



Zoning Resolution

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13-20 - SPECIAL RULES FOR MANHATTAN CORE PARKING FACILITIES

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5/8/2013

All #accessory# off-street parking facilities, automobile rental establishments, and #public parking lots# #developed#, #enlarged# or #extended# in the #Manhattan Core# after May 8, 2013, shall comply with the applicable provisions of this Section, inclusive.

13-21 - Public Use and Off-site Parking

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All #accessory# off-street parking spaces may be made available for public use. However, any such space shall be made available to the occupant of a #residence# to which it is #accessory# within 30 days after written request therefor is made to the landlord.

No #accessory# off-street parking spaces shall be located on a #zoning lot# other than the same #zoning lot# as the #use# to which they are #accessory#.

13-22 - Applicability of Enclosure and Screening Requirements

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- (a) #Accessory# off-street parking facilities and automobile rental establishments

All #accessory# off-street parking spaces shall be located within a #completely enclosed# #building#, with the exception of parking spaces #accessory# to a hospital listed under Use Group III(B), and as provided in Section [13-45](#) (Special Permits for Additional Parking Spaces). In addition, off-street parking spaces associated with an automobile rental establishment shall be located within a #completely enclosed building#.

The applicable streetscape provisions of Section [32-30](#), inclusive, shall apply to #ground floor level# portions of such facilities.

- (b) #Public parking lots# and certain permitted #accessory# parking lots

#Public parking lots# and open parking spaces #accessory# to a hospital shall provide screening in accordance with the provisions of [37-921](#) (Perimeter landscaping).

13-23 - Curb Cut Restrictions

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13-231 - Location of curb cuts

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For #accessory# off-street parking facilities, automobile rental establishments and #public parking lots#, curb cuts are required for entry and exit to such parking facilities. Such curb cuts:

- (a) shall not be permitted within 50 feet of the intersection of any two #street lines#, except where the Commissioner of Buildings certifies that such location:
 - (1) is not hazardous to traffic safety;
 - (2) is not likely to create traffic congestion; and
 - (3) will not unduly inhibit surface traffic or pedestrian flow.

The Commissioner of Buildings may refer such matter to the Department of Transportation, or its successor, for a report;

- (b) shall not be located within two and one-half feet of any #side lot line# of the #zoning lot#, or prolongation thereof;
- (c) for #accessory# off-street parking facilities and automobile rental establishments, shall not be located on a #wide street#, except where authorized pursuant to Section [13-441](#) (Curb cuts); and
- (d) for #public parking lots#, shall not be permitted on the following #wide streets#, except where authorized pursuant to Section [13-441](#):
 - (1) 14th Street, from Fourth Avenue to Seventh Avenue;
 - (2) Avenue of the Americas, from 23rd Street to 32nd Street;
 - (3) Canal Street, from the Bowery to West Broadway;
 - (4) Church Street, from Park Place to Worth Street;
 - (5) Delancey Street, from Clinton Street to the west side of Orchard Street;

- (6) Fifth Avenue;
- (7) Seventh Avenue, from 23rd Street to 32nd Street; and
- (8) Worth Street, from Centre Street to Church Street.

13-232 - Maximum width of curb cuts

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(a) *#Accessory#* off-street parking facilities

For curb cuts accessing off-street parking spaces *#accessory#* to *#residences#* in the *#Manhattan Core#*, the provisions of Sections [25-631](#) (Location and width of curb cuts in certain districts) and [36-532](#) (Location and width of curb cuts accessing residential parking spaces in certain districts) shall apply, as applicable.

In addition, the maximum width of a curb cut shall be 22 feet, including splays, for curb cuts accessing off-street parking spaces *#accessory#* to *#residences#* in R9 through R12 Districts, and in *#Commercial Districts#* mapped within or with a *#residential equivalent#* of R9 through R12 Districts. This maximum curb cut width of 22 feet shall also apply to curb cuts accessing off-street parking spaces *#accessory#* to *#commercial#* or *#community facility#* *#uses#*, and to curb cuts accessing off-street parking facilities with parking spaces *#accessory#* to a mix of *#uses#*.

(b) Automobile rental establishments

For curb cuts accessing automobile rental establishments, the maximum width of a curb cut shall be 22 feet, including splays.

(c) #Public parking lots#

For curb cuts accessing #public parking lots#, the curb cut provisions of paragraph (c) of Section [36-57](#) (Parking Lot Maneuverability and Curb Cut Regulations) shall apply.

13-24 - Reservoir Spaces

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For the purpose of determining required reservoir spaces, fractions equal to or greater than one-half resulting from the calculations in this Section shall be considered to be one reservoir space. In no event shall the dimensions of any reservoir space be less than 18 feet long and 8 feet, 6 inches wide.

