## Part 14

Quarter Acre Residential Zone

## A. Intent

This R2 Zone is intended for small-scale multi-unit housing on large lots typically 930 sq. m or larger, which may accommodate 2 to 6 dwelling units, where lot size may be reduced with substantial public open space set aside within the subdivision, and is subject to the remainder of this Part 14.

## B. Permitted Uses

1. Land, buildings and structures in this R2 Zone must only be used for the following uses, or a combination of principal uses and accessory uses if the maximum number of dwelling units is not exceeded as follows:

| Lot Size | Lot Location | Maximum <br> Number of <br> Dwelling Units ${ }^{1}$ | Principal Uses | Accessory Uses |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (a) $\geq 4,050$ sq. m | i. All Areas | Up to 2 | Single Family Dwelling |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { (b) }<4,050 \text { sq. m } \\ & \quad \text { and } \geq 280 \text { sq. m } \end{aligned}$ | i. Inside TransitOriented Areas ${ }^{2}$ | Up to 2 | Single Family Dwelling | Garden Suite |
|  | ii. All areas, except B.1.(b)i and iii | Up to 4 | Single Family Dwelling or Duplex | Coach House <br> Bed and Breakfast ${ }^{3}$ |
|  | iii. Eligible lots within Frequent Bus Stop Areas | Up to 6 | Single Family Dwelling or Duplex |  |
| (c) <280 sq. m | i. Inside TransitOriented Areas ${ }^{2}$ | Up to 2 | Single Family Dwelling | Boarders or Lodgers ${ }^{3}$ |
|  | ii. All areas, except B.1.(c)i | Up to 3 | Single Family Dwelling | Short-Term Rental $^{4}$ |

1 Despite the permitted uses in Table B.1, the following lands allow no more than 2 dwelling units on a lot:
(a) Land that is protected under Section 12.1(2) of the Heritage Conservation Act, as amended;
(b) Land that as of December 7, 2023 was designated as protected under a bylaw made under Section 611 [heritage designation protection] of the Local Government Act, as amended; and
(c) Land that is not connected to a community water or community sewer system provided as a service by a municipality or regional district.
2 One of the exemptions in Section 3 of the Local Government Zoning Bylaw Regulation is that small-scale multi-unit housing requirements do not apply in relation to land that is within a transit-oriented area.
3 Bed and breakfast use and the keeping of boarders or lodgers are only permitted in accordance with Section B. 7 of Part 4 General Provisions.
4 Short-Term Rental is only permitted in accordance with Section B. 36 of Part 4 General Provisions.

## C. Subdivision

1. Minimum Lot Sizes:

Lots created through subdivision in this R2 Zone must conform to the following minimum standards:

| Size or Dimension | Minimum Requirement |
| :--- | :--- |
| Lot Area | 8,094 sq. m |
| Lot Width | 50 m |
| Lot Depth | 60 m |

2. Permitted Lot Size Reductions:

In accordance with the permitted unit density increases in Section D.1.(b), if amenity contributions are provided in accordance with Schedule G, lots created through subdivision in this R2 Zone may be reduced to the following minimum standards:

| Criteria | Minimum Lot Area | Minimum Lot Width | Minimum Lot Depth |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (a) Permitted Lot Size <br> Reductions | 930 sq. m. | 24 m | 30 m |
| (b) Permitted Lot Size <br> Reductions With <br> $15 \%$ Open Space | 775 sq. m. | 20 m | 30 m |
| (c) Permitted Lot Size <br> Reductions With <br> $30 \%$ Open Space | 700 sq. m. | 20 m | 30 m |

1 Despite Section C.2(a) and in accordance with the unit density increases in Section D.1.(b), if amenity contributions are provided in accordance with Schedule $G$ and a minimum of $15 \%$ of the subdivided lands are provided as open space, subject to Section C.3., lots created through subdivision must conform to the minimum lot requirements in C.2(b).
2 Despite Sections C.2(a) and (b) and in accordance with the unit density increases in Section D.1.(b), if amenity contributions are provided in accordance with Schedule $G$ and a minimum of $30 \%$ of the subdivided lands are provided as open space, subject to Section C.3., up to $50 \%$ of the lots created through subdivision must conform to the minimum lot requirements in C .2 (c).

