

# **Zoning Amendment**

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# **ARTICLE I – TITLE**

#### Section 1.01

This Resolution shall be known and may be cited and referred to as Harlem Township Zoning Resolution, Delaware County, Ohio.

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# **ARTICLE II – PURPOSE**

## Section 2.01

This Resolution is enacted for the purpose of promoting public health, safety, morals, comfort and general welfare; to conserve and protect the natural resources and scenic areas; to secure the most appropriate use of land; to facilitate adequate but economical provisions for public improvements, all in accordance with existing county or township plans or plans which may later be adopted and as permitted by the provisions of Chapter 519, Ohio Revised Code.

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# **ARTICLE III - INTERPRETATIONS OF STANDARDS**

## Section 3.01

In the interpretation and application, the provisions of this Resolution shall be held to be minimum requirements. Where this Resolution imposes a greater restriction than is imposed or required by other provisions of law or by other rules, regulations, resolutions or restrictions, the provisions of this Resolution shall control; however, where the provisions of this Resolution are less restrictive, the more restrictive provision of other laws, rules, regulations, restrictions or resolutions shall control. The Zoning Commission and the Board of Township Trustees will, when appropriate, refer to all plans, master plans, studies and treatises affecting the township area and may require inclusion of recommendations in plans or proposals as submitted for approval.

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# **ARTICLE IV - DEFINITION of TERMS**

#### Section 4.01

All words used in the text of this Zoning Resolution, unless otherwise defined below shall be given the precise meaning as stated in Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, most recent published edition.

Interpretation of terms of words: For the purpose of this Resolution, certain terms or words used herein shall be interpreted as follows:

- A. The word "person" includes a firm, association, organization, partnership, trust, company, or corporation as well as an individual.
- B. The present tense includes the future tense, the singular number includes the plural, and the plural number includes the singular.
- C. The word "shall" is a mandatory requirement, the word "may" is a permissive requirement, and the word "should" is a preferred requirement.
- D. The word "lot" includes the words "plot", "tract", or "parcel".
- E. Pronouns identifying individuals by gender are interchangeable.

<u>ACCESSORY USE (or STRUCTURE)</u>: Accessory Use means a use, object, or structure constructed or installed on, above, or below the surface of a parcel, which is located on the same lot as a principal use, object, or structure, and which is subordinate to or serves the principal use, object, or structure, is subordinate in area to the principal use, object, or structure, and is customarily incidental to the principal use, object, or structure. Among other things, "Accessory Use" includes anything of a subordinate nature attached or detached from a principal structure or use, such as sheds, garages, parking places, decks, poster panels, and billboards.

<u>AGRICULTURE</u>: The use of land for farming, dairying, pasturage, apiculture, horticulture, floriculture, viticulture, and animal and or poultry husbandry and the necessary accessory uses for packing, treating, or storing the produce; provided that the operation of any such accessory uses shall be secondary to that of normal agricultural activities. However, the cultivation, processing or retail dispensing of medical marijuana, licensed under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3796, shall not be permitted in any zoning district.

<u>AIRPORT</u>: Any runway, landing area or other facility designed or used either publicly or privately by any person for the landing and taking-off of aircraft, including taxiways, aircraft storage and tie-down areas, hangars and other necessary buildings, and open spaces.

<u>ALTERATIONS, STRUCTURAL</u>: Any change in the supporting members of a building, such as bearing walls, columns, beams, or girders.

<u>ANIMAL SHELTER:</u> Shall be defined as an establishment, especially one supported by contributions, that provides a temporary home for dogs, cats, and other animals that are in need of rehabilitation and/or offered for adoption.

<u>AUTOMOTIVE, RECREATIONAL VEHICLE, AND BOAT REPAIR</u>: The repair rebuilding or reconditioning of motor vehicles, recreational vehicles, boats, or parts thereof including collision service, painting and steam cleaning of vehicles and boats.

<u>AUTOMOTIVE, MOBILE HOME, BOAT, RECREATIONAL VEHICLE, AND FARM IMPLEMENT - SALES AND SERVICE</u>: The sale, service, or rental of new and used motor vehicles, mobile/manufactured homes, boats, recreational vehicles, or farm implements; to be displayed, sold, or serviced on the premises.

<u>AUTOMOTIVE WRECKING OR SALVAGE</u>: The dismantling or wrecking of used motor homes, mobile/manufactured homes, trailers, automobiles, trucks, or the storage, sale or dumping of dismantled, obsolete or wrecked vehicles or their parts.

<u>BASEMENT</u>: A story all or partly underground but having at least one-half of its height below the average level of the adjoining ground.

<u>BOARDING KENNEL</u>: Any lot or premise where 4 or more domesticated animals over four months of age are housed, boarded, groomed, or trained and which may offer minor medical treatment.

BORROW PIT: Site where dirt, sand, or gravel is excavated and removed from the location for a period of less than a year.

<u>BUFFER STRIP</u>: A land area used to visibly separate one use from another or to shield or block noise, light, or other nuisances.

<u>BUILDING, ACCESSORY</u>: A subordinate building detached from, but located on the same lot as the principal building, the use of which is incidental and accessory to that of the main building or use.

<u>BUILDING HEIGHT</u>: The vertical distance to the highest point of the roof measured from the finished grade established not closer than fifteen (15) feet to the exterior wall of the structure.

BUILDING LINE: (See SETBACK LINE)

<u>BUILDING, PRINCIPAL</u>: A building in which is conducted the main or principal use for the lot on which said building is situated.

BZA: The Board of Zoning Appeals of Harlem Township

<u>CEMETERY</u>: Land used or intended to be used for the burial of human or animal dead and dedicated for cemetery purposes, including crematories, mausoleums, and mortuaries if operated in connection with and within the boundaries of such cemetery.

<u>CHANNEL</u>: A natural or artificial watercourse with bed and banks to confine and conduct continuously or periodically flowing water.

<u>CHILD DAY-CARE</u>: Administering to the need of infants, toddlers, pre-school children, and school children outside of school hours by persons other than their parents or guardians, custodians, or relatives by blood, marriage, or adoption for any part of the 24 hour day in a place or residence other than the child's own home.

- A. <u>Child Day-Care Center</u>: Any place in which child day-care is provided, with or without compensation, for 13 or more children at any one time, or any place that is not the permanent residence of the licensee or administrator in which child day-care is provided, with or without compensation, for 7 to 12 children at any one time. In counting children for the purpose of this definition, any children under 6 years of age who are related to the licensee, administrator, or employees and who are on the premises shall be counted.
- B. <u>Type A Family Day-Care Home</u>: A permanent residence of the administrator in which child day-care is provided for 4 to 12 children at any one time, if 4 or more children are under 2 years of age. In counting children for the purpose of this definition, any children under 6 years of age who are related to the licensee, administrator, or employees and who are on the premises of the Type A home shall be counted. The term "Type A family day-care home" does not include a residence in which the needs of children are administered to, if all such children are siblings of the same immediate family and the residence is their home.
- C. <u>Type B Family Day-Care Home</u>: A permanent residence of the provider in which child day-care or child day-care services are provided for 1 to 6 children at one time and in which no more than 3 children may be under 2 years of age at any one time. In counting children for the purposes of this definition, any children under 6 years of age who are related to the provider and are on the premises of the Type B home shall be counted. The term "Type B family day-care home" does not include a residence in which the needs of children are administered to, if all such children are siblings of the same immediate family and the residence is their home.

<u>CLINIC</u>: A place used for the care, diagnosis, and treatment of sick, ailing, infirm, or injured persons, and those who are in need of medical attention.

<u>CLUB</u>: An organization of persons for special purposes or for the promotion or enjoyment of sports, arts, literature, politics, or the like, but not operated for profit, excluding churches, synagogues, or other houses of worship.

<u>COMMON ACCESS DRIVE (CAD)</u>: A privately constructed, owned and maintained drive serving two or more residences within a platted ingress/egress easement, properly shown on a subdivision plat approved by the County Engineer in accordance with these Regulations.

<u>COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT PLAN</u>: A plan or any portion thereof, adopted by the township showing the general location and extent of present and proposed physical facilities including housing, industrial and commercial uses, major thoroughfares, parks, schools, and other community facilities. This plan establishes the goals, objectives, and policies of the community.

<u>CONDITIONAL USE</u>: A use permitted within a district other than a principally permitted use, requiring a conditional use permit and approval of the Board of Zoning Appeals.

<u>CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT</u>: A permit issued by the Zoning Administrator/Inspector upon approval by the Board of Zoning Appeals to allow a use other than a principally permitted use to be established within the district.

<u>CONDOMINIUM</u>: A building or group of buildings in which units are individually owned but the structure, common areas and facilities are owned on a proportional, undivided basis by all of the owners.

#### CORNER LOT: (See LOT TYPES)

#### CUL-DE-SAC: (See THOROUGHFARE)

#### DEAD END STREET: (See THOROUGHFARE)

DENSITY: A unit of measurement expressing the number of dwelling units per acre of land.

- A. <u>Gross Density</u>: The number of dwelling units per acre of the total land to be developed.
- B. <u>Net Density</u>: The number of dwelling units per acre of land when the acreage involved excludes streets, easements, water, open spaces, driveways, parking areas, and any other paved areas.

<u>DENSITY BONUS OR INCENTIVE</u>: An increase in the number of allowable dwelling units per acre granted for some specific reason, as provided for in the zoning regulations.

<u>DISTRICT</u>: A part, zone, or geographic area within the township within which certain zoning or development regulations apply.

<u>DOMESTIC ANIMALS</u>: Shall be defined as an animal, such as a dog or cat, that has been tamed and kept by humans as a pet; a house pet.

<u>DWELLING</u>: A building or portion thereof used exclusively for residential purposes, including single -family, two-family, and multiple-family dwellings, but not including hotels and boarding and lodging houses.

<u>DWELLING UNIT</u>: Space, within a dwelling, comprising living, dining, sleeping room or rooms, storage closets, as well as space and equipment for cooking, bathing, and toilet facilities, all used by only one family and its household employees.

- A. <u>Dwelling, Single Family</u>: A dwelling consisting of a single dwelling unit only, separated from other dwelling units by open space.
- B. <u>Dwelling, Two-Family</u>: A dwelling consisting of two dwelling units which may be attached side by side or one above the other, and each unit having a separate or combined entrance or entrances.
- C. <u>Dwelling, Multi-Family</u>: A dwelling consisting of three or more dwelling units with varying arrangements of entrances and common dividing walls. Multi-Family housing may include industrialized units.

<u>EASEMENTS</u>: Authorization by a property owner for the use by another entity and for a specified purpose, of any designated part of his property.

<u>ESSENTIAL SERVICES</u>: Erection, construction, alteration, or maintenance by public utilities or other governmental agencies of underground or overhead gas, electrical, steam, water transmission or distribution systems.

<u>FACTORY-BUILT-HOUSING</u>: Factory-built housing means a factory-built structure designed for long-term residential use, the components of which are essentially constructed or assembled prior to its delivery to and installation upon the site. For the purpose of the Resolution, "factory-built housing" shall include the following:

- A. Permanently sited Manufactured home(s): a factory-built structure meeting the following criteria:
  - 1. Constructed pursuant to the HUD code (Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act, 42 U.S.C. 5401) and manufactured after January 1, 1995;
  - 2. Attached to a permanent foundation in accordance with the Building Code of Delaware County;
  - 3. Connected to the appropriate utilities;
  - 4. Minimum width of 22', minimum length of 22' as manufactured;
  - 5. Minimum 900 square feet of living space, or the minimum required by this Zoning Resolution;
  - 6. Conventional residential siding;
  - 7. Minimum 6" eave overhang;
  - 8. Meets all applicable zoning requirements that are uniformly imposed on all single family dwellings in the district except requirements that specify a minimum roof pitch and requirements that do not comply with standards established pursuant to the "Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act."
- Β. Manufactured Home: Any non-self-propelled vehicle transportable in one (1) or more sections which, in the traveling mode, is eight (8) feet or more in width and forty (40) feet or more in length, or, when erected on site, is three hundred twenty (320) or more square feet, and which is built on a permanent chassis and designed to be used as a dwelling unit with or without a permanent foundation when connected to the required utilities, and includes the plumbing, heating, air conditioning, and electrical systems contained therein, and which conforms with the Federal Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards established by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) pursuant to the Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974. Calculations used to determine the number of square feet in a structure's exterior dimensions are measured at the largest horizontal projections when erected on site. These dimensions include all expandable rooms, cabinets and other projections containing interior space, but do not include bay windows (ORC 4501.01). For the purposes of this section, chassis means a steel frame specifically designed and constructed with wheels or running gear and towing tongue installed for transportation on public streets or highways and designed without the need for a permanent foundation arriving at the site complete and ready for residential occupancy except for minor and incidental unpacking and assembly operations; location on wheels, jacks, blocks or other foundation, connection to utilities and the like.
- C. <u>Mobile Homes</u>: A non-self-propelled dwelling unit built on a permanent movable chassis which is eight (8) feet or more in width and more than thirty five (35) feet in length, which when erected on site is a minimum of three hundred twenty (320) square feet, that is transportable in one or more sections and which does not qualify as a manufactured home. Mobile homes were constructed prior to, and do not conform to the 1974 HUD standards for manufactured homes. "Mobile home does not include travel trailers."

<u>FAMILY</u>: A person living alone, two or more persons living together as a single housekeeping unit in a dwelling unit, as distinguished from a group occupying a rooming house, motel or hotel, dormitory, fraternity or sorority

house, provided, however, that "family" shall not include more than four persons unrelated to each other by blood, marriage, or legal adoption.

FLOOD PLAIN: That land, including the flood fringe and the floodway, subject to inundation by a regional flood.

<u>FLOOD</u>, <u>REGIONAL</u>: Large floods which have previously occurred or which may be expected to occur on a particular stream because of like physical characteristics. A regional flood generally has an average frequency of the 100 year recurrence interval flood.

<u>FLOODWAY</u>: That portion of the flood plain, including the channel, which is reasonably required to convey the regional flood waters. Floods of less frequent recurrence are usually contained completely within the floodway.

<u>FLOODWAY FRINGE</u>: That portion of the flood plain, excluding the floodway, where development may be allowed under certain restrictions.

<u>FLOOR AREA, RESIDENTIAL</u>: The square foot area of a residence using the outside dimensions to compute the square footage, exclusive of open porches, terraces, garages, exterior stairways, breezeways and basements.

<u>FLOOR AREA, NON-RESIDENTIAL</u>: The square foot area of a building using the outside dimensions to compute the square footage, excluding stairs, washrooms, and elevator shafts.

<u>GARAGE, PRIVATE</u>: A detached accessory building or portion of a principal building for the parking or temporary storage of automobiles, travel trailers, and/or boats of the occupants of the premises.

<u>GARAGE, PUBLIC</u>: A principal or accessory building other than a private garage, used for parking or temporary storage of passenger automobiles, and in which no servicing shall be provided for remuneration.

<u>GARAGE, SERVICE STATION</u>: Any premise where gasoline or other petroleum products are sold and/or light maintenance activities, such as engine tune-ups, lubrication, and minor repairs are conducted. Service stations shall not include premises where heavy maintenance activities such as engine overhauls, vehicle painting, and body/fender work are conducted.

<u>GROUP HOME</u>: A facility wherein (a) the operator is not legally related to the individuals supervised and is licensed by the State, and wherein (b) one (1) or more individuals are provided with room, board, specialized and distinctive care and supervision in a family environment, or where five (5) or more individuals reside and are provided with room, board, ordinary care and supervision in a family environment. The term "group home" shall include, without limitation by reason of enumeration, receiving homes, and work or wages homes.

<u>HOME OCCUPATION</u>: Home occupation means an accessory use which is clearly incidental and subordinate to the use of the premises as a dwelling, and is conducted entirely within the dwelling unit by conditional use permit, without any significant adverse effect upon the surrounding neighborhood.

<u>HOTEL OR MOTEL</u>: A building in which lodging or boarding and lodging are provided and offered to the public for compensation. As such, it is open to the public in contradistinction to a boarding house, rooming house or lodging house.

<u>LOADING SPACE, OFF-STREET</u>: Space logically and conveniently located for bulk pickups and deliveries, scaled to delivery vehicles expected to be used, and accessible to such vehicles when required off-street parking spaces are

filled. Required off-street loading space is not to be included as off-street parking space in computation of required off-street parking space. All off-street loading spaces shall be located totally outside of any street or alley right-of-way.

<u>LOT</u>: For the purpose of this Resolution, a lot is a parcel of land of sufficient size to meet minimum zoning requirements for use, coverage, and area, and to provide such yards and other open spaces as are herein required. Such lot shall have frontage on an improved public street, or on an approved private street, and may consist of:

- A. A single lot of record;
- B. A portion of a lot of record;
- C. A combination of complete lots of record, of complete lots of record and portions of lots of record, or of portions of lots of record.

<u>LOT COVERAGE</u>: Determined by dividing that area of a lot which is occupied or covered by the total horizontal projected surfaces of all buildings, including covered porches and accessory buildings, by the gross area of the lot.

<u>LOT FRONTAGE</u>: The front of a lot shall be construed to be the portion nearest the street, road or approved easement. For the purpose of determining yard requirements on corner lots and through lots, all sides of a lot adjacent to streets shall be considered frontage, and yards shall be provided as indicated under "Yard" in this section.

LOT AREA: The total horizontal area within the lot lines of a lot.

LOT MEASUREMENTS: A lot shall be measured as follows:

- A. <u>Depth</u>: The horizontal distance from the midpoint of the front lot line to the midpoint of the rear lot line or to the most distance point on any other lot line where there is no rear lot line.
- B. <u>Width</u>: the horizontal distance between side lot lines measured at the required front setback line.

LOT, MINIMUM NET AREA OF: The area of a lot is computed exclusive of any right of ways.

LOT OF RECORD: A lot which is part of a subdivision recorded in the office of the County Recorder, or a lot of parcel described by metes and bounds, the description of which has been so recorded.

<u>LOT TYPES</u>: Terminology used in this resolution with reference to corner lots, interior lots, flag lots, reverse frontage lots, and through lots is as follows:

- A. <u>Corner Lot</u>: A lot located at the intersection of 2 or more streets. A lot abutting on a curved street or streets shall be considered a corner lot if straight lines drawn from the foremost points of the side lot lines to the foremost point of the lot meet at an interior angle of less than 135 degrees. Corner lot shall meet the setback requirements for all road, streets, or alleys that they abut.
- B. <u>Flag Lot</u>: A lot with access provided to the bulk of the lot by means of a prescribed corridor.

- C. <u>Interior Lot</u>: A lot with only one frontage on a street.
- D. <u>Through Lot</u>: A lot other than a corner lot with frontage on more than one street. Through lots abutting two streets may be referred to as double frontage lots.
- E. <u>Reversed Frontage Lot</u>: A lot on which frontage is at right angles to the general patterns in the area. A reversed frontage lot may also be a corner lot.

<u>MAJOR THOROUGHFARE PLAN</u>: The portion of the comprehensive plan adopted by the Regional Planning Commission, County Commissioners, County Engineer or Harlem Township indicating the general location and size recommended for arterial, collector, and local thoroughfares within the appropriate jurisdiction.

MAINTENANCE AND STORAGE FACILITIES: Land, buildings and structures devoted primarily to the maintenance and storage of raw materials, supplies, equipment or products.

MANUFACTURING, EXTRACTIVE: Any mining, quarrying, excavating, processing, storing, separating, cleaning, or marketing of any mineral natural resource.

<u>MOBILE HOME PARK</u>: Any site, or tract of land under single ownership, upon which 3 or more manufactured/mobile homes used for habitation are parking, either free of charge or for revenue purposes; including any roadway, building, structure, vehicle, or enclosure used or intended for use as a part of the facilities of such park.

<u>NEIGHBORHOOD OFFICE</u>: A building or portion of a building wherein services are performed involving predominantly administrative, professional, or clerical operations.

<u>NET DEVELOPABLE AREA (acreage)</u>: A land area measured in acres determined by deducting 10% of the subdivision's gross acreage for streets and utilities, and by deducting all otherwise unbuildable areas, as follows:

- A. Jurisdictional wetlands, as defined by the US Army Corps of Engineers' Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual, Technical Report Y-87-1, U.S. Army Engineer Waterways Experiment Station, Vicksburg, Miss. Jurisdictional wetlands as regulated by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act consist of: a) hydric soils, b.) hydrophytic vegetation, and c.) wetland hydrology (this generally means they support more than 50% wetland vegetation, and are poorly drained soils which are periodically inundated or saturated).
- B. Floodplains: Areas that lie within a FEMA 100-year floodplain, either within elevations determined by FEMA or mapped by FEMA.
- C. Slopes greater than 20%, including ravines shown to be critical resource areas on the Delaware County Regional Planning Commission Comprehensive Land Use Plan.
- D. Utilities rights-of-way and easements for above-ground and currently existing utility structures such as above ground pipelines or overhead electric transmission (not local service) wires that exist prior to the application.
- E. Existing bodies of water.

<u>NONCONFORMITIES</u>: Lots, uses of land, structures, and uses of structures and land in combination lawfully existing at the time of enactment of this Resolution or its amendments which do not conform to the regulations of the district or zone in which they are situated, and are therefore incompatible.

<u>NURSERY, PLANT MATERIALS</u>: Land, building, structure or combination thereof for the storage, cultivation, or transplanting of live trees, shrubs, or plants offered for sale on the premises including live products used for gardening and landscaping.

<u>OCCUPANCY/COMPLIANCE PERMIT</u>: A required permit allowing occupancy or use of a building, structure, or lot after it has been determined by the Zoning Inspector that the building, structure, or lot meets all the applicable requirements of the Zoning Resolution.

<u>OPEN SPACE</u>: Any parcel or area of land or water essentially unimproved and set aside, dedicated, designated, or reserved for public or private use or enjoyment, or for the use and enjoyment of owners and occupants of land adjoining or neighboring such open space.

<u>OPEN SPACE, COMMON</u>: Land within or related to a development, not individually owned or dedicated for public use, which is designed and intended for the common use or enjoyment of the residents of the development and including such complementary structures and improvements as are necessary and appropriate.

<u>OPEN SPACE, GREEN</u>: An open space area not occupied by any structures or impervious surfaces.

<u>PERFORMANCE BOND OR SURETY BOND</u>: An agreement by a subdivider or developer with the county or township for the amount of the estimated construction cost guaranteeing the completion of physical improvements according to plans and specifications within the time prescribed by the subdivider's agreement.

<u>PERMANENT STRUCTURE</u>: Any structure containing or enduring in the same state, status, place, or like, requiring a severing of its attachment, whether direct or indirect, from the ground in order to be moved.

<u>PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT</u>: An area of land in which a variety of housing types and/or commercial and industrial facilities are accommodated in a pre-planned environment under more flexible standards, such as lot sizes and setbacks, than those restrictions that would normally apply under these regulations. The procedure for approval of such development contains requirements for detailed comprehensive plans, additional to those of the standard subdivision, such as building locations, common open areas, building design principles, and landscaping plans.

<u>PRINCIPAL USE</u>: The land use designation given to a legally defined parcel of land based upon the primary activity occurring on such parcel.

<u>PUBLIC UTILITY</u>: Publicly or privately owned facilities providing natural gas, water, oil, sewage, electricity, heat, light, telephone, or transportation services and which is recognized by the Public Utility Commission of the State of Ohio as being a public utility.

<u>PUBLIC USES</u>: Public parks, schools, administrative and cultural buildings and structures, not including public land or buildings devoted solely to the storage and maintenance of equipment and materials and public service facilities.

<u>RIDING STABLE</u>: A riding stable shall be defined as a facility, open to the general public, where a purpose of the facility is to supply time, to individuals or groups who do not own the horses stabled at said facility, for recreational riding or riding instruction, in exchange for a fee or other consideration.

<u>RIGHT-OF-WAY</u>: A strip of land taken or dedicated for use as a public way. In addition to the roadway, it normally incorporates the curb, lawn strips, sidewalks, lighting, and drainage facilities, and may include special features (required by the topography or treatment) such as grade separation, landscaped areas, viaducts, and bridges.

<u>ROAD FRONTAGE</u>: The edge of a parcel, tract, or lot which adjoins a county approved road or street. When a parcel, tract, or lot adjoins more than one county approved road or street, either frontage may be considered the front of the parcel, such parcel, tract, or lot shall meet the setback requirements for all adjoining roads, streets, or alleys as established by Article XXI of this Resolution.

<u>SETBACK LINE</u>: A line established by the zoning resolution, generally parallel with and measured from the lot line, defining the limits of a yard in which no building, other than accessory building or structure may be located.

<u>SEWERS, CENTRAL OR GROUP</u>: A sewage disposal system approved by the Delaware County Sanitary Engineer and the OEPA, which provides a collection network and disposal system and central sewage treatment facility for a single development, community or region.

<u>SEWERS, ON-SITE</u>: A septic tank or similar installation approved by the Delaware County Health Department on an individual lot, which utilizes an aerobic bacteriological process or equally satisfactory process, for the elimination of sewage and provides for the proper and safe disposal of the effluent, subject to the approval of the Delaware County Health Department.

<u>SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESSES</u>: Sexually Oriented Businesses (as defined in ORC 2907.39 and ORC 2907.40) shall mean an adult arcade, adult bookstore or adult video store, adult cabaret, adult motel, adult motion picture theater, adult theater, escort agency, nude model studio, or sexual encounter center.

- A. <u>Adult Arcade:</u> shall mean any place to which the public is permitted or invited, wherein, coin-operated or slug-operated, or electronically, electrically, or mechanically controlled still or motion picture machines, projectors, or other image-producing devices, are maintained to show images to five or fewer persons per machine at any one time, and where the images so display are distinguished or characterized by the depicting or describing of specified sexual activities or specified anatomical areas.
- B. <u>Adult Bookstore or Adult Video Store</u>: shall mean a commercial establishment which utilizes fifteen percent (15%) or more of its retail selling area for the purpose of sale or rental for any form of consideration of any one or more of the following:

Books, magazines, periodicals or other printed matter, or photographs, films, motion pictures, video cassettes or video reproductions, slides or other visual representations which depict or describe specified sexual activities or specified anatomical areas, or instruments, devices, or paraphernalia, which are designed for use in connections with specified sexual activities.

C. <u>Adult Cabaret</u>: shall mean a nightclub, bar, restaurant, or similar commercial establishment, in which persons appear in a state of nudity in the performance of their duties.

- D. <u>Adult Motion Picture Theater</u>: shall mean a commercial establishment where, for any form of consideration, films, motion pictures, video cassettes, slides, or similar photographic reproductions which are characterized by the depiction or description of specified sexual activities or specified anatomical areas are shown fifteen percent (15%) or more of the total time open to the public
- E. Adult Motel: shall mean a hotel, motel or similar commercial establishment which:

Offers accommodations to the public for any form of consideration; provides patrons closed circuit television transmissions, films, motion pictures, video cassettes, slides or other photographic reproduction which are characterized by the depiction or description of specified sexual activities or specified anatomical areas; and has a sign visible from the public right-of-way which advertises the availability of this adult type of photographic production; or offers a sleeping room for rent for a period of time that is less than 10 hours; or allows a tenant or occupant of a sleeping room to sub-rent the room for a period of less than 10 hours.

- F. <u>Adult Theater</u>: shall mean a theater, concert hall, auditorium, or similar commercial establishment which regularly features persons who appear in a state of nudity or in live performances which are characterized by the exposure of specified sexual activities or specified anatomical areas.
- G. <u>Escort Agency</u>: shall mean a person or business association who furnishes, offers to furnish, or advertises to furnish escorts as one of its primary business purposes, for a fee, tip, or other consideration.
- H. <u>Nude Model Studio</u>: shall mean any place where a person who appears in a state of nudity, or displays specified anatomical areas, is provided to be observed, sketched, drawn, painted, sculptured, photographed, or similarly depicted by other persons who pay money or any form of consideration.
- <u>Sexual Encounter Center</u>: shall mean a business or commercial enterprise that, as one of its primary business purposes, offers, for any form of consideration: Physical contact in the form of wrestling or tumbling between persons of the opposite sex; or activities between male and female persons and /or persons of the same sex when one or more persons is in a state of nudity or semi-nude.
- J. <u>Specified Anatomical Areas</u>: shall mean human genitals in a state of arousal.
- Specified Sexual Activities: shall mean and include any of the following: The fondling or other erotic touching of human genitals, pubic region, buttocks, anus, or female breasts; sex acts, normal or perverted, actual or simulated, including intercourse, oral copulation, or sodomy.
- <u>Nudity</u>: means the showing of any of the following:
   The human male or female genitals, pubic area, or buttocks with less than a fully opaque covering; the female breast with less than a fully opaque covering on any part of the nipple.

<u>STRUCTURE</u>: Anything constructed or erected, the use of which requires location on the ground, or attachment to something having a fixed location on the ground. Among other things, structures include buildings, mobile homes, and billboards.

<u>SUBDIVISION</u>: The division of any parcel into two or more parcels, sites, or lots, whether for immediate or future transfer of ownership for sale, development, or lease.

<u>SUPPLY YARD</u>: A commercial establishment storing and offering for sale building supplies, steel supplies, coal, heavy equipment, feed and grain, and similar goods.

<u>SWIMMING POOL</u>: Any artificially constructed receptacle for water which contains or is intended to contain a depth of water at least 1.5 feet at any point used or intended to be used for swimming or bathing and maintained by an owner or manager, and cannot be seasonably removed, and includes any accessory recreational structures.

- A. <u>Private</u>: Exclusively used without paying an additional charge for admission by the residents and guests of a single household, a multi-family development, or a community, the members and guest of a club, or the patrons of a motel or hotel; an accessory use.
- B. <u>Public</u>: Operated with a charge for admission; a primary use.

THOROUGHFARE, STREET, OR ROAD: The full width between property lines bounding every public way of whatever nature, with a part thereof to be used for vehicular traffic and designated as follows:

- A. <u>Alley</u>: A minor street used primarily for vehicular service access to the back or side of the properties abutting on another street.
- B. <u>Arterial Street</u>: A general term denoting a highway primarily for through traffic, carrying heavy loads and large volumes of traffic, usually on a continuous route.
- C. <u>Collector Street</u>: A thoroughfare, whether within a residential, industrial, commercial, or other type of development, which primarily carries traffic from local streets to arterial streets, including the principal entrance and circulation routes within residential subdivisions.
- D. <u>Cul-de-sac</u>: A local street of relatively short length with one end open to traffic and the other end terminating in a vehicular turnaround.
- E. <u>Dead End Street</u>: A permanent street temporarily having only one outlet for vehicular traffic and intended to be extended or continued in the future.
- F. <u>Local Street</u>: A street primarily for providing access to residential or other abutting property.
- G. <u>Loop Street</u>: A type of local street, each end of which terminates at an intersection with the same arterial or collector street, and whose principal radius points of 180 degrees system of turns are not more than approximately 1000 feet from said arterial or collector street, nor normally more than 600 feet from each other.
- H. <u>Marginal Access Street</u>: A local or collector street, parallel and adjacent to an arterial or collector street, providing access to abutting properties and protection from arterial or collector streets. (Also called Frontage Street)

<u>USE</u>: The specific purposes for which land or a building is designated, arranged, intended, or for which it is or may be occupied or maintained.

<u>VARIANCE</u>: A variance is a modification of the strict terms of the relevant regulations where such modification will not be contrary to the public interest and where owing to conditions peculiar to the property and not the result of the action of the applicant, a literal enforcement of the regulations would result in practical difficulty.

<u>VETERINARY ANIMAL HOSPITAL, CLINIC, OR OFFICE</u>: A place used for the care, grooming, diagnosis, and treatment of sick, ailing, infirmed, or injured animals, and those who are in need of medical or surgical attention, and may include overnight accommodations on the premises for the treatment, observation, and/or recuperation.

<u>VICINITY MAP</u>: A drawing located on the plat which sets forth by dimensions or other means, the relationship of the proposed subdivision or use to other nearby developments or landmarks and community facilities and services within the general area in order to better locate and orient the area in question.

WALKWAY: A public way, 4 feet or more in width, for pedestrian use only, whether along the side of a road or not.

<u>YARD</u>: A required open space other than a court unoccupied and unobstructed by any structure or portion of a structure from 3 feet above the general ground level of the graded lot upward; provided, accessories, ornaments, and furniture may be permitted in any yard, subject to height installations and requirements limiting obstruction of visibility.

- A. <u>Yard, Front</u>: A yard extending between side lot lines across the front of a lot and from the front lot line to the front of the principal building.
- B. <u>Yard, Rear</u>: A yard extending between side lot lines across the rear of a lot and from the rear line of the principal building to the rear lot line.
- C. <u>Yard, Side</u>: A yard extending from the principal building to the side lot line on both sides of the principal building between the lines establishing the front and rear yards.

<u>ZERO LOT LINE DEVELOPMENT</u>: An arrangement of housing on adjoining lots in which the required side yard is reduced on one side and increased on the other so that the sum of the offsets on any lot is no less than the sum of the required offsets.

A. No building or structure shall be closer to a lot line than 5 feet unless it abuts the lot line and is provided with an access easement of 5 feet on the adjoining lot or abuts a building or structure on the adjoining lot. The offset adjacent to property not included in the zero lot line development or a street shall not be less than that required in the zoning district.

<u>ZONING INSPECTOR</u>: The Zoning Inspector is the person designated by the Board of Township Trustees to administer and enforce zoning regulations and related resolutions. This person may also be known as the Zoning Enforcement Officer.

<u>ZONING PERMIT</u>: A document issued by the Zoning Inspector authorizing the use of lots, structures, uses of land and structures, and the characteristics of the uses.

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# **ARTICLE 5 - DISTRICTS AND BOUNDARIES**

#### Section 5.01 - ZONING DISTRICTS

For the purpose of this Resolution, the following districts are hereby created in order that the unincorporated area of Harlem Township, Delaware County, Ohio, may be divided into one or more such districts.

Agricultural Residential District
Farm Residential District
Low Density Residential District
Harlem and Center Village Residential District
Planned Residential District
Planned Unit Development
Planned Residential Conservation District
Neighborhood Office District
Neighborhood Commercial District
Harlem and Center Village Commercial District
Planned Commercial and Office District
Industrial District
Planned Industrial District

The regulations shall be uniform for each class or kind of building or other structure or use throughout each district or zone, but the regulations in one district or zone shall differ from those in other districts or zones, as hereinafter set forth.

## Section 5.02 - DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

The boundaries of each district into which the township is divided are indicated upon the zoning maps of Harlem Township, which are hereby made a part of this Resolution. The said maps of Harlem Township, plans submitted with rezoning petitions, and all notations, references, and other matters shown thereon, excepting property ownership names, shall be as much a part of this Resolution as if the notations, references, and other matters set forth by said maps were fully described herein. Each of those township maps entitled "Zoning Map, Harlem Township, Delaware County, Ohio," is properly attested and is on file in the office of the Board of Township Trustees of Harlem Township, Delaware County, Ohio at the Township Hall.

#### Section 5.03 - NEW TERRITORY

All territory which may hereafter become a part of Harlem Township, Delaware County, Ohio, by any method and all territory in an Agricultural Residential District (AR-1) on the effective date of this amendment, November 21, 1988, shall automatically be classed as lying in and being in an Agricultural Residential District (AR-1) until such classification shall have been changed by this Zoning Resolution and on the zoning map as provided by law.

#### Section 5.04 - RULES FOR INTERPRETATION OF DISTRICT BOUNDARIES

Where uncertainty exists with respect to the boundaries of any of the aforesaid districts as shown on the zoning map, the following rules shall apply.

- A. Where district boundaries are indicated approximately following the center lines of streets, or highways, street lines or highway right-of-way lines, such center lines, street lines, or highway right-of-way lines shall be construed to be boundaries.
- B. Where district boundaries are so indicated that they approximately follow the lot lines, such lot lines shall be construed to be said boundaries.
- C. Where district boundaries are so indicated that they are approximately parallel to the center lines or street lines of streets, or the center lines of right-of-way lines of highways, such district boundaries shall be construed as being parallel thereto and at such distance therefore as indicated on the zoning map. If no such distance is given, such dimensions shall be determined by the use of the scale shown on said zoning map.
- D. Where the boundary of a district follows a railroad line, such boundary shall be deemed to be located midway between the main tracks of said railroad lines.
- E. Where the boundary of a district follows a stream or other body of water, the center line of the body of water shall be deemed to be the boundary of the zoning district unless otherwise indicated.
- F. Where the boundary of a district follows a metes and bounds description approved as a part of a rezoning or annexation of any territory, said metes and bounds description shall have control over all of the foregoing.
- G. Questions concerning the exact location of district boundary lines shall be determined by the Zoning Inspector, subject to the owner's right to appeal to the Board of Zoning Appeals as provided herein.

## Section 5.05 - ZONING MAP

The official zoning map shall be maintained by the Zoning Inspector at the Township Hall, and the same shall be accessible to the public at all reasonable times.

# **ARTICLE VI – APPLICATION OF RESOLUTION**

#### Section 6.01 – CONFORMANCE REQUIRED

Except as otherwise provided herein, no building (temporary or permanent) or part thereof shall be moved on the site, erected, converted, enlarged, reconstructed, or structurally altered, nor shall any building or land be used or occupied, other than in strict conformance with all the use and development regulations established by this Resolution for the district in which the structure or land is located nor shall any of the above actions be initiated until all applicable permits have been obtained. All buildings shall conform to state and local building codes and all building permits shall be in effect on the day construction or any alteration begins.

#### Section 6.02 – AGRICULTURE

Except as noted below, nothing contained in this Resolution shall prohibit the use of any land for agricultural purpose or the construction or use of buildings or structures incidental to the use for agricultural purposes of the land on which such buildings or structures are located, and no zoning certificate shall be required for any such use, building or structure. In accordance with Section 519.21(D) of the Ohio Revised Code (effective September 8, 2016), Harlem Township prohibits the cultivation, processing, or retail dispensing of medical marijuana within the unincorporated areas of the township.

Agricultural activities may be prohibited or regulated in some zoning districts. The following statement is from Section 519.21 of the Ohio Revised Code:

The township zoning resolution, or an amendment to such resolution, may in any platted subdivisions approved under Section 711.05, 711.09, or 711.10 of the Ohio Revised Code, or in any area consisting of fifteen or more lots approved under Section 711.131 (711.13.1) of the Ohio Revised Code that are contiguous to one another, or some of which are contiguous to one another and adjacent to one side of a dedicated public road, and the balance of which are contiguous to one another and adjacent to the opposite side of the same dedicated public road regulate:

- A. Agriculture on lots of one acre or less.
- B. Buildings or structures incidental to the use of land for agricultural purposes on lots greater than one acre but not greater than five acres by: setback building lines; height; and size.
- C. Dairying and animal and poultry husbandry on lots greater than one acre but not greater than five acres when at least thirty-five percent of the lots in the subdivisions are developed with at least one building, structure, or improvement that is subject to real property taxation or that is subject to the tax on manufactured homes under Section 4503.06 of the Ohio Revised Code. After thirty-five per cent of the lots are developed, dairying and animal and poultry husbandry shall be considered nonconforming use of land and buildings or structures pursuant to Section 519.19 of the Ohio Revised Code.

#### Section 6.03 – PUBLIC UTILITIES AND RAILROADS

Nothing contained in this Resolution shall prevent the location, erection, construction, reconstruction, change, alteration, maintenance, removal, use or enlargement of any building or structure of any public utility or railroad, whether publicly or privately owned, or the use of land by any public utility or railroad for the operation of its

business. The term "operation of its business" shall not be deemed to include general officers or other uses not related directly to provisions of utility services.

Cellular telephone towers may be regulated or limited in placement in residential districts by this Resolution, when notification requirements of the Ohio Revised Code dealing with siting are complied with by adjoining neighbors and/or by the Township Trustees.

## Section 6.04 – SALES OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Nothing contained in this Resolution shall confer powers on the Zoning Commission, Board of Trustees, or Board of Zoning Appeals to prohibit the sale or use of alcoholic beverages in areas where the establishment and operation of any retail business, hotel or restaurant is permitted.

#### Section 6.05 – BUILDINGS UNDER CONSTRUCTION AND NEW CONSTRUCTION

Nothing contained in this Resolution shall require any change in the plans, construction, size and designated use of a building upon which construction was begun before the effective date of this Resolution or applicable amendments hereof. The Zoning Inspector may require proof in the form of an affidavit or other similar documents that the original intended use of the building has not been changed. The ground story framework, including structural parts of the second floor, shall have been completed within one (1) year and the entire building completed within two (2) years after the effective date of this Resolution or applicable amendments hereto.

#### Section 6.06 – ISSUED ZONING CERTIFICATES

Any new proposed construction for which a zoning certificate is issued shall have been started within six (6) months of issuance of said permit, and the ground story framework, including structural parts of a second floor shall have been completed within one (1) year after the issuance of the zoning certificate; provided, however, that any project or building originally contemplated to be constructed in phases or for a period longer than one (1) year may be completed in phases or during such extended time if in accordance with a timetable placed on file with the Township Zoning Inspector with the original request for the certificate.

In the case of phased construction, if the above schedule is not met, any prior right as a non-conforming use is lost and zoning certificates for new construction invalidated.

# **ARTICLE VII – AGRICULTURAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (AR-1)**

#### Section 7.01 – PURPOSE

The Agricultural Residential District (AR-1) is intended to protect extensive land areas currently in agricultural use and/or extensive areas possessing soils that are especially suited to agricultural purposes and to protect them from uncontrolled encroachment by urban types of development, while preventing pollution of these lands, and underlying water resources. In addition, the Agricultural Residential District (AR-1) is intended to permit construction of low density, large lot (5 acres and greater) single family residences.

#### Section 7.02 – APPLICATION

All lands in Harlem Township not otherwise zoned shall be controlled by the provisions of this Article of the Zoning Resolution.

All lots which are located within the limits of Harlem Township and which were duly recorded upon the plat thereof in the Plat Records of the Recorder's Office, Delaware County, Ohio, at the effective date of this amendment to the Zoning Resolution shall be considered legal residential lots.

#### Section 7.03 – PERMITTED USES

Within the Agricultural Residential District the following uses, developed in accordance with all other provisions of this Resolution, shall be permitted:

- A. Residence (limited to one single family dwelling per parcel, tract, or lot.)
- B. Accessory buildings and accessory uses including private garages and swimming pools.
- C. Projects specifically designed for watershed protection, conservation of water or soils or for flood control.
- D. Agricultural, bee keeping, dairying, floriculture, grazing and raising of livestock, orchards, plant nurseries, poultry raising, raising of grains, sod farming, truck farming, equestrian trails, forest and game management, greenhouses, nature trails and walks, stables, and riding stables.
- E. Roadside sales of agricultural products shall be permitted in this district provided, however, that at least 50% of the gross income from the market is derived from the sale of products which are produced on lands in this township or adjacent townships farmed by the proprietor of said sales stand and further that said stand is in operation for not more than 150 days in any year. The stand and its parking area shall be outside of the road right-of-way and shall not interfere with traffic on adjacent thoroughfares.
- F. Facilities for the storage, sorting, preliminary processing or sale of agricultural products shall be permitted if such products are used in the production of other farm products and if said storage, processing, sorting or sales is carried on incidental to other farming operations by the owner/proprietor.
- G. A temporary structure such as a mobile office and/or a temporary building of a non-residential character may be used incidental to construction work on the premises or on adjacent public projects or during a

period while the permanent dwelling is being constructed. The user of said structure shall obtain a permit for such temporary use, which permit shall be valid for six (6) months and may be renewed not more than twice. Renewal of the permit shall be at the discretion of the Zoning Inspector on finding of reasonable progress toward completion of the permanent structure or project. The Zoning Inspector may require provisions for sanitary waste disposal and water supply as he/she deems necessary. The fees for such permit and renewals thereof shall be established by the Board of Township Trustees. Said temporary structure shall be removed not later than ten (10) days after expiration of said permit.

