

## DEFINITIONS

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## ARTICLE TWO

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#### 11.201 Purpose

Article Two shall be known as the Definitions. The purpose of these provisions is to promote consistency and precision in the interpretation of the Zoning Ordinance. The meaning and construction of words as set forth shall apply throughout the Zoning Ordinance, unless where modified in a specific section or where the context of such words or phrases clearly indicates a different meaning or construction.

#### 11.202 General Construction of Language

The following general rules of construction apply to the text of the Zoning Ordinance.

a. Headings

Section and subsection headings contained herein are provided for illustrative purposes only and shall not be deemed to limit, govern, modify, or otherwise affect the scope, meaning, or intent of any provision of the Zoning Ordinance.

b. Illustration

In the case of any real or apparent conflict between the text of the Ordinance and any illustration explaining the text, the text shall apply.

c. Shall and May

"Shall" is always mandatory. "May" is discretionary.

d. Tenses and Numbers

Words used in the present tense include the future tense. Words used in the singular include the plural, and the plural the singular, unless the context clearly indicates the contrary.

e. Conjunctions

Unless the context clearly indicates the contrary, the following conjunctions shall be interpreted as follows:

1. "And" indicates that all connected items or provisions apply.
2. "Or" indicates that the connected items or provisions may apply singly or in any combination.
3. "Either ... or" indicates that the connected items or provisions shall apply singly but not in combination.

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### f. Referenced Agencies

Unless otherwise indicated, all public officials, bodies, and agencies referred to in this Chapter are those of the City of Waverly.

### 11.203 Definition of Terms

For the purposes of this Zoning Ordinance, certain terms and words are hereby defined. Certain sections contain definitions which are additional to those listed here. Where terms are not specifically defined, their ordinarily accepted meaning or meanings implied by their context shall apply.

### 11.204 A

1. **Abutting:** Having lot lines or district boundaries in common, including property separated by a public street or alley. Used interchangeably with adjacent.
2. **Accessory Structure:** A detached structure within a residentially zoned district used as a garage, tool shed, hobby shop, green house, or playhouse. *(Amended by Ord. 04-02, 4-19-04)*
3. **Accessory Use:** A use which is incidental to and customarily associated with a specific principal use on the same site.
4. **Addition:** Any construction which increases the size of a building or structure in terms of site coverage, height, length, width, or gross floor area.
5. **Agricultural Farm or Operation:** A tract of land or a combination of tracts of land utilized primarily for agricultural purposes which either singularly or jointly consist of at least twenty (20) acres and which produces one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or more of farm products each year. *(Amended by Ord 13-11; 9-17-13)*
6. **Agent of Owner:** Any person showing written verification that he/she is acting for, and with the knowledge and consent of, a property owner.
7. **Alley:** A public right of way, other than a street and twenty feet or less in width which is used as a secondary means of access to abutting property.
8. **Alteration:** Any construction or physical change in the internal arrangement of spaces, the supporting members, the positioning on a site, or the appearance of a building or structure.
9. **Apartment:** A housing unit within a building designed for and suitable for occupancy by only one family. Apartments are generally located within multi-family residential buildings.
10. **Attached:** Having one or more walls in common with a principal building or connected to a principal building by an integral architectural element, such as a covered passageway; facade wall extension; or archway.

### 11.205 B

1. **Base Zoning District:** A district established by this Ordinance which prescribes basic regulations governing land use and site development standards. No more than one Base Zoning District shall apply to any individually platted lot or parcel unless the lot or parcel is part of a Planned Unit Development.

