

South Dunedin Zoning Strategies

City Commission Work Session: December 10, 2019







Overview

Presentation (30 minutes)

- Why are we here
- What we've heard
- Discuss zoning strategies and next steps

Questions and Answers

Why are we here?

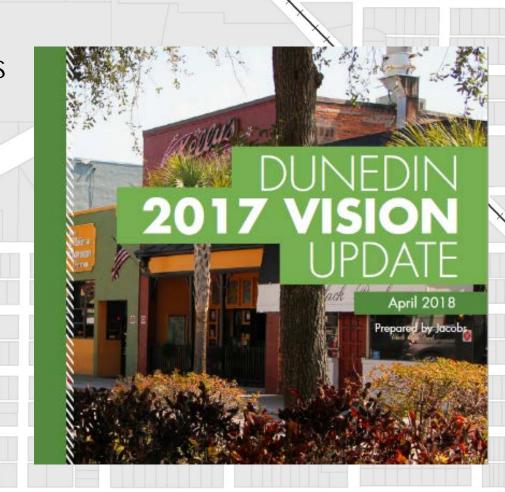
- <u>CONCERN</u>: Future development that doesn't match character of the neighborhood

 (i.e. zoning allows 3 to 5 stories, multi-family that might not fit, larger homes, etc.)
- City Commission direction to review
- Looking at strategies to address
- Discuss with community (expanded area)



Dunedin Vision 2017 Update

- Identified multi-family zoning entitlements as threat
- Smaller scaled buildings (1 to 3 stories) preferred
- Concern that new developments will negatively impact the current "character"
- Historic preservation





Concerns

What do we think when we hear?

Multi-family



Larger Homes



What's the issue:

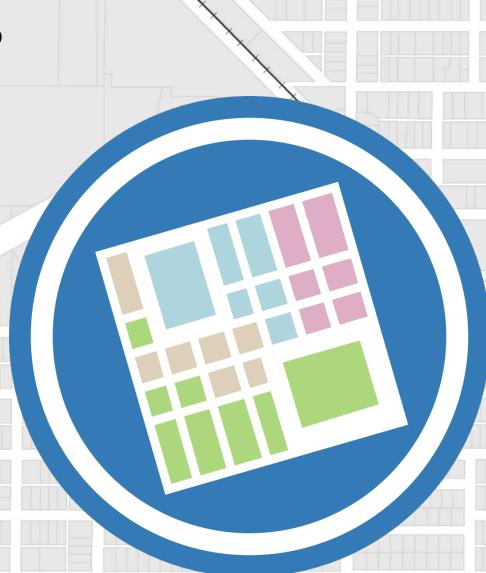
Not always density; it's usually development that doesn't match the character, scale, and massing of area....

What do we mean by scale/massing?

Is a building taller or bigger than the surrounding buildings (bulk), where does it sit on a lot (closer to the street, further back, etc.)

What is Zoning Anyway?

- Divides city into zoning districts
- 20th century separated land uses for safety (Industrial, residential)
- Rules on how property can be used and how big it can be
 - What types of land uses
 - Height, location of building on a lot
 - How many units can be built
 - How much space it takes up on a property



Building Types

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Others:

- Triplex
- Courtyard Apartment







Single-Family

Accessory Dwelling Unit

Duplex



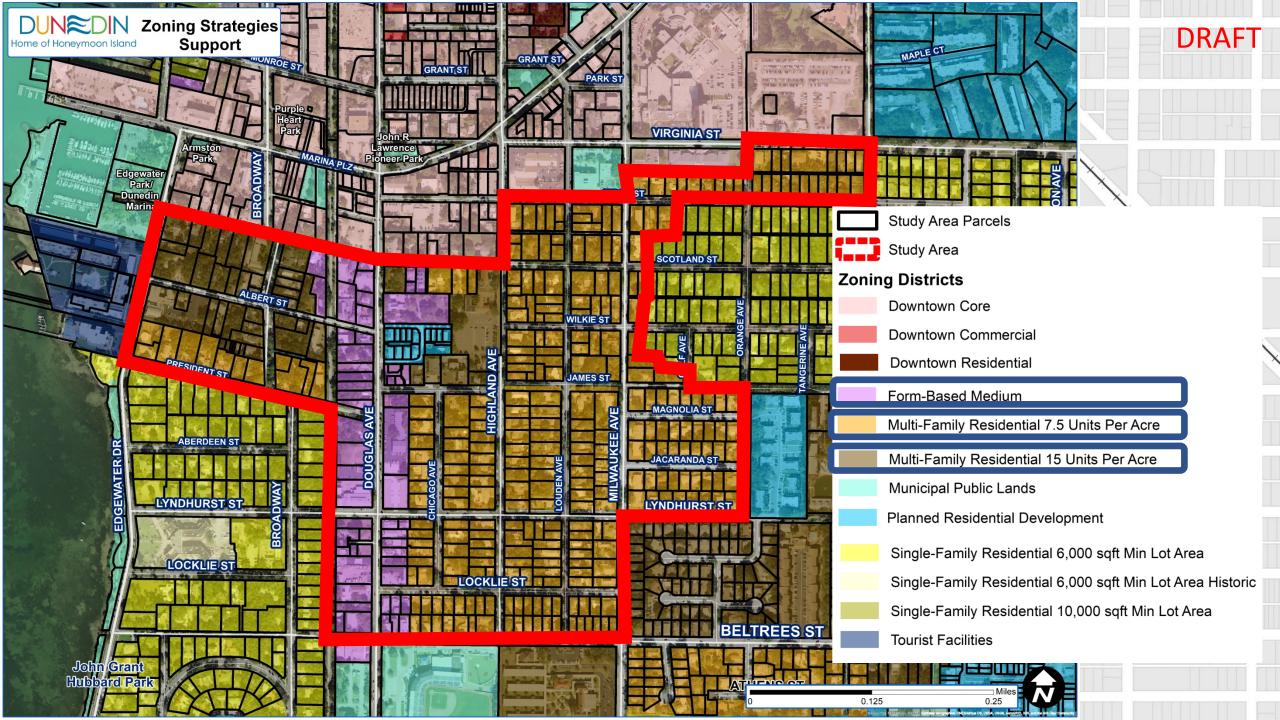
Townhouses



Bungalow Courts



4-plex



Examples (MF-15)



