ARTICLE 621.

PD 621.

Old Trinity and Design District Special Purpose District

SEC. 51P-621.101. LEGISLATIVE HISTORY.

PD 621 was established by Ordinance No. 25013, passed by the Dallas City Council on August 28, 2002. (Ord. 25013)

SEC. 51P-621.102. PROPERTY LOCATION AND SIZE.

PD 621 is established on property generally bounded by Sylvan Avenue/Wycliff Avenue on the northwest, the meanders of the old channel of the Trinity River on the north, Interstate 35 on the east, Continental Avenue on the south, and the Trinity River Floodway on the west. The size of PD 621 is approximately 421.0323 acres. (Ord. Nos. 25013; 25560; 27006; 29127)

SEC. 51P-621.102.1. CREATION OF SUBDISTRICTS.

(a) Name. This special purpose district is to be known as the Old Trinity and Design District Special Purpose District.

(b) Creation of subdistricts.

(1) This special purpose district is divided into nine subdistricts. Exhibit 621A describes the boundaries of each subdistrict. The map labelled Exhibit 621B shows the boundaries of each subdistrict. In case of a conflict, the verbal description in Exhibit 621A controls over the map in Exhibit 621B.

(2) Subdistricts 1, 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 1F, and 1G are transit-oriented, mixed-use zoning districts for the development of combinations of medium-density residential, retail, and office uses. Development should encourage residential, retail, office, and lodging uses in compatible combinations within walking distance of DART light-rail stations; conserve energy; provide for efficient traffic circulation; conserve land; minimize vehicular travel; encourage both day-time and night-time activity; encourage use of mass transit; increase pedestrian activity; and encourage bicycle usage. Subdistricts 1, 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 1F, and 1G retain the potential for limited industrial and warehouse uses.

(3) Subdistrict 2 is for MU-3 Mixed Use District uses, bus or rail transit vehicle maintenance or storage facility uses, and commercial bus station and terminal uses. (Ord. Nos. 25013; 26975; 27006; 27280; 28231; 28819; 30040; 30041; 30042)

SEC. 51P-621.103. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATIONS.

(a) Unless otherwise stated, the definitions in Chapter 51A apply to this article. The following definitions apply to this special purpose district:
1. ANTIQUE SHOP means an establishment for the retail sale of articles such as glass, china, furniture, or similar furnishings and decorations that have value and significance as a result of age, design, or sentiment.

2. ART GALLERY means an establishment where original works of art or limited editions of original works of art are bought, sold, loaned, appraised, or exhibited to the general public.

3. ART OR CRAFT PRODUCTION FACILITY means a facility for the production of handcrafted art or craft products through processes such as kiln firing, glass blowing, welding, or woodworking and for sale of the products to the general public.

3.1. BEER OR WINE MANUFACTURING means an enclosed facility that processes and manufactures alcoholic beverages. This use does not include the processing or manufacturing of distilled spirits.

4. BUS OR RAIL TRANSIT VEHICLE MAINTENANCE OR STORAGE FACILITY means a facility for the maintenance, repair, or storage of bus, rail, or other transit vehicles, including the following accessory uses: sleeping facilities for bus, rail or transit vehicle drivers, vehicle paint and body shop, vehicle washing, vehicle fueling facilities, sanitary hoppers, oil storage, package express services, bus charter sales, offices, training facilities, vehicle storage, vehicle sales, and communication antennas.

5. CANOPY TREE means a species of tree that normally bears crown foliage no lower than six feet above ground upon maturity.

6. DUMPSTER means a movable container holding two cubic yards or more of garbage.

7. FACADE means any separate face of a building that is visible from a street, alley, or railbed.

8. MAJOR MODIFICATION means reconstruction, alteration, or renovation of an original building that exceeds 50 percent of the value of the original building assessed by the Dallas Central Appraisal District or any increase in the floor area of an original building if the expansion is over 50 percent for nonresidential projects, over 65 percent for mixed use projects, and over 75 percent for residential projects.

9. MASSAGE ESTABLISHMENT means any building, room, place, or establishment, other than a regularly licensed hospital, where manipulated massage or manipulated exercises are practiced upon the human body by anyone not a duly licensed physician or chiropractor whether with or without the use of mechanical, therapeutic, or bathing devices, and includes Turkish bathhouses. This term does not include, however, duly licensed beauty parlors or barbershops or a place wherein registered physical therapists treat only patients recommended by a licensed physician and operated only under such physician's direction. “MASSAGE” means any process consisting of kneading, rubbing, or otherwise manipulating the skin of the body of a human being, either with the hand or by means of electrical instruments or apparatus, or other special apparatus, but does not include massage by duly licensed physicians and chiropractors, and registered physical therapists who treat only patients recommended by a licensed physician and who operate only under such physician's direction, nor massage of the face practiced by beauty parlors or barbershops duly licensed under the penal code of the state.

10. MEANDERS OF THE OLD TRINITY RIVER CHANNEL means the old Trinity River channel within this special purpose district, as shown on the map labelled Exhibit 621C.
(11) MIXED USE PROJECT means a development, on a single building site, that contains more than one use.

(12) NEW CONSTRUCTION means construction of a main structure that is not an original building.

(13) OPENING means a door, window, passageway, or any other similar architectural feature through which light or solid objects may pass.

(14) ORIGINAL BUILDING means a structure existing on the date of the establishment of this special purpose district, but does not include a structure that has undergone a major modification.

(15) OUTSIDE SEATING means the area between an omitted wall line and the structural wall when the area is used solely for seating of patrons.

(16) PIERCING SALON means a facility in which body piercing is performed. BODY PIERCING means the creation of an opening in an individual’s body, other than in an individual’s earlobe, to insert jewelry or another decoration.

(17) RAILBEDS means the areas shown on the map labelled Exhibit 621D.

(18) TATTOO STUDIO means an establishment in which tattooing is performed. TATTOOING means the practice of producing an indelible mark or figure on the human body by scarring or inserting a pigment under the skin using needles, scalpels, or other related equipment.

(19) WALKING DISTANCE means the distance from the nearest point of a parking lot to the nearest public entrance of a main use, measured along the most convenient pedestrian walkway.

(b) Unless otherwise stated, all references to articles, divisions, or sections in this article are to articles, divisions, or sections in Chapter 51A.

(c) This special purpose district is considered to be a mixed use zoning district.

(d) The following rules apply in interpreting the use regulations in this article:

(1) The absence of a symbol appearing after a listed use means that the use is permitted by right.

(2) The symbol /L/ appearing after a listed use means that the use is permitted by right as a limited use only. (For more information regarding limited uses, see Section 51A-4.218, “Limited Uses.”)

(3) The symbol /SUP/ appearing after a listed use means that the use is permitted by specific use permit only.

(4) The symbol /DIR/ appearing after a listed use means that a site plan must be submitted and approved in accordance with the requirements of Section 51A-4.803, “Site Plan Review.” (“DIR” means “development impact review.” For more information regarding development impact review generally, see Division 51A-4.800, “Development Impact Review.”)
The symbol [RAR] appearing after a listed use means that, if the use has a residential adjacency as defined in Section 51A-4.803, “Site Plan Review,” a site plan must be submitted and approved in accordance with the requirements of that section. (“RAR” means “residential adjacency review.” For more information regarding residential adjacency review generally, see Division 51A-4.800, “Development Impact Review.”) (Ord. Nos. 25013; 25560; 28231)

**SEC. 51P-621.103.1. EXHIBITS.**

The following exhibits are incorporated into this article:

1. Exhibit 621A: Property and Subdistrict Descriptions.
2. Exhibit 621B: Subdistrict Map.
3. Exhibit 621C: Meanders of the Old Trinity River Channel.
4. Exhibit 621D: Existing Railbeds.
5. Exhibit 621E: List of Native Plants.
7. Exhibit 621G: Tower Diagrams for Subdistrict 1A.
9. Exhibit 621I: Tower Diagram for Subdistrict 1E.
10. Exhibit 621J: Tower Diagram for Subdistrict 1F.
11. Exhibit 621K: Tower Diagram for Subdistrict 1G. (Ord. Nos. 28231; 30040; 30041; 30042)

**SEC. 51P-621.104. CONCEPTUAL PLAN.**

There is no conceptual plan for this special purpose district. (Ord. 25013)

**SEC. 51P-621.105. DEVELOPMENT PLAN.**

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this article, no development plan is required, and the provisions of Section 51A-4.702 regarding submission of or amendments to a development plan, site analysis plan, conceptual plan, development schedule, and landscape plan do not apply.

