### 1.4.4. Validity

Nothing in this Chapter shall be construed as establishing regulations or restrictions which are not uniform for each class or kind of buildings, structures, or land, and for each class or kind of use in each district.

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### 1.4.5. Effect of Invalidity

If it is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction that any provision of this Chapter is invalid as applying to any particular land, building or structure by reason of such land, building or structure having been placed in an excessively restrictive district, such land, building or structure shall thereby be zoned in the next least restrictive district created by this Chapter.
(Rev. Ords. 1973 §24-33)

## Sec. 1.5. Rules of Measurement

### 1.5.1. Building Types

A. Single-Family, Detached. A building or structure that contains only one dwelling unit.
B. Two-Family, Detached. A building that contains 2 dwelling units and is either divided vertically so that units are side by side but separated by a shared wall or is divided horizontally so that one unit is above another.
C. Single-Family, Attached. A building or structure that either:

1. Contains 3 or more dwelling units, attached to one another at the ground level and each having a separate primary and secondary access at ground level; or
2. Contains 2 dwelling units and is not a two-family detached dwelling.
D. Multi-Family. A building or structure containing 3 or more dwelling units.
E. Dwelling Unit. One or more rooms forming a habitable unit for 1 family, with facilities used or intended to be used, in whole or in part, for living, sleeping, cooking, eating and sanitation.
(Ord. No. X-38, 12/02/02)

### 1.5.2. Lot

A. Lot Line. A division line between adjoining properties, including the division line between individual lots established by a plan filed in the registry of deeds, except that the line between land of the Commonwealth used as a aqueduct or land formerly an aqueduct now owned by the City and adjoining land shall not be termed a lot line.
B. Lot Area. Lot area is the horizontal area included within the rear, side and front lot lines. Lot area does not include existing or proposed right-of-way, whether dedicated or not dedicated to public use.
C. Lot Area Per Unit. The minimum lot area required for each unit on the lot.
D. Lot Coverage. The percentage of the lot area which is covered by buildings, including accessory buildings, except in the following cases:

1. The area covered by roof overhangs of up to 2 feet shall not be included in the calculation of lot coverage; and
2. The lot coverage requirements contained in Sec. 3.1.shall not apply to the erection or construction of a private garage in connection with or accessory to a building which was in existence on December 27,1922 , and designed or used as a single- or twofamily residence.

E. Lot Frontage. The required lot frontage shall be measured on the street line, except in the following cases.
3. In the case of a lot on a street, the line of which has a curve with a radius of less than 200 feet, the required lot frontage shall be measured along the setback line;
4. In the case of a lot on a street and a public footway, the required lot frontage may be measured along the public footway following approval of a special permit by the Board of Aldermen; and
5. In the case of corner lots, the frontage when measured on the street line shall run to the point of intersection of the 2 street lines.
F. Lot, Corner. A lot fronting on 2 intersecting streets which form an interior angle of 120 degrees or less; or a lot located on a bend in a street where the street bends so as to form an interior angle of 120 degrees or less; or a lot on a curve in a street or on a curve at the intersection of 2 streets where 2 lines tangent to the street line at the intersection of each side of the lot with the street line form, if prolonged towards the curve, an interior angle of 120 degrees or less. Only that part of a lot contiguous to a corner, bend or curve, and having an area not in excess of 10,000 square feet, and a maximum length on either street, except in case of a bend or curve, of not more than 150 feet, shall be deemed a corner lot. The provisions of this paragraph shall apply to a lot fronting on an open space dedicated to the public use in the same manner as to a lot fronting on a street.

