

Petroleum Bulk Plant

An establishment for the storage of petroleum products in bulk and for distribution.

Pets (ordinary household)

Small domesticated animals customarily kept on the premises, either outside or inside a residence, accessory building, or specially made structure.

Planned Unit Development

A tract of land developed under single ownership or management as a separate neighborhood or community unit. The development shall be based on an approved site plan which allows flexibility of design not available under normal zoning district requirements. The plan may contain a mixture of housing types, common open space and other land uses. See Article XXIII.

Planning Commission

The Township Planning Commission organized under the Michigan Township Planning Act, Michigan Public Act 1959, No. 168, MCLA 125.21 et seq, organized for the purposes therein.

Platted

Land surveyed and divided into separately recorded parcels either under the Subdivision Control Act (if five or more parcels within 10 years) or as four (4) or less parcels.

Pool, Commercial Swimming

An artificially constructed basin for holding water for use by paying customers or patrons of a commercial facility.

Pool, Private Swimming

An artificially constructed basin for holding water for private family use on a residential lot.

Premises

A lot of record and the buildings and structures located on the lot.

Principle Use

The designation given to a legally defined parcel of land and based upon the primary activity occurring on such parcel.

Private Hunting Camps

An area designed and operated by a person, persons or business for the purpose of farming, hunting, chasing and pursuing game for a fee. (Amended Ord. #2005-1 on 09-12-05)

Private Road

An improved right-of-way of a minimum width of sixty-six (66) feet on private property owned and maintained by one or more contiguous property owners or property owner associations.

Processing

Any operation changing the nature of material or materials such as the chemical composition or physical qualities. Does not include operations described as fabrication.

Public Utility

A person, firm, or corporation, municipal department, board or commission duly authorized to provide and providing, under federal, state or municipal regulations to the general public any of the following: water, gas, steam, electricity, telephone, telegraphy, waste disposal, communication, or transportation.

Radio Antenna

A signal transmitting device, the purpose of which is to transit radio signals.

Recreation Unit - includes:

- a) Travel trailer - a vehicular structure mounted on wheels, of such a size or weight as not to require special highway movement permits when drawn by vehicle; primarily designed and constructed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, travel use.
- b) Camping trailer - a vehicular structure mounted on wheels and constructed with collapsible partial side walls of fabric, plastic or other pliable material which fold for towing by another vehicle and unfold at the campsite to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or travel use.
- c) Motor home - a vehicular structure built on a self-propelled motor vehicle chassis, primarily designed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or travel use.
- d) Truck camper - a portable structure designed to be loaded on to or affixed to, the bed or chassis of a truck, constructed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping or travel use.
 - (1) Slide-in-camper - a portable structure designed to be loaded onto, and unloaded from, the bed of a pickup truck, constructed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping or travel use.
 - (2) Chassis-mount camper - a portable structure designed to be affixed to a truck chassis and constructed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or travel use.

Resort

A parcel of land which may contain cabins and/or rooms with or without kitchen facilities, used primarily for vacation and/or recreational activity, and which may or may not contain a small commercial grocery, sporting goods, gasoline service outlet.

Restaurant (Conventional)

A business located in a building where, in consideration of the payment of money, meals are habitually prepared, sold and served to persons for consumption on or off the premises, having

suitable kitchen facilities connected therewith, containing conveniences for cooking and assortment of goods which may be required for ordinary meals, and deriving the major portion of its receipts from the sale of food and complying with state and federal health regulations.

Restaurant (Fast Food)

An establishment whose principal business is the sale of food and/or beverages in a ready-to-consume state, for the consumption:

- a) Within the restaurant building;
- b) Within a motor vehicle parked on the premises; or
- c) Off the premises as carry-out orders, and whose principal method of operation includes the following characteristics; food and/or beverages are usually served in edible containers or in paper, plastic or other disposal containers.

Riding Academy or Stable

Any establishment where horses are kept for riding, driving, or stabling for compensation or incidental to the operation of any club, association, ranch, similar establishment or business.

Right-of-Way Line

The boundary of a dedicated street or highway.

Roadside Stand

A structure temporarily operated for the purpose of selling produce primarily raised or produced on the premises where situated, and its use shall not make a commercial district, nor shall its use be deemed a commercial activity.

Room

For the purpose of determining lot area requirements and density in a multiple-family district, a room is a living room, dining room or bedroom, equal to at least eighty (80) square feet in area. A room shall not include the area in kitchen, sanitary facilities, utility provisions, corridors, hallways and storage. Plans presented showing 1, 2 or 3 bedroom units and including a "den," "library," or other extra room shall count such extra room as a bedroom for the purpose of computing density.

Rooming House

A building, or part of a building, other than a hotel, motel, or motor court, where sleeping facilities are provided and meals may be served regularly for remuneration.

Rotor This term is related to Wind Energy Systems, see definition in Section 1.0340.2 of this Ordinance.

Rotor Diameter This term is related to Wind Energy Systems, see definition in Section 1.0340.2 of this Ordinance

Sand and Gravel Extraction

A business operation whose activity includes the commercial mining and removal of sand and/or gravel from one or more sites.