- H. Limited Home Occupation A limited home occupation (business) is permitted within a permitted dwelling in all residential zoning districts (not in detached buildings or pole bars) in accordance with the following provisions:
  - 1. The limited home occupation does not occupy more than twenty percent (20%) of the gross floor area of the dwelling unit, basement, or attached garage or four hundred (400) square feet, whichever is less.
  - 2. Requirements:
    - a. The appearance of the structure shall not be altered. The limited home occupation within the residence shall not be conducted in a manner that would cause the premises to differ from its residential character either by the use of colors, materials, construction, lighting, or signs. A limited home occupation shall be clearly incidental and secondary to the use of the unit for dwelling purposes.
    - b. There are no non-resident employees.
    - c. No equipment or process shall be used in such limited home occupation that creates noise, vibration, glare, fumes, odors, or electrical interference detectable to the normal senses off the lot. In the case of electrical interference, no equipment or process shall be used which creates visual or audible interference in any radio or television receivers, computers, wireless phones or hand held wireless transmitting devices off the premises, or causes fluctuations in line voltage off the premises.
    - d. There shall be no outside storage of any kind.
    - e. Specialized instruction or tutoring shall be limited to one (1) individual at a time.
    - f. No direct, face to face sales to the public on site.
    - g. Maximum of five (5) commercial parcel deliveries/pick-ups per week.
    - h. No traffic or parking shall be generated by such limited home occupation in greater volumes than would normally be expected in a residential neighborhood.

# Section 7.04 – CONDITIONAL USES

Within this zoning district the following uses may be permitted, subject to the conditions and restrictions imposed by the Board of Zoning Appeals pursuant to the provisions of Article XXVIII of this Resolution. Conditional uses

shall be considered and declared abandoned if said use or uses are not commenced within 1 year or are discontinued for a period in excess of 2 years. Unless the conditional use permit specifically provides that the grant shall be permanent and shall run with the land, the sale, or conveyance of the land or structure wherein the same is located or upon which the same is granted shall be void and the subsequent owner(s) or his agent shall be required to reapply for a continuation and/or modification of such use(s) to the Board of Zoning Appeals if said uses are to be continued. A designation by the Board of Zoning Appeals that a permit is permanent and shall run with the land does not affect the right of authorities to revoke the permit for failure to comply with the conditions imposed. No conditional use shall be implemented until a permit of compliance is issued by the Zoning Inspector.

A. Expanded Home Occupation - It is recognized that there may be some home occupations which do not meet the criteria of Section 7.03h, but which may be appropriate for a residential area provided the following additional standards are addressed through the Conditional Use Permit procedure. An Expanded Home Occupation Conditional Use may be permitted, provided it meets the requirements of Section 7.04a.

For purposes of this Zoning Resolution, the holder of the Expanded Home Occupation Conditional Use Permit must reside in the dwelling unit on the property. An Expanded Home Occupation Conditional Use Permit ceases to be valid once the premises used for the expanded home occupation are no longer occupied by the holder of the Conditional Use Permit or upon the conduct of an expanded home occupation in a manner not approved by the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Conditional Use Criteria. Expanded Home Occupation Conditional Uses shall be limited by the following criteria and/or other conditions as determined to be necessary by the Board of Zoning Appeals in order to protect the residential character of the subject area:

- 1. The expanded home occupation shall be carried on solely within the confines of the residential structures within an AR-1 zoning district and/or architecturally compatible accessory buildings, which are customarily associated with the residential use and character of the neighborhood.
- 2. There may be no more than a total of two (2) non-resident employees who work in connection with the expanded home occupation on said premises.
- 3. Sales of commodities or services produced on the premises may be permitted provided such commodities or services are specified and approved as a part of the application. Examples of possible expanded home occupation conditional use services or commodity sales include but are not limited to:
  - a. Insurance or real estate sales, word processing, Internet web hosting.
  - b. Arts, crafts or other artistic instruction with united sales of associated materials used in the instruction and preparation of artistic works.
  - c. Small machinery and equipment repair such as computers, cameras, clocks or other similar small items including the limited sales of repaired or associated parts and equipment.
  - d. Limited, seasonal sales of specialized items such as holiday ornaments or handicrafts.

- e. Organized instruction may be permitted provided the class size does not exceed six (6) pupils at any given time. Prior to any approval for organized instruction associated with an expanded home occupation conditional use permit, the Board of Zoning Appeals shall determine that because of the location and orientation of the residence and lot in question, the regularly organized instruction of up to six (6) pupils at any given time will not become a detriment to the existing residential character of the lot or the general area through an increase in traffic, street parking, or any other factor resulting in an adverse impact as determined by the Board of Zoning Appeals.
- 4. Outside storage related to the expanded home occupation may be permitted if totally screened from adjacent residential lots and abutting streets, provided the application so specifies. The storage of equipment, supplies, and inventory shall not result in the emission to the surrounding neighborhood of any noxious, offensive or hazardous odors or materials, offensive noises, lighting interference or excessive traffic.
- 5. The external appearance of the dwelling unit in which the expanded home occupation use is to be conducted shall not be structurally altered to accommodate the home occupation; nor, shall any electrical, mechanical or chemical equipment be utilized which would substantially increase the fire hazard and/or fire load of the structure as determined by the local fire chief and Ohio Fire Code.
- 6. Only one sign, not larger than three (3) square feet and up to five (5) feet in height above grade of the surrounding yard or center line of the road, whichever is less, may be erected advertising the expanded home occupation. The sign may be mounted flat against a building or on a pole in the front yard. The sign shall not be animated or illuminated and must be approved by the BZA.
- 7. No traffic or parking shall be generated by such expanded home occupation in greater volumes than would normally be expected in a residential neighborhood.
- 8. No equipment, process, or storage associated with the expanded home occupation shall create odors, noise, vibration, glare, electrical interference, or other nuisance detectable to normal senses off the lot. All activities, materials, and equipment associated with the business shall be totally maintained within a building. In the case of electrical interference, no equipment or process shall create visual or audible interference in any radio or television receivers, computers, hand held wireless devices or other audio appliances used off the premises, or cause fluctuation in line voltage off the premises. No equipment, process, or storage associated with an expanded home occupation shall create any fire or explosion hazard, or involve the storage or use of hazardous materials in any concentration greater than that which would normally be found in a dwelling containing no home occupation.
- 9. Waste materials, solid or liquid, shall not be created on the premises at a level greater than normal to the residential use.
- 10. The use of the dwelling unit for the expanded home occupation shall be clearly incidental and subordinate to its use for residential purposes by its occupants and not more than thirty percent of the total floor area of the dwelling unit shall be used in the conduct of the expanded home occupation. Garages or accessory buildings may only be used as permitted by the Board of Zoning Appeals.

- 11. Maximum of ten (10) commercial parcel deliveries/pick ups per week.
- 12. No space outside, including the exterior of the expanded home occupation office or storage facility, shall be used for the display of goods or materials to the public.
- B. Private landing fields and hangars for aircraft, ultra lights, and helicopters for use by the owner of the property and his guests provided that no commercial activities take place on said premises.
- C. Permanent structure or improvements used for retail sale of agricultural products provided that at least 50 percent of the gross income from the market is derived from the sale of products which are produced on lands in this township or adjacent townships farmed by the proprietor of said stand. The stand and its parking area shall be outside of the road right-of-way and shall not interfere with traffic on adjacent thoroughfares.
- D. One manufactured/mobile home, owned by the land owner, to be occupied by full time farm labor only and provided that said manufactured/mobile home is installed in compliance with rules and regulations established by the Delaware County Health Department. Not more than one manufactured/mobile home shall be located on any lot, parcel or farm within this township.
- E. Public or private schools or colleges, provided that said institution occupies not less than 20 acres.

Instructional areas, whether improved with buildings or not, shall provide adequate parking areas for faculty, staff and students. Such parking may not exist within the right-of-way of any road or highway. A site plan shall be prepared and submitted for consideration by the Board of Zoning Appeals and shall provide screening adjacent to residential areas.

- F. Churches or other places of worship, provided they occupy a lot on not less than 5 acres plus 1 acre for each 100 permanent seats over 300 in the main assembly area. Adequate off-street parking shall be provided and shall meet the requirements of Article XXI of this Resolution. Fencing shall be provided to control accessibility of children to traffic, water impoundments and other hazardous conditions and any other improvements necessary to protect users from harm or danger.
- G. Non-commercial playgrounds, play fields, picnic areas and summer camps with adequate off-street parking areas, water supply, sanitation facilities, fencing to control accessibility of children to hazardous conditions, and any other improvements necessary to protect users from harm or danger.
- H. Public or private golf courses, country clubs, hunt clubs, fishing lakes, campgrounds or similar recreational uses, with all buildings and club houses incidental thereto, including restaurant(s) to serve members and/or users of the facility.

All such facilities shall have direct access onto a County or State road or highway. All maintenance and equipment storage areas shall be screened or buffered from view by fencing, landscaping, or mounding.

I. Cemeteries, providing the same occupies a tract of not less than 100 acres. No building shall be placed closer to the right-of-way of any approved road than the setback prescribed by Section 21.10 of this Resolution. No burial may be made nearer than 50 feet to the right-of-way of the approved public road adjacent thereto. No burial shall be permitted nearer than 25 feet to any other property line unless a

mature natural screen has been established along said property line at least 6 feet in height in which case burials may be permitted not closer than 10 feet to said property line. No mausoleum, crematory, office facility, maintenance building or storage area shall be constructed except as approved by the Board of Zoning Appeals, and parking areas, public accesses, screening and other improvements shall be furnished as required.

J. Borrow Pits, provided the excavation is completed within 1 year and the contractor posts such bond as required by the Board of Township Trustees, Board of County Commissioners and/or the County Engineer to ensure compliance with the restrictions and conditions imposed to ensure regrading, reseeding and general restoration of the area including haul roads. All applications or plans submitted incidental thereto shall be reviewed by the Delaware County Engineer, and his comments shall be included in the record regarding the matter.

An extension of time limit may be approved by the Board of Zoning Appeals.

- K. Boarding kennels and animal shelters subject to the following conditions:
  - 1. No building or structure used for the purpose of a boarding kennel or animal shelter shall be located closer than 300 feet from the lot line of any residence, church, school or any institution of human care.
  - 2. Full compliance with the Delaware County Health Department shall be satisfied.
  - 3. Suitable fencing and/or screening shall be provided as approved by the Harlem Township Board of Zoning Appeals.
  - 4. Such use shall be safely conducted in a manner designed not to cause any interference with the right of quiet enjoyment by the residents of adjoining properties.
- L. Bed and Breakfast home provided that:
  - 1. A maximum of 8 guests may be housed at any one time.
  - 2. Lighting: All exterior lighting must meet the requirements of Article XXI of this Resolution.
  - 3. Parking: All bed & breakfast homes shall provide off-street paved/gravel parking for the public. Such off-street paved/gravel parking shall be located as directed by the Board of Zoning Appeals. The number of required parking spaces shall be 1 space per bedroom.
  - 4. Screening and trash receptacles: Landscape drawings shall be required and shall show adequate landscaping and screening from adjoining residential lots, together with the clear marking of the boundaries of the bed and breakfast lot. Trash receptacles shall be provided around the bed and breakfast home for use by guests.
- M. Cellular telephone towers in this district shall meet all the requirements of Section 519.211 of the Ohio Revised Code.

N. Kindergarten and/or child care facilities, provided they occupy the residence of the operator or an accessory building which is architecturally compatible with the neighborhood and provisions are made for vehicular access, parking and fences to control accessibility of the children to adjoining hazardous conditions such as roads, streets, lakes, ponds, etc. and adjacent yards.

#### Section 7.05 – PROHIBITED USES

- A. Uses not specifically authorized by the express terms of this Article of the Zoning Resolution shall be prohibited.
- B. Outdoor storage of junk motor vehicles, as defined by ORC 505.173, for a period exceeding 14 days is prohibited. Said vehicles if stored on the premises shall be enclosed within a building, so as not to be visible from any adjoining property or public road.
- C. No motor home, trailer, or camper of any type may be occupied by a guest of the resident/owner for more than 14 days and only 1 motor home, trailer, or camper is permitted at any one time.
- D. No trash, debris, refuse or discarded materials which create an eyesore, hazard or nuisance to the neighborhood or general public shall be permitted to accumulate or to be stored on any lot, parcel or portion thereof.
- E. Except as specifically permitted by Section 7.03 (g) or Section 7.04(d), no manufactured/mobile home or temporary structures shall be placed or occupied in this district.
- F. No cultivators, processors, or retail dispensaries of medical marijuana, licensed under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3796, shall be located nor operate in this district.

### Section 7.06 – DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

All lands and uses within this Agricultural Residential District shall be developed in compliance with the standards hereinafter established:

- A. <u>Lot Area</u> No parcel of land in this district shall have an area of less than 5 net acres. All other uses in this district shall have such lot area prescribed by the article permitting the use or as prescribed by the Board of Zoning Appeals as a condition of said use.
- B. Lot Frontage Except as hereinafter set forth, all lots or parcels within this zoning district shall be 300 contiguous feet frontage on a road, street or alley approved by the Delaware County Engineer. Lots or parcels having less than the above listed minimum frontage on the right-of-way line of the adjoining approved road or street must have a lot width of 50 feet forward of the front building line which is equal to that minimum lot frontage requirement. In no case shall the parcel or lot frontage at the right-of-way line be less than 60 feet, and said width of 60 feet shall not be decreased at any point forward of the building line of the principal residence located on the premises. Flag lots must be separated by a lot meeting the required footage at the right-of-way line on any road in the township.
- C. <u>Building Height Limits</u> No building in this district shall exceed 35 feet in height measured from the finished grade established not closer than 15 feet to the exterior wall of the structure. Barns, silos, grain handling conveyors, grain bins, church spires, domes, flag poles, elevator shafts, and windmills are

exempted from any height regulation and may be erected to any safe height. No aerial, antenna or tower shall be constructed to a height greater than the distance from the center of the base thereof to the nearest property line of said tract

D. <u>Building Dimensions</u> (Floor Space Requirement) - No dwelling shall be constructed in said zoned district of Harlem Township unless the same shall have at least the minimum square feet of living area, exclusive of basements, porches, breezeways, utility areas, and garages as set forth in the following schedule of dwelling types:

1 story – 1,500 square feet of living area above grade.
1 ½ story – 1,875 square feet of living area (with 1,125 square feet on the first floor above grade).
Earth-berm and underground – 1,500 square feet of living area.
Split-level – 2,000 square feet of living area (1,250 square feet above grade).
Bi-level – 2,000 square feet of living area (with 1,250 square feet above grade).
2 story – 2,250 square feet of living area (with 1,125 square feet on the first floor above grade).

All dwellings shall include a garage (attached or unattached) of a minimum of 480 square feet complete with operating doors, this area not to be included in the living area of the dwelling.

- E. <u>Building Set Back</u> No building, structure or use shall be located closer to the right-of-way or center line of the adjacent public or private road than permitted in Section 21.10 herein. Furthermore, in the case of flag lots, the main building portion of a flag lot, excluding the driveway corridor, shall have a minimum setback distance for all structures of 50' from the property lines on all sides.
- F. <u>Side Yard Set Backs</u> (Not applicable to flag lots) No principal dwelling shall be located closer than 25 feet to any side lot line. No accessory building shall be located closer than 15 feet to any side lot line.
- G. <u>Rear Yard Setbacks</u> (Not applicable to flag lots) No principal dwelling shall be located closer than 80 feet to the rear line of any lot and no accessory building shall be located closer than 15 feet to said rear lot line.
- H. <u>Maximum Lot Coverage</u> On no lot or parcel in this zoning district shall buildings and paving be constructed which cover more than 50% of the parcel area. Structures or buildings shall cover no more than 25% of the parcel area.
- I. <u>Parking</u> Off-street parking shall be provided at the time of construction of the main structure or building, with adequate provisions for ingress and egress according to the standards set forth in Article XXI of this Resolution.
- J. <u>Signs</u> Except as provided under the provisions of this article for home occupations or as controlled by Article XXII of this Resolution and except as permitted by the Board of Zoning Appeals incidental to the Conditional Uses, no signs shall be permitted in this district except for "For Sale" or "For Rent or Lease" signs advertising the tract on which said sign is located. Such sign shall not exceed 6 square feet in area on each side.

The owner may, upon the conditions and for the time period established by the Board of Zoning Appeals, erect one sign not exceeding 48 square feet in area per side, advertising said tract for sale.

- K. <u>Lighting Standards</u> All exterior lighting shall meet the lighting requirements of Article XXI of this Resolution.
- L. <u>Landscape Standards</u> All yards of the home shall be landscaped and shall meet the landscape requirements of this Resolution.

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# **ARTICLE VIII – FARM RESIDENTIAL (FR-1)**

## Section 8.01 – PURPOSE

There is created within Harlem Township a Farm Residential District (FR-1) to provide for the use of appropriate lands for continued agricultural purposes and to permit construction of low density single family residences and other essentially non-urban types of residential and agricultural activities so that the basic rural character of these areas may be preserved and maintained, including the preservation of natural resources, scenic areas, wildlife habitats, and the historic and unique features of the land. The township shall permit the development of these lands in accordance with the ability of such lands to support development and to prevent pollution of air, soil, and water supplies.

# Section 8.02 – APPLICATION

All lands within Harlem Township which are to be used for low density single family residences and other essentially non-urban types of residential and agricultural activities shall be not less than two (2) net acres, excluding all easements and right-of-ways and shall be controlled by the provisions of this Article of the Zoning Resolution.

All lots which are located within the limits of Harlem Township and which were duly recorded upon the plat thereof in the Plat Records of the Recorder's Office, Delaware County, Ohio, at the effective date of this amendment to the Zoning Resolution shall be considered legal residential lots.

## Section 8.03 – PERMITTED USES

Within the Farm Residential District the following uses, developed in accordance with all other provisions of this Resolution, shall be permitted:

- A. Single family dwellings (limited to one (1) single dwelling per parcel, tract, or lot).
- B. Accessory buildings and accessory uses including private garages and swimming pools.
- C. Projects specifically designed for watershed protections, conservation of soil or water or for flood control.
- D. Agricultural purposes, beekeeping, dairying, floriculture, grazing, and raising of livestock, orchards, plant nurseries, poultry raising, raising of grains, sod farming, truck farming, equestrian trails, forest and game management, greenhouses, nature trails, and stables are subject to the following restrictions:
  - 1. Roadside sales of agricultural products shall be permitted in this district, provided that at least fifty percent (50%) of the gross income from the market is derived from the sale of products which are produced on lands in this township or adjacent townships farmed by the proprietor of said sales stand and further that said stand is in operation for not more than one hundred, fifty (150) days in any year. The stand and its parking area shall be outside of the road right-of-way and shall not interfere with traffic on adjacent thoroughfares.

- 2. Facilities for the storage, sorting, preliminary processing or sale of agricultural products shall be permitted if such products are used in the production of other farm products, and if said storage, processing, sorting or sales is carried on incidental to other farming operations by the owner/proprietor.
- E. A temporary structure such as a mobile office and/or a temporary building of a non-residential character may be used incidental to construction work on the premises or on adjacent public projects or during a period while the permanent dwelling is being constructed. The user of said structure shall obtain a permit for such temporary use, which permit shall be valid for six (6) months and may be renewed not more than twice. Renewal of the permit shall be at the discretion of the Zoning Inspector on finding reasonable progress toward completion of the permanent structure or project. The Zoning Inspector may require provisions for sanitary waste disposal and water supply as he/she deems necessary. The fees for such permit and renewals thereof shall be established by the Board of Township Trustees. Said temporary structure shall be removed not later than ten (10) days after the expiration of said permit.
- F. Limited Home Occupation A limited home occupation (business) is permitted within a permitted dwelling in all residential zoning districts (not in detached buildings or pole barns) in accordance with the following provisions:
  - 1. The limited home occupation does not occupy more than twenty percent (20%) of the gross floor area of the dwelling unit, basement, or attached garage or four hundred (400) square feet, whichever is less.
  - 2. Requirements:
    - a. The appearance of the structure shall not be altered. The limited home occupation within the residence shall not be conducted in a manner that would cause the premises to differ from its residential character either by the use of colors, materials, construction, lighting, or signs. A limited home occupation shall be clearly incidental and secondary to the use of the unit for dwelling purposes.
    - b. There are no non-resident employees.
    - c. No equipment or process shall be used in such limited home occupation that creates noise, vibration, glare, fumes, odors, or electrical interference detectable to the normal senses off the lot. In the case of electrical interference, no equipment or process shall be used which creates visual or audible interference in any radio or television receivers, computers, wireless phones or hand held wireless transmitting devices off the premises, or causes fluctuations in line voltage off the premises.
    - d. There shall be no outside storage of any kind.
    - e. Specialized instruction or tutoring shall be limited to one (1) individual at a time.
    - f. No direct, face to face sales to the public on site.
    - g. Maximum of five (5) commercial parcel deliveries/pick ups per week.

h. No traffic or parking shall be generated by such limited home occupation in greater volumes than would normally be expected in a residential neighborhood.

#### Section 8.04 – CONDITIONAL USES

Within this zoning district the following uses may be permitted, subject to the conditions and restrictions imposed by the Board of Zoning Appeals pursuant to the provisions of Article XXVIII of this Resolution. Conditionally permitted uses shall be considered abandoned if said use or uses are not commenced within one year from the date of Board of Zoning Appeals approval or are discontinued for a period in excess of two years. Unless the conditional use permit specifically provides that the grant shall be permanent and shall run with the land, the sale or conveyance of the land and/or structure wherein the same is located or upon which the same is granted shall void the conditional use permit. The subsequent owner(s) or his agent shall be required to reapply for a continuation and/or modification of such use(s) to the Board of Zoning Appeals if said uses are to be continued. A designation by the Board of Zoning Appeals that a permit is permanent and shall run with the land does not affect the right of authorities to revoke the permit for failure to comply with conditions imposed. No conditional use shall be implemented until a permit of compliance is issued by the Zoning Inspector.

A. Expanded Home Occupation – It is recognized that there may be some home occupations which do not meet the criteria of Section 8.03(F), but which may be appropriate for a residential area provided the following additional standards are addressed through the Conditional Use Permit procedure. An Expanded Home Occupation Conditional Use may be permitted, provided it meets the requirements of Section 8.04(A).

For purposes of this Zoning Resolution, the holder of the Expanded Home Occupation Conditional Use Permit must reside in the dwelling unit on the property. An Expanded Home Occupation Conditional Use Permit ceases to be valid once the premises used for the expanded home occupation are no longer occupied by the holder of the Conditional Use Permit or upon the conduct of an expanded home occupation in a manner not approved by the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Conditional Use Criteria. Expanded Home Occupation Conditional Uses shall be limited by the following criteria and/or other conditions as determined to be necessary by the Board of Zoning Appeals in order to protect the residential character of the subject area:

- 1. The expanded home occupation shall be carried on solely within the confines of the residential structures within an FR-1 zoning district and/or architecturally compatible accessory buildings, which are customarily associated with the residential use and character of the neighborhood.
- 2. There may be no more than a total of two (2) non-resident employees who work in connection with the expanded home occupation on said premises.
- 3. Sales of commodities or services produced on the premises may be permitted provided such commodities or services are specified and approved as a part of the application. Examples of possible expanded home occupation conditional use services or commodity sales include but are not limited to:
  - a. Insurance or real estate sales, word processing, Internet web hosting.

- b. Arts, crafts or other artistic instruction with united sales of associated materials used in the instruction and preparation of artistic works.
- c. Small machinery and equipment repair such as computers, cameras, clocks or other similar small items including the limited sales of repaired or associated parts and equipment.
- d. Limited, seasonal sales of specialized items such as holiday ornaments or handicrafts.
- e. Organized instruction may be permitted provided the class size does not exceed six (6) pupils at any given time. Prior to any approval for organized instruction associated with an expanded home occupation conditional use permit, the Board of Zoning Appeals shall determine that because of the location and orientation of the residence and lot in question, the regularly organized instruction of up to six (6) pupils at any given time will not become a detriment to the existing residential character of the lot or the general area through an increase in traffic, street parking, or any other factor resulting in an adverse impact as determined by the Board of Zoning Appeals.
- 4. Outside storage related to the expanded home occupation may be permitted if totally screened from adjacent residential lots and abutting streets, provided the application so specifies. The storage of equipment, supplies, and inventory shall not result in the emission to the surrounding neighborhood of any noxious, offensive or hazardous odors or materials, offensive noises, lighting interference or excessive traffic.
- 5. The external appearance of the dwelling unit in which the expanded home occupation use is to be conducted shall not be structurally altered to accommodate the home occupation; nor, shall any electrical, mechanical or chemical equipment be utilized which would substantially increase the fire hazard and/or fire load of the structure as determined by the local fire chief and Ohio Fire Code.
- 6. Only one sign, not larger than three (3) square feet and up to five (5) feet in height above grade of the surrounding yard or center line of the road, whichever is less, may be erected advertising the expanded home occupation. The sign may be mounted flat against a building or on a pole in the front yard. The sign shall not be animated or illuminated and must be approved by the BZA.
- 7. No traffic or parking shall be generated by such expanded home occupation in greater volumes than would normally be expected in a residential neighborhood.
- 8. No equipment, process, or storage associated with the expanded home occupation shall create odors, noise, vibration, glare, electrical interference, or other nuisance detectable to normal senses off the lot. All activities, materials, and equipment associated with the business shall be totally maintained within a building. In the case of electrical interference, no equipment or process shall create visual or audible interference in any radio or television receivers, computers, hand held wireless devices or other audio appliances used off the premises, or cause fluctuation in line voltage off the premises. No equipment, process, or storage associated with a expanded home occupation shall create any fire or explosion hazard, or involve the storage or use of hazardous materials in any concentration greater than that which would normally be found in a dwelling containing no home occupation.

- 9. Waste materials, solid or liquid, shall not be created on the premises at a level greater than normal to the residential use.
- 10. The use of the dwelling unit for the expanded home occupation shall be clearly incidental and subordinate to its use for residential purposes by its occupants and not more than thirty percent (30%) of the total floor area of the dwelling unit shall be used in the conduct of the expanded home occupation. Garages or accessory buildings may only be used as permitted by the Board of Zoning Appeals.
- 11. Maximum of ten (10) commercial parcel deliveries/pick ups per week.
- 12. No space outside, including the exterior of the expanded home occupation office or storage facility, shall be used for the display of goods or materials to the public.
- B. Private landing fields and hangars for aircraft, ultra lights, and helicopters are for use by the owner of the property and his guests provided that no commercial activities take place on said premises.
- C. One manufactured/mobile home, owned by the land owner, may be occupied by full time farm labor only, provided that said manufactured/mobile home is installed in compliance with rules and regulations established by the Delaware County Health Department. Not more than one manufactured/mobile home shall be located on any lot, parcel or farm within this township.
- D. Kindergarten and/or child care facilities, provided they occupy the residence of the operator or an accessory building which is architecturally compatible with the neighborhood, and provisions are made for vehicular access; parking, and fences to control accessibility of the children to adjoining hazardous conditions such as roads, streets, lakes, ponds, and adjacent yards.
- E. Convalescent homes, rest homes, or homes for children or aged, provided that the area of the tract is adequate to provide setbacks, parking and recreational area prescribed by the Board of Zoning Appeals.
- F. Boarding kennels, riding stables and animal shelters subject to the following conditions:
  - 1. No building or structure used for the purpose of a boarding kennel, riding stable or animal shelter shall be located closer than three hundred (300) feet from the lot line of any residence, church, school or any institution of human care.
  - 2. Full compliance with the Delaware County Health Department shall be satisfied.
  - 3. Suitable fencing and/or screening shall be provided as approved by the Board of Zoning Appeals.
  - 4. Such use shall be safely conducted in a manner designed not to cause any interference with the right of quiet enjoyment by the residents of adjoining properties.
- G. Group homes or residential care facilities in which not more than eight (8) persons are provided with room, board, specialized care, rehabilitative services and supervision in a family environment. All such facilities shall possess all approvals and/or licenses as required by state or local agencies. In addition to all other conditions deemed necessary, the following conditions shall be imposed by the Board of Zoning Appeals.

- 1. No exterior alterations of the structure shall be made which depart from the residential character of the building.
- 2. All new structures shall be compatible in residential design with the surrounding neighborhood.
- H. Permanent structures or improvements used for retail sale of agricultural products provided that at least fifty percent (50%) of the gross income from the market is derived from the sale of products which are produced on lands in this township or adjacent townships farmed by the proprietor of said stand. The stand and its parking area shall be outside of the road right-of-way and shall not interfere with traffic on adjacent thoroughfares. No permanent buildings or structures shall be placed without permission of the Board of Zoning Appeals and issuance of a conditional use permit.
- I. Churches or other places of worship, provided they occupy a lot on not less than five (5) acres plus one (1) acre for each one hundred (100) permanent seats over three hundred (300) in the main assembly area. Adequate off-street parking shall be provided and shall meet the requirements of Article XXI of this Resolution. Fencing shall be provided to control accessibility of children to traffic, water impoundments and other hazardous conditions, and any other improvements necessary to protect users from harm or danger.
- J. Model homes in subdivisions, the same being defined as residential-type structures used as sales offices by builders/developers and to display the builder/developer's product. The same may be furnished within, since its purpose is to display to prospective buyers the builder/developer's features (such as exterior siding treatments, roofing materials, interior trim, moldings, floor coverings, etc.) in the environment of a completed home. Model homes may be staffed by the builder/developer's sales force. Model homes shall be subject to the following restrictions:
  - 1. Lighting All exterior lighting must be downlighting, so that no light shall be cast onto adjoining residential properties. All off-street parking areas must be illuminated. All exterior lighting shall be extinguished at the closing time of the model home.
  - 2. Parking All model homes shall provide off-street paved parking for the public. Such off-street paved parking shall be located as directed by the Board of Zoning Appeals. The number of required parking spaces shall be six (6) per model home. The driveway of the model home may be utilized for not more than two (2) parking spaces.
  - 3. Screening and Trash Receptacles Landscape drawings shall be required and show adequate landscaping and screening from adjoining residential lots, together with the clear marking of the boundaries of the model home lot. Trash receptacles shall be provided around the model home for use by the public.
  - 4. Termination of Use The use of model homes within a residential subdivision, or within any single phase of a multi-phase subdivision, shall terminate when building permits have been issued for ninety percent (90%) of the lots.
  - 5. No building equipment or materials may be stored at the model home.
- K. Bed and Breakfast provided that:

- 1. Capacity A maximum of eight (8) guests may be housed at any one time.
- 2. Lighting All exterior lighting must meet the requirements of Article XXI of this Resolution.
- 3. Parking All bed & breakfast homes shall provide off-street paved/gravel parking for the public. Such off-street paved/gravel parking shall be located as directed by the Board of Zoning Appeals. The number of required parking spaces shall be one (1) space per bedroom.
- 4. Screening and Trash Receptacles Landscape drawings shall be required and shall show adequate landscaping and screening from adjoining residential lots, together with the clear marking of the boundaries of the bed and breakfast lot. Trash receptacles shall be provided around the bed and breakfast home for use by guests.
- L. Cellular telephone towers, when notification of objection to the siting of the cellular tower is met, per requirements of Section 519.211 of the O.R.C., cellular towers shall be located one thousand (1,000) feet from any residential lot line or any recorded platted residential subdivision lot. No tower shall be constructed to a height greater than the distance from the center of the base of the tower to the nearest property line of said tract.
- M. Public or private schools or colleges, provided that said institution occupies not less than twenty (20) acres.
- N. Institutional areas, whether improved with buildings or not, shall provide adequate parking area for faculty, staff and students. Such parking may not exist within the right-of-way of any road or highway. A site plan shall be prepared and submitted for consideration by the Board of Zoning Appeals and shall provide screening adjacent to residential areas.
- O. Non-commercial playgrounds, playfields, picnic areas, and summer camps with adequate off-street parking areas, water supply, sanitation facilities, fencing to control accessibility of children to hazardous conditions, and any other improvement necessary to protect users from harm or danger.

### Section 8.05 – PROHIBITED USES

- A. Uses not specifically authorized by the express terms of this article of the Zoning Resolution shall be prohibited.
- B. Outdoor storage of junk motor vehicles, as defined by ORC 505.173, for a period exceeding fourteen (14) days is prohibited. Said vehicles if stored on the premises shall be enclosed within a building so as not to be visible from any adjoining property or public road.
- C. No motor home, trailer, or camper of any type may be occupied by a guest of the resident/owner for more than fourteen (14) days and only one (1) motor home, trailer, or camper is permitted at any one time.
- D. Except as specifically permitted by Section 8.03(E) or Section 8.04(C) herein, no manufactured/mobile home shall be placed or occupied in the FR-1 district.

- E. No trash, debris, refuse or discarded materials which create an eyesore, hazard or nuisance to the neighborhood or general public shall be permitted to accumulate or to be stored on any lot, parcel or portion thereof.
- F. In subdivided areas which meet the requirements of Section 711.131 of the Ohio Revised Code, the keeping of livestock and poultry is prohibited, except for the keeping of animals for youth club activities, such as 4H, FFA, or similar groups, which shall be a permitted use in the FR-1 district.
- G. No cultivators, processors, or retail dispensaries of medical marijuana, licensed under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3796, shall be located nor operate in this district.

# Section 8.06 – DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

All lands and uses within the Farm Residential District shall be developed in compliance with standards hereinafter established:

- A. <u>Lot Area</u> No parcel of land which has an area of less than two (2) net acres, excluding all road easements or right-of-ways in this district shall be used for residential purposes. All other uses in this district shall have such lot area prescribed by the article permitting the use or as prescribed by the Board of Zoning Appeals as a condition of said use.
- B. <u>Lot Frontage</u> Except as hereinafter set forth all lots or parcels within this zoning district shall have the following minimum contiguous frontage:

Two (2) acres but less than three (3) acres; 175 feet Three (3) acres but less than four (4) acres; 210 feet Four (4) acres but less than five (5) acres; 250 feet Five (5) acres or larger; 300 feet

Lots or parcels having less than the above listed minimum frontage on the right of way line of the adjoining approved easement, road or street must have a lot width fifty (50) feet forward of the front building line which is equal to that minimum lot frontage requirement. In no case shall the parcel or lot frontage at the right of way be less than sixty (60) feet, and width of sixty (60) feet shall not be decreased at any point forward of the front building line of the principal residence located on the premise. If an irregularly shaped (e.g. pie-shaped) lot located on a curve or cul-de-sac widens to the minimum lot width within seventy-five (75) feet of the nearest right of way line of adjoining roadway, the requirements for extra setback are required to conform with setback lines for principal structures on adjoining lots. Flag lots must be separated by a lot meeting the required footage at the right-of-way line on any road in the township.

C. <u>Building Height Limits</u> – No building in this district shall exceed thirty-five (35) feet in height measured from the finished grade established not closer than fifteen (15) feet to the exterior wall of the structure. Barns, silos, grain handling conveyors, grain bins, church spires, domes, flag poles, and elevator shafts, as permitted, are exempted from any height regulation and may be erected to any safe height. No windmills, aerial, antenna or tower shall be constructed to a height greater than the distance from the center of the base thereof to the nearest property line of said tract.

D. <u>Building Dimensions</u> (Floor Space Requirements) – No dwelling shall be constructed in said zoned district of Harlem Township unless the same shall have at least the minimum square feet of living area, exclusive of basements, porches, breezeways, utility areas, and garages as set forth in the following schedule of dwelling types:

One (1) story – 1,500 square feet of living area above grade. 1 ½ story – 1,875 square feet of living area (with 1,125 square feet on the first floor above grade). Split-level – 2,000 square feet of living area (1,250 square feet above grade). Bi-level – 2,000 square feet of living area (with 1,250 square feet above grade). 2 story – 2,250 square feet of living area (with 1,125 square feet on the first floor above grade). Earthberm and underground – 1,500 square feet of living area.

All dwellings shall include a garage (attached or unattached) of a minimum of four hundred (480) square feet complete with operating doors; this area is not to be included in the living area of the dwelling.

- E. <u>Building Setback</u> No building, structure or use shall be located closer to the center line of the adjacent public or private road than permitted in Section 21.10. Furthermore, in the case of flag lots, the main building portion of a flag lot, excluding the driveway corridor, shall have a minimum setback distance of twenty-five (25) feet from the property lines on all sides.
- F. <u>Side Yard Setback</u> (Not applicable to flag lots) No principal dwelling shall be located closer than twenty-five (25) feet to any side lot line. No accessory building shall be located closer than fifteen (15) feet to any side lot line.
- G. <u>Rear Yard Setback</u> (Not applicable to flag lots) No principal dwelling shall be located closer than eighty (80) feet to the rear line of any lot and no accessory building shall be located closer than fifteen (15) feet to said rear lot line.
- H. <u>Maximum Lot Coverage</u> On no lot or parcel in this zoning district shall buildings and paving be constructed which cover more than fifty percent (50%) of the parcel area. Structures or buildings shall cover not more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the parcel area.
- I. <u>Parking</u> Off-street parking shall be provided at the time of construction of the main structure or building, with adequate provisions for ingress and egress according to the standards set forth in Article XXI of this Resolution.
- J. <u>Signs</u> Except as provided under the provisions of this article for home occupation or as controlled by Article XXII of this Resolution and except as permitted by the Board of Zoning Appeals incidental to the Conditional Uses, no signs shall be permitted in this district except for "For Sale" or "For Rent or Lease" signs advertising the tract on which said sign is located. Such sign shall not exceed six (6) square feet in area on each side.

The owner or developer of a subdivision or similar area may, upon the conditions and for the time period established by the Board of Zoning Appeals, erect one sign not exceeding forty-eight (48) square feet in area per side advertising said subdivision, development or tract for sale.

K. <u>Lighting Standards</u> – All exterior lighting shall meet the lighting requirements of Article XXI of this Resolution.

L. <u>Landscape Standards</u> – All yards of the home shall be landscaped and shall meet the landscape requirements of this Resolution.

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# **ARTICLE IX – LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (R-2)**

### Section 9.01 – PURPOSES

There is created in Harlem Township a Low Density Residential District intended to provide areas for single family suburban type residential development at low density on lands which are generally vacant at the time of development. These areas are intended to provide space for new residential development of a low density suburban character on lands that are served with central water and sewer.

# Section 9.02 – APPLICATION

All lands within Harlem Township which are to be used for low density single family residences and other essentially non-urban types of residential and agricultural activities shall be not less than 1 net acre excluding all easements and right-of-ways and shall be controlled by the provisions of this article of the Zoning Resolution.

All lots which are located within the limits of Harlem Township and which were duly recorded upon the plat thereof in the Plat Records of the Recorder's Office, Delaware County, Ohio, at the effective date of this amendment to the Zoning Resolution shall be considered legal residential lots.

### Section 9.03 – PERMITTED USES

Within the Low Density Residential District (R-2) the following uses, developed in accordance with all the other provisions of this Resolution, shall be permitted:

- A. Single family dwellings (limited to one single dwelling per parcel, tract, or lot).
- B. Accessory buildings and accessory uses including private garages and swimming pools.
- C. Projects specifically designed for watershed protections, conservation of soil or water or for flood control.
- D. A temporary structure such as a mobile office and/or a temporary building of a non-residential character may be used incidental to construction work on the premises, or on an adjacent public project or during a period while the permanent dwelling is being constructed. The user of said structure shall obtain a permit for such temporary use, which permit shall be valid for six (6) months and may be renewed not more than twice. Renewal of the permit shall be at the discretion of the Zoning Inspector on finding of reasonable progress toward completion of the permanent structure or project. The Zoning Inspector may require provisions for sanitary waste disposal and water supply as he/she deems necessary. The fees for such permits and renewal thereof shall be established by the Board of Township Trustees. Said temporary structure shall be removed not later than ten (10) days after expiration of said permit.
- E. Roadside sales of agricultural products shall be permitted in this district, provided that at least 50% of the gross income from the market is derived from the sale of products which are produced on lands in this township or adjacent townships farmed by the proprietor of said sales stand and further that said stand is in operation for not more than 150 days in any year. The stand and its parking area shall be outside of the road right-of-way and shall not interfere with traffic on adjacent thoroughfares. No

permanent buildings or structures shall be placed without permission of the Board of Zoning Appeals and issuance of a conditional use permit.

#### Section 9.04 – CONDITIONAL USES

Within this zoning district the following uses may be permitted, subject to the conditions and restrictions imposed by the Board of Zoning Appeals pursuant to the provisions of Article XXVIII of this Resolution. Conditionally permitted uses shall be considered abandoned if said uses are not commenced within one year from the date of Board of Zoning Appeals approval or are discontinued for a period in excess of two years. Unless the conditional use permit specifically provides that the grant shall be permanent and shall run with the land, the sale or conveyance of the land and/or structure wherein the same is located or upon which the same is granted shall void the conditional use permit, and the subsequent owner(s) or his agent shall be required to reapply for a continuation and/or modification of such use(s) to the Board of Zoning Appeals. A designation by the Board of Zoning Appeals that a permit is permanent and shall run with the land does not affect the right of authorities to revoke the permit for failure to comply with conditions imposed. No conditional use shall be implemented until a permit of compliance is issued by the Zoning Inspector.

- A. Home occupations conducted by the resident of a permitted dwelling are subject to the following restrictions:
  - 1. The owner of the premises must reside in the dwelling unit used for the home occupation.
  - 2. No person, who is not a resident of the dwelling unit, may participate in the home occupation as an employee or volunteer.
  - 3. Either the dwelling unit, basement, or attached garage maybe utilized in the conduct of the home occupation provided that the area of home occupation conduct does not exceed 400 square feet or 20% of the gross floor area of said dwelling unit, whichever is less.
  - 4. Use of any accessory building for a home occupation is prohibited. No building or space outside of the dwelling unit shall be used for display or storage of goods or material.
  - 5. The external appearance of the dwelling unit in which the home occupation use is to be conducted shall not be structurally altered to accommodate the home occupation: nor, shall any electrical, mechanical or chemical equipment be utilized which would substantially increase the fire hazard and/or fire load of the structure as determined by the local fire chief and Ohio Fire Code.
  - 6. No more than two (2) additional parking places may be proposed in conjunction with the home occupation and said parking places shall not be located in the front yard.
  - 7. Equipment or processes shall not be used in such home occupation which create noise, vibrations, glare, fumes, odors, or electrical interference detectable off the lot. No equipment or process shall be used which creates visual, audible, or electrical interference in any radio or television receiver or computer terminal off the premises, or causes fluctuations in voltage off the premises.
  - 8. Only one sign shall be allowed. It may display the name of the occupant and/or the name of the home occupation. The sign shall not exceed one square foot in area, shall not be illuminated, and must be attached flat to the main structure or visible through a window. The limitation of one

sign shall apply to all lots, including corner lots. Additional use of advertising signs for home occupation on the premises shall not be permitted.

