

Traditional Neighborhood Development (TND) Concept Plan Check List

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The following information is required on all TND Concept Plans.

- _____ 1. **Professional services required**
The Concept Plan submitted for approval shall be prepared (Stamp and Signed) by one or more persons in the following professions: Architecture, Landscape Architecture or Civil Engineering.

- _____ 2. **Legal description of site**
Title of the Concept Plan and legal description shall be placed in the title block.

This description shall be prepared by a land surveyor and shall be accompanied by a map showing bearings and dimensions at a suitable scale as determined by the Planning Commission Staff for reproduction, advertising and public hearing.

- _____ 3. **Public Notice Requirement for Large Scale Land Use Amendments** Each Large Scale Land Use Plan Amendment applicant shall publish a “display ad” at least ten (10) days prior to the date of the Planning Commission public hearing. This ad shall be no less than one-quarter page in the official journal of the City of Baton Rouge and Parish of East Baton Rouge. Such ad shall not be placed in that portion of the newspaper where legal notice and classified advertisements appear. The headline in such advertisement shall be in a type no smaller than 18 points. An official proof of advertising from The Advocate must be submitted to the Planning Commission Staff by the Friday prior to the Planning Commission meeting. Your application(s) will be deferred until the next Planning Commission meeting if a proof of advertisement is not received by this date. There can be no exceptions. (A sample of the public notice is available at the Office of the Planning Commission. The applicant must send the Ad to the Office of the Planning Commission for review and approval prior to submitting to the Advocate.)

- _____ 4. **Proof of Ownership**
The applicant shall present proof of the unified control of the entire area within the proposed Concept Plan and secure written consents and agreements from all property owners of record within the Concept Plan boundaries.

- _____ 5. **Existing Site conditions map**
This map or series of maps shall be drawn to a scale determined by the Planning Commission Staff and shall indicate:
 - _____ a. Title/Name of the Plan and name, address, phone, email, and fax number of developer.
 - _____ b. Name, address, phone, email, and fax numbers of the following design professional(s): Design professional(s), (Landscape architects, Engineers, Architects, Consultants).
 - _____ c. Vicinity Map
 - _____ Location of proposed site on Parish map.
 - _____ Vicinity maps may be shown on a cover sheet. Cover sheet is required for plans consisting of three (3) or more sheets.

- ___ d. Scale
 - ___ Date
 - ___ Bearings
 - ___ North arrow
 - ___ A general location quadrangle map encompassing a one (1) mile radius showing the relationship of the site to such external facilities as highways, shopping areas, and cultural complexes.
- ___ e. Boundaries of the subject property, such as the following:
 - ___ All existing streets and buildings
 - ___ Existing major streets
 - ___ Easements
 - ___ Transmission Lines
 - ___ Bridges
 - ___ Culverts and drainpipes
 - ___ Tree/Wooded Areas; generalized tree communities
 - ___ Streams
 - ___ Lakes
 - ___ Marshes
 - ___ Wetlands
 - ___ Existing contours shown at a maximum contour interval of two (2) feet
 - ___ Any unique physical features within the proposed project.
- ___ f. Existing topography (latest U.S. Department of the Interior Geological Survey seven and one half minute series reproduced to scale of other use data will be acceptable). In addition to the inundation level of Record, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Zone(s) and the FIRM Base Flood Elevation(s) shall be shown on the Concept Plan. If the site is to be subdivided and it lies at or below the record inundation level of FEMA One Hundred (100)-Year Base Flood Elevation, whichever is greater, that area shall be shaded with an approved drafting type shading pattern as determined by the Planning Commission staff. Shading by penciling will not be approved. Additionally a statement shall be lettered on the Concept Plan setting forth these facts.
- ___ g. The location and size (as appropriate) of all existing drainage, water, sewer, and other utility provisions.
- ___ h. Information about existing vegetative cover, noting generalized tree communities and environmental features as may be required by the City Parish Planning staff and general soil types as appropriate to the proposed project.
- ___ i. The location and function of all other existing public facilities, which would serve the site such as schools, parks (within a one (1) mile radius), and fire stations. Notation of this information is acceptable.
- ___ j. A recent aerial photograph to a scale of 1 inch equals 400 feet.

