

Mixed Use - Riverfront (MU-R) Zone Overview

The following information describes the proposed MU-R zone, which would be a new zone in Salem. It is a draft meant to provide further details on what is currently envisioned for the zone. It is subject to change as the Our Salem project progresses. If you have questions or want to provide input on this draft, please contact Eunice Kim, ekim@cityofsalem.net. (This proposed zone was largely developed as part of a North Downtown code project led by the Urban Development Department.)

Description

The Mixed Use - Riverfront (MU-R) zone is intended to promote a mixed-use, pedestrian-oriented district near the Willamette River. Standards would enhance access and views of the river and would encourage mixed-use development. The zone would also encourage adaptive reuse of existing buildings and allowing existing industrial buildings to remain until they are redeveloped.

Highlights from Proposed Table of Uses				
Use	Status	Notes		
Household Living				
Single family and two family	Р	Townhouses and residential homes		
	N	All other single family and two family		
Three and four family	Р			
Multiple family	Р			
Retail Sales and Services				
Eating and drinking establishments	Р			
Retail sales	Р			
Personal services	Р			
Business and Professional Services				
Office	Р			
Motor Vehicle, Trailer, and Manufactured Dwelling Sales and Service				
Motor vehicle sales and services	N			
Recreation, Entertainment, and Cultural Services and Facilities				
Commercial entertainment - indoor	Р	Firing ranges prohibited		
Recreational and cultural community services	Р			
Wholesale Sale, Storage, and Distribution				
General wholesaling	Р	Allow reuse of existing buildings and a		
		limited amount in new buildings		
Warehousing and distribution	N			
Manufacturing				
General Manufacturing	Р	Allow reuse of existing buildings and a		
		limited amount in new buildings		
Other Uses				
Drive-throughs	N			
Key: permitted (p) special (s) conditional (c) prohibited (N)				

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Highlights from Proposed Tables of Development Standards			
Requirement	Standard	Notes	
Setbacks			
Abutting street	0 ft.	Up to 10 ft. allowed if used for pedestrian amenities	
	Min. 5 ft. and Max 10 ft.	For ground-floor residential uses	
Interior side and interior	None	When not abutting a residential zone	
rear	Min. 15 ft.	Abutting a residential zone	
Lot Size, Lot Coverage, Height			
Lot size	None		
Lot coverage	None		
Height	Min. 20 ft. and Max. 70 ft.		
Design Standards			
Parking location	Side or rear of buildings	Does not apply to existing lawfully established parking, which can continue to be used	
Primary building entrance	Facing street		
Public pedestrian access	At least every 400 ft.	Sidewalk, street, or alley between the Willamette River and Front Street	
Weather protection	Required		
Building articulation	Required		
Ground floor windows	Required		
Other Standards			
Dwelling unit density	12 du/acre	Only applies to exclusively residential developments	

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