TITLE 11 CHAPTER 5

PLATTING AND MAPPING STANDARDS

SECTION:

- 11-5-1: Streets
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11-5-1: STREETS:

- A. All streets shall comply with applicable development standards of Title 10 Chapter 36, Street Standards.
- B. Slope Easements: Slope easements shall be dedicated in accordance with specifications adopted by the City Council under Section 11-6-1 of this Title.
- C. Reserve Strips: The Planning Commission may require the applicant to create a reserve strip controlling the access to a street, said strip to be placed under the jurisdiction of the City Council and the Planning Commission, when the Planning Commission determines that a strip is necessary:
 - 1. To prevent access to abutting land at the end of a street in order to assure the proper extension of the street pattern and the orderly development of land lying beyond the street; or
 - 2. To prevent access to the side of a street on the side where additional width is required to meet the right of way standards provided in the table under subsection B2 above; or
 - 3. To prevent access to land abutting a street of the partition or subdivision, but not within the partition or subdivision itself; or
 - 4. To prevent access to land unsuitable for building development.

11-5-2: LOTS AND PARCELS:

- A. Size and Frontage:
 - 1. General Requirements: Each lot shall have a minimum width and depth consistent with the lot width and depth standards for the appropriate zoning district.
 - 2. Area: Minimum lot size shall be in conformance with the provisions of the Florence Zoning Ordinance. Where either a community water supply or sewer system are not presently provided, the lot area shall be sufficient to meet State and County health standards and the lot area shall be at least twice the number of square feet normally required in the zoning district where the lot is located. Where an oversize lot as described above is required due to lack of services, the Planning Commission may require the developer to submit a plan for later division of said lot(s) into lots meeting the minimum lot sizes for single-family detached dwellings in the underlying zone.
 - 3. Frontage: Each lot shall have frontage upon a street of not less than the required minimum lot width for the underlying zone and development type, except that a lot with a required minimum width of fifty feet (50') located on the outer radius of a curved street or facing the circular end of a cul-de-sac shall have frontage of not less than thirty five feet (35') upon a street, measured on the arc. Where either a public water supply or public sewers are not presently provided, the lot frontage shall be sufficient to insure an adequate sized lot to meet State and County requirements

B. Exceptions:

- 1. Subdivisions and Partitions Developed as a Unit: The Planning Commission may in its discretion authorize the relaxation of the lot size and frontage requirements specified herein where the applicant presents a plan satisfactory to the Planning Commission whereby the entire subdivision or partition will be designed and developed with provision for proper maintenance of open space, recreation and parklands and will be commonly available for recreation and park purposes to the residents of the subdivision or partition, and which the Planning Commission determines will be of such benefit to said residents as is equal to that which would be derived from observance of the lot size and frontage requirements otherwise specified, and will be in accordance with the purpose of this Title.
- 2. Land Zoned for Commercial Use: The Planning Commission may in its discretion authorize relaxation of the lot size and frontage requirements specified herein in the case of land zoned for commercial use, where such relaxation is necessary in consideration of the suitability of the land for such use, and in accordance with the purpose of this Title.
- 3. Lot or Parcel Retained for Future Subdivision or Partition: The Planning Commission may in its discretion waive lot frontage requirements where in its judgment a lot or parcel should and will be retained by the applicant, and future subdivision or partition of such lot will be best protected by the creation of a reserve strip separating such lot from any street.
- 4. Flag Lots: Flat lots shall be permitted provided they meet the following requirements:
 - a. The lot has frontage and access on a public street.
 - b. The buildable portion of the lot is connected to the right-of-way via an accessway at least twenty (20) ft in width.
 - c. A maximum of one (1) flat lot may be served by a flag lot accessway.
 - d. Accessway Design and Emergency Vehicle Access
 - i. Accessways shall be designed and constructed in accordance with 10-35-2-12
 - ii. Accessways shall have a minimum paved width of twelve (12) ft.

ii. Accessways shall be centered within the accessway to minimize impacts on adjoining lots except when otherwise warranted to preserve existing vegetation or meet the intent of this subsection.

iv. Frontage shall display an address at their closest point of access to a public street for emergency responders.

v. A proposed structure on a flag lot may not have its furthest point located farther than one hundred fifty (150) ft in distance from the public right-of-way, as measured along an accessible route.

vi. The applicant submits written confirmation from the Fire Marshal that the proposed access meets emergency access needs.

vii. Parking along any portion of the accessway is prohibited unless the paved portion of the accessway is suitably sized to meet the combined needs of parking and emergency access requirements.

- 5. Lot and Parcel Side Lines: As far as is practicable, lot and parcel side lines shall run at right angles to the street upon which the lot or parcel faces; except those on curved streets, they shall be radial to the curve.
- 6. Suitability for Intended Use: All lots and parcels shall be suitable for the purpose for which they are intended to be used. No lot or parcel shall be of such size or design as to be detrimental to the health, safety or sanitary needs of the residents of the subdivision or partition or of such lot or parcel as determined by the Planning Director in accordance with the purpose of this Title.

11-5-3: PUBLIC FACILITIES: All utilities shall comply with applicable development standards of Title 10 Chapter 36 and Title 9.

11-5-4: UNSUITABLE AREAS: Areas identified in the Florence Comprehensive Plan as having designated or protected natural areas or potential hazards due to erosion, landslides, stream flooding, ocean flooding or other natural hazards shall not be divided in a manner that would be dangerous to the health and safety of those who would live in said areas, the general public, or natural values which have been protected.

- A. All subdivision applications shall be reviewed by the City, using the Phase I checklist contained in Site Investigation Reports by Wilbur E. Ternyik, published by OCZMA.
- B. Where problem areas are identified in the Phase I checklist, a full-scale Phase II site investigation will be required covering only those problem areas identified in the Phase I checklist. This site investigation must be prepared and paid for by the applicant. Before approval would be granted the site investigation would have to prove either:
 - 1. That upon specific examination of the site, the condition which was identified in the Comprehensive Plan Inventory did not exist on the subject property; or
 - 2. That harmful effects could be mitigated or eliminated through, for example, foundation or structure engineering, setbacks or dedication of protected natural areas.
- C. Specifically, areas shown on the Hazards Map and the Soils Map of the Comprehensive Plan will require a Phase II site investigation report. Studies which have been adopted or included in the Comprehensive Plan by reference or studies done subsequent to the adoption of the Plan may be used to determine when a site investigation report is needed.

¹¹⁻⁵⁻¹ Amended by Ord 1, Series 1992

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