Current use: vacant

Acreage: 0.82 acres

Allowable Units: 12 units



Current use: 1 single-family unit

Acreage: 0.38 acres

Allowable Units: 6 units



Current use: 6 single-family units

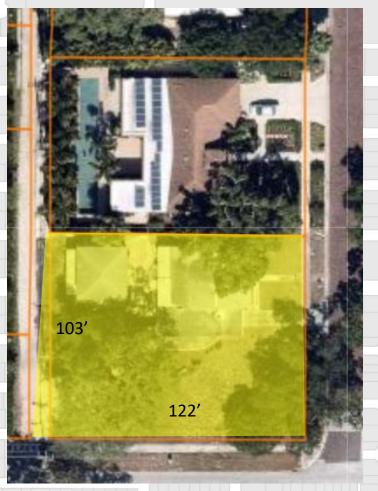
Acreage: 1.21 acres

Allowable Units: 18 units

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Examples (MF-7.5)



Current Use: 1 single-family unit

Acreage: 0.29 acres

Allowable units: 2 units



Current Use: 1 single-family unit

Acreage: 0.14 acres

Allowable units: 1 unit



Current Use: 1 single-family unit, 1 ADU

Acreage: 0.62 acres

Allowable units: 4 units

What We've Heard

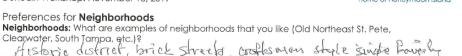
- Stakeholder Meetings
- Two Community Workshops
 - July 23rd, 2019

 Follow-up survey sent to July 23rd workshop attendees

• November 18th, 2019







Neighborhoods: What elements do you like about these neighborhoods (the homes, housing styles, street trees, sidewalks)?

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since of community.

Neighborhoods: What do you like most about your neighborhood?

historic neighborhood, restoration & preservation by residence

dense large oak trees brick treets, preservation of alley

works close nit countries.

What We've Heard - November 18, 2019

Preferred Neighborhoods

- Old Northeast, Kenwood St. Petersburg
- Dunedin
- Gulfport
- Harbor Oaks

- Downtown Safety Harbor
- Glencairn Cottages
- Seminole Heights
- Old Clearwater bay

What do you like about your neighborhood?

- Variety of home styles "everything shouldn't look alike"
- Street trees and landscaping
- Walkability, bikeability including sidewalks
- Bungalows
- Front porches, some like setbacks
- Small homes on small lots
- Proximity to downtown, trail, and water
- Historic neighborhood
- Brick streets



5 Very Positive

3 Neutral

Very Negative

What We've Heard - Housing Types



Single Family

Average Score: 4.54



Triplex

Average Score: 2.32



Accessory Dwelling Units

Average Score: 3.82



Fourplex

Average Score: 1.76



Duplex

Average Score: 3.89



Townhomes

Average Score: 1.15

Neutra

Negative

Very Positive

What We've Heard - Housing Types



Different Sized Units (supports various income levels)

Bungalow Court



Tiny Homes

Average Score: 3.08

Average Score: 2.31

1-2 Floors

Average Score: 3.24

Average Score: 3.57





3 Floors



4+ Floors

Average Score: 1.84

Average Score: 1.16

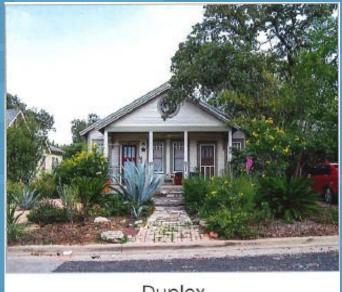
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Top 3 Preferred Housing Types



Single Family

Average Score: 4.54



Duplex

Average Score: 3.89





Accessory Dwelling Units

Average Score: 3.82

What We've Heard - Architectural Style



Mediterranean Revival

Average Score: 2.54



Coastal Vernacular

Average Score: 3.03



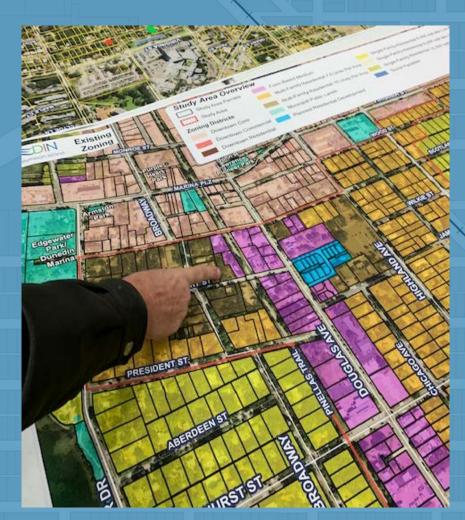


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What We've Heard - Zoning

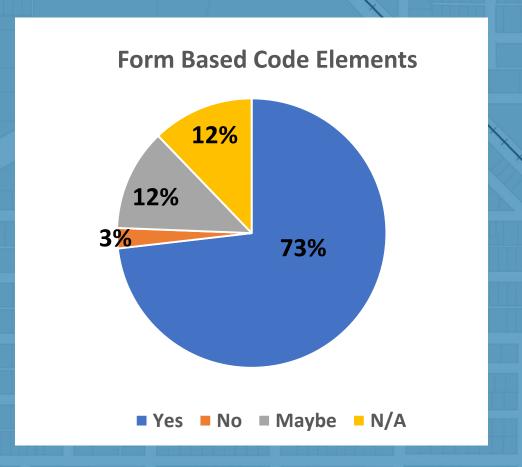
What do you think about Zoning Overlays?

