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PART III LAND USE LEGISLATION / Chapter 185, ZONING / ARTICLE III, Zoning**

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- A. Purpose. The A-1 District is intended to provide for the continuation of general farming and related uses in those areas of the Village that are not yet committed to urban development. It is further intended for this district to protect lands contained therein from urban development until their orderly transition into urban-oriented districts is required.
- B. Permitted uses:
- (1) General farming, including agriculture, dairying, floriculture, forestry, grazing, hay orchards, truck farming, and viticulture (grape growing), provided that farm buildings housing animals, barnyards, and feedlots shall not be located in a floodland and shall be at least 100 feet from any navigable water or district boundary.
 - (2) Keeping and raising of domestic stock for agribusiness, show, breeding, or other purposes incidental to the principal use of the premises and for the use of the occupants of the premises, provided that such uses shall not be located within 300 feet of a dwelling unit other than the dwelling unit on the property in question.
 - (3) One farm dwelling.
 - (4) Attached or detached private garages/carports accessory to permitted or permitted accessory uses.
 - (5) General farm buildings, including barns, silos, sheds, and storage bins, and including not more than one roadside stand for the sale of farm products produced on the premises. Any such stand shall conform to the setback, sign and other provisions of this chapter.
 - (6) Home occupation.
 - (7) Signs as regulated by the Village. See Article IX of this chapter.
 - (8) Buildings temporarily located for purposes of constructing on the premises for a period not to exceed the time necessary for such constructing.
 - (9) Gardening and other horticultural uses where no sale of products is conducted on the premises.
 - (10) Decorative landscape features.
- C. Conditional uses:

- (1) Private swimming pool and tennis court.
- (2) Airports, airstrips, and landing fields, provided that the site is not less than 20 acres.
- (3) Commercial feedlots, livestock sales facilities and fur farms.
- (4) Professional offices.
- (5) Housing for farm laborers and seasonal or migratory farm workers.^{EN(159)}
- (6) Public and parochial schools, provided that no building shall be located within 50 feet of any lot line.
- (7) Churches, including those related structures located on the same site which are an integral part of the church proper, convents or homes for persons related to a religious function on the same site, provided that no more than 10 persons shall reside on the site and no building shall be located within 50 feet of any lot line.
- (8) Essential service structures, including but not limited to buildings such as telephone exchange stations, booster or pressure-regulating stations, wells, pumping stations, elevated tanks, lift stations and electrical power substations, provided that no building shall be located within 10 feet from any lot line of an abutting lot in a residential district. Prior to granting such permit, it shall be found that the architectural design of service structures is compatible with the neighborhood in which it is to be located and thus will promote the general welfare.
- (9) Hospitals for human care, sanitariums, rest homes, and nursing homes, provided that all structures, except fences, shall be located 100 feet or more from the lot line of any abutting lot in a residential district.
- (10) Bee keeping for agribusiness.
- (11) Informational signs.
- (12) Adult entertainment establishments.^{EN(160)}

D. Prohibited uses:

- (1) All uses not specified for the A-1 District above.
- (2) Billboards, except informational signs as herein and after defined.

E. Specifications.

- (1) Building height, maximum: 45 feet (not applicable to agricultural uses).
- (2) Street yard setback: 25 feet. Minimum street yard setback shall apply to both street sides of a corner lot.