## 3. Open Space Provisions:

Open space provisions are as follows:
(a) Lots created in Section D.2.(b) must provide a minimum of $15 \%$ of the subdivided lands as open space;
(b) Lots created in Section D.2.(c) must provide a minimum of 30\% of the subdivided lands as open space;
(c) Open space must be preserved in its natural state or retained for parks and recreation purposes and contain natural features such as a stream, ravine, stands of mature trees, or other land forms worthy of preservation, and/or contain heritage buildings or features, and/or be dedicated as a public park; and
(d) Open space must be accessible by the public from a highway.

## 4. Undevelopable Areas:

For the purpose of calculating the amount of open space referenced in this Section, undevelopable areas may be included, however, must be discounted by $50 \%$.

## D. Density

1. Subdivision:

For the purpose of subdivision in this R2 Zone:
(a) Base Number of Lots:

Maximum of 2.5 lots per hectare; and
(b) Permitted Number of Lots with Amenity Contributions:

If amenity contributions are provided in accordance with Schedule G, the number of lots may be increased to a maximum of 10 lots per gross hectare.
2. Building Construction:

For building construction in this R2 Zone:

| Building Type | Lot Size | Floor Area Ratio ${ }^{1}$, Floor Area and Building Size Requirements |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (a) Single Family Dwelling ${ }^{2}$ with or without a Secondary Suite | i. $\leq 1,500$ sq. m | a. The floor area ratio must not exceed 0.60 for the first 560 sq. m of lot area and 0.35 for the remaining lot area in excess of 560 sq. m , provided a minimum of 39 sq . m . of the total floor area is used only as a garage or carport, except for eligible lots within Frequent Bus Stop Areas where a garage or carport is not required. <br> b. Despite Section D.2.(a)i., single family dwellings must have a minimum ground level floor area of $84 \mathrm{sq} . \mathrm{m}$ and a minimum building width of 7 m ., and a maximum floor area of 465 sq. m. |
|  | ii. > 1,500 sq. m | a. The floor area ratio must not exceed 0.32 provided that of the allowable floor area, 10 sq. m is used only for accessory buildings and structures, and 44.6 sq. m is used only as a garage or carport, except for eligible lots within Frequent Bus Stop Areas where a garage or carport is not required. <br> b. Single family dwellings must have a minimum ground level floor area of 84 sq . m and a minimum building width of 7 m . |


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| (c) Coach House | i. Not applicable | a. The floor area of a coach house is permitted in addition to the floor area ratio permitted for single family dwellings and duplexes in Sections D.2.(a) and (b), provided that a coach house must have a minimum floor area of $35 \mathrm{sq} . \mathrm{m}$. and a maximum total floor area of 75 sq . m., excluding the garage or carport. <br> b. Despite D.2(c)i.a., if the maximum floor area of the single family dwelling or duplex in Sections D.2.(a) and (b) has not been achieved, the remainder of the floor area may be used for the coach house up to a maximum size of 120 sq. m. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (d) Garden Suite | i. Not applicable | a. The floor area of a garden suite is permitted in addition to the floor area ratio permitted for single family dwellings and duplexes in Sections D.2.(a) and (b), provided that a garden suite must have a minimum floor area of $35 \mathrm{sq} . \mathrm{m}$. and a maximum total floor area of $75 \mathrm{sq} . \mathrm{m}$. <br> b. Despite D.2(d)i.a., if the maximum floor area of the single family dwelling or duplex in Sections D.2.(a) and (b) has not been achieved, the remainder of the floor area may be used for the garden suite up to a maximum size of 120 sq. m. |

Floor area ratio must also be calculated in accordance with Section D.3.
Refer to Section D.4(a) for second and third storey requirements.
3 Refer to Section D.4(b) for second and third storey requirements.

