

# RM-11

## District Schedule

### 1 INTENT AND OVERVIEW

#### 1.1 Intent

The intent of this schedule is to encourage the development of 4-storey “T”-shaped apartments with dwelling units that are varied in size, composition and tenure, including those suitable for families with children. Common and private outdoor spaces are required. Lower density residential development, in the form of townhouses and triplexes, is only permitted on locked in lots.

Without limitation, applicable Council policies and guidelines for consideration include the [RM-11 Guidelines](#).

#### 1.2 Overview

The table below provides an overview of the outright and conditional approval uses in the RM-11 district, categorized by the minimum site area required, where applicable. Applicable density, form and placement regulations in section 3 of this schedule are cross-referenced in the third column.

Minimum Site Area	Use	Density, Form and Placement Regulations
1000 m <sup>2</sup>	Apartment	<a href="#">3.1</a>
	Mixed-Use Residential Building	<a href="#">3.1</a>
566 m <sup>2</sup>	Townhouse	<a href="#">3.2</a>
303 m <sup>2</sup>	Triplex	<a href="#">3.3</a>
--	Seniors Supportive or Independent Living Housing	<a href="#">3.4</a>
	Other uses in section <a href="#">2.1</a> of this schedule	<a href="#">3.5</a>
Regulated by the <a href="#">RT-5 District Schedule</a>	Duplex, Duplex with Secondary Suite, Single Detached House, Single Detached House with Secondary Suite, Infill in combination with retention of a character house, Multiple Conversion Dwelling and Secondary Suite	Regulated by the <a href="#">RT-5 District Schedule</a>

## 2 USE REGULATIONS

### 2.1 Outright and Conditional Approval Uses

All outright and conditional approval uses are subject to all other provisions of this by-law, including [Section 2](#), [Section 10](#) and [Section 11](#), and compliance with the regulations of this schedule including section [2.2](#).

The uses identified in the table below as outright approval uses are permitted in these districts and will be issued a permit.

- (a) the intent of this schedule and all applicable Council policies and guidelines; and
- (b) the submission of any advisory group, property owner or tenant.

Uses are listed under their general land use category. Applicable use-specific regulations in section [2.2](#) of this schedule are cross-referenced in the third column. Cross-references to applicable use-specific regulations are provided for information purposes only and do not form part of this by-law.

Use	Approval	Use-Specific Regulations
<b>Agricultural Uses</b>		
Urban Farm - Class A	Conditional	
<b>Cultural and Recreational Uses</b>		
Artist Studio - Class A	Conditional	<a href="#">2.2.1</a>
Club	Conditional	
Community Centre or Neighbourhood House	Conditional	
Library, in combination with Community Centre	Conditional	
Park or Playground	Conditional	
Plaza	Conditional	
<b>Dwelling Uses</b>		
Apartment	Conditional	<a href="#">2.2.2</a> , <a href="#">2.2.3</a> , <a href="#">2.2.4</a>
Duplex	Conditional	<a href="#">2.2.5</a> , <a href="#">2.2.6</a>
Duplex with Secondary Suite	Conditional	<a href="#">2.2.5</a> , <a href="#">2.2.6</a>
Infill, in combination with retention of a character house existing as of September 18, 2018	Conditional	<a href="#">2.2.5</a> , <a href="#">2.2.6</a>
Laneway House, lawfully existing as of September 18, 2018	Outright	<a href="#">2.2.7</a>
Mixed-Use Residential Building	Conditional	<a href="#">2.2.2</a> , <a href="#">2.2.3</a> , <a href="#">2.2.4</a> , <a href="#">2.2.10</a>
Multiple Conversion Dwelling, resulting from the conversion of a character house existing on the site as of September 18, 2018	Conditional	<a href="#">2.2.5</a> , <a href="#">2.2.6</a> , <a href="#">2.2.8</a>
Principal Dwelling Unit with Lock-Off Unit	Conditional	<a href="#">2.2.9</a>

Use	Approval	Use-Specific Regulations
Residential Unit associated with and forming an integral part of an Artist Studio	Conditional	
Secondary Suite	Conditional	2.2.6, 2.2.11
Seniors Supportive or Independent Living Housing	Conditional	
Single Detached House, lawfully existing as of September 18, 2018	Outright	2.2.6
Single Detached House with Secondary Suite, lawfully existing as of September 18, 2018	Outright	2.2.6
Townhouse	Conditional	2.2.2, 2.2.3, 2.2.4, 2.2.5
Triplex	Conditional	2.2.5
<b>Institutional Uses</b>		
Ambulance Station	Conditional	
Child Day Care Facility	Conditional	
Church	Conditional	
Community Care or Assisted Living Facility - Class A	Outright	2.2.12
Community Care or Assisted Living Facility - Class B	Conditional	
Group Residence	Conditional	
Hospital	Conditional	
Public Authority Use, essential in these districts	Conditional	
School - Elementary or Secondary	Conditional	
Social Service Centre	Conditional	
<b>Retail Uses</b>		
Farmers' Market	Conditional	2.2.13
Neighbourhood Grocery Store	Conditional	
Public Bike Share	Conditional	
Shared E-Scooter System	Conditional	
<b>Service Uses</b>		
Short Term Rental Accommodation	Conditional	
<b>Utility and Communication Uses</b>		
Public Utility	Conditional	
<b>uncategorized</b>		
Accessory Buildings, customarily ancillary to any use listed in this section 2.1, other than Multiple Dwelling or Mixed-Use Residential Building	Outright	2.2.14

