

City of Philadelphia



(Bill No. 220915)

AN ORDINANCE

Amending Chapter 14-400 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Base Zoning Districts,” and Chapter 14-600 of The Philadelphia Code, entitled “Use Regulations,” by revising provisions related to Utilities and Services and Water Treatment Facilities, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Title 14 of The Philadelphia Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

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TITLE 14. ZONING AND PLANNING

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CHAPTER 14-400. BASE ZONING DISTRICTS

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§ 14-409. SP-CIV, Civic, Educational, and Medical (Special Purpose) District

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(7) Fences.

Fences shall be permitted in the SP-CIV district, provided that any fences must be in accordance with the regulations of § 14-706 (Fencing and Walls), as though they were located within a Commercial District, except that fences surrounding *Water Treatment Facilities*, athletics fields, athletics courts, or other active recreational uses may be up to 15 ft. in height.

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CHAPTER 14-600. USE REGULATIONS

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§ 14-601. Use Categories.

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(4) Public, Civic, and Institutional Use Category.

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(n) Utilities and Services, Major.

Infrastructure services that *support a broad area, with the potential for* ~~have~~ substantial land use impacts on surrounding areas. Typical uses include but are not limited to water and wastewater treatment facilities, major water storage facilities and electric generation plants. *The following are Major Utilities and Services specific use types:*

(.1) Water Treatment Facilities.

Structures, buildings, and impoundments related to the treatment or conditioning of a water supply, affecting the physical, chemical, or bacteriological quality of water distributed or otherwise offered to the public for domestic use by a public water system.

§ 14-602. Use Tables.

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(5) Industrial Districts.

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Table 14-602-3: Uses Allowed in Industrial Districts

Previous District Name	New	L4/L5	L1/L2/L3	G1/G2	LR	PI	
District Name	IRMX [3]	ICMX	I-1	I-2	I-3	I-P	Use-Specific Standards
Y = Yes permitted as of right S = Special exception approval required N = Not allowed (expressly prohibited) Uses not listed in this table are prohibited See § 14-602(5)(a) (Notes for Table 14-602-3) for information pertaining to bracketed numbers (e.g., “[2]”) in table cells.							
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Public, Civic, and Institutional Use Category							
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Utilities and Services, Major	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	<i>§ 14-603(1)</i>
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(4) Special Purpose Districts.

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Table 14-602-4: Uses Allowed in Special Purpose Districts

Previous District Name	IDD	CED	SSD	REC-P	REC	New	New	
District Name	SP-INS	SP-ENT	SP-ST A	SP-PO-P	SP-PO-A	SP-AIR	SP-CIV	Use-Specific Standards
Y = Yes permitted as of right S = Special exception approval required N = Not allowed (expressly prohibited) Uses not listed in this table are prohibited See § 14-602(6)(a) (Notes for Table 14-602-4) for information pertaining to bracketed numbers (e.g., “[2]”) in table cells.								
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Public, Civic, and Institutional Use Category								
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Transit Station	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	
<i>Utilities and Services, Major (except as noted below)</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>N</i>	
<i>Water Treatment Facilities</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>Y</i>	<i>§ 14-603(1)</i>
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§ 14-603. Use-Specific Standards.

(1) ~~Reserved.~~ *Water Treatment Facilities.*

(a) Storage of chemicals used for treatment of drinking water, whether outside or in tanks, buildings, or other structures, is prohibited within 200 ft. of any residential district.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately.

Explanation:

Italics indicate new matter added.

~~Strikethrough~~ indicate matter deleted.

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CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Bill, Passed by the City Council on December 15, 2022. The Bill was Signed by the Mayor on January 10, 2023.



Michael A. Decker
Chief Clerk of the City Council