- B. Kindergarten and/or child care facilities, provided they occupy the residence of the operator or an accessory building which is architecturally compatible with the neighborhood and provisions are made for vehicular access, parking and fences to control accessibility of the children to adjoining hazardous conditions such as roads, streets, lakes, ponds, etc. and adjacent yards.
- C. Churches or other places of worship, provided they occupy a lot of not less than one (1) net acre plus one (1) net acre for each 100 permanent seats over 150 in the main assembly area. Adequate off-street parking shall be provided and shall meet the requirements of Article XXI of this Resolution. Fencing shall be provided to control accessibility of children to hazardous conditions and any other improvements necessary to protect users from harm or danger.
- D. Non-commercial playgrounds, playfields, picnic areas and summer camps with adequate off-street parking areas, water supply, sanitation facilities, fencing to control accessibility of children to hazardous conditions, and any other improvement necessary to protect users from harm or danger.
- E. Group homes or residential care facilities in which not more than eight (8) persons are provided with room, board, specialized care, rehabilitative services and supervision in a family environment. All such facilities shall possess all approvals and/or licenses as required by state or local agencies. In addition to all other conditions deemed necessary, the following conditions shall be imposed by the Board of Zoning Appeals.
  - 1. No exterior alterations of the structure shall be made which depart from the residential character of the building.
  - 2. All new structures shall be compatible in residential design with the surrounding neighborhood.
- F. Permanent structures or improvements used for retail sale of agricultural products provided that at least 50% of the gross income from the market is derived from the sale of products which are produced on lands in this township or adjacent townships farmed by the proprietor of said stand. The stand and its parking area shall be outside of the road right-of-way and shall not interfere with traffic on adjacent thoroughfares. No permanent buildings or structures shall be placed without permission of the Board of Zoning Appeals and issuance of a conditional use permit.
- G. Model homes in subdivisions, the same being defined as residential-type structures used as sales offices by builders/developers and to display the builder/developer's product. The same may be furnished within, since its purpose is to display to prospective buyers the builder/developer's features (such as exterior siding treatments, roofing materials, interior trim, moldings, floor coverings, etc.) in the environment of a completed home. Model homes may be staffed by the builder/developer's sales force. Model homes shall be subject to the following restrictions:
  - 1. <u>Lighting</u> All exterior lighting must be downlighting, so that no light shall be cast onto adjoining residential properties. All off-street parking areas must be illuminated. All exterior lighting shall be extinguished at the closing time of the model home.

- 2. <u>Parking</u> All model homes shall provide off-street paved parking for the public. Such off-street paved parking shall be located as directed by the Board of Zoning Appeals. The number of required parking spaces shall be six (6) per model home. The driveway of the model home may be utilized for not more than two (2) parking spaces.
- 3. <u>Screening and Trash Receptacles</u> Landscape drawings shall be required and show adequate landscaping and screening from adjoining residential lots, together with the clear marking of the boundaries of the model home lot. Trash receptacles shall be provided around the model home for use by the public.
- 4. <u>Termination of Use</u> The use of model homes within a residential subdivision, or within any single phase of a multi-phase subdivision, shall terminate when building permits have been issued for 90% of the lots.
- 5. No building equipment or materials may be stored at the model home.
- H. Bed and Breakfast provided that:
  - 1. A maximum of eight (8) guests may be housed at any one time.
  - 2. Lighting: All exterior lighting shall meet the requirements of Article XXI of this Resolution.
  - 3. Parking: All bed & breakfast homes shall provide off-street paved/gravel parking for the public. Such off-street paved/gravel parking shall be located as directed by the Board of Zoning Appeals. The number of required parking spaces shall be one (1) space per bedroom.
  - 4. Screening and trash receptacles: Landscape drawings shall be required and shall show adequate landscaping and screening from adjoining residential lots, together with the clear marking of the boundaries of the bed and breakfast lot. Trash receptacles shall be provided around the bed and breakfast home for use by guest(s).

# Section 9.05 – PROHIBITED USES

- A. Uses not specifically authorized by the express terms of this article of the Zoning Resolution shall be prohibited.
- B. Outdoor storage of junk motor vehicles, as defined by ORC 505.173, for a period exceeding 14 days is prohibited. Said vehicles if stored on the premises shall be enclosed within a building so as not to be visible from any adjoining property or public road.
- C. No trailer, boat, motor home or equipment of any type shall be parked in front of the front building line on any parcel within this district for a period exceeding 48 hours. If a dwelling is located on said lot, the building line shall be considered to be the front wall of the dwelling even if said dwelling is located behind the minimum building line established by this code or the restrictions on the plat or subdivision.
- D. No trash, debris, refuse or discarded materials which create an eyesore, hazard or nuisance to the neighborhood or general public shall be permitted to accumulate or to be stored on any lot, parcel or portion thereof.

- E. No motor home, trailer or camper of any type may be occupied by a guest of the resident/owner for more than 14 days and only one (1) motor home, trailer, or camper is permitted at any one time.
- F. Except as specifically permitted in Section 9.03(D) herein no manufactured/mobile home shall be placed or occupied in this district.
- G. In subdivided areas which meet the requirements of Section 711.131 of the Ohio Revised Code the keeping of livestock and poultry is prohibited, except for the keeping of animals for youth club activities such as 4H, FFA, or similar groups, which shall be a permitted use in the R-2 district.
- H. Cellular telephone towers, when notification of objection to the siting of the cellular tower is made per requirements of Section 519.211 of the O.R.C., cellular towers shall be prohibited.
- I. No cultivators, processors, or retail dispensaries of medical marijuana, licensed under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3796, shall be located nor operate in this district.

# Section 9.06 – DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

All land and uses within the Low Density Residential District (R-2) shall be developed in compliance with the standards hereinafter established.

- A. <u>Lot Area</u> Residential lots which are served with an approved central water and sewer system serving all lots may be developed for such use if they have a lot area of not less than one (1) net acre, excluding all easements and right of ways. All other parcels, not so serviced, shall contain the lot areas prescribed by the provisions of Article VIII of this Resolution.
- B. <u>Lot Frontage</u> Except as hereinafter set forth all lots or parcels within this zoning district shall have the following minimum contiguous frontage:

All lots or parcels developed within this district having an area of one (1) net acre excluding all easements and right of ways shall have a minimum continuous lot frontage of 150 feet on an adjoining county approved street, alley, or road. All lots or parcels having one (1) acre or more shall have the minimum lot width prescribed in Article 8.06 of this Resolution and all measurements of such width shall be in conformity with that article.

- C. <u>Building Height Limits</u> No building in this district shall exceed 35 feet in height measured from the finished grade established not closer than 15 feet to the exterior wall of the structure. Chimneys, church spires, domes, and flag poles are exempted from any height regulation and may be erected to any safe height. No aerial, antenna or tower shall be constructed to a height greater than the distance from the center of the base thereof to the nearest property line of said tract and shall not exceed 100 feet in height.
- D. <u>Building Dimensions</u> (Floor Space Requirements) No dwelling shall be constructed in said zoned district of Harlem Township unless the same shall have at least the minimum square feet of living area, exclusive of basements, porches, breezeways, utility areas, and garages as set forth in the following schedule of dwelling types:

1 story – 1,500 square feet of living area above grade.
1 ½ story – 1,875 square feet of living area (with 1,125 square feet on the first floor above grade).
Split-level – 2,000 square feet of living area (1,250 square feet above grade).
Bi-level – 2,000 square feet of living area (with 1,250 square feet above grade).
2 story – 2,250 square feet of living area (with 1,125 square feet on the first floor above grade).
Earth-berm and underground – 1,500 square feet of living area.

All dwellings shall include a garage (attached or unattached) of a minimum of 480 square feet complete with operating doors, not to be included in the living area of the dwelling.

- E. <u>Building Setback</u> No building or use shall be located closer to the center line of the adjacent public or private road than permitted in Section 21.10 herein.
- F. <u>Side Yard Setback</u> No principal dwelling, accessory building, or structure shall be located closer than 15 feet to any side lot line.
- G. <u>Rear Yard Requirement</u> No principal dwelling shall be located closer than 30 feet to the rear line of any lot, and no accessory building shall be located closer than 15 feet to said rear lot line.
- H. <u>Maximum Lot Coverage</u> On no lot or parcel in this zoning district shall building(s) and paving be constructed which cover more than 50% of the lot or parcel area. Structures or buildings shall cover not more than 25% of the parcel area.
- I. <u>Parking</u> Off-street parking shall be provided, at the time of construction of the main structure or building, with adequate provisions for ingress and egress according to the standards set forth in Article XXI of this Resolution.
- J. <u>Signs</u> Except as provided under the provisions of this article for home occupation or as controlled by Article XXII of this Resolution and except as permitted by the Board of Zoning Appeals incidental to the Conditional Uses, no signs shall be permitted in this district except for "For Sale" or "For Rent or Lease" signs advertising the tract on which said sign is located. Such sign shall not exceed six (6) square feet in area on each side.

The owner or developer of a subdivision or similar area may, upon the conditions and for the time period established by the Board of Zoning Appeals, erect one sign not exceeding 48 square feet in area per side advertising said subdivision, development or tract for sale.

- K. <u>Lighting Standards</u> All exterior lighting shall meet the lighting requirements of Article XXI of this Resolution.
- L. <u>Landscape Standards</u> All yards of the home shall be landscaped and shall meet the landscape requirements of this Resolution.

# **ARTICLE X – PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (PUD)**

# Section 10.01 – PURPOSE

The provisions of this Article establish the authority and standards for the submission, review, and approval of applications for a Planned Unit Development (PUD). A PUD shall be serviced by infrastructure features consistent with the Township's Comprehensive Plan. The PUD District is offered as an option to the requirements of the standard zoning districts for the purposes of:

- A. Encouraging greater flexibility and innovation in land use planning and development while ensuring that the health, safety, and general welfare of the township's residents are considered;
- B. Promoting conservation of natural features and natural resources, including (but not limited to) topography and geologic features, scenic vistas, trees and other vegetation, wetlands, floodplains, and drainage patterns;
- C. Promoting preservation of cultural resources, including (but not limited to) archaeological sites, historic buildings, cemeteries, and other features that express the township's rural heritage and community identity;
- D. Encouraging the economical and efficient use of land and resources while providing a harmonious variety of housing choices and the integration of necessary community and neighborhood commercial facilities;
- E. Promoting greater compatibility of design and uses between neighboring properties;
- F. Encouraging safe and convenient pedestrian-oriented connections between neighborhood developments; and
- G. Promoting the preservation of open space for parks, recreation, or agriculture.

### Section 10.02 – PERMITTED USES

Within the Planned Unit Development District, the following uses, developed in strict compliance with the approved development plan and standards, shall be permitted:

- A. Single-family or multi-family permanent dwellings, including detached, semi-detached, attached, cluster, patio, common wall or any reasonable variation on the same theme, also including permanently sited manufactured homes;
- B. Accessory buildings associated with permitted uses;
- C. Home occupations conducted by the resident of a permitted dwelling are subject to the conditions and restrictions imposed by the Board of Zoning Appeals pursuant to the provisions of Article XXVIII and Section 9.04(A) of this Resolution;

- D. Non-residential uses of a cultural, educational, or recreational nature or character to the extent that they are designed and intended to serve primarily the residents of the PUD District and local community;
- E. Non-residential uses of a religious nature;
- F. Common open spaces for passive or active recreational purposes, or for the purposes of conserving significant natural or cultural resources or agricultural land;
- G. Uses permitted in the Neighborhood Office (C-1) and Neighborhood Commercial (C-2) Districts in this Resolution to the extent that they are designed and intended to serve primarily the residents of the PUD District and local community, and provided that the proposed location and use will not adversely impact adjacent property; and
- H. Other uses which, in the opinion of the Zoning Commission, advance the purposes of the PUD District and are adequately designed, located and otherwise provided for by the Development Plan and other required documents.

# Section 10.03 – PROHIBITED USES

Uses not provided for in Section 10.02 of this Article shall not be permitted in the PUD District. In addition:

- A. No outdoor storage of inoperable or unlicensed motor vehicles shall be permitted. All such vehicles shall be stored in a completely enclosed building so as not to be visible from any adjoining property or public road;
- B. No outdoor storage of commercial trailers, commercial tractors, or construction equipment shall be permitted. All such vehicles shall be stored in a completely enclosed building so as not to be visible from any adjoining property or public road; and
- C. No trash, debris, unused property, or discarded materials shall be permitted to accumulate on any property within the PUD District.
- D. No cultivators, processors, or retail dispensaries of medical marijuana, licensed under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3796, shall be located nor operate in this district.

# Section 10.04 – DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

When a planned district is utilized it shall be in a manner that avoids isolated development. Any proposed development shall include plans for necessary infrastructure improvements and shall have minimal negative impact on existing residential areas. Infrastructure improvements include, but are not limited to, adequate roadways, and central water and sewer. The preservation of open spaces, township roadscapes, cultural resources, and existing natural features, as well as provisions for present and future connectivity between neighboring developments and pedestrian access to any development, shall be priorities when considering a development plan. The following standards for the arrangement and development of land and buildings apply to the PUD District. When not specifically supplanted by the following standards, the General Development Standards described in Article XXI of this Resolution shall apply.

- A. <u>Open Space</u>: At least twenty-five (25) percent of the gross area of the tract included in the Development Plan shall be designated as open space, including areas preserved in their natural state and areas developed for recreational purposes, but at least half (1/2) of the open space area must be preserved in a natural state. Up to one-third (1/3) of land within the one-hundred-year floodplain may be included in the open space calculation. The open space shall be of a size, shape, topography, and location which makes it suitable, useful, and accessible to the public as designated.
- B. <u>Lot and Yard Areas</u>: The minimum lot area for each dwelling unit may be reduced to any size which is justified in an approved Development Plan, provided the overall density of the tract covered by the Development Plan does not exceed two dwelling units/net developable acre (NDA). Yards abutting the boundaries of the tract included in the Development Plan shall not be less than the minimum requirements for the abutting District. In addition, the front yard setback for all lots abutting an existing public road shall conform to the requirements of the General Development Standards of this Resolution.
- C. <u>Parking</u>: A minimum of a 480 square foot garage per dwelling unit and sufficient parking spaces for visitors, employees, and customers shall be provided. The standards contained in Article XXI Section 21.02 shall apply unless clearly inappropriate.
- D. <u>Maximum Percentage of PUD Utilized for Commercial or Office Uses</u>: Unless otherwise authorized by the Zoning Commission, no more than twenty (20) percent of the buildable tract area shall be utilized for commercial or office uses.
- E. <u>Flood Plains and Environmentally Sensitive Areas</u>: Flood plains should be protected from building or pavement encroachment. A riparian buffer should be provided along the entire length on both sides of a perennial or intermittent stream channel. The buffer area should have a width of not less than fifty (50) feet as measured from the stream bank. Runs and ditches where water flows only during rainstorms should have a buffer of thirty-five (35) feet. These buffer areas should be restricted from development and managed to promote the growth of vegetation indigenous to the area which is capable of maintaining the structural integrity of the stream bank. A wetlands buffer should be provided for all wetlands required to be retained by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACOE) or the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA). The buffer should have a width not less than twenty-five (25) feet, measured from the edge of the designated wetland. Existing trees should be preserved and protected to the extent practicable; buffer areas should not be mowed.
- F. <u>Liquid or Solid Wastes</u>: No discharge at any point into any public sewer, private sewage disposal system, or stream, or into the ground, of any materials of such nature or temperature as can contaminate any water supply or interfere with bacterial processes in sewage treatment, shall be permitted. The standards of the Ohio EPA shall be adhered to.

### Section 10.05 – APPLICATIONS

The provisions of this article of the Zoning Resolution shall apply only to land in the Township which has been rezoned (pursuant to O.R.C. 519.12) to Planned Unit Development District, as authorized by O.R.C. 519.021(A), at the election of the owner. Furthermore, the minimum size required for rezoning to a PUD district shall be 40 acres of contiguous land, unless the Zoning Commission finds that consideration of a PUD on lesser acreage substantially accomplishes the intent of the Harlem Township Comprehensive Plan, adheres to the purposes outlined in Section 10.01 of this Resolution, and permits an improved layout of land uses, roadways, or other site features that could not otherwise be achieved under normal zoning.

# Section 10.06 – APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR AMENDING TO PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

The application shall be completed in a two-step process. Step one requires the submission of a proposed Zoning Plan as outlined in Section 10.06(D). The proposed Zoning Plan is subject to approval by the Zoning Commission and the Township Trustees. Step two takes place after the property has been rezoned and will include the proposed Development Plan as outlined in Section 10.09(B). The proposed Development Plan is subject to approval by the Zoning Commission.

- A. Subject to O.R.C. 121.22 (Ohio's Open Meetings Law), the applicant is encouraged to engage in informal consultations with the Zoning Commission and Delaware County Regional Planning Commission (DCRPC) prior to formal submission of a zoning plan requesting an amendment of the zoning map. The purpose of such consultation is to exchange information and provide guidance to the applicant that will assist in preparation of application materials, it being understood that no statement by officials of the Township, DCRPC, or Delaware County shall be considered legally binding commitments.
- B. To apply for the development of a Planned Unit Development District in Harlem Township, the owner of the property shall file an application to rezone the land to Planned Unit Development District (PUD) in accordance with the procedure outlined in O.R.C. 519.12 and in Article XXVII of the Harlem Township Zoning Resolution.
- C. The application for rezoning to a Planned Unit Development District shall contain the following:
  - 1. Name, address, and telephone number of the landowner.
  - 2. Legal description and address of the property to be rezoned.
  - 3. Present zoning district, description of existing uses, and total area of the property to be rezoned.
  - 4. A vicinity map at a scale approved by the Zoning Commission showing existing roads and adjoining properties.
  - 5. The names and addresses of all property owners as shown on the current county tax list, that are adjacent, adjoining, contiguous to, and/or across from the property to be rezoned.
  - 6. Any other matter or information necessary and relevant to the Zoning Commission for the proposed amendment.
- D. <u>Proposed Zoning Plan.</u> In addition to the application required herein, the applicant shall file one (1) original and thirteen (13) copies of a proposed Zoning Plan with the Zoning Commission. The proposed Zoning Plan shall include in text and map form:
  - 1. The size and location of the property to be rezoned;
  - 2. A list and description of the precise land uses proposed for the development, including an approximation of the acreage for each use. Listed uses shall be defined by their customary name or identification, except where they are specifically defined or limited in the Zoning Plan or in the

Harlem Township Zoning Resolution. Any listed use may be limited to specific areas delineated in the proposed Zoning Plan;

- 3. The general development character of the property proposed to be rezoned to a PUD District, including the overall lot sizes, building size limitations, height and lot coverage restrictions, minimum perimeter setback requirements and other general development features including landscaping, screening, and buffering from adjacent properties;
- 4. General architectural design criteria for all structures and criteria for proposed signs and exterior lighting with proposed control features;
- 5. Proposed provisions for water, sanitary sewer, surface drainage, and other utilities, including location of detention areas, with general engineering feasibility studies or other evidence of reasonableness;
- 6. The proposed traffic patterns showing public and private streets, parking areas, walks, and other transportation facilities, including their relationship to existing conditions, topographically and otherwise;
- 7. The relationship of the proposed development to existing and probable uses of surrounding areas during the development timetable;
- 8. Location of parks and other public facilities, if any;
- 9. An inventory and map of existing site features, including general soil types, fish and wildlife habitats, proposed and existing storm water facilities, water features (such as ponds, wetlands, and permanent or intermittent watercourses), areas subject to flooding, natural features (such as trees/woodlands, major rock outcrops, and similar irreplaceable amenities), cultural features (such as historic structures, archaeological sites, or similar heritage resources), and approximate locations of nearby structures;
- 10. The proposed time schedule for development of the site including streets, buildings, utilities, and other facilities and the proposed maintenance plans for areas not being immediately developed. When the PUD is to be constructed in stages during a period of time extending beyond a single construction season, a schedule for the development of such stages or units shall be submitted, stating the approximate beginning and completion date for each such stage or unit and the proportion of the total PUD public or common open space and dwelling units to be provided or constructed during each such stage and the overall chronology of development to be followed from stage to stage;
- 11. Evidence the applicant owns the land; evidence the applicant has the financial resources to implement the Zoning Plan; and evidence of the engineering feasibility of the Zoning Plan;
- 12. A fee as established by the Harlem Township Trustees; and
- 13. Any additional information as may be required by the Zoning Commission.

# Section 10.07 - BASIS OF APPROVAL

In approving an application for a PUD District, the reviewing authorities shall consider:

- A. If the proposed development is consistent in all aspects with the purpose, criteria, intent, and standards of the Harlem Township Zoning Resolution;
- B. If the proposed development is consistent with the Harlem Township Comprehensive Plan;
- C. If the proposed development promotes the public health, safety, and general public welfare, with particular attention to the immediate vicinity of the proposed development area;
- D. If the proposed development is in keeping with the existing land use character and physical development potential of the area;
- E. If the proposed development will be compatible in use and appearance with surrounding land uses;
- F. If the proposed plan meets all of the design features required in this Resolution;
- G. If the proposed development promotes greater efficiency in providing public and utility services;
- H. If the proposed development encourages innovation in land use planning and promotes the conservation of natural and cultural resources;
- I. If the proposed development consolidates and maximizes useable open space;
- J. If the proposed development provides for safe and convenient pedestrian access throughout the PUD district and provides connections to neighboring developments and community facilities;
- K. If the development can be made accessible through existing or future public roadways without creating unreasonable traffic congestion in the immediate vicinity of the proposed development or elsewhere in the Township;
- L. If the development is located and designed in such a way as to minimize negative impact on existing residential areas of the Township; and
- M. If the benefits, improved arrangement, and design of the proposed development justify rezoning the property to the PUD District.

### Section 10.08 – EFFECT OF APPROVAL

A. The Zoning Plan, as approved by the Township Trustees, shall constitute a rezoning of the subject tract to the PUD District, permitting development and use of said land and any structures thereon in accordance with the development standards contained in the Zoning Plan. Thirty (30) days following approval of the Zoning Plan by the Harlem Township Trustees and where no referendum has been filed, the Trustees shall cause the zoning map to be changed to a PUD designation so that the previous Zoning District of the property shall no longer apply. However, no use shall be established or changed, and no

structure shall be constructed or altered on any part of said tract until a Development Plan for the tract is submitted to and approved by the Zoning Commission.

- B. In the event a referendum might be filed in response to the rezoning, the PUD rezoning shall not be effective and the zoning map shall not be changed until thirty (30) days following approval by the Harlem Township Trustees or, if a referendum is filed within such thirty (30) day period, the PUD rezoning shall be effective and the zoning map changed on the first business day after certification from the Board of Elections that said referendum has failed.
- C. The approval of the Zoning Plan shall be for a period of two (2) years, or for such other period as set forth in the approved Zoning Plan, to allow the preparation of the required Development Plan. Unless the Township Trustees approve an extension of this time limit, upon expiration of such period, no use shall be established or changed and no building, structure, or improvement shall be constructed until an application accompanied by a new Zoning Plan has been filed with and approved by the Township. Such application shall be subject to the same procedures and conditions for approval as an original application for amendment to a PUD District. The new application shall comply with the terms of the Zoning Resolution in effect at the time of filing, including any zoning amendments enacted from and after the date of the initial request to rezone the property. In addition, the Township Trustees or Zoning Commission may initiate a zoning amendment to rezone the property to its former (or another similar) classification upon expiration of the Zoning Plan approval period.

# Section 10.09 – SUBMISSION OF DEVELOPMENT PLAN

- A. In the PUD District, no use shall be established or changed and no structure shall be constructed or altered until a Development Plan for each such use and/or structure has been approved by the Zoning Commission.
- B. An application for approval of the Development Plan may be filed no sooner than the first business day following the effective date of the rezoning of the property to a PUD District.
- C. One (1) original and thirteen (13) copies of the application for approval of the Development Plan shall be submitted to the Zoning Commission. The Development Plan must be substantially similar to the previously submitted Zoning Plan and shall include in map and text formats the following information:
  - 1. Proposed name of the development and its location;
  - 2. Names and addresses of owners and developers;
  - 3. A site survey with maps showing the location of all existing natural features of the tract including wooded areas, large trees (trunk diameter of 12 inches and greater), streams, wetlands, floodplains, ravines, roadside trees, existing historical structures, and archaeological sites, and a description of the proposed protection and/or use of these natural and cultural features in the development.
  - 4. The general development character of the tract including the specific limitations or controls to be placed on residential and other uses, with lot sizes and other development features and restrictive covenants applicable to the project;

- 5. A site plan containing the location and dimensions of all buildings, structures, driveways, parking areas, parks and other public open spaces, bike paths and walking trails that encourage connectivity within the development and with neighboring areas, utility rights of way or easements, and other physical features, and (where not apparent) a description of their proposed use;
- 6. Building setback lines with dimensions of lots and structures;
- 7. Architectural design criteria for all structures and criteria for proposed signs and lighting with proposed control procedures;
- 8. Landscaping plans, including a site grading plan at two foot contour intervals, landscape designs, and provisions for long-term maintenance. A statement describing the provisions that are to be made for the care and maintenance of common open space or service facilities shall be provided. If it is proposed that such open space or service facilities be owned and/or maintained by any entity other than a governmental authority, copies of the proposed articles of incorporation and by-laws of such entity shall be submitted;
- 9. The proposed provisions for water, sanitary sewer, and surface drainage, including storm water retention facilities with engineering feasibility studies or other evidence of reasonableness and lack of adverse impact on neighboring properties;
- 10. The proposed traffic patterns including an access plan for the development showing public and private roads and other transportation facilities and parking areas. The relationship of the proposed public and private roads and other transportation facilities to existing public roads and any improvements to such roads shall be indicated. If temporary access roads are required during phased construction, the applicant is responsible for restoring these areas to natural landscaping when these service roads are no longer needed for construction access. All restoration shall be completed within ninety (90) days of the completion of the PUD District Phase for which the road was necessary;
- 11. The relationship of the proposed development to existing and probable uses of surrounding areas during and after the development;
- 12. Any special accommodations and access requirements for emergency and firefighting equipment as required by the Harlem Township Fire Chief;
- 13. Intended measures to screen ground level and rooftop mechanical equipment from view;
- 14. Provisions for the parking and/or storage of trailers of any type, boats, or recreational vehicles;
- 15. Reports prepared by appropriate professionals for an environmental impact study, a cultural resources management survey, and a traffic analysis. Furthermore, the applicant is responsible for notifying any state or federal agencies that may be involved in permitting, licensing, or funding the project that the Township Trustees request status as a consulting party for the project;

- 16. The proposed timetable or schedule for the proposed development, including street and transportation facilities, buildings, utilities, and other facilities, and removal of construction materials, equipment, trailers, and offices;
- 17. If the proposed timetable for development includes plans to develop the land in phases, all phases shall be fully described in text and map formats and each phase shall require approval of a Development Plan for that phase pursuant to the procedures set forth herein. Unless otherwise specified in the Zoning Plan or absent an extension approved by the Zoning Commission, all phases shall be submitted for and receive Development Plan approval within the time frame set forth in Section 10.08(c). An application for Development Plan approval for each phase of a project shall annotate the "as built" conditions and shall be supplemented with an updated construction schedule;
- 18. The proposed provision for the ownership and maintenance of open space as listed in Section 21.13 of this resolution;
- 19. A fee as established by the Harlem Township Trustees; and
- 20. Any additional information as may be required by the Zoning Commission.

# Section 10.10 – PROCESS FOR APPROVAL

- A. The Zoning Commission shall hold such public meetings with the applicant as may be necessary to thoroughly review the Development Plan. Amendments to the Development Plan are permitted with the approval of the Zoning Commission.
- The applicant shall be responsible for all reasonable and necessary expenses incurred by Harlem Β. Township in using professional consulting services to review the Zoning Plan and/or Development Plan. These expenses may include, without limitation, costs for professional consultants such as architects, landscape architects, planners, surveyors, traffic engineers, cultural resource professionals, environmental specialists, and others utilized by the Township in connection with reviewing the Zoning Plan or Development Plan and related application materials. As soon as reasonably practicable following the submission of an application for approval of a Zoning Plan or Development Plan, the Zoning Commission shall decide if it needs a professional consultant(s) to assist it in reviewing the application. If the Zoning Commission decides it needs professional consulting services, it shall designate the person(s) to be consulted and make an initial estimate of the expenses anticipated to be incurred in reviewing the application materials. The Zoning Commission shall provide the applicant with notice of its initial estimate of such expenses. The initial estimate will be reviewed, and may be revised, from time to time during the review process, and if such review results in an increase in the estimated professional consulting fees and charges which will be incurred in the Township's review of the application materials, the Zoning Commission shall send the applicant written notice of the revised estimate of fees and charges. Within fourteen (14) days of the date of the notice of the initial estimate of fees and charges (and, if applicable, within fourteen (14) days of the date of the notice of any revised estimate), the applicant shall deposit in the office of the Township Fiscal Officer or the Fiscal Officer's designee, an amount equal to the estimated cost of the Township's expenses. In making the estimate of the professional consulting fees and charges anticipated to be incurred, the Zoning Commission shall consider the reasonable commercial rates of qualified professionals.

- C. Upon application by the owner(s), the Zoning Commission may extend the time limit provided by Section 10.08(C). Such extension may be given upon showing of the purpose and necessity for same and upon evidence that the owner(s) has made reasonable efforts toward the accomplishment of the original approved Zoning Plan, and that such extension is not in conflict with the health, safety, and general welfare of the public or the development standards of the PUD District.
- D. The Zoning Commission, in reviewing the plan, shall consider, in addition to the general intent and purpose of the Planned Unit Development District, the following factors:
  - 1. Whether the total area to be covered by buildings, structures, or pavement allows sufficient open space for green areas and access of light and air.
  - 2. Whether the proposed density of residential dwelling units is so at variance with that allowed in other districts in the township that it will result in excessive noise, traffic congestion, or lack of access for fire and emergency medical vehicles.
  - 3. Whether there is sufficient screening of refuse containers, utilities, facilities, and parking areas so as to reduce visual clutter to the minimum which is practical.
  - 4. Whether the height, setbacks, and distance between buildings are sufficient to allow space for pedestrian and motor vehicle travel.
  - 5. Whether number, location, size, and use of buildings will create a satisfactory living arrangement and not adversely impact the enjoyment and value of adjacent or nearby properties.
  - 6. Whether the average lot size is so significantly at variance with the size of residential lots in other districts in the township as to adversely impact a lot's resale value or the resale value of nearby properties.
  - 7. Whether proposed lighting is adequate to promote safety of residents but is adequately shielded and directed so as not to interfere with the enjoyment of residents of the development and nearby properties.
  - 8. Whether all utilities are installed underground and whether above ground facilities are located and screened so as to minimize their visual effect.
  - 9. Whether landscaping and green areas are adequate and the provisions for their long-term maintenance are appropriate.
  - 10. Whether any lesser floor area in residential dwelling units than is allowed in other districts in the township is justified by the overall development plan.
  - 11. Whether signs included in the project comply with Article XXII of this Resolution or, if not in compliance, are consistent with the overall purpose of the sign regulations so as not to distract from the project or adversely affect neighboring properties.
  - 12. Whether adequate requirements for parking, including sufficient spaces for visitors, employees, and customers, are provided.

- 13. Whether the streets, driveways, and maneuvering lanes are adequate in width and show a pattern of traffic flow which will minimize congestion and maximize public safety.
- 14. Whether adequate access for emergency vehicles is provided.
- 15. Whether pedestrian walkways are provided that minimize conflict with vehicular traffic.
- 16. Whether all appropriate steps have been taken to minimize any adverse effect on adjoining or neighboring properties.
- 17. Whether adequate provision has been made for ownership and maintenance of open space.
- 18. Whether the Development Plan is at such variance from the Zoning Plan as to show an intent to deceive the Zoning Commission during the approval process of the rezoning application.
- E. The Zoning Commission shall approve the Development Plan if it is in compliance with the purpose and standards of this Article and substantially conforms to the approved Zoning Plan. Upon approval of the Development Plan, the Zoning Commission shall direct that a zoning permit be issued for the project. If the Zoning Commission finds that the Development Plan does not meet the criteria of this Article and the approved Zoning Plan, the Zoning Commission shall not approve the Development Plan until it is brought into substantial compliance with the Zoning Plan upon which the rezoning was based. The final decision of the Zoning Commission in denying approval of a plan shall be appealable to Common Pleas Court pursuant to O.R.C. Chapter 2506.

### Section 10.11 - MODIFICATION OF DEVELOPMENT PLAN

- A. An extension of the time limit for the approved Final Development Plan may be granted by the Township Zoning Commission without public hearing provided they find that such extension is not in conflict with public interest.
- B. A request for modification of an approved development plan may be submitted to the Zoning Commission by the owners of the proposed development (owners are the developer or the entity to which the developer transfers ownership or otherwise legally assigns the right of representation, e.g., another developer, a homeowners association or group of designated trustees) or by signed petition from at least 51% of the current property owners in the development. At the time the request for modifications is submitted, the requestor must submit a written notarized statement indicating that all individual property owners in the development have been notified that a request for modification of the development plan has been submitted. Such notice must contain the specific modification that is being requested.
- C. A request for minor changes to the Development Plan may be approved by the Zoning Commission without being subject to the same procedures as the original application.
- D. In the case of a request for a modification or amendment to the approved Development Plan that represents a substantial departure from the intent of the original proposal, said modification or amendment shall utilize the same procedures and criteria as established for the approval of the original

Development Plan. Substantial departures from the original application include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1. A change in the use or character of the development;
- 2. An increase in overall lot coverage of structures and off-street parking;
- 3. An increase in the density;
- 4. An increase in the problems of traffic circulation and public utilities;
- 5. A reduction in approved open space;
- 6. A reduction of off street parking and loading space;
- 7. A reduction in required pavement widths;
- 8. A reduction of the acreage in the planned development;
- 9. Any other departure from the approved Development Plan which is deemed substantial by the Zoning Commission.

#### Section 10.12 - ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

- A. Upon project completion, all plats, construction drawings, restrictive covenants, an "as built" plat plan, and other necessary documents shall be submitted to the Zoning Inspector, the Zoning Commission or their designated technical advisors for administrative review to ensure substantial compliance with the Development Plan as approved;
- B. The Township Zoning Commission may impose special additional conditions relating to the development with regard to type and extent of public improvements to be installed; landscaping, development, improvement, and maintenance of common open space; and any other pertinent development characteristics.

## **ARTICLE XI - PLANNED RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (PRD)**

#### Section 11.01 - PURPOSE

The Township, recognizing that with increased residential areas which take into account unique natural features, contemporary land use concepts, and a balanced residential environment, hereby provides for the Planned Residential District intending hereby to promote the variety and flexibility of land development for residential purposes that are necessary to meet these demands while still preserving and enhancing the health, safety, and general welfare of the inhabitants of Harlem Township.

## Section 11.02 - APPLICATION

The provisions of this article of the Zoning Resolution shall apply to all lands of the township, regardless of the size, and the owner of any parcel may elect to submit the application for change in the zoning under the provisions of this article despite the fact that the planned densities or size of the tract do not exceed the permitted densities or acreage set forth in Articles VII, VIII, and IX of this Resolution.

#### Section 11.03 - PERMITTED USES

Within the Planned Residential District (PRD) the following uses, developed in strict compliance with the approved development plan and standards, shall be permitted:

- A. Residential structures of any type, either single family or multi-family including but not limited to detached, semi-detached, attached, modular, manufactured/mobile, cluster, patio, common wall or any reasonable variation on the same theme.
- B. Non-residential uses of a cultural, educational or recreational nature or character to the extent that they are designed and intended to serve the residents of the Planned Residential District. Said facilities may be designed to serve adjoining neighborhoods or residents if they are located in such proximity to the major thoroughfares as to permit access without burdening residential streets.
- C. Non-residential uses of a religious nature.
- D. Temporary structures such as mobile offices and temporary buildings of a non-residential character may be used incidental to construction work on the premises on an adjacent public project or during a period while the permanent dwelling is being constructed. The user of said structure shall obtain a permit for such temporary use, which permit shall be valid for six (6) months and may be renewed not more than twice. Renewal of the permit shall be at the discretion of the Zoning Inspector on finding of reasonable progress toward completion of the permanent structure or project. The Zoning Inspector may require provisions for sanitary waste disposal and water supply as he/she deems necessary. The fees for such permit and renewals thereof shall be established by the Board of Township Trustees. Said temporary structure shall be removed not later than ten (10) days after expiration of said permit.

#### Section 11.04 - CONDITIONAL USES

Within the PRD zoning district the following uses may be permitted, subject to the conditions and restrictions imposed by the Board of Zoning Appeals pursuant to the provisions of Article XXVIII of this Resolution.

Conditionally permitted uses shall be considered abandoned if said use or uses are not commenced within one year from the date of approval by the Board of Zoning Appeals or are discontinued for a period in excess of two (2) years. Unless the conditional use permit specifically provides that the grant shall be permanent and shall run with the land, the sale or conveyance of the land and/or structure, wherein the same is located or upon which the same is granted, shall void the conditional use permit, and the subsequent owner(s) or his agent shall be required to reapply for a continuation and/or modification of such uses(s) to the Board of Zoning Appeals. A designation by the Board of Zoning Appeals that a permit is permanent and shall run with the land does not affect the right of authorities to revoke the permit for failure to comply with the conditions imposed. No conditional use shall be implemented until a permit of compliance is issued by the Zoning Inspector.

- A. Home occupations conducted by the resident of a permitted dwelling are subject to the following restrictions:
  - 1. The owner of the premises must reside in the dwelling unit used for the home occupation.
  - 2. No person, who is not a resident of the dwelling unit, may participate in the home occupation as an employee or volunteer.
  - 3. Either the dwelling unit, basement, or attached garage may be utilized in the conduct of the home occupation provided that the area of home occupation conduct does not exceed 400 square feet or 20% of the gross floor area of said dwelling unit, whichever is less.
  - 4. Use of any accessory building for a home occupation is prohibited. No building or space outside of the dwelling unit shall be used for display or storage of goods or material.
  - 5. The external appearance of the dwelling unit in which the home occupation use is to be conducted shall not be structurally altered to accommodate the home occupation; nor shall any electrical, mechanical or chemical equipment be utilized which would substantially increase the fire hazard and/or fire load of the structure as determined by the local fire chief and Ohio Fire Code.
  - 6. No more than two additional parking spaces may be proposed in conjunction with the home occupation and said parking spaces shall not be located in a front yard.
  - 7. Equipment or processes shall not be used in such home occupation which creates noise, vibrations, glare, fumes, odors, or electrical interference detectable off the lot. No equipment or process shall be used which creates visual, audible, or electrical interference in any radio or television receiver or computer terminal off the premises, or causes fluctuations in voltage off the premises.
  - 8. Only one sign shall be allowed. It may display the name of the occupant and/or the name of the home occupation. The sign shall not exceed one square foot in area, shall be non-illuminated, and must be attached flat to the main structure or may be visible through a window. The limitation of one sign shall apply to all lots, including corner lots. Additional use of advertising signs for home occupation on the premises shall not be permitted.
- B. Group homes or residential care facilities in which not more than six (6) persons are provided with room, board, specialized care, rehabilitative services and supervision in a family environment. All such facilities shall possess all approvals and/or licenses as required by state or local agencies. In addition to

all other conditions deemed necessary the following conditions shall be imposed by the Board of Zoning Appeals.

- 1. No exterior alterations of the structure shall be made which depart from the residential character of the building. All new structures shall be compatible in residential design with the surrounding neighborhood.
- 2. All exterior lighting fixtures will be shaded wherever necessary to avoid casting direct light upon any adjoining property located in a residential district.

#### Section 11.05 - PROHIBITED USES

- A. No use not specifically authorized by the express terms of this article of the Zoning Resolution shall be permitted.
- B. Outdoor storage of junk motor vehicles, as defined by ORC 505.173, for a period exceeding fourteen (14) days is prohibited. Said vehicles, if stored on the premises, shall be enclosed within a building so as not to be visible from any adjoining property or public road.
- C. No trailer of any type, boats, motor homes or equipment of any type shall be parked in front of the front building line on any parcel within this district for more than twenty-four (24) hours in any ten (10) day period. If a dwelling is located on the said lot, the building line shall be considered to be the front wall of the dwelling even if said dwelling is located behind the minimum building line established by this code or the restrictions on the plat or subdivision.
- D. No motor home trailer, mobile home, or camper of any type may be occupied by a guest of the resident owner for more than fourteen (14) days. No more than one motor home, trailer, or camper may be occupied for a period on any lot, parcel, or farm.
- E. Except as specifically permitted by Section 11.03 (C) or approved in the development plan, no manufactured/mobile home shall be placed or occupied in this district.
- F. Agricultural activities are prohibited in subdivisions that meet the requirements of the O.R.C., Section 519.21 (see Section 6.02 of this resolution.)
- G. No trash, debris, unused property, or discarded materials which create an eyesore, hazard or nuisance to the neighborhood or general public shall be permitted to accumulate on any lot or portion thereof.
- H. No cultivators, processors, or retail dispensaries of medical marijuana, licensed under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3796, shall be located nor operate in this district.

#### Section 11.06 - PROCEDURE

In addition to any other procedures set out in this Resolution, all applications for amendments to the zoning map to rezone lands to this PRD district shall follow the procedures hereinafter set forth:

A. <u>Application</u>: The owner or owners of lots and lands within the Township may request that the zoning map be amended to include such tracts in the Planned Residential District in accordance with the provisions of this Resolution.

The applicant is encouraged to engage in informal consultations with the Zoning Commission and Regional Planning Commission prior to formal submission of a development plan and request for an amendment of the zoning map, it being understood that no statement by officials of the Township or the County shall be binding upon either.

- B. <u>Development Plan</u>: One original and thirteen (13) copies of the development plan shall be submitted to the Zoning Commission with the application. The plan shall include in text and map form the following:
  - 1. The proposed size and location of the Planned Residential District.
  - 2. The general development character of the tract, including the limitations or controls to be placed on residential and related uses with probable lot sizes, minimum set back requirements and other developmental features including landscaping.
  - 3. Architectural design criteria for all structures and proposed signs with proposed control procedures.
  - 4. The proposed provisions for water, fire hydrants, sanitary sewer and surface drainage with engineering feasibility studies or other evidence of reasonableness.
  - 5. The proposed traffic patterns showing public and private streets and other transportation facilities, including their relationship to existing conditions, topographical and otherwise.
  - 6. The relationship of the proposed development to existing and probable uses of surrounding areas during the development timetable.
  - 7. Location of schools, parks and other facility sites, if any.
  - 8. The proposed time schedule for development of the site including streets, buildings, utilities and other facilities.
  - 9. If the proposed timetable for development includes developing the land in phases, all phases to be developed after the first, which in no event shall be less than five (5) acres or the whole tract (whichever is smaller), shall be fully described in textual form in a manner calculated to give the township officials definitive guidelines for approval of future phases.
  - 10. The ability of the applicant to carry forth its plan by control of the land and the engineering feasibility of the plan.
  - 11. Specific statements of divergence from the development standards in Article VII, VIII, IX, and/or XXI or existing county regulations or standards and the justification therefore. Unless a variance from these development standards is specifically approved, the same shall be complied with.

