SECTION 215

RM-8

MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (As amended by Ordinance Nos. O05-04-06, O06-12-28, O09-10-19, O11-09-08, O12-08-17, O15-12-33, O17-04-05, O17-06-12, O17-11-20, and O19-11-16)

SECTION 215.1 GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The RM-8 District is intended to provide a moderate-density multi-family, two-family, and single-family residential environment in areas where public sewer is available.

SECTION 215.2 PERMITTED PRINCIPAL USES AND STRUCTURES

- 215.2A Single-family dwellings
- 215.2B Two-family dwellings
- 215.2C Multi-family dwellings meeting the requirements of Section 206.11 of this Zoning Code
- 215.2D Efficiency apartments
- 215.2E Accessory uses and structures including noncommercial greenhouses and plant nurseries, unattached private garages and carports, tool houses and garden sheds, children's play areas and play equipment, swimming pools (subject to the conditions of Section 206.25 of this Zoning Code), gazebos, and the like when meeting the following conditions:
 - 1. Shall be customarily and clearly incidental and subordinate to permitted principal uses and structures.
 - 2. Shall be located on the same lot as the permitted principal use or structure, or on a contiguous lot in the same ownership.
 - 3. Shall comply with all applicable requirements of Section 204.8 of this Zoning Code.
- 215.2F Public parks and public recreational facilities
- 215.2G Home occupations meeting the provisions of Section 206.1 of this Zoning Code
- 215.2H Churches and similar places of worship meeting the provisions of Section 206.4 of this Zoning Code
- 215.2I Temporary structures and operations subject to the provisions of Section 204.10 of this Zoning Code

- 215.2J (As amended by Ordinance No. O17-04-05 and O19-11-16) Hospice Residence Home/Assisted Living Facility meeting the following conditions:
 - 1. Minimum lot area of 40,000 square feet shall be provided for such facility
 - 2. Maximum of twelve (12) residents shall reside at the facility
 - 3. Minimum of one (1) off-street parking spaces per resident and employee shall be provided at the facility
 - 4. Site plan and floor plan shall be submitted to and approved by the Planning Department
 - 5. Type 2 Screen/Buffer Yards as specified in section 208 of this Zoning Code shall be provided along all property lines abutting property zoned or used for single or two-family residential purposes
 - 6. All requirements of the State of Tennessee that pertain to the use and operation of the facility shall be met
- 215.2K Wireless communication towers and antenna arrays when located within the property boundaries of a legal nonconforming auto salvage yard and subject to compliance with the provisions of Section 206.17 of this Zoning Code (As amended by Ordinance No. O15-12-33)
- 215.2L Bed and breakfast homes and short term rental properties subject to the provisions of Section 206.26 of this Zoning Code (As amended by Ordinance No. O17-11-20)

SECTION 215.3 USES PERMITTED ON REVIEW (as amended by Ordinance No. O09-10-19)

The following uses are permitted upon approval by the Planning Commission of a subdivision plat submitted in accordance with the Cookeville Subdivision Regulations:

- 215.3A Golf courses, swimming pools, tennis courts and clubhouses associated with a residential development
- 215.3B Zero lots line single-family detached and attached dwellings
- 215.3C (As amended by Ordinance No. O17-06-12) Single-family attached dwellings (townhouses), single-family detached cluster developments, and condominiums subject to the following:
 - 1. Submittal to and approval of the Planning Commission of a site plan depicting the location of all proposed structures and improvements.
 - 2. Access to individual parcels shall be provided from internal streets or parking areas constructed to serve a particular development unless otherwise approved by the Planning Commission. Standards for access, spacing of structures and site improvements shall be as for the PRD, Planned Residential Development District as specified in Section 218 of this Zoning Code.

- 3. Minimum lot area requirements for single-family attached dwellings and single-family detached cluster developments of three (3) or more units may be calculated on the overall land area of a particular site provided a restriction is placed on the final subdivision plat prohibiting resubdivision that would reduce the overall site density.
- 4. Minimum lot width requirements for single-family attached dwellings and single-family detached cluster developments of three (3) or more units may be reduced upon the approval of the Planning Commission.
- 5. Minimum front setback requirements for single-family attached dwellings and single-family detached cluster developments of three (3) or more units may be reduced upon the approval of the Planning Commission for internal streets constructed to serve a particular development.
- 6. The Architectural Design Requirements of Section 208A of this Zoning Code shall apply to single-family attached dwellings (townhouses), single-family detached cluster developments, and condominiums.