___ 6. **Concept Plan**

This plan shall be prepared at the same scale as the above site conditions map and shall indicate:

- ___ a. A general plan for the use of all lands within the proposed TND. Such plans shall indicate the general location function and extent of all components or units of the Concept Plan, including the following:
 - ___ Specify at least two types of areas/district within the TND
 - ___ Neighborhood Center or Town Center/Village Center
 - ___ Mixed Residential Area

- _____ Neighborhood Edge Area
- _____ Civic use
- _____ Green Space
- _____ Indicate on plans low, medium, and high density residential areas
- _____ Indicate the proposed density for each category
- _____ Indicate office, commercial and industrial uses (indicate proposed intensity (square footage per acre) of all nonresidential uses)
- _____ Indicate Common open space provisions such as squares, plazas, preserves, greenbelts, golf courses, parks, passive or scenic areas; community recreation or leisure time facilities; and areas for such public or quasi-public institutional uses such as public facilities.
- _____ b. A separate sketch plan for pedestrians and vehicular circulation showing the general locations and rights-of-way widths and the general design capacity of the system as well as access points to the major thoroughfare systems.
- _____ c. Thoroughfares and utilities in TND Districts shall connect to existing thoroughfares and utilities, or dead-end as stubs intended for connection to future thoroughfares, unless otherwise prohibited by topography, environmental constraints or other considerations.
- _____ d. Each area within a TND District shall identify permitted land uses within the TND by reference to other zoning districts available with the Unified Development Code. Areas which are proposed for the sale or consumption of alcohol shall be indicated on the plans and must be approved for an alcohol license by the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board.
- _____ e. All residents shall be within approximately ¼ mile distance from existing or proposed commercial, civic and open space areas.
- _____ f. Single-family detached dwellings shall account for at least fifty (50%) percent of the total number of residential units within the TND District. Two-family units, Townhomes and Multi-family Units shall comprise less than fifty (50%) percent of units within the TND District.
- _____ In areas devoted to mixed residential uses:
 - _____ The number of single-family attached and detached units permitted shall be 5-8 dwelling units per net acre.
 - _____ The number of multi-family units shall be 8-40 dwelling units per net acre.
 - _____ The number of secondary dwelling units shall not be comprised of more than 20% of the total number of single-family attached and detached units.
- _____ In mixed-use areas:
 - _____ The number of single-family attached and detached units shall allow 5-8 dwelling units per net acre plus an additional number of units not to exceed ten (10%) percent.
 - _____ The number of multi-family dwelling units shall be 8-40 dwelling units per net acre plus an additional number of units not to exceed ten (10) dwelling units or ten (10%) percent whichever is greater.

- _____ The total ground floor area of non-residential development uses, including off-street parking areas, shall not exceed twenty-five (25%) of the TND.
- _____ g. Common Open Space Requirements
 - _____ A minimum of 20% of the gross acreage of the TND must be Common Open Space
 - _____ 90% of lots within areas devoted to mixed residential uses shall be within approximately ¼ mile of common open space
 - _____ 25% of common open space should be dedicate as parkland
- _____ h. Indicate all phases of the proposed TND on the plans

_____ 7. **General Description**

- _____ a. A general description of the proposed TND shall include the following:
 - _____ The total acreage involved in the project
 - _____ The number of acres devoted to the various categories of land use shown on the Concept Plan, including the number of acres of common open space needed to support the project along with the percentage of total acreage represented by each category of use and component of development plus an itemized list of uses proposed for each of the components which shall be the range of uses permitted for that section of the TND. This may be satisfied by a reference to all authorized uses within an existing zoning classification.
 - _____ Number of office/commercial buildings
 - _____ The total number of residential units proposed for the project
 - _____ Density (residential units)
 - _____ The total square footage of office/commercial/industrial buildings proposed for the project
 - _____ Submit drawings or renderings indicating the general architectural themes, appearances and representative building types.
- _____ b. A statement indicating whether streets or roads (and pedestrian ways as appropriate) are proposed for public ownership and maintenance and whether approval is sought as part of the Concept Plan for private roads, if any, within the TND.
- _____ c. A statement indicating what proposed arrangements are made with the appropriate agencies for the provision of needed utilities to and within the TND, including, if appropriate, water supply, treatment and distribution where on site treatment is proposed; storm drainage collection and disposal; electric power; gas, sewage collection, treatment and disposal where on-site treatment is proposed: and communications (telephone, cable television).
- _____ d. A statement indicating how the proposed TND complies with the Master Plan and its components and the goals and policies for development of East Baton Rouge Parish.
- _____ e. A statement indicating the sequencing and time schedule of construction.
- _____ f. **Notes:** (shall be placed on the plans)
 - _____ Conditions, covenants, and restrictions for all the property within a TND District shall be filed in the Parish records by the Owner before a Lot is sold and/or a Building permit is issued.