- 12. Evidence of the applicant's ability to post a bond if the plan is approved ensuring completion of the public service facilities to be constructed within the project by the developer.
- C. <u>Criteria for Approval</u>: In approving an application for a Planned Residential District, the reviewing authorities shall determine:
  - 1. If the proposed development is consistent in all respects with the purpose, intent, and general standards of this Zoning Resolution.
  - 2. If the proposed development conforms to the intent of the comprehensive plan or portion thereof as it may apply.
  - 3. If the proposed development advances the general welfare of the township and the immediate vicinity.
- D. <u>Effect of Approval</u>: The Development Plan as approved by the Zoning Commission and the Township Trustees shall constitute an amendment to the Zoning Resolution as it applies to the lands included in the approved amendment. The approval shall be for a period of three (3) years to allow the preparation of plats required by the Subdivision Regulations of Delaware County, Ohio. Where the land is to be developed in phases, plans for phases subsequent to the first phase shall be submitted in accordance with the timetable in the approved development plan. Unless the required plats are properly recorded and work on said development commences within three (3) years, the approval shall be void and the land shall automatically revert to the previous District unless the application for time extension is timely submitted and approved.
- E. <u>Extension of Time or Modification</u>: An extension of time limit as a modification of the approved development plan may be approved by the Zoning Commission and the Township Trustees. Such approval shall be given only upon a finding of the purpose and necessity for such change or extension and evidence of reasonable effort toward the accomplishment of the original development plan, and that such extension or modification is not in conflict with the general health, welfare and safety of the public or development standards of the district. No extension of time shall be granted except on application filed with the Township Zoning Inspector not later than ninety (90) days before the expiration of the three (3) year period prescribed in Section 11.06(D) as therein before set forth.
- F. <u>Plat Required</u>: In the Planned Residential District (PRD) no use shall be established or changed, and no structure shall be constructed or altered until the required subdivision plat has been prepared and recorded in accordance with the Subdivision Regulations for Delaware County, Ohio, and these Regulations. The subdivision plat shall be in accord with the approved development plan and shall include:
  - 1. Site arrangement, including building setback lines and space to be built upon within the site, water, fire hydrants, sewer, all underground public utility installation including sanitary sewers, surface drainage and waste disposal facilities easements, access points to public right-of-way, parking areas and pedestrian ways, and land reserved for non-highway service use with indication of the nature of such use.
  - 2. Deed restrictions, covenants, easements and encumbrances to be used to control the use, development and maintenance of the land, the improvements thereon, and the activities of

occupants, including those applicable to areas within the tract to be developed for non-residential uses.

3. In the event that public service facilities not to be otherwise guaranteed by a utility have not been constructed prior to recording of the plat, the owner of the property shall post a performance bond in favor of the appropriate public officers in a satisfactory amount ensuring expeditious completion of said facilities within one (1) year after the recording of said plat. In no event, however, shall any zoning certificate be issued for any building or use until such time as the facilities for the phase in which the building or use is located are completed.

#### G. <u>Modification of Development Plan</u>:

- A. An extension of the time limit for the approved Final Development Plan may be granted by the Township Zoning Commission without public hearing provided they find that such extension is not in conflict with public interest.
- B. A request for modification of an approved development plan may be submitted to the Zoning Commission by the owners of the proposed development (owners are the developer or the entity to which the developer transfers ownership or otherwise legally assigns the right of representation, e.g., another developer, a homeowners association or group of designated trustees) or by signed petition from at least 51% of the current property owners in the development. At the time the request for modifications is submitted, the requestor must submit a written notarized statement indicating that all individual property owners in the development have been notified that a request for modification of the development plan has been submitted. Such notice must contain the specific modification that is being requested.
- C. A request for minor changes to the Development Plan may be approved by the Zoning Commission without being subject to the same procedures as the original application.
- D. In the case of a request for a modification or amendment to the approved Development Plan that represents a substantial departure from the intent of the original proposal, said modification or amendment shall utilize the same procedures and criteria as established for the approval of the original Development Plan. Substantial departures from the original application include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - 1. A change in the use or character of the development;
  - 2. An increase in overall lot coverage of structures and off-street parking;
  - 3. An increase in the density;
  - 4. An increase in the problems of traffic circulation and public utilities;
  - 5. A reduction in approved open space;
  - 6. A reduction of off street parking and loading space;
  - 7. A reduction in required pavement widths;

- 8. A reduction of the acreage in the planned development;
- 9. Any other departure from the approved Development Plan which is deemed substantial by the Zoning Commission.
- I. <u>Administrative Review</u>
  - A. All plats, construction drawings, restrictive covenants, a subdivision plan, and other necessary documents shall be submitted to the Zoning Inspector, the Zoning Commission or their designated technical advisors for administrative review to ensure substantial compliance with the Development Plan as approved.

#### Section 11.07 - DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

When a planned district is utilized it shall be in a manner that avoids isolated development. Any proposed development shall include plans for necessary infrastructure improvements and shall have minimal negative impact on existing residential areas. Infrastructure improvements include, but are not limited to, adequate roadways, and central water and sewer. The preservation of open spaces, township roadscapes, cultural resources, and existing natural features, as well as provisions for present and future connectivity between neighboring developments and pedestrian access to any development, shall be priorities when considering a development plan. In addition to any other provisions of this Resolution the following standards for arrangement and development of lands and buildings are required for the Planned Residential District.

- A. <u>Intensity of Use</u>: The maximum density shall be 1.5 dwelling units per gross acre within the area to be developed.
- B. <u>Open Space</u>: A minimum of fifteen thousandths (.015) of an acre per dwelling unit shall be provided as designated open space, arranged and restricted by easement, covenant, deed or dedication. This organized open space shall not include minimum yard space as required or required off-street parking areas; however, it may include recreation or education facilities, fire protection areas, additional street right-of-way in excess of required right-of-way, or other public improvements necessary to the health, safety and welfare of the people. If it is demonstrated to the Zoning Commission that the type of development, adjoining development, or adjoining publicly controlled open space is sufficient, to provide for the health and welfare of the area, the density as therein before set forth may be reduced by not less than ten (10%) percent in lieu of the provisions of organized open space as therein before described.
- C. <u>Arrangement Of Structures</u>
  - 1. <u>Setbacks</u>: The physical relationships of dwelling units, non-dwelling structures and their minimum yard spaces shall be developed in strict compliance with the approved plan or the provisions of Article XXI unless variance therefor is approved.
  - 2. <u>Building Height Limits</u>: No building in this district shall exceed thirty-five (35) feet in height measured from the finished grade established not closer than fifteen (15) feet to the exterior wall of the structure. Barns, silos, grain bins, grain handling conveyors, church spires, domes, flag poles and elevator shafts are exempted from any height regulation and may be erected to any safe

height. No windmill, aerial, antenna, or tower shall be constructed to a height greater than the distance from the center of the base thereof to the nearest property line of said tract.

D. <u>Building Dimensions</u>: (Floor space requirements) – Each single family dwelling shall have the following minimum living area, exclusive of basements, porches or garages

1 story – 1,500 square feet, above grade 1 ½ story – 1,875 square feet, with 1,125 square feet on the first floor above grade Earthberm & underground – 1,500 square feet Split level – 2,000 square feet, with 1,250 square feet above grade Bi-level – 2,000 square feet, with 1,250 square feet above grade 2 story – 2,250 square feet, with 1,125 square feet on the first floor above grade

All single family dwellings shall include a garage of a minimum of 480 square feet, complete with operating doors. This area is not to be included in the living area of the dwelling.

All apartments or other multi-family structures constructed within this district shall contain the following minimum living area, exclusive of basements, porches, breezeways, utility areas and garages:

One (1) bedroom unit	1,000 square feet
Two (2) bedroom unit	1,125 square feet
Three or more bedroom units	1,250 square feet

- E. <u>Landscaping</u>: All yards, front, side and rear, shall be landscaped, and all organized open spaces or nonresidential use areas shall be landscaped. Such landscape plans shall be submitted with the subdivision plat and shall be subject to approval in the same manner required of the subdivision plat.
- F. <u>Site Development:</u> To the maximum extent possible, all natural drainage courses, vegetation, and contours in excess of six (6%) percent shall be maintained.
- G. <u>Parking</u>: Off-street parking shall be provided, at the time of construction of the main structure or building, with adequate provisions for ingress and egress according to the development plan. In preparing and approving the parking plan, the provisions of Article XXI of this Resolution shall, when appropriate, be incorporated.
- H. <u>Signs:</u> Except as provided under the provisions of this article for home occupations or as controlled by Article XXII of this Resolution and except as permitted by the Board of Zoning Appeals incidental to Conditional Uses, no signs shall be permitted in this district except a "For Sale" or "For Rent or Lease" sign advertising the tract on which the said sign is located. Such sign shall not exceed six (6) square feet in area on each side.

The owner or developer of a subdivision or similar area may, upon the conditions and for the time period established by the Zoning Commission, erect one sign not exceeding forty-eight (48) square feet in area per side advertising said subdivision development or tract for sale.

I. <u>Mobile Home Development Standards</u>: In the event mobile homes are included as a type of residence within this district, construction of pads, etc. shall be in conformity with industry standards currently

established by the Mobile Home Park Association, any State or Federal standards established on said subject, or any requirement approved or imposed in the plan of development.

J. The Township Zoning Commission and/or Board of Township Trustees may impose special additional conditions relating to the development with regard to type and extent of public improvements to be installed, landscaping development, improvement, and maintenance of common open space, and any other pertinent development characteristics.

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# **ARTICLE XII - NEIGHBORHOOD OFFICE DISTRICT (C-1)**

### Section 12.01 – PURPOSE

It is the intention of Harlem Township to create a district which will regulate future commercial development and foster expansion and rehabilitation of existing facilities to provide the atmosphere and opportunity to develop neighborhood-oriented office facilities which are small, pleasant, safe and convenient to the neighborhood.

## Section 12.02 – APPLICATION

The provisions of this article of the Zoning Resolution shall apply to all proposed uses which are designed to serve the local community.

## Section 12.03 – PERMITTED USES

Within the Neighborhood Office District (C-1) the following uses, developed in accordance with other provisions of this resolution, shall be permitted.

- A. Office facilities for the providing of personal services such as insurance agencies, insurance brokers, real estate offices, law offices, offices of physicians, dentists, osteopaths, chiropractors, podiatrists or other allied medical, dental or optical fields, accountants, architects and engineers.
- B. Offices of credit agencies, personal credit institutions or loan offices, provided that no drive-in windows are provided.
- C. Offices of veterinarians.
- D. Other offices, similar in nature or character, as determined by the Zoning Commission.
- E. Temporary structures such as mobile offices and temporary buildings of a non-residential character may be used incidental to construction work on the premises or on adjacent public projects or during a period while the permanent structure is being constructed. The user of said structure shall obtain a permit for such temporary use, which permit shall be valid for six (6) months and may be renewed not more than twice. Renewal of the permit shall be at the discretion of the Zoning Inspector on finding of reasonable progress toward completion of the permanent structure or project. The Zoning Inspector may require provisions for sanitary waste disposal, solid waste disposal and water supply, as he/she deems necessary. The fees for such permit and renewals thereof shall be established by the Township Trustees. Said temporary structure shall be removed not later than ten (10) days after expiration of said permit. No unit shall be occupied as a residence without approval of the Board of Zoning Appeals as granted in compliance with provisions of Article XXVIII of this Resolution.

#### Section 12.04 - CONDITIONAL USES

Within this zoning district the following uses may be permitted, subject to the conditions and restrictions imposed by the Board of Zoning Appeals pursuant to the provisions of Article XXVIII of this Resolution. Conditionally permitted uses shall be considered abandoned if said use or uses are not commenced within one (1) year from the date of approval by the Board of Zoning Appeals, or are discontinued for a period in excess of two (2) years. Unless the conditional use permit specifically provides that the grant shall be permanent and shall run with the land, the sale or conveyance of the land and/or structure wherein the same is located or upon which the same is granted shall void the conditional use permit, and the subsequent owner(s) or his agent shall be required to reapply for a continuation and/or modification of such uses(s) to the Board of Zoning Appeals. A designation by the Board of Zoning Appeals that a permit is permanent and shall run with the land does not affect the right of authorities to revoke the permit for failure to comply with the conditions imposed. No conditional use shall be implemented until a permit of compliance is issued by the Zoning Inspector.

A. Single family dwelling, provided that the residence constructed within this district shall contain the following minimum living area, exclusive of porches, basements, or garages:

1 Story – 1,500 square feet of living area above grade
1 ½ Story – 1,875 square feet of living area with 1,125 square feet on the first floor above grade
Earthberm and Underground – 1,500 square feet of living area
Split level – 2,000 square feet of living area with 1,250 square feet above grade
Bi-level – 2,000 square feet of living area with 1,250 square feet above grade
2 Story – 2,250 square feet of living area with 1,125 square feet on the first floor above grade

All single family dwellings shall include a garage of a minimum of 480 square feet, complete with operating doors; this area is not to be included in the living area of the dwelling.

B. Apartments in areas over or adjacent to the office facility provided that apartments constructed within this district shall contain the following minimum living area, exclusive of porches, basements, or garages:

One (1) bedroom unit	1,000 Sq. ft.
Two (2) bedroom unit	1,125 Sq. ft.
Three or more bedroom units	1,250 Sq. ft.

C. Kindergarten or child care facilities, provided the building occupied by the use is architecturally compatible with the neighborhood, and provisions are made for vehicular access, parking and fences to control accessibility of the children to adjoining hazardous conditions such as roads, streets, lakes, ponds, etc. or adjacent yards.

## Section 12.05 – PROHIBITED USES

- A. No use not specifically authorized by the express terms of this article of the Zoning Resolution shall be permitted.
- B. The outdoor storage of junk motor vehicles, as defined by ORC 505.173, for a period exceeding fourteen (14) days is prohibited. Said vehicle, if stored on the premises shall be enclosed within a building so as not to be visible from any adjoining property or public road.
- C. No trailer of any type, boats, motor homes or equipment of any type shall be parked in front of the front building line on any lot within this district. If a structure is located on the tract of land or lot the building line shall be considered to be the front wall of the structure, even if said structure is located behind the minimum building line established by this code or the restrictions on the plat or deed.

- D. Except as specifically permitted by Section 12.03 (E) herein, no manufactured/mobile office structure shall be placed or occupied in this district.
- E. No cultivators, processors, or retail dispensaries of medical marijuana, licensed under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3796, shall be located nor operate in this district.

#### Section 12.06 - DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

In addition to any other provisions of this Resolution, all lands and uses within the Neighborhood Office District shall be developed in strict compliance with the standards hereinafter established.

- A. <u>Building Size</u>: No structure in this district shall contain more than three thousand (3000) square feet of floor space per floor devoted to any permitted or conditional use. Limited to one structure per parcel, tract or lot.
- B. <u>Lot Size</u>: No minimum lot size shall be required; however, the lot size shall be adequate to provide the yard spaces and off-street parking as herein required.
- C. <u>Lot Width</u>: No minimum lot width shall be required; however, all commercial tracts shall have access to approved streets and shall be such width as to provide required yard spaces and off-street parking.
- D. <u>Building Height</u>: No building shall exceed two (2) stories or thirty-five (35) feet in height measured from the finished grade established not closer than fifteen (15) feet to the exterior wall of the structure.
- E. <u>Building Setback</u>: No building or use shall be located closer to the right of way line or center line of the adjacent public or private road than permitted in Article XXI of this Resolution.
- F. <u>Side Yard</u>: Side yards shall be required not less than one-fourth (1/4) of the sum of the height and depth of the buildings but in no case less than twenty five (25) feet.
- G. <u>Rear Yard</u>: Rear yards of not less than thirty (30) feet shall be required.
- H. <u>Screening</u>: All commercial and office areas shall provide a screening of shrubbery or artificial fencing so as to hide trash collection areas and service areas from view. All such shrubbery shall be properly trimmed, and all screening shall be maintained in a neat and tidy manner.
- I. <u>Parking</u>: Off-street parking shall be provided within this district in strict compliance with the provisions of Article XXI of this Resolution.
- J. <u>Signs</u>: Signs identifying or advertising uses within this district shall be in strict compliance with the regulations imposed by Article XXII of this Resolution.
- K. <u>Lighting</u>: Exterior lighting fixtures shall be shaded, shielded or directed so that the light intensity or brightness shall not be objectionable to surrounding areas.
- L. <u>Freight Loading Area</u>: When any use within this district requires the pickup or delivery of merchandise or supplies, an adequate loading area for such activity shall be provided on the lot occupied by the use. No such loading area shall be located on any public street or alley. Such loading area, as provided shall

be adequate in size to accommodate tractor-trailer (semi) units with adequate room to permit entry to such loading area without interfering with traffic on adjacent streets or highways.

M. <u>Landscape Plan</u>: When any use abuts on a Class A or Class B road as defined in Section 21.10 herein, a landscape plan shall be developed which is compatible, in the discretion of the Zoning Commission, with the adjoining areas, and the owner or occupant of the premises shall at all times maintain all grassed and landscaped areas.

# Article XIII – PLANNED RESIDENTIAL CONSERVATION DISTRICT (PRCD)

## Section 13.01 – PURPOSE

The Planned Residential Conservation District (PRCD) is created pursuant to Section 519.021 (C) of the Ohio Revised Code to promote the general public welfare, encourage the efficient use of land and resources, promote greater efficiency in public utility services, and encourage innovation in the planning and building of all types of development. The PRCD achieves this purpose by allowing the development of conservation subdivisions that:

- A. permanently preserve and integrate open space within residential developments;
- B. offer landowners alternatives to standard tract development of their land;
- C. establish a less sprawling, more efficient use of land, streets and utilities;
- D. protect and conserve farmland, historical and cultural features, and minimize topographical changes and damage to existing landscapes and vegetation;
- E. create usable and accessible open space, recreational areas, and green corridors for wildlife, walking trails and/or bike paths; and
- F. encourage creativity and environmental responsibility in design through a controlled process of review and approval of the development plan and related documents.

## Section 13.02 - OVERLAY AREA

The PRCD is created pursuant to Section 519.021 (C) of the Ohio Revised Code and encompasses, includes and overlays all land that is currently zoned Farm Residential (FR-1) and Agricultural Residential (AR-1) on the effective date of this amendment to the Harlem Township February 22, 2014.

## Section 13.03 - EFFECT OF PRCD OVERLAY DESIGNATION

As of the effective date of this amendment, all land currently zoned Farm Residential (FR-1) and Agricultural Residential (AR-1) as shown on the most current Township Zoning District Map is eligible for PRCD overlay zoning.

The zoning regulations currently in place shall continue to apply to all property within the PRCD unless the Zoning Commission approves an application by an owner of property within the FR-1 District and AR-1 District to subject the owner's property to the provisions of the PRCD.

Such an application shall be made in accordance with the provisions of this Article of the Township Zoning Resolution and shall include a development plan in compliance with the provisions of said Article.

Upon receiving such an application, the Zoning Commission shall determine whether the application and development plan comply with the provisions of Article XIII. This determination shall not be considered to be an amendment to the Township Zoning Resolution for purposes of 519.12 of the Ohio Revised Code, but may be appealed pursuant to Chapter 2506 of the Revised Code.

If the Zoning Commission determines that the application and development plan do not comply with the PRCD regulations of Article XIII of this Resolution, the Zoning Commission shall deny the application. The applicant can file a Chapter 2506 appeal pursuant to ORC 519.021 (C).

If the Zoning Commission determines that the application and development plan comply with the provisions of Article XIII, it shall approve the application, and cause the zoning map to be changed so the Farm Residential District (FR-1) or Agricultural Residential District (AR-1) no longer applies to such property, with the property being thenceforth located in the PRCD and subject to the regulations hereunder. The approval of the application and development plan and the removal of the prior FR-1 or AR-1 Zoning District from the zoning map is an administrative, ministerial act and shall not be considered to be an amendment to the Township Zoning Resolutions.

## Section 13.04 - PERMITTED USES

- A. Single family detached dwellings.
- B. Common wall single family attached dwellings.
- C. Two family dwellings.
- D. Multi-family dwellings, provided they comprise no more than twenty percent (20%) of the total allowable density.
- E. Open Space Upon approval of the final development plan by the Zoning Commission, the following types of activities are permitted within open space, including but not limited to:
  - 1. Bocce, baseball, basketball, softball, football, volleyball, badminton, golf, soccer, swimming, tennis, ice or roller skating, rollerblading, Frisbee, bird watching, horseshoes, canoeing, rowing, jogging, walking, gardening, and bicycling. If open space is intended to be used as a commercial venture, it shall be so stated in the development plan and approved by the Zoning Commission. All open space lands shall be permanently owned as provided in Section 13.08.
  - 2. Accessory service buildings and structures incidental and pertinent to permitted uses in paragraph a.) above, where said accessory service buildings and structures are necessary to the pursuit of a permitted recreational use on the premise.
  - 3. Natural (Open Space) Area-restricted to passive uses such as fishing, swimming, hiking, canoeing, and such other recreation that does not alter any of the natural features of the area.
  - 4. The Zoning Commission may allow limited agricultural uses to be considered as open space.
- F. Other uses which, in the opinion of the Zoning Commission, advance the purposes of the PRCD and are adequately designed, located and otherwise provided for by the development plan and other required documents.

#### Section 13.05 - DESIGNING A CONSERVATION SUBDIVISION

A conservation subdivision is an open space development designed in accordance with the following process:

- A. Design Process:
  - 1. Delineate primary conservation areas. Preserve as natural open space.
  - 2. Delineate secondary conservation areas. Preserve selected areas as common (improved) or natural open space.
  - 3. Draw house footprints and lot lines outside the conservation areas based upon the permitted density calculations.
- B. Design Guidelines:
  - 1. To reduce visual impact, dwellings should typically be located along the edges rather than in the center of open field if they will be seen from existing public roads. Avoid new construction on prominent hilltops or ridges.
  - 2. Front dwellings on internal roads, not on external roads.
  - 3. Eighty-five percent (85%) or more of the total number of house lots should have a direct view of common open space.
  - 4. Retain or replant native vegetation adjacent to wetlands and surface waters.
  - 5. Preserve existing hedge and tree lines to the extent practicable.
  - 6. Preserve scenic views and vistas.
  - 7. Protect wildlife habitat areas of species listed as endangered, threatened, or of special concern by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources.
  - 8. Preserve historic or archaeological sites (e.g. earthworks, burial grounds).
  - 9. Landscape or retain vegetation in common areas with native trees and shrubs.
  - 10. Place shade trees along internal roads at fifty (50) foot intervals on at least one side of the road.
  - 11. Provide active recreational areas in suitable locations.
  - 12. Include a viable pedestrian circulation system, meaning a minimum of a five (5) foot wide asphalt bike and walking path throughout the development. Provide for connection to surrounding neighborhoods (existing and potential).
  - 13. Protect natural drainage swales and creeks. No construction of buildings inside the 100-year floodplain.
  - 14. Provide permanent open space, according to Section 13.07 (B).

## Section 13.06 - PROCEDURE TO CREATE A CONSERVATION SUBDIVISION

- A. Prepare an Existing Features (Site Analysis) Map. At a minimum this map shall include general soil types, fish and wildlife habitats, storm water facilities, water features (such as ponds, wetlands, and permanent or intermittent watercourses), areas subject to flooding, natural features (such as trees/woodlands, major rock outcrops, and similar irreplaceable amenities), cultural features (such as historic structures, archaeological sites, or similar heritage resources), and approximate locations of nearby structures.
- B. Submit Existing Features (Site Analysis) Map without fee The applicant shall submit the existing features (site analysis) map for a tract(s) of land to be considered as a conservation subdivision with the Township Zoning Commission, and schedule an agreeable time to jointly visit the site for an on-site walkabout.
- C. On-Site Walkabout The applicant, the Zoning Inspector, one member of the Zoning Commission and one member of the Board of Township Trustees may visit and view the site, at which time the primary and secondary conservation areas should be identified. If members of the public wish to participate in the walkabout they shall execute a release of liability in favor of the Township, the applicant, and the property owner.
- D. Conceptual Development Plan At the completion of the on-site walkabout a conceptual development plan should be proposed by the applicant or the applicant's representative for comments from those in attendance. No binding decisions or votes are made at the on-site walkabout.
- E. Prepare Application and Final Development Plan Applicant shall prepare and submit a formal application including the final development plan (consisting of one [1] original and thirteen [13] copies) and fees to the Township Zoning Commission. The Zoning Commission shall schedule a public hearing. Notice of the hearing shall be given by regular mail to all property owners that are adjacent, adjoining, contiguous to, and across from the proposed PRCD. The failure of delivery of such notice shall not invalidate any action taken on the application. The Zoning Commission may request comments from the Delaware County Regional Planning Commission (DCRPC). The DCRPC's review is administrative. The Zoning Commission's review is also administrative.

The applicant may submit a preliminary development plan to test the appropriateness of the design and the general attention to the development standards of Section 13.07 prior to submitting a final development plan. Such preliminary development plan shall be reviewed by the Zoning Commission using their preliminary meeting sequence and procedures.

The final development plan shall address all design guidelines from Section 13.05 (B). The final development plan shall be drawn to a scale of at least 1'' = 100', and shall include in text and map form the following:

- 1. Proposed name of the development and a survey plan and legal description signed by a registered Ohio surveyor showing the size and location of the proposed development;
- 2. Names and addresses of owners and developers;

- 3. A site survey with maps showing the topography and the location of all existing natural and cultural features of the tract including wooded areas, large trees (trunk diameter of 12 inches and greater), roadside trees, streams, watercourses, drainage patterns, wetlands, floodplains, ravines, existing historical structures, archaeological sites, and a description of the proposed protection and/or use of these natural and cultural features in the development.
- 4. The general development character of the tract including the specific limitations or controls to be placed on residential and other uses, with lot sizes and other development features and restrictive covenants applicable to the project;
- 5. A site plan containing the location and dimensions of all primary and secondary conservation areas, buildings, structures, driveways, parking areas, parks and other public open spaces, bike paths and walking trails that encourage connectivity within the development and with neighboring areas, utility rights of way or easements, proposed new easements to the extent known and other physical features, and (where not apparent) a description of their proposed use. No structure (other than approved drainage structures as shown on the development plan or other approved structures, such as a park shelter) shall be constructed within the limits of the 100-year floodplain as mapped by FEMA on the Flood Insurance Rate Maps for Delaware County;
- 6. Building setback lines with dimensions of lots and structures;
- 7. Dwelling unit types, the total number of dwelling units proposed for the site density, and the method and manner used to calculate density;
- 8. Architectural design guidelines including lighting, materials, colors and typical renderings for structures and proposed procedures for controlling architectural design elements;
- 9. Signs, with specific renderings of the elevations. Any proposed lighting shall include control procedures;
- 10. All commonly owned structures and recreational facilities;
- 11. Landscaping plans, including a site grading plan at two foot contour intervals, landscape designs, entrance features and provisions for long-term maintenance. A statement describing the provisions that are to be made for the care and maintenance of common open space or service facilities shall be provided. If it is proposed that such open space or service facilities be owned and/or maintained by any entity other than a governmental authority, copies of the proposed articles of incorporation and by-laws of such entity shall be submitted;
- 12. The proposed provisions for water, fire hydrants, sanitary sewer, and surface drainage, including storm water retention facilities with engineering feasibility studies or other evidence of reasonableness and lack of adverse impact on neighboring properties;
- 13. The proposed traffic patterns including an access plan for the development showing public and private roads and other transportation facilities and parking areas. The relationship of the proposed public and private roads and other transportation facilities to existing public roads and any improvements to such roads shall be indicated. If temporary access roads are required during phased construction, the applicant is responsible for restoring these areas to natural landscaping

when these service roads are no longer needed for construction access. All restoration shall be completed within ninety (90) days of the completion of the PRCD phase for which the road was necessary;

- 14. The relationship of the proposed development to existing and probable uses of surrounding areas during and after the development;
- 15. Identification and location of all land dedicated to schools, parks and other public facility sites within or adjacent to the site;
- 16. Any special accommodations and access requirements for emergency and firefighting equipment as required by the Harlem Township Fire Chief;
- 17. Intended measures to screen ground level and rooftop mechanical equipment from view;
- 18. Provisions for the parking and/or storage of trailers of any type, boats, or recreational vehicles;
- 19. Reports prepared by appropriate professionals for an environmental impact study, a cultural resources management survey, and a traffic analysis. Furthermore, the applicant is responsible for notifying any state or federal agencies that may be involved in permitting, licensing, or funding the project that the Township Trustees request status as a consulting party for the project;
- 20. The proposed timetable or schedule for the proposed development, including street and transportation facilities, buildings, utilities, and other facilities, and removal of construction materials, equipment, trailers, and offices;
- 21. If the proposed timetable for development includes plans to develop the land in phases, all phases shall be fully described in text and map formats and each phase shall require approval of a development plan for that phase pursuant to the procedures set forth herein. Unless otherwise specified in the Zoning Plan or absent an extension approved by the Zoning Commission, all phases shall be submitted for and receive development plan approval within the time frame set forth in Section 13.07. An application for development plan approval for each phase of a project shall annotate the "as built" conditions and shall be supplemented with an updated construction schedule;
- 22. Deed restrictions, protective covenants, and other legal statements or devices to be used to control the use, development and maintenance of the land, the improvements thereon, including those areas which are to be commonly owned and maintained as well as the open space;
- 23. The ability of the applicant to carry forth this plan by control of the land and the engineering feasibility of the plan;
- 24. The various plans that make up the development plan shall bear the seal of a professional engineer, surveyor and an architect or landscape architect, each of whom shall be licensed to practice in the State of Ohio, and shall stamp their individual plans;
- 25. Unless specifically superseded by the standards contained in Article XIII or those standards approved in the development plan, the development shall comply with the requirements

contained in the General Development Standards in Article XXI of this Resolution. Except for density, and the percentage of required open space, the applicant may request a divergence by the Zoning Commission from the development standards set forth in Article XIII or Article XXI. An applicant making such a request shall specifically and separately list each requested divergence and the justification thereof on the development plan submitted, with a request that the proposed divergence be approved "per plan";

- 26. A fee as established by the Harlem Township Trustees; and
- 27. Any additional information as may be required by the Zoning Commission.
- F. Public Hearing The Township Zoning Commission, after giving proper notice, shall hold a public hearing on the request within a reasonable period of time after receipt of the application, final development plan and submission of fees.
- G. Action by the Township Zoning Commission The Township Zoning Commission may approve divergences they find are warranted by the design and amenities incorporated in the development plan. The Zoning Commission shall recommend approval of the application for the PRCD and final development plan provided it determines that the application and plan comply with the standards of Section 13.07 and the process of Article XIII. If the Zoning Commission finds that the development plan does not meet the standards of Section 13.07 and the provisions of Article XIII, or that divergences requested are not warranted, they shall deny the plan or the divergences. The Zoning Commission shall forward the development plan and their recommendation to the Township Trustees for their review.
- H. Action by the Township Trustees Upon receipt of the development plan and the Zoning Commission's recommendation, the Trustees shall hold a properly advertised public hearing. The Trustees can uphold, modify, or overturn the recommendation of the Zoning Commission. A simple majority is required by the Trustees to uphold, modify or overturn the Zoning Commission's recommendation.
- I. Subdivision Plat No zoning certificate shall be issued for any structure in any portion of a PRCD for which a plat is required by the Delaware County Subdivision Regulations unless and until:
  - 1. The final subdivision plat for that portion has been approved by the Delaware County Regional Planning Commission, the Delaware County Commissioners and then recorded.
  - 2. A full size and an 11" x 17" copy of the recorded plat have been filed with the zoning inspector.

No modification of the provisions of the final development plan, or any part thereof as finally approved, shall be made unless the provisions of subsection 13.09 are followed. The applicant shall submit the subdivision plat to the Zoning Inspector for review to assure the notes and agreed conditions on the development plan are not compromised by final engineering.

J. Zoning Certificate – After the final development plan is approved and any required final Subdivision Plat is recorded, the Zoning Inspector may issue a zoning permit upon payment of the required fees and submission of the detailed landscaping plan for each lot. The zoning permit for a PRCD development shall be for a period not to exceed two (2) years or that period approved in the final development plan unless otherwise provided for by an approved extension. If significant construction, meaning the physical placement of roads or foundations, has not begun within two (2) years after final development

plan approval is granted or within the time period approved in the final development plan, then the final development plan approval shall be void. In such case, the PRCD zoning and map amendment remain in place, but a development plan must be resubmitted for approval.

## Section 13.07 - PRCD DEVELOPMENT PLAN STANDARDS

- A. Minimum tract size for a PRCD Subdivision Twenty-five (25) acres.
- B. Open Space At least fifty percent (50%) of the gross tract acreage shall be designated as permanent open space, not to be further developed, unless an exception as provided in 13.07 (C) (2) is granted by the Zoning Commission. Open space locations and uses shall be identified on the development plan and shall be subject to the approval of the Zoning Commission. Open space shall be owned, administered and maintained as identified on the development plan pursuant to Section 13.08. With prior consent through resolution of the Board of Trustees of Township, land may be transferred to the Township for public purposes if approved as a part of the final development plan. Uses of land transferred to the Township for public purposes must be approved as a part of the final development plan and may include, but are not limited to trails and active recreation. The decision whether to accept an applicant's offer to dedicate open space for public use shall be at the discretion of the Township Trustees. Land dedicated to public purposes may count toward the open space requirement if approved on the development plan.
  - 1. At least fifteen percent (15%) of the minimum required open space shall be suitable for active recreation purposes in order to preserve a reasonable proportion of natural open space on the site, but no more than twenty-five percent (25%) shall be utilized for active recreation. The development plan shall specify the purposes for which open space areas are proposed. Any recreational facilities proposed to be constructed within open space areas shall be clearly shown on the development plan.
  - 2. At least twenty-five percent (25%) of the minimum required open space shall be permanent common natural open space.
  - 3. In calculating open space, the areas of fee simple lots conveyed to homeowners shall not be included.
  - 4. Some areas of the required open space may be used for underground drainage fields for on-site treatment systems as approved per the development plan.
  - 5. Primary conservation areas, plus storm water management detention/retention ponds, plus constructed wetlands acting as detention basins, plus sewage treatment areas may count in their combined aggregate for up to fifty percent (50%) of the required open space. No more than fifteen (15%) of the combined aggregate shall be used for sewage treatment areas.
  - 6. Any area of natural open space that is proposed to be disturbed during construction or otherwise not preserved in its natural state shall be shown on the development plan and, if required, shall be restored with vegetation that is compatible with the natural characteristics of the site. The method and timing of any restoration shall be set forth in the development plan.
- C. Determining The Number of Dwelling Units Permitted

The permitted density is the number of dwelling units allowed in the development. Applicants shall have two options to establish the legally permitted density.

Either:

- 1. Multiply the net developable area (in acres) by either:
  - a. Six tenths (0.6) dwelling unit per net developable acre with on-site treatment systems; or
  - b. Seventy-five hundredths (0.75) dwelling unit per net developable acre with centralized sewer.
  - c. The result in either case shall be rounded down to the nearest whole number;

Or:

2. Create a "yield plan" for a conventional subdivision of two (2) acre lots. The conservation subdivision may cluster the same number of dwelling units as provided herein. Such a "yield plan" consists of a conventional lot and street layout and must conform to the Township's regulations for the Farm Residential Zoning District (FR-1) governing lot dimensions, land suitable for development, street design, parking, water supply and general sewage disposal feasibility (by soils mapping or other alternative). Although such plans shall be conceptual in nature, and are not intended to involve significant costs, they must be realistic and must not show potential house sites or streets in areas that would not ordinarily be legally permitted in a conventional layout.

A typical "yield plan" would include, at minimum, basic topography, location of wetlands, 100-year floodplains, slopes exceeding twenty percent (20%), and soils subject to slumping, as indicated on the medium-intensity maps contained in the county soil survey published by the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service.

- D. Sewage Disposal For centralized sanitary sewer usage, a feasibility letter shall be provided by the Delaware County Sanitary Engineer indicating that sewer service is available with the capacity needed.
   For sites not served by public centralized sanitary sewer, sewage disposal feasibility shall be demonstrated by letter from either the Delaware General Health District or the Ohio EPA.
- E. Perimeter Setback No building shall be constructed within fifty (50) feet of the external boundary of the conservation subdivision.
- F. Storm Water Features shall be designed to manage storm water retention and prevent erosion, flooding or standing water.
- G. Subdivision Standards Public streets and all drainage improvements shall conform to the subdivision standards for Delaware County, Ohio or as otherwise approved per the final development plan.

- H. Pavement Standards for Condominium Drives All condominium drives that are not dedicated for public maintenance shall be constructed to a pavement width and cross section that meets the average daily traffic and weights anticipated in the Delaware County Engineer's Location and Design Manual, or shall have a design life of twenty (20) years.
- I. Pavement Standards for Parking Lots Parking lots and private driveways do not have to meet street cross sectional standards, but parking lot drive aisles that connect to the public streets shall be constructed to public street cross sectional and design life standards within fifty (50) feet of the edge of the public paved road.
- J. Paths A five (5) foot wide asphalt walking or bike path is required for conservation subdivisions. Paths shall be separated from the paved street surface by at least five (5) feet of landscaped or grassed strip. The Township may also require paved or unpaved walkways to connect residential areas and open spaces.
- K. Street Trees Deciduous, broad leaf street trees with a minimum caliper of three (3) inches at planting shall be planted (or retained) at least every fifty (50) lineal feet along at least one side of the street(s).
- L. Minimum Front Setbacks Dwelling Units and garages shall be set back a minimum of sixty (60) feet from the surveyed center line of the street.
- M. Minimum Lot Size Twelve thousand (12,000) square feet for single family detached dwellings on fee simple ownership lots, or as otherwise approved on the final development plan. Attached dwelling units or detached condominiums as approved per the final development plan.
- N. Minimum Lot Width at the building line
  - 1. 80' lot widths may be used for a maximum of thirty percent (30%) of the total single family lots.
  - 2. 90' lot widths may be used for a maximum of thirty percent (30%) of the total single family lots.
  - 3. 100' or wider lots shall be used for at least forty percent (40%) of the total single family lots or as otherwise approved per final development plan.
- O. Minimum Side yards Twelve and one-half (12 ½) feet each side for single family and common wall single family units and their garages, with no encroachments. For multi-family or non-residential structures the minimum separation between building units shall be thirty (30) feet.
- P. Driveway Setbacks Two (2) feet from side lot line. Side-load garages shall provide at least twenty-four (24) feet of paved apron, exclusive of the two (2) foot side lot line for single family detached dwellings on fee simple ownership lots. Attached units or detached condominiums as approved per the final development plan.
- Q. Minimum Rear yard Thirty (30) feet for single family detached dwellings on fee simple ownership lots and attached garages. Fifteen (15) feet for accessory buildings. Attached units or detached condominiums as approved per the final development plan.

- R. Building Height Requirement No principal building in this district shall exceed forty-five (45) feet in height, as defined under "building height" in Article IV of the Township Zoning Resolution.
- S. Minimum Dwelling Unit Floor Area No dwelling shall be constructed in said zoned district of Harlem Township unless the same shall have at least the minimum square feet of living area, exclusive of basements, porches, breezeways, utility areas, and garages as set forth in the following schedule of dwelling types:

One (1) story - 900 square feet of living area above grade. One and one half (1  $\frac{1}{2}$ ) or Two (2) story - 1200 square feet of living area above grade.

All dwellings shall include a garage (attached or unattached) of a minimum of 240 square feet complete with operating doors; this area is not to be included in the living area of the dwelling.

- T. Street Lighting if provided, a lighting plan shall be submitted with and approved as a part of the final development plan.
- U. Landscaping All yards, front, side and rear, shall be landscaped to comply with the provisions of Article XXI of the Township Zoning Resolution, or as approved per the final development plan. All improved common open space shall be landscaped per the approved development plan. A landscape plan for the common open space and streetscape within road right-of-way shall be prepared by a licensed landscape architect showing the caliper, height, numbers, name and placement of all material, and shall be submitted with and approved as a part of the final development plan.
- V. Parking Off-street parking shall be provided. Construction traffic may park in the street, but only on one side so as to allow for safe access by emergency equipment. Off-street parking shall comply with the provisions of Article XXI of the Township Zoning Resolution, or as approved per the final development plan.
- W. Signs All signs shall be in accordance with Article XXII of the Township Zoning Resolution, or as approved per the final development plan.
- X. Utilities All utilities in the Conservation Subdivision shall be buried underground.
- Y. Other Requirements Unless specifically supplemented by the standards contained in Article XIII, or those standards approved by divergence in the development plan, the development shall comply with all the General Development Standards applicable to all zoning districts as set forth in Article XXI of the Township Zoning Resolution.
- Z. Supplemental Conditions and Safeguards If the Zoning Commission determines that additional measures are needed to buffer existing land uses they may require such as part of the development plan approval.
- AA. Divergences The Zoning Commission, as a part of development plan approval, may grant divergences from any standard or requirement in this Section with the exception of density, and the percentage of required open space. An applicant requesting a divergence shall specifically and separately list each requested divergence and the justification therefore on the development plan submittals with a request that the proposed divergence be approved "per plan".

### Section 13.08 - OWNERSHIP AND MAINTENANCE OF COMMON OPEN SPACE

A. Ownership of Common Open Space

Different ownership and management options may apply to the permanently protected common open space created through the development process. The common open space shall remain in perpetuity and may be owned as identified in Section 13.08. A public land dedication, not exceeding ten percent (10%) of the total parcel size, may be required by the Township to facilitate trail or pathway connections. A narrative describing ownership, use and maintenance responsibilities shall be submitted for all common and public improvements, utilities, and open spaces.

Common open space within the development shall be owned, administered, and maintained by any of the following methods, either individually or in combination, and subject to approval by the Township.

- 1. Offer of Dedication. The Township shall have the right of first refusal for common open space in the event said land is to be conveyed to a public agency. Dedication shall take the form of a fee simple ownership. The Township may, but is not required to accept common open space provided: 1) such land is accessible to all the residents of the Township; 2) there is no cost of acquisition other than incidental costs related to the transfer of ownership; 3) the Township agrees to maintain such lands. Where the Township accepts dedication of common open space that contains improvements, the Township may require the posting of financial security to ensure structural integrity of improvements for a term not to exceed eighteen (18) months.
- 2. Homeowners Association. The common open space and associated facilities may be held in common ownership by a homeowners association. The association shall be formed and operated under the following provisions:
  - a. The developer shall provide a description of the association, including its bylaws and methods for maintaining the common open space.
  - b. The association shall be organized by the developer and shall be operated by the developer, before the sale of any lots within the development.
  - c. Membership in the association is mandatory for all purchasers of homes therein and their successors. The conditions and timing of transferring control of the association from developer to homeowners shall be identified.
  - d. The association shall be responsible for payment of insurance and taxes on the common open space. The association may establish rules to ensure proper maintenance of common open space, including monetary liens on the homes and home sites of its members who fail to pay their association dues in a timely manner. Such liens may impose a penalty of interest charges.
  - e. The members of the association shall share equitably the costs of maintaining and developing, where appropriate, such common open space. Shares shall be defined within the association bylaws.

- f. In the event of transfer, within the methods herein permitted, of common open space by the homeowners association, or the assumption of maintenance of common open space by the Township, notice of such pending action shall be given by the homeowners association to all property owners within the development.
- g. The homeowners association shall provide for adequate staff to administer common facilities and property and continually maintain the common open space.
- h. The homeowners association may lease common open space to any qualified person or corporation, for operation and maintenance of common open space, but such lease agreement shall provide:
  - 1. That the residents of the development shall at all times have access to the common open space contained therein (except croplands during the growing season).
  - 2. That the common open space shall be maintained for purposes set forth in the approved final development plan.
  - 3. That the operation of common open space may be for the benefit of the residents only, or may be open to all residents of the Township, at the election of the developer and/or homeowners association. In cases where public trails or paths are provided as linkage between developments or as a continuous link of common open space within the Township, all residents of the Township shall have access to such identified paths/walkways.
- i. The lease shall be subject to the approval of the homeowners association board and any transfer or assignment of the lease shall be further subject to the approval of the board. Lease agreements shall be recorded with the Delaware County Recorder's office and notification shall be provided to the Township Trustees within 30 days of action by the board.
- 3. Condominium Agreements. The common open space and associated facilities may be controlled through the use of condominium agreements, approved by the Township. Such agreements shall be in conformance with all applicable laws and regulations. All common open space shall be held as a common element.
- 4. Dedication of Easements. The Township may, but shall not be required to accept easements for public use of any portion or portions of common open space, title of which is to remain in ownership by condominium or homeowners associations, provided:
  - a. Such land is accessible to Township residents;
  - b. There is no cost of acquisition other than incidental transfer of ownership costs;
  - c. A satisfactory maintenance agreement is reached between the developer, association and the Township.

