THE CODE OF THE CITY of NEW BEDFORD MASSACHUSETTS

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ZONING

If any part of a story is used for living or sleeping rooms which are not lighted from the street or the rear yard, a court shall be required starting not more than two (2) rooms of thirty-five (35) feet from the main exterior walls of that story.

An inner court shall be at least one-fifth $(\frac{1}{6})$ as wide as it is high, measured from the sills of the lowest windows served by it to the average level of the tops of the enclosing walls, and shall be at least twice as long as its required width or of an equivalent area, but no court shall be less than ten (10) feet in width.

An inner court on a lot line shall have a minimum depth of at least one and one-half (1½) feet for every story above the lowest story served by it, but shall be not less than five (5) feet in depth. The width of such court shall be not less than twice its required depth or of an equivalent area which will serve the same purposes, provided that for each foot that a lot is less than sixty (60) feet wide, two (2) inches may be deducted from the minimum depth, but no court shall be less than five (5) feet deep.

An outer court shall have a minimum width twice as great as the width above prescribed for an inner court.

A cornice or belt course shall not project more than six (6) inches into any inner court,

A corner of a court or yard may be cut off between walls of the same building but the length of the wall of such cutoff shall not exceed seven (7) feet.

INDUSTRIAL "B" DISTRICTS

Sec. 9-253 Uses.

Within any industrial "B" district, as indicated on the building 4/14/66 zone map, any use otherwise lawful shall be permitted.

Sec. 9-254 Height.

No building shall be erected to a height in excess of one hundred (100) feet.

The provisions of this chapter with regard to a height shall not apply to spires, cupolas, belfries, chimneys, flag or radio poles, gasometers, grain elevators; nor to penthouses enclosing stairs or elevators, water tanks, or scenery lofts occupying an aggregate area of twenty-five (25) per cent or less of the ground area of the building; nor to towers which may occupy twenty-five (25) per cent or less of the ground area of the building, provided that such towers shall be at every point distant at least twenty-five (25) feet from any lot line and if wider than thirty (30) feet, measured parallel to the street line, shall be at least fifty (50) feet from the middle line of any street.

A building located on a corner lot may extend along the narrower street for a distance of one hundred fifty (150) feet at a height permitted on the wider street.

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behind a 6-story building; fourteen (14) feet deep behind a 5-story building; twelve (12) feet deep behind a 4-story building; ten (10) feet deep behind a 2-story or 3-story building.

Where a lot is less than one hundred (100) feet deep, one quarter (1/4) of the diminution in depth of the lot below one hundred (100) feet may be subtracted from the prescribed depth of the rear yard, provided that a rear yard shall not be less than ten (10) feet in depth except where a lot is less than sixty (60) feet deep, in which case a building, other than a first story as herein provided, shall not exceed fifty (50) feet in depth.

An open or lattice enclosed iron fire escape, a fireproof outside stairway, or an open fireproof balcony to a fire tower may project into a rear yard.

MISCELLANEOUS

Sec. 9-266 Enforcement — Permits.

It shall be the duty of the superintendent of buildings to enforce the provisions of this chapter.

No permit shall be issued for the construction, alteration, or moving of any building or part thereof unless the plans and intended use indicate that the building and the premises will conform in all respects to the provisions of this chapter.

It shall be unlawful to use or permit the use of any premises or building or part thereof hereafter constructed, altered, or moved, or the yards, courts, or other open spaces of the same which may be or are in any way reduced, until the superintendent of buildings shall have certified thereto on the building permit or in a use permit that the premises or the building or part thereof so constructed, altered or moved, the proposed use thereof, and the open spaces thereof, conform to the provisions of this chapter.

Sec. 9-267 Conformance to building code.

All applications for building permits shall conform to the provisions of the building code of the city and shall contain all information as to the use required by the provisions of this chapter.

Sec. 9-268 Pending applications for building permits.

Nothing herein contained shall require any change in the plans, construction, or designated use of a building for which a building permit has been heretofore issued, and nothing herein contained shall require any change in the plans, construction or designated use of a building for which plans are on file with the superintendent of buildings at the time of passage of this chapter and for the construction of which a permit is issued within one (1) month from the time of passage of this chapter, provided in either case that the work shall be started within three (3) months from the date of the permit and diligently prosecuted thereafter.

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