

APPENDIX A: GLOSSARY

Gateway:

An entrance corridor that heralds the approach of a new landscape and defines the arrival point as a destination. The physical presence can be a landscape feature and/or built decorative features, located at both city and neighborhood boundaries.

Learning Center:

Includes a range of educational services including elementary schools, adult learning sites such as MATC, employment learning centers, senior services, etc.

Multi-Modal:

The availability of transportation options using different modes within a system or corridor often referring to walking, bicycling, and other non-motorized transportation.

Multi-Use Trail:

A paved path physically separated from motor vehicle traffic by an open space or barrier. A multi-use trail is used by bicyclists, pedestrians, joggers, skaters, and other non-motorized travelers.

Two Way Turn Lane (TWTL):

A bi-directional, exclusive left-turn lane that separates through lanes on a roadway. A TWLTL is typically used in locations with numerous access points over a short length of roadway.

Zoning:

A police power measure in which the community is divided into districts or zones within which permitted and special uses are established as are regulations governing lot size, building bulk, placement, and other development standards.

City:

City of Madison and corresponding departments

County:

Dane County and corresponding departments

Neighborhood:

Spring Harbor Neighborhood Association

WI DNR:

Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

WisDOT:

Wisconsin Department of Transportation

Land Use:

The use of property is the purpose or activity for which the land or building thereon is occupied or maintained.

The three entries below are the commercial land use categories identified in the City of Madison Comprehensive Plan within the Spring Harbor Neighborhood Plan boundaries.

Neighborhood Mixed Use (NMU):

Neighborhood Mixed-Use districts are the recommended locations for clusters of relatively small convenience shopping and service uses that serve as activity centers and gathering places for the surrounding neighborhoods or districts.

Community Mixed Use (CMU):

Community Mixed-Use districts are the recommended locations for a relatively high density mix of residential, retail, office, institutional and civic uses in a compact urban setting. Compared to Neighborhood Mixed-Use districts, Community Mixed-Use districts are typically larger, may extend several blocks in each direction, and are intended to include a much wider range of non-residential activities.

Employment (E):

Employment districts (as distinct from the Commercial districts) are recommended as predominantly office, research and specialized employment areas; and generally do not include retail and consumer service uses serving the wider community. Limited retail and service establishments primarily serving employees and users of the district are encouraged.

Low Density Residential (LDR):

Low Density Residential districts are characterized by relatively low densities and a predominance of single-family and two-unit housing types. Some Low Density Residential areas, particularly in the older neighborhoods, may include many “house-like” structures that were built as, or that have been converted to multi-unit dwellings. An average of less than 16 units per net acre (0-15) for the Low Density Residential area as a whole should occur within this district.

Medium Density Residential (LDR):

Medium Density Residential districts are locations recommended primarily for relatively dense multi-family housing types, such as larger apartment buildings and apartment complexes. Medium Density Residential areas typically are relatively compact areas within a larger neighborhood and generally should be located around and near more-intensively developed areas, such as Mixed-Use, General Commercial, or Employment districts in order to provide convenient access to these activity centers for the greatest number of residents. An average of 16 to 40 dwelling units per net acre for the Medium Density Residential area as a whole should occur within this district.