- 5. Transfer of Easements to a Private Conservation Organization. With the permission of the Township, an owner may transfer easements to a private, nonprofit organization, among whose purposes it is to conserve open space and/or natural resources; provided that:
  - a. The organization is acceptable to the Township, and is a bona fide conservation organization with perpetual existence;
  - b. The conveyance contains whatever provisions are agreed to between the Township Trustees, the owner and the organization.
- 6. Third Party Ownership. With the approval of the Township, common open space may be owned by a third party if protected by either: (i) an open space easement which permanently and irrevocably transfers the development rights for the common open space to a homeowners or condominium association, the Township or a private conservation organization; or (ii) unmodifiable deed restrictions that permanently restrict the use of the common open space to those uses identified in the approved development plan. Common open space to be transferred to a third party other than a homeowners association, condominium association or the Township shall also be located in a reserve with an open space notation on a recorded final plat.
- B. Maintenance of Common Open Space
  - 1. The ultimate owner of the open space shall be responsible for raising all monies required for operations, maintenance, or physical improvements to the open space through annual dues, special assessments, etc. The owner shall be authorized under the homeowners' association bylaws to place liens on the property of residents who fall delinquent in payment of dues or assessments.
  - 2. In the event that the organization established to own and maintain common open space shall at any time after establishment of the planned development fail to maintain the common open space in reasonable order and condition in accordance with the final development plan, the Township Trustees may serve written notice upon such organization or upon the residents of the planned development setting forth the manner in which the organization has failed to maintain the common open space in reasonable condition. The notice shall include a demand that such deficiencies of maintenance be cured within thirty (30) days thereof, and shall state the date and place of a hearing thereon which shall be held within fourteen (14) days of the notice. At such hearing the Township Trustees may modify the terms of the original notice, add to the deficiencies and may give an extension of time within which they shall be cured.

If the deficiencies set forth in the original notice or in the modifications thereof shall not be cured within said thirty (30) days or any extension thereof, the Township Trustees may pursue the enforcement as a zoning violation.

## Section 13.09 - EXTENSION OR MODIFICATION OF FINAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

A. An extension of the time limit for the approved final development plan may be granted by the Township Zoning Commission without public hearing provided they find that such extension is not in conflict with public interest.

- B. A request for modification of an approved development plan may be submitted to the Zoning Commission by the owners of the proposed development (owners are the developer or the entity to which the developer transfers ownership or otherwise legally assigns the right of representation, e.g., another developer, a homeowners association or group of designated trustees) or by signed petition from at least fifty-one (51%) of the current property owners in the development. At the time the request for modification is submitted, the requestor must submit a written notarized statement indicating that all individual property owners in the development have been notified that a request for modification of the development plan has been submitted. Such notice must contain the specific modification that is being requested.
- C. A request for minor changes to the development plan may be approved by the Zoning Commission without being subject to the same procedures as the original application.
- D. In the case of a request for a modification or amendment to the approved development plan that represents a substantial departure from the intent of the original proposal, said modification or amendment shall utilize the same procedures and criteria as established for the approval of the original development plan. Substantial departures from the original application include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - 1. A change in the use or character of the development;
  - 2. An increase in overall lot coverage of structures and off-street parking;
  - 3. An increase in the density;
  - 4. An increase in the problems of traffic circulation and public utilities;
  - 5. A reduction in approved open space;
  - 6. A reduction of off street parking and loading space;
  - 7. A reduction in required pavement widths;
  - 8. A reduction of the acreage in the planned development;
  - 9. Any other departure from the approved development plan which is deemed substantial by the Zoning Commission.
- E. Unless the required plats are properly recorded and work on said development, commenced within two (2) years, the Development Plan shall expire and the land shall be subject to be rezoned to the previous zoning designation by the Zoning Commission unless the application for time extension is timely submitted and approved.

#### Section 13.10 - ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

A. Upon projection completion, all plats, construction drawings, restrictive covenants, an "as built" plat plan, and other necessary documents shall be submitted to the Zoning Inspector, the Zoning

Commission or their designated technical advisors for administrative review to ensure substantial compliance with the development plan as approved.

B. The Township Zoning Commission may impose special additional conditions relating to the development with regard to type and extent of public improvements to be installed; landscaping, development, improvement, and maintenance of common open space, and any other pertinent development characteristics.

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# **ARTICLE XIV - NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL (C-2)**

### Section 14.01 – PURPOSE

It is the intent of Harlem Township to create a commercial district which together with the regulation of future areas and rehabilitation of existing facilities will provide the atmosphere and opportunities to develop small neighborhood shopping areas which are pleasant, safe, and convenient to the neighborhood yet not designed to serve the public at large.

## Section 14.02 – APPLICATION

The provisions of this article shall apply to all areas zoned neighborhood commercial as of the date of adoption of this amendment and all existing legal neighborhood commercial uses on lands which are zoned neighborhood commercial within the township shall be considered, for purposes of this zoning district, permitted uses. All new uses shall conform to all requirements and standards of this amended resolution.

The provisions of this article of the Zoning Resolution shall apply to all proposed uses which are designed to serve the limited neighborhood area as opposed to the community at large.

## Section 14.03 - PERMITTED USES:

Within the Neighborhood Commercial District (C-2) the following uses, developed in accordance with other provisions of this Resolution, shall be permitted, provided that all activities and transactions, except off-street parking and loading/unloading, shall be conducted within a closed building.

- A. Retail Stores primarily engaged in selling of merchandise for personal or household consumption and rendering services incidental to the sale of goods, including hardware stores, grocery stores, meat and seafood markets, fruit stores and vegetable markets, candy stores, nut and confectionery stores, dairy product stores, retail stores, carryouts, florists, eating and drinking places where service is provided totally within the building, self service laundromats, laundry and dry cleaning shops, beauty shops, health spas, barber shops, shoe repair or shining shops or any other like retail establishment consistent with the above listed uses. Businesses providing drive-thru facilities or facilities which do not require the occupant to leave his or her car are not considered permitted uses.
- B. Office facilities for the providing of personal services such as insurance agencies, insurance brokers, real estate offices, law offices, offices of physicians, dentists, osteopaths, chiropractors, podiatrists or other allied medical, dental or optical fields, accountants, architects, and engineers.
- C. Offices of credit agencies, personal credit institutions or loan offices provided that no drive-in windows are provided.
- D. Offices of veterinarians.
- E. Temporary structures such as mobile offices and temporary buildings of a non-residential character may be used incidental to construction work on the premises or on adjacent public projects or during a period while the permanent structure is being constructed. The user of said structure shall obtain a permit for such temporary use, which permit shall be valid for six (6) months and may be renewed not

more than twice. Renewal of the permit shall be at the discretion of the Zoning Inspector on finding of reasonable progress toward completion of the permanent structure or project. The Zoning Inspector may require provisions for sanitary waste disposal, solid waste disposal and water supply, as he/she deems necessary. The fees for such permit and renewals thereof shall be established by the Board of Township Trustees. Said temporary structure shall be removed not later than ten (10) days after expiration of said permit. No unit shall be occupied as a residence without approval of the Board of Zoning Appeals as granted in compliance with provisions of Article XXVIII of this Resolution.

## Section 14.04 - CONDITIONAL USES

Within this zoning district the following uses may be permitted, subject to the conditions and restrictions imposed by the Board of Zoning Appeals pursuant to the provisions of Article XXVIII of this Resolution. Conditionally permitted uses shall be considered abandoned if said use or uses are not commenced within one (1) year from the date of approval by the Board of Zoning Appeals, or are discontinued for a period in excess of two (2) years. Unless the conditional use permit specifically provides that the grant shall be permanent and shall run with the land, the sale or conveyance of the land and/or structure wherein the same is located or upon which the same is granted shall void the conditional use permit, and the subsequent owner(s) or his agent shall be required to reapply for a continuation and/or modification of such uses(s) to the Board of Zoning Appeals. A designation by the Board of Zoning Appeals that a permit is permanent and shall run with the land does not affect the right of authorities to revoke the permit for failure to comply with the conditions imposed. No conditional use shall be implemented until a permit of compliance is issued by the Zoning Inspector.

A. Apartments in areas over or adjacent to the commercial storeroom of the office facility provided that apartments constructed within this district shall contain the following minimum living area, exclusive of porches, basements, or garages:

One (1) bedroom unit	1,000 Sq. ft.
Two (2) bedroom unit	1,125 Sq. ft.
Three or more bedroom units	1,250 Sq. ft.

- B. Outside display of products for sale.
- C. Kindergarten or child care facilities, provided the building occupied by the use is architecturally compatible with the neighborhood, and provisions are made for vehicular access, parking and fences to control accessibility of the children to adjoining hazardous conditions such as roads, streets, lakes, ponds, or adjacent yards.
- D. Drive-thru or drive-in facilities for financial institutions, restaurants or other businesses.
- E. Outdoor storage of goods.

#### Section 14.05 - PROHIBITED USES

A. No use not specifically authorized by the express terms of this article of the Zoning Resolution shall be permitted.

- B. Outdoor storage of junk motor vehicles, as defined by ORC 505.173, for a period exceeding fourteen (14) days is prohibited. Said vehicle, if stored on the premises shall be enclosed within a building so as not to be visible from any adjoining property or public road.
- C. No trailer of any type, boats, motor homes or equipment of any type shall be parked in front of the front building line on any lot within this district. If a structure is located on the tract of land or lot, the building line shall be considered to be the front wall of the structure, even if said structure is located behind the minimum building line established by this code or the restrictions on the plat or deed.
- D. Except as specifically permitted by Section 14.03 (E) herein, no manufactured/mobile office structure shall be placed or occupied in this district.
- E. No cultivators, processors, or retail dispensaries of medical marijuana, licensed under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3796, shall be located nor operate in this district.

### Section 14.06 - DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

In addition to any other provisions of this Resolution, all lands and uses within the Neighborhood Commercial District shall be developed in strict compliance with the standards hereinafter established.

- A. <u>Building Size</u>: No structure in this district shall contain more than five thousand (5000) square feet of floor space per floor devoted to any permitted or conditional use. No more than one structure shall be located on any parcel, tract, or lot.
- B. <u>Lot Size</u>: No minimum lot size shall be required; however, the lot size shall be adequate to provide the yard spaces and off-street parking as herein required.
- C. <u>Lot Width:</u> No minimum lot width shall be required; however, all commercial tracts shall have access to approved streets and shall be such width as to provide required yard spaces and off-street parking.
- D. <u>Building Height:</u> No building shall exceed two (2) stories or thirty-five (35) feet in height measured from the finished grade established not closer than fifteen (15) feet to the exterior wall of the structure.
- E. <u>Building Setback</u>: No building or use shall be located closer to the right-of-way line or center line of the adjacent public or private road than permitted in Article XXI of this Resolution.
- F. <u>Side Yard:</u> Side yards shall be required not less than one-fourth (1/4) of the sum of the height and depth of the buildings but in no case less than twenty-five (25) feet.
- G. <u>Rear Yard:</u> Rear yards of not less than thirty (30) feet shall be required.
- H. <u>Screening</u>: All commercial and office areas shall provide a screening of shrubbery, artificial fencing, or mounding so as to hide trash collection areas and service areas from view. All such shrubbery shall be properly trimmed, and all screening shall be maintained in a neat and tidy manner.
- I. <u>Parking</u>: Off-street parking shall be provided within this district in strict compliance with the provisions of Article XXI of this Resolution.

- J. <u>Signs:</u> Signs identifying or advertising uses within this district shall be in strict compliance with the regulations imposed by Article XXII of this Resolution.
- K. <u>Lighting:</u> Exterior lighting fixtures shall be shaded, shielded or directed that the light intensity or brightness shall not be objectionable to surrounding areas.
- L. <u>Freight Loading Area:</u> When any use within this district requires the pickup or delivery of merchandise or supplies, an adequate loading area for such activity shall be provided on the lot occupied by the use. No such loading area shall be located on any public street or alley. Such loading area as provided shall be adequate in size to accommodate tractor-trailer (semi) units with adequate room to permit entry to such loading area without interfering with traffic on adjacent streets or highways.
- M. <u>Landscape Plan</u>: When any use abuts on a Class A or Class B road as defined in Section 21.10 herein, a landscape plan shall be developed which is compatible, in the discretion of the Zoning Commission, with the adjoining areas and the owner or occupant of the premises shall at all times maintain all grassed and landscaped areas.

# **ARTICLE XV - PLANNED COMMERCIAL AND OFFICE DISTRICT (PCD)**

### Section 15.01 – PURPOSE

The Township, recognizing that with increased urbanization and population growth comes increased demands for well-organized commercial areas to provide employment, goods and services to area residents as well as to provide a balanced economy within the township hereby provides for the Planned Commercial and Office District, intending hereby to promote the variety and flexibility of land development for commercial purposes that are necessary to meet these demands while still preserving and enhancing the health, safety and general welfare of the inhabitants of Harlem Township.

## Section 15.02 – APPLICATION

This provision of the Zoning Resolution shall apply to all lands within the township which are to be used for commercial or office purposes and which are not regulated by the Neighborhood Office District or the Neighborhood Commercial District as therein before set forth in Articles XII and XIV of this Resolution.

## Section 15.03 - PERMITTED USES

Within the Planned Commercial and Office District (PCD) the following uses, developed in strict compliance with the approved development plan standards, shall be permitted. The precise use or type of use of the tract shall be specified in the plan as submitted and approved.

- A. Commercial and office establishments of all types developed and maintained within an organized development of associated commercial activities in accordance with the approved development plan.
- B. Community facilities such as libraries, offices or educational facilities operated by a public agency or government.
- C. Commercial establishments normally associated with and intended to service the traveling public with motels, service stations, restaurants, travel trailer parks for overnight parking or any other allied activity.
- D. Hospitals, medical facilities, nursing homes and convalescent homes.
- E. Medical, dental and optical laboratories.
- F. Kindergarten or child care facilities.
- G. Other commercial ventures not provided by other sections of this Resolution if approved as part of the plan.
- H. Wholesale business, storage and warehousing.
- I. Apartments when the same are specifically designed as part of the architecture of the structure in a village setting. All living units constructed within this district shall contain the following minimum living area:

One (1) bedroom unit	1,000 Sq. ft.
Two (2) bedroom unit	1,125 Sq. ft.
Three or more bedroom units	1,250 Sq. ft.

No commercial or business activity shall be conducted in a unit designed for residential use without consent of the Zoning Commission.

- J. Temporary structures such as mobile offices and temporary buildings of a non-residential character may be used incidental to construction work on the premises or on an adjacent public project or during a period while the permanent structure is being constructed. The user of said structure shall obtain a permit for such temporary use, which permit shall be valid for six (6) months and may be renewed not more than twice. Renewal of the permit shall be at the discretion of the Zoning Inspector on finding of reasonable progress toward completion of the permanent structure or project. The Zoning Inspector may require provisions for sanitary waste disposal, solid waste disposal and water supply, as he/she deems necessary. The fees for such permits and renewals thereof shall be established by the Board of Township Trustees. Said temporary structures shall be removed not later than ten (10) days after expiration of said permit. No unit shall be occupied as a residence without approval of the Board of Zoning Appeals as granted in compliance with the provisions of Article XXVIII of this Resolution.
- K. Other uses, which in the opinion of the Zoning Commission advance the purposes of the PCD District and are adequately designed, located and otherwise provided for by the Development Plan and other required documents.

#### Section 15.04 - PROHIBITED USES

- A. No use not specifically authorized by the express terms of Article XV of the Zoning Resolution shall be permitted.
- B. Outdoor storage of junk motor vehicles, as defined by ORC 505.173, for a period exceeding fourteen (14) days is prohibited. Said vehicles if stored on the premises, shall be enclosed within a building so as not to be visible from any adjoining property or public road. This prohibition shall not apply to new or used motor vehicles stored or displayed pursuant to a legal sales or repair activity if such activities are carried out in compliance with the approved plan.
- C. Except as provided in the plan of development no trailer of any type, boats, motor homes or equipment of any type shall be parked in front of the front building line on any lot within this district. If a structure is located on said tract of land or lot, the building line shall be considered to be the front wall of the structure, even if said structure is located behind the minimum building line established by this code, or the development plan.
- D. Except as specifically permitted by Section 15.03 (J) or in the approved development plan, no manufactured/mobile office structure shall be placed or occupied in this district.
- E. No cultivators, processors, or retail dispensaries of medical marijuana, licensed under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3796, shall be located nor operate in this district.

## Section 15.05 – PROCEDURE

In addition to any other procedures set out in this Resolution, all applications for amendments to the zoning map to rezone lands to this district shall follow the procedures hereinafter set forth:

A. <u>Application</u>: The owner or owners of land within the township may request that the zoning map be amended to include such tracts in the Planned Commercial and Office District in accordance with the provisions of this Resolution.

The applicant is encouraged to engage in informal consultations with the Zoning Commission and Regional Planning Commission, prior to formal submission of development plan and request for an amendment of the zoning map, it being understood that no statement by Officials of the Township or the County shall be binding upon either.

- B. <u>Development Plan</u>: One original and thirteen (13) copies of the development plan shall be submitted to the Zoning Commission with the application, which plan shall include in text and map form the following:
  - 1. The proposed size and location of the Planned Commercial and Office District.
  - 2. The general development character of the tract including the limitations or controls to be placed on all uses, with probable lot sizes, minimum setback requirements, and other development features including landscaping.
  - 3. Architectural design criteria for all structures and criteria for proposed signs with proposed control procedures.
  - 4. The proposed provisions for water, fire hydrants, sanitary sewer and surface drainage with engineering feasibility studies or other evidence of reasonableness.
  - 5. The proposed traffic patterns showing public and private streets and other transportation facilities, including their relationship to existing conditions, topographical and otherwise.
  - 6. The relationship of the proposed development to existing and probable uses of surrounding areas.
  - 7. Location of schools, parks and other facility sites, if any.
  - 8. The proposed time schedule for development of the site including streets, buildings, utilities and other facilities.
  - 9. If the proposed timetable for development includes developing the land in phases, all phases to be developed after the first, which in no event shall be less than five (5) acres or the whole tract (whichever is smaller), shall be fully described in textual form in a manner calculated to give township officials definitive guidelines for approval of future phases.
  - 10. The ability of the applicant to carry forth its plan by control of the land and the engineering feasibility of the plan.

- 11. Specific statements of divergence from the development standards in Article XXI and/or XXII or existing county regulations or standards and the justification therefor. Unless a variation from these development standards is specifically approved the same shall be complied with.
- 12. Evidence of the applicant's ability to post a bond if the plan is approved assuring completion of the public service facilities to be constructed within the project by the developer.
- C. <u>Criteria for Approval</u>: In approving an application for a Planned Commercial and Office District, the reviewing authorities shall determine:
  - 1. If the proposed development is consistent in all respects with the purpose, intent and general standards of this Zoning Resolution.
  - 2. If the proposed development conforms to the intent of the comprehensive plan or portion thereof as it may apply.
  - 3. If the proposed development advances the general welfare of the township and the immediate vicinity.
- D. <u>Effect of Approval</u>: The Development Plan as approved by the Zoning Commission and the Township Trustees shall constitute an amendment to the Zoning Resolution as it applies to the lands included in the approved amendment. The approval shall be for a period of three (3) years to allow the preparation of plats required by the Subdivision Regulations of Delaware County, Ohio. Where the land is to be developed in phases, plans for phases subsequent to the first phase shall be submitted in accordance with the timetable in the approved development plan. Unless the required plats are properly recorded and work on said development commenced within three (3) years, the approval shall be voided and land shall automatically revert to the previous District unless the application for time extension is timely submitted and approved.
- E. <u>Extension of Time or Modification</u>: An extension of time limit as a modification of the approved development plan may be approved by the Zoning Commission and the Township Trustees. Such approval shall be given only upon finding of the purpose and necessity for such change or extension and evidence of reasonable effort toward the accomplishment of the original development plan, and that such extension or modification is not in conflict with the general health, welfare and safety of the public or development standards of the district. No extension of time shall be granted except on application filed with the Township Zoning Inspector not later than ninety (90) days before the expiration of the three (3) year period prescribed in Section 15.05(D) as therein before set forth.
- F. <u>Plat Required</u>: In the Planned Commercial and Office District (PCD) no use shall be established or changed and no structure shall be constructed or altered until the required subdivision plat has been prepared and recorded in accordance with the Subdivision Regulations for Delaware County, Ohio, and these regulations. The subdivision plat shall be in accord with the approved development plan and shall include:
  - 1. Site arrangement, including building setback lines and space to be built upon within the site, water, fire hydrants, sewer, all underground public utility installations, including sanitary sewers, surface drainage and waste disposal facilities, easements, access points to public right-of-way,

parking areas and pedestrian ways, and land reserved for non-highway service use with indication of the nature of such use.

- 2. Deed restrictions, covenants, easements and encumbrances to be used to control the use, development and maintenance of the land, the improvements thereon, and the activities of occupants, including those applicable to areas within the tract to be developed for non-residential uses.
- 3. In the event that public service facilities not to be otherwise guaranteed by a public utility have not been constructed prior to recordation of the plat, the owner of the project shall post a performance bond in favor of the appropriate public officers in a satisfactory amount assuring expeditious completion of said facilities within one (1) year after the recording of said plat. In no event, however, shall any zoning certificate of compliance be issued for any building or use until such time as the facilities for the phase in which the building is located are completed.

#### G. <u>Modification of Development Plan</u>

- 1. An extension of the time limit for the approved Final Development Plan may be granted by the Township Zoning Commission without public hearing provided they find that such extension is not in conflict with public interest.
- 2. A request for modification of an approved development plan may be submitted to the Zoning Commission by the owners of the proposed development (owners are the developer or the entity to which the developer transfers ownership or otherwise legally assigns the right o representation, e.g., another developer, a homeowners association or group of designated trustees) or by signed petition from at least 51% of the current property owners in the development. At the time the request for modifications is submitted, the requestor must submit a written notarized statement indicating that all individual property owners in the development have been notified that a request for modification of the development plan has been submitted. Such notice must contain the specific modification that is being requested.
- 3. A request for minor changes to the Development Plan may be approved by the Zoning Commission without being subject to the same procedures as the original application.
- 4. In the case of a request for a modification or amendment to the approved Development Plan that represents a substantial departure from the intent of the original proposal, said modification or amendment shall utilize the same procedures and criteria as established for the approval of the original Development Plan. Substantial departures from the original application include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - A. A change in the use or character of the development;
  - B. An increase in overall lot coverage of structures and off-street parking;
  - C.. An increase in the density;
  - D. An increase in the problems of traffic circulation and public utilities;

- E. A reduction in approved open space;
- F. A reduction of off street parking and loading space;
- G. A reduction in required pavement widths;
- H. A reduction of the acreage in the planned development;
- I. Any other departure from the approved Development Plan which is deemed substantial by the Zoning Commission.
- H. Administrative Review
  - 1. All plats, construction drawings, restrictive covenants, a subdivision plan, and other necessary documents shall be submitted to the Zoning Inspector, the Zoning Commission or their designated technical advisors for administrative review to ensure substantial compliance with the Development Plan as approved.

#### Section 15.06 - DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

When a planned district is utilized it shall be in a manner that avoids isolated development. Any proposed development shall include plans for necessary infrastructure improvements and shall have minimal negative impact on existing residential areas. Infrastructure improvements include, but are not limited to, adequate roadways, and central water and sewer. The preservation of open spaces, township roadscapes, cultural resources, and existing natural features, as well as provisions for present and future connectivity between neighboring developments and pedestrian access to any development, shall be priorities when considering a development plan. In addition to any other provisions of this Resolution the following standards are required in this district.

- A. <u>Fire and Explosion Hazards</u>: All activities, including storage, involving flammable or explosive materials shall include the provisions of adequate safety devices against the hazard of fire and explosion. All standards enforced by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration shall be adhered to. Burning of waste materials in open fire is prohibited, as enforced by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.
- B. <u>Air Pollution</u>: No emission of air pollutants shall be permitted which violate the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1977 or later amendments as enforced by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.
- C. <u>Glare, Heat, and Exterior Light</u>: Any operation producing intense light or heat such as high temperature processing, combustion, welding, or other, shall be performed within an enclosed building and not be visible beyond any lot line bounding the property whereon the use is conducted.
- D. <u>Dust and Erosion</u>: Dust or silt shall be minimized through landscaping or paving in such a manner as to prevent their transfer by wind or water to points off the lot in objectionable quantities.
- E. <u>Liquid or Solid Wastes</u>: No discharge at any point into any public sewer, private sewage disposal system, or stream, or into the ground, of any materials of such nature or temperature as can contaminate any water supply or interfere with bacterial processes in sewage treatment, shall be permitted. The standards of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency shall apply.

- F. <u>Vibrations and Noise</u>: No uses shall be located and no equipment shall be installed in such a way as to produce intense, earth shaking vibrations which are discernible without instruments at or beyond the property line of the subject premises. Noise standards of the Environmental Protection Agency shall be adhered to.
- G. <u>Odors</u>: No use shall be operated so as to produce the continuous, frequent, or repetitive emission of odors or odor-causing substances in such concentrations as to be readily perceptible at any point at or beyond the lot line of the property on which the use is located. The applicable standards of the Environmental Protection Agency shall be adhered to.
- H. <u>Setbacks</u>: The physical relationships of the structures or use area and their minimum yard spaces shall be developed in strict compliance with the development plan or the provisions of Article XXI unless variance therefrom is approved.
- I. <u>Building Height Limits</u>: No building or structure in this district shall exceed thirty-five (35) feet in height measured from the finished grade established not closer than fifteen (15) feet to the exterior wall of structure. Elevator shafts, aerials and antennas may be constructed to any safe height.
- J. <u>Building Dimensions</u>: Buildings may contain such area of floor space as is approved in the development plan.
- K. <u>Landscaping</u>: All yards, front, side and rear, shall be landscaped. Such landscaped plans shall be submitted with the subdivision plat and shall be subject to approval in the same manner required of the subdivision plat.
- L. <u>Site Development</u>: To the maximum extent possible, all natural drainage courses, vegetation, and contours in excess of six (6%) percent shall be maintained.
- M. <u>Parking</u>: Off-street parking shall be provided, at the time of construction of the main structure or building, with adequate provisions for ingress and egress according to the development plan. In preparing and approving the parking plan the provisions of Article XXI of this Resolution shall, when appropriate, be incorporated.
- N. <u>Signs</u>: Except as controlled by Article XXII of this resolution, no signs shall be permitted in this district except a "For Sale" or "For Rent or Lease" sign advertising the tract on which the said sign is located. Such sign shall not exceed six (6) square feet in area on each side.

The owner or developer of a subdivision or similar area may, upon the conditions and for the time period established by the Zoning Commission, erect one sign not exceeding forty-eight (48) square feet in area per side advertising said subdivision, development or tract for sale.

O. The Township Zoning Commission and/or the Board of Township Trustees may impose special additional conditions relating to the development with regard to type and extent of public improvements to be installed, landscaping, development, improvement, and maintenance of common open space, and any other pertinent development characteristics.

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# **ARTICLE XVI - HISTORIC CENTER VILLAGE COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (HCVC)**

## Section 16.01 – PURPOSE

There is created within Harlem Township a Historic Center Village Commercial District (HCVC) to provide for the appropriate use of lands for neighborhood-oriented office and commercial facilities so that the basic rural village character of these areas may be preserved and maintained, including the preservation of natural resources, scenic areas, wildlife habitats, and the historic and unique features of the land. The township shall permit the development of these lands in accordance with the ability of such lands to support development and to prevent pollution of air, soil, and water supplies.

## Section 16.02 – APPLICATION

All lots which are located within the limits of the 1848 Centerville (later called Center Village) Town Plat or the 1853 Centerville Addition and which are duly recorded upon the plat thereof in the Plat Records of the Recorder's Office, Delaware County, Ohio, at the effective date of this amendment to the Zoning Resolution shall be considered legal lots. The owner of any parcel in this area may elect to submit an application for change in the zoning under the provisions of this article. All new commercial uses shall conform to all requirements and standards of this amended resolution.

## Section 16.03 - PERMITTED USES

Within the Historic Center Village Commercial District the following uses, developed in accordance with all other provisions of this Resolution, shall be permitted:

- A. Retail stores primarily engaged in selling of merchandise for personal or household consumption and providing services incidental to the sale of goods, including hardware stores, grocery stores, meat and seafood markets, fruit stores and vegetable markets, candy stores, nut and confectionery stores, dairy product stores, retail stores, carry-outs, florists, eating and drinking places, self-service Laundromats, laundry and dry cleaning shops, beauty shops, health spas, barber shops, shoe repair or shining shops or any other like retail establishment consistent with the above listed uses. Businesses providing drive-thru facilities or facilities which do not require the occupant to leave his or her car are not considered permitted uses.
- B. Office facilities for the providing of personal services such as insurance agencies, insurance brokers, real estate offices, law offices, offices of physicians, dentists, osteopaths, chiropractors, podiatrists or other allied medical, dental or optical fields, veterinarians, accountants, architects, and engineers.
- C. Offices of credit agencies, personal credit institutions or loan offices provided that no drive-in windows are provided.
- D. Other offices or commercial facilities, similar in nature or character, as determined appropriate by the Zoning Commission.
- E. Temporary structures such as mobile offices and temporary buildings of a non-residential character may be used incidental to construction work on the premises or on adjacent public projects or during a period while the permanent structure is being constructed. The user of said structure shall obtain a

permit for such temporary use, which permit shall be valid for six (6) months and may be renewed not more than twice. Renewal of the permit shall be at the discretion of the Zoning Inspector on finding reasonable progress toward completion of the permanent structure or project. The Zoning Inspector may require provisions for sanitary waste disposal, solid waste disposal and water supply, as he/she deems necessary. The fees for such permit and renewals thereof shall be established by the Township Trustees. Said temporary structures shall be occupied as a residence without approval of the Board of Zoning Appeals as granted in compliance with the provisions of Article XXVIII of this Resolution.

- F. Projects specifically designed for watershed protections, conservation of soil or water or for flood control.
- G. Bed and Breakfast provided that:
  - 1. A maximum of eight (8) guests may be housed at any one time.
  - 2. Lighting: All exterior lighting must meet the requirements of Article XXI of this Resolution.
  - 3. Parking: All bed & breakfast homes shall provide off-street paved/gravel parking for the public. Such off-street paved/gravel parking shall be located as directed by the Board of Zoning Appeals. The number of required parking spaces shall be one (1) space per bedroom.
  - 4. Screening and trash receptacles: Landscape drawings shall be required and shall show adequate landscaping and screening from adjoining residential lots, together with the clear marking of the boundaries of the bed and breakfast lot. Trash receptacles shall be provided around the bed and breakfast home for use by guests.

### Section 16.04 - CONDITIONAL USES

Within this zoning district the following uses may be permitted, subject to the conditions and restrictions imposed by the Board of Zoning Appeals pursuant to the provisions of Article XXVIII of this Resolution. Conditionally permitted uses shall be considered abandoned if said use or uses are not commenced within one year from the date of Board of Zoning Appeals approval or are discontinued for a period in excess of two years. Unless the conditional use permit specifically provides that the grant shall be permanent and shall run with the land, the sale or conveyance of the land and/or structure wherein the same is located or upon which the same is granted shall void the conditional use permit. The subsequent owner(s) or his agent shall be required to reapply for a continuation and/or modification of such use(s) to the Board of Zoning Appeals if said uses are to be continued. A designation by the Board of Zoning Appeals that a permit is permanent and shall run with the land does not affect the right of authorities to revoke the permit for failure to comply with conditions imposed. No conditional use shall be implemented until a permit of compliance is issued by the Zoning Inspector.

A. Apartments in areas over or adjacent to the commercial storeroom of the office or retail facility provided that apartments constructed within this district shall contain the following minimum living area, exclusive of porches, basements, or garages:

One (1) bedroom unit	1,000 Sq. ft.
Two (2) bedroom unit	1,125 Sq. ft.
Three or more bedroom units	1,250 Sq. ft.

- b)B. Outside display of products for sale.
- C. Kindergarten or child care facilities, provided the building occupied by the use is architecturally compatible with the neighborhood, and provisions are made for vehicular access, parking and fences to control accessibility of the children to adjoining hazardous conditions such as roads, streets, lakes, ponds, or adjacent yards.
- D. Drive-thru or drive-in facilities for financial institutions, restaurants or other businesses.
- E. Institutional areas, whether improved with buildings or not, shall provide adequate parking area for faculty, staff and students. Such parking may not exist within the right-of-way of any road or highway. A site plan shall be prepared and submitted for consideration by the Board of Zoning Appeals and shall provide screening adjacent to residential areas.

#### Section 16.05 - PROHIBITED USES

- A. No use not specifically authorized by the express terms of this article of the Zoning Resolution shall be permitted.
- B. Outdoor storage of junk motor vehicles, as defined by ORC 505.173, for a period exceeding fourteen (14) days is prohibited. Said vehicle, if stored on the premises shall be enclosed within a building so as not to be visible from any adjoining property or public road.
- C. No trailer of any type, boats, motor homes or equipment of any type shall be parked in front of the front building line on any lot within this district. If a structure is located on the tract of land or lot, the building line shall be considered to be the front wall of the structure, even if said structure is located behind the minimum building line established by this code or the restrictions on the plat or deed.
- D. Except as specifically permitted by Section .03 (e) herein, no manufactured/mobile office structure shall be placed or occupied in this district.
- E. No trash, debris, refuse or discarded materials which create an eyesore, hazard or nuisance to the neighborhood or general public shall be permitted to accumulate or to be stored on any lot, parcel or portion thereof.
- F. No cultivators, processors, or retail dispensaries of medical marijuana, licensed under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3796, shall be located nor operate in this district.

### Section 16.06 - DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

In addition to any other provisions of this Resolution, all lands and uses within the Historic Center Village Commercial District (HCVC) shall be developed in strict compliance with the standards hereinafter established.

A. <u>Building Size</u>: No structure in this district shall contain more than three thousand (3000) square feet of floor space per floor devoted to any permitted or conditional use. Limited to one structure per parcel, tract or lot.

- B. <u>Lot Size</u>: The lot size shall be adequate to provide the side yard setbacks, rear yard setbacks and offstreet parking as herein required.
- C. <u>Lot Width</u>: All commercial tracts shall have access to approved streets and shall be such width as to provide required side yard setbacks, rear yard setbacks and off-street parking.
- D. <u>Building Height</u>: No building shall exceed two (2) stories or thirty-five (35) feet in height measured from the finished grade established not closer than fifteen (15) feet to the exterior wall of the structure. No windmills, flag poles, aerial, antenna, or tower shall be constructed to a height greater than the distance from the center of the base thereof to the nearest property line of said tract.
- E. <u>Building Setback</u>: To maintain a basic rural village character in the HCVC-1 District, buildings shall be permitted to be located closer to the center line of the adjacent public or private road as specified in Section 21.10.

If a new building is constructed on a parcel within the HCVC-1 District, the front setback shall be forty (40) feet and shall be compatible in appearance with the other structures in this district.

- F. <u>Side Yard Setback</u>: No new building shall be located closer than fifteen (15) feet to any side lot line.
- G. <u>Rear Yard Setback</u>: No new building shall be located closer than thirty (30) feet to the rear line of any lot.
- H. <u>Screening</u>: All commercial and office areas shall provide a screening of shrubbery or artificial fencing so as to hide trash collection areas and service areas from view. All such shrubbery shall be properly trimmed, and all screening shall be maintained in a neat and tidy manner.
- I. <u>Parking</u>: A minimum number of off-street parking spaces shall be provided in accordance with the following schedule:

USE	REQUIRED PARKING SPACES
Retail Space	One (1) space per 200 square feet of sales floor area.
Eating and Drinking Establishments	One (1) space per 200 square feet of gross floor area.
Barber Shop, Beauty Shop or Similar Personal Service	Two (2) spaces per service provider.
Medical/Office	One (1) space per 200 square feet of gross floor area.

J. <u>Signs</u>: Signs identifying or advertising uses within this district shall be in strict compliance with the regulations imposed by Article XXII of this Resolution with the exception that no sign shall exceed twenty (20) square feet.

- K. Lighting: All exterior lighting shall meet the lighting requirements of Article XXI of this Resolution.
- L. <u>Freight Loading Area</u>: When any use within this district requires the pickup or delivery of merchandise or supplies, an adequate loading area for such activity shall be provided on the lot occupied by the use. No such loading area shall be located on any public street or alley. Such loading area, as provided shall be adequate in size to accommodate delivery trucks with adequate room to permit entry to such loading area without interfering with traffic on adjacent streets or highways.
- M. <u>Landscape Plan</u>: A landscape plan shall be developed which is compatible, in the discretion of the Zoning Commission, with the adjoining areas, and the owner or occupant of the premises shall at all times maintain all grassed and landscaped areas.

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# **ARTICLE XVII - INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT (I)**

## Section 17.01 – PURPOSE

Harlem Township recognizes that a well-planned and balanced community must have jobs for its residents and a tax base to support the best possible educational opportunities for the young. It is the intention of the Zoning Commission to provide those reasonable conditions under which desirable industry of all types may operate so that the health, safety, and general welfare of the residents of the township may be preserved.

## Section 17.02 – APPLICATION

The provisions of this article shall apply to all lands zoned Industrial (I) as of the date of adoption of this amendment. All existing legal industrial uses on lands now zoned I within this township shall be considered, for purposes of this Resolution and this zoning district, permitted uses. All new uses shall conform to the standards and requirements of this amended resolution.

### Section 17.03 - PERMITTED USES

Within the Industrial District (I) the following uses, developed in accordance with other provisions of this Resolution, shall be permitted.

- A. Wholesale business when all products are stored within the building.
- B. Enclosed warehouse or storage activities.
- C. Enclosed manufacturing industries.
- D. Enclosed service or repair activities.
- E. Business offices.
- F Enclosed research facilities.
- G. Temporary structures such as mobile offices and temporary buildings of a non-residential character may be used incidental to construction work on the premises or on an adjacent public project or during a period while the permanent structure is being constructed. The user of said structure shall obtain a permit for such temporary use, which permit shall be valid for six (6) months and may be renewed not more than twice. Renewal of the permit shall be at the discretion of the Zoning Inspector on finding of reasonable progress toward completion of the permanent structure or project. The Zoning Inspector may require provisions for sanitary waste disposal, solid waste disposal and water supply, as he or she deems necessary. The fees for such permit and renewals thereof shall be established by the Board of Township Trustees. Said temporary structures shall be removed not less than ten (10) days after expiration of said permit. No unit shall be occupied as a residence without approval of the Board of Zoning Appeals as granted in compliance with the provisions of Article XXVIII of this Resolution.

## Section 17.04 - CONDITIONAL USES

Within this zoning district the following uses may be permitted, subject to the conditions and restrictions imposed by the Board of Zoning Appeals pursuant to the provisions of Article XXVIII of this Resolution. Conditionally permitted uses shall be considered abandoned if said use or uses are not commenced within one (1) year from the date of approval by the Board of Zoning Appeals, or are discontinued for a period in excess of two (2) years. Unless the conditional use permit specifically provides that the grant shall be permanent and shall run with the land, the sale or conveyance of the land and/or structure wherein that same is located or upon which the same is granted shall void the conditional use permit, and the subsequent owner(s) or his agent shall be required to reapply for a continuation and/or modification of such use(s) to the Board of Zoning Appeals. A designation by the Board of Zoning Appeals that a permit is permanent and shall run with the land does not affect the right of authorities to revoke the permit for failure to comply with conditions imposed. No conditional use shall be implemented until a permit of compliance is issued by the Zoning Inspector.

- A. Any use of a commercial nature.
- B. Circuses, carnivals or similar transient enterprises provided such uses can be operated in a safe and sanitary manner pursuant to previously obtained health permits.
- C. Petroleum product storage areas.
- D. Quarries and other activities providing for the removal, processing and sale of natural resources.
- E. Freight or trucking terminals.
- F. The outdoor storage, display, or sale of raw materials, supplies, equipment or products.
- G. Sexually-oriented businesses provided that the Board of Zoning Appeals finds each of the following conditions exists:
  - 1. There is a minimum distance of one thousand (1,000) feet measured in a straight line from the nearest edge of a parcel of land containing a school, church, cemetery, library, funeral home, public park, tavern, bar or residence to the sexually-oriented business.
  - 2. That the parcel of land upon which the sexually-oriented business is located is a minimum of one thousand (1,000) feet measured in a straight line from the nearest edge of the property to the nearest edge of any other parcel of land containing a sexually-oriented business.
  - 3. Nothing in this Section shall be deemed to amend Chapter 2907, Sex Related Offenses of the Ohio Revised Code or otherwise make any conduct legal which is illegal under the Ohio Revised Code.
  - 4. All points of ingress and egress shall be located no closer than two hundred (200) feet from an intersection measured from the street right-of-way lines to the point of ingress and egress.
  - 5. No employee of a sexually-oriented business, in the performance of an employee's duties, shall appear on the premises in a state of nudity, except where the employee is appearing on a stage that is at least twenty-four (24) inches above the main floor level of the adult business, and the employee is at least six (6) feet from the nearest other employee or customer.

6. These regulations shall be in addition to the adopted regulations of the Township of the adult cabarets, adult-oriented business, massage establishments, and employees adopted pursuant to the authority of ORC 503.40 et seq.

#### Section 17.05 - PROHIBITED USES

- A. Uses not specifically authorized by the express terms of this article of the Zoning Resolution or by the Board of Zoning Appeals shall be prohibited.
- B. Unless specifically permitted by the Board of Zoning Appeals as incidental and necessary to a permitted or conditional use in this district, the storage of any inoperable, unlicensed or unused motor vehicles, or trailers detached from semi-tractors, shall be prohibited unless said vehicles are stored behind properly maintained hedges or fences so as not to be visible from any adjoining property or public road.
- C. Unless specifically permitted by the Board of Zoning Appeals as incidental and necessary to a permitted or conditional use in this district, no trailers of any type, boats, motor homes or equipment of any type shall be parked in front of the front building line on any lot within this district. If a structure is located on the tract of land or lot, the building line shall be considered to be the front wall of the structure, even if said structure is located behind the minimum building line established by this code or the restrictions in the plat or deed.
- D. Residential use of any kind.
- E. Except as specifically permitted in Section 17.03(G), no manufactured/mobile office or temporary structure shall be placed or occupied in this district.
- F. No cultivators, processors, or retail dispensaries of medical marijuana, licensed under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3796, shall be located nor operate in this district.

### Section 17.06 - DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

In addition to any other provisions of this Resolution, all lands and uses within the Industrial District shall be developed in strict compliance with the standards hereinafter established:

- A. <u>Lot Size</u>: No minimum lot size shall be required; however, the lot size shall be adequate to provide the required yard spaces and off-street parking as herein required.
- B. <u>Lot Width</u>: No minimum lot width shall be required; however, the industrial tracts shall have access to approved streets and shall be of sufficient width as to provide required yard spaces and off-street parking.
- C. <u>Building Setback</u>: No building or use shall be located closer to the right-of-way line or center line of the adjacent public or private road than permitted in Article XXI herein.