(b) Development of the railbeds as woonerf, as described in Exhibit 621F, is encouraged. The provisions of Exhibit 621F are not required. (Ord. Nos. 25013; 25560)

**SEC. 51P-621.106. MAIN USES PERMITTED.**
(a) Subdistricts 1, 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 1F, and 1G.

(1) **Agricultural uses.**

None permitted.

(2) **Commercial and business service uses.**

-- Building repair and maintenance shop. [RAR]
-- Catering service.
-- Commercial cleaning or laundry plant. [SUP]
-- Custom business services.
-- Custom woodworking, furniture construction, or repair.
-- Electronics service center.
-- Job or lithographic printing. [RAR]
-- Labor hall. [SUP]
-- Machine or welding shop. [RAR]
-- Medical or scientific laboratory.
-- Technical school.
-- Tool or equipment rental.

(3) **Industrial uses.**

-- Beer or wine manufacturing. [*Limited to Subdistricts 1C and 1D.*]
-- Industrial (inside) for light manufacturing.
-- Industrial (inside). [RAR]
-- Temporary concrete or asphalt batching plant. [*By special authorization of the building official.*]

(4) **Institutional and community service uses.**

-- Adult day care facility.
-- Child-care facility.
-- Church.
-- College, university, or seminary.
-- Community service center. [SUP]
-- Convent or monastery.
-- Halfway house. [SUP]
-- Hospital. [RAR]
-- Library, art gallery, or museum.
-- Open-enrollment charter school. [SUP]
-- Private school other than open-enrollment charter school. [SUP]
-- Public school other than open-enrollment charter school. [SUP]

(5) **Lodging uses.**

-- Hotel or motel. [RAR]
-- Lodging or boarding house. [SUP]

(6) **Miscellaneous uses.**
-- Carnival or circus (temporary). [By special authorization of the building official.]
-- Temporary construction or sales office.

(7) Office uses.
-- Financial institution without drive-in window.
-- Financial institution with drive-in window. [SUP, except with RAR only for lots adjacent to Oak Lawn Avenue, Market Center Boulevard, or Turtle Creek Boulevard.]
-- Medical clinic or ambulatory surgical center.
-- Office.

(8) Recreation uses.
-- Country club with private membership.
-- Private recreation center, club, or area.
-- Public park, playground, or golf course.

(9) Residential uses.
-- College dormitory, fraternity, or sorority house. [SUP]
-- Duplex.
-- Group residential facility. [SUP required if the spacing component of Section 51A-4.209(3) is not met. Permitted in this subdistrict subject to the same requirements as if located in an MU-3 Mixed Use District.]
-- Handicapped group dwelling unit. [SUP required if the spacing component of Section 51A-4.209(3.1) is not met. Permitted in this subdistrict subject to the same requirements as if located in an MU-3 Mixed Use District.]
-- Multifamily.
-- Retirement housing. [SUP]
-- Single family.

(10) Retail and personal service uses.
-- Alcoholic beverage establishments. [SUP. See Section 51A-4.210(b)(4).]
-- Ambulance service. [RAR]
-- Animal shelter or clinic without outside run. [RAR]
-- Animal shelter or clinic with outside run. [SUP]
-- Antique shop.
-- Art gallery.
-- Art or craft production facility. [Limited to 5,000 square feet or less of floor area.]
-- Auto service center. [SUP]
-- Billiard hall. [SUP]
-- Bingo parlor. [SUP]
-- Business school.
-- Car wash. [SUP]
-- Commercial amusement (inside). [See Section 51A-4.210(b)(7). Except as otherwise provided, permitted in this subdistrict subject to the same requirements as if located in an MU-3 Mixed Use District. Class E dance
halls, as defined in Chapter 14 of the Dallas City Code, are not permitted. Billiard hall by SUP only. Bingo parlor by SUP only.

-- Commercial parking lot or garage.
-- Dry cleaning or laundry store.
-- Furniture store.
-- General merchandise or food store 3,500 square feet or less.
-- General merchandise or food store greater than 3,500 square feet.
-- Home improvement center, lumber, brick, or building materials sales yard.
-- Household equipment and appliance repair.
-- Liquor store.
-- Massage establishment. [SUP]
-- Mortuary, funeral home, or commercial wedding chapel.
-- Motor vehicle fueling station. [SUP]
-- Nursery, garden shop, or plant sales.
-- Outside sales. [SUP]
-- Personal service uses.
-- Piercing salon. [SUP]
-- Restaurant without drive-in or drive-through service.
-- Restaurant with drive-in or drive-through service. [SUP]
-- Swap or buy shop. [SUP]
-- Taxidermist.
-- Tattoo studio. [SUP]
-- Temporary retail use.
-- Theater. [Limited to 1,000 seats or fewer.]
-- Truck stop. [SUP]
-- Vehicle display, sales, and service. [SUP]

(11) Transportation uses.

-- Heliport. [SUP]
-- Helistop. [SUP]
-- Railroad passenger station. [SUP]
-- Transit passenger shelter.
-- Transit passenger station or transfer center. [By SUP or city council resolution.]

(12) Utility and public service uses.

-- Electrical substation.
-- Local utilities.
-- Police or fire station.
-- Post office.
-- Radio, television, or microwave tower. [RAR]
-- Tower/antenna for cellular communication.
-- Utility or government installation other than listed. [SUP]

(13) Wholesale, distribution, and storage uses.

-- Auto auction. [SUP]
-- Contractor’s maintenance yard. [RAR]
-- Mini-warehouse. [SUP, except with RAR only if all on-site circulation is internal to the structure.]
(b) **Subdistrict 2.**

(1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the uses permitted in this subdistrict are the same as those uses permitted in the MU-3 Mixed Use District, subject to the same conditions applicable in the MU-3 Mixed Use District, as set out in the Dallas Development Code, as amended. For example, a use permitted in the MU-3 Mixed Use District only by specific use permit (SUP) is permitted in this special purpose district only by SUP; a use subject to development impact review (DIR) in the MU-3 Mixed Use District is subject to DIR in this special purpose district; etc.

(2) The following use is permitted in this subdistrict subject to residential adjacency review:

-- Bus or rail transit vehicle maintenance or storage facility. [*RAR*]

(3) The following use is permitted in this subdistrict by specific use permit only:

-- Commercial bus station and terminal. [*SUP*]

(Ord. Nos. 25013; 25560; 26975; 27280; 28231; 28819; 30040; 30041; 30042)

**SEC. 51P-621.107. ACCESSORY USES.**

(a) As a general rule, an accessory use is permitted in any district in which the main use is permitted. Some specific types of accessory uses, however, due to their unique nature, are subject to additional regulations in Section 51A-4.217. For more information regarding accessory uses, see Section 51A-4.217.

(b) The following accessory uses are not permitted in Subdistricts 1, 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 1F, and 1G:

-- Accessory medical/infectious waste incinerator.
-- Accessory pathological waste incinerator.
-- Amateur communications tower.
-- Day home.
-- General waste incinerator.
-- Private stable.

(c) Except as otherwise provided in this section, accessory uses in Subdistrict 2 must comply with the accessory use regulations applicable to the MU-3 Mixed Use District.

(d) The following accessory uses are permitted by SUP only:

-- Accessory outside storage. [*SUP*]
-- Pedestrian skybridges. [*SUP*]

(Ord. Nos. 25013; 25560; 26975; 27280; 28231; 28819)
SEC. 51P-621.108. CREATION OF A BUILDING SITE.