## 3. Floor Area Ratio Calculation:

(a) In this R2 Zone, the following must be included in the calculation of floor area ratio:
i. Covered area used for parking unless the covered parking is located within the basement;
ii. The area of an accessory building in excess of 10 sq. m;
iii. Covered outdoor space with a height of 1.8 m or greater, except for a maximum of $10 \%$ of the maximum allowable floor area of which 10 sq. $m$ must be reserved for a front porch or veranda; and
iv. Floor area of garages and covered parking with extended height exceeding 3.66 m must be multiplied by 2 , excluding:
a. Staircases;
b. $\quad 19$ sq. m; and
c. Floor area directly below a sloped ceiling less than 4.58 m in height, provided the area has at least one wall 3.66 m or less in height.
4. Principal Building Second Storey Floor Area:
(a) For single family dwellings on lots that are $\leq 1,500 \mathrm{sq}$. m in size, the maximum permitted floor area of a second storey for a principal building must not exceed $80 \%$ of the floor area of the first storey including attached garage and that portion of any porch or veranda at the front that is covered by a roof. The reduced floor area of the second storey must be accomplished by an $20 \%$ offset at the second storey level from the wall at the first storey level from either the front or side walls or a combination thereof, such that the offset is fully visible anywhere along the front lot line and/or flanking lot line of the lot; and
(b) For duplexes on lots that are $\leq 1,500$ sq. m in size, the maximum permitted floor area of the second and third storeys for a principal building must not exceed $90 \%$ of the floor area of the first storey including attached garage and that portion of any porch or veranda at the front that is covered by a roof. The reduced floor area of the second and third storeys must be accomplished by an $10 \%$ offset at both the second and third storey levels from the wall at the first storey level from either the front or side walls or a combination thereof, such that the offset is fully visible anywhere along the front lot line and/or flanking lot line of the lot.

## E. Lot Coverage

1. The maximum lot coverage for all buildings and structures in this R2 Zone must be as follows:

| Building Type | Lot Size | Maximum Lot Coverage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (a) Single Family Dwelling with or without a Secondary Suite, Coach House, or Garden Suite | $\leq 1,500 \text { sq. m }$ | a. For lots $\leq 560$ sq. m in area, the maximum lot coverage must not exceed $40 \%$. <br> b. For lots $>560$ sq.m and $\leq 1,262$ sq.m, the maximum lot coverage must be $40 \%$ reduced at a rate of $2 \%$ for each 93 sq.m of additional lot area until $25 \%$ is reached. <br> c. For lots $>1,262$ sq.m. and $\leq 1,500$ sq.m. in area, the maximum lot coverage must not exceed $25 \%$. |
|  | ii. > 1,500 sq. m | 25\% |
| (b) Duplex with or without a Secondary Suite, Coach House, or Garden Suite |  | a. For lots $\leq 560$ sq.m in area, the maximum lot coverage must not exceed $50 \%$. |
|  | i. $\leq 1,500$ sq. m | b. For lots $>560$ sq.m and $\leq 1,262$ sq.m, the maximum lot coverage must be $50 \%$ reduced at a rate of $2 \%$ for each 93 sq.m of additional lot area until $35 \%$ is reached. <br> c. For lots $>1,262$ sq.m. and $\leq 1,500$ sq.m. in area, the maximum lot coverage must not exceed $35 \%$. |
|  | ii. > 1,500 sq. m | 35\% |

## F. Yards and Setbacks

1. Buildings and structures, subject to Section F.2., must be sited in this R2 Zone in accordance with the following minimum setbacks:

| Building Type | All Lots | Other Accessory Buildings and Structures $>10$ sq. m | Other Accessory Buildings and Structures $\leq 10 \mathrm{sq}$. m |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Single Family Dwelling with or without a Secondary Suite |  |  |  |
| Front Yard | 7.5 m | 18.0 m | 18.0 m |
| Rear Yard | 7.5 m | 1.8 m | 0.0 m |
| Side Yard | 2.4 m | 1.0 m | 0.0 m |
| Street Side Yard | 3.6 m | 7.5 m | 7.5 m |
| Duplex with or without a Secondary Suite |  |  |  |
| Front Yard | 7.5 m | 18.0 m | 18.0 m |
| Rear Yard | 7.5 m | 1.8 m | 0.0 m |
| Side Yard | 1.8 m | 1.0 m | 0.0 m |
| Street Side Yard | 3.6 m | 7.5 m | 7.5 m |
| Coach House or Garden Suite |  |  |  |
| Front Yard | Not Permitted | 18.0 m | 18.0 m |
| Rear Yard | 1.8 m | 1.8 m | 0.0 m |
| Side Yard | 1.8 m | $\checkmark 1.0 \mathrm{~m}$ | 0.0 m |
| Street Side Yard | 2.4 m | 7.5 m | 7.5 m |
| Separation | 5.0 m | n/a | n/a |