Use	Approval	Use-Specific Regulations
Accessory Buildings, customarily ancillary to any use listed in this section 2.1, other than Multiple Dwelling or Mixed-Use Residential Building, and not permitted as an outright approval use	Conditional	
Accessory Buildings, customarily ancillary to Multiple Dwelling or Mixed-Use Residential Building	Conditional	2.2.15
Accessory Uses, customarily ancillary to any outright approval use listed in this section 2.1	Outright	2.2.16
Accessory Uses customarily ancillary to any conditional approval use listed in this section 2.1	Conditional	
Deposition or extraction of material, which alters the configuration of the land	Conditional	

## 2.2 Use-Specific Regulations

2.2.1 Artist studio - class A may be permitted only:

- (a) where there is a residential unit associated with and forming an integral part of that artist studio; or
- (b) in a mixed-use residential building.

2.2.2 In an apartment, townhouse or mixed-use residential building with a floor space ratio less than or equal to 1.20, a minimum of 25% of the total dwelling units must be 3-bedroom units.

2.2.3 In an apartment, townhouse or mixed-used residential building with a floor space ratio greater than 1.20, a minimum of:

- (a) 25% of the total dwelling units must be 2-bedroom units; and
- (b) 10% of the total dwelling units must be 3-bedroom units,

except that the Director of Planning may vary the distribution of units if no less than 35% of the total dwelling units are 2- or 3-bedroom units, if the Director of Planning considers the intent of this schedule and all applicable Council policies and guidelines.

2.2.4 The Director of Planning may permit more than 1 apartment, townhouse or mixed-use residential building on a site if the Director of Planning considers the intent of this schedule and all applicable Council policies and guidelines.

2.2.5 The following uses may be permitted only if the Director of Planning considers the development site to consist of locked in lots:

- (a) townhouse;
- (b) triplex;

- (c) duplex;
- (d) duplex with secondary suite;
- (e) infill in combination with retention of a character house existing as of September 18, 2018; and
- (f) multiple conversion dwelling resulting from the conversion of a character house existing on the site as of September 18, 2018.

2.2.6 The following uses must comply with the **RT-5 District Schedule**:

- (a) duplex;
- (b) duplex with secondary suite;
- (c) single detached house;
- (d) single detached house with secondary suite;
- (e) infill in combination with retention of a character house existing as of September 18, 2018;
- (f) multiple conversion dwelling resulting from the conversion of a character house existing on the site as of September 18, 2018; and
- (g) secondary suite.

2.2.7 Laneway house is regulated by **Section 11** of this by-law and section **3** and **4** of this schedule do not apply.

2.2.8 Multiple conversion dwelling that is not permitted as an outright approval use, resulting from the conversion of a character house existing as of September 18, 2018, may be permitted as a conditional approval use if it contains no housekeeping or sleeping units.

2.2.9 Principal dwelling unit with lock-off unit may be permitted only in a multiple dwelling or mixed-use residential building and there may be no more than 1 lock-off unit for every 3 principal dwelling units, except that the Director of Planning may permit a higher ratio, if the Director of Planning considers the intent of this schedule and all applicable Council policies and guidelines.

2.2.10 The only non-dwelling uses permitted in a mixed-use residential building are:

- (a) artist studio - class A; and
- (b) neighbourhood grocery store.

2.2.11 Secondary suite may be permitted if it is in a single detached house or duplex lawfully existing as of September 18, 2018.

2.2.12 Community care or assisted living facility - class A is subject to the regulations, variations and relaxations that apply to a single detached house.

2.2.13 Farmers' market may be permitted if the Director of Planning considers the appropriateness of the use with respect to compatibility with nearby sites, parking, traffic, noise, hours of operation, size of facility and pedestrian amenity.

2.2.14 Accessory buildings customarily ancillary to any of the uses listed in section 2.1 of this schedule, other than those ancillary to multiple dwelling or mixed-use residential building, are permitted as an outright approval use if:

- (a) no accessory building exceeds 3.7 m in height, measured to:
  - (i) the highest point of a flat roof,
  - (ii) the deck line of a mansard roof, or
  - (iii) the mean height between the eaves and the ridge of a gable, hip or gambrel roof,

provided that no portion of an accessory building exceeds 4.6 m in building height;

- (b) all accessory buildings are located:

