

Section 86-97 R-1 Low Density Residence District

- (a) *Intent; scope.* This section applies to the R-1 one-family residence district. This R-1 district is intended to preserve and enhance low density (less than 6 units per acre) residential areas.
- (b) *Permitted uses.* The following uses shall be permitted in the R-1 low density residence district:
- (1) Residential facility serving six or fewer individuals.
 - (2) Day care facility serving 14 or fewer individuals.
 - (3) One-family detached dwellings.
- (c) *Permitted accessory uses.* The following uses shall be permitted accessory uses in the R-1 low density residence district:
- (1) Accessory uses customarily incidental to the uses permitted in this section, such as private vehicle garages.
 - (2) Accessory building complying with section 86-163, including, but not limited to, private garages, storage sheds, fallout shelters, and gazebos.
 - (3) Accessory equipment complying with section 86-164, including, but not limited to, solar energy collectors and systems, playgrounds, and sports courts.
 - (4) Bed and breakfast facility, provided property is registered with the City as a rental.
 - (5) Offices of persons and home occupations meeting the specific conditions of Section 86-50, provided an interim use permit is obtained when required.
Keeping boarders and/or roomers by a resident family, provided the property is registered with the City as a rental.
 - (6) Private swimming pool and hot tub when completely enclosed within a non-climbable fence five feet high with openings no greater than four inches in any dimension and self-closing and self-locking gate. Swimming pools exempt from the building permit requirements as defined in the state building code and hot tubs with latchable covers do not need to be enclosed.
 - (7) Private amateur radio towers and antennas complying with division 6.
 - (8) Private gardens complying with Section 86-247 (a) (5).

(d) *Conditional uses.* All conditional use permits for the R-1 district may only be issued if the proposed use meets the specific requirements of this section and also meets the supplemental regulations as outlined in article VI and meets the eligibility for conditional use permits as specified in article II, division 2. The following uses may be allowed in the R-1 low density district by conditional use permit:

- (1) Fire stations, community center buildings, public libraries and essential public utility structures serving the surrounding area.
- (2) One-family manufactured homes.
- (3) Other residential uses of the same general character as listed in subsection (b).
- (4) Parks and recreational areas, public or private.
- (5) Religious institutions as defined under Minnesota State Statutes.
- (6) School, public or private, kindergarten through grade 12.
- (7) Two-family dwellings under single ownership, joint ownership or tenants in common.
- (8) Two-family dwellings under split ownership under the following conditions:
 - a. The dwellings have separate utility service lines to each unit.
 - b. The owners execute and record a common maintenance agreement containing covenants as to uniformity of exterior appearance of the dwellings.
 - c. Proper separation of units, occurring along the lot line, exists as provided by the building code.
 - d. Such dwellings comply with all yard regulations for single-family dwellings, except side yard regulations between the dwelling units.
 - e. The dwelling location on the lot be compatible with the neighborhood.
 - f. Landscaping, fencing, grading, exterior lighting, and driveway conform to the surrounding neighborhood.
 - g. Any accessory building is compatible with the dwellings and the surrounding neighborhood.
 - h. The dwellings shall be a maximum height of two stories.
 - i. Not more than 50 percent of the lot area shall be occupied by buildings.

(e) *Height and yard regulations.* Height, yard, area and lot width and depth regulations for the R-1 district are as follows:

(1) *Height regulations.* No building hereafter erected or altered shall exceed 3 stories or 30 feet in height.

(2) *Front yard regulations.*

a. There shall be a front yard having a depth of not less than 25 feet except as otherwise provided in this section.

b. There shall be a front yard of not less than 35 feet on a lot or plot that abuts a thoroughfare as shown on the city zoning map.

(3) *Side yard regulations.* There shall be a side yard on each side of a building, each having a width of not less than five feet, except for non-residential uses, the width shall be no less than 20 feet if abutting another one-family residence district lot.

(4) *Rear yard regulations.* There shall be a rear yard having a depth of not less than 25 percent.

(5) *Lot or plot area regulations.*

a. Every lot or plot shall contain an area of not less than 8,000 square feet.

~~b. Every lot or plot upon which a two-family dwelling is erected or altered shall contain an area of not less than 10,000 square feet.~~

(6) *Lot width and depth regulations.* Every lot or plot depth regulations. Every lot or plot shall have a minimum width of not less than 70 feet of the lot or plot depth, or 18 percent of the lot or plot depth for a two-street corner lot at the the building setback line, and a minimum depth of not less than 110 feet.

(f) *Supplemental regulations.* Additional regulations in the R-1 low density residence district are set forth in article VI.

(Code 1976, § 11.07; Ord. No. 407 2nd series, § 1, 12-21-1998; Ord. No. 443, § 3, 11-6-00; Ord. No. 529 2nd series, § 1, 7-5-2005; Ord. No. 590 2nd series, § 1, 2-19-2008; Ord. No. 699 2nd series, § 1, 9-9-2015; Ord. No. 712 2nd series, § 1, 9-13-2016; Ord. No. 732 2nd Series, § 1, 1-8-2019)

HISTORY

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