## ARTICLE 3

# BUILDING TYRES

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## **Mixed-Use**

#### DESCRIPTION

In "mixed-use" buildings, there shall be a combination of retail, office, and/or residential spaces within one or several buildings. Mixeduse buildings are usually in more urban areas and can vary in their size and number of stories. A mixed-use building type can be identified by its approachable and pedestrian friendly look. The buildings may be farther away from the street with wider sidewalk areas, street plantings, or outdoor seating.

#### **ZONE DISTRICTS**



#### **BUILDING TYPE EXAMPLES**





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## **Mixed-Use**

#### **BUILDING STANDARDS**



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### **Mixed-Use**

#### **MASSING & ARTICULATION**

#### STREET **FACADE BASE** MASSING All facades shall have a recognizable "base" C **Building Bays\* -**30' consisting of (but not limited to): Maximum Width thicker walls, ledges or sills; textured materials such as stone or masonry; Footprints over ten-thousand (10,000) sf shall integrally colored and patterned materials incorporate recesses/projections with bays no wider such as smooth-finished stone or tile; than thirty (30) ft. lighter or darker colored materials; \*Building bay is defined as at least two (2) of the following: mullions or panels; and change in plane; planters. change in height; B FACADE TOP

All facades shall have a recognizable "top"

consisting of (but not limited to):

- cornice treatments, other than just colored "stripes" or "bands," with integrally textured materials such as stone or other masonry or differently colored materials;
- sloping roof with overhangs and brackets; and
- stepped parapets.

change in texture or masonry pattern,

- windows, treillage with vines; and/or
- an equivalent element that subdivides the wall into human scale proportions.

#### FOUR-SIDED DESIGN

Building Materials Consistent with Front of Building	D
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\*Standard also applies to rear facade..

## **Mixed-Use**

#### SITE ACCESS



\*Includes clearly defined and recessed or framed element such as an awning, arcade, or portico to provide shelter.

\*\*Buildings with vehicle bays and/or service doors for intermittent/infrequent nonpublic access to equipment, storage or similar rooms (e.g., self-serve car washes and self-serve mini-storage warehouses) are exempt from this standard.

Alley Access***	Setback additional 15' min. from the building wall
Off-Street Parking	Shall not be located any closer to a public street right-of-way than the principal building is set back from the street.

\*\*\*Any new access must obtain access from an alley when present, unless proposed alley access is deemed hazardous by the City Engineer.

## **Apartment Building**

#### DESCRIPTION

An apartment building is a residential building that has three (3) or more housing units. Apartment buildings are typically medium to large in size because the units are placed sideby-side and/or stacked vertically. Apartment buildings have a variety of architectural styles but are usually at least 2 stories tall and have common entries that face the street.

#### **ZONE DISTRICTS**



#### **BUILDING TYPE EXAMPLES**





## **Apartment Building**

#### **BUILDING STANDARDS**



\*Only properties abutting a zone district with a lower maximum building height shall comply.

## materials and color. Rooftop equipment shall be hidden from view by incorporating equipment screens of compatible design and materials.

## **Apartment Building**

#### **BUILDING STANDARDS**



#### **FACADES & WALLS**

#### Building Facade Articulation\*

Required when 40' or more

\*Facade articulation can be accomplished by:

- Covered doorways, balconies, covered box or bay windows, and/or other similar features;
- Offsetting the floor plan;
- Recessing or projection of design elements;
- Change in materials; and/or
- Change in contrasting colors.

#### MASSING

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- Massing, wall plane, and roof design proportions shall be similar to a detached house, so that larger buildings can be integrated into surrounding lower scale neighborhoods.
- Projections, recesses, covered doorways, balconies, covered box or bay windows and/or other similar features.
- Dividing large facades and walls into human-scaled proportions similar to the adjacent single- or twofamily dwellings shall not have repetitive, monotonous undifferentiated wall planes.
- Horizontal and/or vertical elements that break up blank walls of forty (40) feet or longer.

#### **PRIMARY ENTRANCES**

Architectural Feature	Primary entrances shall include architectural features such as a porch, landing, portico, similar feature or landscaping.
Location	Primary entry(ies) shall be located on the street-facing facade.

#### VEHICULAR ACCESS & PARKING

Alley Access**	Setback additional 15' min. from building wall.
Off-Street Parking	Shall not be located any closer to a public street right-of-way than the principal building is set back from the street.

\*\*Any new access must obtain access from an alley when present, unless proposed alley access is deemed hazardous by the City Engineer.