- New construction should maintain neighborhood character
- Historical preservation overlay needed
- Unsure if overlay will address density and multi-family concerns



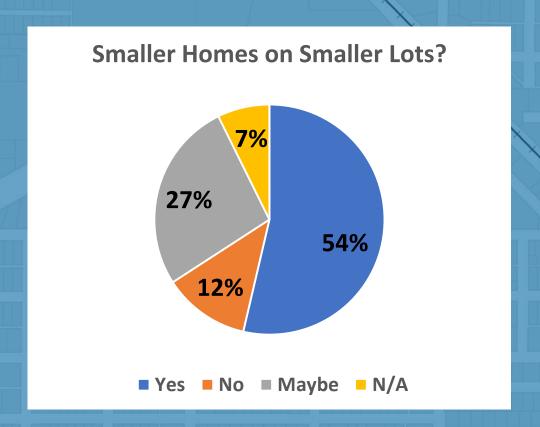
Form-Based Code Elements

- Large support for standards for building size, set backs, and character
- Ensure any FBC standards are flexible



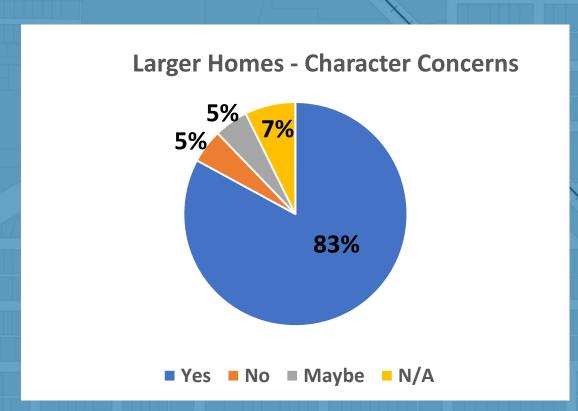
Smaller Homes on Smaller Lots?

- Some concerns about parking and if it preserves character/style
- Some felt it could preserve character
- Better define "smaller" standards



Character Concerns with Larger Homes

- Any size home should fit in with neighborhood character
- New homes shouldn't overpower existing homes in size and height
 - Example: Orange Avenue/Scotland Street



Changing Current Zoning?

- Concerns on tearing down existing homes to build multi-family (MF-15 concern for some)
- Some mentioned building standards needed, others concerned about standards
- Provide incentives to change zoning, some mentioned legal concerns
- Comments about changing to maintain character, some specific comments on single-family, some felt zoning was fine

Additional Concerns

- Parking, traffic, sewer
- Maintain narrow streets part of Dunedin's character
- Some height and density concerns
- Tall buildings in flood zones

Historic Character

- Provide homeowner incentives to keep/build historic character
- Many supported maintaining current character and size through architectural review on new development
- Some concerns
 - Accessibility to homes
 - Onerous standards
 - Some didn't feel there was a "historical character"

Zoning Strategies

- Voluntary Rezoning
- Overlay Districts
 - Historic character preservation, form-based code elements
- Bulk and Scale Adjustments (Smaller homes on smaller lots)





Voluntary Rezoning

Definition: Residents choose to change their property's zoning designation

Example: Change from multi-family to single-family

How does it impact the study area?

- Resident led effort
- Change permitted land uses

Challenges

- May not cover the entire area
- Consider whether to do zoning text modifications or not





Overlay Districts

- Placed over existing zoning to protect a resource or encourage a certain development type
- Some overlays include:
 - Historic Character Overlay
 - Form-Based Code Elements
 - Bulk and Scale Adjustments (Small Lot Ordinances)
 - Housing Type Ordinances



Historic Character Overlay

Examples:

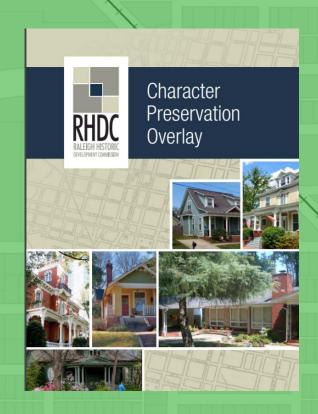
Character Preservation Overly (Raleigh, NC), Heritage Overlay (Gainesville, FL)

How does it impact the study area?

- Properties have to voluntarily join as a group
- Encourages housing options and development that complements character
- Approval process to make external design changes
- City has historical preservation overlay districts
 - Preserves historically designated structures

Challenges

 Some may apply specific architectural standards that make it more cumbersome to develop



Overlay Districts: Form-based elements

 Definition: Puts more focus on the building form and placement resulting in a more predictable built (re)development pattern.



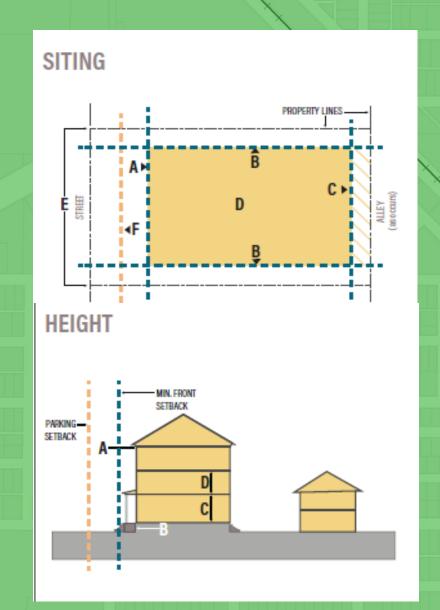
Overlay Districts: Form-based elements

How does it impact the study area?