- D. <u>Side Yard</u>: There shall be a side yard on each of the main buildings constructed in this district of not less than fifty (50) feet on each side. No accessory building, outdoor storage area or required off-street parking shall encroach in said side yard except with consent of the Board of Zoning Appeals.
- E. <u>Rear Yard</u>: No building shall be located closer than thirty (30) feet to the rear line of any lot. No outdoor storage area may encroach in the prescribed rear yard except with the permission of the Board of Zoning Appeals.
- F. <u>Screening</u>: All outside storage areas, service areas and loading docks shall be screened by properly maintained walls, fences, shrubbery or mounding at least six (6) feet but not more than twelve (12) feet in height. These walls, fences or shrubbery shall be of a design so as to effectively screen such storage, service or loading areas and facilities from adjoining streets or other zoning districts. Such shrubbery shall be neatly trimmed, and all other fences or walls shall be maintained in a neat and tidy manner.
- G. <u>Parking</u>: Off-street parking shall be provided within this district in strict compliance with the provisions of Article XXI of this Resolution.
- H. <u>Signs</u>: Signs identifying or advertising uses within this district shall be in strict compliance with the regulations imposed by Article XXII of this Resolution.
- I. <u>Lighting</u>: Exterior lighting fixtures shall be shaded, shielded or directed so that the light intensity or brightness shall not be objectionable to surrounding areas.
- J. <u>Freight Loading Area</u>: When any use within this district requires the pickup or delivery of merchandise or supplies, an adequate loading area for such activity shall be provided on the lot occupied by the use. No such loading area shall be located on any public street or alley. Such loading area, as provided, shall be adequate in size to accommodate tractor-trailer (semi) units with adequate room to permit entry to such loading area without interfering with traffic on adjacent streets or highways.
- K. <u>Performance Standards</u>: No use shall be conducted within this district which fails to maintain the following standards:
  - 1. <u>Fire and Explosion Hazards</u>: All activities, including storage involving flammable, explosive or hazardous materials shall include the provisions of adequate safety devices against the hazard of spill, fire and/or explosion. All standards enforced by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration shall be adhered to. Burning of waste materials in an open fire is prohibited, as enforced by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.
  - 2. <u>Air Pollution</u>: No emission of air pollutants shall be permitted which violate the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1977 or later amendments as enforced by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.
  - 3. <u>Glare, Heat, and Exterior Light</u>: Any operation producing intense light or heat such as high temperature processing, combustion, welding, or other, shall be performed within an enclosed building and not be visible beyond any lot line bounding the property whereon the use is conducted.

- 4. <u>Dust and Erosion</u>: Dust or silt shall be minimized through landscaping or paving in such a manner as to prevent their transfer by wind or water to points off the lot in objectionable quantities.
- 5. <u>Liquid or Solid Wastes</u>: No discharge at any point into any public sewer, private sewage disposal system, stream, or into the ground of any materials of such nature or temperature as can contaminate any water supply or interfere with bacterial processes in sewage treatment, shall be permitted. The standards of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency shall apply.
- 6. <u>Vibrations and Noise</u>: No uses shall be located and no equipment shall be installed in such a way as to produce intense, earth shaking vibrations which are discernible without instruments at or beyond the property line of the subject premises. Noise standards of the Environmental Protection Agency shall be adhered to.
- 7. <u>Odors</u>: No use shall be operated so as to produce the continuous, frequent, or repetitive emission of odors or odor-causing substances in such concentrations as to be readily perceptible at any point at or beyond the lot line of the property on which the use is located. The applicable standards of the Environmental Protection Agency shall be adhered to.

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# **ARTICLE XVIII - PLANNED INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT (PID)**

## Section 18.01 – PURPOSE

In the creation of the Planned Industrial District it is the intention and desire of the Harlem Township Zoning Commission to provide those reasonable conditions under which well-planned industrial areas can develop for the greatest benefit of the entire township so that the health, safety and general welfare of all inhabitants of Harlem Township may be preserved.

## Section 18.02 – APPLICATION

The provisions of this article shall apply to all lands of the township regardless of the size of the tract, and the owner may elect to submit his application for change in the zoning under the provisions of this article or the provisions of Article XVII.

## Section 18.03 - PERMITTED USES

Within the Planned Industrial District (PID) the following uses, developed in strict compliance with the approved development plan and standards, shall be permitted:

- A. Manufacturing, processing, warehousing and industrial service activities located and maintained within the limits of the development standards of these Planned Industrial District Regulations.
- B. Commercial establishments normally associated with and designed to serve the industrial establishments or their employees and approved as part of the development plan such as financial institutions, restaurants, gasoline service stations, automobile repair establishments, recreation or other personal enrichment facilities, provided such establishments or facilities are established primarily for employees of industrial establishments or in conjunction with commercially operated recreation establishments developed as part of the approved plan for the Planned Industrial District.
- C. Temporary structures such as mobile offices and temporary buildings of a non-residential character may be used incidental to construction work on the premises or on adjacent public projects or during a period while the permanent structure is being constructed. The user of said structure shall obtain a permit for such temporary use, which permit shall be valid for six (6) months and may be renewed not more than three times. Renewal of the permit shall be at the discretion of the Zoning Inspector upon finding of reasonable progress toward completion of the permanent structure or project. The Zoning Inspector may require provisions for sanitary waste disposal, solid waste disposal and water supply, as he/she deems necessary. The fees for such permit and renewals thereof shall be established by the Board of Township Trustees. Said temporary structures shall be removed not later than ten (10) days after expiration of said permit. No unit shall be occupied as a residence without approval of the Board of Zoning Appeals as granted in compliance with the provisions of Article XXVIII of this Resolution
- D. Sanitary landfills provided that all required licenses and approvals are issued by appropriate state agencies. In addition to requirements imposed by state agencies the Zoning Commission may require such screening as is necessary to protect adjacent neighborhoods.
- E. Any manufacturing process not already provided for or prohibited by this Resolution.

- F. Any use of an industrial or a commercial nature not already provided for by this Resolution.
- G. Other uses which, in the opinion of the Zoning Commission advance the purposes of the PID District and are adequately designed, located and otherwise provided for by the Development Plan and other required documents.

### Section 18.04 - PROHIBITED USES

- A. No use not specifically authorized by the express terms of this article of the Zoning Resolution shall be permitted.
- B. Except as approved in the development plan the outdoor storage of any inoperable, or unlicensed motor vehicle, including trailers detached from semi-tractors, for a period exceeding fourteen (14) days is prohibited.
- C. Except as provided in the plan of development no trailer of any type, no boats, no motor homes and no equipment of any type shall be parked in front of the front building line on any lot within this district. If a structure is located on the tract of land or lot, the building line shall be considered to be the front wall of the structure, even if said structure is located behind the minimum building line established by this code, the restrictions in the plat or deed, or the development plan.
- D. Residential uses of any kind.
- E. Except as specifically permitted by Section 18.03 (C) or in the approved development plan no manufactured/mobile office or temporary structure shall be placed or occupied in this district.
- F. No cultivators, processors, or retail dispensaries of medical marijuana, licensed under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3796, shall be located nor operate in this district.

### Section 18.05 – PROCEDURE

In addition to any other procedures set out in this Resolution, all applications for amendments to the zoning map to rezone lands to this district shall follow the procedures hereinafter set forth:

A. <u>Application</u>: The owner of lots and lands within the township may request that the zoning map be amended to include such tracts in the Planned Industrial District in accordance with the provisions of this Resolution.

The applicant is encouraged to engage in informal consultations with the Zoning Commission and Regional Planning Commission prior to formal submission of a development plan and request for an amendment of the zoning map, it being understood that no statement by Officials of the Township or the County shall be binding upon either.

B. <u>Development Plan</u>: One original and thirteen (13) copies of the development plan shall be submitted to the Zoning Commission with the application, which plan shall include in text and map form the following:

- 1. The proposed size and location of the Planned Industrial District.
- 2. The general development character of the tract including the limitations or controls to be placed on all uses, with probable lot sizes, minimum set back requirements, and other development features including landscaping.
- 3. Architectural design criteria for all structures and criteria for proposed signs with proposed control procedures.
- 4. The proposed provisions for water, fire hydrants, sanitary sewer and surface drainage with engineering feasibility studies or other evidence of reasonableness.
- 5. The proposed traffic patterns showing public and private streets and other transportation facilities, including their relationship to existing conditions, topographical and otherwise.
- 6. The relationship of the proposed development to existing and probable uses of surrounding areas.
- 7. Location of parks and other public facility sites, if any.
- 8. The proposed time schedule for development of the site including streets, buildings, utilities and other facilities.
- 9. If the proposed timetable for development includes developing the land in phases, all phases to be developed after the first, which in no event shall be less than five (5) acres or the whole tract (whichever is smaller), shall be fully described in textual form in a manner calculated to give the township officials definitive guidelines for approval of future phases.
- 10. The ability of the applicant to carry forth its plan by control of the land and the engineering feasibility of the plan.
- 11. Specific statements of divergence from the development standards, in Article XXI or XXII or existing county regulations or standards. Unless a variation from the development standards is specifically approved, the same shall be complied with.
- 12. Evidence of the applicant's ability to post a bond if the plan is approved, assuring completion of the public service facilities to be constructed within the project by the developer.
- C. <u>Criteria for Approval</u>: In approving an application for a Planned Industrial District, the reviewing authorities shall determine:
  - 1. If the proposed development is consistent in all respects with the purpose, intent and general standards of this Zoning Resolution.
  - 2. If the proposed development conforms to the intent of the comprehensive plan or portion thereof as it may apply.
  - 3. If the proposed development advances the general welfare of the township and the immediate vicinity.

- D. <u>Effect of Approval</u>: The Development Plan as approved by the Zoning Commission and the Township Trustees shall constitute an amendment to the Zoning Resolution as it applies to the lands included in the approved amendment. The approval shall be for a period of three (3) years to allow the preparation of plats required by the Subdivision Regulations of Delaware County, Ohio. Where the land is to be developed in phases, plans for phases subsequent to the first phase shall be submitted in accordance with the timetable in the approved development plan. Unless the required plats are properly recorded and work on said development commenced within three (3) years, the approval shall be voided and land shall automatically revert to the previous District unless the application for time extension is timely submitted and approved.
- E. <u>Extension of Time or Modification</u>: An extension of time limit as a modification of the approved development plan may be approved by the Zoning Commission and the Township Trustees. Such approval shall be given only upon finding of the purpose and necessity for such change or extension and evidence of reasonable effort toward the accomplishment of the original development plan, and that such extension or modification is not in conflict with the general health, welfare and safety of the public or development standards of the district. No extension of time shall be granted except on application filed with the Township Zoning Inspector not later than ninety (90) days before the expiration of the three (3) year period prescribed in Section 18.06(d) as herein before set forth.
- F. <u>Plat Required</u>: In the Planned Industrial District (PID) no use shall be established or changed and no structure shall be constructed or altered until the required subdivision plat has been prepared and recorded in accordance with the Subdivision Regulations for Delaware County, Ohio, and these Regulations. The subdivision plat shall be in accord with the approved development plan and shall include:
  - 1. Site arrangement, including building setback lines and space to be built upon within the site, water, fire hydrants, sewer, all underground public utility installations, including sanitary sewers, surface drainage and waste disposal facilities, easements, access points to public right-of-way, parking areas and pedestrian ways, and land reserved for non-highway service use with indication of the nature of such use.
  - 2. Deed restrictions, covenants, easements and encumbrances to be used to control the use, development and maintenance of the land, the improvements thereon, and the activities of occupants.
  - 3. In the event that public service facilities not to be otherwise guaranteed by a public utility have not been constructed prior to recordation of the plat, the owner of the project shall post a performance bond in favor of the appropriate public officers in a satisfactory amount assuring expeditious completion of said facilities within one (1) year after the recording of said plat. In no event, however, shall any zoning certificate be issued for any building until such time as the facilities for the phase in which the building is located are completed.

## G. <u>Modification of Development Plan</u>

1. A request for modification of an approved development plan may be submitted to the Zoning Commission by the owners of the proposed development (owners are the developer or the entity to which the developer transfers ownership or otherwise legally assigns the right of representation, e.g., another developer, a homeowners association or group of designated trustees) or by signed petition from at least 51% of the current property owners in the development. At the time the request for modifications is submitted, the requestor must submit a written notarized statement indicating that all individual property owners in the development have been notified that a request for modification of the development plan has been submitted. Such notice must contain the specific modification that is being requested. A request for modification of an approved development plan may be submitted to the Zoning Commission by the owners of the proposed development (owners are the developer or the entity to which the developer transfers ownership or otherwise legally assigns the right of representation, e.g., another developer, a homeowners association or group of designated trustees) or by signed petition from at least 51% of the current property owners in the development. At the time the request for modifications is submitted, the requestor must submit a written notarized statement indicating that all individual property owners in the development. At the time the request for modifications is submitted, the requestor must submit a written notarized statement indicating that all individual property owners in the development have been notified that a request for modification of the development plan has been submitted. Such notice must contain the specific modification that is being requested.

- 2. A request for minor changes to the Development Plan may be approved by the Zoning Commission without being subject to the same procedures as the original application.
- 3. In the case of a request for a modification or amendment to the approved Development Plan that represents a substantial departure from the intent of the original proposal, said modification or amendment shall utilize the same procedures and criteria as established for the approval of the original Development Plan. Substantial departures from the original application include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - a. A change in the use or character of the development;
  - b. An increase in overall lot coverage of structures and off-street parking;
  - c. An increase in the density;
  - d. An increase in the problems of traffic circulation and public utilities;
  - e. A reduction in approved open space;
  - f. A reduction of off street parking and loading space;
  - g. A reduction in required pavement widths;
  - h. A reduction of the acreage in the planned development;
  - i. Any other departure from the approved Development Plan which is deemed substantial by the Zoning Commission.
- h. Administrative Review
  - 1. All plats, construction drawings, restrictive covenants, a subdivision plan, and other necessary documents shall be submitted to the Zoning Inspector, the Zoning Commission or their designated

technical advisors for administrative review to ensure substantial compliance with the Development Plan as approved.

#### Section 18.06 - DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

When a planned district is utilized it shall be in a manner that avoids isolated development. Any proposed development shall include plans for necessary infrastructure improvements and shall have minimal negative impact on existing residential areas. Infrastructure improvements include, but are not limited to, adequate roadways, and central water and sewer. The preservation of open spaces, township roadscapes, cultural resources, and existing natural features, as well as provisions for present and future connectivity between neighboring developments and pedestrian access to any development, shall be priorities when considering a development plan. In addition to any development standards imposed or approved as part of the plan of development, the followings standard shall apply:

- A. <u>Fire and Explosion Hazards</u>: All activities, including storage, involving flammable, explosive or hazardous materials shall include the provisions of adequate safety devices against the hazard of spill, fire and/or explosion. All standards enforced by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration shall be adhered to. Burning of waste materials in an open fire is prohibited, as enforced by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.
- B. <u>Air Pollution</u>: No emission of air pollutants shall be permitted which violate the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1977 or later amendments as enforced by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.
- C. <u>Glare, Heat, and Exterior Light</u>: Any operation producing intense light or heat such as high temperature processing, combustion, welding, or other, shall be performed within an enclosed building and not be visible beyond any lot line bounding the property whereon the use is conducted.
- D. <u>Dust and Erosion</u>: Dust or silt shall be minimized through landscaping or paving in such a manner as to prevent their transfer by wind or water to points off the lot in objectionable quantities.
- E. <u>Liquid or Solid Wastes</u>: No discharge at any point into any public sewer, private sewage disposal system, stream, or into the ground, of any materials of such nature or temperature as can contaminate any water supply or interfere with bacterial processes in sewage treatment, shall be permitted. The standards of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency shall apply.
- F. <u>Vibrations and Noise</u>: No uses shall be located and no equipment shall be installed in such a way as to produce intense, earth shaking vibrations which are discernible without instruments at or beyond the property line of the subject premises. Noise standards of the Environmental Protection Agency shall be adhered to.
- G. <u>Odors</u>: No use shall be operated so as to produce the continuous, frequent, or repetitive emission of odors or odor-causing substances in such concentrations as to be readily perceptible at any point at or beyond the lot line of the property on which the use is located. The applicable standards of the Environmental Protection Agency shall be adhered to.
- H. <u>Setbacks</u>: The physical relationships of the structures or use areas and their minimum yard spaces shall be developed in strict compliance with the development plan or the provisions of Article XXI unless variance therein is approved.

- I. <u>Building Dimensions</u>: Buildings may contain such area of floor space as approved in the development plan.
- J. <u>Landscaping</u>: All yards, front, side and rear, shall be landscaped, and all organized open spaced of nonresidential use areas shall be landscaped. Such landscaped plans shall be submitted with the subdivision plat and shall be subject to approval in the same manner required of the subdivision plat.
- K. <u>Site Development</u>: To the maximum extent possible, all natural drainage courses, vegetation, and contours in excess of six (6%) percent shall be maintained.
- L. <u>Parking</u>: Off-street parking shall be provided, at the time of construction of the main structure or building, with adequate provisions for ingress and egress according to the development plan. In preparing and approving the parking plan the provisions of Article XXI of this Resolution shall, when appropriate, be incorporated.
- M. <u>Signs</u>: Except as controlled by Article XXII of this Resolution, no signs shall be permitted in this district except a "For Sale" or "For Rent or Lease" sign advertising the tract on which the said sign is located. Such sign shall not exceed six (6) square feet in area on each side.

The owner or developer of a subdivision or similar area may, upon the conditions and for the time period established by the Zoning Commission, erect one sign not exceeding forty-eight (48) square feet in area per side advertising said subdivision, development, or tract for sale.

N. The Township Zoning Commission and/or the Board of Township Trustees may impose special additional conditions relating to the development with regard to type and extent of public improvements to be installed, landscaping, development, improvement, and maintenance of common open spaces, and any other pertinent development characteristics.

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# **ARTICLE XIX - HARLEM AND CENTER VILLAGE RESIDENTIAL (HCVR-1)**

## Section 19.01 – PURPOSE

There is created within Harlem Township a Harlem and Center Village Residential District (HCVR-1) to provide for the use of appropriate lands for continued residential purposes and to permit the existence of single family residences so the basic rural village character of these areas may be preserved and maintained, including the preservation of natural resources, scenic areas, wildlife habitats, and the historic and unique features of the land. The township shall permit the development of these lands in accordance with the ability of such lands to support development and to prevent pollution of air, soil, and water supplies.

## Section 19.02 – APPLICATION

All lots which are located within the limits of the 1849 Harlem Town Plat or within the limits of the 1848 Centerville (later called Center Village) Town Plat or the 1853 Centerville Addition and which are duly recorded upon the plat thereof in the Plat Records of the Recorder's Office, Delaware County, Ohio, at the effective date of this amendment to the Zoning Resolution shall be considered legal residential lots. All site built dwellings on said legal residential lots at the effective date of this amendment to the Zoning Resolution shall be considered to the Zoning Resolution shall be considered residential lots.

### Section 19.03 - PERMITTED USES

Within the Harlem and Center Village Residential District the following uses, developed in accordance with all other provisions of this Resolution, shall be permitted:

- A. Single family dwellings (limited to one single dwelling per parcel, tract, or lot).
- B. Accessory buildings and accessory uses including private garages and swimming pools.
- C. Projects specifically designed for watershed protections, conservation of soil or water or for flood control.
- D. A temporary structure such as a mobile office and/or a temporary building of a non-residential character may be used incidental to construction work on the premises or on adjacent public projects or during a period while the permanent dwelling is being constructed. The user of said structure shall obtain a permit for such temporary use, which permit shall be valid for six (6) months and may be renewed not more than twice. Renewal of the permit shall be at the discretion of the Zoning Inspector on finding reasonable progress toward completion of the permanent structure or project. The Zoning Inspector may require provisions for sanitary waste disposal and water supply as he/she deems necessary. The fees for such permit and renewals thereof shall be established by the Board of Township Trustees. Said temporary structure shall be removed not later than ten (10) days after the expiration of said permit.
- e)E. Limited Home Occupation A limited home occupation (business) is permitted within a permitted dwelling in all residential zoning districts (not in detached buildings or pole barns) in accordance with the following provisions:

- 1. The limited home occupation does not occupy more than twenty percent (20%) of the gross floor area of the dwelling unit, basement, or attached garage or four hundred (400) square feet, whichever is less.
- 2. Requirements:
  - a. The appearance of the structure shall not be altered. The limited home occupation within the residence shall not be conducted in a manner that would cause the premises to differ from its residential character either by the use of colors, materials, construction, lighting, or signs. A limited home occupation shall be clearly incidental and secondary to the use of the unit for dwelling purposes.
  - b. There are no non-resident employees.
  - c. No equipment or process shall be used in such limited home occupation that creates noise, vibration, glare, fumes, odors, or electrical interference detectable to the normal senses off the lot. In the case of electrical interference, no equipment or process shall be used which creates visual or audible interference in any radio or television receivers, computers, wireless phones or hand held wireless transmitting devices off the premises, or causes fluctuations in line voltage off the premises.
  - d. There shall be no outside storage of any kind.
  - e. Specialized instruction or tutoring shall be limited to one (1) individual at a time.
  - f. No direct, face to face sales to the public on site.
  - g. Maximum of five (5) commercial parcel deliveries/pick ups per week.
  - h. No traffic or parking shall be generated by such limited home occupation in greater volumes than would normally be expected in a residential neighborhood.

## Section 19.04 - CONDITIONAL USES

Within this zoning district the following uses may be permitted, subject to the conditions and restrictions imposed by the Board of Zoning Appeals pursuant to the provisions of Article XXVIII of this Resolution. Conditionally permitted uses shall be considered abandoned if said use or uses are not commenced within one year from the date of Board of Zoning Appeals approval or are discontinued for a period in excess of two years. Unless the conditional use permit specifically provides that the grant shall be permanent and shall run with the land, the sale or conveyance of the land and/or structure wherein the same is located or upon which the same is granted shall void the conditional use permit. The subsequent owner(s) or his agent shall be required to reapply for a continuation and/or modification of such use(s) to the Board of Zoning Appeals if said uses are to be continued. A designation by the Board of Zoning Appeals that a permit is permanent and shall run with the land does not affect the right of authorities to revoke the permit for failure to comply with conditions imposed. No conditional use shall be implemented until a permit of compliance is issued by the Zoning Inspector.

A. Permanent structures or improvements used for retail sale of agricultural products provided that at least 50% of the gross income from the market is derived from the sale of products which are produced

on lands in this township or adjacent townships farmed by the proprietor of said stand. The stand and its parking area shall be outside of the road right-of-way and shall not interfere with traffic on adjacent thoroughfares. No permanent buildings or structures shall be placed without permission of the Board of Zoning Appeals and issuance of a conditional use permit.

- B. Bed and Breakfast provided that:
  - 1. A maximum of eight (8) guests may be housed at any one time.
  - 2. Lighting: All exterior lighting must meet the requirements of Article XXI of this Resolution.
  - 3. Parking: All bed & breakfast homes shall provide off-street paved/gravel parking for the public. Such off-street paved/gravel parking shall be located as directed by the Board of Zoning Appeals. The number of required parking spaces shall be one (1) space per bedroom.
  - 4. Screening and trash receptacles: Landscape drawings shall be required and shall show adequate landscaping and screening from adjoining residential lots, together with the clear marking of the boundaries of the bed and breakfast lot. Trash receptacles shall be provided around the bed and breakfast home for use by guests.
- C. Non-commercial playgrounds, playfields, picnic areas, and summer camps with adequate off-street parking areas, water supply, sanitation facilities, fencing to control accessibility of children to hazardous conditions, and any other improvement necessary to protect users from harm or danger.
- D. Parks and picnic areas with adequate off-street parking areas, water supply, sanitation facilities, fencing to control accessibility of children to hazardous conditions, and any other improvement necessary to protect users from harm or danger.

### Section 19.05 - PROHIBITED USES

- A. Uses not specifically authorized by the express terms of this article of the Zoning Resolution shall be prohibited.
- B. Outdoor storage of junk motor vehicles, as defined by ORC 505.173, for a period exceeding fourteen (14) days is prohibited. Said vehicles if stored on the premises shall be enclosed within a building so as not to be visible from any adjoining property or public road.
- C. No motor home, trailer, or camper of any type may be occupied by a guest of the resident/owner for more than fourteen (14) days and only one (1) motor home, trailer, or camper is permitted at any one time.
- D. No trash, debris, refuse or discarded materials which create an eyesore, hazard or nuisance to the neighborhood or general public shall be permitted to accumulate or to be stored on any lot, parcel or portion thereof.
- E. No cultivators, processors, or retail dispensaries of medical marijuana, licensed under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3796, shall be located nor operate in this district.

## Section 19.06 - DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

All lands and uses within the Harlem and Center Village Residential District shall be developed in compliance with standards hereinafter established:

- A. <u>Lot Area</u> No parcel of land in this district which has an area of less than 0.2 acres shall be used for residential purposes.
- B. <u>Lot Frontage</u> All lots or parcels within this zoning district shall have a minimum contiguous frontage of sixty-six (66) feet.
- C. <u>Building Height Limits</u> No building in this district shall exceed thirty-five (35) feet in height measured from the finished grade established not closer than fifteen (15) feet to the exterior wall of the structure. No windmills, flag poles, aerial, antenna, or tower shall be constructed to a height greater than the distance from the center of the base thereof to the nearest property line of said tract.
- D. <u>Building Dimensions (Floor Space Requirements)</u> No dwelling shall be constructed in said zoned district of Harlem Township unless the same shall have at least the minimum square feet of living area, exclusive of basements, porches, breezeways, utility areas, and garages as set forth in the following schedule of dwelling types:

One (1) story – 800 square feet of living area above grade. 1 ½ story – 1,000 square feet of living area (with 800 square feet on the first floor above grade). Split-level – 1,200 square feet of living area (800 square feet above grade). Bi-level – 1,200 square feet of living area (with 800 square feet above grade). 2 story – 1,200 square feet of living area (with 800 square feet on the first floor above grade).

E. <u>Building Setback</u> – To maintain a basic rural village character in the HCVR-1 District, buildings shall be permitted to be located closer to the center line of the adjacent public or private road than is specified in Section 21.10.

If a new building is constructed on a parcel within the HCVR-1 District, the front setback shall be forty (40) feet and shall be compatible in size and appearance with the other structures in this district.

- F. <u>Side Yard Setback</u> No new principal dwelling shall be located closer than fifteen (15) feet to any side lot line. No new accessory building shall be located closer than fifteen (15) feet to any side lot line.
- G. <u>Rear Yard Setback</u> No new dwelling shall be located closer than fifty (50) feet to the rear line of any lot and no new accessory building shall be located closer than fifteen (15) feet to said rear lot line.
- H. <u>Parking</u> Off-street parking shall be provided at the time of construction of the main structure or building, with adequate provisions for ingress and egress according to the standards set forth in Article XXI of this Resolution.
- I. <u>Signs Except as provided under the provisions of this article for home occupation or as controlled by</u> Article XXII of this Resolution and except as permitted by the Board of Zoning Appeals incidental to the Conditional Uses, no signs shall be permitted in this district except for "For Sale" or "For Rent or Lease"

signs advertising the tract on which said sign is located. Such sign shall not exceed six (6) square feet in area on each side.

- J. <u>Lighting Standards</u> All exterior lighting shall meet the lighting requirements of Article XXI of this Resolution.
- K. <u>Landscape Standards</u> All yards of the home shall be landscaped and shall meet the landscape requirements of this Resolution.
- L. <u>Factory-Built Housing</u> Any factory-built homes in this district must comply with all yard and setback requirements for the district and meet all of the following requirements:
  - 1. The home must be constructed pursuant to the HUD code (Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards Act, 42 U.S.C. 5401) and manufactured within five (5) years of the date the home is installed on the lot.
  - 2. The home must be attached to a visible, permanent foundation in accordance with the Building Code of Delaware County. This foundation must be comparable in appearance with site-built housing that has been constructed in this district. Slab foundations are not permitted.
  - 3. The home must be connected to the appropriate utilities.
  - 4. The home must have a minimum of eight hundred (800) square feet of living area above grade.
  - 5. The home must have conventional residential siding and a minimum six (6) inch eave overhang.

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# **ARTICLE XX – ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SYSTEMS**

## Section 20.01 - INDIVIDUAL WIND ENERGY SYSTEMS

- A. <u>Purpose:</u> It is the purpose of this regulation to promote the safe, effective, and efficient use of individual wind energy systems installed to reduce the on-site consumption of utility supplied electricity.
- B. <u>Individual Wind Energy System</u>: A wind energy conversion system consisting of a single wind turbine, a tower, and associated control or conversion electronics, which has a rated capacity of not more than 100 kW.
- C. <u>Permitted Use</u>: Individual wind energy systems shall be a permitted use in all zoning classifications where structures of any sort are allowed, subject to certain requirements as set forth below:
  - 1. <u>System Height</u>: The system height shall not exceed 125 feet. Maximum height shall be calculated by measuring the length of a prop at maximum vertical rotation to the base of the tower at ground level. The application shall include evidence that the proposed height does not exceed the height recommended by the manufacturer or distributor of the system, or the FAA.
  - 2. <u>Setback</u>: Setbacks from all property lines for the system tower including the wind turbine itself shall be ten feet greater than the maximum height of the system. No part of the wind system structure, including guy wire anchors, may extend closer than ten (10) feet to the property boundaries of the installation site. An individual wind energy system shall be erected and placed in such manner that if it were to fall, in whatever direction the fall occurs, the system would be contained solely on the property where the turbine is located and would not fall on any public right of way.
  - 3. <u>Access</u>: The tower shall be designed and installed so as not to provide step bolts or a ladder readily accessible to unauthorized persons for a minimum height of ten (10) feet above the ground. All ground-mounted electrical and control equipment shall be labeled and secured to prevent unauthorized access.
  - 4. <u>Noise</u>: Individual wind energy systems shall not exceed 60 dBA as measured at the closest property line. The level, however, may be exceeded during short-term events such as utility outages and/or severe wind storms.
  - 5. <u>Electrical Interference</u>: The applicant is responsible for assuring the proper installation of the individual wind energy system such that it does not create interference with any radio, television, computer terminal or similar electronic device or cause fluctuations in voltage beyond the applicant's property.
  - 6. <u>Visual Impact</u>: It is inherent that individual wind energy systems may pose some visual impacts due to the tower height needed to access the wind resources. The purpose of this section is to reduce the visual impacts, without restricting the owner's access to the wind resources. The applicant shall demonstrate through project site planning and proposed mitigation that the individual wind energy system's visual impacts will be minimized for surrounding neighbors and the community. This may include, but not be limited to, information regarding site selection,

turbine design or appearance, buffering, and screening of ground-mounted electrical and control equipment. The color of the individual wind energy system shall either be the stock color from the manufacturer or painted with a non-reflective, neutral color that blends in with the surrounding environment.

- 7. <u>Wiring and Electrical Apparatus</u>: All wires and electrical apparatuses associated with the operation of an individual wind energy system shall be located underground or in an appropriate enclosed structure.
- 8. <u>Approved Individual Wind Energy Systems</u>: Individual wind energy systems shall have been approved under the Emerging Technologies program of the California Energy Commission or any other small wind certification program recognized by the American Wind Energy Association. Applications for non-certified individual wind energy systems must include a description of the safety features of the system prepared by a registered mechanical engineer.
- 9. <u>Compliance with Applicable Codes</u>: Individual Wind Energy Systems shall meet all applicable local, state and federal codes including the County Building Regulations and Residential Building Code of Ohio.
- 10. <u>Utility Notification</u>: No individual wind energy system shall be installed until evidence has been given that the utility company has been informed of the customer's intent to install an interconnected customer-owned generator. Off-grid systems shall be exempt from this requirement.
- 11. <u>Utility Connection</u>: If the proposed wind energy system is to be connected to the power grid, it shall adhere to the Ohio Utilities Commission's interconnection standards.

### D. <u>Maintenance and Abandonment</u>:

- Individual wind energy systems shall be inspected by a licensed professional engineer for structural integrity every five (5) years. Any structural deficiencies shall be repaired within thirty (30) days or the Zoning Inspector shall issue a citation which immediately prohibits use of the individual wind energy system until repairs are made.
- 2. At such time that an individual wind energy system is scheduled to be abandoned or discontinued, the applicant shall notify the Zoning Inspector in writing within 30 days of the proposed date of abandonment or discontinuation of operations.
- 3. Upon abandonment or discontinuation of use, the owner shall physically remove the individual wind energy system within 90 days from the date of abandonment or discontinuation of use. This period may be extended at the request of the owner and at the discretion of the Zoning Inspector. "Physically remove" shall include, but not be limited to:
  - a. Removal of the individual wind energy system and tower and related above-grade structures, supports, and other hardware associated with the individual wind energy system.

- b. Restoration of the location of the individual wind energy system to its natural condition, except that any landscaping, grading or below-grade foundation may remain in the after-conditions.
- 4. In the event that an applicant fails to give such notice of abandonment, the system shall be considered abandoned or discontinued when it ceases transmission of electricity for 30 consecutive days. After 12 months of inoperability, the Zoning Inspector may issue a Notice of Abandonment to the owner of the individual wind energy system. The owner shall have the right to respond to the Notice of Abandonment within 30 days from Notice receipt date. If the owner provides information that demonstrates the individual wind energy system has not been abandoned, the Zoning Inspector shall withdraw the Notice of Abandonment and notify the owner that the Notice has been withdrawn.
- 5. If the owner fails to respond to the Notice of Abandonment or if after review by the Zoning Inspector it is determined that the individual wind energy system has been abandoned or discontinued, the owner of the individual wind energy system shall remove the system and related above- ground structures at the owner's sole expense within 3 months of receipt of the Notice of Abandonment. If the owner fails to physically remove the individual wind energy system after the Notice of Abandonment procedure, the township shall have the authority to enter the subject property and physically remove the individual wind energy system. All costs associated with this removal shall be borne by the property owner.
- E. <u>Zoning Certificate Required</u>: A zoning certificate shall be required before construction is commenced on an individual wind energy system. Applications submitted to the zoning inspector shall contain the following information:
  - 1. A site drawing showing the:
    - a. Property lines and physical dimension of the applicant's property, including any adjacent, adjoining and contiguous roads, public right of ways, and easements.
    - b. Location, dimensions, and types of existing structures on the property.
    - c. Location of the proposed individual wind energy system, foundations, guy anchors, and associated equipment.
    - d. All setback distances as required in the zoning resolution.
  - 2. Evidence that the individual wind energy system conforms to applicable industry standards including those of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). An engineering analysis of the system showing compliance with the uniform Building Code and certified by a licensed professional engineer shall also be submitted. (This analysis is frequently supplied by the manufacturer.)
  - 3. Individual wind energy system specifications, including manufacturer, model, rotor diameter, tower height, tower type, and nameplate generation capacity.

- 4. Individual wind energy systems that will be connected to the power grid shall include a copy of the application for interconnection with their electric utility provider.
- 5. Sound level analysis prepared by the system manufacturer or qualified engineer which specifies the maximum decibel level of the particular unit.
- 6. Electrical components in sufficient detail to allow for a determination that the manner of installation conforms to the National Electrical Code.
- 7. Information on the location of public and private airports in relation to the location of the individual wind energy system and evidence of compliance or non-applicability with the Federal Aviation Administration requirements.
- 8. A maintenance schedule as well as a dismantling plan that outlines how the unit will be dismantled.
- 9. A list and/or depiction of all safety measures that will be on the unit including but not limited to anti-climb devices, grounding devices, lightning protection, braking systems, guy wiring, and anchors.
- 10. Hazardous materials containment and disposal plan.

# Section 20.02 - SMALL WIND FARMS

- A. <u>Purpose:</u> It is the purpose of this regulation to promote the safe, effective, and efficient use of small wind farms.
- B. <u>Small Wind Farms</u>: A small wind farm is a wind energy conversion system consisting of installed wind turbines and their associated facilities, all sharing a single interconnection to the electrical transmission grid, and having an aggregate generation capacity of less than 5 megawatts. Each wind turbine and its associated facilities is hereafter referred to as an individual component of a small wind farm.
- C. <u>Permitted Use</u>: Small wind farms shall be a permitted use in AR-1, C-2, I, PCD, PID, and PUD zoning classifications, subject to certain requirements as set forth below:
  - 1. <u>System Height</u>: The system height of any individual tower shall not exceed 125 feet. Maximum height shall be calculated by measuring the length of a prop at maximum vertical rotation to the base of the tower at ground level. The application shall include evidence that the proposed height does not exceed the height recommended by the manufacturer or distributor of the system, or the FAA.
  - 2. <u>Setback</u>: Setbacks from all property lines for any system tower including the wind turbines themselves shall be ten feet greater than the maximum height of the system. No part of any wind system structure, including guy wire anchors, may extend closer than ten (10) feet to the property boundaries of the installation site. Any component of the small wind farm shall be erected and placed in such manner that if it were to fall, in whatever direction the fall occurs, the system would be contained solely on the property where the small wind farm is located and would not fall on any public right of way.

- 3. <u>Access</u>: Any tower shall be designed and installed so as not to provide step bolts or a ladder readily accessible to unauthorized persons for a minimum height of ten (10) feet above the ground. All ground-mounted electrical and control equipment shall be labeled and secured to prevent unauthorized access.
- 4. <u>Noise</u>: Any small wind farm component shall not exceed 60 dBA as measured at the closest property line. The level, however, may be exceeded during short-term events such as utility outages and/or severe wind storms.
- 5. <u>Electrical Interference</u>: The applicant is responsible for assuring the proper installation of the small wind farm such that it does not create interference with any radio, television, computer terminal or similar electronic device or cause fluctuations in voltage beyond the applicant's property.
- 6.. <u>Visual Impact</u>: It is inherent that small wind farms may pose some visual impacts due to the tower height(s) needed to access the wind resources. The purpose of this section is to reduce the visual impacts, without restricting the owner's access to the wind resources. The applicant shall demonstrate through project site planning and proposed mitigation that the small wind farm's visual impacts will be minimized for surrounding neighbors and the community. This may include, but not be limited to, information regarding site selection, turbine design or appearance, buffering, and screening of ground- mounted electrical and control equipment. The color of the small wind farm components shall either be the stock color from the manufacturer or painted with a non-reflective, neutral color that blends in with the surrounding environment.
- 7. <u>Wiring and Electrical Apparatus</u>: All wires and electrical apparatuses associated with the operation of a small wind farm shall be located underground or in an appropriate enclosed structure.
- 8. <u>Approved Small Wind Farms</u>: All components of a small wind farm shall have been approved under the Emerging Technologies program of the California Energy Commission or any other small wind certification program recognized by the American Wind Energy Association. Applications for non-certified components of small wind farms must include a description of the safety features of the component prepared by a registered mechanical engineer.
- 9. <u>Compliance with Applicable Codes</u>: Small Wind Farm components shall meet all applicable local, state and federal codes including the County Building Regulations and Residential Building Code of Ohio.
- 10. <u>Utility Notification</u>: No individual components of a small wind farm shall be installed until evidence has been given that the utility company has been informed of the customer's intent to install an interconnected customer-owned generator.
- 11. <u>Utility Connection</u>: The small wind farm shall adhere to the Ohio Utilities Commission's interconnection standards.
- D. <u>Maintenance and Abandonment</u>:

- 1. Individual components of a small wind farm shall be inspected by a licensed professional engineer for structural integrity every five (5) years. Any structural deficiencies shall be repaired within thirty (30) days or the Zoning Inspector shall issue a citation which immediately prohibits use of the individual component until repairs are made.
- 2. At such time that an individual component of a small wind farm is scheduled to be abandoned or discontinued, the applicant shall notify the Zoning Inspector in writing within 30 days of the proposed date of abandonment or discontinuation of operations.
- 3. Upon abandonment or discontinuation of use, the owner shall physically remove the individual component of the small wind farm within 90 days from the date of abandonment or discontinuation of use. This period may be extended at the request of the owner and at the discretion of the Zoning Inspector. "Physically remove" shall include, but not be limited to:
  - a. Removal of all above-grade structures associated with the individual component of the small wind farm.
  - b. Restoration of the location of the individual component of the small wind farm to its natural condition, except that any landscaping, grading or below-grade foundation may remain in the after-conditions.
- 4. In the event that an applicant fails to give such notice of abandonment, the individual component of the small wind farm shall be considered abandoned or discontinued when it ceases transmission of electricity for 30 consecutive days. After 12 months of inoperability, the Zoning Inspector may issue a Notice of Abandonment to the owner of the small wind farm. The owner shall have the right to respond to the Notice of Abandonment within 30 days from Notice receipt date. If the owner provides information that demonstrates the individual component of the small wind farm has not been abandoned, the Zoning Inspector shall withdraw the Notice of Abandonment and notify the owner that the Notice has been withdrawn.
- 5. If the owner fails to respond to the Notice of Abandonment or if after review by the Zoning Inspector it is determined that the individual component of the small wind farm has been abandoned or discontinued, the owner shall remove the structure and related above- ground structures at the owner's sole expense within 3 months of receipt of the Notice of Abandonment. If the owner fails to physically remove the individual component of the small wind farm after the Notice of Abandonment procedure, the township shall have the authority to enter the subject property and physically remove the individual component. All costs associated with this removal shall be borne by the property owner.
- E. <u>Zoning Certificate Required</u>: A zoning certificate shall be required before construction is commenced on a small wind farm. Applications submitted to the zoning inspector shall contain the following information:
  - 1. A site drawing showing the:
    - a. Property lines and physical dimension of the applicant's property, including any adjacent, adjoining and contiguous roads, public right of ways, and easements.

- b. Location, dimensions, and types of existing structures on the property.
- c. Location of the proposed individual components, foundations, guy anchors, and associated equipment.
- e. All setback distances as required in the zoning resolution.
- 2. Evidence that all individual components of the small wind farm conform to applicable industry standards including those of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). An engineering analysis of the system showing compliance with the uniform Building Code and certified by a licensed professional engineer shall also be submitted. (This analysis is frequently supplied by the manufacturer.)
- 3. Specifications, including manufacturer, model, rotor diameter, tower height, tower type, and nameplate generation capacity for all components of the small wind farm.
- 4. A copy of the application for interconnection with the electric utility provider.
- 5. Sound level analysis prepared by the system manufacturer or qualified engineer which specifies the maximum decibel level of each individual component.
- 6. Electrical components in sufficient detail to allow for a determination that the manner of installation conforms to the National Electrical Code.
- 7. Information on the location of public and private airports in relation to the location of the small wind farm and evidence of compliance or non-applicability with the Federal Aviation Administration requirements.
- 8. A maintenance schedule as well as a dismantling plan that outlines how an individual component will be dismantled.
- 9. A list and/or depiction of all safety measures that will be on the individual component including but not limited to anti-climb devices, grounding devices, lightning protection, braking systems, guy wiring, and anchors.
- 10. Hazardous materials containment and disposal plan.

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# **ARTICLE XXI - GENERAL DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS**

#### Section 21.01 - GENERAL

It is the purpose of these development standards to set forth certain general rules to be adhered to regardless of the type or classification of development. They are designed to protect and enhance the general welfare of the citizens of Harlem Township. These development standards apply throughout the township. If a conflict exists between these standards and more specific standards prescribed in any individual zoning district, the specific provisions of the zoning district in question shall prevail. The standards set forth herein are to be considered minimum standards augmented by standards set forth elsewhere in this Resolution or prescribed or agreed to by the land owner in any rezoning or variance.