(a) The building official shall not issue a certificate of occupancy or a building permit until:

(1) a building site has been established under Section 51A-4.601, “Creation of a Building Site”; or

(2) the yard, lot, and space requirements of a lot or parcel can be determined from property lines described in deed records. (Ord. 25013)

SEC. 51P-621.109. YARD, LOT, AND SPACE REGULATIONS.

(Note: The yard, lot, and space regulations in this section must be read together with the yard, lot, and space regulations in Division 51A-4.400. In the event of a conflict between this section and Division 51A-4.400, this section controls.)

(a) Subdistricts 1, 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 1F, and 1G.

(1) Front yard. No minimum front yard.

(2) Side and rear yard. No minimum side or rear yard.

(3) Density. No maximum density.

(4) Floor area.

   (A) For Subdistricts 1, 1A, 1C, and 1D, maximum floor area ratio is 4.0.

   (B) For Subdistrict 1B, maximum floor area is 449,316 square feet.

   (C) Except as provided in this subparagraph, for Subdistrict 1E, maximum floor area is 186,437 square feet.

   (i) Mix of uses with a hotel or motel use. Maximum floor area may be increased to 450,000 square feet if a structure contains a hotel or motel use with a minimum of 150 guest rooms and a minimum of 7,000 square feet of floor area for retail and personal service uses at street level.

   (aa) If a restaurant without drive-in or drive-through service is located at street level, an outside seating area of 700 square feet, for all restaurants combined, must be provided and must face a public right-of-way or abandoned railroad right-of-way.

   (bb) An outside seating area does not count toward the minimum 7,000 square feet of floor area requirement for retail and personal service uses.

   (ii) Mix of uses without a hotel or motel use. Maximum floor area may be increased to 450,000 square feet if a multifamily use with a minimum of 135 dwelling units has a minimum of 7,000 square feet of floor area for retail and personal service uses at street level.
If a restaurant without drive-in or drive-through service is located at street level, an outside seating area of 700 square feet, for all restaurants combined, must face a public right-of-way or abandoned railroad right-of-way.

An outside seating area does not count toward the minimum 7,000 square feet of floor area requirement for retail and personal service uses.

Except as provided in this subparagraph, for Subdistrict 1F, maximum floor area is 268,330 square feet. Maximum floor area may be increased to 295,000 square feet if a structure contains a minimum of 3,000 square feet of floor area for retail and personal service uses located at street level.

If a restaurant without drive-in or drive-through service is located at street level as part of the 3,000 square feet of floor area requirement for retail and personal service uses, an outside seating area of 800 square feet, for all restaurants combined, must be provided along Edison Street and the southeastern Property line.

An outside seating area does not count toward the minimum 3,000 square feet of floor area requirement for retail and personal service uses.

Except as provided in this subparagraph, for Subdistrict 1G, maximum floor area is 245,678 square feet.

Mix of uses with a hotel or motel use. Maximum floor area may be increased to 450,000 square feet if a structure contains:

- hotel or motel use with a minimum of 100 guest rooms;
- a multifamily use with a minimum of 120 dwelling units; and
- a minimum of 4,000 square feet of floor area for retail and personal service uses at ground level.

If a restaurant without drive-in or drive-through service is located at ground level, an outside seating area of 500 square feet, for all restaurants combined, must be provided and must face a Property line other than Stemmons Freeway.

An outside seating area does not count toward the minimum 4,000 square feet of floor area requirement for retail and personal service uses.

Mix of uses without a hotel or motel use. Maximum floor area may be increased to 450,000 square feet if a structure contains a multifamily use with a minimum of 200 dwelling units and a minimum of 4,000 square feet of floor area for retail and personal service uses located at ground level.

If a restaurant without drive-in or drive-through service is located at ground level, an outside seating area of 500 square feet, for all restaurants combined, must be provided and must face a Property line other than Stemmons Freeway.

An outside seating area does not count toward the minimum 4,000 square feet of floor area requirement for retail and personal service uses.
(5) **Height.**

(A) Except as provided in this subsection, maximum height is:

(i) 150 feet for buildings having an FAR for residential uses of 0.5 or more; and

(ii) 130 feet for all other buildings and structures.

(B) In Subdistricts 1E, 1F, and 1G, mechanical equipment elevator overrides, penthouses, parapet walls, and related equipment and structures may extend an additional 10 feet in height above the maximum structure height.

(5.1) **Height bonuses for Subdistricts 1A, 1B, 1D, 1E, 1F, and 1G.** One or more of the following height bonuses may be combined to achieve a maximum building height of 270 feet for Subdistricts 1A, 1B, and 1D, and a maximum building height of 300 feet for Subdistricts 1E, 1F, and 1G. In Subdistrict 1F, the development must comply with Section 51P-621.109(a)(4)(D)(i) and (ii) to receive a height bonus. In Subdistrict 1G, the development must comply with Section 51P-621.109(a)(4)(E)(i) or (ii) to receive a height bonus.

(A) **Tower size and orientation.** Building height may be increased a maximum of 60 feet if (See Exhibit 621G for Subdistrict 1A. See Exhibit 621H for Subdistrict 1B. See Exhibit 621I for Subdistrict 1E. See Exhibit 621J for Subdistrict 1F. See Exhibit 621K for Subdistrict 1G.):

(i) in Subdistrict 1A and 1D:

   (aa) the portion of the building above 75 feet in height has a floor plate of 12,500 square feet or less; and

   (bb) the tower dimension perpendicular to the east Trinity River levee is at least three times longer than the tower dimension parallel to the east Trinity River levee (tower dimension is measured at the widest point of the building facade).

(ii) in Subdistrict 1B:

   (aa) the portion of the building above 75 feet has a floor plate of 25,000 square feet or less;

   (bb) the tower is oriented as indicated on Exhibit 621H; and

   (cc) the longer tower dimension is at least three times longer than the short tower dimension (tower dimension is measured at the widest point of the building facade).

(iii) in Subdistrict 1E and 1G:

   (aa) the portion of the building above 85 feet has a floor plate of 25,000 square feet or less;

   (bb) the tower is oriented as indicated on Exhibit 621I (for Subdistrict 1E) or Exhibit 621K (for Subdistrict 1G); and
the longer tower dimension is at least two times longer than the short tower dimension (tower dimension is measured at the widest point of the building facade).

(iv) in Subdistrict 1F:

(aa) the portion of the building above 75 feet has a floor plate of 25,000 square feet or less;

(bb) the tower is oriented as indicated on Exhibit 621J; and

(cc) the longer tower dimension is at least one-and-a-half times longer than the short tower dimension (tower dimension is measured at the widest point of the building facade).

(B) Street-level parking structure concealment. Building height may be increased a maximum of 36 feet if:

(i) the building is located in Subdistricts 1A, 1B, or 1D and:

(aa) the building has street-level office showroom/warehouse, office, restaurant, or residential uses that conceal 100 percent of the street-level parking structure facade; and

(bb) the street-level uses have a minimum depth of 30 feet measured from the building facade.

(ii) the building is located in Subdistrict 1E and except as provided in this subparagraph:

(aa) the development complies with Section 51P-621.109(a)(4)(C)(i) or (ii);

(bb) one hundred percent of the street-level parking structure facade is screened as follows:

(I) the building has street-level office showroom/warehouse, office, restaurant, hotel or motel, retail and personal service, or residential uses that conceal a minimum of 85 percent of the street-level parking structure facade (excluding driveway entrances);

(II) the remainder of the street-level parking structure façade is screened with a solid material that is architecturally compatible with the main building.

(cc) the street-level uses have a minimum depth of 30 feet measured from the building facade.