- _____ In addition to other terms and conditions acceptable to the applicant, the conditions, covenants, and restrictions must create one (1) or more property owners Association with mandatory membership for each property Owner, governed by Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, which shall:
 - _____ be organized by the applicant and operated with a financial subsidy from the applicant before the sale of any lots within the TND.
 - _____ provide for the conditions and timing of transferring control of the Association from the applicant to the property Owners.
 - _____ be responsible for maintenance of insurance and taxes on all Common Open Space, enforceable by liens placed on the Association by the Parish, as provided in the Association Bylaws.
 - _____ at all times, cause all Owners to have Access to the Common Open Space within the TND.
 - _____ establish architectural standards that are in conformity with the requirements of this ordinance which shall be subject to review and approval by the Board of Directors of the Association or the Architectural Control Committee, as described below
 - _____ create an Architectural Control Committee to review development for compliance with the design standards to issue certificates of approval and to review and approve the development's architect, designer, and/or other professionals contributing to the development
 - _____ provide for the ownership, development, management and maintenance of private open space (except plazas owned by individual property owners) community parking facilities, community meeting hall, and other common areas
 - _____ provide for a maintenance program for all property within the TND, including landscaping and trees within the streetscape
 - _____ require the collection of assessments from members in an amount sufficient to pay for its functions
 - _____ be effective for a term of not less than fifty (50) years
- 3. **Disabled Accessibility.** Sidewalks shall comply with the applicable requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

- _____ 8. **Studies Required**
 - _____ a. The applicant shall meet with the Department of Public Works to determine the factors affecting traffic generated from the proposed Concept Plan. The applicant is encouraged where acceptable, but not required, to submit one or more companion proposals for a pedestrian system, transit system, or other alternative for the movement of persons by means other than privately owned automobiles. Applicant must have a statement from the Department of Public Works confirming that the Traffic Impact requirement has been satisfied prior to being heard at the Planning Commission Meeting. Failure to have the statement prior to the Meeting will result in the items deferral/denial.

- _____ b. Stormwater Management Plan (SMP). The applicant shall provide a conceptual SMP to comply with Federal and State regulations. Three sets submitted directly to the Planning Commission Office. All sets shall be stamped by the Planning Commission Office. [Section 15.13]
 - _____ c. Drainage Impact Analyses. The applicant should conceptually indicate on a map the methods proposed for handling offsite discharge of storm water. Three sets submitted directly to the Planning Commission Office. All sets shall be stamped by the Planning Commission Office. [Section 15.15]
 - _____ d. Water Quality Impact Study (WQIS) The applicant should conceptually show that BMP's are taken so that the water quality of the surrounding area is not impaired because of the development. Three sets submitted directly to the Planning Commission Office. All sets shall be stamped by the Planning Commission Office. [Section 15.17]
- _____ 9. **Applicant shall hold a Public Workshop for residents of the area in which the project is proposed to be located.**
 - _____ 10. **Pre-Application Conference** completed
 - _____ 11. Prints at time of application
 - _____ a. One (1) full size print of required plans
 - _____ b. One (1) reduced size print of required plans – 11 x 17
 - _____ 12. A-22-A Application for TND Concept Plan
 - _____ 13. Application Fees for TND Concept Plan Approval
 - _____ 14. Prints with PC comments addressed for SRC submittal
 - One (1) full size print of required plans
 - One (1) reduced size print of required plans – 11 x 17
 - Electronic PDF submittal (CD Rom or email) of required plans
 - _____ 15. Prints with SRC comments addressed
 - One (1) full size print of required plans
 - (27) reduced size prints of required plans- 11 x 17
 - _____ 16. Prints after approval
 - Four (4) Full size sets; One (1) reduced size print of required plans – 11 x 17