## **Cottage Court**

#### DESCRIPTION

Cottage Court complexes are a grouping of residential units that are organized around a shared courtyard accessible to all residents. Some cottages face the street while others face towards the courtyard. The cottages are usually smaller in scale with friendly architectural styles that provide a neighborhood feel, such as porches or stoops for each residential unit.

#### **ZONE DISTRICTS**

LMN

MMN

OT

HC

The following Zone Districts allow cottage court building types:

### • Overlay Districts

#### **BUILDING TYPE EXAMPLES**



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## **Cottage Court**



## **Cottage Court**

#### SITE ACCESS



#### **ENTRANCES**

ENTRANCES	62
Primary Entrance Orientation*	Toward street or shared court
Architectural Features	Required
Single-Unit Detached	6' deep min. x 8' length min.
Single-Unit Attached	4' x 4' min. covered porch or stoop required**

\*For new construction on rear area of a lot that consists of frontage on two (2) streets and an alley, frontage shall face street.

\*\*Porch Depth is as measured from the building facade to the posts, railings and spindles.

#### **ACESSS & CIRCULATION**

Walkways	Shared pathways	С
Off-Street Parking - Alley Access	Behind street fronting dweilling	
Off-Street Parking - No-Alley Access	12' max. driveway width, 1 driveway / lot	D
Parking Ratio per number of bedrooms	1 or less br: 1.0 2 br: 1.50 3 br: 2.00 4 br: 2.50	•

 Off-street parking area shall be prohibited within the court.

## Rowhouse

#### **BUILDING STANDARDS**

A rowhouse consists of 2-8 residential units that are placed side-by-side and share walls. Rowhouses are typically narrow and 2-3.5 stories tall, with each home having its own entrance that usually faces the street. It is common for homes in rowhouses to have porches and some may have an attached or detached garage behind each unit.

#### **ZONE DISTRICTS**



#### **BUILDING TYPE EXAMPLES**



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## Rowhouse

#### **BUILDING STANDARDS**



\*\*See Zone Distrcit standards for max. height.

\*\*\*Maximum is dependent on Zone District standards.

\*\*\*\* Narrower side of unit faces the street.

### Rowhouse



For new construction on rear area of a lot that consists of frontage on two (2) streets and an alley, frontage shall face street.

Architectural features include porch, portico or similar feature.
 Porch Depth is as measured from the building facade to

Porch Depth is as measured from the building facade to the posts, railings and spindles

## Duplex

#### DESCRIPTION

A duplex consists of one building with two (2) side-by-side residential units that both face the street or two (2) units that are stacked vertically. A duplex is commonly 1.5 to 2 stories and usually features porches, stoops, and pitched roofs, so it can look like a medium to large detached house and fit in well with singleunit neighborhoods. Other types of duplexes may not face the street, such as over-thegarage duplexes or basement duplexes.

#### **ZONE DISTRICTS**



#### **BUILDING TYPE EXAMPLES**



## **Duplex**

#### **BUILDING STANDARDS**



LOT STANDARDS	0
Lot Size - Minimum	4500 ft <sup>2</sup>
Lot Width - Minimum	40' min. 🗛
Floor Area - Maximum	1500 ft² / unit
Private Outdoor Space*	12' x 18' / unit

#### BUILDING MASS

Building Height - Maximum	35′**	B
# of Duplex Groupings	3 - 6 max.	
Building Orientation	Front faces stree or shared court	t

A second floor shall not overhang the lower front or side exterior walls of a new or existing building.

\*\*See Zone District standards for specific maximum height.

ROOF DESIGN		C
Roof Pitch - Minimum	2:12	
Roof Pitch - Maximum	12:12	
Roof Pitch - Architectural Features	24:12***	D

\*\*\*Covered porch may be flat whenever the roof of such a porch is also considered to be the floor of a second-story deck.

#### \*Clearly defined space such as a patio, courtyard or deck

## **Duplex**

#### SITE ACCESS



#### **ENTRANCES**

Private Entrance for Individual Units	Min. of one entry required to orient toward street; may be shared entry for stacked units.
Architectural Features	Required
Shared Front Porch	6' deep min. x 8' B length min.
Individual Entry Feature	4' x 4' min. covered ground- floor stoop

- Entrances must be visible from the street or shared court.
- Architectural features include porch, portico or similar feature. Covered porch may be flat whenevr the roof of such porch is also considered to be the floor of a second-story deck.
- Porch Depth is as measured from the building facade to the posts, railings and spindles.

#### **ACESSS & CIRCULATION**

Off-Street Parking - Alley Access	Behind dwelling	D
Street-Facing Garage Setback*	Recessed 4' behind a porch or front facade	
Off-Street Parking - No-Alley Access*	12' max. driveway width	

\* Allowed only when there is no alley access.