- Standards that provide housing types and predictable development
- Addresses
 - Building height
 - Parking
 - Building form and placement
 - Street/Sidewalk

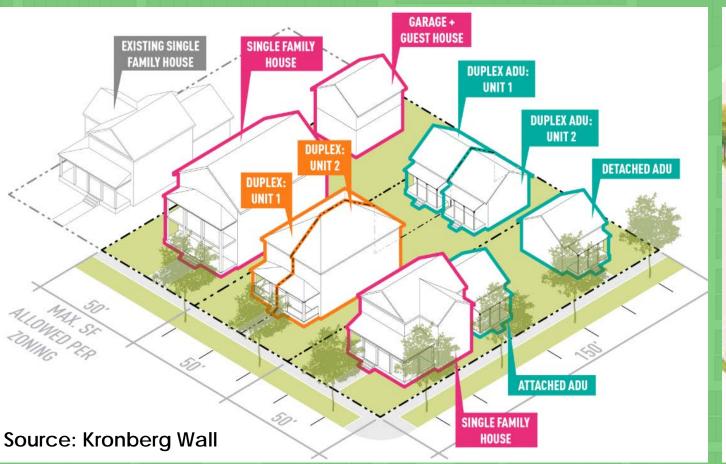
Challenges:

Can take 1-2 years to implement



Bulk and Scale Adjustments

- Small lot ordinances
- Cottage court ordinances
- Sub-division of property



Cottage Court



Duplex-4plex



Bulk and Scale Adjustments

(smaller homes on small lots)

Definition: Allows for new, smaller homes on smaller lots in residential zones and develop existing lots that cannot achieve what the existing zoning allows (can be done as an overlay)

How does it impact the study area?

- Unlocks development potential in existing zoning standards
- May allow development density that fits character
- Does not change the existing zone standards for lots not using the ordinance

Source: NAHB

Challenges

- Can result in less predictable development
- May not fit into existing zoning standards (# of units per acre) and minimum lot size

Housing Type Ordinances

Definition: Provides multi-family housing options that are compatible

How does it impact the study area?

- Single-family detached physical characteristics
- Provides housing choices (cottage courts for example)

Challenges

- Neighborhood consensus is critical
- May not fit into existing zoning standards (# of units per acre)



Source: NAHB

Recommendations and Next Steps

- Consider housing inventory and analysis
- Choose a pathway to implementation
 - Explore Character Overlay, Form-Based code further
 - Alternative Design Process (i.e. over 2 stories or greater, review setbacks, parking, etc.)
 - Allowable building types



HOW DO WE FEEL ABOUT THIS?



Duplex



Triplex



Fourplex



Townhomes



Bungalow Courts



Single Family



Accessory Dwelling Unit



Affordable Housing



Tiny Home



	NTM-1	NTM-2
Accessory Dwelling Unit	NTM-1	
Detached House, Standard	NTM-1	
Detached House, Compact	NTM-1	
Detached House, Narrow or "Skinny"	NTM-1	NTM-2
Duplex	NTM-1	NTM-2
Triplex and Fourplex	NTM-1	NTM-2
Bungalow Court	NTM-1	NTM-2
Courtyard Building		NTM-2
Townhouse (5 or more units)		NTM-2
Multi-Plex (5 or more units)		NTM-2











Mixed Unit Types, "DUPLEX"

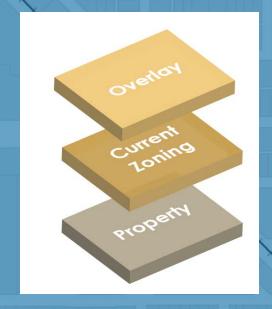
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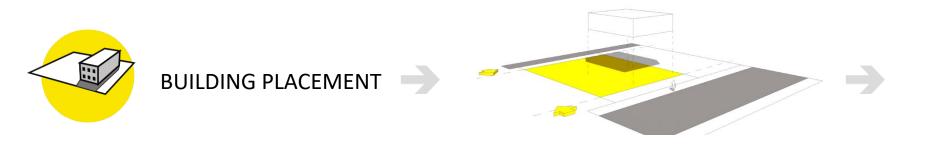
Affect to Study Area:

- City already has historical preservation overlays
- Existing zoning doesn't change
- Regulates
 - Building height,
 - Building placement,
 - Lot size,
 - Setbacks,
 - Street frontage,
 - Parking (location and area)



How does it work?

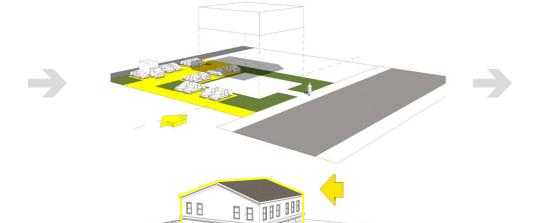




Places building closer to the street.



PARKING PLACEMENT

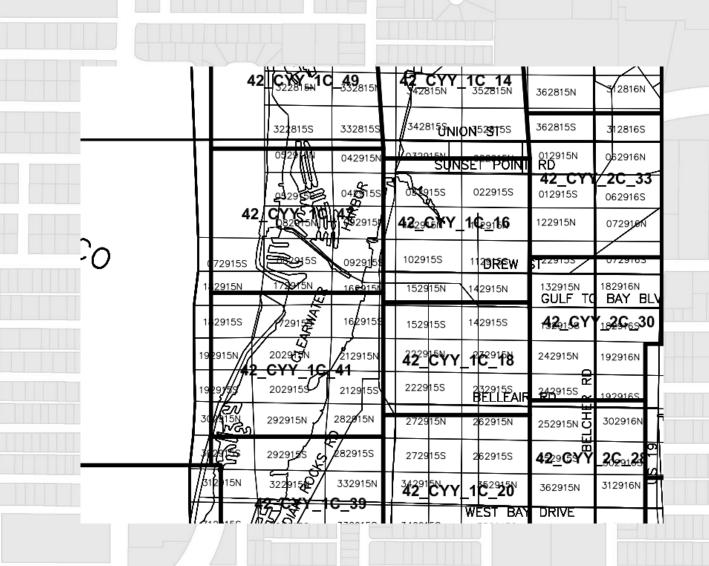


Pushes parking back and creates separation between parking areas and sidewalks.