SECTION 215.4 USES PERMITTED ON APPEAL (SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS)

(As amended by Ordinance No. O17-11-20)

After public notice and hearing and subject to appropriate conditions and safeguards, the Board of Zoning Appeals may permit, as special exceptions:

- 215.4A Childcare centers meeting the requirements of Section 206.7 of this Zoning Code
- 215.4B Public, private and parochial schools meeting the requirements of Section 206.8 of this Zoning Code
- 215.4C Boardinghouses meeting the requirements of Section 206.2 of this Zoning Code
- 215.4D Where this district adjoins a commercial or industrial district without an intervening street, but with or without an intervening alley, off-street parking lots in connection with nearby commercial or industrial uses, provided the following conditions are met:
 - 1. Such parking lots may be permitted only between the commercial or industrial district and the nearest street in the residential district
 - 2. The off-premise parking requirements of Section 205.4 of this Zoning Code shall be met
 - 3. A Type 2 Screen/Buffer Yard as specified in Section 208 of this Zoning Code shall be provided along all property lines of such lots adjoining residential districts
 - 4. No source of illumination for such lots shall be directly visible from any window in any residence in the residential district
 - 5. There shall be no movement of vehicles on such lots between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. and the Board may impose greater limitations.
 - 6. There shall be no sales or service activity on such lots
- 215.4E Cemeteries meeting the requirements of Section 206.5 of this Zoning Code

- 215.4F Funeral homes may be permitted as an accessory use to cemeteries as approved under Section 215.4F above. Said funeral home must be on the same site as the approved cemetery
- 215.4G Assisted living/residential care facilities meeting the following requirements:
 - 1. Minimum site area of five (5) acres shall be provided for such facilities
 - 2. Minimum lot area of 3,000 square feet per dwelling unit or boarding room shall be provided
 - 3. Type 2 Screen/Buffer Yard as specified in Section 208 of this Zoning Code shall be provided along all property lines abutting property zoned or used for single or two-family residential purposes
 - 4. The site shall have adequate public street access to accommodate anticipated average daily traffic flow and for the provision of emergency services

SECTION 215.5 PROHIBITED USES AND STRUCTURES.

Any use or structure not specifically permitted or permitted on appeal.

SECTION 215.6 MINIMUM LOT REQUIREMENTS (AREA AND WIDTH)

215.6A	Minimum lot area per dwelling unit				
215.6B	Lot width at right-of-way50 feet				
215.6C	Lot width at right-of-way at terminus of cul-de-sac				
215.6D	Lot width at setback line:				
	 Single-family detached and attached; zero lot-line detached and attached50 feet Two-family detached; efficiency apartments				
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215.7C Minimum depth of rear yard:

1.	Single and two-family detached; zero lot-line; single-family attached	15 feet
2.	Multi-family; efficiency apartments; condominiums	20 feet
3	Nonresidential	20 feet

215.7D Minimum interior side yard:

215.7E

1.	Single-family detached 5 feet, plus 5 feet for each story over 2 stories
2.	Two-family detached
3.	Zero lot-line detached7.5 feet, one side, plus 5 feet for each story over 2 stories
4.	Zero lot-line attached
5.	Single-family attached
6.	Condominiums
7.	Multi-family; efficiency apartments 15 feet, plus 5 feet for each story over 2 stories
8.	Nonresidential
Mi	nimum side yard on street side corner lots25 feet

SECTION 215.8 MAXIMUM LOT COVERAGE

215.8A	Residential structures, including accessory buildings	50%
215 8B	Other uses including accessory structures	30%

SECTION 215.9 MINIMUM OFF-STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS

Off-street parking shall be subject to the requirements of Section 205 of this Zoning Code.

PARKING AREAS AND DRIVEWAYS FOR ALL USES, EXCEPT SINGLE-FAMILY DETACHED USES, SHALL BE PAVED.

SECTION 215.10 ACCESS AND CURB CUTS

When making access to a public street, the provisions of Section 205.9 of this Zoning Code shall apply.

SECTION 215.11 LIMITATIONS ON SIGNS

All signs located in this District shall be subject to the requirements of Section 207 of this Zoning Code.

SECTION 215.12 EROSION AND STORM WATER MANAGEMENT

The erosion control and storm water management requirements of Sections 204.13 and 204.14 of this Zoning Code shall apply.

SECTION 215.13 LANDSCAPING, SCREENING AND BUFFER YARD REQUIREMENTS

The landscaping, screening and buffer yard requirements of Section 208 of this Zoning Code shall apply.

SECTION 215.14 SIDEWALK REQUIREMENTS

The sidewalk requirements of Section 209 of this Zoning Code shall apply.

SECTION 215.15 PLOT PLAN OR SITE PLAN REQUIREMENTS

All developments requiring building permits shall conform with the applicable plot plan requirements of Section 233.4 of this Zoning Code or site plan requirements of Section 233.5 of this Zoning Code.