

Chapter 17.26

OS — OPEN SPACE DISTRICT

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17.26.010 Purpose.

The purpose of an OS district is to implement the comprehensive plan and to provide and preserve open space areas for use and enjoyment of the public.

Statutory Reference: ORS Ch. 197, Ch. 227

History: Ord. 1131 §2 (part), 1990.

17.26.020 Applicability.

In addition to other specific areas which may be so zoned the City Council, this district shall apply to all publicly owned park lands.

Statutory Reference: ORS Ch. 197, Ch. 227

History: Ord. 1131 §2 (part), 1990.

17.26.030 Uses allowed outright.

Land uses in an OS zoning district shall be consistent with the purpose of this chapter as well as the goals, objectives and policies of the comprehensive plan. In an OS zoning district, the following uses and their accessory uses are allowed outright:

- (1) Park and accessory structures.
- (2) Playground and accessory structures.
- (3) Picnic grounds and accessory structures.
- (4) Wildlife preserve.
- (5) Nature trail and/or bikeway.
- (6) Other similar recreational uses.

Statutory Reference: ORS Ch. 197, Ch. 227

History: Ord. 1131 §2 (part), 1990; Ord. 1323 §1 (part), 2002.

17.26.040 Conditional uses allowed.

In an OS zoning district, the following uses and their accessory uses are allowed subject to GMC Chapter 17.70 (conditional uses):

- (1) Boat ramp.
- (2) Swimming facility.
- (3) Community garden.
- (4) Ball field.
- (5) Tennis court.
- (6) Other similar recreational uses.
- (7) Public utility facilities within a Habitat Conservation Area District.”

Statutory Reference: ORS Ch. 197, Ch. 227

History: Ord. 1131 §2 (Part), 1990; Ord. 1323 §1 (part), 2002, Ord. 1431, 2011

17.26.050 Special standards.

Developments in the open space district shall comply with the following special standards:

(1) Compatibility. Open space uses shall be compatible with adjacent land uses.

(2) Preservation of Natural, Scenic and Historic Features. Trees, shrubs, wildlife and other significant natural, scenic or historic features shall be preserved and protected wherever feasible and/or practicable. Where conflicting uses are later identified which would detrimentally impact these resources, these resources shall be preserved and protected unless it can be clearly shown after analysis of the economic, social and environmental energy consequences of the conflicting uses that it is not feasible or practicable to retain these resources in their current state. Within the greenway portion of the open space district, significant trees, shrubs, wildlife habitats and other natural, scenic or historic features shall be preserved.

(3) Access and Parking. Vehicular traffic generated by open space use shall be provided with adequate access and parking facilities.

(4) Trash Receptacles. Picnic grounds shall be equipped with trash receptacles.

(5) Maintenance. Open space districts shall be maintained by the city if publicly owned, by the owner(s) if privately owned.

(6) Limitations:

(a) Bikeways and/or trails shall not cross private property without first securing an easement from the property owner;

(b) Substantial soil removal or fill (grading) shall be subject to approval by the City Council.

Statutory Reference: ORS Ch. 197, Ch. 227

History: Ord. 1131 §2 (part), 1990.