(iii) the building is located in Subdistrict 1F and:

(aa) the building has street-level office showroom/warehouse, office, restaurant, hotel or motel, retail and personal service, or residential uses that conceal 100 percent of the street-level parking structure facade facing Edison Street (excluding driveway entrances);
any street-level parking structure facade must provide screening that is architecturally compatible with the building and conceals a minimum of 50 percent of the street-level parking structure facade facing Stemmons Freeway (excluding driveway entrances); and

the street-level uses have a minimum depth of 30 feet measured from the building facade.

the building is located in Subdistrict 1G and:

except as provided in this provision, the building has ground-level office showroom/warehouse, office, restaurant, hotel or motel, retail and personal service, or residential uses that conceal 70 percent of the ground-level parking structure facade on the south side of the parking structure; and

the ground-level uses have a minimum depth of 30 feet measured from the building facade; and

for facades facing Stemmons Freeway, ground-level office showroom/warehouse, office, restaurant, hotel or motel, retail and personal service, or residential uses or screening of any portion of a ground-level parking structure facade are not required.

(C) LEED rating.

Building height may be increased a maximum of 12 feet if the building achieves 25 points under Section 51P-621.113(c)(3).
(E) **Public art or water feature.** In Subdistricts 1E, 1F, and 1G, building height may be increased a maximum of 15 feet if:

(i) in Subdistricts 1E and 1F, the building achieves 15 points under Section 51P-621.113(c)(4);

(ii) the public art or water feature is located in exterior open space and has a minimum of 600 square feet of land area, and includes a minimum of two of the following:

(aa) benches and/or seat walls;

(bb) trash receptacles;

(cc) shade structure, awning, trees; and

(iii) In Subdistrict 1E, the development complies with Section 51P-621.109(a)(4)(C)(i) or (ii).

(F) **Electric charging stations.** In Subdistricts 1E, 1F, and 1G, building height may be increased a maximum of 15 feet if the development provides a minimum of five electric charging stations for the charging of electrically-powered motor vehicles, with a minimum of two of the stations that are accessible to the public. For purposes of this subparagraph, accessible to the public means an electric charging station that is visible from a public right-of-way or signage or other identification if either or all of the spaces are located within a structure.

(G) **Publicly accessible open space.** In Subdistrict 1F, building height may be increased a maximum of 40 feet if street-level publicly accessible open space is provided in accordance with this subparagraph. If building height is increased under this subparagraph, it may not be increased an additional 15 feet under Subparagraph (E) for the same open space.

(i) The open space must have a minimum of 1,000 square feet of land area.

(ii) The open space must be clearly visible and adjacent to, or a part of, a public sidewalk, subject to the following maximum elevations between the grade of the sidewalk and the grade of the open space:

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(iii) The open space may not be designed to allow vehicular access.

(iv) Obstructions are not allowed above the plaza except awnings, trellises, or similar structures to enhance usability.
(v) A minimum of 25 percent of the land area must be improved with plantings, sculptures, pools, or similar features.

(vi) A minimum of 25 percent of the land area must be improved to provide shade, using trees, awnings, shade structures, or other means to provide users refuge from the elements.

(vii) Lighting must be provided to maintain a minimum of 0.2 footcandles across all walkable and seating areas inside and adjacent to the open space area. Illumination must be provided from one hour after sunset to one hour after sunrise.

(viii) All light sources that illuminate the open space area must be shielded from direct view.

(ix) The open space must provide a minimum of three of the following:

(aa) seating areas.

(bb) children’s play area.

(cc) water feature.

(dd) public art.

(ee) historical monument.

(ff) trash and recycling receptacles.

(gg) windows and doors from an abutting building facing the drinking fountains.

(6) Building site coverage.

(A) Except as provided in this paragraph, maximum building site coverage is 100 percent.

(B) For Subdistricts 1A, 1B, and 1F, any portion of a building that is above 75 feet in height may not have a floor plate greater than 60 percent of the lot area or 25,000 square feet, whichever is less (See Exhibit 621G for Subdistrict 1A. See Exhibit 621H for Subdistrict 1B. See Exhibit 621J for Subdistrict 1F.).

(C) For Subdistricts 1E and 1G, any portion of a building that is above 85 feet in height may not have a floor plate greater than 60 percent of the lot area or 25,000 square feet, whichever is less (See Exhibit 621I for Subdistrict 1E. See Exhibit 621K for Subdistrict 1G.).

(7) Building site size. No minimum building site size.

(8) Stories. No maximum number of stories.

(b) Subdistrict 2.
(1) Except for a bus or rail transit vehicle maintenance or storage facility, the yard, lot, and space regulations applicable to the MU-3 Mixed Use District, as amended, apply to this subdistrict.

(2) The following yard, lot, and space regulations apply to bus or rail transit vehicle maintenance or storage facility uses:

   (A) **Front yard.** No minimum front yard.

   (B) **Side and rear yard.** No minimum side or rear yard.

   (C) **Density.** No maximum density.

   (D) **Floor area.** Maximum floor area ratio (FAR) is 4.0.

   (E) **Height.** Maximum structure height is 200 feet.

   (F) **Building site coverage.** Maximum building site coverage is 100 percent.

   (G) **Building site size.** No minimum building site size.

   (H) **Stories.** No maximum number of stories. (Ord. Nos. 25013; 25560; 26975; 27280; 28231; 28819; 30040; 30041; 30042)

**SEC. 51P-621.110. OFF-STREET PARKING AND LOADING.**

(a) **General requirements applicable to all subdistricts.**

   (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, off-street parking and loading must be provided in compliance with Division 51A-4.300, “Off-Street Parking and Loading Regulations.” In the event of a conflict between this section and Division 51A-4.300, this section controls.

   (2) If several uses are located on a single building site, the off-street parking requirement is the sum of the requirements for each use, and off-street parking spaces for one use may not be counted toward the off-street parking requirement of another use, except as otherwise provided in this section.

   (3) If more than 10 off-street parking spaces are required, handicapped parking must be provided pursuant to Section 51A-4.305, “Handicapped Parking Regulations.”

(b) **Subdistricts 1, 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 1F, and 1G.**

   (1) Except for the uses listed below, consult the use regulations in Division 51A-4.200, “Use Regulations,” for the specific off-street parking requirements for each use.

   (A) **Alcoholic beverage establishment.** One space per 105 square feet of floor area. No parking is required for outside seating up to 10 percent of the total floor area of the alcoholic beverage establishment. Outside seating may not be converted to interior floor area unless the additional required parking is provided.
(B) **Antique shop.** One space per 600 square feet of floor area.

(C) **Art gallery.** One space per 600 square feet of floor area.

(D) **Art or craft production facility.** One space per 1,000 square feet of floor area.

(E) **Beer or wine manufacturing.** One space per 600 square feet of floor area.

(F) **Dance hall.** One space per 25 square feet of floor area.

(G) **Duplex.**

   (i) One space per dwelling unit with one or fewer bedrooms.

   (ii) Two spaces per dwelling unit with more than one bedroom.

   (iii) In Subdistrict 1B, parking may be gated or otherwise secured if Dallas Fire Code requirements are met.

(H) **Furniture store.** One space per 1,000 square feet of floor area.

(I) **General merchandise or food store 3,500 square feet or less.** One space per 275 square feet of floor area.

(J) **General merchandise or food store greater than 3,500 square feet.** One space per 275 square feet of floor area.

(K) **Multifamily.**

   (i) One-and-one-half spaces per dwelling unit.

   (ii) In Subdistrict 1B, parking may be gated or otherwise secured if Dallas Fire Code requirements are met.

(L) **Office.** One space per 358 square feet of floor area.

(M) **Office showroom/warehouse.** One space per 1,100 square feet of floor area up to 20,000 square feet, and one space per 4,100 square feet of floor area over 20,000 square feet.

(N) **Personal service uses.** One space per 275 square feet of floor area.

(O) **Restaurant.** One space per 105 square feet of floor area. No parking is required for outside seating up to 10 percent of the total floor area of the restaurant. Outside seating may not be converted to interior floor area unless the additional required parking is provided.

(P) **Single family.**

   (i) One space per dwelling unit with one or fewer bedrooms.

   (ii) Two spaces per dwelling unit with more than one bedroom.
(iii) In Subdistrict 1B, parking may be gated or otherwise secured if Dallas Fire Code requirements are met.

(2) Parking reductions.

