# 8. Residential Zones

# 8.1 Single Detached (RSI/A-H, J-K; RS2/A-H, J-K [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11]

# 8.1.1 Purpose

The **zone** provides for **single detached housing** with a range of compatible **secondary uses**. **Subdivision** standards vary by sub-categories (A-H; J-K). The **zone** is divided into sub-**zones**: RS1 for traditional **single detached housing**; RS2 which provides for a **density bonus** that would be used for rezoning applications in order to help achieve the **City's** affordable housing objectives. [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11].

#### 8.1.2 Permitted Uses

housing, single detached

# 8.1.3 Secondary Uses

- boarding and lodging
- community care facility, minor
- home business
- secondary suite
- bed and breakfast

## 8.1.4 Permitted Density

- 1. The maximum **density** is one **principal dwelling unit** per **lot**.
- 2. For **single detached housing** zoned RS1/A-H, J-K, the maximum **floor area ratio** is 0.55 applied to a maximum of 464.5 m<sup>2</sup> of the **lot area**, together with 0.30 applied to the balance of the **lot area** in excess of 464.5 m<sup>2</sup>. [Bylaw 9717, May 17/17]
- 2.A. Notwithstanding Section 8.1.4.2 above, for **single detached housing** zoned RS1/F-G located in the **Agricultural Land Reserve**, the maximum **floor area** is the lesser of: [Bylaw 9717, May 17/17]
  - a) the **floor area ratio** of 0.55 applied to a maximum of 464.5 m<sup>2</sup> of the **lot area**, together with 0.30 applied to the balance of the **lot area** in excess of 464.5 m<sup>2</sup>; or [Bylaw 9717, May 17/17]
  - b) 400 m<sup>2</sup>. [Bylaw 9968, Dec 17/18]
- 3. For **single detached housing** zoned RS2/A-H, J-K, the maximum **floor area ratio** is 0.40 applied to a maximum of 464.5 m<sup>2</sup> of the **lot area**, together with 0.30 applied to the balance of the **lot area** in excess of 464.5 m<sup>2</sup>.
- 4. Notwithstanding Section 8.1.4.3, the reference to "0.4" is increased to a higher **density** of "0.55" if:
  - a) the **building** contains a **secondary suite**; or
  - b) the **owner**, at the time **Council** adopts a zoning amendment bylaw to include the **owner's lot** in the RS2/A-H, J-K **zone**, pays into the **affordable housing reserve** the sum specified in Section 5.15 of this bylaw.
- 5. Further to Section 8.1.4.4, the reference to "0.4" in Section 8.1.4.3 is increased to a higher **density** of "0.55" if:
  - a) an **owner** subdivides bare land to create new **lots** for **single detached housing**; and
  - b) i) 100% of the **lots** contain **secondary suites**; or [Bylaw 9641, Jan 16/17]

- at least 50% of the **lots** contain a **secondary suite** and the **owner**, at the time **Council** adopts a zoning amendment bylaw to include the **owner's lot** in the RS2/A-H, J-K **zone**, pays into the **affordable housing reserve** the sum specified in Section 5.15 of this bylaw for the **floor area** permitted on any **lot** not containing a **secondary suite**; or [Bylaw 9641, Jan 16/17]
- the **owner**, at the time **Council** adopts a zoning amendment bylaw to include the **owner's lot** in the RS2/A-H, J-K **zone**, pays into the **affordable housing** reserve the sum specified in Section 5.15 of this bylaw. [Bylaw 9641, Jan 16/17]

## 8.1.5 Permitted Lot Coverage

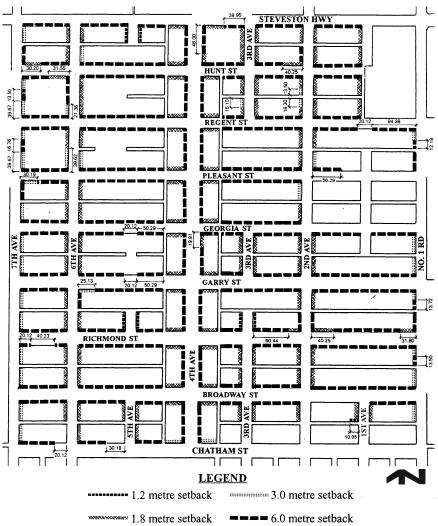
- 1. The maximum **lot coverage** is 45% for **buildings**.
- 2. No more than 70% of a **lot** may be occupied by **buildings**, **structures** and **non-porous** surface.
- 3. The following percentages of the **lot area** is restricted to **landscaping** with live plant material:
  - a) 20% on **lots** zoned RS1/A or K, RS2/A or K [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11];
  - b) 25% on **lots** zoned RS1/B, C or J, RS2/B, C or J [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11]; and
  - c) 30% on **lots** zoned RS1/D, E, F, G or H, RS2/D, E, F, G or H [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11].
  - d) any **side yard** area is excluded from the calculation of percentages of the **lot area which** is restricted to **landscaping** with live plant material. [Bylaw 9737, Jul 24/17]