# Section 21.02 - PARKING

Wherever parking areas are to be provided as required by the provisions of this Zoning Resolution the following conditions shall apply:

- A. <u>Dimensions</u>: All parking spaces shall be not less than nine (9) feet wide and twenty (20) feet long. Such spaces shall be measured rectangularly and shall be served by aisle ways of sufficient width to permit easy and smooth access to all parking spaces.
- B. <u>Parking</u>: Except in the Farm Residential Zoning District (FR-1) and the Agricultural Residential District (AR-1) all common parking areas and adjacent aisles or driveways shall be paved with asphalt material or concrete.
- C. <u>Driveways</u>: All parking lots for five (5) or more vehicles shall be served by a driveway not less than 20 feet in width but adequate in width to permit easy access to parking spaces. No driveway shall be located so that it enters a public road within 100 feet of the nearest right of way line of the intersection of any two (2) public roads unless there are two (2) driveways serving the lot, one of which is more than 100 feet and the other not less than 40 feet from the nearest right-of-way line from said intersection. All driveways shall be located and the adjoining lots graded so that vehicular traffic entering a public road has an unobstructed sight distance of at least 300 feet.
- D. <u>Parking Area Location</u>: No parking lot or parking area shall be located nearer than six feet to the side or rear line of the tract on which the structure is located. Parking in front of the main structure may be permitted only if not more than 40 percent of the front setback area outside of the nearest right-of-way is occupied by parking. The remaining 60 percent of setback area shall be landscaped and shall be properly maintained. All parking spaces required herein shall be located on the same lot with the building or use served.
- E. <u>Required Off-Street Parking Spaces</u>: The user of any tract shall provide off-street parking for all employees, customers, visitors and invitees. The following table shall specify the minimum parking areas to be provided.

USE	REQUIRED PARKING SPACES
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1. Single family residential (AR-1), (FR- 1) and (R-2)	Four per dwelling <b>unit</b>	
2. HCVR-1	Two per dwelling unit	
3. All other residential	Three per dwelling unit	
<ol> <li>Hotels, motels, lodges, bed and breakfast (without public meeting facilities)</li> </ol>	One per rental unit plus one per employee on largest shift plus one for each four seats in the dining room or restaurant area	
<ol> <li>Hotels, motels, lodges, exhibition halls and public assembly areas (except churches)</li> </ol>	One per rental unit plus one per employee on the largest shift plus one per 75 sq. ft. of floor area used for exhibition or assembly purposes plus one per four seats in any restaurant therein.	
6. Churches or places of public assembly	One for each three seats or one for each 45 sq. ft. of assembly area, whichever is greater	
7. Hospitals	1 ½ for each bed plus one for each employee on the largest shift	
9. Nursing homes, Group homes	One for each two beds plus one for each employee on the larges shift	
10. Museums, libraries	One for each 400 sq. ft. of each area open to the public plus one for each employee on the largest shift	
11. Primary or elementary schools	Four for each classroom	
12. Secondary schools, colleges, trade schools, etc.	Four for each classroom plus one for each four students	
13. Restaurants	One for each two seats plus one for each employee on the largest shift; not less than 25 parking spaces shall be provided	
14. Offices	One for each 400 sq. ft. of floor area plus one for each employee	
15. Funeral homes	One for each 25 sq. ft. of public area	
16. Retail stores	Five plus one for every four hundred (400) sq. ft. of floor space	
17. All industrial, warehousing	20 plus one for each two employees plus one for each vehicle maintained on the premises	

Any application for initial construction or use or for the expansion of any structure or use shall include plans for adequate off-street parking as required herein.

#### Section 21.03 - HEIGHT LIMITATIONS

The building height limitations set forth in this Resolution shall not apply to barns, silos, grain bins, grain handling conveyors, church spires, domes, chimneys, cooling towers, elevator shafts, fire towers, belfries, monuments, stacks, derricks, conveyors, stage towers, tanks, or water towers. Windmills, aerials, antennas or towers if otherwise permitted may be constructed to a height not greater than the distance from the center of the base thereof to the nearest property line of said tract.

#### Section 21.04 - STRUCTURE SEPARATION

No principal structure shall be located closer than twenty (20) feet to another principal structure unless the adjacent walls of both structures are masonry in which even said principal structures shall be no closer than fifteen (15) feet. No principal structure shall be located closer than fifteen (15) feet to another principal structure unless one of said structures has, as its exterior facing wall, a fire wall, free of any opening and capable of stopping the spread of any fire.

# Section 21.05 - SANITARY SEWER REQUIREMENTS AND POLLUTION CONTROL

All uses shall be conducted in conformance with the regulations promulgated by the Environmental Protection Agency and the Delaware County Department of Health. Prior to issuance of any zoning certificate, evidence of compliance with said regulations shall be presented to the Zoning Inspector.

#### Section 21.06 - WATER IMPOUNDMENT

All water impoundments such as ponds, lakes or swimming pools shall be constructed and developed in compliance with the following standards:

- A. Except adjacent to a Class "A" Roadway no impoundment shall be closer than 25 feet to the nearest right-of-way or 55 feet to the center line of any adjacent approved road.
- B. No impoundment shall be located closer than 50 feet to the nearest right-of-way of a Class "A" Roadway.
- C. No impoundment shall be located in the front yard of any district except the AR-1 and FR-1 districts, except upon issuance of a conditional use permit pursuant to Article XXVIII of the Resolution or as approved in plans of development or approved subdivision plats.
- D. Access to all installed swimming pools shall be controlled in a manner which complies with Delaware County Building Regulations. The property owner shall furnish the Zoning Inspector with a copy of Delaware County's final inspection report within two weeks of issuance of said report.

#### Section 21.07 – LANDSCAPING

All uses and improvements in the township should pay close attention to the maintenance of proper landscaping as soon as possible after completion of construction of the principal structures or improvements. Maintenance of

ground cover at all times is encouraged to prevent erosion. Replacement of trees, removed during the land clearing, should be accomplished as soon as possible.

#### Section 21.08 – DRAINAGE

All construction within Harlem Township shall be accomplished in a manner consistent with maintenance of good surface drainage. In all improvements or uses where submittal of drainage plans is not specifically required every reasonable effort shall be made to ensure that proper drainage on the subject property and adjacent or subservient properties is maintained or improved.

In no event shall any person interfere with any existing tile or surface drain channel unless it is determined by the Delaware County Soil and Water Conservation Office that such tile or channel can be removed or relocated without interfering with the drainage on adjacent properties.

# Section 21.09 - FLOOD PLAIN REGULATION

Certain limited areas of the Township lie within a 100-year flood plain. Inundation of those areas during periods of high water can impose great loss of property value unless controls are imposed to ensure that land use within those areas consider such risks and minimize the impact of such flooding. In an effort to control such uses, in the best interest of the township, the following regulations shall be imposed.

- A. The Delaware County Building Department shall maintain on file for public examination, current maps, delineating the boundaries within the township of all lands designated "flood way". In the event a property owner contests the boundaries of such flood way, he or she shall be given reasonable opportunity to present technical evidence to support his or her position.
- B. Open space uses shall be permitted within the flood plain to the extent that they are permitted within the zoning district controlling use of said land and provided they do not require structures, fill or storage of material or equipment.
- C. No new structure shall be permitted within the one hundred (100) year flood way, and no use shall be permitted within the flood way which will adversely affect the efficiency or which will unduly restrict the capacity of the channel or flood way of any tributary to the main stream, drainage ditch or other drainage facility or system.
- D. No fill shall be deposited within the flood plain without permission from the Board of Zoning Appeals. Showing must be made that such fill is for some beneficial purpose and will be protected against erosion by rip-rap, vegetation cover or bulk heading. No dredging shall be permitted of the channel or flood way unless the applicant provides evidence to the Board of Zoning Appeals that all State and Federal permits are issued as required by law.

#### Section 21.10 - SETBACK REGULATIONS

No building or use (except parking areas) shall be located closer to the center line of adjoining streets, roads, highways or Common Access Drives (C.A.D.) than the distances set forth in the tables or chart set forth hereinafter.

- A. <u>Minimum Setback Distances</u>: All distances are measured in feet from the surveyed center line of the existing or proposed roadway to the nearest use or improvement, except parking areas or signs which may be located within the setback area as regulated by Article XXI of this resolution.
- B. If no survey determining the centerline of the roadway exists the centerline may be determined by using pavement measurements.

USE CLASSIFICATION	ROAD CLASSIFICATION		
	CLASS A	CLASS B	CLASS C
AR-1 - Agricultural Residential	130	90	90
FR-1 – Residential	130	90	90
R-2 – Residential	130	90	90
C-1 – Neighborhood Office	130	90	90
C-2 – Neighborhood Commercial	130	90	90
l – Industrial	130	130	100
Planned Districts	As approved in Development Plan (Class P)		

C. <u>Roads</u>: All streets, roads, highways, Common Access Drives (C.A.D.), and all unnamed streets and alleys in Harlem Township, the Village of Harlem and Center Village shall be classified as per the following listing:

NAME	ROAD #
<u>Class "A" Roads</u>	
State Route 37	
State Route 605	
Fancher Road	County Rd. 20
Harlem Road	County Rd. 17
Red Bank Road	County Rd. 31
Smothers Road	County Rd. 3
Woodtown Road	County Rd. 23
<u>Class "B" Roads</u>	
Adams Road	Twp. 40
Bevelheimer Road	Twp. 2
Center Village Road	County & Twp. 25
Duncan Run Road	Twp. 27
Hatch Road	Twp. 37

Gorsuch Road	County & Twp. 27
Kean Road	Twp. 37
Miller Paul Road	County 18
Montgomery Road	Twp. 26
Needles Road	Twp. 23
Green Cook Road	Twp. 29
North County Line Road	County 51
Lewis Road	Twp. 38
Robins Road	Twp. 36
South County Line Road	County 51
Trenton Road	County & Twp. 22
<u>Class "C" Roads</u>	
Mayfair Drive	Twp. 328
North Drive	Twp. 341
Lakewood Drive	Twp. 328
Rich Street	Twp. 330
South Street	Twp. 405
Water Street	Twp. 405
West Street	Twp. 405
Brookview Drive	Twp. 405
Covan Drive	Twp. 393
Evans Road	Twp. 269
Hughes Road	Twp. 261
Mayfair Court	Twp. 328
Overbrook Dr.	Twp. 407
Orchard Road	Twp. 329
Thornbrook Drive	Twp. 406
Ivy Ridge Road	Twp. 1356
Class "P" Roads	
Pine View Drive	Twp. 1550

Twp. 1550
Twp. 1551
Twp. 1552

Walnut Street, Neal Alley and all unnamed streets and alleys in the villages of Harlem and Center Village.

Champaign Court, Erie Court, Hoover Court, Champaign Avenue, Hoover Court North, Hoover Court South, Huron Road, Michigan Court, Ontario Court, St. Clair Avenue, Superior Court are all private roads in Westerville Estates Trailer Park.

Ridgeview Drive – private road in recorded Dunn Ridge Subdivision.

#### Section 21.11 - DRIVEWAY CONSTRUCTION

It being considered important that driveways serving any property or use be constructed in a manner which ensures access by emergency vehicles and the free and safe flow of traffic from public streets or roads, the following standards are required for such driveways:

- A. <u>All Driveways (any use)</u>: In addition to the conditions or specifications imposed in subsection (2) or (3) hereinafter established, the following specifications are required for all driveways, regardless of the use served thereby:
  - 1. Driveway shall not, at any point over its entire length have a grade, up or down, from the public road pavement level exceeding eight (8) percent for a minimum of twenty-five (25) feet.
  - 2. Driveways shall not, at any point over its entire length, contain a grade exceeding twelve (12) percent.
  - 3. At the point the driveway intersects the public road, the same shall have such radii and drain pipe as specified or required by the governmental agency (State, County or Township) which controls the public roadway.
  - 4. If the driveway leaves the public road on an up-grade the design and construction shall include a vertical curve or saddle to prevent the flow of surface drainage from said driveway onto the traveled portion of the public road.
  - 5. If any driveway crosses a drainage swale, stream or ditch the same should be bridged by pipe or such structure as required to permit the unobstructed passage of all surface water generated by a five-year storm. Any pipe should be of sufficient length to extend not less than three (3) feet beyond the slope of the fill over said pipe unless a properly designed headwall is installed to protect the end of such pipe. Any bridge or structure spanning a stream or ditch should be designed with HS 15 loading by a Professional Engineer. No bridge should be less than twelve (12) feet in width. If the driveway serves a commercial or industrial use, the bridge should be not less than eighteen (18) feet in width.
  - 6. If a fill is placed over any drainage structure or placed to alter the grade of any driveway, the vertical slopes on said fill shall be no steeper than a two-to-one slope. All fill areas shall be scalped of vegetation and excavated to load-bearing soil before fill material is placed over it. Such fill shall be free of all humus and organic material and should be compacted to a density of ninety-five (95) percent proctor. The fill shall be of sufficient width to include a compacted berm beside the graveled or paved area of reasonable width to facilitate safe passage of vehicles. Guardrails or barriers shall be installed when necessary to create safe conditions.
  - 7. Drainage ditches shall be constructed as necessary parallel to said driveway; such ditches should be graded to a good and sufficient outlet. Siltation control should be placed in any ditch, and such siltation should not flow to roadside ditches along public roads.
  - 8. All curves in the driveway shall be of sufficient inside radius (not less than 50 feet) to permit unhindered passage of public safety vehicles including fire vehicles and all other vehicles reasonably expected to utilize the same.

- 9. All trees, overhanging branches or other obstructions to the free passage of public safety vehicles shall be removed.
- 10. Obstructions of the prevailing wind-ward side of the driveway which contribute to drifting snow shall, when possible, be removed.
- 11. An adequate open area shall be provided at the end of the driveway to allow emergency and fire vehicles to turn around.
- 12. The first phase of any construction project shall be the construction of a driveway of aggregate to provide off-street parking for construction vehicles and to prevent the tracking of dirt onto the public roadway.
- 13. Flag lots must be separated by a lot meeting the required frontage at the right-of-line on any road in the township.
- B. <u>Residential Driveways</u>: In addition to the conditions imposed by Section 21.11 (A) hereinbefore set forth, the following standards are required for driveways serving residential structures or uses:
  - 1. Driveways serving individual residential structures shall not be less than ten (10) feet in width and shall be constructed over an aggregate base of reasonable depth.
  - 2. A Common Access Driveway (CAD) serving two (2) or more residences, shall be twelve (12) feet in width and shall be constructed over an aggregate base of reasonable depth according to soil type in that area.
  - 3. Dust control shall be provided on an "as needed" basis.
- C. <u>Commercial, Industrial, Public Facility and Apartment Complex Driveways and Parking Areas</u>: In addition to the conditions recommended by Section 21.11(A) hereinbefore set forth, the following standards are required for driveways serving all commercial and industrial uses and apartment complexes containing ten (10) or more units and served by a common parking area.
  - 1. Driveways shall not be less than twenty (20) feet in width.
  - 2. Driveway and parking areas and surface shall be designed by a professional engineer to sufficient depth for anticipated use and access by public safety vehicles.
  - 3. The finished surface of the driveway and parking area shall be asphalt or concrete.

# Section 21.12 - INDUSTRIALIZED OR MANUFACTURED STRUCTURE (MODULAR, TRAILERS, OR MOBILE HOMES OR OFFICES)

For the purpose of this Resolution, a modular home, modular office or modular industrial unit shall be defined as an industrialized unit which has been inspected and certified to be in compliance with the Ohio Building Code. All such units shall be approved for their appropriate zoning district, the same as a site built structure. All local, state, and federal requirements and permits shall be required. All other industrialized or manufactured units shall be considered a temporary structure, trailer, or mobile home, mobile office, or mobile industrial unit and shall be limited in placement by this resolution.

#### Section 21.13 - OWNERSHIP AND MAINTENANCE OF OPEN SPACE

A. Ownership of Open Space: Different ownership and management options apply to the permanently protected common open space created through the development process. The common open space shall remain undivided and may be owned and managed by a homeowners' association, the township, or a recognized land trust or conservation district (conservancy). A narrative describing ownership, use and maintenance responsibilities, and ongoing funding sources shall be submitted for all common and public improvements, utilities, and open spaces. Funding sources may include tax assessment if necessary.

Ownership Standards: Common open space within the development shall be owned, administered, and maintained by any of the following methods, either individually or in combination, and subject to approval by the township:

- 1. Offer of Dedication. Dedication shall take the form of a fee simple ownership. The Township may, but is not required to accept undivided common open space provided: a) such land is accessible to all the residents of the Township; b) there is no cost of acquisition other than incidental cost related to the transfer of ownership; c) the Township agrees to maintain such lands. Where the Township accepts dedication of common open space that contains improvements, the Township may require the posting of financial security to ensure structural integrity of improvements for a term not to exceed eighteen (18) months.
- 2. Homeowners' Association: The undivided common open space and associated facilities may be held in common ownership by a homeowners' association. The association shall be formed and operated under the following provisions:
  - a. The developer shall provide a description of the association, including its bylaws and methods for maintaining the common open space.
  - b. The association shall be organized by the developer and shall be operated by the developer, before the sale of any lots within the development.
  - c. Membership in the association is mandatory for all purchasers of homes therein and their successors. The condition and timing of transferring control of the association from developer to homeowners shall be identified.
  - d. The association shall be responsible for maintenance of insurance and taxes on the undivided common space, enforceable by liens placed by the Township on the association. The association may establish rules to ensure proper maintenance of property, including monetary liens on the homes and home sites of its members who fail to pay their association dues in a timely manner. Such liens may impose a penalty of interest charges.
  - e. The members of the association shall share equitably the costs of maintaining and developing, where appropriate, such undivided common open space. Shares shall be defined within the association bylaws.

- f. In the event of transfer, within the methods here permitted, of undivided common open space land by the homeowners' association, or the assumption of maintenance of undivided common open space land by the Township, notice of such pending action shall be given to all property owners within the development.
- g. The association shall provide for adequate staff to administer common facilities and property and continually maintain the undivided common open space.
- h. The homeowners' association may lease common open lands to any other qualified person, or corporation, for operation and maintenance of common open space lands, but such lease agreement shall provide:
  - i. that the residents of the development shall at all times have access to the common open space lands contained therein (except croplands during the growing season);
  - ii. that the undivided common open space shall be maintained for purposes set forth in this Section;
  - iii. that the operation of common space may be for the benefit of the residents only, or may be open to all residents of the township. In cases where public trails or paths are provided as linkage between developments or as a continuous link of common open space within the township, all residents of the township shall have access to such identified paths/walkways; and,
  - iv. the lease shall be subject to the approval of the homeowners' association board and any transfer or assignment of the lease shall be further subject to the approval of the board. Lease agreements shall be recorded with the Delaware County Recorder and notification shall be provided to the Township Trustees within 30 days of action by the Board.
- 3. Condominium Agreements. The undivided common open space and associated facilities may be controlled through the use of condominium agreements, approved by the Township. Such agreements shall be in conformance with all applicable laws and regulations. All undivided common open space land shall be held as a common element.
- 4. Dedication of Easements. The Township may, but shall not be required to accept easements for public use of any portion or portions of undivided common open space land, title of which is to remain in ownership by a condominium or homeowners' association, provided:
  - a. Such land is accessible to township residents;
  - b. There is no cost of acquisition other than incidental transfer of ownership costs;
  - c. A satisfactory maintenance agreement is reached between the developer, association and the Township.

- 5. Transfer of Easements to a Governmental or Private Conservation Organization. With the permission of the Township, an owner may transfer easements to a governmental or private nonprofit organization, among whose purposes it is to conserve open space and/or natural resources; provided that:
  - a. The organization is acceptable to the Township, and is a bona fide conservation organization with perpetual existence;
  - b. The conveyance contains appropriate provisions for the Township as entered into by the developer and the organization.
- B. Maintenance of Open Space:
  - 1. The ultimate owner of the open space shall be responsible for raising all monies required for operations, maintenance, or physical improvements to the open space through annual dues, special assessments, etc. The owner shall be authorized under its bylaws to place liens on the property of residents who fall delinquent in payment of such dues, assessments, etc.
  - 2. In the event that the organization established to own and maintain common open space shall at any time after establishment of the planned development fail to maintain the common open space in reasonable order and condition in accordance with the Development Plan, the Township Trustees may serve written notice upon such organization or upon the residents of the planned development, setting forth the manner in which the organization has failed to maintain the common open space in reasonable condition. The notice shall include a demand that such deficiencies of maintenance be corrected within thirty (30) days thereof, and shall state the date and place of a hearing thereon which shall be held within fourteen (14) days of the notice. At such hearing the Township Trustees may modify the terms of the original notice as to the deficiencies and may give an extension of time within which they shall be corrected.

If the deficiencies set forth in the original notice or in the modifications thereof shall not be corrected within said (30) days or any extension, thereof, the Township Trustees may pursue the enforcement as a zoning violation and/or pursue action through ORC 505.86 and/or 505.87 at their discretion.

#### Section 21.14 - LIGHTING

Lighting shall be adequate to promote the safety of residents and shall be shielded and directed so as not to interfere with the enjoyment of residents at nearby properties. Exterior lighting should be directed so as to control light trespass and glare on adjacent properties and public roadways and to reduce atmospheric light pollution.

Every proposed development in any district except for AR-1 Agricultural Residential and FR-1 Farm Residential shall include a lighting plan with the application.

#### Section 21.15 - TEMPORARY OR PORTABLE STORAGE STRUCTURES

A Temporary or Portable Storage Structure is any container, storage unit, shed-like container, the trailer portion of a tractor trailer, boxcars, shipping containers or any other portable structure (e.g., PODS), other than an accessory building or shed complying with all building codes and land use requirements, that can be or is used for storage of personal property of any kind and which is located for such purpose outside an enclosed building. Such temporary or portable storage structures may be permitted as a temporary use in any zoning district. All such temporary or portable storage structures are subject to the following requirements:

- A. A Temporary or Portable Storage Structure shall be less than two hundred (200) square feet and eight
   (8) feet or less in height.
- B. Not more than two (2) Temporary or Portable Storage Structures shall be permitted on any lot at any time.
- C. No Temporary or Portable Storage Structure shall be located in the public right-of-way.
- D. A Temporary or Portable Storage Structure shall be located no closer to an adjacent lot than the greater of ten (10) feet or the required minimum side or rear yard setback for accessory buildings in the district in which the Portable Storage Structure is located.
- E. A Temporary or Portable Storage Structure shall only be used for the storage of personal property and for no other purpose whatsoever.
- F. The placement of a Temporary or Portable Storage Structure shall be in such manner as to not create a public nuisance.
- G. A Temporary or Portable Storage Structure is not permitted as a permanent storage structure regardless of the proposed location on a lot.
- H. A Temporary or Portable Storage Structure must not remain at the property in any zoning district in excess of thirty (30) consecutive days and must not be placed at any one property in a zoning district in excess of thirty (30) days in a calendar year (except as provided in I, below).
- I. A Temporary or Portable Storage Structure associated with construction or remodeling where a building permit has been issued is permitted for the duration of the construction or remodeling and shall be removed from the site within fourteen (14) days of the end of construction or remodeling.
- J. A Temporary Use Permit shall be obtained prior to the placement of a Temporary or Portable Storage Structure on a property.

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# **ARTICLE XXII - SIGN AND BILLBOARD**

#### Section 22.01 – PURPOSE

The purpose of this sign regulation is to promote and protect the public health by regulating existing and proposed outdoor signs of all types. It is intended to protect property values, create a more attractive economic and business climate, enhance and protect the physical appearance, preserve the scenic and natural beauty of the communities and countryside, reduce sign distraction and obstructions that may contribute to traffic accidents, provide more open space and generally curb the deterioration of the natural environment.

#### Section 22.02 - CLASSIFICATION OF SIGNS

All signs erected within Harlem Township shall fall within one of the following categories:

- A. Those signs which require no permit as identified and described in Section 22.03.
- B. Those signs which require a permit issued by the Zoning Inspector as identified and described in Section 22.04.
- C. Those signs which require a conditional use permit issued by the Harlem Township Board of Zoning Appeals as identified and described in Section 22.05.
- D. Those signs which are required and pursuant to the regulations and provisions of Section 22.06 of the Harlem Township Zoning Resolution.

#### Section 22.03 - Signs Requiring No Permit

The following signs shall be permitted in Harlem Township subject to the regulations set forth herein. No zoning permit shall be required for any sign constructed or erected under terms of this section.

- A. <u>Real Estate Signs</u>: Signs identifying a property for sale, rent, or lease may be placed on-site until ten (10) days after the property has been closed, sold, rented, or leased. Real estate signs shall not exceed six (6) square feet in area per side with not more than two (2) sides. On parcels exceeding fifteen (15) acres, one (1) sign not to exceed thirty-two (32) square feet per side with not more than two (2) sides may be erected. Where a parcel meeting the above acreage criteria (exceeding fifteen (15) acres) has frontage on two (2) or more roads, one sign may be permitted on each road on review of the Zoning Inspector. Such signs shall not be illuminated, shall not be attached flat against a building and shall be set back at least twelve (12) feet from all property lines and public or private road right of ways within the township.
- B. <u>Signs For Home Occupations</u>: Such signs shall be in accordance with Article VII, Section 7.04, Subsection (A) (8); or Article VIII, Section 8.04, Subsection (A) (8); or Article IX, Section 9.04, Subsection (A) (8); or Article XI, Section 11.04, Subsection (A) (8), whichever shall apply, of the Harlem Township Zoning Resolution.
- C. <u>Vehicular Signs</u>: Directional or other incidental signs pertaining to vehicular or pedestrian control on private property provided that the said signs are located outside the right of way of any public street or road as per review by the Harlem Township Zoning Inspector, do not exceed two (2) square feet of area per side, and do not interfere with or obstruct visibility when entering or leaving said property.

- D. <u>Political Signs Or Posters</u>: Such signs involving any candidate for public elective office or any issues and similar matters to be decided by public election shall be permitted in any district of the township provided that said signs meet the following criteria:
  - 1. Do not interfere with visibility of vehicular traffic entering or leaving the highway.
  - 2. Are erected or posted not more than thirty (30) days prior to any election and all signs are removed within ten (10) days following any election.
  - 3. Are capable of being posted and removed without destruction of public or private property.
  - 4. Designate the name and address of the person charged with removal of the sign.
  - 5. No such sign shall exceed six (6) square feet per side with not more than two (2) sides.
- E. <u>Temporary Signs</u>: Such signs announcing special public or institutional events. Such signs shall not exceed twenty (20) square feet in area per side with not more than two (2) sides and shall not be permitted more than thirty (30) days prior to the planned event nor more than seven (7) days after said event. Such signs shall designate the name and address of the person responsible for the duty of removing said sign. The date each temporary sign is first displayed and the time period of which temporary sign will be displayed shall be legibly marked on the sign. All temporary signs shall be located at the site or location of the event being promoted.
- F. <u>Signs Approved In Planned Residential District Plan Of Development</u>: Provided that the approved sign is constructed in strict compliance with the approved guidelines.
- G. <u>Farm Signs</u>: Denoting the name and address of the occupants, denoting produce or products for sale on the premises, and denoting membership in organizations. No more than one sign of any type may be permitted, and it shall be located outside the road right-of-way. Advertising signs may not exceed twenty (20) square feet of area per side with not more than two (2) sides; and, all other signs shall be limited to four (4) square feet of area per side with not more than two (2) sides.
- H. <u>Signs Approved As Part Of A Conditional Use Permit</u>: In residential zoning districts, provided such signs are constructed in strict compliance with the imposed conditions.
- I. <u>Governmental Signs</u>: For control of traffic and other regulatory purposes, street signs, warning signs, railroad crossing signs, and signs of public service companies for the purpose of safety provided that such sign contains no supplemental advertising.
- J. <u>Flags, Emblems, and Insignia</u>: Of any governmental agency or political subdivision.
- K. Historical Signs, Commemorative Plaques, or Cornerstones: Placed by recognized historical agencies.

# Section 22.04 - SIGNS REQUIRING A PERMIT ISSUED BY THE HARLEM TOWNSHIP ZONING INSPECTOR

Those signs which require a permit issued by the Harlem Township Zoning Inspector subject to the regulations herein set forth and as identified and described in this section. The erection or location of any of these signs within

Harlem Township shall require a permit unless otherwise specified within this section. Each application for a permit to erect a temporary or permanent sign shall be accompanied by a scaled 11" by 17" (minimum) drawing showing the proposed design, the size, style, and color of letters, lines and symbols. In addition, the details and specifications for construction shall be described including the exact location of the sign in relation to the building and property.

- A. Billboards for a product or service located upon the premises on which the sign is located shall be classified as a business use and shall be permitted in all commercial and industrial districts subject to the regulations set forth herein:
  - 1. No billboard shall exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in area per side, including the supporting structure (s) and the geometric area outlined by the supporting structure (s), nor have more than two (2) sides.
  - 2. No billboard shall exceed twelve (12) feet in height above the finished surface of the nearest public road, street, highway, or thoroughfare.
  - 3. The use shall comply with the general regulations set forth in other provisions of the Resolution and Article.
  - 4. All billboards shall be located in compliance with all local, state and federal regulations controlling the same. Billboards shall be licensed or permitted as may be required by local, state, or federal agencies.
  - 5. No billboard shall be located closer than twenty-five (25) feet to any side lot line nor exceed one (1) per parcel.
  - 6. No billboard shall be located closer than twenty-five (25) feet to the nearest right-of-way line of any public road, street, highway, or thoroughfare.
  - 7. Such billboard will be in harmony with the buildings on the site, and will not detract from the appearance of the general neighborhood in which it is located or adversely affect property values in such neighborhood.
  - 8. Such billboard will not constitute a traffic hazard or contribute to traffic problems through confusion with traffic control devices, interference with the field of vision or motorists using streets or driveways in the area, or by creating a visual distraction for such motorists.
- B. <u>Free Standing Signs Identifying Industrial, Commercial, or Office Complexes</u>: A sign supported by posts, pillars, or columns identifying an industrial, commercial, or office complex subject to the following conditions:
  - 1. No free-standing sign shall exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in area per side including the supporting structure(s) and the geometric area outlined by the supporting structure(s), nor have more than two (2) sides.
  - 2. No free-standing sign shall exceed twelve (12) feet in height above the finished surface of the nearest public road, street, highway, or thoroughfare.

- 3. The use shall comply with the general regulations set forth in other provisions of this Resolution and Article.
- 4. No free-standing sign shall be located closer than twenty-five (25) feet to any side lot line nor exceed one (1) per parcel.
- 5. No free-standing sign shall be located closer than twenty-five (25) feet to the nearest right-of-way line of any public road, street, highway, or thoroughfare.
- 6. Such free-standing sign will be in harmony with the building on the site, and will not detract from the appearance of the general neighborhood in which it is located or adversely affect property values in such neighborhood.
- 7. Such free-standing sign will not constitute a traffic hazard or contribute to traffic problems through confusion with the traffic control devices, interference with the field of vision or motorists using streets or driveways in the area, or by creating a visual distraction for such motorists.
- C. <u>Wall Signs Identifying Industrial, Commercial, or Office Establishments</u>: A sign mounted on the building which houses the establishment advertised by such signs shall be subject to the following conditions:
  - 1. Wall signs shall be located on or along a wall of such building which faces a street, parking lot, or service drive.
  - 2. Sign area shall not exceed one (1) square foot of area for each foot of building width or part of the building width occupied by the given establishment. Maximum sign area shall not exceed thirty-two (32) square feet nor exceed one (1) per establishment.
  - 3. Wall signs shall not be located at a height greater than twelve (12) feet above the finished surface of the nearest road, street, highway, or thoroughfare.
  - 4. All such signs shall be parallel to the wall on which they are installed and shall not project more than twelve (12) inches from such wall.
  - 5. Letters, numerals, or other graphics attached directly to the building wall shall be considered a wall sign.
  - 6. Letters, numerals, or other graphics carved into the face of the building shall be considered a wall sign.
  - 7. Such sign will be in harmony with the buildings on the site, and will not detract from the appearance of the general neighborhood in which it is located or adversely affect property values in such neighborhood.
  - 8. Such sign will not constitute a traffic hazard or contribute to traffic problems through confusion with traffic control devices, interference with the field of vision of motorists using street or driveways in the area, or create a visual distraction for such motorists.

# Section 22.05 - SIGNS REQUIRING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT ISSUED BY THE HARLEM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF ZONING APPPEALS

Those signs which require a conditional use permit issued by the Harlem Township Board of Zoning Appeals as identified and described in this section and subject to the regulations herein set forth. Within any commercial or industrial district or within any non-residential portion of a residential district the following signs may be permitted, subject to the conditions and restrictions imposed by the Harlem Township Board of Zoning Appeals pursuant to the provisions of Article XXVIII of this Resolution. Conditionally permitted uses shall be considered abandoned if said use or uses are not commenced within one (1) year from the date of approval by the Board of Zoning Appeals, or are discontinued for a period in excess of two (2) years. Unless the conditional use permit specifically provides that the grant shall be permanent and shall run with the land, the sale or conveyance of the land and/or structure wherein the same is located or upon which the same is granted shall void the conditional use permit, and the subsequent owner(s) or owner's agent shall be required to reapply for a continuation and/or modification of such use(s) to the Harlem Township Board of Zoning Appeals. A designation by the Harlem Township Board of Zoning Appeals that a permit is permanent and shall run with the land does not affect the right of authorities to revoke the permit for failure to comply with the conditions imposed. No conditional use shall be implemented until a permit of compliance is issued by the Zoning Inspector.

A. <u>Free-Standing Signs</u>: Which are defined as signs supported by or supported from posts, pillars, or columns, except signs attached to buildings as described in Section 22.04 of this resolution. Free-standing signs heretofore lawfully erected and maintained and now in place may be maintained until such sign is destroyed, dismantled, or removed. No sign shall hereafter be relocated, rebuilt, enlarged, extended, or otherwise altered. If in the opinion of the owner/occupant, a change in the product name and/or services is required which is beyond the control of said owner/occupant, such substitution of signage may only take place upon application for and granting of a conditional use permit by the Harlem Township Board of Zoning Appeals. In the event of a violation of this provision, the continued maintenance of such sign shall be unlawful.

The Harlem Township Board of Zoning Appeals may grant a conditional use permit for the erection or maintenance of a free-standing sign only upon compliance with the following requirements:

- 1. The filing of a written application for a permit to erect such a sign shall be accompanied by a scaled 11" by 17" (minimum) drawing showing the proposed design, the size, and color of letters, lines and symbols. In addition, the details and specifications for construction shall be described including the exact location of the sign in relation to the building and property.
- 2. No such free-standing sign shall exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in area per side including the supporting structure(s) and the geometric area outlined by the supporting structure(s), nor have more than two (2) sides.
- 3. No such free-standing sign shall exceed twelve (12) feet in height above the finished surface of the nearest public road, street, highway, or thoroughfare.
- 4. The use shall comply with the general regulations set forth in other provisions of this Resolution and Article.

- 5. No such free-standing sign shall be located closer than twenty-five (25) feet to the nearest rightof-way line of any public road, street, highway, or thoroughfare.
- 6. Such free-standing sign will be in harmony with the buildings on the site, and will not detract from the appearance of the general neighborhood in which it is located or adversely affect property values in such neighborhood.
- 7. Such sign will not constitute a traffic hazard or contribute to traffic problems through confusion with traffic control devices, interference with the field of vision of motorists using streets or driveways in the area, or by creating a visual distraction for such motorists.
- 8. In making its determination, the Board of Zoning Appeals shall take into consideration all pertinent factors relating to the compatibility of such sign with the surrounding neighborhood, including, but not limited to its size, shape, color, brightness, design and its general appearance.
- 9. The applicant shall submit a plan for the perpetual maintenance of such signs identifying the responsibilities of the applicant, the public, the landowner, or other parties. Such plan shall be subject to approval by the Board of Zoning Appeals.

# Section 22.06 - REQUIRED SIGNS WHICH DO NOT REQUIRE A ZONING PERMIT

In order to promote and protect the public health, safety, and welfare, the following signs shall be required:

- A. Temporary Site Identification Signs:
  - 1. Each principal building within Harlem Township shall be identified with street address numbers in numeral form. Each such identification shall be constructed in accordance with the following regulations and shall be erected prior to initiation of driveway access construction.
    - a. Such sign shall be a minimum of eighteen (18) inches by six (6) inches and shall be forest green in color.
    - b. Street address numerals shall be a minimum of three (3) inches in height.
    - c. Street address numerals shall be of a white, light reflective material.
    - d. Street address numerals shall be mounted on both sides of said sign.
    - e. Surface of said sign shall be erected perpendicular to the public road, highway, street, or thoroughfare which serves the residence.
    - f. Said sign shall be located at either end of driveway culvert pipe.
    - g. Said sign shall be erected at a height of 42" above the existing grade.
- B. <u>Permanent Site Identification Signs:</u>

- 1. Upon erection of a mailbox to serve the principal building, each principal building within Harlem Township shall be identified with a street address in numerical form. Each such identification shall be constructed in accordance with the following regulations.
  - a. Such sign shall be a minimum of eighteen (18) inches by six (6) inches and shall be forest green in color.
  - b. Street address numerals shall be a minimum of three (3) inches in height.
  - c. Street address numerals shall be of a white, light reflective material.
  - d. Street address numerals shall be mounted on both sides of said sign.
  - e. Surface of said sign shall be located perpendicular to the public road, highway, street, or thoroughfare which serves the residence.
  - f. Each such sign shall be attached to the mailbox support structure.

#### C. <u>Temporary Signs Involving Common Access Drives And/or Private Roadways Having A Name:</u>

- 1. In the event that a CAD and/or private roadway shall have a name, a temporary sign identifying said name shall be constructed in accordance with the following regulations and shall be erected by the owner or developer prior to initiation of construction of said CAD and/or private road.
  - a. Such sign shall be sufficient length and width to accommodate three (3) inch letters spelling out the CAD and/or private roadway name.
  - b. Said sign shall be forest green in color.
  - c. Said CAD and/or private roadway letters shall be of white, light reflective material.
  - d. Said CAD and/or private roadway letters shall be mounted on both sides of said sign.
  - e. Surface of said sign shall be erected perpendicular to the public road, highway, street, or thoroughfare which serves the residence.
  - f. Said sign shall be erected six (6) feet in height above the finished surface of the nearest public road, street, highway, or thoroughfare.
  - g. Said sign shall be located at either end of the CAD and/or private roadway culvert pipe.
- 2. At the time when construction begins on a driveway access from a CAD and/or private roadway, each site served by said driveway shall be identified by a street address in numerical form. Each such identification shall be constructed in accordance with the following regulations:
  - a. Such sign shall be a minimum of eighteen (18) inches by six (6) inches and shall be forest green in color.

- b. Street address numerals shall be a minimum of three (3) inches in height.
- c. Street address numerals shall be of a white, light reflective material.
- d. Street address numerals shall be mounted on both sides of said sign.
- e. Surface of said sign shall be located perpendicular to the public road, highway, street, or thoroughfare which serves the residence.
- f. Said sign shall be erected six (6) feet in height above the finished surface of the nearest public road, street, highway, or thoroughfare.
- g. Said sign shall be located at either end of the CAD and/or private roadway culvert pipe.

#### D. <u>Permanent Signs Involving Common Access Drives And/or Private Roadways Having A Name:</u>

- 1. In the event that a CAD and/or private roadway shall have a name, a permanent sign identifying said name shall be constructed in accordance with the following regulations, and shall be erected by the owner or developer upon completion of final construction of said CAD and/or private roadway:
  - a. Such sign shall be sufficient length and width to accommodate three (3) inch letters spelling out the CAD and/or private roadway name.
  - b. Said sign shall be forest green in color.
  - c. Said CAD and/or private roadway letters shall be of a white, light reflective material.
  - d. Said CAD and/or private roadway letters shall be mounted on both sides of said sign.
  - e. Surface of said sign shall be erected perpendicular to the public road, highway, street, or thoroughfare which serves the residence.
  - f. Said sign shall be erected six (6) feet in height above the finished surface of the nearest public road or street.
  - g. Said sign shall be located at either end of the CAD and/or private roadway culvert pipe.
- 2. Upon erection of a mailbox to serve each principal building served by a said CAD and/or private roadway, each principal building within Harlem Township shall be identified with a street address in numerical form. Each such identification shall be constructed in accordance with the following regulations.
  - a. Such sign shall be a minimum of eighteen (18) inches by six (6) inches and shall be forest green in color.
  - b. Street address numerals shall be a minimum of three (3) inches in height.

- c. Street address numerals shall be of a white, light reflective material.
- d. Street address numerals shall be mounted on both sides of said sign.
- e. Surface of said sign shall be located perpendicular to the public road, highway, street, or thoroughfare which serves the residence.
- f. Each such sign shall be attached to the mailbox support structure.

#### E. <u>Temporary Signs Involving Common Access Drives And/or Private Roadways With No Name:</u>

- 1. In the event that a CAD and/or private roadway shall not have a name, each principal building within Harlem Township served by the unnamed CAD and/or private roadways shall be identified with a street address in numerical form. Each such identification shall be constructed in accordance with the following regulations and shall be erected by owner or developer prior to initiation of CAD and/or private roadway construction.
  - a) Such sign shall be a minimum of eighteen (18) inches by six (6) inches and shall be forest green in color.
  - b. Street address numerals shall be a minimum of three (3) inches in height.
  - c. Street address numerals shall be of a white, light reflective material.
  - d. Street address numerals shall be mounted on both sides of said sign.
  - e. Surface of said sign shall be erected perpendicular to the public road, highway, street, or thoroughfare which serves the residence.
  - f. Said sign shall be located at either end of the CAD and/or private roadway culvert pipe.
  - g. Said sign shall be erected at a height of forty-two (42) inches above the existing grade.

#### F. <u>Permanent Signs Involving Common Access Drives And/or Private Roadways With No Name:</u>

- 1. Upon erection of a mailbox to serve the principal building, each principal building within Harlem Township shall be identified with a street address in numerical form. Each such identification shall be constructed in accordance with the following regulations:
  - a. Such sign shall be a minimum of eighteen (18) inches by six (6) inches and shall be forest green in color.
  - b. Street address numerals shall be a minimum of three (3) inches in height.
  - c. Street address numerals shall be of a white, light reflective material.
  - d. Street address numerals shall be mounted on both sides of said sign.

- e. Surface of said sign shall be erected perpendicular to the public road highway, street, or thoroughfare which serves the residence.
- f. Each such sign shall be attached to the mailbox support structure.
- G. <u>Temporary Signs Involving Shared Driveways:</u>
  - 1. In the event that a shared driveway serves two (2) or more principal buildings within Harlem Township, each such building shall be identified with a street address in numerical form. Each such identification shall be constructed in accordance with the following regulations and shall be erected by owner or developer prior to initiation of said shared driveway construction.
    - a. Such sign shall be a minimum of eighteen (18) inches by six (6) inches and shall be forest green in color.
    - b. Street address numerals shall be a minimum of three (3) inches in height.
    - c. Street address numerals shall be of a white, light reflective material.
    - d. Street address numerals shall be mounted on both sides of said sign.
    - e. Surface of said sign shall be erected perpendicular to the public, road, highway, street, or thoroughfare which serves the residence.
    - f. Said sign shall be located at either end of the shared driveway culvert pipe.
    - g. In addition, at the point where a driveway cut diverges to serve an individual principal building, a second identification sign meeting the above criteria (a through e) shall be placed.

#### H. <u>Permanent Signs Involving Shared Driveways:</u>

- 1. Upon erection of a mailbox to serve a principal building, each principal building within Harlem Township shall be identified with a street address in numerical form. Each such identification shall be constructed in accordance with the following regulations.
  - a. Such sign shall be a minimum of eighteen (18) inches by six (6) inches and shall be forest green in color.
  - b. Street numerals shall be a minimum of three (3) inches in height.
  - c. Street address numerals shall be of a white, light reflective material.
  - d. Street address numerals shall be mounted on both sides of said sign.
  - e. Surface of said sign shall be located perpendicular to the public road, highway, street, or thoroughfare which serves the residence.

