



Single Family Residential Secondary Suite Zone

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A. Intent

This Zone is intended exclusively for single family housing containing 1 *secondary suite* on *urban lots*.

B. Permitted Uses

Land and *structures* shall be used for the following uses only, or for a combination of such uses:

1. One *single family dwelling* which may contain 1 *secondary suite*.

C. Lot Area

Not applicable to this Zone.

D. Density

Amendments: 12101, 07/11/94; 14519, 10/15/01; 18414, 03/23/15; 19333, 12/18/17

1. For *building* construction within a *lot*:
 - (a) The *floor area ratio* must not exceed 0.60 for the first 560 square metres [6,000 sq. ft.] of *lot* area and 0.35 for the remaining *lot* area in excess of 560 square metres [6,000 sq.ft.], provided that 39 square metres [420 sq.ft.] must be reserved for use only as a garage or carport;
 - (b) The maximum allowable floor area is as follows:
 - i. 465 square metres [5,000 sq.ft.], except in the area shown in Schedule D.1.(a).; and

- ii. For *building* construction on a *lot* within the area shown in Schedule D.1.(a) , the maximum allowable floor area is 84 square metres [900 sq.ft.] and a *basement* is not permitted on such *lot*;
- (c) The maximum permitted floor area of a second storey for a *principal building* must not exceed 80% of the floor area of the main floor level including attached garage and that portion of any porch or veranda at the front that is covered by a sloped roof, but not including any portion of the *structure* located within 7.5 metres [25 ft.] of the *front lot line*. The reduced floor area of the second storey shall be accomplished by an offset at the second storey level from the wall at the main floor level from either the front or side walls or a combination thereof; and
- (d) For the purpose of this Section and notwithstanding the definition of *floor area ratio* in Part 1 Definitions of this By-law, the following must be included in the calculation of *floor area ratio*:
 - i. Covered areas used for parking, unless the covered parking is located within the *basement*;
 - ii. The area of an *accessory building* in excess of 10 square metres [108 sq. ft.];
 - iii. Covered outdoor space with a height of 1.8 metres [6 ft.] or greater, except for a maximum of 10% of the maximum allowable floor area of which 15 square metres [160 sq. ft.] must be reserved for a front porch or veranda; and
 - iv. Floor area including staircases, garages and covered parking with extended height exceeding 3.7 metres [12 feet] must be multiplied by 2, excluding:
 - (a) 19 square metres [200 sq. ft.] and
 - (b) floor area directly below a sloped ceiling less than 4.6 metres [15 ft.] in height, provided that the area has at least one wall 3.7 metres [12 ft.] or less in height.

E. Lot Coverage

The maximum *lot coverage* shall be 40%.

F. Yards and Setbacks

Amendments: 12101, 07/11/94; 13093, 05/12/97; 17471, 10/03/11; 17704, 07/23/12; 18414, 03/23/15

Buildings and structures shall be sited in accordance with the following minimum *setbacks*:

<i>Use</i>	<i>Setback</i>	<i>Front Yard*</i>	<i>Rear Yard***</i>	<i>Side Yard</i>	<i>Side Yard on Flanking Street</i>
<i>Principal Building</i>		7.5 m. [25 ft.]	7.5 m. [25 ft.]	1.8 m.** [6 ft.]	3.6 m. [12 ft.]
<i>Accessory Buildings and Structures Greater Than 10 square metres [108 sq.ft.] in Size</i>		18.0 m. [60 ft.]	1.8 m [6 ft.]	1.0 m [3 ft.]	7.5 m [25 ft.]
<i>Other Accessory Buildings and Structures</i>		18.0 m [60 ft.]	0.0 m	0.0 m.	7.5 m. [25 ft.]

Measurements to be determined as per Part 1 Definitions, of this By-law.

- * The *front yard setback* may be relaxed at a lower floor level only to 5.5 metres [18 ft.] for a maximum of 50% of the length of the front of the dwelling for all portions of the dwelling excluding the garage. If 50% of the *building face* is *setback* 9 metres [30 ft.] from the *front lot line*, the *setback* to an attached garage whose main access doors face the fronting street may be relaxed to 6.7 metres [22 ft.], except that the *setbacks* for a garage whose main access doors face a *side yard* may be relaxed to 4.5 metres [15 ft.].