(a) Attended parking facilities

For attended #accessory# off-street parking facilities or #public parking lots# with more than 25 off-street parking spaces, off-street reservoir space at the vehicular entrance shall be provided to accommodate:

- (1) five percent of the total number of parking spaces provided in parking facilities with more than 25 parking spaces and up to 50 parking spaces;
- (2) ten percent of the total number of parking spaces provided in parking facilities with more than 50 parking spaces and up to 100 parking spaces;
- (3) ten parking spaces in parking facilities with more than 100 off-street parking spaces and up to 200 parking spaces; and
- (4) five percent of the total number of parking spaces provided in parking facilities with more than 200 off-street parking spaces. However such number of reservoir spaces need not exceed 50.

(b) #Automated parking facilities#

For #automated parking facilities#, off-street reservoir space at the vehicle entrance shall be provided at the rate set forth in paragraph (a) of this Section.

Each individual parking location where a driver is permitted to leave a vehicle for transfer to a mechanized automobile storage and retrieval unit shall constitute one reservoir space.

However, the parking area designated for mechanical conveyance of the vehicle into storage, whether in an elevator or otherwise, shall not be considered a reservoir space. Additional reservoir spaces may be located where drivers queue to access such locations for vehicle transfer.

In addition, the number of reservoir spaces required pursuant to this Section may be reduced where the Commissioner of Buildings determines that the operational characteristics of such #automated parking facility# warrant such a reduction.

(c) Automobile rental establishments

For automobile rental establishments, off-street reservoir space at the vehicle entrance shall be provided at the rate set forth in paragraph (a) of this Section.

(d) Self-parking facilities

For self-parking #accessory# off-street parking facilities and #public parking lots# where entering vehicles are required to stop before a mechanically operated barrier before entering such parking facility, such barrier shall be placed a minimum of 20 feet beyond the #street line#.

13-25 - Pedestrian Safety and Access

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For all #accessory# off-street parking facilities, the following safety features shall be provided at all vehicular exit points:

- (a) a stop sign which shall be clearly visible to drivers. Such signage shall comply with the standards set forth in the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) issued by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) for a conventional single lane road; and
- (b) a speed bump, which shall be located within the exit lane of the parking facility. Such speed bump shall:
 - (1) span the width of the vehicular travel lane;

- (2) have a minimum height of two inches, as measured from the adjoining grade of the exit lane, and a maximum depth of 12 inches; and
- (3) be located a minimum of four feet and a maximum of eight feet beyond the #street line#, as measured perpendicular to the #street line#.

13-26 - Minimum and Maximum Size of Parking Facilities

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For all #accessory# off-street parking facilities and automobile rental establishments, the minimum and maximum size requirements for the #parking zone# for such parking facilities shall be set forth in this Section. The #access zone# of such parking facilities shall not have a minimum or maximum gross surface area.

For the purpose of calculating surface area in attended parking facilities with parking lift systems, the lifted tray upon which a vehicle is stored shall constitute surface area.

(a) Attended parking facilities

- (1) For attended parking facilities without parking lift systems, the minimum gross surface area, in square feet, of the #parking zone# shall be 180 times the number of off-street parking spaces provided, and the maximum gross surface area, in square feet, of the #parking zone# shall not exceed 200 times the number of off-street parking spaces provided.

(2) For attended parking facilities with parking lift systems, the minimum and maximum surface area of the portion of the #parking zone# allocated to non-elevated parking spaces shall be calculated at the rate set forth in paragraph (a)(1) of this Section; and the surface area, in square feet, of the portion of the #parking zone# allocated to elevated parking spaces shall be 153 times the number of elevated spaces able to be provided on lifted trays.

(b) #Automated parking facilities#

No minimum or maximum surface area requirement shall be required in off-street parking facilities that the Commissioner of Buildings determines to be #automated parking facilities#.

(c) Automobile rental establishments

The maximum gross surface area, in square feet, of the #parking zone# of an automobile rental establishment, shall be established at the rate set forth in paragraph (a) of this Section.

(d) Self-park facilities

The gross surface area, in square feet, of the #parking zone# of a self-parking #accessory# off-street parking facility shall be a minimum of 300 times the number of off-street parking spaces provided, and a maximum of 350 times the number of off-street parking spaces provided. However, 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.

Such minimum and maximum #parking zone# requirements of this Section may be modified by the Chairperson of the City Planning Commission pursuant to the certification set forth in Section [13-431](#) (Modification of minimum facility size).