- f. Each such sign shall be attached to the mailbox support structure.
- g. In addition, the temporary sign previously placed at the point where a driveway cut diverges to serve an individual principal building shall be at this time made permanent.

#### Section 22.07 - PROHIBITED SIGNS:

The following signs shall be prohibited in Harlem Township:

- A. All signs not specifically permitted by the express terms of the Harlem Township Zoning Resolution.
- B. Portable signs, pennants, streamers, spinners, banners, string(s) of lights, flashing lights, air-activated attraction devices and other similar devices.
- C. Signs or advertising erected and maintained in trees or painted or drawn upon rocks or other natural features.
- D. No signs shall be attached or otherwise applied to trees, utility poles, bus shelters, cellular towers, or telecommunication towers.
- E. No sign shall be attached or otherwise applied to any fence.
- F. Except for identification signs on agricultural buildings, no sign shall be painted directly upon the wall or roof of any building or structure.
- G. No sign shall be mounted upon the roof of any building or structure.
- H. Signs or advertising devices which attempt, or appear to attempt, to direct the movement of traffic, or which interfere with, imitate or resemble an official sign, signal, or device.
- H. Changeable copy shall be prohibited on any permanent sign. Copy change may only take place upon application for and granting of a conditional use permit by the Harlem Township Board of Zoning Appeals
- J. Message centers, flashing lights, moving signs, and animated signs are prohibited.

# Section 22.08 - GENERAL REGULATIONS:

The following regulations and restrictions shall apply to all signs located and erected within Harlem Township, regardless of type, style, location, design, or other classification:

- A. <u>Location</u>: No sign shall be located within the right-of-way to any public or private road within the township.
- B. <u>Lighting</u>:

- 1. All lighting, direct, indirect, or internal shall consist of constant illumination which is uniform in intensity.
- 2. In no event shall a sign be illuminated to an intensity level which constitutes a traffic hazard or nuisance upon a public street, highway, sidewalk or adjacent residential premises.
- 3. In no event shall an illuminated sign or lighting device be placed or directed so as to permit the beams and illuminations therefrom to be directed or beamed upon a public street, highway, sidewalk, or adjacent residential premises so as to cause glare or reflection that may constitute a traffic hazard or nuisance.
- 4. Signs shall not make use of rotating, fluctuating, blinking, flashing, or intermittent lights.
- C. <u>Height</u>: No signs within Harlem Township shall exceed twelve (12) feet in height above the finished surface of the nearest public road, street, highway, or thoroughfare.
- D. <u>Sight Interference</u>: No sign shall be permitted in Harlem Township which obstructs the free and clear visibility of pedestrian or vehicular traffic entering, leaving, or operating on any public or private road or street.
- E. <u>Stability</u>: All permanent signs shall be so constructed that they will withstand a wind pressure of at least thirty (30) pounds per square foot of surface, and will otherwise be fastened, suspended, or supported so that they will not be a menace to persons or property.
- F. <u>Maintenance</u>: All signs or billboards constructed or erected within Harlem Township shall be maintained as follows:
  - 1) All sign surfaces, supports, braces, guys, and anchors shall be kept in repair and in proper state or preservation as determined by the Harlem Township Zoning Inspector.
  - 2) Should any sign become deteriorated, become unsafe, or be in danger of falling, the owner thereof or the person maintaining the same, shall upon receipt of written notice from the Zoning Inspector proceed at once to put such sign in a safe and secure condition or remove the sign.
- G. <u>Traffic Safety, Colors, Etc.</u>: Signs shall not resemble, imitate, or approximate the shape, form, or color of official traffic signs, signals, and devices.
- H. <u>Determination of Sign Area</u>: Total area of all signs shall be determined by the aggregate area of both display sides plus the supporting structure(s) and the geometric area outlined by the supporting structure(s).
- I. Any principal building served by a CAD and/or private roadway without a name, or a CAD or private roadway with a name, or a shared driveway, shall at the time of erection of a mailbox to serve the principal building, erect a sign with house address number in numeral form in front of the front building line. Said sign shall be easily viewed from whichever of the above serve the principal building and said sign shall be in accordance with the following regulations:

- 1. Such sign shall be a minimum of eighteen (18) inches by six (6) inches and shall be forest green in color.
- 2. House address numerals shall be a minimum of three (3) inches in height.
- 3. House address numerals shall be of white, light reflective material.
- J. Upon initiation of construction of the principal building, the driveway length marking system, as adopted by the Harlem Township Fire Department, shall be implemented.

#### Section 22.09 - ABANDONED SIGNS

If any sign or billboard shall become abandoned in the manner defined herein, such sign or billboard is declared to be a public nuisance by reasons that continued lack of use results in lack of reasonable and adequate maintenance, thereby causing deterioration and a blighting influence on nearby properties. An abandoned sign or billboard is defined as any sign or billboard that meets any one of the following criteria:

- A. Any sign or billboard associated with an abandoned use.
- B. Any sign or billboard that remains after the termination of a business. A business is considered terminated or has ceased operation if it is closed to the public for at least 180 consecutive days. Seasonal businesses are exempt from this determination.
- C. When the sign together with all supports, braces, guys, and anchors is not kept in proper state of preservation or repair.
- D. When the sign and the immediate surrounding premises is not maintained by the owner or person in charge thereof in a clean, sanitary, and inoffensive condition free and clear of all obnoxious substances, rubbish, and weeds.
- E. When all the repairs or maintenance as required by the Harlem Township Board of Zoning Appeals when granting a conditional use permit for a sign as in section 22.05 are not effected within the specified time as determined by the Harlem Township Board of Zoning Appeals.
- F. When the sign does not conform to the provisions of this section.
- G. When the sign does not have a permit or no exemption is available.

When the Zoning Inspector finds, upon investigation, that a sign or billboard has been abandoned, as defined herein, he shall notify the owner of said sign, together with the owner of the land on which the sign is located, by certified mail or by personal delivery, of his findings. Such notice shall advise the sign owner that the sign has been declared abandoned and must be removed within thirty (30) days from the date of mailing of said notice. The sign owner may appeal such decision to the Harlem Township Board of Zoning Appeals as provided in Article XXVIII of this resolution.

It shall be the duty of the Zoning Inspector to maintain a photograph and file on said sign together with a written report of his findings for submission to the Board of Zoning Appeals upon request.

If the sign is not removed, as ordered, the same may be removed by the township at the expense of the lessee or owner. If the township is not immediately reimbursed for such costs, the amount thereof shall be certified to the Delaware County Auditor for collection as a special assessment against the property on which the sign is located.

# Section 22.10 - NON-CONFORMING SIGNS OR BILLBOARDS

Any sign or billboard in existence within Harlem Township prior to the effective date of this Article that does not conform with the provisions of this Article is considered to be non-conforming.

Any sign or billboard that does not conform to the provisions of this Article shall be allowed to continue in its nonconforming status provided the sign or billboard was erected in compliance in all respects with applicable laws in existence on the date of its erection.

A non-conforming sign or billboard shall not be structurally relocated or replaced unless it is brought into compliance with the provisions of this Article. Should any replacement or relocation take place without being brought into compliance, the sign or billboard shall be existing illegally. A non-conforming sign or billboard shall be maintained or repaired in accordance with the following provisions:

- A. The size and structural shape shall not be changed or altered.
- B. The copy may be changed, provided that the change applies to the original non-conforming use associated with the sign or billboard and that the change is made by the original owner of the sign or billboard at the time the sign or billboard became non-conforming. Any subsequent owner or user shall bring the sign or billboard into compliance.
- C. In cases where damage occurs to the sign or billboard to the extent of 50% or more of either the structure or the replacement value of the sign or billboard, the sign or billboard shall then be brought into compliance. Where the damage to the sign or billboard is less than 50% of the structure or its replacement value, the sign or billboard shall be repaired within thirty (30) days, after notification of the sign owner by certified mail.

#### Section 22.11 – PERMIT

No signs, except as provided for in Article 22.03 of this resolution, shall be erected prior to the issuance of a permit thereof by the Township Zoning Inspector.

- A. <u>Permit Application</u>: Each application for a permit to erect a temporary or permanent sign shall be accompanied by a scaled 11" by 17" (minimum) drawing showing the proposed design, the size, character, and color of letters, lines, and symbols, method of illumination, the exact location of the sign in relation to the building(s) and property, and the details of construction.
- B. <u>Fees:</u> The applicant for a permit, herein, shall pay such fee as is prescribed by the Harlem Township Trustees. Such fees shall be prescribed annually, or more often, by the Harlem Township Trustees and such fee list shall be available from the Zoning Inspector.
- C. <u>Terms of Permit</u>: The zoning permit issued pursuant hereto shall be valid so long as the owner complies with the terms and conditions of this Zoning Resolution or any amendment thereto.

- D. <u>Inspection</u>: All signs or billboards erected within this township are subject to inspection, whether a permit is required or not prior to erection. The Township Zoning Inspector may make such inspection at any reasonable time and, the Township Zoning Inspector may order the removal of any sign or billboard that is not maintained and/or constructed in accordance with the provisions of this resolution.
- E. <u>Cancellation of Permit</u>: In the event the owner of any sign or property fails to comply with the terms of the Zoning Resolution, said permit maybe revoked by the Township Zoning Inspector upon his finding of a due cause.
- F. <u>Cancellation of Conditional Use Permit</u>: In the event that the owner of any sign or property fails to comply with the terms of this Zoning Resolution, said permit may be revoked upon compliance with the following terms:
  - 1. <u>Notice</u>: The Township Zoning Inspector shall notify both the owner of the sign and the owner of the land upon which the sign is located of any deficiency or violation of this resolution. Notice shall be served personally or by certified mail at the last known address of the permit holder and/or land-owner upon which the sign is located. The permit holder may seek a hearing on said notice by complying with the provisions of Article XXVIII of this resolution dealing with the revocation of the conditional use permit. Failure to correct these deficiencies or to appeal the decision of the Harlem Township Zoning Inspector within thirty (30) days will result in cancellation of the permit for such sign and said sign shall be removed as provided by this Resolution.
- G. <u>Removal of Signs By The Zoning Inspector</u>: The Zoning Inspector shall cause to be removed any sign illegally placed within the right of way of any road, street, highway, or thoroughfare within this township; any sign that endangers the public safety by reason of its location and placement; an abandoned sign that no longer applies to the property on which it is situated; a dangerous or materially, electrically, or structurally defective sign; a sign for which no required permit has been issued.
  - 1. The Zoning Inspector shall prepare a notice which shall describe the sign and specify the violation involved and which shall state that if the sign is not removed or the violation is not corrected within ten (10) days of the mailing or serving of the notice the sign will be removed in accordance with the provisions of this section.
  - 2. Said notice shall be served personally or by certified mail at the last known address of the permit holder and/or land owner upon which the sign is located.
  - 3. The Zoning Inspector shall store any such removed sign and shall notify the owner thereof of its location by ordinary mail. If the owner of any sign fails to claim the same within thirty (30) days after the mailing of notice by the Zoning Inspector, said sign may be destroyed.

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# ARTICLE XXIII - (RESERVED FOR FUTURE USE)

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# ARTICLE XXIV - NON-CONFORMING USES

## Section 24.01 – CONTINUANCE

The lawful use of any dwelling, building or structure and any land or premises, as existing and lawful at the time of enactment of this Zoning Resolution or any amendments, may be continued, although such use does not conform with this Zoning Resolution or future amendments, but if any such non-conforming use is voluntarily discontinued for two (2) years or more, any future use shall be in conformity with this Zoning Resolution and future amendments.

## Section 24.02 – RESTORATION

When a structure, the use of which does not conform to the provisions of this Zoning Resolution, is damaged by calamity outside the control of the owner or occupant, to the extent that the cost of restoration is more than 60% of its value, the following conditions shall apply.

- A. It shall not be restored unless in conformity with the current development standards applicable to a structure immediately prior to its destruction as set forth in this Zoning Resolution or as amended, for the district in which it is located.
- B. Restoration shall be completed before the expiration of two (2) years from the date of such calamity.
- C. Manufactured/mobile homes shall also meet all requirements of Section 24.04.

For the purposes of this section, "value" shall be defined as the replacement cost of the structure prior to the calamity depreciated in accordance with applicable Internal Revenue Service Guidelines of the structure.

## Section 24.03 – ENLARGEMENT

No non-conforming building or use may be completed, extended or substituted except upon the review and approval and if necessary a variance permit issued by the Board of Zoning Appeals pursuant to Article XXVIII and this section.

The Board of Zoning Appeals shall have the power to permit changes and extensions of non-conforming uses as follows:

- A. A non-conforming use of less objectionable nature may be substituted for an existing non-conforming use.
- B. An existing, legal non-conforming use which occupies only a portion of an existing structure or premises may be extended to additional portions or such structure or premises.
- C. The alteration, relocation or reconstruction of a non-conforming use, structure, sign or building provided that such will make the non-conforming use substantially more in character with its surroundings and shall meet all setback requirements of said district.

- D. The extension of a non-conforming use when such extension will substantially make the non-conforming use more in character with its surroundings.
- E. Any extension shall not be more than 25% greater in size than the non-conforming use that existed at the time of passage of this Zoning Resolution.

The Board of Zoning Appeals may impose such requirements and conditions as they may deem necessary for the protection of adjacent properties and the public interest.

# Section 24.04 - REPLACEMENT OR SUBSTITUTION OF AN EXISTING NON-CONFORMING MANUFACTURED/MOBILE HOME

A legally existing, non-conforming manufactured/mobile home may be replaced or may have a new home substituted with permission of the Zoning Inspector, subject to the following conditions:

- A. The replacement home shall be as large as or greater in size than the home being replaced. Section 24.03 (E) does not apply to the home.
- B. The replacement home shall be no more than a maximum of five (5) years old.
- C. The replacement manufactured home shall be securely skirted, entirely enclosing the bottom section. The skirting shall be of a visually impervious material and consistent with the characteristics of the manufactured home. Such skirting shall be installed within thirty (30) days of the installation of the manufactured home.
- D. All yards of the home shall be landscaped and shall meet the landscape requirements of this Resolution.
- E. The home shall be installed in compliance with the rules and regulations established by the Delaware County Health Department.
- F. The replacement or substitution of any existing, non-conforming manufactured/mobile home shall meet the current setback requirements of the zoning district in which the home is located.

## Section 24.05 NON-CONFORMING LOTS

The construction of a conforming structure and/or the conduct of a permitted use shall be allowed on any lot of record at the time of the enactment of this resolution, which has an area and/or lot width less than that required for such structure or permitted use in the Zoning District in which the lot is located. Variance of any development standard other than minimum lot area and/or minimum lot width shall be obtained only through action of the Board of Zoning Appeals in accordance with the provisions of Article XXVIII. Such non-conforming lots must be in separate ownership and not have continuous frontage with other land in the same ownership on the effective date of the applicable amendment to the Zoning Resolution. Otherwise, development shall be permitted only in accordance with the development standards of the Zoning District in which such ownership is located.

# Section 24.06 - ADDITIONS TO NON-CONFORMING DWELLING NOT MEETING FRONT SET BACK REQUIREMENTS

In the event the dwelling existed prior to the enactment of this Zoning Resolution and does not meet the minimum front building set back line, the owner/lessee may make additions to the dwelling provided that he has all required permits and that there are not further encroachments to the front building setback line and provided the dwelling meets all other setbacks.

# **ARTICLE XXV - ZONING PERMITS AND APPLICATIONS**

## Section 25.01 - TOWNSHIP ZONING INSPECTOR

The Board of Township Trustees shall appoint a Township Zoning Inspector, together with such assistants as may be necessary. It shall be the duty of the Zoning Inspector to compare each zoning permit application with the then existing zoning map. The Zoning Inspector, before entering upon the duties of his offices shall give bond signed by a bonding or surety company authorized to do business in the state, or, at his or her option, signed by two (2) or more freeholders having real estate in the value of double the amount of the bond, over and above all encumbrances to the state, in the sum of not less than one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) or more than five thousand dollars (\$5000.00) as fixed by the Board of Township Trustees. Such surety company or real estate bond shall be approved by the Board of Township Trustees, and the bond shall be conditioned upon the faithful performance of such Zoning Inspector's official duties. Such bond shall be deposited with the Township Clerk. The compensation for such Zoning Inspector shall be set and paid by the Board of Township Trustees.

## Section 25.02 - ZONING PERMIT REQUIRED

No structure of 200 square feet or larger shall hereafter be located, constructed, reconstructed, enlarged or structurally altered, nor shall any work be started upon the same, nor shall any use of the land be commenced until a zoning permit for same has been issued by the Zoning Inspector, which zoning permit shall state that the proposed building and use comply with all the provisions of this Zoning Resolution or the approved Development Plan. No zoning permit shall be required for any agricultural building to be erected on land presently used for agricultural purpose or for any building incidental to the agricultural use of the land on which said buildings are proposed to be located nor shall a permit be required for use of land or building or construction of any building used for public utility or railroad purpose. Structures which do not require a zoning permit as defined above must be built in conformance with the Harlem Township Zoning Resolution including setback requirements.

## Section 25.03 - PROCEDURES FOR OBTAINING A ZONING PERMIT

No zoning permit shall be issued by the Zoning Inspector until the zoning permit application shows that the property is being or is to be used in complete conformity with this Zoning Resolution and the Official Zoning Map. In every case where the lot is not served and is not proposed to be served with public water supply and/or the disposal of sanitary wastes by means of public sewers, the application shall be accompanied by a Certificate of Approval by the Health Officer of Delaware County of the proposed method of water supply and/or disposal of sanitary wastes. No zoning permit shall be issued by the Zoning Inspector until the applicant for said zoning permit has submitted a plot plan of the area upon which the applicant's use or structure is proposed. Said plan shall show the type of proposed use, structural dimensions at the ground, lot dimensions, side, front and rear yard setbacks, compliance with all applicable development standards and a signed statement that said applicant will conform to all zoning regulations then in force for said area.

Fees for zoning permits shall be established by the Township Trustees. This fee shall be required generally for each application, and the amount shall be established annually by the Board of Township Trustees.

## Section 25.04 - CONDITIONS OF ZONING PERMIT

No zoning permit shall be effective for more than one (1) year unless the use specified in the permit is implemented in accordance with the approved plans within said period or timetable attached to said plans.

It shall be unlawful to use or occupy or permit the use or occupancy of any building or premises, or both, or part thereof hereafter created, erected, changed, converted or wholly or partly altered or enlarged in its use or structure until a zoning permit has been issued by the Zoning Inspector.

## Section 25.05 - TEMPORARY ZONING PERMIT

A temporary zoning permit may be issued by the Zoning Inspector for a period not exceeding six (6) months during alternations or partial occupancy of a building pending its completion; such permit may be renewed twice at the discretion of the Zoning Inspector.

## Section 25.06 - ZONING PERMIT (CHANGE OF USE)

No change of use shall be made in any building or part thereof now or hereafter located, constructed, reconstructed, enlarged or structurally altered except for agricultural purposes, without a zoning permit being issued by the Zoning Inspector. No zoning permit shall be issued to make a change in use unless the changes have been made in conformity with the provisions of this Zoning Resolution, or unless a variance or special permit has been granted by the Board of Zoning Appeals.

## Section 25.07 - NON-CONFORMING USES

Nothing in this Article shall prevent the continuance of a non-conforming use as hereinbefore authorized unless a discontinuance is necessary for the safety of life or property.

## Section 25.08 – RECORDS

A record of all zoning permits shall be kept on file in the office of the Zoning Inspector, and copies shall be furnished on request to any person having a proprietary or tenancy interest in the building affected.

## Section 25.09 – COMPLAINTS

The Zoning Inspector shall investigate all complaints received from residents alleging illegal activity and shall report findings to the Township Trustees. The Zoning Inspector may require that complaints be submitted in writing.

# **ARTICLE XXVI - ZONING COMMISSION**

## Section 26.01 - TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION

The Board of Township Trustees hereby creates and establishes a Township Zoning Commission. The Commission shall be composed of five (5) members who reside in the unincorporated area of the township, to be appointed by the Board, and the terms of the members shall be five (5) years and so arranged that the term of one member will expire each year. Each member shall serve until his successor is appointed and qualified. Members of the Zoning Commission shall be removable for non-performance of duty, misconduct in office, or other cause by the Board upon written charges being filed with the Board, after a public hearing has been held regarding such charges, and after a copy of the charges has been served upon the member so charged at least ten (10) days prior to the hearing, either personally, by registered mail or by leaving such copy at his usual place of residence. The member shall be given an opportunity to be heard and answer such charges. Vacancies shall be filled by the Board of Trustees and shall be for the unexpired term.

## Section 26.02 - COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES

The members of the Zoning Commission may be allowed their expenses or such compensation, or both, as the Board of Township Trustees may approve and provide. The Zoning Commission may, within the limits of moneys appropriated by the Township Trustees for the purpose employ such executives, professionals, technical assistants or other assistants as it deems necessary.

## Section 26.03 - FUNCTIONS OF THE TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION

The Township Zoning Commission shall submit a plan, including both text and maps, representing the recommendations of the Zoning Commission for the carrying out by the Board of Township Trustees of this Zoning Resolution when requested to do so by the Township Trustees.

The Township Zoning Commission may, within the limits of the monies appropriated by the Board of Township Trustees for the purpose, employ or contract with such planning consultants and executives and other assistants as it deems necessary.

The Township Zoning Commission shall organize, adopt rules for the transaction of its business, and keep a record of its action and determinations.

No Township Trustee shall be employed by the Township Zoning Commission.

The Zoning Commission shall make use of such information and counsel as is available from appropriate public officials, departments, and agencies, and such officials, departments, and agencies having information, maps, and data pertinent to township zoning shall make them available for the use of the Zoning Commission.

In any county where there is a county or regional planning commission, the Zoning Commission may request such planning commission to prepare or make available to the Zoning Commission a zoning plan, including text and maps, for the unincorporated area of the township or any portion of the same.

## Section 26.04 - ZONING SECRETARY

To assist in the administration of this Zoning Resolution, the Township Trustees shall appoint a Zoning Secretary whose duty it shall be to maintain township zoning records, confirm information in applications, process all notices required under this Zoning Resolution, record the minutes of the Zoning Commission and the Board of Zoning Appeals, assist the Zoning Inspector, and perform such other duties relating to this Zoning Resolution as the Township Trustees may from time to time direct. The Zoning Secretary shall be compensated at rates set from time to time by the Township Trustees. The Township Clerk may be named to this position and may receive compensation for such services in addition to other compensation allowed by law.

## Section 26.05 - MEETINGS AND AGENDA OF TOWNSHIP ZONING COMMISSION

The Zoning Commission shall meet as necessary in a public building within the township.

## Section 26.06 – MINUTES

The minutes of each meeting of the Zoning Commission shall be kept by the Zoning Secretary on file in the township hall with the other zoning records. Said minutes shall be open for public inspection during commission meetings and normal business hours.

# **ARTICLE XXVII - AMENDMENTS (ZONING CHANGES)**

## Section 27.01 – AMENDMENTS OR SUPPLEMENTS

This article is intended to be a restatement of Section 519.12 of the Revised Code of Ohio and is adopted herein for the convenience of the citizens of Harlem Township. Any amendments to Section 519.12 adopted by the Ohio Legislature shall be considered adopted herein. Amendments or supplements to the Zoning Resolution may be initiated by motion of the Township Zoning Commission, by the passage of a resolution by the Board of Township Trustees or by the filing of an application by one or more of the owners or lessees of property within the area proposed to be changed or affected by the proposed amendment or supplement with the Township Zoning Commission. The Board of Township Trustees may require that the owner or lessee of the property filing an application to amend or supplement the Zoning Resolution pay a fee to defray the cost of advertising, mailing, and other expenses. If the Township Trustees require such a fee, it shall be required generally, for each application. The applicant requesting a district rezoning shall supply to the Zoning Commission a legal description of the parcel as part of the requirements for rezoning application. The Board of Township Trustees shall upon the passage of such resolution certify it to the Township Zoning Commission.

The Township Zoning Commission shall then set a date for a public hearing thereon, which date shall not be less than twenty (20) nor more than forty (40) days from the date of the certification of such resolution, or the date of adoption of such motion or the date of the filing of such application. Notice of such hearing shall be given by the Township Zoning Commission by one publication in one or more newspaper of general circulation in the township at least ten (10) days before the date of such hearing.

If the proposed amendment or supplement intends to rezone or redistrict ten (10) or fewer parcels of lands, as listed on the tax duplicate, written notice of the hearing shall be mailed by the Zoning Commission, by first class mail, at least ten (10) days before the date of the public hearing to all owners of property within and contiguous to and directly across the street from such owners appearing on the County Auditor's current tax list or the Treasurer's mailing list and to such other list or lists that may be specified by the Board of County Commissioners. The failure of delivery of such notice shall not invalidate any such amendment or supplement. The published and mailed notices shall set forth the time and place of the public hearing, the nature of the proposed amendment or supplement, and a statement that after the conclusion of such hearing the matter will be referred for further determination to the County or Regional Planning Commission and to the Board of Township Trustees as the case may be.

Within five (5) days after the certification of such resolution or the filing of such application the Township Zoning Commission shall transmit a copy thereof together with text and map pertaining thereto, to the County or Regional Planning Commission.

The County or Regional Planning Commission shall recommend the approval or denial of the proposed amendment or supplement or the approval of some modification thereof and shall submit such recommendations to the Township Zoning Commission. Such recommendation shall be considered at the public hearing held by the Township Zoning Commission on such proposed amendment or supplement.

The Township Zoning Commission shall, within thirty (30) days after such hearing, recommend the approval or denial of the proposed amendment or supplement, or the approval of some modification thereof and submit such recommendation together with such application or resolution, the text and map pertaining thereto, and the recommendation of the County or Regional Planning Commission thereon to the Board of Township Trustees.

The Board of Township Trustees shall, upon receipt of such recommendation, set a time for a public hearing on such proposed amendment or supplement, which date shall not be more than thirty (30) days from the date of the receipt of such recommendation from the Township Zoning Commission. Notice of such public hearing shall be given by the Board of Township Trustees by one publication in one or more newspapers of general circulation in the Township, at least ten (10) days before the date of such hearing.

The published notice shall set forth the time and place of the public hearing and summary of the proposed amendment or supplement.

Within twenty (20) days after such public hearing the Board of Township Trustees shall either adopt or deny the recommendations of the Zoning Commission or adopt some modification thereof. In the event the Board of Township Trustees denies or modifies the recommendation of the Township Zoning Commission a majority vote of the Board of Township Trustees shall be required.

Such amendment or supplement adopted by the Board of Township Trustees shall become effective in thirty (30) days after the date of such adoption unless within thirty (30) days after the adoption of the amendment or supplement there is presented to the Board of Township Trustees a petition, signed by a number of qualified voters residing in the unincorporated area of the township or part thereof included in the zoning plan equal to but not less than eight (8%) percent of the total vote cast for all candidates for governor in such area at the last preceding general election at which a governor was elected, requesting the Board of Township Trustees to submit the amendment or supplement to the electors of such area for approval or rejection at a special election to be held on the day of the next primary or general election.

No amendment or supplement for which such referendum vote has been requested shall be put into effect unless a majority of the vote cast on the issue is in favor of the amendment. Upon certification by the Board of Elections that the amendment has been approved by the voters it shall take immediate effect.

All procedures thereafter shall be in strict compliance with the requirements of Chapter 519 of the Ohio Revised Code.

## Section 27.02 – FORM OF APPLICATION

All applications to amend this Resolution and/or the zoning map shall be submitted on such forms as designated and approved by the Township Trustees. No application will be considered unless the same is fully completed and accompanied by all required information listed on said application.

## Section 27.03 – RECORD

On any application for an amendment or supplement to the Zoning Resolution of which the applicant desires a record to be made, the applicant shall give notice to the Secretary of the Zoning Commission or the Fiscal Officer of the Board of Township Trustees, as the case may be, requesting that a court reporter be retained to make such record. The applicant shall make such request not less than ten (10) days prior to the scheduled hearing and shall deposit with his request cash in the amount established by the Trustees to be used to defray the expense incurred in making the record. All expenses of transcribing the record shall be borne by the person requesting the preparation of the transcript. In all hearings wherein no timely request has been made for a record, or where a party does not request and pay for an official stenographic transcript, the note of the Zoning Secretary of the

Township Zoning Commission or of the Clerk of the Board of Township Trustees, as the case may be, shall serve as the sole transcript of such hearing.

#### Section 27.04 – FEES

The owner or lessee of property filing an application to amend or supplement this Zoning Resolution shall deposit with such application a fee for the cost of advertising, mailing, and other expenses. This fee shall be required generally for each application, and the amount of such fee shall be established annually by the Board of Township Trustees.

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# **ARTICLE XXVIII - BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS**

## Section 28.01 – BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS

A Township Board of Zoning Appeals is hereby created. Said Board of Zoning Appeals shall be composed of five (5) members who shall be appointed by the Board of Township Trustees and who shall be residents of the unincorporated territory of the Township included in the area zoned by this Zoning Resolution. The terms of all members shall be five (5) years and so arranged that the term of one member will expire each year. Each member of the Board of Zoning Appeals shall serve until his successor is appointed and qualified. Members of the Board of Zoning Appeals shall be removable for the reason specified and in compliance with the procedure established in Chapter 519 of the Ohio Revised Code. Vacancies shall be filled by the Board of Township Trustees and shall be for the unexpired term.

## Section 28.02 – ORGANIZATION

The Board of Zoning Appeals shall organize, electing a Chair and Vice-Chair, and adopt rules in accordance with the provisions of this Zoning Resolution. Meetings of the Board of Zoning Appeals shall be held at the call of the Chair, and at such other times as the Board of Zoning Appeals may determine. The Chair, or in their absence, the acting Chair, may administer oaths and Board of Zoning Appeals may compel attendance of witnesses. All meetings of the Board of Zoning Appeals shall be open to the Public. The Board of Zoning Appeals shall keep minutes of its proceedings showing the vote of each member upon each question or, if absent or failing to vote, indicating such fact, and shall keep records of its examinations and other official actions, all of which shall be filed in the office of the Board of Township Trustees at the Township Hall at Center Village, and shall be public record. Attendance of three (3) members shall constitute a quorum. The Board of Township Trustees, the Township Clerk and the Zoning Inspector shall be notified in advance of all meetings conducted by the Board.

## Section 28.03 – COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES

The members of the Board of Zoning Appeals may be allowed their expenses or such compensation, or both, as the Board of Township Trustees may approve and provide. The Board of Zoning Appeals may, within the limits of moneys appropriated by the Board of Township Trustees for the purpose, employ such executives, professionals, technical assistants or other assistants as it deems necessary.

## Section 28.04 – POWERS OF THE BOARD

The Township Board of Zoning Appeals may:

- A. Hear and decide appeals where it is alleged there is error in any order, requirement, decision, or determination made by an administrative official in the enforcement of Section 519.02 to 519.25 of the Ohio Revised Code, or of any resolution adopted pursuant thereto.
- B. Authorize, upon appeals, in specific cases, such variance from the terms of the Zoning Resolution as will not be contrary to the public interest, where, owing to special conditions, a literal enforcement of the Resolution will result in unnecessary hardship, and so that the spirit of the Resolution shall be observed and substantial justice done. The Township Board of Zoning Appeals does not have the power to grant a variance due to necessary hardship if such hardship was created by the owner.

- C. Grant conditional zoning certificates for the use of land, buildings, or other structures if such certificates are provided for in the Zoning Resolution.
- D. Revoke an authorized variance or a conditional zoning certificate granted for the extraction of minerals, if any condition of the variance or certificate is violated.

The Board of Zoning Appeals shall notify the holder of the variance certificate by certified mail of its intent to revoke the variance or certificate under division (d) of this section and of their right to a hearing before the Board, within thirty (30) days of the mailing of the notice, if they so request. If the holder requests a hearing, the Board shall set a time and place for the hearing and notify the holder. At the hearing, the holder may appear in person, by their attorney or other representative, or they may present their position in writing. They may present evidence and examine witnesses appearing for or against them. If no hearing is requested, the Board may revoke the variance or certificate without a hearing. The authority to revoke a variance or certificate is in addition to any other means of zoning enforcement provided by law.

In exercising the above mentioned powers, such Board may, in conformity with such sections, reverse or affirm, wholly or partly, or may modify the order, requirement, decision, or determination appealed from, and may make such order, requirement, decision, or determination as ought to be made, and to that end has all powers of the officer from whom the appeal is taken.

## Section 28.05 – PROCEDURE ON HEARING APPEALS

Appeals to the Board of Zoning Appeals may be taken by any person aggrieved or by any officer of the township affected by any decision of the Zoning Inspector. Such appeal shall be taken within twenty (20) days after the decision by filing with the Zoning Inspector from whom the appeal is taken and with the Board of Zoning Appeals a notice of appeal specifying the grounds thereof. The Zoning Inspector from whom the appeal is taken shall forthwith transmit to the Board of Zoning Appeals all the papers constituting the record upon which the action appealed from was taken. The Board of Zoning Appeals shall fix a reasonable time for the hearing of the appeal, give ten (10) days written notice by ordinary mail to the parties in interest, give notice to such public hearing by one posting on the township website and by one publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the township at least ten (10) days prior to the date of such hearing, and decide the same within a reasonable time after it is submitted. At the hearing, any party may appear in person or by attorney.

## Section 28.06 – PROCEDURE ON APPLICATION FOR VARIANCE

The Township Board of Zoning Appeals, appointed by the Township Board of Trustees, may upon application, grant such variances from the provisions or requirements of this Resolution as will not be contrary to the public interest.

Where, by reason of the exceptional narrowness, shallowness or unusual shape of a specific piece of property on the effective date of this Resolution, or by reason of exceptional topographic conditions, or other extraordinary situations or conditions of such parcel of property, or of the use or development of property immediately adjoining the property in question, the literal enforcement of the requirements of this Resolution would involve practical difficulty or would cause unnecessary hardship, the Board shall have the power to authorize a variance from the term of this Resolution.

- A. <u>Public Notice</u>: Written application of a variance shall be made to the Township Zoning Inspector who shall transmit said application to the Board of Zoning Appeals. The Board of Zoning Appeals shall give written notice by ordinary mail to all owners of land within two hundred (200) feet of the exterior boundaries of the land for which a variance is requested. An application for a variance shall be advertised at least once, ten (10) days in advance of the time set for the public hearing, in newspapers of general circulation within the township.
- B. <u>Hearing and Decision</u>: At such hearing the applicant shall present a statement and adequate evidence, in such form as the Township Board of Zoning Appeals may require. The burden of proof will be the responsibility of the applicant.
- C. <u>Criteria:</u> In granting such variance the Board shall determine that said variance meets the following criteria:
  - 1. It is not contrary to the public interest.
  - 2. It is justified due to special conditions.
  - 3. It is justified because the literal enforcement of the Resolution would result in unnecessary hardship.
  - 4. Area Variance: A practical difficulty exists due to a non-use consideration, such as area, size, setback, etc. The factors to be used in determining if a practical difficulty exists were expressed in 1986 by the Ohio Supreme Court in Duncan v. Village of Middlefield, 23 Ohio St. 3d 83. These factors, which are not exclusive, are:
    - a) Whether the property will yield a reasonable return or whether there can be beneficial use of the property.
    - b) Whether the variance is substantial.
    - c) Whether the essential character of the neighborhood would be substantially altered, or adjoining properties suffer a "substantial detriment" as a result of the variance.
    - d) Whether the variance would adversely affect the delivery of governmental services.
    - e) Whether the property owner purchased the property with knowledge of the zoning restriction.
    - f) Whether the problem can be solved by some other manner other than the granting of a variance.
    - g) Whether the variance preserves the "spirit and intent" of the zoning requirement and whether "substantial justice" would be done by granting the variance.
  - 5. <u>Use Variance</u>: The factors to be considered and weighed in determining whether a property owner seeking a use variance has encountered an unnecessary hardship in the use of his/her property.

- a) The property could not be used (be put to reasonable use) for the purposes permitted in that zoning district.
- b) The plight is due to unique circumstances peculiar to the property and not to general neighborhood conditions.
- c) The use would not alter the essential character of he area or adjoining properties would not suffer a substantial detriment as a result of the variance.
- d) The problem is not self-created.
- e) The variance would not adversely affect the delivery of governmental services.
- f) The applicant purchased the property with knowledge of the zoning restriction.
- g) The applicant's predicament feasibly cannot be resolved through some method other than the variance.
- h) The spirit and intent behind the zoning requirement would be observed and substantial justice done by granting the variance.
- D. <u>Conditions:</u> In granting any variance under the provisions of this section, the Board of Zoning Appeals shall designate such conditions in connection therewith as will, in its opinion, secure substantially the objectives of the regulations or provisions in the application on which the variance is granted.
- E. <u>Form of Application</u>: All applications for variances under this section shall be submitted on such forms as designated and approved by the Township Trustees. No application will be considered unless the same is fully completed and accompanied by all required information listed on said applications.

## Section 28.07 – PROCEDURE ON APPLICATION FOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS

The owner of any land or building within a zoning district within the township may apply to the Board of Zoning Appeals for authority to carry out any use designated as Conditional Use within the district.

- A. <u>Application:</u> An application for a conditional use permit shall be submitted on such forms as designated and/or approved by the Township Trustees. A legal description of the property shall accompany the application. No application shall be considered unless the same is fully completed and accompanied by all required information of said application together with plot plans or drawings as necessary.
- B. <u>Hearing</u>: The application shall be transmitted to the Board of Zoning Appeals who shall cause a public hearing to be held.
- C. <u>Notice</u>: Notice of the application for a conditional use permit and the hearing thereon shall be given to all property owners within two hundred (200) feet of the premise on which the use is planned. Notice shall be given by ordinary mail. In additional thereto one (1) notice of said meeting shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the township not less than ten (10) days prior to the scheduled hearing.

- D. <u>Decision</u>: The board shall make its decision within a reasonable time after the hearing. In the event the Board approves the Conditional Use permit, it may impose such reasonable conditions as it deems necessary to maintain the rural character through preservation of natural, scenic or historic features of importance and to address each of the following factors to ensure that the use will be conducted in the best interests of the zoning district: 1) Traffic, 2) Parking, 3) Noise, 4) Smoke, fumes, and/or odors, 5) Dust, 6) External lighting, 7) Vibration.
- E. <u>Revocation</u>: The Board of Zoning Appeals may revoke a conditional use permit for failure to comply with the conditions of that permit. The Board shall notify the holder of the permit by certified mail of its intent to revoke the permit and of the holder's right to a hearing before the Board, within thirty (30) days of the receipt of said notice, if he so requests. In lieu of said certified mail service, service may be made personally by the Township Zoning Inspector in which case the hearing shall be requested within thirty (30) days after such service. If the holder requests a hearing, the Board shall set a time and place for the hearing and notify the holder. At the hearing, the holder may appear in person, by his attorney or other representative, or he may present his position in writing. He may present evidence and may examine witnesses appearing for or against him. If no hearing is requested the Board may revoke the permit without a hearing. The authority to revoke a permit is in addition to any other means of zoning enforcement provided by law.

## Section 28.08 – DECISION OF BOARD

The Board of Zoning Appeals shall act by resolution, in which three (3) members concur and every action shall be accompanied by a written finding of fact, based on testimony and evidence and specifying the reason for granting or denying the request. A copy of the Board's resolution accompanied by the Board's finding of fact shall be mailed to the applicant by ordinary mail.

## Section 28.09 – PUBLIC INFORMATION

All communications to members of the Board of Zoning Appeals, written or oral, which shall be reduced to writing pertaining to any matter before the Board shall be made a part of the record. The record of the Board's proceedings in any matter shall be kept on file in the township office at Township Hall at Center Village, subject to the order of the Delaware County Common Pleas Court, and available for inspection by the public.

## Section 28.10 - RECORD

For any hearing at which the applicant desires a record to be made, the applicant shall give notice to the Zoning Secretary at least 10 days prior to the hearing requesting that a Court Reporter be retained, to make such record and the applicant shall deposit with the request, cash in the amount established by the Trustees to be used to defray the expense of making such a record. In all hearings where no request for a record has been made, the notes of the Zoning Secretary of the Board of Zoning Appeals shall serve as the sole record and trans

# Section 28.11 – FEES TO ACCOMPANY NOTICE OF APPEAL OR APPLICATION FOR VARIANCE OR CONDITIONAL USE

For all actions of the Board of Zoning Appeals the Board of Township Trustees shall establish fees to be deposited with each application. Such fees shall be set annually and shall be required generally for each application to defray the costs of advertising, mailing and other expenses.

# **ARTICLE XXIX - ENFORCEMENT**

## Section 29.01 - VIOLATIONS

No building shall be located, erected, constructed, reconstructed, enlarged, changed, maintained, or used, and no land shall be used in violation of this Zoning Resolution, or amendment or supplement to such Resolution, adopted by the Township Board of Trustees pursuant to Chapter 519, Ohio Revised Code. Each day's continuation of a violation of this section shall be deemed a separate offense irrespective of whether or not a notice of violation or affidavit charging a violation has been served upon the violator for each day the offense continues.

## Section 29.02 – REMEDIES

In case any building is or is proposed to be located, erected, constructed, reconstructed, enlarged, changed, maintained, or used or any land is or is proposed to be used in violation of Chapter 519, Ohio Revised Code, or of this Zoning Resolution or amendments hereto adopted by the Board of Township Trustees under such Resolution, such Board, the prosecuting attorney of the county, the township zoning inspector, or any adjacent or neighboring property owner who would be especially damaged by such violation, in addition to other remedies provided by law, may institute injunction, mandamus, abatement, or any other appropriate action or proceeding to prevent, enjoin, abate, or remove such unlawful location, erection, construction, reconstruction, enlargement, change, maintenance, or use. The Board of Township Trustees may employ special counsel to represent it in any proceeding or to prosecute any action brought under this section.

## Section 29.03 – PENALTY

Whoever violates the provisions of this Zoning Resolution and amendments hereto or Chapter 519, Ohio Revised Code, shall be fined not more than one hundred (\$100.00) dollars for each offense or the maximum fine or imprisonment as provided by law, whichever is greater.

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# **ARTICLE XXX - SEVERABILITY AND REPEAL**

## Section 30.01 – SEVERABILITY

If for any reason any one or more articles, sections, sentences, clauses, or parts of this Zoning Resolution are held invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remaining provisions of this Zoning Resolution but shall be confined in its operation to the specific sections, sentences, clauses or parts of this Zoning Resolution in any one or more instances, and shall not effect or prejudice in any way the validity of this Zoning Resolution in any other instance.

## Section 30.02 - REPEAL

This Zoning Resolution may be repealed only by complying with requirements of Chapter 519, Ohio Revised Code, as amended.

## Section 30.03 – REPEAL OF CONFLICTING RESOLUTION

The Harlem Township Zoning Resolution or part thereof, previously in effect in areas under the Harlem Township Zoning, not otherwise adopted as part of this Zoning Resolution, and in conflict with the Zoning Resolution as it is established on November 21, 1988, or established hereafter, are hereby repealed. However, all suits at law or inequity and/or all prosecutions resulting from violation of any of the Courts of the State of Ohio or the United States, shall not be abated or abandoned by reason of the adoption of any amendment to this Zoning Resolution, but shall be prosecuted to their finality the same as if amendments to this Zoning Resolution had not been adopted; and any and all violations of existing Zoning Resolutions, prosecutions for which have not yet been instituted, may be hereafter filed and prosecuted; and nothing in this Zoning Resolution shall be so construed as to abandon, abate, or dismiss any litigation or prosecution now pending, and/or which may have heretofore been instituted or prosecuted.

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