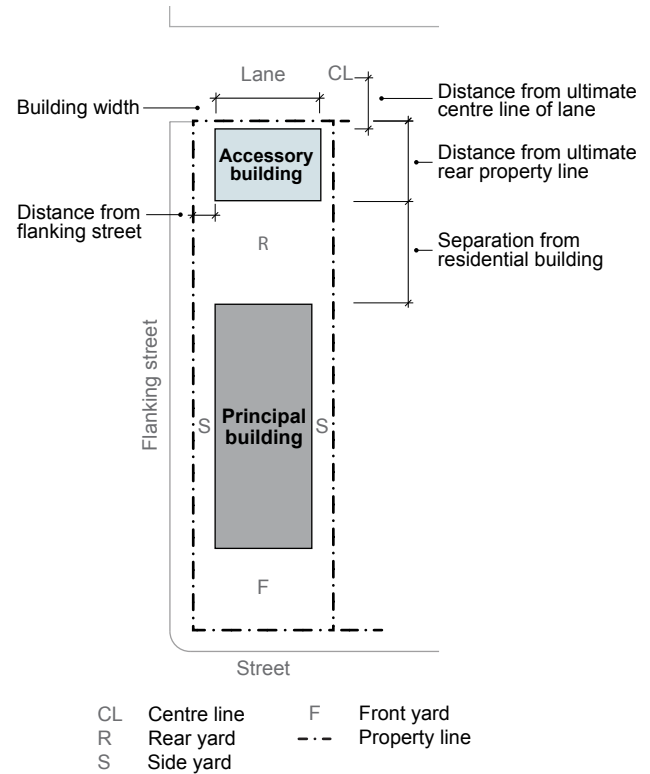
- (i) within 7.9 m of the ultimate rear property line,
- (ii) at least 3.6 m from the ultimate centre line of any rear or flanking lane; and
- (iii) at least 1.5 m from a flanking street;

- (c) the total floor area of all accessory buildings, measured to the extreme outer limits of the building, does not exceed 48 m<sup>2</sup>;
- (d) the combined building width for all accessory buildings does not exceed 80% of the width of the site at the rear property line;
- (e) the separation from any residential building is at least 3.7 m; and
- (f) roof decks and decks are not located on an accessory building.

2.2.15 Accessory buildings customarily ancillary to multiple dwelling or mixed-use residential building may be permitted as a conditional approval use if:

- (a) no accessory building exceeds 3.7 m in height, measured to:

**Diagram: Building placement for accessory buildings**



- (i) the highest point of a flat roof,
  - (ii) the deck line of a mansard roof, or
  - (iii) the mean height between the eaves and the ridge of a gable, hip or gambrel roof,
- provided that no portion of an accessory building exceeds 4.6 m in building height;
- (b) all accessory buildings are located:
    - (i) within 7.9 m of the ultimate rear property line,
    - (ii) at least 3.6 m from the ultimate centre line of any rear or flanking lane, and
    - (iii) at least 1.5 m from a flanking street;
  - (c) the total floor area of all accessory buildings, measured to the extreme outer limits of the building, does not exceed 48 m<sup>2</sup>, except that the Director of Planning may increase the total floor area of all accessory buildings to a maximum of 24 m<sup>2</sup> for each dwelling unit, not including lock-off units, if the Director of Planning considers the intent of this schedule and all applicable Council policies and guidelines;
  - (d) the building width for all accessory buildings does not exceed 30% of the width of the site at the rear property line, except that the Director of Planning may increase the maximum building width up to 80% if the Director of Planning considers the intent of this schedule and all applicable Council policies and guidelines;
  - (e) the separation from any residential building is at least 3.7 m; and
  - (f) roof decks and decks are not located on an accessory building.

2.2.16 Accessory parking spaces customarily ancillary to any outright approval use listed in section 2.1 above must comply with the provisions of section 2.2.14(b) above.

### 3 DENSITY, FORM AND PLACEMENT REGULATIONS

This section contains density, form and placement regulations organized by use.

#### 3.1 Apartment and Mixed-Use Residential Building

Apartment and mixed-use residential building are subject to the following regulations.

##### 3.1.1 Density and Floor Area

3.1.1.1 The maximum floor space ratio is 0.75, except that on sites with a minimum site frontage of 36.6 m the Director of Planning may increase:

- (a) the permitted floor space ratio to a maximum of 1.70 where 100% of the residential floor area is either developed as social housing or secured market rental housing secured by a housing agreement that restricts the rates at which rents may be increased; or
- (b) the permitted floor area by 1 m<sup>2</sup> per amenity share or per affordable housing share provided to the City at no cost to the City, to a maximum floor space ratio of 1.70,

if the Director of Planning considers the intent of this schedule, all applicable Council policies and guidelines, and the submission of any advisory group, property owner or tenant.

3.1.1.2 Despite section [3.1.1.1\(b\)](#) above, the maximum floor space ratio achievable as a result of the provision of amenity shares or affordable housing shares must otherwise comply in all respects with this schedule and this by-law.

##### 3.1.2 Building Form and Placement

Regulations		RM-11
3.1.2.1	Minimum site area	1,000 m <sup>2</sup>
3.1.2.2	Minimum site frontage for sites along East 1st Avenue, East 12th Avenue and Garden Drive	36.6 m
3.1.2.3	Maximum site frontage	50 m
3.1.2.4	Maximum building height	13.7 m
3.1.2.5	Minimum front yard depth	3.7 m
3.1.2.6	Minimum side yard width	2.1 m
3.1.2.7	Minimum rear yard depth	6.1 m
3.1.2.8	Maximum site coverage for all buildings	55% of the site area



Regulations	RM-11
3.1.2.9 Maximum area of impermeable materials	75% of the site area