## **Detached House, Urban**

#### DESCRIPTION

An urban detached house is a small to mediumsized 1-2 story home on a single lot located in established neighborhoods. Most have one main entrance and often attached or detached garages. Urban detached houses are distinct in that they are usually on smaller lots, and within walking distance to key amenities and services.

#### **ZONE DISTRICTS**



#### **BUILDING TYPE EXAMPLES**













## **Detached House, Urban**

#### **BUILDING STANDARDS**



#### LOT STANDARDS\*

Lot Size - Minimum	3000 ft <sup>2</sup>	
Lot Width - Minimum	40' min.	B

\*Lot standards may vary from dimensions stated here if part of a larger development and consistent with density requirements.

ROOF DESIGN	2
Roof Pitch - Minimum**	2:12
Roof Pitch - Maximum	12:12
Roof Pitch - Architectural Features	24:12*** D

\*\*Only applies in the OT zone district.

\*\*\*Covered porch may be flat whenever the roof of such a porch is also considered to be the floor of a second-story deck.

#### FRONT YARD FENCES

Opacity	60% min.
Height	2.5' min 3' max.
Prohibited Materials	Chain Link

#### **OFF-STREET PARKING**

Alley Access	Behind dwelling
No-Alley Access	12' max. driveway width

#### **BUILDING MASS**

Building Height - Maximum	35′**** <b>C</b>	
Building Orientation	Front faces street	

A second floor shall not overhang the lower front or side exterior walls of a new or existing building.

\*\*\*\*See Zone District standards for specific maximum height.

### **Detached House, Urban**



\*Unless required for handicap access.

## **Detached House, Suburban**

#### DESCRIPTION

A suburban detached house is a small to medium-sized 1-2 story home on a single lot located in established neighborhoods. Most have one main entrance and often attached or detached garages. Suburban detached houses make up a large portion of Fort Collin's current single-unit residential areas.

#### **ZONE DISTRICTS**



**BUILDING TYPE EXAMPLES** 









## **Detached House, Suburban**

#### **BUILDING STANDARDS**



equivalent of three (3) times the total floor area of the building but not less than six thousand (6,000) square feet.

\*\*Except in OT, the standards in this zone district apply.

A second floor shall not overhang the lower front or side exterior walls of a new or existing building.

### **Detached House, Suburban**

#### SITE DESIGN



\*\*When required by zone district.

## **Detached Accessory Structure**

#### DESCRIPTION

- Free-standing structure
- Does not include a dwelling unit
- Unattached to proposed or existing primary dwelling
- Does not share a common wall with primary dwelling
- New construction or built from existing detached accessory building
- Max. square footage
- Compliments primary dwelling (architecture, building materials)

#### **ZONE DISTRICTS**

All Zone Districts that permit single-unit and two-unit uses.

#### **BUILDING STANDARDS**

### ACCESSORY BUILDING FLOOT

OT zone district	Any parcel	600 ft² max.
All other zone districts	Parcels < 20,000 sf	800 ft <sup>2</sup> max.
	Parcels > 20,000 sf < 1 acre	1,200 ft² max.
	Parcels > 1 acre	6% ft² max.

#### ACCESSORY BUILDING SETBACKS

Setback from Primary Dwelling	5' min.
Side & Rear Setback	Per Zone District standards

#### ACCESSORY BUILDING HEIGHT (Maximum)

Accessory Building	24' max. 🛕
Bulk Plane	Per Zone District standards

#### section 3.1.9 BUILDING TYPE: Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU)

#### DESCRIPTION

- Full living amenities
- Accessory to a Duplex or Detached House
- New construction or built within an existing detached accessory building
- Min & Max. square footage
- Subordinate to and compliments the primary dwelling (architecture, building materials)
- ADUs may came come in one of two varieties:
  - Detached
  - Attached

#### **ZONE DISTRICTS**

Allowed in all zone districts where there is an existing:

- detached house;
- duplex; or
- non-residential use operating in a detached house.

