

Sec. 10-6.674. BC-2 Bradfordville Commercial Pedestrian-Oriented District.

	PERMITTED USES		
1. District Intent	2. Principal Uses		3. Accessory Uses
<p>The BC-2 district is intended to be located in areas designated Bradfordville Mixed Use in the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan and shall apply to lands within the Bradfordville Commercial Center District. The intent of the BC-2 district is to implement the Bradfordville Study Area Goals, Objectives and Policies of the Comprehensive Plan preserving the residential character of the Bradfordville Study Area through a mixture of uses at a compatible scale with the adjacent residential communities. More specifically, the BC-2 district is intended to provide a location for areas of intense pedestrian scale and oriented commercial services for the Bradfordville area. The BC-2 district is intended to encourage residential and office development above ground floor commercial development. The BC-2 district also encourages shared parking and utilization of on-street parking. Drive-through facilities are prohibited in the BC-2 district. Residential intensities shall not exceed 16 dwelling units per acre. The access management standards set forth in for the BC-2 district are intended to minimize and control ingress and egress to collector and arterial roadways and to promote smooth and safe traffic flow of the general traveling public. Increases in land zoned BC-2 shall demonstrate the need for additional services for the Bradfordville Study Area. Reuse of existing single use sites for multiple use developments, adding new uses to single use sites and/or multiple use developments that share parking facilities are encouraged in the BC-2 district. Expansions of the BC-2 district are prohibited in viable residential areas.</p>	<p>(1) Antique shops. (2) Banks and other financial institutions, without drive-through facilities. (3) Camera and photographic stores. (4) Cocktail lounges and bars. (5) Community facilities related to the permitted principal uses, including libraries, religious facilities, vocational and middle schools, and police/fire stations. Elementary and high schools are prohibited. Other community facilities may be allowed in accordance with Section 10-6.806 of these regulations. (6) Gift, novelty, and souvenir stores. (7) Indoor amusements (bowling, billiards, skating, theaters etc.). (8) Laundromats, laundry and dry cleaning pick-up stations without drive-through facilities. (9) Mailing services. (10) Medical and dental offices, services, laboratories, and clinics.</p>	<p>(18) Residential (any type provided it is located on second floor above commercial or office development). (19) Restaurants without drive-in facilities. (20) Retail bakeries. (21) Retail computer, video, record, and other electronics. (22) Retail department, apparel, and accessory stores. (23) Retail drug store. (24) Retail florist. (25) Retail food and grocery. (26) Retail furniture, home appliances, accessories. (27) Retail home/garden supply, hardware, and nurseries without outside storage or display. (28) Retail jewelry stores. (29) Retail needlework shops and instruction. (30) Retail newsstand, books, greeting cards. (31) Retail package liquors. (32) Retail picture framing. (33) Retail trophy stores. (34) Shoes, luggage, and leather goods. (35) Social, fraternal and recreational clubs and lodges, including assembly halls. (36) Studios for photography, music, art, drama, and voice. (37) Tailoring.</p>	<p>(1) A use or structure on the same lot with, and of a nature customarily incidental and subordinate to, the principal use or structure and which comprises no more than 33 percent of the floor area or cubic volume of the principal use or structure, as determined by the county administrator or designee. (2) Light infrastructure and/or utility services and facilities necessary to serve permitted uses, as determined by the county administrator or designee.</p>

	<p>(11) Non-medical offices and services, including business and government offices and services.</p> <p>(12) Off-street parking facilities.</p> <p>(13) Passive and active recreational facilities.</p> <p>(14) Personal services (barber shops, fitness clubs etc.).</p> <p>(15) Photocopying and duplicating services.</p> <p>(16) Rental and sales of dvds, video tapes and games.</p> <p>(17) Repair services, non-automotive.</p>	<p>(38) Other uses, which in the opinion of the county administrator or designee, are of a similar and compatible nature to those uses described in this district.</p>	
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DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

	4. Minimum Lot or Site Size			5. Minimum Building Setbacks				6. Maximum Building Restrictions	
Use Category	a. Lot or Site Area	b. Lot Width	c. Lot Depth	a. Front	b. Side-Interior Lot	c. Side-Corner Lot	d. Rear	a. Building Size (excluding gross building floor area used for parking)	b. Building Height (excluding stories used for parking)
Any Permitted Principal and Special Exception Use	none	none	none	none (5 feet maximum)	none	none	30 feet	18,000 square feet of commercial floor area per acre. No single use tenant shall exceed 10,000 gross square feet.	3 stories

7. Access Management Criteria. (In case of a conflict with the provisions of other ordinances or regulations, the most strict provisions shall apply):

(a.) Arterial and Collector Roads: Direct driveway access to arterial and collector roads is prohibited except for: 1) Existing driveway access as of July 28, 1998; 2) A single driveway access for properties in existence before July 28, 1998 which have sole access to the arterial road and does not have other street access; and 3) Temporary driveway access may be permitted for properties which establish permanent access to another public street and grant the local government with jurisdiction the right to close the temporary access without compensation upon opening of access to an alternative roadway.