With the exception of a garage whose main access doors face a *side yard*, an attached garage to the *principal building* shall not extend towards the *highway* for more than half the depth of the said garage, measured from the exterior front face of the *principal building*, excluding any front face of the exterior wall above the said garage. If the aforesaid garage contains more than 2 parallel parking bays, the additional parking bay(s) and the garage entrance leading to the additional parking bay(s) shall be set back at least 0.9 metre [3 ft.] from the front of the said garage.

- ** The *side yard* may be reduced to not less than 1.2 metres [4 ft.] provided that the opposite *side yard* on the *lot* is at least 2.4 metres [8 ft.].
- *** 50% of the length of the rear *building* face may be *setback* a distance of 6.0 metres [20 ft.] from the *rear lot line* provided the remainder of the *building* face is *setback* at least 8.5 metres [28 ft.] from the *rear lot line*.

G. Height of Buildings

Amendments: 12239, 04/18/94; 12101, 07/11/94; 18414, 03/23/15

Measurements to be determined as per Part 1 Definitions, of this By-law:

1. Principal building:
 - (a) The *building height* shall not exceed 9 metres [30 ft.].
 - (b) The *building height* of any portion of a *principal building* with a roof slope of less than 1:4 shall not exceed 7.3 metres [24 ft.].
2. Accessory buildings and structures: The *height* shall not exceed 4 metres [13 ft.] except that where the roof slope and construction materials of an *accessory building* are the same as that of the *principal building*, the *building height* of the *accessory building* may be increased to 5 metres [16.5 ft.]

H. Off-Street Parking and Loading/Unloading

Amendments: 12333, 07/25/94; 13093, 05/12/97; 13774, 07/26/99; 14120, 10/16/00; 18719, 05/30/16

1. Resident and visitor *parking spaces* shall be provided as stated in Table C.1 of Part 5 Off-Street Parking and Loading/Unloading of this By-law.
2. Outside parking or storage of *campers*, boats and *vehicles* including cars, trucks and *house trailers* ancillary to a residential use shall be limited as follows:
 - (a) A maximum of 2 cars or trucks;
 - (b) *House trailer*, *camper* or boat, provided that the combined total shall not exceed 1; and
 - (c) The total amount permitted under (a) and (b) shall not exceed 3.

3. *Vehicle* parking may be permitted in either the *front yard* or *side yard* subject to the following:
- (a) No off-street *parking space* shall be permitted within the required *front yard* or *side yard setback* except on a *driveway*. *Driveways* may be constructed off either the *frontage* or *flanking street*;
 - (b) *Parking* spaces shall be located only on a *driveway* leading to a garage, carport or parking pad, in a garage, in a car port, or on a parking pad; and
 - (c) The total area surfaced or paved for a *driveway* shall be as follows:
 - i. Every *lot* may have one *driveway* with a uniform width of 6 metres [20 ft.] extending from the *lot line* to the garage, car port, or parking pad on the *lot*;
 - ii. The *driveway* width may be expanded provided that the total area of the *driveway* within the *front yard* or required *side yard* does not exceed 33% of the total area of the *front yard* or required *side yard* within which the *driveway* is located; and
 - iii. Notwithstanding 3.(c) (ii) additional *driveway* width may also be allowed to provide access to additional *parking spaces* in a garage, carport or parking pad, where the garage, carport or parking pad has more than 2 side by side *parking spaces*, provided that such width is no more than 3 metres [10 ft.] times the number of adjacent side by side *parking spaces* measured at the required *front yard set back* and is uniformly tapered over the required *front yard* to a width of 6 m [20 ft.] at the *front lot line*.
 - iv. Where the *driveway* is constructed in a *side yard* off a *flanking street* all references to *front yard* within this Section shall be read as *side yard*; and
 - (d) The number of vehicles parked in a *driveway* within the *front yard* or *side yard* shall not exceed two.
4. No outside parking or storage of a *house trailer* or boat is permitted within the *front yard setback*, or within the required *side yards* or within 1 metre [3 ft.] of the *side lot line*, except as follows:
- (a) On *lots* which have no vehicular access to the *rear yard* or where access is not feasible through modification of *landscaping* or fencing or both, either