A structure providing enclosure, such as a fence, and a visual barrier between the area enclosed and the adjacent property. A screen may also be nonstructured, consisting of shrubs or other growing materials.

Scada Tower This term is related to Wind Energy Systems, see definition in Section 1.0340.2 of this Ordinance.

School

Any building or part thereof which is designed or used for education or instruction in a branch of knowledge.

School, Charter

A publicly funded school formed under P.A. 362 of 1993 and able to be chartered by groups other than the state. A charter school is exempt from public school district administration and the Michigan Teachers Tenure Act. While a charter school may design its own innovative educational programs, it must employ certified teachers and meet Michigan's requirements for hours and days of instruction. A charter school must also comply with federal constitutional provisions regarding direct or indirect public aid to nonpublic schools.

School, Elementary

Any school licensed by the state and which meets the state requirements of elementary education.

School, Parochial

A school supported and controlled by a church or religious organization.

School, Private

Any building or group of buildings the use of which meets the state requirements for primary, secondary, or higher education and which does not secure a major part of its funding from any governmental agency.

School, Secondary

Any school licensed by the state and which is authorized to award diplomas for secondary education.

Seasonal Business

A retail business or service business that is not normally used as a business for more than eight (8) months or less during any one calendar year.

Seasonal Residence

A dwelling unit not normally the permanent residence of the occupant(s) and not normally used as a dwelling unit for more than six (6) months during any calendar year.

Setback

The minimum required horizontal distance measured from the front, side or rear lot line, whichever is applicable, of a lot of record for purposes of determining the minimum amount of open space surrounding the main structure on that lot.

Shadow Flicker This term is related to Wind Energy Systems, see definition in Section 1.0340.2 of this Ordinance.

Shooting Range

A facility owned and operated for-profit or by a nonprofit association or organization for the sole purpose of target practice for rifles, handguns and legal semi-automatic weapons, and archery.

Shopping Center

Is a business or group of businesses which provides a variety of merchandise and/or services which requires a location on a major road and a large parking area to accommodate vehicular traffic. Such a center may be small neighborhood center, a discount store, or a mall, though this does not limit such use to be one or any of these.

Sign

Any device designed to inform the general public or attract the attention of persons. The following shall not be considered commercial signs for purposes of this ordinance:

- a) Signs not exceeding one (1) square foot in area and bearing only property numbers, post box numbers, names of occupants of premises.
- b) Flags and insignia of any government, except when displayed in connection with commercial promotions.
- c) Legal notices, identification, informational or directional signs erected or required by governmental bodies.
- d) Integral decorative or architectural features of buildings, except letters, trademarks, moving parts, or moving lights.
- e) Signs directing and guiding traffic and parking on private property, but bearing no advertising matter.

Sign, Off-Site

A sign relating to matter which is off the premises in question.

Sign, On-Site

A commercial sign relating in its subject matter to the premises on which it is located, or to activities, products, services, or accommodation of the immediate area.

Site Plan

A plan showing all salient features of a proposed development, so that it may be evaluated in order to determine whether it meets the provisions of this ordinance.

Special Use Permit

A permit issued after a review and hearing to a person or persons intending to undertake the operation of an activity upon land or within a structure and for those uses not specifically mentioned in this ordinance which possess unique characteristics and are found not to be injurious to the health, safety, convenience and general welfare of the Township's inhabitants and the district in which the use is to be located. Special use permits may be granted when the specified standards for those uses, as stated in this ordinance, have been met.

Stable, Commercial

Building in which any horses are kept for hire or sale.

Story

That portion of a building included between the upper surface of any floor and the upper surface of the floor immediately above, except that the top story shall be that portion of a building included between the upper surface of the uppermost floor and the ceiling or roof immediately above. A basement shall be considered a full story only if fifty (50) percent or more of the vertical distance between the basement floor and the basement ceiling is above the ground level from which the height of the building is measured.

Story, Half

An uppermost story lying between the top part of a full story and a sloping roof provided said floor area does not exceed one-half (1/2) of the full story, contains at least 160 square feet and has a minimum floor to ceiling clearance of 7 feet, 6 inches.

Street

A publicly dedicated right-of-way which affords general traffic circulation and access to abutting property, but does not include alleys.

Stripping

Any activity which removes or significantly disturbs the vegetative surface cover including clearing and grubbing operations.

Structure

Anything constructed or erected on the ground or which is attached to something located on the ground. Structures include buildings, radio and TV towers, mobile homes, sheds and permanent signs, and exclude vehicles, sidewalks and paving.

Structural Alteration

Any change in the supporting members of a building such as the bearing walls, beams or girders, or any change in the dimension or configuration of the roof or exterior walls.

Subdivision

The division of a lot, tract, or parcel of land into five (5) or more lots, tracts, or parcels of land for the purpose, whether immediate or future, of sale or building development. The meaning of the term "subdivision" shall not, however, apply to the partitioning or dividing of land into tracts or parcels of land each of which is more than ten (10) acres.