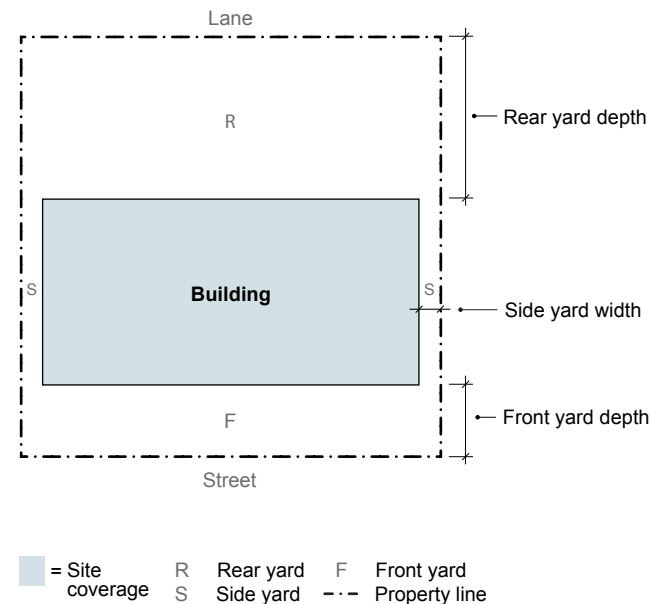
### Site Frontage

- 3.1.2.10 Despite the minimum site frontage in section 3.1.2.2 above, for development sites that include a corner lot consolidation where the intervention of a lane prevents the achievement of a 36.6 m site frontage, the Director of Planning may permit a minimum site frontage of 36.6 m along either street frontage for sites along East 1st Avenue or East 12th Avenue, if the Director of Planning considers the intent of this schedule and all applicable Council policies and guidelines.
- 3.1.2.11 The Director of Planning may decrease the minimum site frontage if the Director of Planning considers the intent of this schedule and all applicable Council policies and guidelines.

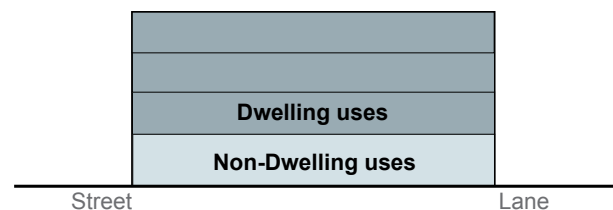
### Side Yard and Side Setback

- 3.1.2.12 Despite the minimum side yard width in section 3.1.2.6 above, if the side of the site adjoins the side yard of a site located in an R1 or RT district, without the intervention of a lane, a setback of 4.6 m is required for portions of a building at or above the fourth storey.
- 3.1.2.13 The Director of Planning may decrease the minimum side yard and minimum side setback for a site with a side that adjoins the side yard of a site located in an R1 or RT district, without the intervention of a lane, if the Director of Planning considers the intent of this schedule and all applicable Council policies and guidelines.

**Diagram: Building placement for apartment and mixed-use residential building**



**Diagram: Mixed-use residential building**



**Discretion to Vary Other Regulations**

3.1.2.14 If the Director of Planning considers the intent of this schedule and all applicable Council policies and guidelines, the Director of Planning may vary:

- (a) the maximum building height to a height not exceeding 14.7 m;
- (b) the minimum front yard depth;
- (c) the maximum site coverage; and
- (d) the maximum area of impermeable materials.

## 3.2 Townhouse

Townhouse is subject to the following regulations.

### 3.2.1 Density and Floor Area

3.2.1.1 The maximum floor space ratio is 0.75, except that, where the Director of Planning considers the development site to consist of locked in lots, the Director of Planning may increase:

- (a) the permitted floor space ratio to a maximum of 1.20 where 100% of the residential floor area is either developed as social housing or secured market rental housing secured by a housing agreement that restricts the rates at which rents may be increased; or
- (b) the permitted floor area by 1 m<sup>2</sup> per amenity share or per affordable housing share provided to the City at no cost to the City, to a maximum floor space ratio of 1.20,

if the Director of Planning considers the intent of this schedule, all applicable Council policies and guidelines, and the submission of any advisory group, property owner or tenant.

3.2.1.2 Despite section [3.2.1.1\(b\)](#) above, the maximum floor space ratio achievable as a result of the provision of amenity shares or affordable housing shares must otherwise comply in all respects with this schedule and this by-law.

### 3.2.2 Building Form and Placement

Regulations	RM-11
3.2.2.1 Minimum site area	566 m <sup>2</sup>
3.2.2.2 Minimum site frontage	12.8 m
3.2.2.3 Maximum site frontage	36.6 m
3.2.2.4 Maximum building height for:	
(a) a building other than a rear building	11.5 m
(b) a rear building	10.1 m
3.2.2.5 Minimum front yard depth	3.7 m
3.2.2.6 Minimum side yard width	2.1 m
3.2.2.7 Minimum rear yard depth	1.8 m
3.2.2.8 Maximum site coverage for all buildings	55% of the site area

Regulations	RM-11
3.2.2.9 Maximum area of impermeable materials	75% of the site area
3.2.2.10 Minimum separation between:	
(a) buildings located on a site frontage	3.1 m
(b) rear buildings	3.1 m
(c) buildings located on a site frontage and rear buildings	7.3 m