(A) Bicycle parking. The off-street parking requirement for nonresidential uses located within 600 feet of the centerpoint of the intersection of Slocum Street and Cole Street may be reduced by 10 percent if:

(i) one five-bicycle parking stand for each 100 feet of street frontage is provided in the front yard of the building site; and

(ii) a minimum 12-foot-wide pedestrian and bicycle path is provided to link the building site with a DART light rail station.

(B) Employment centers adjacent to shuttle or bus stops. The following uses may provide off-street parking as specified if the use is within 1,000 feet of a shuttle stop or bus stop that provides a direct link to the Victory rail transit station or the Market Center rail transit station and if the use has 75,000 or more square feet of floor area:

(i) Industrial (inside). One space per 750 square feet of floor area.

(ii) Office. One space per 450 square feet of floor area.

(C) On-street parking. On-street parking spaces adjacent to a building site may be credited toward the off-street parking requirement of uses on the building site, even if the parking, backing, or maneuvering must be performed in the public right-of-way. On-street parking must be striped in accordance with standard city specifications.

(i) Head-in parking. One head-in parking space may be credited for each nine feet of frontage of the building site. Angled head-in parking must be angled more than 60 degrees but less than 90 degrees to the curb. The closest point of any angled head-in parking space may not be located closer than 10 feet to any perpendicular (90 degree) head-in parking space.

(ii) Parallel parking. One parallel parking space may be credited for each 22 feet of frontage of the building site.

(D) Special exception. The board of adjustment may grant a special exception of up to 50 percent of the required off-street parking upon the findings and considerations listed in Section 51A-4.311. The board of adjustment may impose conditions on the special exception.

(3) Delta theory.

(A) Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, see Section 51A-4.704(b)(4). In the event of a conflict between this paragraph and Section 51A-4.704(b)(4), this section controls.

(B) The right to carry forward nonconforming parking and loading spaces does not terminate.

(4) Special parking.
(A) **In general.** Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, see Division 51A-4.320, “Special Parking Regulations.”

(B) **Special parking allowed.** Except as specifically modified in this section, required off-street parking may be special parking.

(C) **Remote parking for nonresidential uses.**

(i) Required off-street parking for nonresidential uses may be remote parking.

(ii) Remote parking for nonresidential uses must be located within 1,000 feet of the use served by the remote parking. The building official may extend the distance for remote parking to no more than 1,500 feet if a shuttle from the remote parking is provided. A license is required to authorize an extension of distance beyond 1,500 feet.

(iii) Remote parking lots must meet on-site parking landscape requirements.

(iv) Parking located in a railbed may be used as remote parking.

(D) **Shared parking.** Except for residential uses in Subdistrict 1B, if more than one type of use is located on a building site, all uses on the building site must share parking. Table 1 must be used to calculate the required off-street parking spaces when parking is shared. The number of off-street parking spaces that must be provided for the development is the largest number of spaces required under any of the five time-of-day columns. For example, in the morning, a development with residential and office uses must provide 80 percent of the off-street parking that would normally be required for the residential uses and 100 percent of the off-street parking that would normally be required for the office uses. Likewise, in the afternoon, that development must provide 60 percent of the off-street parking that would normally be required for the residential uses and 100 percent of the off-street parking that would normally be required for the office uses. A similar calculation must be performed for each time of day. If the number of spaces required in the morning is greater than the number of spaces required during any other time of day, then the number of spaces required in the morning must be provided. Likewise, if the number of spaces required in the late afternoon is greater than the number of spaces required during any other time of day, then the number of spaces required in the late afternoon must be provided.

**Table 1: Shared Parking Table**
(For calculating the parking requirement for shared parking)

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(5) **Cash in lieu of required parking.** A property owner may make a one-time cash payment to the Old Trinity and Design District Parking Fund in lieu of providing required parking for a use in an original building. The amount of the payment is calculated by using the following formula:
National median cost per square foot \( \times 350 \) Dallas cost index \( \times \) Number of required spaces not provided \( \times .75 = \) Payment required

where “national median cost per square foot” is the national median cost per square foot of a parking space in a parking garage. Both the “national median cost per square foot” and the “Dallas cost index” must be derived from the most recent issue of Building Construction Cost Data, published by the Robert Snow Means Company, Inc., of Kingston, Massachusetts, unless another comparable publication is designated by the director. The department shall administer a city account to be known as the Old Trinity and Design District Parking Fund. Funds from the Old Trinity and Design District Parking Fund must be used only for the acquisition or construction of parking garages or other parking improvements within Subdistricts 1, 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 1F, and 1G. The payment into the Old Trinity and Design District Parking Fund is due at the time of application for a building permit.

(6) **Fees for required parking.** Fees may be charged for use of required parking.

(7) **Parking structure screening.** In Subdistricts 1E, 1F, and 1G, any portion of a street-level parking structure facade that is concealed by a street-level use is considered screened.

(c) **Subdistrict 2.** The off-street parking requirement for a bus or rail transit vehicle maintenance or storage facility is one space per 1,500 square feet of floor area. For all other uses, consult the use regulations contained in Division 51A-4.200, “Use Regulations,” for the specific off-street parking/loading requirements for each use. (Ord. Nos. 25013; 25560; 26975; 27280; 28231; 28819; 30040; 30041; 30042)

SEC. 51P-621.111. **ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE STANDARDS.**

See Article VI. (Ord. 25013)

SEC. 51P-621.112. **LANDSCAPING.**

(a) **General requirements applicable to all subdistricts.**

(1) **Required tree species.** All required trees must be from the following list of Texas native species:

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<td>Aesculus glaba v. arguta</td>
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<td>Aesculus pavia</td>
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<td>Bumelia lanuginosa</td>
<td>Woolly-bucket bumelia</td>
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<td>Pecan</td>
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<td>Black hickory</td>
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<td>Cercis canadensis v. Canadensis</td>
<td>Eastern redbud</td>
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<td>Common persimmon</td>
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<td>Deciduous holly</td>
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<td>Ilex vomitoria</td>
<td>Yaupon holly</td>
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<td>Juglans nigra</td>
<td>Black walnut</td>
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<td>Juniperus virginiana</td>
<td>Eastern red cedar</td>
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<tr>
<td>Morus rubra</td>
<td>Red mulberry</td>
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<tr>
<td>Myrica cerifera</td>
<td>Wax myrtle</td>
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(2) **Prohibited trees.**

(A) The following trees may not be planted within this special purpose district:

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<td>Populus deltoides</td>
<td>Cottonwood</td>
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<tr>
<td>Albizia julibrissi</td>
<td>Mimosa</td>
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(B) Bradford pears (pyrus calleryana) may be planted as site trees. Bradford pears may not be used as street trees, used as landscape buffer trees, or planted in the public right-of-way.

(3) **Street trees.**

(A) In Subdistricts 1, 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 1F, and 1G, one street tree must be provided per 25 feet of street frontage, with a minimum of one street tree per building site. In Subdistrict 2, one street tree must be provided per 50 feet of street frontage, with a minimum of one street tree per building site.

(B) Street trees must be located on the building site within 50 feet of the projected street curb, except that street trees may be located in the public right-of-way if all private licensing requirements of the city code and charter are met and a right-of-way landscape permit is obtained from the city. For purposes of this subparagraph, “projected street curb” means the future location of the street curb consistent with the City of Dallas Thoroughfare Plan as determined by the director of public works and transportation.

(C) Street trees must be provided for all new construction.

(4) **Landscaping in the public right-of-way.**

(A) Landscaping may be located in the public right-of-way if a right-of-way landscape permit is obtained from the city.

(B) Plants in the public right-of-way may not obstruct visibility or create a traffic hazard. See Section 51A-4.602(d), “Visual Obstruction Regulations.”
(C) The city council hereby grants a non-exclusive revocable license to the owners or tenants (with written consent of the owner) of all property within this special purpose district for the exclusive purpose of authorizing compliance with the landscaping requirements of this special purpose district. An owner or tenant is not required to pay an initial or annual fee for this license, although a fee may be charged for issuance of a right-of-way landscape permit in accordance with the Dallas Building Code. This private license will not terminate at the end of any specific time period; however, the city council reserves the right to terminate this license at will, by resolution passed by the city council, at any time such termination becomes necessary. The determination by the city council of the need for termination is final and binding. The city shall become entitled to possession of the licensed area without giving any notice and without the necessity of legal proceedings to obtain possession when, in its judgment, the purpose or use of the license is inconsistent with the public use of the right-of-way or when the purpose or use of the license is likely to become a nuisance or threat to public safety. Upon termination of the license by the city council, each owner or tenant shall remove all improvements and installations in the public rights-of-way to the satisfaction of the director of public works and transportation.

