragraph, (e).

These curb cut provisions shall apply as follows:

- (1) In R6, R7 and R8 Districts without a letter suffix, to non-#Quality Housing buildings# or non-#Quality Housing building# #segments#, any of which contain four or more #dwelling units#;
  - (2) In R6, R7 and R8 Districts without a letter suffix, to #Quality Housing buildings# or #Quality Housing building# #segments#;
  - (3) In R6A, R7A, R7D, R7X, R8A and R8X Districts, to all #buildings#; and
  - (4) In R6B, R7B and R8B Districts, to #zoning lots# occupied by a #building# with a #street wall# at least 40 feet in width or, for #zoning lots# with multiple #building segments#, only where such curb cut is in front of a #building segment# with a #street wall# at least 40 feet in width. On such #zoning lots#, curb cuts shall be permitted only on the #street# frontage that is at least 40 feet wide. On all other #zoning lots# in R6B, R7B and R8B Districts, curb cuts shall be prohibited.
- (f) Modification of curb cut location requirements:

R2X R3 R4 R5 R6 R7 R8

- (1) In the districts indicated, the location and width of curb cuts, as required by the provisions of this Section, may be modified if the Commissioner of Buildings certifies that the specified curb cut locations would require the removal of shade trees maintained by the City of New York. The Commissioner of Buildings may refer such matter to the Department of Parks and Recreation and the Department of Transportation for reports, and may base the determination on such reports.

R6 R7 R8

- (2) In the districts indicated, except R6, R7 or R8 Districts with a letter suffix, the City Planning Commission may authorize modification of the location and width of curb cuts as required by the provisions of this Section provided that the Commission finds that:
  - (i) the proposed modification does not adversely affect the character of the surrounding area; and
  - (ii) where more than one curb cut is provided, the curb cuts are arranged to foster retention of curbside parking spaces along the #street frontage# of the #zoning lot#.

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LAST AMENDED  
2/2/2011

The provisions of this Section shall apply to all #zoning lots# with #buildings# containing #residences# within all #lower density growth management areas#, except that these provisions shall not apply to any #zoning lot# occupied by only one #single-family# #detached# #residence# with at least 60 feet of frontage along one #street# and, for such #residences# on #corner lots#, with at least 60 feet of frontage along two #streets#.

- (a) For #zoning lots# with less than 33 feet of frontage along a #street#, only one curb cut, having a maximum width, including splays, of 10 feet, shall be permitted.
- (b) For #zoning lots# with at least 33 feet of frontage along a #street#, multiple curb cuts are permitted. The maximum width of a curb cut serving a driveway 12 feet or less in width shall be 10 feet, including splays. Driveways wider than 12 feet at any point within a #front yard# shall be accessed by a single curb cut with a minimum width of 17 feet and a maximum width, including splays, of 18 feet.
- (c) The center line of each curb cut shall be coincident with the center line of the driveway that it serves.
- (d) All driveways shall be located at least 13 feet from any other driveway on the same or adjoining #zoning lots#. However, driveways may be paired with other driveways on adjoining #zoning lots# provided the aggregate width of such paired driveways, including any space between them, does not exceed 20 feet.
- (e) All #zoning lots# with #buildings# containing #residences# shall maintain a minimum distance of 16 feet of uninterrupted curb space between all curb cuts constructed after June 30, 1989.
- (f) The requirements of paragraphs (d) and (e) of this Section may be waived where the Commissioner of Buildings certifies that, due to the location of driveways and curb cuts on adjacent #zoning lots#, there is no way to locate the driveways and curb cuts in compliance with this requirement of this Section, and that at least 16 feet of uninterrupted curb space is maintained along the #street# in front of the #zoning lot#.
- (g) For multiple #buildings# on a single #zoning lot#, access to all parking spaces shall be provided entirely on the same #zoning lot#.

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## **25-633 - Curb cut restrictions for certain buildings in R1 through R5 Districts**

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LAST AMENDED  
2/2/2011

R1 R2 R3-1 R3A R3X R4-1 R4A R5A

- (a) In the districts indicated, curb cuts are prohibited for #attached# #buildings# except where such #building# is bounded on one side by a #side yard# at least eight feet in width. For such #buildings#, a curb cut shall be permitted only along that portion of the #street# frontage of the #zoning lot# directly in front of a #side yard# that is at least eight feet wide and accesses a parking space located beyond the #street wall# or prolongation thereof.

