Zoning Resolution

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The provisions of Article VI, Chapter 2 (Special Regulations Applying in the Waterfront Area) shall be modified in the area comprising the Northern Hunters Point Waterfront Access Plan by the provisions of this Section.

(a) All waterfront public access areas

(1) Gates

The provisions of paragraph (d) of Section 62-651 (Guardrails, gates and other protective barriers) shall not apply.

(2) Fences and walls

The provisions of paragraph (c) of Section 62-651 shall apply, except that fences around the perimeter of areas designated as #active recreation space# may exceed 36 inches in height.

(3) Kiosks and boathouses

Section 62-611 (Permitted obstructions) shall be modified to permit the following in all areas:

(i) kiosks and boathouses which comply with the special design guidelines of Section 117-364 (Special design standards); and

(ii) storage areas and structures, which are #accessory# to water-dependent #uses# and have an area of 150 square feet or less.

(4) Permitted obstructions

The location requirements of paragraph (c) of Section 62-611 shall not apply to tot-lots and playgrounds.

(b) Shore public walkways

The circulation and access provisions of paragraph (a) of Section 62-62 (Design Requirements for Shore Public Walkways and Supplemental Public Access Areas) shall be modified as follows:

(1) Location of circulation paths

The required primary circulation path within a #shore public walkway# shall be provided within 10 feet of the #shoreline# for at least 15 percent of the length of such shoreline, and the remainder of the path may be located anywhere within the #shore public walkway# or #supplemental public access area#. Where secondary circulation paths are provided, such paths may count as a part of the required circulation path for satisfying the locational requirement of being within 10 feet of the #shoreline# for at least 20 percent of the length of such #shoreline# and may utilize the permitted paving materials pursuant to paragraphs (a)(1) and (a)(2) of Section 62-656.

(2) Level of circulation paths

At least 70 percent of a required primary circulation path shall be located at a level not less than six feet above the shoreline.

(3) Width of secondary circulation paths

Secondary paths, where provided, shall have a minimum clear width of at least 4 feet, 6 inches.

(4) Connection between circulation paths

Stairs and ramps shall be permitted to connect primary and secondary paths.

(c) #Supplemental public access areas#

(1) Configuration requirements

The area of a #supplemental public access area# may utilize width to depth ratios other than the minimum width to depth ratio requirements of paragraph (a)(1) of Section 62-571 (Location and area requirements for supplemental public access areas) for not more than 20 percent of such area.

(2) Lawns

The provisions of paragraph (c)(1) of Section 62-62 (Design Requirements for Shore Public Walkways and Supplemental Public Access Areas) shall be modified so that a lawn shall only be required where a #supplemental public access area# is greater than 15,000 square feet. In addition, a lawn may be substituted for an #active recreation

space# of equivalent size.

(d) Screening

Wherever a screening buffer is required to be provided, the minimum width of such buffer shall be four feet.

In addition to the waiver allowances of paragraph (c)(2)(iii) of Section 62-62, no screening buffer shall be required along the upland boundary, or portion thereof, which is adjacent to an unenclosed seating area #accessory# to a #use# listed in Use Group VI. Where a screening buffer is waived, design features shall be utilized to demarcate the #shore public walkway# or #supplemental public access area# from the non-publicly accessible area, which may include, but shall not be limited to, railings, fences, planting boxes, and distinct paving materials.