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117-342 - Base heights, minimum setbacks and articulation

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In #Residence Districts# and in M1 Districts paired with #Residence Districts#, the maximum base heights, required minimum setback and required #street wall# articulation shall be as follows:

- (a) The maximum base height before a required setback shall be:
 - (1) 85 feet in the following locations:
 - (i) along the #shore public walkways# located along Anable Basin; and
 - (ii) along the portion of 44th Avenue that is beyond 100 feet of both Vernon Boulevard and 5th Street;
 - (2) 125 feet in the following locations:
 - (i) within 100 feet of the #street line# along the portion of Vernon Boulevard that is located north of 45th Avenue;
 - (ii) within 100 feet of the #street line# along the portion of 44th Drive that is beyond 100 feet from the easterly #street line# of 5th Street; and
 - (iii) along the remaining northerly portion of 44th Avenue; and
 - (3) 105 feet along all other #streets#, or portions thereof.
- (b) At a height not lower than the minimum base height or higher than the maximum base height, setbacks shall be provided in accordance with the provisions of Section 23-433 (Standard setback regulations), except that:
 - (1) along a #shore public walkway#, a setback of 30 feet shall be required, as measured from the upland boundary of the #shore public walkway#;
 - (2) no setback need be provided along the #visual corridor# located at the prolongation of 45th Avenue;
 - (3) for the purposes of applying such setback regulations, the following may be considered #wide streets#:
 - (i) portions of #streets# adjoining #public parks#;
 - (ii) #upland connections# or #visual corridors# at the prolongation of #streets# on #blocks# surrounding Anable Basin;
 - (iii) other #upland connections# or #visual corridors# along the northerly side of Anable Basin; and
 - (iv) along the portion of 5th Street south of Anable Basin that adjoins a #waterfront block#.

Dormers provided in accordance with paragraph (b) of Section 23-413 (Permitted obstructions in certain districts) shall be permitted within any setback area, provided that the depth of encroachment of a dormer facing the #shore public walkway# shall not exceed 15 feet.

(c) #Street wall# articulation shall be provided as follows:

- (1) For #developments# where the #street wall# width facing #shore public walkways# along Anable Basin exceeds 150 feet, a minimum of 20 percent of the surface area of such #street walls#, as measured above the level of adjoining grade, shall either recess or project a minimum of three feet from the remaining surface of the #street wall#.
- (2) Along the following frontages, for #developments# where the #street wall# width exceeds 150 feet, a minimum of 20 percent of the surface area of such #street walls# above the level of the #second story#, or a height of 30 feet, whichever is lower, shall either recess or project a minimum of three feet from the remaining surface of the #street wall#:
 - (i) 46th Avenue;
 - (ii) the southerly side of 45th Avenue;
 - (iii) 44th Drive and the #upland connection# or #visual corridor# at the prolongation of 44th Drive; and
 - (iv) the portion of 44th Avenue located east of 5th Street.
- (d) After the required setback, the following shall apply:
 - (1) in M1 Districts paired with a #Residence District# with a letter suffix, after the required setback, the maximum height limits set forth in paragraph (a) of Section 123-652 (Special base and building heights) shall apply; and
 - (2) in #Residence Districts# without a letter suffix, and in M1 Districts paired with #Residence Districts# without a letter suffix, after the required setback, a #building# may rise to the maximum transition height, in accordance with Section 117-343 (Transition heights), and may provide towers in accordance with Section 117-344 (Towers).