1 *house trailer* or 1 boat may be parked in the front *driveway* or to the side of the front *driveway* or in the *side yard*, but no closer than 1 metre [3 ft.] to a *side lot line* nor within 1 metre [3 ft.] of the *front lot line* subject to the residential parking requirements stated in Table C.1 of Part 5 Off-Street Parking and Loading/Unloading of this By-law;

- (b) Notwithstanding Sub-section H.4(a), no outside parking or storage of a *house trailer* or boat is permitted on *corner lots* in an area bounded by the intersecting *lot lines* at a street corner and a straight line joining points 9 metres [30 ft.] along the said *lot lines* from the point of intersection of the two *lot lines*; and
- (c) Adequate screening, as described in Section I.2 of this Zone is provided.

I. Landscaping

Amendments: 12333, 07/25/94

1. All developed portions of the *lot* not covered by *buildings*, *structures* or paved areas shall be landscaped including the retention of mature trees. This *landscaping* shall be maintained.
2. The parking or storage of *house trailers* or boats shall be adequately screened by compact evergreen trees or shrubs at least 1.8 metres [6 ft.] in height and located between the said *house trailer* or boat and any point on the *lot line* within 7.5 metres [25 ft.] of the said *house trailer* or boat, in order to obscure the view from the abutting *lot* or street, except:
 - (a) on a *corner lot*, this required landscape screening shall not be located in an area bounded by the intersecting *lot lines* at a street corner and a straight line joining points 9 metres [30 ft.] along the said *lot lines* from the point of intersection of the 2 *lot lines*;
 - (b) where the *driveway* or the parking area is used for parking or storage of a *house trailer* or boat, the landscape screen is not required within the said *driveway*; and
 - (c) in the case of *rear yards*, this screening requirement may be provided by a 1.8 metre [6 ft.] high solid fence.

J. Special Regulations

Amendments: 12348, 07/25/94; 17290, 12/13/10

1. For *lots* within designated floodplain in the Bridgeview area as referred to in Part 8 Floodproofing, of this By-law, the uses listed in Section B of this Zone shall be permitted only if the *lot* has a *frontage* of not less than 15 metres [50 ft.] and an area of not less than 464 square metres [5,000 sq.ft.].
2. A *secondary suite* shall:
 - (a) Not exceed 90 square metres [968 sq.ft.] in floor area; and
 - (b) Occupy less than 40% of the habitable floor area of the *building*.

K. Subdivision

Lots created through subdivision in this Zone shall conform to the following minimum standards:

	<i>Lot Size</i>	<i>Lot Width</i>	<i>Lot Depth</i>
Subdivision	560 sq. m. [6,000 sq.ft.]	15 metres [50 ft.]	28 metres [90 ft.]
<i>Lot Consolidation in Bridgeview's Designated Floodplain Areas</i>	464 sq. m. [5,000 sq.ft.]	15 metres [50 ft.]	no minimum

Dimensions shall be measured in accordance with Section E.21, Part 4 General Provisions, of this By-law.

L. Other Regulations

Amendments: 13657, 03/22/99; 13774, 07/26/99

In addition, land use regulations including the following are applicable:

1. Prior to any use, lands must be serviced as set out in Part 2 Uses Limited, of this By-law and in accordance with the "Surrey Subdivision and Development By-law".
2. General provisions on use are as set out in Part 4 General Provisions, of this By-law.

3. Additional off-street parking and loading/unloading requirements are as set out in Part 5 Off-Street Parking and Loading/Unloading of this By-law.
4. Subdivisions shall be subject to the "Surrey Development Cost Charge By-law" and the "Tree Preservation By-law".
5. *Building* permits shall be subject to the "Surrey Building By-law".
6. The operation of a *secondary suite* shall be subject to the "Business License By-law".
7. Sign regulations are as provided in Surrey Sign By-law No. 13656.
8. Special *building setbacks* are as set out in Part 7 Special Building Setbacks, of this By-law.
9. Floodproofing shall be as set out in Part 8 Floodproofing, of this By-law.