(D) A property owner or tenant is not required to comply with any right-of-way landscaping requirement to the extent that compliance is made impossible due to the city council’s revocation of a right-of-way landscape permit or the revocation of the private license granted under this subsection.

(E) Upon the installation of landscaping in the public right-of-way, the owners or tenants shall procure, pay for, and keep in full force and effect commercial general liability insurance coverage with an insurance company authorized to do business in the State of Texas and otherwise acceptable to the city, covering, but not limited to, the liability assumed under the private license granted under this subsection, with combined single limits of liability for bodily injury and property damage of not less than $1,000,000 for each occurrence, and $2,000,000 annual aggregate. Coverage under this liability policy must be on an occurrence basis and the city shall be named as additional insured. Proof of such insurance must be sent to: Office of Risk Management, City of Dallas, 1500 Marilla, Dallas, Texas 75201, and the policy must provide for 30 days prior written notice to the Office of Risk Management of cancellation, expiration, non-renewal, or material change in coverage. All subrogation rights for loss or damage against the city are hereby waived to the extent that they are covered by this liability insurance policy.

(F) Each owner or tenant is responsible for maintaining the landscaping in a healthy, growing condition, and for keeping the premises safe and in good condition and repair, at no expense to the city, and the city is absolutely exempt from any requirements to make repairs or maintain the landscaping. The granting of a license for landscaping under this subsection does not release the owner or tenant from liability for the installation or maintenance of trees and landscaping in the public right-of-way.

(5) Visual obstruction regulations. A property owner is not required to comply with the landscaping requirements of this section to the extent that compliance is made impossible by Subsection (d), “Visual Obstruction Regulations,” of Section 51A-4.602, “Fence, Screening, and Visual Obstruction Regulations.”

(b) Subdistricts 1, 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 1F, and 1G.

(1) General requirement. Except as otherwise provided in this section, landscaping must be provided as required by Article X.
(2) Landscaping in railbeds.

(A) Any landscaping planted in the area to the centerline of a railbed may be used to satisfy required landscaping for the adjacent property. Landscaping planted in a railbed may not be located in an access easement.

(B) The requirements of Section 51A-10.125(b)(5), “Parking Lot Trees,” do not apply to parking located within a railbed.

(3) Parking lot buffer. A five-foot-wide landscaped strip must be located along any edge of a parking lot or parking structure that is visible at grade level from a street. A minimum three-inch-caliper tree must be located every 15 feet, or fraction thereof, or clustered every 30 feet within the landscaped strip.

(4) Plant requirements. Plants used to satisfy the landscape requirements must comply with the following requirements:

(A) A large evergreen shrub must have the ability to grow to a minimum height of three feet within three years.

(B) Solid sod or hydro-mulch grass may be used.

(C) Artificial plant materials may not be used.

(D) Any required landscaping that dies must be replaced.

(5) Landscape plan. A landscape plan must accompany any application for a building permit to expand floor area if the expansion is over 50 percent for nonresidential projects, over 65 percent for mixed use projects, or over 75 percent for residential projects. A landscape plan must earn at least 50 points (out of a total of 155 possible points.) The points awarded for providing these features are provided in parentheses. Existing landscaping qualifies for points.

(A) Lighting. (Total possible points = 20) Ten points each are awarded for providing tree lighting, light bollards, light poles, building facade lighting, or landscaped area lighting, up to a maximum of 20 points. The lighting provided must be at least 1.5 foot-candles in intensity over adjacent pedestrian areas.

(B) Landscaping on rooftops and facades. (Total possible points = 30) Ten points each are awarded for large planters, hanging planters, exterior embedded or extended planters, and vine supports on rooftops or along front facades up to a maximum of 30 points. Vines within ground-based planters must be able to extend above one-half the total height of the ground story of the main structure.

(C) Landscape buffer. (Total possible points = 25) The landscape buffer must be a minimum of 80 square feet. A mix of plant materials may be used.

(D) Tree canopy at the street frontage. (Total possible points = 20) Points may be obtained for planting canopy trees along the entire street frontage, exclusive of vehicular and pedestrian entrances and exits. The trees may be planted in the right-of-way if a right-of-way landscape permit is obtained. Ten points are awarded for planting these trees at a density of one tree per 30 linear feet of street frontage and 20 points are awarded for planting these trees at a density of one tree per 15 linear feet of street frontage. Note: Power lines may affect the types of trees used.
(E) **Seasonal color landscaping.** (Total possible points = 20) Points may be obtained for providing a landscape area for seasonal color in planting beds, raised planters, or pots. Five points are awarded for a landscape area that is equal to at least one-fourth of a square foot multiplied by the number of feet of street frontage. Ten points are awarded for a landscape area that is equal to at least one-half of a square foot multiplied by the number of feet of street frontage. Fifteen points are awarded for a landscape area that is equal to at least three-fourths of a square foot multiplied by the number of feet of street frontage. The plants in the landscape area must be changed at least twice per year with the appropriate seasonal color plants. This area must contain the appropriate seasonal landscaping at all times except when the landscaping is being changed at the beginning of a new season.

(F) **Native plant landscaping.** (Total possible points = 20) Points may be obtained for providing a landscape area containing native plants. Five points are awarded for a landscape area that is equal to at least one-fourth of a square foot multiplied by the number of feet of street frontage. Ten points are awarded for a landscape area that is equal to at least one-half of a square foot multiplied by the number of feet of street frontage. Fifteen points are awarded for a landscape area that is equal to at least three-fourths of a square foot multiplied by the number of feet of street frontage. Native plants listed in Exhibit 621E must be used.

(G) **Creation of open space.** (Total possible points = 20) Five points are awarded per 200 square feet of open space if the open space is a minimum of 500 feet from the building site but within this special purpose district. For purposes of this subparagraph, “open space” means a space containing no structures or pavement at or above grade, and containing only grass or other vegetation. Open space must be available for use by the public. The open space must be maintained in a state of good repair and neat appearance at all times by the owner of the property for which the building permit was issued.

(6) **Open space fund.** If a property owner in Subdistricts 1, 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, and 1F cannot plant all of the required trees on the building site, or the property owner in Subdistrict 1G cannot plant all of the required trees on the building site or within 1,000 feet of the building site, the property owner shall comply with the following requirements for no more than 50 percent of the required trees:

(A) Make a payment into the Old Trinity and Design District Open Space Fund. The department shall administer a city account to be known as the Old Trinity and Design District Open Space Fund. Funds from the Old Trinity and Design District Open Space Fund must be used only for acquiring and maintaining property for parks and open-space within this special purpose district. The amount of the payment required per tree not planted is calculated by using the formula for appraising the value of a two-inch-caliper tree, as derived from the most recent edition of the *Guide for Establishing Values of Trees and Other Plants* published by the Council of Tree and Landscape Appraisers, unless another publication is designated by the building official, and adding the cost of planting and maintaining a two-inch tree for two years.

(B) Plant trees within:

(i) portals to the Trinity River (as identified in the Trinity River Corridor Comprehensive Land Use Plan) within this special purpose district,

(ii) along that portion of the Old Trinity Trail within this special purpose district, or

(iii) along the meanders of the Old Trinity River channel, as shown on Exhibit 621C.
Parking/landscaping zone. Where there is at least a 70-foot space between buildings, a parking/landscaping zone meeting the following requirements is allowed in the space between the two buildings, but is not required. The composition of the parking/landscaping zone, moving from one building façade across to the other building façade, is as follows:

(A) First, a minimum six-foot-wide sidewalk parallel to the façade of the first building.