(b.) All Properties: All properties shall provide cross access easements benefiting adjoining properties to permit the development of an internal vehicular and pedestrian circulation system. All nonresidential properties shall provide driveway interconnections to adjoining nonresidential properties. All new developments proposing subdivision shall have shared access for every two parcels created where accessed from a local street.

(c.) Local Streets: Full movement access to a local street shall not be permitted within 200 feet of a signalized intersection. Right-in/right-out access to a local street shall not be permitted closer than 100 feet to another access point or intersecting public street, nor within 200 feet of a signalized intersection, except properties with sole access to a local street are permitted at least one access point, which may be limited to right-in/right-out based upon a traffic safety evaluation.

DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS (Continued)

8. Street Vehicular Access Restrictions: Properties in the BC-2 zoning district may have vehicular access to any type of street. However, in order to protect residential areas and neighborhoods from nonresidential traffic, vehicular access to a local street is prohibited if one of the following zoning districts is located on the other side of the local street: RA, R-1, R-2, R-3, R-4, R-5, MH, MR-1, R, and RP.

9. Landscape Standards:

Development within the BC-2 shall be subject to the landscape requirements of this section in addition to those requirements of the Environmental Management Act (EMA). Where standards conflict, the stricter of the two shall apply. All landscape plans shall be prepared by a registered landscape architect as per Section 481 of the Florida Statutes.

(a.) Arterial Road Landscaping: All properties fronting arterial roads shall provide and maintain a 30 foot wide landscape area immediately adjoining the arterial road. All vegetation within the 30 foot wide landscaped area of good condition four inches and larger shall be preserved. This landscape area shall be planted with canopy trees with at least one tree for each 200 square feet of landscape area. Creative design and spacing is encouraged. The landscape area may be crossed by driveways permitted pursuant to Section 7 above, but compensatory area shall be added, equal to the area of the driveway, adjacent to the required landscape area. Sidewalks are not permitted within the landscaped area except for interconnections to sidewalks fronting public roadways. Signs in accordance with Section 13 below may be located within the landscape area, but shall not reduce the tree planting requirement. Existing healthy trees in the landscape area may be counted as prescribed in Section 10-4.349(b) toward meeting the tree planting requirement. Management of the existing trees within the 30 feet shall include pruning of dead and hazardous tree limbs, pruning of live limbs less than 25 percent of the green mass of the tree, fertilization, pest control, and control of invasive vegetation. Mechanical methods which compact the earth or root systems shall not be allowed.

(b.) Collector Road Landscaping: All properties fronting collector and local roads shall provide and maintain a 20 foot wide landscape area immediately adjoining the collector road. All vegetation within the 20 foot wide landscaped area of good condition four inches and larger shall be preserved (This provision shall not apply where a primary entrance is oriented toward the street and there is no vehicular use area between the building and roadway). This landscape area shall be planted with canopy trees with at least one tree for each 200 square feet of landscape area. Creative design and spacing is encouraged. The landscape area may be crossed (for redevelopment projects only) by driveways permitted pursuant to Section 7 above, but compensatory area shall be added equal to the area of the driveway within the required landscape area. Sidewalks are not permitted within the landscaped area except for interconnections to sidewalks fronting public roadways. Signs in accordance with Section 13 may be located within the landscape area, but shall not reduce the tree planting requirement. Existing healthy trees in the landscape area may be counted as prescribed in Section 10-4.349(b) toward meeting the use planting requirement. Management of the existing trees within the 20 feet shall include pruning of dead and hazardous tree limbs, pruning of live limbs less than 25 percent of the green mass of the tree, fertilization, pest control, and control of invasive vegetation. Mechanical methods which compact the earth or root systems shall not be allowed.

(c.) Local Road and Access Ways Landscaping: All properties fronting a local road and every access way shall provide one canopy tree for every 15 linear feet of local road frontage and/or access way.

(d.) Street Trees—All canopy tree planting areas shall contain a minimum of 200 SF of landscaped area. Creative design and spacing is encouraged.

(e.) Parking areas—All vehicular use areas shall be buffered from view from public streets and/or access ways through the use of vegetation and/or topography or other manmade structures so long as such structures are architecturally compatible with the principle structure. All manmade visual buffers greater than 20 feet in unbroken length shall be designed to provide interesting visual effects and reduce apparent mass through the use of vegetation and plane projections, material changes, changes in scale or other architectural features. Canopy tree cover for the parking area shall be provided so as to attain a minimum of 60 percent plan view shading within ten years of planting date. At grade parking grade shall include interior landscaped areas at a minimum ratio of 400 SF per 5,000 SF of vehicular use area located internally to the parking area. Where interior landscaped areas cannot be obtained, the required landscaped area shall be placed between the proposed vehicular use area and the public right-of-way and/or access way. Existing vegetation shall be incorporated into the landscaped areas to the greatest extent possible. Planting areas shall have a minimum area of 400 SF, with a minimum dimension of ten feet and shall have a depth of three feet of good planting soil.