2. Setback Reductions and Variations

Despite Table F.1, the following setback reductions and variations in the R2 Zone are permitted:
(a) Coach House
i. Rear Yard:
a. The rear yard setback of a coach house may be reduced to 1.0 m if the coach house is constructed above a garage or carport, which has access from a rear lane; and
ii. Separation:
a. The minimum separation may be reduced to 3.0 m for stairs and outdoor space such as a deck or patio that may be covered by a roof.
(b) Garden Suite
i. Separation:
a. The minimum separation may be reduced to 3.0 m for stairs and outdoor space such as a deck or patio that may be covered by a roof.
(c) Other Accessory Buildings and Structures $>10$ sq. m i. Separation:
a. A minimum separation of 5 m is required between the single family dwelling or duplex and any accessory buildings and structures exceeding 2.4 m in building height, including detached garage or carport regardless of building height. The minimum separation may be reduced to 3.0 m for stairs and for an outdoor space such as a deck or patio that occupies a maximum of 10 sq. m . and may be covered by a roof.

## G. Height of Buildings and Structures

1. Building and structure heights in this R2 Zone must be in accordance with the following requirements:

| Building Type |  | Requirement |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Single Family Dwelling with or without a Secondary Suite | Building height with sloped roof | Must not exceed 9 m |
|  | Building height where any portion of the roof has a slope less than <1:4 | Must not exceed 7.3 m |
|  | Building height in floodplain, as referred to in Part 8 Floodproofing | Must not exceed $10 \mathrm{~m}^{1}$ |
| Duplex with or without a Secondary Suite | Building height with sloped roof | Must not exceed 3 storeys inclusive of the basement, up to a maximum of 11.0 m |
|  | Building height where any portion of the roof has a slope less than <1:4 | Must not exceed 3 storeys inclusive of the basement, up to a maximum of 9.8 m |
|  | Building height in floodplain, as referred to in Part 8 Floodproofing | Must not exceed 3 storeys inclusive of the basement, up to a maximum of $12 \mathrm{~m}^{1}$ |
| Coach House or Garden Suite | Building height with sloped roof | Must not exceed 2 storeys inclusive of the basement, up to a maximum of 7.0 m and a maximum roof peak height of 8.3 m |
|  | Building height where any portion of the roof has a slope less than <1:4 | Must not exceed 2 storeys inclusive of the basement, up to a maximum of 6.5 m |
|  | Building height in floodplain, as referred to in Part 8 Floodproofing | Must not exceed 2 storeys inclusive of the basement, up to a maximum of $8.5 \mathrm{~m}^{1}$ |
| Accessory Building |  | Must not exceed 4 m , but may be increased to 5 m where the roof slope and construction materials of an accessory building are the same as that of the principal building |
| Structures |  | Must not exceed 4 m |

1 The maximum building height is permitted for single family dwellings, duplexes, coach houses and garden suites when the ground floor is used for parking only, provided the minimum ground floor elevation is less than the minimum flood and building elevations as specified by the Provincial Government and in the Surrey Building Bylaw, as amended.

## H. Off-Street Parking and Loading/Unloading

1. Parking Calculation:
(a) Refer to Table D. 1 of Part 5 Off-Street Parking and Loading/Unloading; and
(b) Where boarders or lodgers or bed and breakfast users are accommodated, the following additional parking is required, except for eligible lots within frequent bus stop areas:
i. Bed and Breakfast - 1 parking space per bedroom available; and
ii. Boarders or Lodgers - 1 parking space per boarder or lodger.
2. Outdoor Parking or Storage:

Outdoor parking or storage of vehicles, house trailers, utility trailers, campers, or boats ancillary to the residential use, must be limited as follows:
(a) Maximum of 3 vehicles;
(b) Combined maximum of 1 house trailer, utility trailer, camper or boat;
(c) Outside parking or storage of a house trailer or boat is not permitted within the front yard setback, or within the required side yards adjacent to the dwelling unit, or within 1 m of the side lot line; and
(d) Despite Section H.2(c) of this R2 Zone, 1 house trailer or 1 boat may be parked a minimum of 1 m from the front lot line and/or side lot line in the front driveway, to the side of the front driveway or in the side yard, on lots that have no vehicular access to the rear yard or where access is not feasible through landscaping or fencing modifications.

