

Residential District Comparison Table

WHAT'S THIS?

The following table offers a comparison of the proposed residential neighborhood districts against those of the current Zoning Ordinance. It is important to note that while the current districts were used as a base for crafting the new Residential Neighborhood (RN) Districts, the mapping of these districts may not be a direct conversion from the origin district to the new district. Existing development patterns will be taken into account when evaluating where the RN Districts should be zoned.

| Proposed Residential Neighborhood (RN) District | Proposed Allowed Dwelling Types | District of Origin (Current Zoning) | District of Origin Allowed Dwelling Types (Current Zoning) | Notes |
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| EN 22,000sf Min. | Permitted Use • Single-Family | EN-1 EN-2 | 2.1.4.D (Table) Permitted Uses • Houses (Single-Family) Uses and Structures Permitted on Review • Duplexes - provided the duplex is located on a lot with two street frontages and each primary entrance faces a different street | This district combined the current EN-1 and EN-2 Districts as its origin, and incorporates current district standards for compatibility of new homes with the existing neighborhood character. The use permissions are more restrictive in the draft, as two-family homes are prohibited. |
| RN-1 Single-Family: 10,000sf Min. Two-Family: 15,000sf Min. | Permitted Use Single-Family Special Use Two-Family | R-1 R-1E | R-1 2.1.1.B Permitted Uses • Houses (Single-Family) 2.1.1.C Uses and Structures Permitted on Review • Duplexes R-1E 2.1.3.B Permitted Uses • Houses (Single-Family) | The current R-1 District allows for two-family homes as use on review. To be noted, the R-1E does not allow them. In the Draft, these two districts were used as a base for the RN-1 as they were substantially similar in regulations, with the exception of two-family permissions. |
| RN-2 Single-Family: 5,000sf Min. Two-Family: 10,000sf Min. | Permitted Use • Single-Family Special Use • Two-Family | R-1A | 2.1.2.B Permitted Uses Houses (Single-Family) Duplexes 2.1.2.C Uses and Structures Permitted on Review Multi-dwelling structure or development | The proposed district is actually more restrictive than the current R-1A: • - Two-family homes have become a special use, rather than permitted by-right. • - Multi-family homes have been prohibited. |
| RN-3 Single-Family: 5,000sf Min. Two-Family: 7,000sf Min. Townhouse: 12,000sf for 3 units. 3,000sf for each additional unit. | Permitted Use Single-Family Two-Family Special Use Townhouse | New | | This new district is proposed for existing neighborhoods that have a mix of singlefamily and two-family dwellings. Townhouse dwellings have been allowed by special use. |

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| RN-4 Single-Family: 5,000sf Min. Two-Family: 7,000sf Min. Townhouse: 3,000sf per unit. Multi-Family (up to 6): 2,000sf per unit | Permitted Use Single-Family Two-Family Townhouse Multi-Family | New | | This new district has been created to specifically address the issue of the "missing middle." This is intended to broaden the availability of different housing types that fall between single-family neighborhoods and high-density development (e.g., the "middle"). Standards control where multi-family development can occur and how it maintains compatibility with adjacent single-family residential. |
| RN-5 Single-Family + Two-Family: 6,000sf Min. Townhouse: 3,000sf per unit. Multi-Family: 7,500sf for 3 units, 1,500sf for each additional unit. | Permitted Use Single-Family Two-Family Townhouse Multi-Family | R-2 R-4 | R-2 2.1.6.B Permitted Uses • Houses (Single-Family) • Duplexes • Multi-dwelling structure R-4 2.1.8.B Permitted Uses • Houses (Single-Family) • Duplexes • Multi-dwelling structure | The current R-2 and R-4 Districts are currently identified as medium density areas of the City. This is also the intent of the proposed RN-5 District. They have been consolidated because the intent of both is similar and very little area within Knoxville has been mapped the R-4 District to date. |
| RN-6 Single-Family + Two-Family: 5,000sf Min. Townhouse: 2,000sf per unit. Multi-Family: 5,000sf for 2 units, 700sf for each additional unit. | Permitted Use Single-Family Two-Family Townhouse Multi-Family | R-3 | 2.1.7.B Permitted Uses • Houses (Single-Family) • Duplexes • High density multi-dwelling structure | The proposed RN-6 District is a refinement of the current R-3 District, which is intended for high density neighborhoods that can contain a mix of housing types. |
| RN-7 Townhouse: 2,000sf per unit. Multi-Family: 700sf per unit. | Permitted Use Townhouse Multi-Family | New | | This new district was created to reserve areas for the highest density of residential development. Therefore, less dense housing types are not permitted. |