Livable Places Action Committee

Virtual Meeting, July 12, 2022

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Public comments in the end







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 "Reserve tract shall mean a parcel of land that is not a lot, but is created within a subdivision plat for <u>other than single-family</u> <u>residential use</u> and is established to accommodate some purpose for which a division into lots is not suitable or appropriate."

(Sec 42-1 Definitions)

Reserves – Recreation

TYPE OF RESERVE	MINIMUM SIZE	TYPE OF STREET OR SHARED DRIVEWAY	MINIMUM STREET OR SHARED DRIVEWAY WIDTH	MINIMUM STREET OR SHARED DRIVEWAY FRONTAGE
Restricted reserve—Recreation	5,000 sq. ft.	public street or type 1 permanent access easement	50 feet	50 feet

Recommendation to allow also:

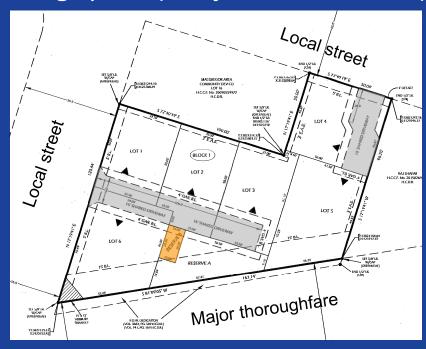
- On Type II PAE, minimum frontage width 50'
- On Shared driveway, minimum frontage width 50'

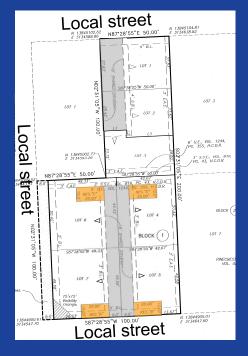
Reserves – Recreation vs Landscape/ Open Space



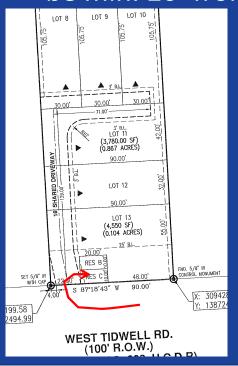


Recommendation for parking reserve to have <u>pedestrian connection</u> <u>within the development</u> to the lots that require the additional parking space (not just "accessible")

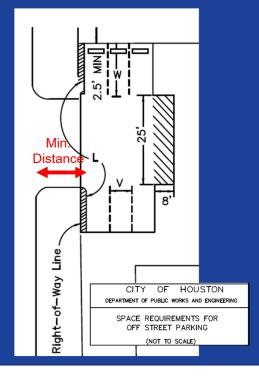


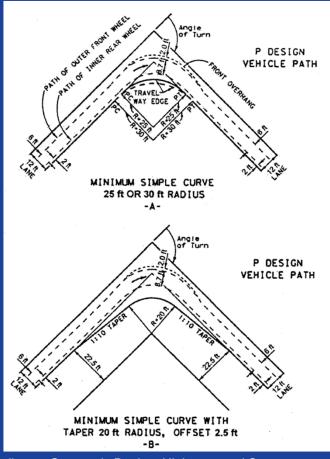


Recommendation: adjacent to Major Thoroughfares, Major Collectors & existing High-comfort bike lane, parking reserve must be min. 20' from ROW edge

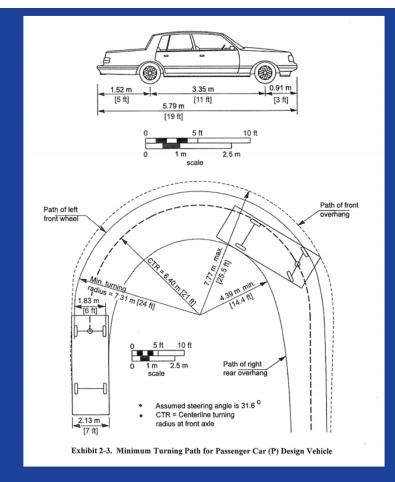








A Policy on Geometric Design: Highways and Streets, exhibit 9-21. Minimum Traveled Way (Passenger Vehicles); AASHTO



Reserves – Compensating Open Space (C.O.S.)

- C.O.S. used to reduce lot size below minimums
- Not used for C.O.S.:
 - Areas designated for lots, utility/storage purposes, carports/garages
 - Driveways or roadways
 - Private medians less than 12' wide
- Minimum size is 240 sf, with dimensions of 20 feet by 12 feet
- "Shall be accessible to all of the residents of the subdivision"



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• Sec 42-232. – Points of access; termination

(d) A dead-end private street intersecting with a public street or with a private street may be extended up to $\frac{200}{150}$ feet without a turnaround provided that a fire hydrant is located not more than 100 feet from the intersection of the dead end private street with the public street or looped private street.

• Sec 26-523. – Standards for loading berths

Add: (e) Unobstructed clearance to no less than 12 feet

- Create a section for PAE requirements separate from Multifamily
- Remove 42-236 Open Space section for properties in ETJ



Transportation Focus Group

Topics:

- Lot access to collector streets
- Cul-de-sac length requirements
- 150 lots with one point of access
- Intersection spacing requirements along collector streets
- Maximum intersection spacing being between two through-streets

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Topics Discussed

- Conservation Districts
- Buffering for residential buildings, screening and lighting
- Multi-unit residential on unrestricted lots with no deed restrictions
- Garage apartments or secondary dwelling units where deed restrictions allow
- Reduced parking for smaller units and market-based parking in proximity to other transit modes
- Small lot development standards (flag lots, shared driveway, alley access, common drive and courtyard style developments)

Timeline

September	2020 -	- June 2	UZZ
December	2021 –	August	2022

May 2022-December 2022

- > Define issues, develop recommendations
- > Draft Ordinance language
- > Review recommendations with public, request council approval of amendments

Technical updates

Conservation districts

Residential buffering

Housing types and narrow lots

Reserves & Multifamily

- > Adopted by City Council, May 2022
- > Ordinance language being drafted
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- > Reviewing recommendation with public
- > Recommendations developed



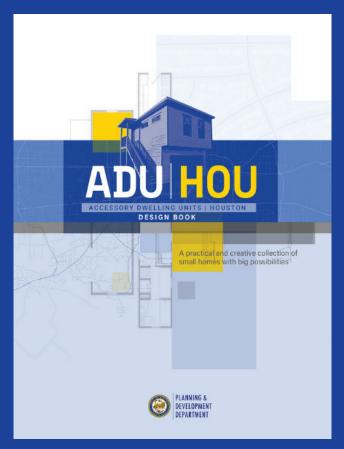


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