## I. Landscaping and Screening

1. General Landscaping:

All developed portions of the lot not covered by buildings, structures or paved areas must be landscaped including the retention of mature trees. This landscaping must be maintained.
2. Outdoor Parking and Storage:

For outdoor parking or storage:
(a) House trailers or boats parked or stored in any area of a lot other than a driveway or parking pad must be adequately screened as follows:
i. All Yards: Compact evergreen trees or shrubs a minimum of 1.8 m high; except:
ii. Rear Yard: A solid fence a minimum of 1.8 m high may be used in place of the trees or shrubs;
(b) Screening required in Section I.2(a) of this R2 Zone must be located between the house trailer or boat and any portion of the lot line within 7.5 m of the house trailer or boat in order to obscure the view from the abutting lot or street; and
(c) Despite Section I.2(b) of this R2 Zone, screening of a house trailer or boat on a corner lot must not be located in an area bounded by the intersecting lot lines at a street corner and a straight-line joining points 9 m along the said lot lines from the point of intersection of the 2 lot lines.

## 3. Open Space:

The open space set aside pursuant to Section C. 2 of this R2 Zone, must be improved with a basic level of landscaping work including brushing and seeding of the ground, limbing of low branches on trees and providing and constructing paths for public passage, wherever appropriate.

## J. Special Regulations

1. Floodplain:

For lots within a designated floodplain as referred to in Part 8 Floodproofing, only flood resistant building materials are permitted below the minimum flood and building elevations, as specified by the Provincial Government and in the Surrey Building Bylaw, as amended.
2. Basement Access:
(a) Basement access and basement wells serving a principal building in this R2 Zone must be sited as follows:
i. Basement access and basement wells may encroach into the required front yard setback, provided the maximum area does not exceed 10 sq. m;
ii. Basement access and basement wells may encroach into the required rear yard setback, provided the maximum area does not exceed 12 sq. m;
iii. Basement access and basement wells may be located within the side yard, but not within the required side yard setback, provided the maximum area does not exceed 10 sq . m ; and
iv. The area of the basement access and basement wells must include the stairs, and the cumulative area of all basement access and basement wells on a lot must not exceed 28 sq . m.

## K. Other Applicable Acts, Regulations and Bylaws

1. This R2 Zone is subject to compliance with the following:
(a) All Federal legislation including, without limitation, the Fisheries Act, the Railway Safety Act, and the Aeronautics Act;
(b) All Provincial legislation including, without limitation, the Community Charter, the Local Government Act, the Local Government Zoning Bylaw Regulation, the Land Title Act, the Riparian Areas Protection Act, the Water Sustainability Act, the Transportation Act, the Railway Act, the British Columbia Railway Act, and the Agricultural Land Commission Act;
(c) All City of Surrey bylaws, policies, and regulations including, without limitation, the Official Community Plan Bylaw, as amended, Development Permits, Hazard Lands Development Permit Guidelines, Sensitive Ecosystem Development Permit Guidelines, the Subdivision and Development Bylaw, as amended, the Development Cost Charge Bylaw, as amended, the Surrey Sign Bylaw, as amended, the Surrey Building Bylaw, as amended, and the Surrey Tree Protection Bylaw, as amended, if these do not restrict or prohibit the density otherwise permitted under this R2 Zone;
(d) Subdivision requirements of the Approving Officer;
(e) Heritage designation bylaws, as amended, and heritage revitalization agreements, if these do not restrict or prohibit the density otherwise permitted under this R2 Zone;
(f) Covenants registered in the Land Title Office in favour of the City under Section 219 of the Land Title Act; and
(g) Regulations pursuant to any Acts.