(B) Second, a parking area between six feet from the first building façade to 16 feet from the first building façade. This parking area must have angled head-in parking at an angle of 60 degrees to 90 degrees. A landscaped area containing one tree must be located between every fifth parking stall. Trees in the parking area must be spaced 46 to 50 feet on center, and must be 12 to 16 feet away from the first building façade. One parking stall may be omitted to allow for a loading dock to remain functional.

(C) Third, a minimum of 26 feet of right-of-way for the two-way traffic in the middle.

(D) Fourth, a matching parking area from between 16 feet from the second building façade to six feet from the second building façade.

(E) Fifth, a matching six-foot-wide sidewalk parallel to the façade of the second building.

Subdistrict 2. Except as otherwise provided in this section, all properties in Subdistrict 2 must comply with Article X. (Ord. Nos. 25013; 25560; 26975; 27280; 28231; 28819; 30040; 30041; 30042)

SEC. 51P-621.113. ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN GUIDELINES.

(a) Purpose. The architectural design guidelines of this section are intended to preserve the historical, cultural, and architectural importance and significance of Subdistricts 1, 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 1F, and 1G. These architectural design guidelines are intended to encourage adaptive reuse of existing buildings; new contemporary and creative construction and major modifications that will enhance the architectural character of the district; and sustainable, green, energy efficient design and construction.

(b) Facade requirements for new construction and major modifications in Subdistricts 1, 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 1F, and 1G.

(1) Facades must be brick, concrete masonry, glass, hollow tile, stone, or other fireproof materials, except that wooden siding, wooden sheets, and metal may not be used on more than 50 percent of any facade.

(2) Facades consisting of more than 80 percent glass, excluding glass block, are prohibited.

(3) The maximum permitted reflectance of glass used as a facade material varies depending on where the glass is used. The reflectance of glass used on the first two stories may not exceed 15 percent. The reflectance of glass used above the first two stories may not exceed 27 percent. Reflectance is the percentage of available visible light energy reflected away from the exterior surface of
the glass. The higher the percentage, the more visible light reflected and the more mirror-like the glass will appear.

(c) Design test requirements in Subdistricts 1, 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 1F, and 1G. New construction or a major modification must earn at least 50 points for properties with a floor area ratio of 2.0 or less, and at least 70 points for properties with floor area ratios greater than 2.0 (out of 205 possible points). The total possible points in any category are provided in parentheses.

(1) Maintenance of original facades. (Total possible points = 10) Ten points are awarded for the adaptive reuse of an original building if its original facade design elements are not altered.

(2) Ground floor uses, building facades, and roofs. (Total possible points = 20) Points may be earned as follows:

(A) Retail and showroom uses. Ten points are awarded if a building’s ground floor (excluding halls, restrooms, utility areas, and other public spaces) is allocated to retail and personal service uses or office showroom/warehouse uses.

(B) Restaurant uses. Ten points are awarded if a building’s ground floor (excluding halls, restrooms, utility areas, and other public spaces) includes restaurant uses.

(C) Facade treatments. Ten points are awarded if the building’s front facade is given texture and complexity by the inclusion of ground level entries more than 14 feet in height, porticos, indented entries, belt coursing or other horizontal banding, grid coursing, articulation of window openings, corner pilasters, rustication of the first floor, changes of color, or ornamental iron.

(3) Pedestrian amenities. (Total possible points = 25) Five points each are awarded for benches, trash receptacles, awnings/canopies, bicycle parking racks, and pedestrian street lamps. These items should be creative and contemporary. Pedestrian amenities must be located within the curb-to-building area of the building site, but, if a hardship prohibits locating these in the curb-to-building area of the building site, the amenities may be placed within the public right-of-way as long as they meet city standards and licensing requirements and do not block free movement of pedestrians. Pedestrian amenities must be maintained and operated by the owner of the building site. If there is more than one owner, all owners are jointly responsible for maintenance. Such amenities include:

(A) Benches or exterior seating areas (maximum of one every 50 feet).

(B) Trash receptacles (maximum of five points).

(C) Awnings/canopies along the front facade.

(D) One five-bicycle stand per 100 feet of street frontage.

(E) At least one pedestrian street lamp (freestanding or wall mounted) per 50 feet of street frontage.

(4) Public art or water features. (Total possible points = 15) Fifteen points are awarded for public art or water features costing at least $2,500, limited to one per building site. In order to qualify for public art points, the public art must be visible from a public right-of-way at all times. Examples of public art could include art in an atrium or lobby that is visible from a public right-of-way,
art incorporated into the sidewalk or building facade, or freestanding art. For purposes of this paragraph, “water features” means: fountains, pools, mechanical water jets, or similar water devices.

(5) **Paving material.** (Total possible points = 15) Five points are awarded per one-third increment of an outdoor private walkway area accessible to the public that is covered by decorative pavement. For purposes of this paragraph, “decorative pavement” means: colored concrete pavers; brick; stone; stamped, textured, or colored concrete; and exterior grade tile.

(6) **Pedestrian orientation of building facade.** (Total possible points = 20) Twenty points are awarded if a minimum of 25 percent of the front facade has transparent display windows or windows affording views into retail, office, or lobby space. The transparency requirement applies to the first 16 feet of height of the facade.

(7) **Structured parking facilities.** (Total possible points = 50) Fifty points are awarded for a structured parking facility if the design matches the facade of a new building or architecturally complements the facade of an original building.

(8) **Energy conservation.** (Total possible points = 15) Ten points are awarded for using solar, geothermal, or other non-petroleum, non-coal energy sources. Five points are awarded for planting twice the number of canopy trees required by Section 51P-621.112, “Landscaping.”

(9) **Permeable surface.** (Total possible points = 15) Five points are awarded each third of an outdoor walkway or driveway with a permeable surface.

(10) **LEED’s credit.** (Total possible points = 20) Twenty points are awarded for a project with a floor area ratio of more than 2.0 when the project complies with the following:

(A) A United States Green Building Council’s Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Checklist, effective May 1, 2004, must be submitted with an application for a building permit for development, indicating how development will comply with a certified designation (26 to 32 project points). The development plans submitted for a building permit must be certified by a LEED accredited professional designated by the department of development services. Prior to the issuance of a building permit, the building official shall determine that the project is consistent with the standards and criteria for a LEED certified designation.

(B) If the developer is unable to achieve all of the green building rating system points identified on the checklist, the developer must replace any points not achieved with other green building rating system points acceptable under the United States Green Building Council’s LEED rating system.

(C) All supporting documentation and templates related to the points previously approved by the city for the LEED certified level designation must be submitted with an application for a certificate of occupancy. A certificate of occupancy may not be issued until a LEED accredited professional designated by the department of development services certifies that the building complies with the LEED certified designation (26 to 32 project points).

(d) **Approval by development plan.** The city plan commission may approve new construction or a major modification that does not meet the requirements of Subsections (b) and (c) of this section if the development plan and elevations show that the new construction or major modification is consistent with the spirit and intent of this section.

(e) **Fences and Walls in Subdistricts 1, 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E, 1F, and 1G.** Fences and walls longer than 200 feet adjacent to any public street must be designed to prevent visual monotony through
use of offsets, changes of materials and textures, gates or openings, or landscaping. (Ord. Nos. 25013; 25560; 26975; 27280; 28231; 28819; 30040; 30041; 30042)

SEC. 51P-621.114. SITE DESIGN REQUIREMENTS.

(a) **Above-grade off-street parking.** Parking is permitted on any level of a building.

(b) **Median and curb cuts along Industrial Boulevard.** Median and curb cuts to access railbeds for off-street parking from Industrial Boulevard, between Continental Avenue and Sylvan/Wycliff Avenue, must be approved by the director of public works and transportation. Traffic must be one-way from Industrial Boulevard westbound to Levee Street.

(c) **Sidewalk standards for new construction.**

(1) **In general.**

(A) Sidewalks complying with the standards of this subsection must be provided for all new construction.

