

Chapter 19.18 - R-2 ONE- AND TWO-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT

19.18.010 - Purpose.

The R-2 two-family residence district is established to provide medium-density residential areas.

(Ord. No. 1914A, 2-18-2016)

19.18.020 - Permitted uses.

Permitted uses in the R-2 district include:

- A. One-family detached dwellings;
- B. Two-family attached dwellings (except for conversions of single-family to two-family dwellings);
- C. Home occupations/professional home offices for nonretail goods and services (defined in this district as businesses that do not require customer access);
- D. A nonfamily household in R-2 shall be limited to three unrelated persons;
- E. The second or greater wireless telecommunications facility located on an alternative support structure already supporting a wireless telecommunications facility or on a pre-existing wireless telecommunications facility, with wireless telecommunications support facilities allowed as permitted accessory uses, all per the requirements of Chapter 19.55.

(Ord. No. 1914A, 2-18-2016)

19.18.030 - Conditional uses.

Conditional uses in the R-2 district include:

- A. Attached townhouse dwellings, up to four units per building; minimum lot area requirements for such uses shall be regulated by Chapter 19.21;
- B. Conversion of existing single-family dwellings to two-family attached dwellings;
- C. Public and semipublic uses;
- D. Home occupations/professional home offices for retail goods and services (defined in this district as businesses requiring customer access);
- E. The first wireless telecommunications facility located on an alternative support structure only, per the requirements of Chapter 19.55;
- F. Real estate sales offices, subject to the following requirements:
 - 1.

May only be placed within a major subdivision with twenty or more lots or a multiple-family residential development with forty or more dwelling units;

2. Shall occupy a maximum of one building within any major subdivision, or one unit within any multiple-family residential development;
3. Shall be a temporary use to be removed or converted to a permitted use in the district no later than ninety days from the date when ninety percent of the lots or units within the subdivision or development are initially sold or leased, or five years from the date of initial establishment of the use, whichever comes first;
4. Before a building permit is issued, a deposit or other financial guarantee with a value of not less than \$2,000.00 shall be required, with such deposit or guarantee released by the city once the sales office is removed or converted to a permitted use in the district;
5. Shall not exceed seven hundred fifty square feet in floor area devoted to the sales office and related uses open to the public;
6. Shall be compatible in character, materials, placement, and design with other existing and planned buildings within the subdivision or development;
7. Signage shall be in accordance with standards for conditional uses in the district, per Section 19.54.052 of this title.

G. Bed and breakfast establishments;

H. Reserved.

I. One accessory structure may be located in the front or side yard if the following requirements are met.

1. Minimum front yard setback of the accessory structure must be fifty feet.
2. Minimum side yard setback of the accessory structure must be ten feet, or corner lot, twenty-five feet.

(Ord. No. 1914A, 2-18-2016; Ord. No. 1918A, § 2, 4-19-2016)

19.18.040 - Lot area.

Minimum lot area in the R-2 district is:

- A. Eight thousand square feet for single-family;
- B. Twelve thousand square feet for two-family;
- C. A nonconforming lot that does not meet the minimum lot area above may be considered as a buildable lot if it:
 - a. Meets all other standards including Section 19.60.050.
 - b. Is reviewed and approved by the city plan and architectural review commission.

(Ord. No. 1914A, 2-18-2016)

19.18.050 - Lot width.

Minimum lot width in the R-2 district is:

- A. Sixty-six feet for all lots of record at the time of adoption of the ordinance codified in this section;
- B. Seventy feet for all new single-family development after the adoption of the ordinance codified in this section;
- C. One hundred feet for all duplexes developed after the adoption of the ordinance codified in this section;
- D. A nonconforming lot that does not meet the minimum lot width above may be considered as a buildable lot if it:
 - a. Meets all other standards including Section 19.60.050.
 - b. Is reviewed and approved by the city plan and architectural review commission.

(Ord. No. 1914A, 2-18-2016)

19.18.060 - Yard requirements.

Minimum yard requirements in the R-2 district are:

- A. Front, twenty-five feet; (not more than forty percent of the front yard may be an impervious surface except by conditional use permit);
- B. Side, ten feet for one-family, fifteen feet for two-family and multifamily; corner lots, twenty-five feet;
- C. Rear, thirty feet (not more than forty percent of the yard may be an impervious surface except as a conditional use);
- D. Shore, seventy-five feet. All shoreland shall be in compliance with Chapter 19.46, and in addition may require DNR approval;
- E. For all structures larger than a one-family dwelling unit, the building setback standards established in the R-3 multifamily residence district shall apply.

(Ord. No. 1914A, 2-18-2016)

19.18.065 - Off-street parking.

Off-street parking, including both surface parking and enclosed parking, shall conform to city guidelines for parking areas which include materials, access, visibility, potential impact on abutting properties, drainage, stormwater management, screening, and economic viability of the associated use.

(Ord. No. 1914A, 2-18-2016)

19.18.070 - Lot coverage.

- A. Maximum lot coverage (principal and accessory structures) in the R-2 district is thirty percent.
- B. Maximum Impervious Surface. The following chart shall be used to determine the maximum percent of allowed impervious surface to determine the threshold for stormwater mitigation plan requirements on lots in the R-2 district:

Maximum Impervious Surface

Less than 7,000 sq. ft.	65%
7,000 sq. ft. to 8,499 sq. ft.	60%
8,500 sq. ft. to 9,999 sq. ft.	55%
10,000 sq. ft. and over	50%

Percentage of impervious surface shall be calculated by taking the total surface area of the existing and proposed impervious surface and dividing it by the total lot area (note the minimum lot requirement for new lots in R-2 is eight thousand square feet for single-family and twelve thousand square feet for two-family).

- C. Lots calculated over the maximum allowed impervious surface require the neighborhood service director approval of a stormwater management plan. Property owners shall work with neighborhood services to develop a practical site specific stormwater management plan that allows for flexibility in the use of stormwater treatment device including rain barrels, rain gardens and etc. Applicants may appeal the neighborhood services director's decision to the plan and architectural review commission.
 1. Pre-engineered lots may be developed without management plans if mitigation has been accounted for during design of the lot.
 2. The neighborhood services department and plan and architectural review commission shall take into account surrounding topography when reviewing the necessary stormwater mitigation.
 3. Property owners may also apply for a conditional use permit which may exempt properties from the requirement of a stormwater management plan.

D. The principles and standards set forth in the City of Whitewater Erosion Control and Stormwater Management Requirements Policy which includes the city's stormwater management ordinance (Chapter 16.16) and the city's construction site control ordinance (Chapter 16.18), shall be used as a guide by the property owner and staff for drafting and reviewing stormwater management plans. The neighborhood services department shall develop written guidelines and policies to be used in development and review of stormwater mitigation plans.

(Ord. No. 1914A, 2-18-2016)

19.18.080 - Building height.

Maximum building height in the R-2 district is thirty-five feet, or two and one-half stories.

(Ord. No. 1914A, 2-18-2016)

19.18.090 - Park fees.

All residential development shall be subject to a park acquisition fee per dwelling unit and a park improvement fee per dwelling unit, payable before a building permit is issued. The fee will be recommended by the parks and recreation board and then approved by the common council. The fee will be on record at the city clerk's office. The park acquisition fee may be reduced if sufficient land area was provided for park purposes at the time of subdivision, based on the calculations in Section 18.04.030(a)(1) of the Whitewater Municipal Code.

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