R1 R2 R3A R3X R4A R5A

- (b) In the districts indicated, for #semi-detached# #buildings#, a curb cut shall only be permitted along that portion of the #street# frontage of the #zoning lot# directly in front of a #side yard# that is at least eight feet wide and accesses a parking space located beyond the #street wall# or prolongation thereof.

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## 25-634 - Curb cut regulations for community facilities

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LAST AMENDED

11/28/2007

R1 R2 R3 R4 R5 R6 R7 R8 R9 R10

In all districts, as indicated, any #development# or #enlargement# containing a #community facility# #use# with an unenclosed parking area shall comply with the provisions of this Section.

Curb cuts serving one travel lane shall have a maximum width of 12 feet, excluding splays, and curb cuts serving two travel lanes shall have a maximum width of 24 feet, excluding splays. For parking lots with more than 100 parking spaces, curb cuts of up to 30 feet, excluding splays, shall be permitted.

However, where Fire Department regulations set forth in the Administrative Code of the City of New York require curb cuts of greater width, such curb cuts may be increased to the minimum width acceptable to the Fire Department.

For #zoning lots# with 100 feet or less of #street frontage#, only two curb cuts shall be permitted. For every additional 50 feet of #street# frontage, one additional curb cut shall be permitted.

A minimum distance of 18 feet from any other curb cut on the same or adjacent #zoning lots# shall be maintained, except where the Commissioner of Buildings determines that, due to the location of curb cuts constructed prior to November 28, 2007, on adjacent #zoning lots#, there is no way to locate the curb cut 18 feet from such adjacent existing curb cuts.

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## 25-635 - Maximum driveway grade

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LAST AMENDED

4/30/2008

R1 R2 R3 R4 R5

In the districts indicated, the maximum grade of a driveway shall not exceed 11 percent in any #front yard#. Driveways existing on April 30, 2008, which exceed a grade of 11 percent, may be used to access parking spaces required for #residences# constructed after April 30, 2008.

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## 25-64 - Restrictions on Use of Open Space for Parking

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LAST AMENDED

4/14/2010

Restrictions on the use of open space for parking and driveways are set forth in this Section, in accordance with the provisions of Section [23-12](#) (Permitted Obstructions in Open Space).

- (a) In R1, R2, R3, R4-1, R4A and R4B Districts, driveways, #private roads#, open #accessory# off-street parking spaces, unenclosed #accessory# bicycle parking spaces or open #accessory# off-street loading berths may occupy no more than 50 percent of the #lot area# not covered by #buildings# containing #residences#;
- (b) In R4 Districts, except for R4-1, R4A and R4B Districts, and in R5 Districts, driveways, #private roads#, open #accessory# off-street parking spaces, unenclosed #accessory# bicycle parking spaces or open #accessory# off-street loading berths may occupy no more than 66 percent of the #lot area# not covered by #buildings# containing #residences#; and

- (c) In R6, R7, R8, R9 and R10 Districts without a letter suffix, driveways, private streets, open #accessory# off-street parking spaces, unenclosed #accessory# bicycle parking spaces or open #accessory# off-street loading berths may not use more than 50 percent of the required #open space# on any #zoning lot#. The provisions of this paragraph (c) shall not apply to #Quality Housing buildings#.

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## 25-65 - Surfacing

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LAST AMENDED

12/6/2023

R1 R2 R3 R4 R5 R6 R7 R8 R9 R10

In all districts, as indicated, all open off-street parking spaces shall be surfaced with permeable paving materials, asphaltic or Portland cement concrete, or other hard-surfaced dustless material.

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## 25-66 - Screening

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LAST AMENDED

11/28/2007

R1 R2 R3 R4 R5 R6 R7 R8 R9 R10

- (a) In all districts, as indicated, except where such districts are located in #lower density growth management areas#, all open off-street parking areas or groups of individual garages with 10 spaces or more, that are located either at natural grade or on a roof, shall be screened from all adjoining #zoning lots#, including such #zoning lots# situated across a #street#, by either:
- (1) a strip at least four feet wide, densely planted with shrubs or trees that are at least four feet high at the time of planting and that are of a type which may be expected to form a year-round dense screen at least six feet high within three years; or
  - (2) a wall or barrier or uniformly painted fence of fire-resistant material at least six feet high, but not more than eight feet above finished grade (or above the roof level, if on a roof). Such wall, barrier or fence may be opaque or perforated, provided that not more than 50 percent of the face is open.

