Zoning Resolution

THE CITY OF NEW YORK
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32-43 - Limitations on Business Entrances, Show Windows or Signs

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In all districts, as indicated, the location of primary business entrances, #show windows# or #signs# shall be subject to the provisions of this Section.

For the purposes of this Section, a lot of record or a group of contiguous lots of record held in single ownership or control at December 15, 1961, or any applicable amendment thereto shall be considered a single #zoning lot#, regardless of any subsequent subdivision.

For the purposes of this Section, a #corner lot# shall include the entire #zoning lot# notwithstanding the 100-foot limitation in the definition of #corner lots# in Section 12-10 (DEFINITIONS). All other #zoning lots# shall be considered #zoning lots# with single frontage.

The provisions of this Section shall not apply to:

(a) vehicular entrances or exits for permitted drive-in #uses# or automotive service establishments or for permitted or required #accessory# off-street parking spaces or loading berths;

(b) service entrances, or other entrances less than 3 feet, 6 inches in width;

(c) windows other than #show windows#; or

(d) ventilators, fire escapes or other appurtenances required by law.

32-431 - For zoning lots with single frontage

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In all districts, as indicated, for #zoning lots# with single frontage, no primary business entrance, #show window# or #sign# shall be located on that portion of the #street# frontage within a distance of 20 feet from frontage on the same side of the #street# in a #Residence District#.

However, where the #street# frontage of such #zoning lot# or portion thereof within the #Commercial District# is less than 30 feet in length, the minimum distance shall be reduced to 10 feet. For #zoning lots# with a frontage of more than 30 feet, an application may be made to the Board of Standards and Appeals to reduce such minimum distance to 10 feet, as provided in Section 73-50 (Special Provisions Applying Along District Boundaries).

32-432 - For corner lots

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In all districts, as indicated, no primary business entrance, #show window#, or #sign# shall be located on that portion of the #street# frontage of a #corner lot# within 75 feet of frontage on the same side of the #street# in a #Residence District#.

However, primary business entrances, #show windows# or #signs# may be located on frontage less than 75 feet, but not less than 20 feet, from a #Residence District# boundary:

(a) if the total length of the #block# face containing such frontage is less than 220 feet;

(b) if such frontage adjoins frontage on a #corner lot# in a #Residence District#; or

(c) if such frontage is separated from frontage in the #Residence District# by one or more #zoning lots# with single frontage.

32-433 - Exceptions for integrated developments divided by district boundaries

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In all districts, as indicated, primary business entrances, #show windows# or #signs# may be located on any frontage within a #Commercial District#, if the Commissioner of Buildings finds that the #zoning lot# on which the business entrance, #show window# or #sign# is to be located:

(a) is divided by a boundary between the #Commercial District# and a #Residence District#; or

(b) is currently in the same ownership as adjoining property located in a #Residence District# and no #building# in the #Residence District# exists, or will in the future be erected, within a distance of 75 feet from the #Commercial District#, as evidenced by deed restrictions filed in an office of record binding the owner and the owner's heirs and assigns.