



Access to civic and public space

NPDC9 | Possible 1 point

Intent

To improve physical and mental health and social capital by providing a variety of open spaces close to work and home to facilitate social networking, civic engagement, physical activity, and time spent outdoors.

Requirements

Locate and/or design the project such that a civic or passive-use space, such as a square, park, or plaza, at least 1/6 acre (675 square meters) in area lies within a 1/4 mile (400 meters) walk distance of 90% of planned and existing dwelling units and nonresidential building entrances. Spaces less than 1 acre (0.4 hectares) must have a proportion no narrower than 1 unit of width to 4 units of length.

AND

For projects larger than 7 acres (2.8 hectares), locate and/or design the project such that the median size of civic or passive-use spaces within and/or contiguous to the project is at least 1/2 acre (0.2 hectares).