For community facilities located in R1, R2, R3, R4 or R5 Districts, except for any parking that is located on a roof, all such parking shall be screened pursuant to paragraph (a)(1) of this Section.

In addition, such screening shall be maintained in good condition at all times, may be interrupted by normal entrances or exits and shall have no #signs# hung or attached thereto other than those permitted in Section [22-323](#) (Signs for parking areas).

- (b) In #lower density growth management areas#, all open parking areas with five or more spaces shall be screened from adjoining #zoning lots# by a landscaped strip at least four feet wide densely planted with evergreen shrubs at least four feet high at time of planting, and of a type that may be expected to form a year-round dense screen at least six feet high within three years. Such screening shall be maintained in good condition at all times.

The provisions of paragraphs (a) and (b) of this Section shall not apply at the #street line# of #zoning lots# where the planting requirements of Section [37-921](#) (Perimeter landscaping) apply.

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## 25-67 - Parking Lot Landscaping

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LAST AMENDED

6/6/2024

R1 R2 R3 R4 R5 R6 R7 R8 R9 R10

In all districts, as indicated, the provisions of Section [37-90](#) (PARKING LOTS), inclusive, shall apply to open parking areas that contain 18 or more spaces or are greater than 6,000 square feet in area, as follows:

- (a) #developments# with #accessory# open parking areas in which 70 percent or more of the #floor area# on the #zoning lot# is occupied by a #community facility# #use#;
- (b) #enlargements# of a #building# with #accessory# open parking areas or the #enlargement# of an open parking area that result in:
  - (1) an increase in the total number of parking spaces #accessory# to #commercial# or #community facility# #uses# on the #zoning lot# that is at least 20 percent greater than the number of such spaces existing on November 28, 2007; or
  - (2) an increase in the total amount of #floor area# on the #zoning lot# that is at least 20 percent greater than the amount of #floor area# existing on November 28, 2007, and where at least 70 percent of the #floor area# on the #zoning lot# is occupied by #commercial# or #community facility# #uses#; and
- (c) existing #buildings# with new #accessory# open parking areas in which 70 percent or more of the #floor area# on the #zoning lot# is occupied by a #commercial# or #community facility# #use#.

The provisions of this Section shall not apply to surface parking located on the roof of a #building#, indoor parking garages, #public parking garages#, structured parking facilities, or #developments# in which at least 70 percent of the #floor area# or #lot area# on a #zoning lot# is used for automobile dealers, automotive repair and maintenance, or #automotive service stations# listed under Use Group VI.

For the purposes of this Section, an “open parking area” shall mean that portion of a #zoning lot# used for the parking or maneuvering of vehicles, including service vehicles, which is not covered by a #building#. Open parking areas shall also include all required landscaped areas within and adjacent to the open parking area.

Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section, where parking requirements are waived, pursuant to Section [25-33](#), on #zoning lots# subdivided after November 28, 2007, and parking spaces #accessory# to #community facility# #uses# or curb cuts accessing #community facility# #uses# are shown on the site plan required pursuant to Section [25-623](#), the provisions of Section [37-921](#) (Perimeter landscaping) shall apply.

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## 25-68 - For Parking Facilities Containing Car Sharing Vehicles

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LAST AMENDED

9/29/2010

R1 R2 R3 R4 R5 R6 R7 R8 R9 R10

Within an off-street parking facility that contains #car sharing vehicles#, an information plaque shall be placed within 20 feet of either the entrance to the parking facility or the attendant’s station, at a location accessible to and visible to users of such facility. The plaque shall be fully opaque, non-reflective and constructed of permanent, highly durable materials and shall contain the following statements in lettering no less than one inch high:

- (a) “Total parking spaces in facility:” which shall specify the total number of parking spaces permitted within such parking facility;
- (b) “Maximum number of car sharing vehicles:” which shall specify the total number of #car sharing vehicles# permitted within such parking facility; and
- (c) where such parking facility contains #accessory residential# parking spaces, “Accessory residential parking spaces shall be made available to residents of this building within 30 days after a written request is made to the landlord.”