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2. **Basement:** A level of a building below street level that has at least one-half of its height below the surface of adjacent ground. A basement used for independent dwelling or business purposes shall be considered a story for the purposes of height measurement.
3. **Beginning of Construction:** The initial incorporation of labor and materials within the foundation of a building or structure.
4. **Block:** An area of land within a subdivision that is entirely bounded by streets, by streets and the exterior boundaries of the subdivision, or by a combination of the above with a watercourse or lake, and which has been designated as such on a plat for the purposes of legal description of a property.
5. **Block Face:** The property abutting one side of a street and lying between the two nearest intersection streets, or between the one nearest intersecting street and a major physical barrier, including, but not limited to, railroads, streams, lakes, or the corporate limits of Waverly.
6. **Board of Adjustment:** A body, established by the City expressly for the purpose of granting relief from situations of hardship and to hear appeals as provided by this Ordinance.
7. **Bufferyard:** A landscaped area intended to separate and partially obstruct the view of two adjacent land uses or properties from one another, to screen parking areas or outside storage areas from public view. *(Amended by Ord 13-11; 9-17-13)*
8. **Building:** A structure entirely separated from any other structure by space or by walls and having a roof and built to provide shelter, support, or enclosure for persons, animals, processing, equipment, goods or materials of any kind, or property. *(Amended by Ord 13-11; 9-17-13)*
9. **Building Coverage:** The area of a site covered by buildings or roofed areas, excluding allowed projecting eaves, balconies, and similar features. Maximum Building Coverage is the total area of principal and accessory permitted buildings as a percentage of the total area of the individual parcel. *(Amended by Ord 13-11; 9-17-13)*
10. **Building Envelope:** The three-dimensional space within which a structure is permitted to be built on a lot after all zoning and other applicable municipal requirements have been met.
11. **Building Line:** The outer boundary of a building established by the location of its exterior walls.
12. **Building Official:** The city official who is responsible for the enforcement of the applicable building code and conditional uses.
13. **Building Permit:** A document that must be issued by the Building Official prior to erecting, constructing, enlarging, altering, repairing, moving, improving, removing, converting, or demolishing any building or structure regulated by this Ordinance or by the applicable building codes of the City of Waverly. Issuance of a building permit follows review of plans by the Building Official to determine that the proposed use of building or land complies with the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance.
14. **Business:** Activities that include the exchange or manufacture of goods or services on a site.
15. **Business Center:** A building containing more than one commercial business, or any group of non-residential buildings within a common development, characterized by shared parking and access.

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### 11.206 C

1. Certificate of Occupancy: An official certificate issued by the Building Official or his/her designee prior to occupancy of a completed building or structure, upon finding of conformance with the applicable building code and this Zoning Ordinance.
2. Change of Use: The replacement of an existing use by a new use.
3. Cluster: A development design technique that concentrates buildings in specific areas on a site to allow remaining land to be used for recreation, common open space, or the preservation of historically or environmentally sensitive features.
4. City: The City of Waverly, Nebraska.
5. City Council: The City Council of Waverly, Nebraska.
6. Common Area: An area held, designed, and designated for common or cooperative use within a development.
7. Common Development: A development proposed and planned as one unified project not separated by a public street or alley.
8. Common Open Space: Land within or related to a development that is not individually owned or dedicated for public use, designed and generally intended for the common use of the residents of the development.
9. Compatibility: The degree to which two or more different land use types are able to exist together in close proximity, with no one use having significant negative effects on any other use.
10. Comprehensive Plan: The duly adopted Comprehensive Development Plan of the City of Waverly.
11. Condominium: A real estate ownership arrangement that combines fee simple title to a specific unit and joint ownership in common elements shared with other unit owners. Types of units may include dwelling units, parking spaces, office spaces, or commercial spaces.
12. Conservation Development: A development design technique that concentrates buildings in specific areas on a site to allow remaining land to be used for recreation, common open space, or the preservation of historically or environmentally sensitive features.
13. Conservation Subdivision: Wholly or in majority, a residential subdivision that permits a reduction in lot area, setback, or other site development regulations, provided 1) there is no increase in the overall density permitted for a conventional subdivision in a given zoning district, and 2) the remaining land area is used for common space.
14. County: Lancaster County, Nebraska.

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15. Court (or Lane): An approved private right-of-way which provides access to residential properties and meets at least three of the following conditions:

- (a) Serves twelve or fewer housing units or platted lots.
- (b) Does not function as a local street because of its alignment, design, or location.
- (c) Is completely internal to a development.
- (d) Does not exceed 600 feet in length.

16. Courtyard: An open, unoccupied space, bounded on two or more sides by the walls of the building.

17. Conventional Subdivision: A subdivision which literally meets all nominal standards of the Land Development Ordinance for lot dimensions, setbacks, street frontage, and other site development regulations.