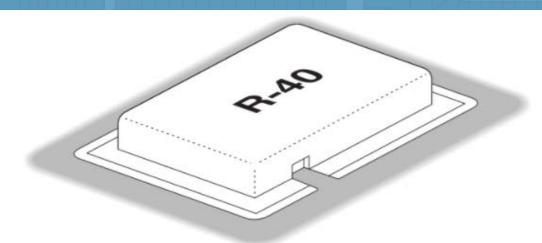
BUILDING FORM

& pedestrian scaled building fronts.



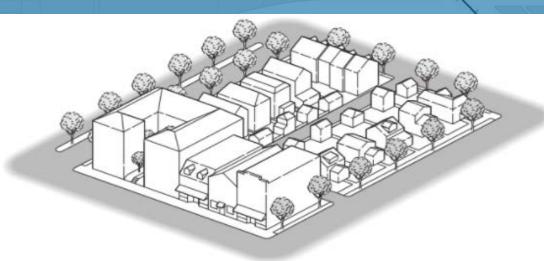
Overlay Zoning with Form-Based elements

Conventional Zoning

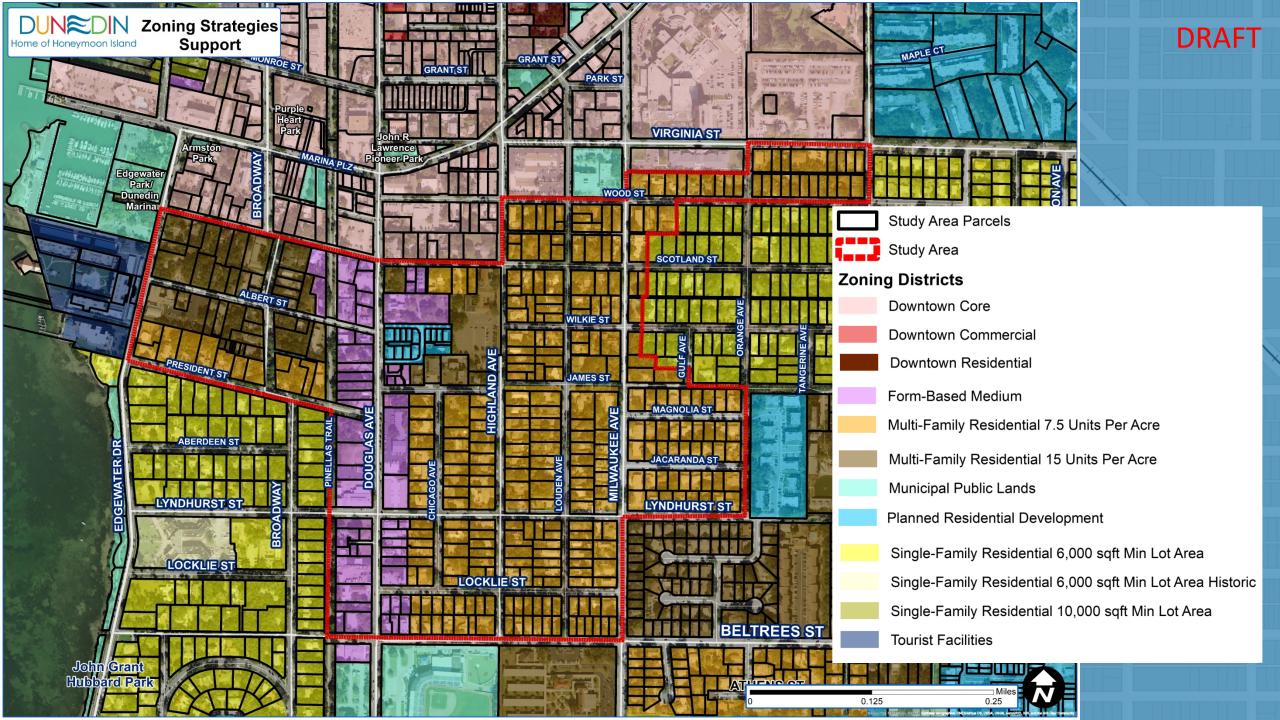


- Focus on land use types allowed (i.e. commercial, residential, industrial), separating land uses
- Uses numbers and text (density, maximum heights, etc.)

Form-Based Codes



- Prescriptive: states what you want (street, sidewalks, buildings, # of stories) rather than proscriptive (what they don't want)
- Predictable development that states the physical character of development (uses illustrations)



Why are We Here Today? Purpose?

Challenge:

- Development pressure south of downtown
- Study Area includes more traditional single family seeing more demand for multi-family structures.

Project Purpose:

 Strategies to help maintain the scale and character of the area





Form-Based Code

Definition:

 Regulations for predictable building form/public spaces

Affect to Study Area:

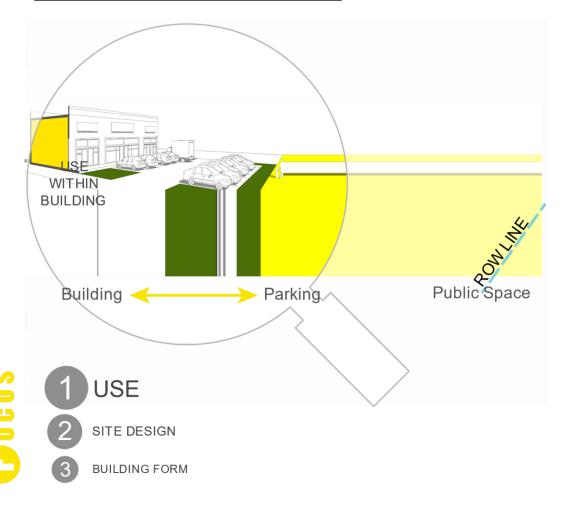
- 2017 vision: established form based code provisions
- Being implemented in Pinellas
 County & 2,000+ other U.S. cities