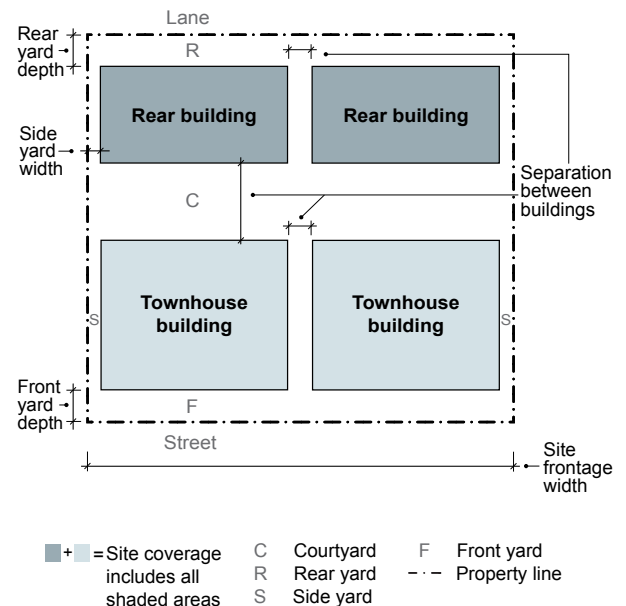
### Side Yard and Side Setback

- 3.2.2.11 Despite the minimum side yard width in section 3.2.2.6 above, if the side of the site adjoins the side yard of a site located in an R1 or RT district, without the intervention of a lane, a setback of 4.6 m is required for portions of a building at or above the fourth storey.
- 3.2.2.12 The Director of Planning may decrease the minimum side yard and minimum side setback for a site with a side that adjoins the side yard of a site located in an R1 or RT district, without the intervention of a lane, if the Director of Planning considers the intent of this schedule and all applicable Council policies and guidelines.

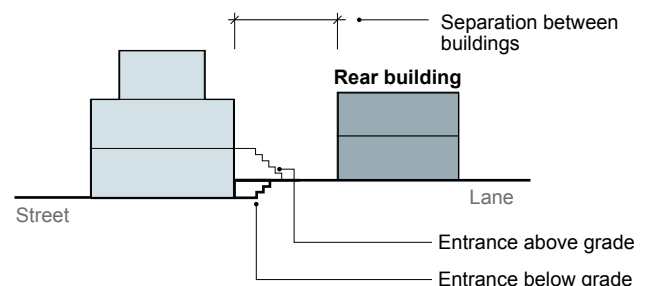
### Building Separation

- 3.2.2.13 Minimum separation between townhouse buildings must be measured from the closest portion of the exterior side wall of any other townhouse building on the site.
- 3.2.2.14 Despite the minimum building separation in section 3.2.2.10(c) above, where an entrance located at or above 1.5 m of grade, or more than 0.6 m below grade, is connected to grade by stairs that project into a courtyard, the separation between buildings must be at least 9.1 m.

**Diagram: Building placement for townhouse in a courtyard configuration**



**Diagram: Townhouse in a courtyard configuration**



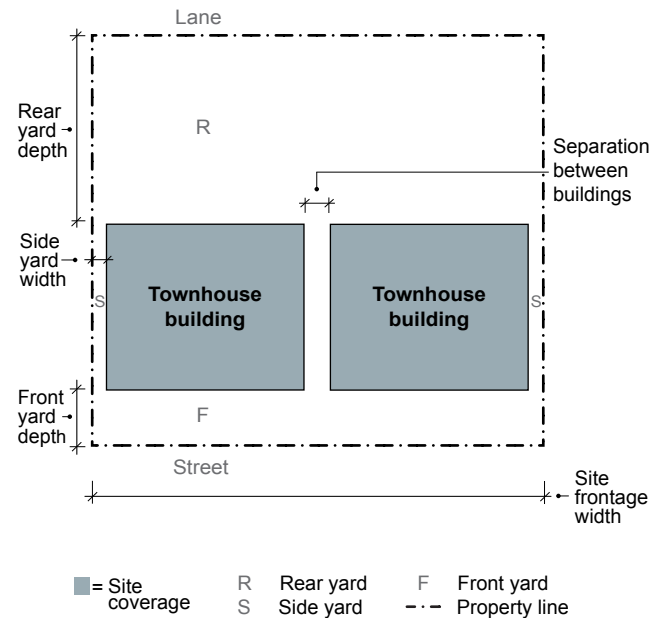
- 3.2.2.15 The Director of Planning may decrease the minimum building separation if the Director of Planning considers the intent of this schedule and all applicable Council policies and guidelines.

#### Discretion to Vary Other Regulations

- 3.2.2.16 If the Director of Planning considers the intent of this schedule and all applicable Council policies and guidelines, the Director of Planning may vary:

- (a) the minimum front yard depth;
- (b) the maximum site coverage; and
- (c) the maximum area of impermeable materials.

**Diagram: Building placement for townhouse in a non-courtyard configuration**



### 3.3 Triplex

Triplex is subject to the following regulations.

#### 3.3.1 Density and Floor Area

3.3.1.1 The maximum floor space ratio is 0.75, except that, where the Director of Planning considers the development site to consist of locked in lots, the Director of Planning may increase:

- (a) the permitted floor space ratio to a maximum of 0.90 where 100% of the residential floor area is developed as secured market rental housing secured by a housing agreement that restricts the rates at which rents may be increased; or
- (b) the permitted floor area by 1 m<sup>2</sup> per amenity share or per affordable housing share provided to the City at no cost to the City, to a maximum floor space ratio of 0.90,

if the Director of Planning considers the intent of this schedule, all applicable Council policies and guidelines, and the submission of any advisory group, property owner or tenant.