18. Creative Subdivision: A subdivision which, while complying with the Subdivision Ordinance, diverges from nominal compliance with site development regulations in the Land Development Ordinance. Creative subdivisions imply a higher level of pre-planning than conventional subdivisions. They may be employed for the purpose of environmental protection or the creation of superior community design. Types of Creative Subdivisions include Conservation Subdivisions and Traditional Neighborhood Districts.

### 11.207 D

1. Deck: An addition to a house that is neither roofed nor sided and is not a structural element of the house.

2. Density: The amount of development per specific unit of a site.

3. Drive-in Services: Uses which involve the sale of products or provision of services to occupants in vehicles.

4. Detached: Fully separated from any other building or jointed to another building in such a manner as not to constitute an enclosed or covered connection.

5. Driveway: A permanently paved, surfaced area providing vehicular access between a street and an off-street parking or loading area.

6. Duplex: A building, typically on a single lot of record, containing two (2) single family dwelling units, each separated from one another by an un-pierced wall extending from ground level to roof. *(Amended by Ord 13-11; 9-17-13)*

7. Dwelling Unit: One or more rooms, designed, occupied or intended for occupancy as a separate living quarter, with cooking, sleeping, and sanitary facilities provided within the dwelling unit for the exclusive use of a single family maintaining a household.

### 11.208 E

1. Easement: A privilege or right of use granted on, above, under, or across a particular tract of land for a specific purpose by one owner to another owner, public or private agency, or utility.

2. Enclosed: A roofed or covered space fully surrounded by walls.

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### 11.209 F

1. Family: One or more persons living together and sharing common living, sleeping, cooking, and eating facilities within an individual housing unit, no more than 3 of whom may be unrelated. The following persons shall be considered related for the purpose of this ordinance: *(Updated by Ord. 04-02, 4-19-04)*
  - (a) Persons related by blood, marriage, or adoption;
  - (b) Persons residing with a family for the purpose of adoption;
  - (c) Not more than eight persons under 19 years of age, residing in a foster house licensed or approved by the State of Nebraska.
  - (d) Not more than eight persons 19 years of age or older residing with a family for the purpose of receiving foster care licensed or approved by the State of Nebraska.
  - (e) Person(s) living with a family at the direction of a court.
2. Fascia: A parapet-type wall used as part of the facade of a flat-roofed building and projecting no more than six feet from the immediately adjacent building face. Such a wall shall enclose at least three sides of the projecting flat roof and return to the parapet wall or the building. *(Updated by Ord. 04-02, 4-19-04)*
3. Federal: Pertaining to the Government of the United States of America. *(Updated by Ord. 04-02, 4-19-04)*
4. Fence: A form of construction, not ordinarily considered a structure, that is designed for screening or enclosing a property. *(Updated by Ord. 04-02, 4-19-04)*
5. Floor Area Ratio: The quotient of gross floor area divided by gross site area. *(Updated by Ord. 04-02, 4-19-04)*
6. Footprint: The total square footage of the exterior walls of a principal residence excluding the garage. *(Established by Ord. 04-02, 4-19-04)*
7. Frontage: The length of a property line of any one premise abutting and parallel to a public street, private way, or court. *(Updated by Ord. 04-02, 4-19-04)*

### 11.210 G

1. Grade: The horizontal elevation of the finished surface of ground, paving, or sidewalk adjacent to any building line.
  - (a) For buildings having walls facing one street only, the grade shall be the elevation of the sidewalk at the center of the wall facing the street.
  - (b) For buildings having walls facing more than one street, the grade shall be the average elevation of the grades of all walls facing each street.
  - (c) For buildings having no walls facing a street, the grade shall be the average level of the finished surface of the ground adjacent to the exterior walls of the building.

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2. **Gross Floor Area:** The total enclosed area of all floors of a building, measured to the inside surfaces of the exterior walls. This definition excludes the areas of basements, elevator shafts, airspaces above atriums, and enclosed off-street parking and loading areas serving a principal use.