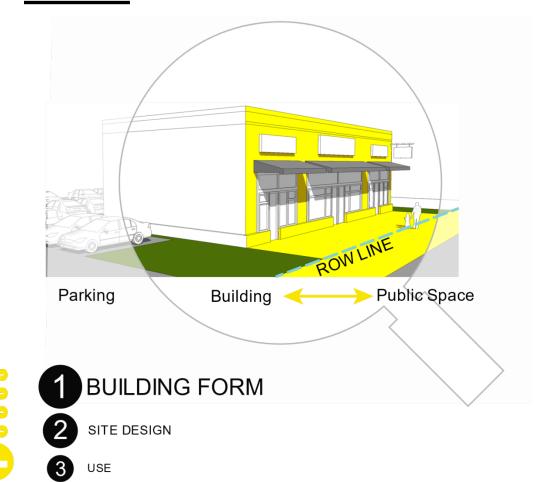


Form-Based Code?

TODAY'S CODE...



FBC...



Source: Pinellas County

Examples (MF-15)



Current use: 6 multi-family units

Acreage: 0.31 acres

Allowable Units: 5 units

Current use: 8 multi-family units

Acreage: 0.56 acres

Allowable Units: 8 units

Initial Strategies - Voluntary Rezoning

- **Definition**: Residents choose to change their property's zoning designation
- Example: Change from multi-family
 15 dwelling units/acre to single-family
 15 dwelling units/acre

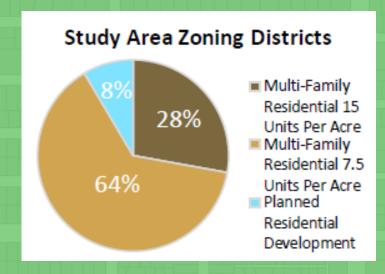
How will it affect the study area?

- Resident led effort
- Keep density & building height regulations
- Change permitted land uses





Zoning District Defined







- Up to 7.5 units per acre
- Housing type flexibility
- Mostly duplex & cluster apartments
- Encourages the use & reuse of small older lots



Multi-family Residential 15:

- High-density urban living
- 15 units per acre
- Mostly garden apartments
- Should be well buffered from low density residential uses



Zoning District Defined



Planned Residential Development:

- Moderate to high density
- Design standard flexibility
- Encourages clustering of dwelling units



Form-Based Medium

- Housing type flexibility
- Mostly duplex & cluster apartments
- Encourages the use & reuse of small older lots



Single Family Residential - 60

- Single-family detached
- 7.5 units per acre
- Duplexes & apartments allowed on conditional use



HOW DOES IT WORK?



Building Detail

NEIGHBORHOOD DISTRICT (ND)

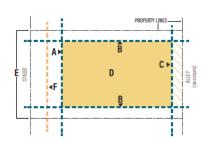
INTENT

The 'Neighborhood District' is comprised of established residential areas. Infill development within this District aims to complement the existing development pattern and characteristics, while supporting additional density, a variety of housing types, and an enhanced relationship between the public and private spaces.

SITING

Building

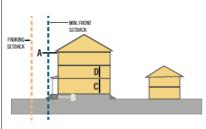
placement



	REQUIREMENT		MIN.	MAX.	
A	Front Setback		15 ft ¹	-	
В	Side Setback		5 ft	-	
С	Rear Setback ^a		5 ft	-	
D	Lot Coverage		-	70%	
E	Building Frontage		-	-	
F	Parking Setback		10 ft	-	
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 When an alley is present, a minimum rear setback shall be 15 feet, measured from the centerline of the alley.

HEIGHT



	REQUIREMENT	MIN.	MAX.
A	Building Height	1 story	3 stories
В	Ground Floor Elevation (Residential Uses)	2 ft	-
С	Ground Story Clearance	-	14 ft
D	Upper Story Clearance	-	14 ft