3.3.1.2 Despite section [3.3.1.1\(b\)](#) above, the maximum floor space ratio achievable as a result of the provision of amenity shares or affordable housing shares must otherwise comply in all respects with this schedule and this by-law.

#### 3.3.2 Building Form and Placement

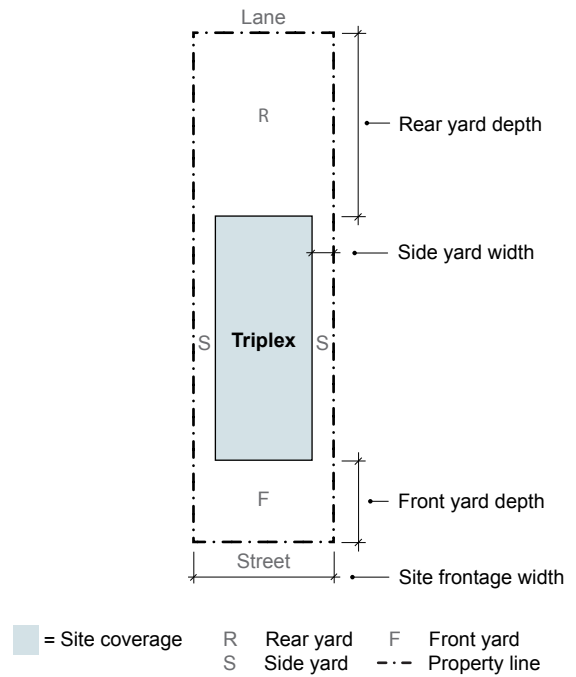
Regulations	RM-11
3.3.2.1 Minimum site area	303 m <sup>2</sup>
3.3.2.2 Maximum site frontage	12.8 m
3.3.2.3 Maximum building height	10.7 m
3.3.2.4 Minimum front yard depth	3.7 m
3.3.2.5 Minimum side yard width	1.2 m
3.3.2.6 Minimum rear yard depth	10.7 m
3.3.2.7 Maximum site coverage for all buildings	55% of the site area
3.3.2.8 Maximum area of impermeable materials	75% of the site area

### Discretion to Vary Other Regulations

3.3.2.9 If the Director of Planning considers the intent of this schedule and all applicable Council policies and guidelines, the Director of Planning may vary:

- (a) the maximum site coverage; and
- (b) the maximum area of impermeable materials.

**Diagram: Building placement for triplex**



### 3.4 Seniors Supportive or Independent Living Housing

Seniors supportive or independent living housing is subject to the following regulations.

#### 3.4.1 Density and Floor Area

3.4.1.1 The maximum floor space ratio is 0.75, except that:

- (a) on sites with a minimum site area of 1,000 m<sup>2</sup> and a minimum site frontage of 36.6 m, the Director of Planning may increase:
  - (i) the permitted floor space ratio to a maximum of 1.70 where 100% of the residential floor area is developed as secured market rental housing subject to an agreed upon rental increase limit, or
  - (ii) the permitted floor area by 1 m<sup>2</sup> per amenity share or per affordable housing share provided to the City at no cost to the City, to a maximum floor space ratio of 1.70,

if the Director of Planning considers the intent of this schedule, all applicable Council policies and guidelines, and the submission of any advisory group, property owner or tenant;

- (b) where the Director of Planning considers the development site to consist of locked in lots, the Director of Planning may increase the permitted floor space ratio to a maximum of 1.20 where 100% of the floor area is developed as secured market rental housing subject to an agreed upon rental increase limit, if the proposed development:
  - (i) is on a site with a minimum site area of 566 m<sup>2</sup>,
  - (ii) is on a site with a frontage greater than 12.8 m and less than 36.6 m,
  - (iii) has a maximum building height of 11.5 m,
  - (iv) has a maximum building height of 10.1 m for rear buildings, and
  - (v) has a minimum rear yard depth of 1.8 m,

and if the Director of Planning considers the intent of this schedule, all applicable Council policies and guidelines, and the submission of any advisory group, property owner or tenant; or

- (c) where the Director of Planning considers the development site to consist of locked in lots, the Director of Planning may increase the permitted floor area by 1 m<sup>2</sup> per amenity share or per affordable housing share provided to the City at no cost to the City, to a maximum floor space ratio of 1.20, if the proposed development:
  - (i) is on a site with a minimum site area of 566 m<sup>2</sup>,
  - (ii) is on a site with a frontage greater than 12.8 m and less than 36.6 m,
  - (iii) has a maximum building height of 11.5 m,
  - (iv) has a maximum building height of 10.1 m for rear buildings, and
  - (v) has a minimum rear yard depth of 1.8 m,