### 11.211 H

1. **Hard-Surfacing:** Surfacing of a site or portion of a site with a material which is generally dust-free and impervious to surface moisture. Typical materials include concrete, asphalt, asphaltic concrete, unit pavers, brick, and similar materials.
2. **Height:** The vertical distance from the established grade to the highest point of the coping of a flat roof, the deck line of a mansard roof, or to the average height between eaves and the ridge for gable, hip, shed, or gambrel roofs. For other cases, height shall be measured as the vertical distance from the established grade to the highest point of a structure as herein defined. Where a building or structure is located on a slope, height shall be measured from the average grade level adjacent to the building or structure.
3. **Home Based Business/Home Occupation:** An accessory occupational use conducted entirely within a dwelling unit by its inhabitants, which is clearly incidental to the residential use of the dwelling unit or residential structure and does not change the residential character of its site.
4. **Housing Unit or Dwelling Unit:** A building or portion of a building arranged for and intended for occupancy as an independent living facility for one family, including permanent provisions for cooking.

### 11.212 I

1. **Impervious coverage:** The total horizontal area of all buildings, roofed or covered spaces, paved surface areas, walkways and driveways, and any other site improvements that decrease the ability of the surface of the site to absorb water, expressed as a percent of site area. The surface water area of pools is excluded from this definition.

### 11.213 J

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### 11.215 L

1. **Landscaped Area:** The area within the boundaries of a given lot, site or common development consisting primarily of plant material, including but not limited to grass, trees, shrubs, vines, ground cover, and other organic plant materials; or grass paver masonry units installed such that the appearance of the area is primarily landscaped.
  - (a) **Perimeter Landscaped Area:** Any required landscaped area that adjoins the exterior boundary of a lot, site or common development.
  - (b) **Interior Landscaped Area:** Any landscaped area within a site exclusive of required perimeter landscaping.
2. **Loading Area:** An off-street area used for the loading or unloading of goods from a vehicle in connection with the use of the site on which such area is located.

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3. Lot: A parcel of property with a separate and distinct number or other identifying designation which has been created, assigned and recorded in the Office of the Lancaster County Register of Deeds. Each individual lot is subject to the provisions of a particular base Zoning District, and shall have a minimum frontage of 20 feet, except as provided in an approved Planned Unit Development and/or Creative Subdivision.

(a) Corner Lot: A lot located at the junction of at least two streets, private ways or courts or at least two segments of a curved street, private way or court, at which the angle of intersection is no greater than 135 degrees.

(b) Double Frontage Lot: A lot, other than a corner lot, having frontage on two streets, private ways or courts. Primary access shall be restricted on a double frontage lot to the minor of the two streets or to the front line as determined at time of platting or as defined by this ordinance. (Also known as a Through Lot)

(c) Interior Lot: A lot other than a corner lot.

(d) Common Development Lot: When two or more contiguous lots are developed as part of a Planned Unit Development, these lots may be considered a single lot for purposes of this ordinance.

4. Lot Area: The total horizontal area within the lot lines of a lot.

5. Lot Depth: The mean horizontal distance measured between the front and rear lot lines.

6. Lot Line: A property boundary line(s) of record that divides one lot from another lot or a lot from the public or private street right-of-way or easement. Once established, lot lines may not be redefined due to a change of address which would result in a new definition of the prior defined lot lines.

(a) Front Lot Line: The lot line separating a lot and a public or private street right-of-way or easement.

1) For an interior lot, the lot line separating the lot from the right-of-way or easement.

2) For a corner lot, the shorter lot line abutting a public or private street or easement. In instances of equal line dimension, the front lot line shall be determined by the Building Official, or as may be noted on the final plat.

3) For a double frontage lot, the lot lines separating the lot from the right-of-way or easement of the more minor street. In cases where each street has the same classification, the front lot line shall be determined by the Building Official at the time of application for the original building permit for the lot, or as may be noted on the final plat.

(b) Rear Lot Line: The lot line which is opposite and most distant from the front line.

(c) Side Lot Line: Any lot line that is neither a front or rear lot line. A side lot line separating a lot from a street, private way or court is a street side lot line. A side lot line separating a lot from another lot or lots is an interior side lot line.

7. Lot Width: The horizontal distance measured between the side lot lines of a lot, at right angles to its depth along a straight line parallel to the front lot line at the minimum required setback line.