Number of stories

ELEMENTS

REQUIREMENT



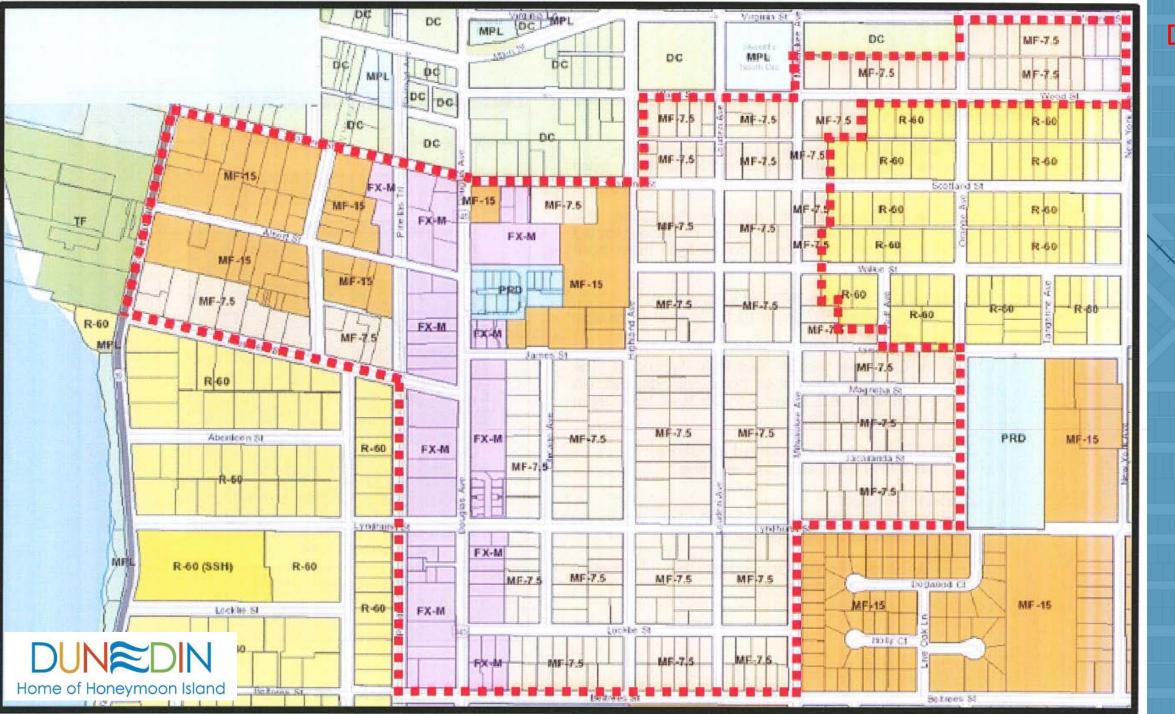
A	Fenestration	All Stories: Min. = 15%; Max. = 90%					
В	Building Projections	A front porch/stoop/overhang shall be provided for any ground story residential unit entry.					
С	Doors/Entries	A minimum of one functioning entry door per storefront/residential unit shall have direct access to the primary frontage(s). A shared courtyard may serve as the primary frontage access.					
D	Garage/Carport Setback	Garages/carports where the vehicle entry faces a public street shall be setback a minimum of 10 feet from the front facade of the primary structure.					