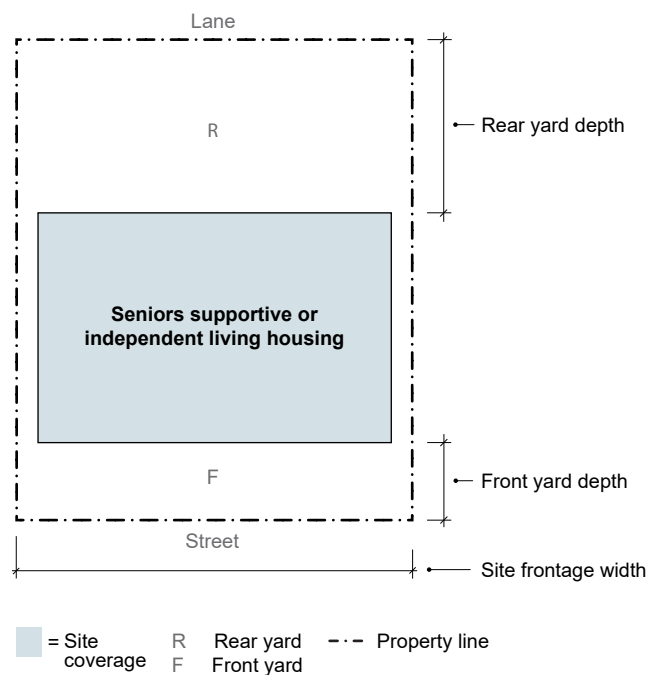
and if the Director of Planning considers the intent of this schedule, all applicable Council policies and guidelines, and the submission of any advisory group, property owner or tenant.

- 3.4.1.2 Despite sections 3.4.1.1(a)(ii) and 3.4.1.1(c) above, the maximum floor space ratio achievable as a result of the provision of amenity shares or affordable housing shares must otherwise comply in all respects with this schedule and this by-law.

### 3.4.2 Building Form and Placement

Regulations	RM-11
3.4.2.1 Minimum front yard depth	3.7 m
3.4.2.2 Maximum site coverage for all buildings	45% of the site area
3.4.2.3 Maximum area of impermeable materials	75% of the site area

**Diagram: Building placement for seniors supportive or independent living housing**



### 3.5 Other Uses

Uses not regulated by sections 3.1 to 3.4 of this schedule are subject to the following regulations, except duplex, duplex with secondary suite, single detached house, single detached house with secondary suite, infill in combination with retention of a character house, multiple conversion dwelling, and secondary suite, which are regulated by the [RT-5 District Schedule](#).

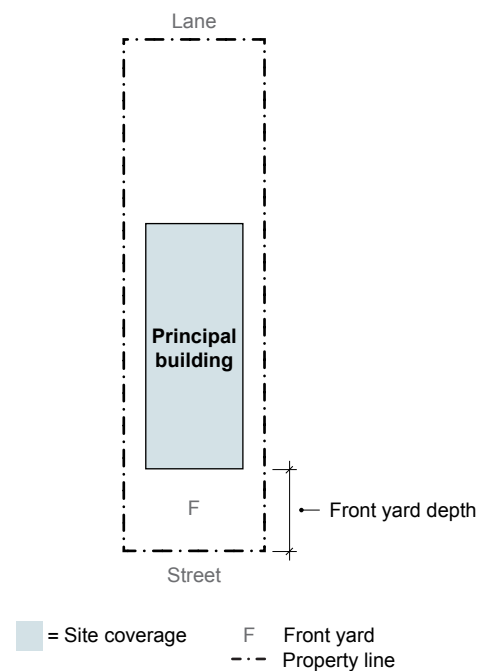
#### 3.5.1 Density and Floor Area

3.5.1.1 The maximum floor space ratio is 0.75.

#### 3.5.2 Building Form and Placement

Regulations	RM-11
3.5.2.1 Minimum front yard depth	3.7 m
3.5.2.2 Maximum site coverage for all buildings	45% of the site area
3.5.2.3 Maximum area of impermeable materials	75% of the site area

**Diagram: Building placement for principal building**



## 4 GENERAL REGULATIONS

All uses in these districts, except duplex, duplex with secondary suite, single detached house, single detached house with secondary suite, infill in combination with retention of a character house, multiple conversion dwelling, and secondary suite, are subject to the following regulations.

### 4.1 Amenity Shares and Affordable Housing Shares

- 4.1.1 For the purposes of this schedule, amenity has the meaning set out in [Schedule F: Affordable Housing Share and Amenity Share Cost Schedule](#) of this by-law.
- 4.1.2 For the purposes of this schedule, the cost of an amenity share or affordable housing share is the amount specified per m<sup>2</sup> in [Schedule F: Affordable Housing and Amenity Share Cost Schedule](#) of this by-law for the RM-11 zoning district.

### 4.2 Computation of Floor Area

- 4.2.1 Computation of floor area must include:
- (a) all floors, including earthen floor, measured to the extreme outer limits of the building including accessory buildings; and
  - (b) stairways, fire escapes, elevator shafts and other features that the Director of Planning considers similar to the foregoing, measured by their gross cross-sectional areas and included in the measurements for each floor at which they are located.
- 4.2.2 Computation of floor area must exclude:
- (a) balconies and decks, and any other appurtenances that the Director of Planning considers similar to the foregoing, provided that the total area of these exclusions does not exceed 12% of the permitted floor area for apartment, townhouse or mixed-use residential building and 8% of the permitted floor area for all other uses;
  - (b) patios and roof decks, if the Director of Planning considers the impact on privacy and overlook;
  - (c) for multiple dwelling or mixed-use residential building, where floors are used for:
    - (i) off-street parking and loading, those floors or portions thereof which are located at or below base surface, provided that the maximum exclusion for a parking space does not exceed 7.3 m in length,
    - (ii) bicycle storage located at or below base surface or, if located at or above base surface, are contained in an accessory building customarily ancillary to multiple dwelling or mixed-use residential building, and that complies with section [2.2.15](#) of this schedule, and
    - (iii) heating and mechanical equipment, or uses that the Director of Planning considers similar to the foregoing, any of which are located at or below base surface;