(f.) Trees planted within a sidewalk area shall incorporate tree grates or other surfacing so as to not impede the flow of pedestrian traffic.

(g.) Buffer standards for uncomplimentary land uses shall meet the requirements of Section 10-7.522 of the Land Development Code.

DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS (Continued)

(h.) Developments within this district shall preserve a minimum of 25 percent of the total site as natural area. The required natural area may be located off-site if the required area is designated as public open space and is accepted by the Public Works Department. On-site natural area shall encompass significant, naturally occurring vegetation areas or other significant environmental features.

(i.) Stormwater management facilities shall be landscaped in accordance with the Environmental Management Act, however, development is encouraged to provide innovative designs making such facilities an amenity to the site. All stormwater management facilities are encouraged to be constructed with 4:1 side slopes. Chain link and vinyl clad fencing enclosures are prohibited where stormwater management facilities are visible from public roadways/access ways. Where fencing and/or retaining walls are proposed and visible from a public roadway/access way, such fencing shall be architecturally compatible with the principle structure. Stormwater ponds shall be designed to imitate “natural” pond characteristics, including curved geometrics, gently sloping edges, landscaping and paving materials, and should be placed so as to be focal design amenities.

10. Signs:

All signs within the BC-2 district shall be designed in accordance with the current locally adopted building code. Where conflict between standards of this district and other rules or regulations occur, the stricter of the two shall apply. A uniform sign design for the parcels included within the BC-2 district shall conform to the following minimum guidelines:

(a.) One wall mounted sign per tenant per street frontage is permitted. A wall mounted sign shall not exceed ten percent of the area of the tenant wall area on which it is mounted. Wall signs for multiple tenant commercial buildings shall be uniformly designed and placed.

(b.) No roof signs, billboard signs, pole signs, flashing signs or signs in motion are permitted.

(c.) Freestanding signs shall be setback a minimum of ten feet from the right-of-way line.

(d.) Temporary signs (not to exceed 30 days of display in a calendar year) are permitted at the discretion of the developer, except signs advertising property for sale or lease are not subject to this restriction.

(e.) Free standing signs shall be constructed with a base full width to the sign face that is constructed with materials that are consistent with the principle building. One free standing sign per driveway access per street frontage is permitted and shall be internally illuminated with an opaque field to control glare. Freestanding signs are sized proportional to the type of roadway to which they are adjacent. Allowable size restrictions are as follows:

1.) Arterial Roads: Maximum area: 150 square feet, Maximum Height: 25 feet

2.) Major Collector Roads: Maximum area: 100 square feet, Maximum Height: 20 feet

3.) Minor Collector and Local Roads: Maximum area: 36 square feet, Maximum Height: 8 feet

11. Parking Standards:

(a) Off-street parking is prohibited between buildings fronting a local street and/or access way.

12. Lighting Standards:

(a.) All exterior lighting shall have recessed bulbs and filters which conceal the source of illumination. No wall or roof mounted flood or spot lights used as general grounds lighting are permitted. Security lighting is permitted.

(b.) Lighting for off-street walkways shall be spaced no more than 30 feet apart, and shall not exceed ten feet in height.

(c.) Parking lighting shall be spaced a maximum of 50 feet apart and shall not exceed 20 feet in height.

(d.) Lighting levels at the property line (six feet above ground) adjacent to residential areas shall not exceed five foot candles.

13. Noncompliance:

Existing noncompliance of the standards set forth in this section shall be subject to the provisions of Division 3 of the Land Development Code.

DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS (Continued)

14. Variance Procedure:

Conformance to these design criteria shall be verified by the county during the site and development plan review process required for individual development projects. Deviation from the following subsections of this section may be requested pursuant to Division 3 of the Leon County Land Development Code: Subsections 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11(a), and 12.

15. Incentives for Site Design Alternatives:

An intensity bonus shall be provided to developments incorporating any of the following site design alternatives.

- 1) An intensity bonus of 2,000 sq. ft. per acre (maximum) shall be allowed provided new development or redevelopment utilizes one or more of the following:
 - a) For properties fronting an arterial or collector roadway, no less than 25% of the parking will be provided in a shared facility.
 - b) Development site areas of 3 or more acres wherein at least 50% of the parking will be provided in a shared facility.
 - c) Parking is provided within a range of 50% - 75% of the parking requirements in Sec. 10-7.545.
 - d) The development contains a minimum of 35% natural open space.

GENERAL NOTES:

1. If central sanitary sewer is not available, nonresidential development is limited to a maximum of 2,500 square feet of building area. Community service facilities are limited to a maximum of 5,000 square feet of building area or a 500 gallon septic tank. Also, refer to Sanitary Sewer Policy 2.1.12 of the Comprehensive Plan for additional requirements.
2. Refer to the Environmental Management Act (EMA) for information pertaining to the regulation of environmental features (preservation/conservation features), stormwater management requirements, etc.
3. Refer to the Concurrency Management Ordinance for information pertaining to the availability of capacity for certain public facilities (roads, parks, etc.).