#### 8.1.6 Yards & Setbacks

- 1. The minimum **front yard** is 6.0 m, except it is 9.0 m where the driveway **access** is on an **arterial road** in the RS1/C, RS1/J, RS2/C, RS2/J [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11] **zones**, in order to make adequate provision for a driveway with turnaround capability.
- 2. Notwithstanding the **front yard** limitations imposed in Section 8.1.6.1, the minimum **setback** in the area bounded by Steveston Highway, No. 1 Road, Chatham Street and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue shall be as shown in Diagram 1 in Section 8.1.6.12.
- 3. The minimum **interior side yard** is:
  - a) 2.0 m for **lots** of 20.0 m or more in width;
  - b) 1.8 m for **lots** of 18.0 m or more but less than 20.0 m in width; or
  - c) 1.2 m for **lots** less than 18.0 m wide.
- 4. The minimum **exterior side yard** is 3.0 m.
- 5. Notwithstanding the minimum **exterior side yard** limitations imposed in Section 8.1.6.4, the **setback** in the area bounded by Steveston Highway, No. 1 Road, Chatham Street and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue shall be as shown in Diagram 1 in Section 8.1.6.12.
- 6. The minimum **rear yard** is the greater of 6.0 m or 20% of the total **lot depth**, for a maximum width of 60% of the rear wall of the **first storey**; and 25% of the total **lot depth**, for the remaining 40% of the rear wall of the **first storey** and any second **storey**, or **half (½) storey** above, up to maximum required **setback** of 10.7 m. [Bylaw 9737, Jul 24/17]

- 7. Notwithstanding Section 8.1.6.6 above: [Bylaw 9737, Jul 24/17]
  - a) The minimum **rear yard** is 6.0 m for: [Bylaw 9737, Jul 24/17]
    - i) a **lot** with a **lot area** less than 372 m<sup>2</sup>; or <sup>[Bylaw 9737, Jul 24/17]</sup>
    - ii) a lot with a lot depth less than 28 m; or [Bylaw 9737, Jul 24/17]
    - iii) a **lot** located on an **arterial road** where a **zone** requires a minimum **front yard** of 9.0 m; or [Bylaw 9737, Jul 24/17]
    - iv) a **lot** containing a **single detached dwelling** of one **storey** only. [Bylaw 9737, Jul 24/17]
  - b) For a **corner lot** where the **exterior side yard** is 6.0 m, the minimum **rear yard** is reduced to 1.2 m. [Bylaw 9737, Jul 24/17]
- 8. Notwithstanding the **rear yard** limitation imposed in Section 8.1.6.6, the **setback** in the area bounded by Steveston Highway, No. 1 Road, Chatham Street and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue shall be as shown in Diagram 1 in Section 8.1.6.12, provided that portions of the **principal building** greater than 5.5 m in **building height** are **setback** a minimum of 6.0 m from the **rear lot line**.
- 9. A detached **accessory building** of more than 10.0 m<sup>2</sup> may be located in the **rear yard** in the RS1/A, RS1/K, RS2/A, RS2/K [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11] **zones**, where there is a rear **lane** and the **garage** or **carport** is **accessed** from the rear **lane**, but no closer than 3.0 m to a **lot line abutting** a public **road** or 1.2 m to any other **lot line**.
- 10. A detached **accessory building** of more than 10.0 m<sup>2</sup> located in the **rear yard** in the RS1/A, RS1/K, RS2/A, RS2/K [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11] **zones**, where there is a rear **lane** and the **garage** or **carport** is **accessed** from the rear **lane** and it is used exclusively for on-site parking purposes, may be linked to the **principal building** by an enclosed area, provided that:
  - a) the width of the enclosed area that links the **accessory building** to the **principal building** does not exceed the lesser of:
    - i) 50% of the width of the principal building; or
    - ii) 3.6 m; and
  - b) the **building height** of the **accessory building** and the enclosed area that links the **accessory building** to the **principal building** is limited to a single **storey** no greater than 5.0 m.
- 11. The minimum **building separation space** is 3.0 m in the RS1/A, RS1/K, RS2/A, RS2/K [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11] **zones** only where there is a rear **lane** and the **garage** or **carport** is **accessed** from the rear **lane**, except that an enclosed area, as described in Section 8.1.6.10, may be located within the **building separation space**.