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### 11.216 M

1. **Manufactured Home Dwelling:** A factory built structure which is to be used as a place for human habitation, which is not constructed or equipped with a permanent hitch or other device allowing it to be moved other than to a permanent site; does not have permanently attached to its body or frame any wheels or axles; bears a label certifying that it was built in compliance with the National Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards, 24 C.F.R. 3280 et seq., promulgated by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development; and which complies with the following architectural and aesthetic standards:

- (a) The home shall have at least 900 square feet of floor area;
- (b) The home shall have an exterior width of at least 18 feet;
- (c) The roof shall be pitched with a maximum vertical rise of 2.5 inches for each 12 inches of horizontal run.
- (d) The exterior material is of a color, material, and scale comparable with those existing in the residential site on which the manufactured home dwelling is being permanently installed;
- (e) The home shall have a non-reflective roof material which is or simulates asphalt or wood shingles, tile, or rock;
- (f) Permanent utility connections shall be installed in accordance with local regulations;
- (g) The home shall have all wheels, axles, transporting lights, and towing apparatus removed; and
- (h) The home shall be installed upon a permanent foundation that is constructed and built in accordance with local regulations.

2. **Mixed Use Building:** A building or structure that incorporates two or more use types within a single building or structure, provided that each use type is permitted within the individual Base Zoning District in which the building or structure is to be located.

3. **Mixed Use Development:** A single development which incorporates complementary land use types into a single development.

4. **Mobile Home:** A building type designed to be transportable in one or more sections, constructed on a permanent chassis or undercarriage, and designed to be used as a dwelling unit or other use with or without a permanent foundation when connected to the required utilities, but not bearing a seal attesting to the approval and issuance of the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services System or conformance to the manufactured home procedural and enforcement regulations, as adopted by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development; or not otherwise satisfying the definition of Manufactured Home Dwellings. (*Amended by Ord 13-11; 9-17-13*)

5. **Mobile Home Park:** A unified development under single ownership, developed, subdivided, planned, and improved for the placement of mobile home units for non-transient use. Mobile Home Parks include common areas and facilities for management, recreation, laundry, utility services, storage, storm shelter, and other services; but do not include mobile home sales lots on which unoccupied mobile homes are parked for the purposes of display, inspection, sale, or storage.

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6. Mobile Home Subdivision: A development subdivided, planned, and improved for the placement of mobile home units on lots for uses by the individual owners of such lots. Mobile Home Subdivisions may include common areas and facilities for management, recreation, laundry, utility services, storage, storm shelter, and other services; but do not include mobile home sales lots on which unoccupied mobile homes are parked for the purpose of display, inspection, sale, or storage.

### 11.217 N

1. Net Metering: A utility policy for consumers in which a property owner utilizes one or a combination of alternative energy sources including Wind, Solar, Geothermal, Biomass, or Methane, to generate a portion or all of their electrical energy needs for their home or business. If the property owner is able to generate more power than needed for the home or business, the local utility company is required by Nebraska Law to purchase the "extra" or excess electrical power from the property owner. (*Amended by Ord 13-11; 9-17-13*)

2. Nonconforming Development: A building, structure, or improvement which does not comply with the regulations for its zoning district set forth by this Zoning Ordinance but which complied with applicable regulations at the time of construction.

3. Nonconforming Lot: A lot which was lawful prior to the adoption, revision, or amendment of this zoning ordinance but that fails by reason of such adoption, revision, or amendment to conform to the present requirements of the zoning ordinance. No action can be taken which would increase the non-conforming characteristics of the lot.

4. Nonconforming Sign: A sign that was legally erected prior to the adoption, revision, or amendment of this zoning ordinance but that fails by reason of such adoption, revision, or amendment to conform to the present requirements of the zoning ordinance.

5. Nonconforming Structure: A structure which was lawful prior to the adoption, revision, or amendment of this zoning ordinance but that fails by reason of such adoption, revision, or amendment to conform to the present requirements of the zoning ordinance. No action can be taken which would increase the non-conforming characteristics of the structure.

