

570 – Historic Downtown Commercial Zone (C7)

Intent: To accommodate commercial and mixed-Use developments up to four Storeys in Height in the Historic Downtown area

570.1 Permitted Uses (B/L 2454-2015)

Permitted Uses Table for C7 Zone	
Principal Uses	
.1 Animal Hospital	.13 Indoor Recreation Facility
.2 Apartment	.14 Liquor Store
.3 Brew-Pub	.15 Media Studio
.4 Child Care Centre	.16 Off-Street Parking
.5 Civic Use	.17 Office
.6 Coffee Shop	.18 Personal Service Establishment
.7 Commercial School	.19 Pub
.8 Congregate Housing (B/L 3249-2022)	.20 Restaurant
.9 Farmers Market	.21 Retail
.10 Financial Institution	.22 Seasonal Garden Centre
.11 Funeral Parlour	.23 Tourist Accommodation
.12 Health Care Office	
Accessory Uses	
.24 Bed and Breakfast	
.25 Home Occupation – Level 1	
.26 Boarding (B/L 3249-2022)	

570.2 Site Specific Permitted Uses and Development Regulations (B/L 3159-2021, 3023-2020)

- .1 Assembly shall be a permitted Use on the following Lots:
 - a. PID: 008-657-866
 Legal Description:
 Section 22 Township 16 Plan NWP75934 NWD Parcel A, Part SW 1/4

Editorial Note
Known civically as: 33738 Laurel Street

- b. PID: 025-787-209
 Legal Description:
 Lot B Block 50 Section 22 Township 16 Plan NWP464A NWD Except Plan BCP8706

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- c. PID: 011-121-921
Legal Description:
Lot A Section 22 Township 16 Plan NWP07319 NWD Part SW 1/4

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- d. PID: 011-247-398 and 011-247-436
Legal Description:
Lot D Section 22 Township 16 Plan NWP07629 NWD Lot C Plan NWP07629, Section 22, Township 16

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Known civically as: 33874 Essendene Avenue

- e. PID: n/a
Legal Description:
Section 22 Township 16 Plan NWP19446 NWD Part SW 1/4,
Dedicated Park

Editorial Note
Known civically as: 2552 McCallum Road

- .2 A maximum Density shall not be applicable and Building Height shall be restricted to a maximum of 11.25 m or three Storeys, whichever is less on the following Lot: (B/L 3023-2020)

- a. PID: 011-569-018
Legal Description:
Lot 20 Except: West 10 Feet Block 40 Section 22 Township 16 New Westminster District Plan 464A

Editorial Note
Known civically as: 2549 Montvue Avenue

- .3 Notwithstanding Section 140.2.3, an Emergency Shelter Use shall be permitted on the following lot: (B/L 3440-2023)

- a. PID:015-919-889
Legal Description:
Parcel "A" Section 22 Township 16 New Westminster District Reference Plan 84686

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570.3 Development Regulations

Development Regulations Table for C7 Zone	
Column I	Column II
.1 Density (maximum)	a. Floor Space Ratio – 1.75 b. Where underground parking is provided, Density may be increased by the ratio of underground parking to required off-street parking, to a maximum additional FSR of 1.0.
.2 Minimum Setbacks (Front Lot Line)	a. 0.0 m
.3 Minimum Setbacks (Rear Lot Line)	a. Storeys containing Residential Uses – 4.5 m b. Storeys not containing Residential Uses – 3.0 m, except 0.0 m where abutting a C zone
.4 Minimum Setbacks (Interior Side Lot Line)	a. Storeys containing Residential Uses – 4.5 m b. Storeys not containing Residential Uses – 0.0 m
.5 Minimum Setbacks (Exterior Side Lot Line)	a. 0.0 m
.6 Height (maximum)	a. 15.0 m or 4 Storeys, whichever is less
.7 Lot Coverage (maximum)	a. 95%

570.4 Landscaping and Off-Street Parking

- .1 In the event an existing Building is destroyed by fire within the Historic Downtown Commercial (C7) Zone, the reconstruction of the Building will be considered a renovation for the purpose of calculating parking requirements.
- .2 Refer to sections 140 and 150 for requirements pertaining to landscaping and off-street parking.

570.5 Conditions of Use

- .1 An Apartment or Congregate Housing Use shall only be permitted when developed in conjunction with one or more Principal Use(s). (B/L 3249-2022)
- .2 The minimum Dwelling unit size in an Apartment shall be 56 m².
- .3 A portion of any Lot used for an Apartment or Congregate Housing Use shall be provided as common indoor or outdoor amenity area, in the amount of 3.0 m² per Dwelling unit, and shall not be located within the required Setbacks. For the purposes of this section, common indoor or outdoor amenity area means an area or areas: (B/L 3249-2022)
 - a. available for all residents of the Principal Buildings;
 - b. having no dimension less than 6.0 m or slope greater than 5%; and

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- c. providing for pedestrian amenities, greenery, recreational space, and other leisure activities.
- .4 The ground Floor of Buildings in the C7 zone shall be designed to meet BC Building Code standards for commercial Uses.
- .5 Home Occupation – Level 1 shall only be permitted within an Apartment unit.
- .6 An Apartment or Congregate Housing shall have all entrances, exits and lobbies entirely separated from those that access all other Uses. (B/L 3249-2022)
- .7 A Tourist Accommodation shall have a minimum of 10 rooms.
- .8 A Commercial School shall not be permitted on the ground floor of a Building.
- .9 A Retail Use shall not include: used goods, or sex or drug paraphernalia sales. (B/L 2454-2015)
- .10 Storage must be accessory to a permitted Use and:
 - a. not occupy more than 20% of the main floor area or be within 6.0 m of a window facing a Street at Street level; and
 - b. shall take place entirely within a wholly enclosed Building.
- .11 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 570.5.10, unenclosed storage related to Seasonal Garden Centre is permitted, subject to the following regulations:
 - a. shall not be located within 3.0 m of an Exterior Lot Line;
 - b. be limited to that part of a Lot that is surfaced with asphalt paving, concrete or another dust free material; and
 - c. not include storage of materials or goods likely to produce or give off dust or other particulate matter that may become wind-borne.
- .12 A Financial Institution or Office shall not consist of any of the following Uses or activities in the C7 zone: cheque cashing or personal loan services other than those regulated under the Financial Institutions Act or the Bank Act.
- .13 A Health Care Office shall not consist of any of the following Uses or activities in the C7 zone: detoxification centres, drug or alcohol addiction counseling or treatment centres, needle exchanges, safe injection sites, rehabilitation centres or any type of similar Uses or facilities.
- .14 An off-street parking Use shall not include parking for Commercial Vehicles.