Note: All dimensions are in metres

# 8.1.7 Permitted Heights

- 1. The maximum **height** for **principal buildings** is 2 ½ **storeys**, but it shall not exceed the **residential vertical lot width envelope** and the **residential vertical lot depth envelope**. For a **principal building** with a flat roof, the maximum **height** is 7.5 m. [Bylaw 9223, Apr 20/15]
- 2. Repealed. [Bylaw 9280, Sep 14/15]
- 2. The maximum **height** for **accessory structures** is 9.0 m.
- 3. For the purposes of the RS1/A, RS1/K, RS2/A, RS2/K [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11] **zones**, only where there is a rear **lane** and the **garage** or **carport** is **accessed** from the rear **lane**, **residential vertical lot depth envelope** means a vertical envelope located at the minimum **front yard setback** requirement for the **lot** in question.
- 4. The **residential vertical lot depth envelope** in Section 8.1.7.3 is: [Bylaw 9699, Jun 19/17]
  - a) calculated from the **finished site grade**; and

b) formed by a plane rising vertically 5.0 m to a point and then extending upward and away from the required **yard setback** at a rate of two units of vertical rise for each single unit of horizontal run to the point at which the plane intersects to the maximum **building height**.

#### 8.1.8 Subdivision Provisions/Minimum Lot Size

1. The minimum **lot** dimensions and areas are as follows, except that **corner lots** are required to have an additional 2.0 m of **lot width**. The additional **lot width** does not apply to **corner lots** along Fourth Avenue and **corner lots** with a north-south orientation in the area bounded by Steveston Highway, No. 1 Road, Chatham Street and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, as shown in Diagram 1 in Section 8.1.6.12. [Bylaw 9490, Mar 21/16]

Sub- <b>zones</b>	Minimum frontage	Minimum lot width	Minimum lot depth	Minimum lot area
RS1/A RS2/A [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11]	6.0 m	9.0 m	24.0 m	270.0 m²
RS1/B RS2/B [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11]	6.0 m	12.0 m	24.0 m	360.0 m <sup>2</sup>
RS1/C RS2/C [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11]	13.5 m	13.5 m	24.0 m	360.0 m <sup>2</sup>
RS1/D RS2/D [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11]	7.5 m	15.0 m	24.0 m	450.0 m²
RS1/E RS2/E [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11]	7.5 m	18.0 m	24.0 m	550.0 m²
RS1/F RS2/F [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11]	7.5 m	18.0 m	45.0 m	828.0 m²
RS1/G RS2/G [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11]	10.0 m	20.0 m	45.0 m	2,000.0 m²
RS1/H RS2/H [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11]	7.5 m	16.5 m	24.0 m	550.0 m²

Sub- <b>zones</b>	Minimum frontage	Minimum lot width	Minimum lot depth	Minimum lot area
RS1/J RS2/J [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11]	13.4 m	13.4 m	24.0 m	360.0 m²
RS1/K RS2/K [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11]	6.0 m	10.0 m	24.0 m	315.0 m²

# 8.1.9 Landscaping & Screening

- 1. **Landscaping** and **screening** shall be provided according to the provisions of Section 6.0, except that in the RS1/A, RS1/K, RS2/A, RS2/K [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11] **zones**, only where there is a rear **lane** and the **garage** or **carport** is **accessed** from the rear **lane**:
  - a) **fences**, when located within 3.0 m of a **side lot line abutting** a public **road** or 6.0 m of a **front lot line abutting** a public **road**, shall not exceed 1.2 m in **height**; and
  - b) **fences**, when located elsewhere within a required **yard**, shall not exceed 1.83 m in **height**.
- 2. A private outdoor space with a minimum area of 20.0 m² and a minimum width and depth of 3.0 m shall be provided on the **lot** in the RS1/A, RS1/K, RS2/A, RS2/K [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11] **zones** only where there is a rear **lane** and the **garage** or **carport** is **accessed** from the rear **lane**, outside of the **front yard** unoccupied and unobstructed by any **buildings**, **structures**, projections and on-site parking, except for **cantilevered roofs** and **balconies** which may project into the private outdoor space for a distance of not more than 0.6 m.

### 8.1.10 On-Site Parking and Loading

- 1. On-site **vehicle** parking shall be provided according to the standards set out in Section 7.0, except that the maximum driveway width shall be 6.0 m on **lots** in the RS1/A, RS1/K, RS2/A, RS2/K [Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11] **zones** only where there is rear **lane** and the **garage** or **carport** is **accessed** from the rear **lane**.
- 2. For the purpose of the **zones** in Section 8.1.10.1 only, a driveway is defined as any **non-porous surface** of the **lot** that is used to provide space for **vehicle** parking or **vehicle access** to or from a public **road** or **lane**.

#### 8.1.11 Other Regulations

[Bylaw 8672, Jan 24/11]

- 1. No **single detached housing dwelling unit** shall have an exterior wall oriented to an **interior side yard** with a maximum length of **continuous wall** greater than 55% of the total **lot depth**. [Bylaw 9737, Jul 24/17]
- 2. In addition to the regulations listed above, the General Development Regulations in Section 4.0 and Specific Use Regulations in Section 5.0 apply.