#### **BUILDING TYPE EXAMPLES**



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### section 3.1.9 BUILDING TYPE: Accessory Dwelling Unit, Detached



#### **BUILDING STANDARDS:**

Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU), detached 🗛

- Free-standing structure
- Unattached to proposed or existing primary dwelling
- Does not share a common wall or roof
  with primary dwelling
- Behind front wall of primary dwelling
- May include garage, shed or other accessory space

#### **Detached ADU SETBACKS**

ADU detached, Setback from Primary Dwelling	5' min. 🕒
Side & Rear Setback	Per Zone District standards

#### **Detached ADU HEIGHT (Maximum)**

ADU Height

1.5 stories /28' max. or per Zone District **G** standard

#### Detached ADU FLOOR AREA

Detached ADU with or without non-habitable space (Rear Lot)New constructionExisting accessory structure**	Primary Building <u>&lt;</u> 1,335 ft <sup>2</sup>	600 ft <sup>2</sup> max.*	
		Primary Building > 1,335 ft <sup>2</sup>	1,000 ft <sup>2</sup> max. / or 45% of primary dwelling unit. (whichever is less)*
	0		800 ft <sup>2</sup> max.***

\*Max. floor Area includes garage, shed or other accessory space. \*\*Legal structure upon the adoption of the LUC. \*\*\*Does not include non-habitable space.

### section 3.1.9 BUILDING TYPE: Accessory Dwelling Unit, Attached



ADU FLOOR AREA		
level at or a located on	Located on a floor level at or above grade	45% of primary dwelling unit
	located on floor level below grade	100% of the floor level

## **Residential Cluster**

#### DESCRIPTION

In a residential cluster lot sizes may be reduced in order to cluster the dwellings together on a portion of the property, with the remainder of the property permanently preserved as privately owned open space. A Residentail Cluster may include the following other building types Detached House, Duplex, Cottage Court, Rowhouse, or ADU.

#### **ZONE DISTRICTS**

The following Zone Districts allow Residential Cluster building type:

• UE • RF

• RUL

#### **DESIGN STANDARDS**

(A) Street Connectivity and Design. The layout and design of any new streets shall emphasize < characteristics and views of the openlandscape. To the maximum extent feasible, streets shall be designed to minimize the amount of site disturbance caused by roadway and associated grading required for their construction by utilizing special street design characteristics such as divided lanes, landscape islands and landscape solutions to drainage instead of standard curb and gutter (so that storm water runoff is directed into open swales and ditches). Local and residential access roads shall be designed without curbs and gutters unless deemed necessary for health and safety by the City Engineer.

#### (B) Fossli Creek Reservoir Resource

Management Area. In the Fossil Creek Reservoir Resource Management Area clustering shall be required for residential development.

#### (C) Site Design for Residential Cluster

**Development.** In a cluster development, lot sizes and widths may be reduced in order to group the dwellings together. The precentage of the developement that includes residential uses and the precentage required to be preserved as privately owned open space can be found in the following table.



(1) The private open space of the proposed development shall remain under private ownership, as protected by restrictive covenants for the benefit of the City, and/ or by maintaining existing dwellings and any outbuildings, protected by restrictive covenants binding upon either:

- (a) existing residential owners;
- (b) the residential homeowners' association if it owns such propert; or
- (c) a nonprofit organization acceptable to the City, if it owns such property.

(2) The development plan shall include such restrictive provisions protected by restrictive covenants for the benefit of the City, proposed uses, and maintenance provisions as necessary to ensure the continuation of the private open space uses intended. The city may also require that the developer commit in the development agreement to maintain the open space.

## **Residential Cluster**

(3) Setbacks

Setbacks for attached, detached and accessory buildings in a Residential Cluster

Building	Front	Interior Side	Street Side	Rear
Detached	15' min	5' min	15' min	8' min
Attached	10' min	0' min	15' min	8' min
Detached Accessory	Behind primary building	5' min	15' min	8' min

(4) Outbuildings relating to agricultural use are allowed to remain and, if included, shall be applied toward the total allowed residential density in the development.

(5) Dwelling Units. The maximum number of dwellings are indicated in the following table.

#### Units per Acres in a Residential Cluster

Zone District	Max. Dweiling Units	Acres
UE	2	1
RUL	1	10
RF	1	1

(D) The design of the cluster development shall be appropriate for the site, as demonstrated by meeting all of the following criteria:

(1) The preservation of significant natural resources, wildlife habitat, natural areas and features such as drainage swales, rock outcroppings and slopes, native vegetation, open lands or agricultural property through maintenance of large, contiguous blocks of land and other techniques. Residual land shall be designed to achieve the maximum amount of contiguous open space possible, while avoiding the creation of small, isolated and unusable areas.

(2) The provision of additional amenities such as trails, common areas or access to public recreational areas and open space. Residual lands shall not include any street rights-of-way or parking areas.

(3) The protection of adjacent residential development through landscaping, screening, fencing, buffering or similar measures.

(4) The layout of lots to conform to terrain and minimize grading and filling, including the preservation of natural features such as drainage swales, rock outcroppings and slopes.

(5) The indication of any areas where Farm Animals will be allowed, including any mitigation features needed to buffer these areas from surrounding uses.