6. Nonconforming Use: A land use which was lawful prior to the adoption, revision, or amendment of this zoning ordinance but that fails by reason of such adoption, revision, or amendment to conform to the present requirements of the zoning ordinance. No action can be taken which would increase the non-conforming characteristics of the land use.

7. Nuisance: An unreasonable and continuous invasion of the use and enjoyment of a property right which a reasonable person would find annoying, unpleasant, obnoxious, or offensive.

### 11.218 O

1. Open Space: Area included on any site or lot that is open and unobstructed to the sky, except for allowed projections of cornices, overhangs, porches, balconies, or plant materials.

2. Outdoor Storage: The storage of materials, parts, or products that are related to the primary use of a site for a period exceeding three days.

3. Overlay District: A district established by this Ordinance to prescribe special regulations to be applied to a site only in combination with a base district.

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4. Owner: An individual, firm, association, syndicate, partnership, or corporation having sufficient proprietary interest to seek development of land.

### 11.219 P

1. Parking Facility: An area on a lot and/or within a building, including one or more parking spaces, along with provision for access circulation, maneuvering, and landscaping, meeting the requirements of this Zoning Ordinance. Parking facilities include parking lots, private garages, and parking structures. Vehicle storage is distinct from parking, and is regulated by provisions in Sections 307b, 308, 309j, Table 4-2. Vehicle storage is also governed by provisions of Article 9: Parking Regulations.
2. Parking Spaces: An area on a lot and/or within a building, intended for the use of temporary parking of a personal vehicle. This term is used interchangeably with "parking stall". Each parking space must have a means of access to a public street. Tandem parking stalls in single-family detached, single-family attached, and townhome residential uses shall be considered to have a means of access to a public street.
3. Paved: Permanently surfaced with poured concrete, concrete pavers, brick or other masonry material, asphalt, or asphaltic concrete.
4. Permanent Foundation: An exterior wall and necessary structure designed to support any building or structure for the useful life of such structure. The exterior wall of a permanent foundation shall conform to the requirements of the Uniform Building Code.
5. Permitted Use: A land use type allowed as a matter of right in a zoning district, subject only to special requirements of this Zoning Ordinance.
6. Planning Commission: The Planning Commission of the City of Waverly.
7. Planned Unit Development: A development of land which is under unified control and is planned and developed as a whole in a single development operation or programmed series of development stages. The development may include streets, circulation ways, utilities, buildings, open spaces, and other site features and improvements.
8. Porch, Unenclosed: A roofed or unroofed open structure projecting from an exterior wall of a building and having no enclosed features more than thirty inches above its floor other than wire screening and a roof with supporting structure.
9. Portable Storage Unit: Any container designed for the storage of personal property which is typically rented to owners or occupants of residential (single family or multi-family) property for their temporary use and which is delivered and removed by truck. *(Established by Ord. 08-10,8-4-08)*
10. Premises: A lot, parcel, tract or plot of land, contiguous and under common ownership or control, together with the buildings and structure thereon.
11. Private Garage: A building for the storage of motor vehicles where no repair service facilities are maintained and where no motor vehicles are kept for rental or sale.
12. Property Line: See "Lot Line."

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### 11.221 R

1. Recreational Vehicle: A vehicle towed or self propelled on its own chassis or attached to the chassis of another vehicle and designed or used for temporary dwelling, recreational, or sporting purposes. Recreational vehicles include, but are not limited to, travel trailers; campers; motor coach homes; converted buses and trucks, boats, and boat trailers.
2. Regulation: A specific requirement set forth by this Zoning Ordinance which must be followed.
3. Remote Parking: A supply of off-street parking at a location not on the site of a given development.
4. Roll-off unit: A metal storage receptacle used primarily for the temporary storage or deposit or waste materials, including debris, trash, or construction renovation or demolition waste, and which is transportable such as to be delivered by, rolled off of and picked up by a carrying vehicle that allows for the removal of its contents to a dump site. (*Established by Ord. 08-10,8-4-08*)