(B) If a sidewalk is to be located in a front yard, a sidewalk easement must be dedicated to the city to assure its availability to the public for pedestrian access.

(C) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the requirements of Chapter 43, “Streets and Sidewalks,” apply to all sidewalks.

(2) **Location.**

(A) Sidewalks must be located along the entire length of the street frontage.

(B) On state highways, sidewalks must be provided in the parkway, subject to Texas Department of Transportation approval. If Texas Department of Transportation approval cannot be obtained, the property is exempt from this requirement.

(C) Sidewalks must be located between five feet and 10 feet from the back of the projected street curb, except that sidewalks on Oak Lawn Avenue, Irving Boulevard, Market Center Boulevard, and Turtle Creek Boulevard must be located between five feet and 12 feet from the back of the projected street curb. Sidewalks may be located farther from the projected street curb to the extent necessary to preserve existing trees or structures or to comply with landscaping requirements.

(D) In Subdistricts 1E, 1F, and 1G, design and construction must be level with any connecting sidewalk for sidewalks crossing drive approaches.

(3) **Width.**

(A) Sidewalk widths must match the width of existing sidewalks in front of adjacent properties at the point of convergence. Where there are different sidewalk widths on each side of the street frontage, the new sidewalk must taper or expand to meet the incongruous sidewalks.

(B) Sidewalks must have an unobstructed minimum width of four feet, except that sidewalks on Oak Lawn Avenue, Irving Boulevard, Market Center Boulevard, and Turtle Creek Boulevard must have an unobstructed minimum width of six feet. For purposes of this provision, “unobstructed” means by structures or landscaping, excluding utility poles and service boxes.
(d) License to allow compliance with ADA requirements.

(1) If there is no other way to install ramps required by the Americans with Disabilities Act or similar state laws other than to install the ramps in the public right-of-way, the city council hereby grants a non-exclusive revocable license to the owners or tenants (with written consent of the owner) of all property within this special purpose district for the exclusive purpose of authorizing compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act or similar state laws. An owner or tenant is not required to pay an initial or annual fee for this license, although a fee may be charged for issuance of a building permit in accordance with the Dallas Building Code. This private license will not terminate at the end of any specific time period; however, the city council reserves the right to terminate this license at will, by resolution passed by the city council, at any time such termination becomes necessary. The determination by the city council of the need for termination is final and binding. The city shall become entitled to possession of the licensed area without giving any notice and without the necessity of legal proceedings to obtain possession when, in its judgment, the purpose or use of the license is inconsistent with the public use of the right-of-way or when the purpose or use of the license is likely to become a nuisance or threat to public safety. Upon termination of the license by the city council, each owner or tenant shall remove all improvements and installations in the public rights-of-way to the satisfaction of the director of public works and transportation.

(2) Upon the installation of ramp in the public right-of-way, the owners or tenants shall procure, pay for, and keep in full force and effect commercial general liability insurance coverage with an insurance company authorized to do business in the State of Texas and otherwise acceptable to the city, covering, but not limited to, the liability assumed under the private license granted under this subsection, with combined single limits of liability for bodily injury and property damage of not less than $1,000,000 for each occurrence, and $2,000,000 annual aggregate. Coverage under this liability policy must be on an occurrence basis and the city shall be named as additional insured. Proof of such insurance must be sent to: Office of Risk Management, City of Dallas, 1500 Marilla, Dallas Texas 75201, and the policy must provide for 30 days prior written notice to the Office of Risk Management of cancellation, expiration, non-renewal, or material change in coverage. All subrogation rights for loss or damage against the city are hereby waived to the extent that they are covered by this liability insurance policy.

(3) Each owner or tenant is responsible for maintaining any ramps in good condition and repair, at no expense to the city, and the city is absolutely exempt from any requirements to make repairs or maintain any ramps. The granting of a license for ramps under this subsection does not release the owner or tenant from liability for the installation or maintenance of ramps in the public right-of-way.

(e) Exemption for Subdistrict 2. The site design requirements of this section do not apply to a bus or rail transit vehicle maintenance or storage facility use in Subdistrict 2. (Ord. Nos. 25013; 25560; 26102; 30040; 30041; 30042)

SEC. 51P-621.115. SCREENING REGULATIONS.

(a) Parking lot screening.

(1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, Section 51A-4.301(f), “Screening Provisions for Off-Street Parking,” applies to all parking lots and parking structures.

(2) Fences may complement but not substitute for parking lot trees and shrubbery screening.
(3) The provision of screening for surface parking only applies to new construction. All surface parking must be screened from a street or access easement by using one or more of the following three methods to separately or collectively attain a minimum height of three feet above the parking surface:

(A) Earthen berm planted with turf grass or groundcover recommended for local area use by the director of parks and recreation. The berm may not have a slope that exceeds one foot of height per three feet of width.

(B) A fence constructed of one or more of the following: brick, stone, concrete masonry, stucco, concrete, wood, or other durable material. Wrought iron fences are allowed.

(C) Hedge-like evergreen plant materials recommended for local area use by the city arborist. The plant materials must be located in a bed that is at least three feet wide with a minimum soil depth of 24 inches. Initial plantings must be capable of obtaining a solid appearance within three years. Plant materials must be placed 36 inches on center over the entire length of the bed unless a landscape architect recommends an alternative planting density that the building official determines is capable of providing a solid appearance within three years.

(b) Screening of off-street loading spaces, dumpsters, and garbage storage areas.

(1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, screening of off-street loading spaces, dumpsters, and garbage storage areas must be provided in compliance with Section 51A-4.602, “Fence, Screening, and Visual Obstruction Regulations.”

(2) All off-street loading spaces, dumpsters, and garbage storage areas must be screened from all public streets adjacent to the building site. Screening is not required on sides that are not visible from a public street.

(3) Screening of all off-street loading spaces, dumpsters, and garbage storage areas must be at least six feet in height.

(4) Screening is not required in the railbeds.

(c) Outdoor storage areas. Except for vehicle display, sales, and service uses and nursery, garden shop, and plant sales uses, all outdoor storage areas for commercial and business services uses and industrial uses must be entirely screened by an eight-foot solid screening fence, vegetative materials, or other alternative deemed appropriate by the building official.

(d) Exemption for Subdistrict 2. The screening regulations of this section do not apply to a bus or rail transit vehicle maintenance or storage facility use in Subdistrict 2. (Ord. Nos. 25013; 25560)

SEC. 51P-621.116. SIGNS.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, signs must comply with the provisions for business zoning districts in Article VII.

(b) In Subdistrict 2, detached premise signs existing on the date of establishment of this special purpose district may remain, provided the sign and sign supports are maintained in a state of good repair and neat appearance at all times. See Section 51A-7.210, “General Maintenance.”
(c) Projecting attached premise signs for retail and personal service uses are allowed, provided they do not project more than five feet from the building façade and are between nine and 15 feet above the sidewalk. For purposes of this provision, a “projecting attached premise sign” means an attached premise sign projecting more than 12 inches from a building at an angle other than parallel to the façade. (Ord. Nos. 25013; 25560)

SEC. 51P-621.117. ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS.

(a) The entire Property and any improvements in the public right-of-way must be properly maintained in a state of good repair and neat appearance. The city may remove any improvements in the public right-of-way that are not maintained in a state of good repair and neat appearance at the sole expense of the property owner, and may use any available legal remedy to recover the cost of removal from the property owner.

(b) Development and use of the Property must comply with all federal and state laws and regulations, and with all ordinances, rules, and regulations of the city. (Ord. Nos. 25013; 25560; 26102)

SEC. 51P-621.118. COMPLIANCE WITH CONDITIONS.

(a) All paved areas, permanent drives, streets, and drainage structures, if any, must be constructed in accordance with standard city specifications, and completed to the satisfaction of the director of public works and transportation.

(b) The building official shall not issue a building permit to authorize work or a certificate of occupancy to authorize the operation of a use in this special purpose district until there has been full compliance with this article, the Dallas Development Code, the construction codes, and all other ordinances, rules, and regulations of the city. (Ord. Nos. 25013; 26102)