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64-33 - Special Bulk Regulations for Cottage Envelope Buildings

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The provisions of this Section, inclusive, are optional, and are only applicable to #zoning lots# located wholly or partially within #flood zones#. The provisions of this Section, inclusive, may be applied to #zoning lots# with #cottage envelope buildings#. For such #zoning lots#, the underlying #bulk# regulations shall apply, except where permitted to be modified by this Section, inclusive.

No #building# that utilizes the provisions of this Section shall subsequently be #enlarged# pursuant to Section [73-622](#) (Enlargements of single- and two-family detached and semi-detached residences).

64-331 - Modifications to the attic allowance for cottage envelope buildings

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R3 R4A R4-1

In #lower density growth management areas# in the districts indicated, the provisions of paragraph (b) of Section [23-142](#) (Open space and floor area regulations in R1 and R2 Districts with a letter suffix and R3 through R5 Districts) shall be modified to allow the #floor area ratio# set forth in the table of such Section to be exceeded by 20 percent, provided that any such increase in #floor area# is located in any portion of a #cottage envelope building# covered by a sloping roof that rises at least three and one-half inches in vertical distance for each foot of horizontal distance.

64-332 - Special regulations for required yards, courts and open spaces on zoning lots with cottage envelope buildings

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R1 R2 R3 R4 R5

In the districts indicated, for #zoning lots# containing #cottage envelope buildings#, the following #yards#, #courts# and #open space# regulations may be modified in accordance with the provisions of this Section.

(a) Lot Coverage and Open Space

In R1-2A, R2A, R3-1, R3-2, R4, R4-1, and R4A Districts, the #lot coverage# and #open space# regulations need not apply. In lieu thereof, the #yard# requirements of this Section shall apply.

(b) Front Yards

For #buildings# that are utilizing the provisions of this paragraph, the provisions of paragraphs (b) and (c) of Section [23-45](#) (Minimum Required Front Yards) need not apply.

For the purpose of this Section, the area between the #street line# and the #street wall line# of adjacent #buildings# containing #residences# on the same or adjoining #zoning lots# fronting on the same #street# shall be considered adjacent #front yards#.

Where an adjacent #front yard# is shallower than the minimum required pursuant to the applicable district regulations, then the #front yard# of the #zoning lot# containing #cottage envelope buildings# may be as shallow as the shallowest adjacent #front yard#.

(c) Side Yards

The #side yard# provisions for the applicable district shall apply, except that the required total width of #side yards# for a #zoning lot# may be reduced by four inches for each foot by which the width of a #zoning lot# is less than the minimum widths set forth in the definition of #cottage envelope building# in Section [64-11](#) (Definitions). However, in no event shall the required width of a #side yard# be less than three feet.

In addition, for #buildings# utilizing the provisions of this paragraph, the provisions of paragraph (c) of Section [23-461](#) (Side yards for single- or two-family residences) need not apply, provided such open area does not serve as access or contain #accessory# off-street parking spaces serving existing #buildings# that remain on the #zoning lot#, or an adjoining #zoning lot#.

(d) Rear Yards

(1) Where an #interior lot# is less than 95 feet deep at any point, the depth of a required #rear yard#, or portion thereof, for such #interior lot#, may be reduced by six inches for each foot by which the depth of a #zoning lot#, or portion thereof, is less than 95 feet. However, in no event shall the minimum depth of a required #rear yard#, or portion thereof, be reduced to less than 10 feet.

(2) Where a #through lot# is less than 180 feet deep at any point, the depth of a required #rear yard equivalent#, or portion thereof, for such #through lot#, may be reduced by one foot for each foot by which the depth of a #zoning lot#, or portion thereof, is less than 180 feet. However, in no event shall the minimum depth of a required #rear yard equivalent#, or portion thereof, be reduced to less than 20 feet.

(e) Corner Lots

Where a #corner lot# has a #lot area# equal to or less than 3,000 square feet, only one #front yard# need be provided, and the remaining #front lot line# may be treated as a #side lot line#.

64-333 - Height and setback regulations for cottage envelope buildings

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R1 R2 R3 R4 R5

In the districts indicated, all #cottage envelope buildings# shall be subject to the height and setback provisions set forth in paragraph (b) of Section [23-631](#) (General provisions), except that:

- (a) the maximum height of a perimeter wall of a #cottage envelope building# before setback shall be 21 feet;
- (b) the maximum height of a ridge line shall be 25 feet; and
- (c) all heights may be measured from the #reference plane#.

In addition, the maximum number of #stories# in any #cottage envelope building# shall not exceed two #stories# above the #reference plane#. For the purposes of this Section, attic space providing structural headroom of less than eight feet shall not be considered a #story#.