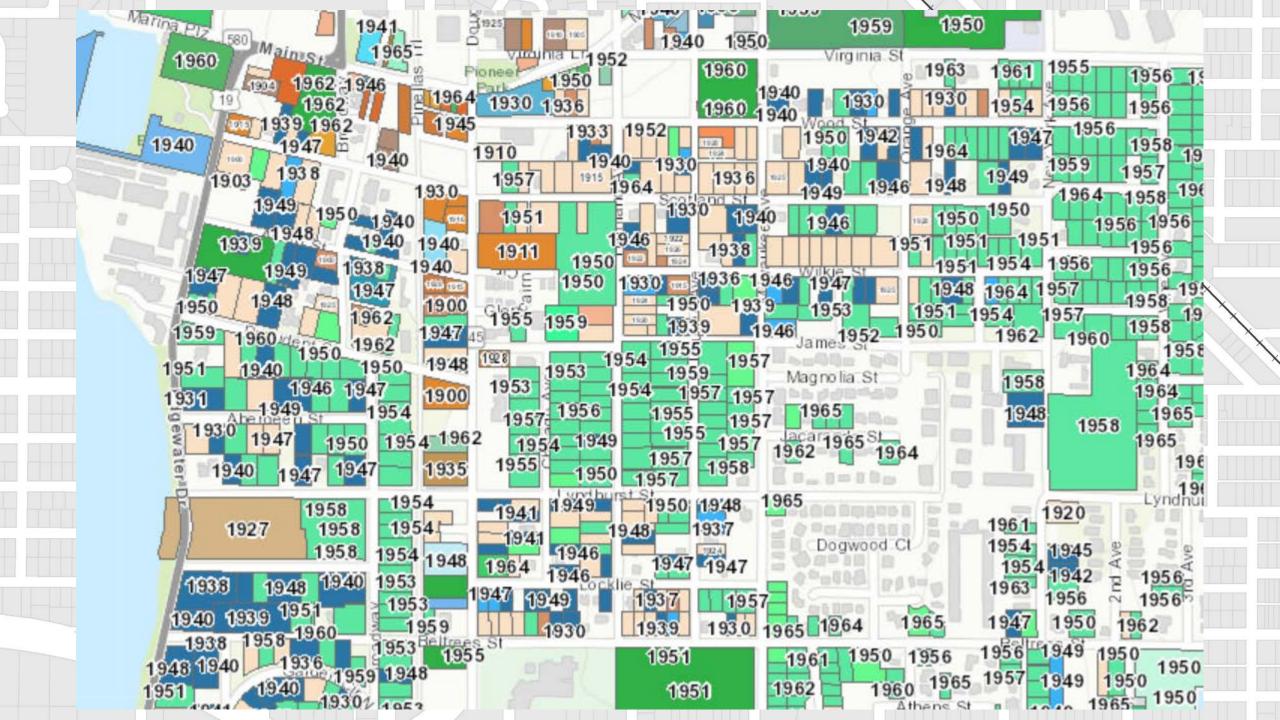
PRIVATE FRONTAGE TYPES

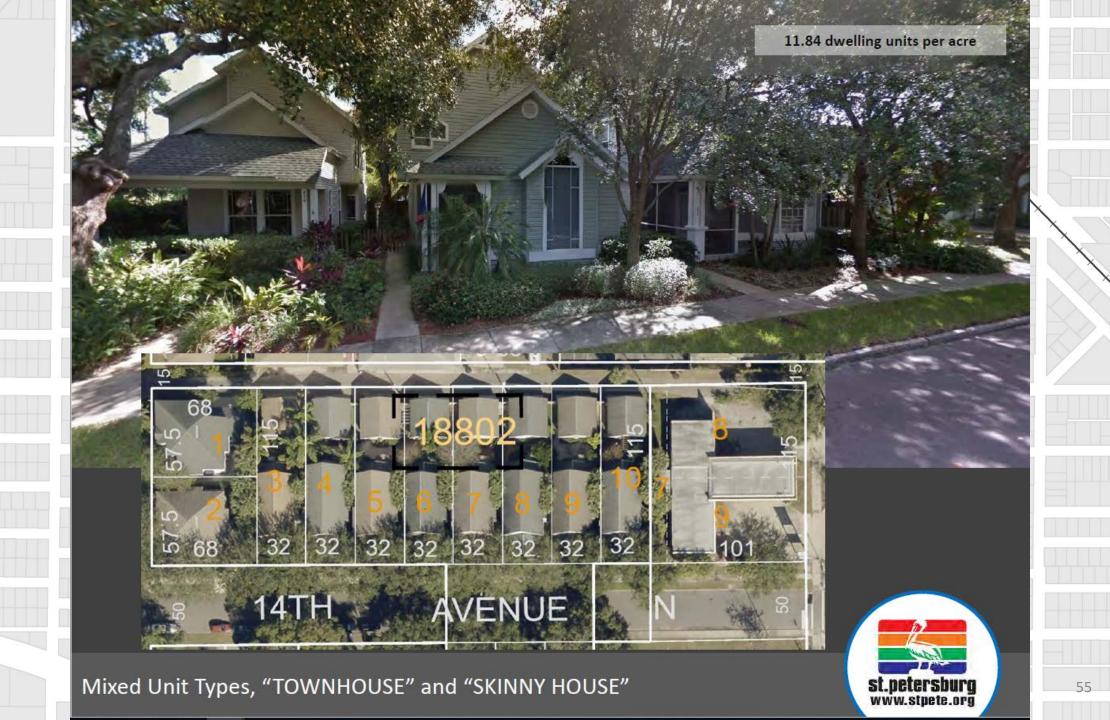
FRONTAGE TYPES (REFER TO TABLE)					
Common Yard	Permitted				
Porch & Fence	Permitted				
Dooryard	Not Permitted				
Courtyard	Permitted				
Stoop	Not Permitted				
Shopfront	Not Permitted				
Gallery	Not Permitted				
Arcade	Not Permitted				

USE CATEGORIES ^a

- Residential
- Lodging ^b
- Office b
- Retail ^b
 Civic ^b
- Refer to Permitted Use Table for full list of permitted uses within each use category listed.
- b. Uses within this category are typically limited.







HOW DOES IT WORK?



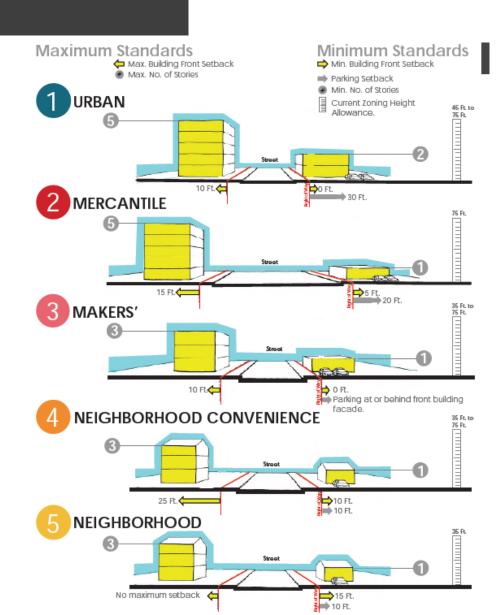
Urban Residential Housing Retail Goods/Services Office Uses

Multi-Unit Residential Housing Lodging Retail Goods/Services Office Uses Civic Uses Civil Support Uses

Small-Scale/Craft
Manufacturing
Specialty Repair Shops
Artisans
Retail Goods/Services
Multi-Unit Residential Housing
Office Uses

Residential Housing Neighborhood-Scaled Retail Goods/Services Neighborhood-Scaled Office Uses

Residential Housing



Zoning	Min. District Size	Minimum Lot Size				Minimum Yard Setbacks						Units Per Floor Are		
Districts		Area	Wie Interior	idth Corner	Depth	Front	2nd Front	SF Use	Side	Rear	Max. Building Height ¹	Max. Stories	Acre	Unit
AR	-	40,000 sq ft	100 ft	115 ft	100 ft	40 ft	-	-	25 ft	40 ft	35 ft	3	-	-
R-300	-	30,000 sq ft	110 ft	120 ft	125 ft	30 ft	-	-	20 ft	40 ft	35 ft	3	-	-
R-200	-	20,000 sq ft	110 ft	120 ft	125 ft	30 ft	-	-	15 ft	30 ft	35 ft	3	-	-
R-150	-	15,000 sq ft	110 ft	120 ft	120 ft	30 ft	-	-	10 ft	25 ft	27 ft	2	-	-
R-100	-	10,000 sq ft	100 ft	120 ft	110 ft	30 ft	-	-	10 ft	25 ft	27 ft	2	-	-
R-90	-	9,000 sq ft	75 ft	90 ft	110 ft	25 ft	-	-	10 ft	20 ft	27 ft	2	-	-
R-75	-	7,500 sq ft	75 ft	90 ft	100 ft	20 ft	15 ft	-	10 ft	20 ft	27 ft	2	-	-
R-60	-	6,000 sq ft	60 ft	77.5 ft	100 ft	25 ft	10 ft	-	7.5 ft	20 ft	27 ft	2	-	-
MF-7.5		7,000 sq.ft	70 ft	85 ft	100 ft	25 ft	10 ft	7.5 ft	10 ft	20 ft	35 ft* (refer to div. 4)	3* (refer to div. 4)		
MF-10	-	8,000 sq ft	70 ft	85 ft	100 ft	25 ft	10 ft	7.5 ft	10 ft	20 ft	35 ft	3	10	600sf
MF-12.5	-	9,000 sq ft	70 ft	85 ft	100 ft	25 ft	10 ft	7.5 ft	10 ft	20 ft	50 ft	5	12.5	600sf
MF-15		10,000 sq ft	70 ft	85 ft	100 ft	25 ft	10 ft	7.5 ft	10 ft	20 ft	50 ft* (refer to div. 4)	5* (refer to div. 4)	15	600sf
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