### 11.222 S

1. Screening: The method by which a view of one site from another adjacent site is shielded, concealed, or hidden. Screening techniques include fences, walls, hedges, berms, or other features as may be permitted by the landscape provisions of this ordinance.
2. Setback: The distance, as required by the minimum setback(s) which establishes the horizontal component(s) of the building envelope.
3. Sign: A symbolic, visual device fixed upon a building, vehicle, structure, or parcel of land, which is intended to convey information about a product, business, activity, place, person, institution, candidate, or political idea.
4. Site: The parcel of land to be developed or built upon. A site may encompass a single lot; or a group of lots developed as a common development under the special and overlay districts provisions of this ordinance.
5. Site Plan: A plan, prepared to scale, showing accurately and with complete dimensioning, the boundaries of a site and the location of all buildings, structures, uses, and principal site development features proposed for a specific parcel of land; and any other information that may be reasonably requested by the City in order that an informed decision can be made on the associated request.
6. Special Use Permit: The special permit provides permission under specific conditions to authorize special uses of land in a zoning district as stipulated under permitted special uses in each of the district zoning regulations. Special exception uses are allowed in a zoning district only at the discretion of and with the explicit approval of the Planning Commission. The procedure to obtain a Special Use Permit is further detailed in Section 11.1203 of this Ordinance. (*Amended by Ord 13-11; 9-17-13*)
7. State: The State of Nebraska.
8. Story: The portion of a building included between the surface of any floor and the surface of the next floor above it; if there is no floor above it, the space between such floor and the next ceiling above it. A half story is a story under a sloped roof, the wall heights of which on at least two opposite, exterior walls are less than four feet.

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9. Street: A right of way, dedicated to public use, which affords a primary means of access to the abutting property. This definition is intended to be inclusive of the term as defined in Nebraska State Statute.
10. Collector Street: A street connecting neighborhoods within the same communities, designed to carry traffic from local to arterial streets.
11. Street, Intersecting and Principal: In regard to a site, the principal street shall be the street to which the majority of lots on a blockface are oriented; the intersecting street shall be a street other than a principal street.
12. Street, Local: A street which is used primarily for access to the abutting properties.
13. Street, Major: A street carrying traffic between neighborhoods, connecting neighborhoods with major activity centers, or accommodating major through traffic. Major streets are designated as collectors, arterials, or expressways by the Comprehensive Development Plan.
14. Structure: Any object constructed or built and attached or anchored permanently or semi-permanently to the ground in such a way as to prevent routine movement.

### 11.223 T

1. Townhouse: A dwelling unit having a common wall with or abutting one or more adjacent dwelling units in a townhouse structure, with its own front and rear access to the outside, and neither above nor below any other dwelling unit.
2. Townhouse Structure: A building formed by at least two and not more than four contiguous townhouses with common or abutting walls.

### 11.224 U

1. Use: The conduct of an activity, or the performance of a function or operation, on a site or in a building or facility.
2. Utilities: Installations, either above or below ground, necessary for the production, generation, transmission, delivery, collection, treatments, or storage of water, solid or fluid wastes, storm water, energy media, gas, electronic or electromagnetic signals, or other services which are precedent to development and use of land.

### 11.225 V

### 11.226 W

### 11.227 X

### 11.228 Y

1. Yard; Required: That portion of a lot which lies between a lot line and the corresponding building setback line or the required landscape area. This area shall be unoccupied and unobstructed from the ground upward except as may be specifically provided for or required by this ordinance.

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(a) Front Yard: The space extending the full width of a lot, lying between the front lot line and the front setback line. For a corner lot, the front yard shall normally be defined as that yard along a street which meets one of the following two criteria:

- 1) The yard along the block face to which a greater number of structures are oriented; or
- 2) The yard along a street that has the smaller horizontal dimension.

(b) Rear Yard: The space extending the full width of a lot, lying between the rear lot line and the rear setback line.

(c) Side Yard: The space extending the depth of a lot from the front to rear lot lines, lying between the side yard setback line and the interior lot line.

(d) Street Side Yard: On a corner lot, the space extending from the front yard to the rear yard, between the street side yard setback line and the street side lot line.

### 11.229 Z

1. Zoning Administrator: The designee of the City Council responsible for the interpretation, administration, and enforcement of the Waverly Zoning Ordinance.
2. Zoning District: A designated specified land classification, within which all sites are subject to a unified group of use and site development regulations set forth in this Zoning Ordinance.