10.3 COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL (C3) ZONE

Explanatory Note: The C3 Zone permits local commercial uses intended to serve residents within the surrounding neighbourhoods. Located primarily along collector or arterial roads and within close proximity to residential neighbourhoods, the built form within this Zone generally consists of larger commercial plazas to a maximum of 10,000 square metres.

No person shall erect, or use any building in whole or in part, or use any land in whole or in part, within a Community Commercial (C3) Zone for any purpose other than one or more of the following uses, or uses accessory thereto. Such erection or use shall also comply with the prescribed regulations:

10.3.1 PERMITTED USES

- Artist Studio
- Catering Service
- Commercial School
- Communications Establishment
- Community Garden
- Craftsperson Shop
- Day Nursery
- Dwelling Unit, Mixed Use (By-law No. 21-189, October 13, 2021)
- Emergency Shelter
- Financial Establishment
- Laboratory
- Medical Clinic
- Microbrewery
- Motor Vehicle Gas Bar
- Motor Vehicle Service Station
- Office
- Personal Services
- Repair Service
- Restaurant
- Retail
- Social Services Establishment
- Tradesperson’s Shop
- Urban Farm
- Urban Farmers Market
- Veterinary Service

10.3.1.1 RESTRICTED USES

In addition to Section 10.3.1, the following uses shall be permitted in the accordance with the following restrictions:

i) Emergency Shelter
1. Maximum Capacity for Emergency Shelter shall be 6 residents.

2. Except as provided for in Section 3. herein, every Emergency Shelter shall be situated on a lot having a minimum radial separation distance of 300 metres from any lot line of such lot measured to the lot line of any other lot occupied by an Emergency Shelter.

3. Where the radial separation distance from the lot line of an Emergency Shelter existing as of the effective date of this By-law, is less than 300 metres to the lot line of any other lot occupied by an existing Emergency Shelter, the existing Shelter may be expanded or redeveloped to accommodate not more than the permitted number of residents permitted by the Zone in which it is located.

ii) Restriction of Residential Uses within a Building

1. Notwithstanding Section 10.3.1, a Dwelling Unit(s), Mixed Use shall only be permitted above the ground floor except for access, accessory office and utility areas, and shall not occupy more than 50% of the total gross floor area of all the building(s) within the lot.

iii) Garden Centres

A Garden Centre shall be permitted as an accessory use in conjunction to Retail and shall not include the outdoor bulk storage of soils, mulch, and aggregate.
10.3.2 PROHIBITED USES

Notwithstanding Section 10.3.1, the following uses are prohibited, even as an accessory use:

Commercial Parking Facility

10.3.3 REGULATIONS

a) Building Setback from a Street Line
   i) Minimum 1.5 metres;
   ii) Maximum 4.5 metres, except where a visibility triangle shall be required for a driveway access;
   iii) Notwithstanding Section 10.3.3a)i), 6.0 metres for that portion of a building providing an access driveway to a garage; and,
   iv) Section 10.3.3a)ii) shall not apply for any portion of a building that exceeds the requirement of Section 10.3.3i) ii) and iii).

b) Minimum Rear Yard
   i) 6.0 metres; and,
   ii) 7.5 metres abutting a Residential or Institutional Zone or lot containing a residential use.

c) Minimum Interior Side Yard
   i) 1.5 metres; and,
   ii) 3.0 metres abutting a Residential or Institutional Zone or lot containing a residential use.

d) Maximum Height 14.0 metres.

e) Maximum Lot Area 10,000.0 square metres.

f) Maximum Gross Floor 500.0 square metres per unit.
Area for an Individual Office

g) Maximum Total Gross Floor Area for Commercial Uses

10,000.0 square metres.

h) Maximum Gross Floor Area for Microbrewery

700.0 square metres.

i) Built form for New Development

In the case of new buildings constructed after the effective date of this by-law or additions to buildings existing as of the effective date of this by-law:

i) Rooftop mechanical equipment shall be located and/or screened from view of any abutting street.

ii) For an interior lot or a through lot the minimum width of the ground floor façade facing the front lot line shall be greater than or equal to 40% of the measurement of the front lot line.

iii) For a corner lot the minimum combined width of the ground floor façade facing the front lot line and flankage lot line shall be greater than or equal to 50% of the measurement of all lot lines abutting a street.

iv) In addition to Section 10.3.3i)ii) and iii), the minimum width of the ground floor façade facing the front and flankage lot lines shall exclude access driveways and any required yards within a lot line abutting a street.

v) Notwithstanding Section 10.3.3i)ii) and iii), for commercial development existing at the time of the passing of the By-law, new commercial buildings with a Gross Floor Area of less than 650 square metres shall be permitted.
vi) No parking, driveways, stacking lanes, or aisles shall be located between a building façade and the front lot line and flankage lot line.

1. Section 10.3.3i)vi) shall not apply for any portion of a building that exceeds the requirement of Section 10.3.3i), ii) and iii).
   (By-law No. 17-240-OLT-05, March 14, 2022)

vii) A minimum of one principal entrance shall be provided:

1. within the ground floor façade that is set back closest to a street; and,

2. shall be accessible from the building façade with direct access from the public sidewalk.

viii) A walkway shall be permitted in a Planting Strip where required by the By-law.

ix) Notwithstanding Section 10.3.3, for properties designated under the Ontario Heritage Act, any alternative building design or building materials approved through the issuance of a Heritage Permit shall be deemed to comply with this Section.

j) Planting Strip Requirements

Where a property lot line abuts a property lot line within a Residential Zone or an Institutional Zone and not a Laneway, a minimum 1.5 metre wide Planting Strip shall be provided and maintained.

k) Visual Barrier Requirement

A visual barrier shall be required along any lot line abutting a Residential Zone, Institutional Zone, or Downtown (D5) Zone in accordance with the requirements of Section 4.19 of this By-law.
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10.3.4 MOTOR VEHICLE GAS BAR AND MOTOR VEHICLE SERVICE STATION REGULATIONS

a) Minimum Yard Abutting a Street
   Notwithstanding Section 10.3.3a) i) and ii), Minimum 4.5 metres.
   (By-law No. 19-062, March 27, 2019)

b) Minimum Yard for Fuel Pump Islands, Fuel Pumps and Canopies
   4.5 metres from any lot line.

c) Minimum Planting Strip Requirements
   Notwithstanding Section 10.3.3j), a minimum 3.0 metre planting strip shall be required abutting any street line, or Residential Zone or Institutional Zone lot line, except for points for ingress and egress.
   (By-law No. 19-062, March 27, 2019)

d) Maximum Gross Floor Area for Accessory Retail Uses to a Motor Vehicle Gas Bar
   175.0 square metres.

10.3.5 ACCESSORY BUILDINGS
   In accordance with the requirements of Section 4.8 of this By-law.

10.3.6 PARKING
   In accordance with the requirements of Section 5 of this By-law.

10.3.7 URBAN FARM
   In accordance with the requirements of Section 4.26 of this By-law.
10.3.8 COMMUNITY GARDEN

In accordance with the requirements of Section 4.27 of this By-law.

10.3.9 URBAN FARMERS MARKET

(By-law No. 17-240, November 8, 2017)

In accordance with the requirements of Section 4.28 of this By-law.