- (d) for triplex and other dwelling uses other than multiple dwelling or mixed-use residential building, where floors are used for off-street parking and loading, or bicycle storage in multiple conversion dwellings containing 3 or more dwelling units, or uses that the Director of Planning considers similar to the foregoing:
  - (i) those floors or portions thereof not exceeding 7.3 m in length, which are located in an accessory building which complies with section 2.2.14 of this schedule, or in an infill single detached house or principal building located within 7.9 m of the ultimate rear property line, up to a maximum of 48 m<sup>2</sup>, or
  - (ii) on sites with no developed secondary access, those floors or portions thereof not exceeding 7.3 m in length and minimum required manoeuvring aisle, which are located either in a principal building, an accessory building, or an infill building up to a maximum area that the Director of Planning may determine, if the Director of Planning considers all applicable Council policies and guidelines;
- (e) for non-dwelling uses, where floors are used for off-street parking and loading, heating and mechanical equipment, or uses that the Director of Planning considers similar to the foregoing, those floors or portions thereof not exceeding 7.3 m in length, which are located in an accessory building located within 7.9 m of the ultimate rear property line, or below base surface;
- (f) amenity areas, including child day care facilities, recreation facilities, and meeting rooms to a maximum of 10% of the total permitted floor area;
- (g) areas of undeveloped floors that are located:
  - (i) above the highest storey or partial storey and to which there is no permanent means of access other than a hatch, or
  - (ii) adjacent to a storey or partial storey with a ceiling height of less than 1.2 m;
- (h) floors located at or below finished grade with a ceiling height of less than 1.2 m;
- (i) for multiple dwelling and mixed-use residential building, all residential storage area above or below base surface, except that if residential storage area above base surface exceeds 3.7 m<sup>2</sup> per dwelling unit, there will be no exclusion for any of the residential storage area above base surface for that unit;
- (j) entries, porches and verandahs and covered porches above the first storey, if:
  - (i) the side facing the street, side property line or rear property line is open or protected by guards that do not exceed the required minimum height,
  - (ii) the total area of these exclusions, when combined with the balcony and deck exclusions under section 4.2.2(a) above, does not exceed 16% of the permitted floor area for multiple dwelling and mixed-use residential building and 13% of the permitted floor area for all other uses, and
  - (iii) the ceiling height, excluding roof structures, of the total area being excluded does not exceed 3.1 m measured from the entry, porch or verandah floor;
- (k) above grade floor area built as open to below, designed in combination with venting skylights, opening clerestory windows or other similar features that, in the opinion of the Director of Planning,

reduce energy consumption or improve natural light and ventilation to a maximum exclusion of 1% of permitted floor area; and

- (l) unconditioned floor areas with a ceiling height or height to the underside of joists of less than 2.0 m, located below the floors of entries, porches and verandahs complying with section 4.2.2(j) above, to which there is no access from the interior of the building.

### **4.3 Site Coverage and Impermeability: Measurement**

- 4.3.1 The maximum area of impermeable materials includes site coverage for all buildings.

### **4.4 Access to Natural Light**

- 4.4.1 Each habitable room must have at least 1 window on an exterior wall of a building.
- 4.4.2 For the purposes of section 4.4.1 above, habitable room means any room except a bathroom or kitchen.

### **4.5 Dedication of Land**

#### **4.5.1 Dedication for Lane Purposes**

- 4.5.1.1 Where a site does not abut a lane, or abuts a lane that is less than 6.1 m in width, a portion of the site, as determined by the City Engineer, to a maximum of 3.1 m, must be dedicated for lane purposes.
- 4.5.1.2 Where dedication is made, it will be deemed not to reduce the site area for the purpose of calculating floor space ratio.

#### **4.5.2 Dedication for Sidewalk and Boulevard Purposes**

- 4.5.2.1 For development sites that adjoin the streets set forth below, a portion of the site must be dedicated to the City for sidewalk and boulevard improvements to achieve the following distance from the centre line of the street to the property line of the development site, measured at right angles:
  - (a) East 1st Avenue, from Commercial Drive to Salisbury Drive, 12.7 m;
  - (b) East 1st Avenue, from Salisbury Drive to Semlin Drive, 12.2 m; and
  - (c) East 12th Avenue, 12.2 m.
- 4.5.2.2 Where dedication is made, it will be deemed not to reduce the site area for the purpose of calculating floor space ratio.

## **5 RELAXATIONS**

- 5.1 The Director of Planning may relax the provisions of this schedule regarding site area, site frontage, building height, required yards and setbacks, site coverage, access to daylight, external design, and number of buildings on a site when a building listed on the Vancouver Heritage Register is retained, if the Director of Planning considers the intent of this schedule and all applicable Council policies and guidelines.