

1 THE TOWN OF COVENTRY
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4 **ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL**

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6 IN AMENDMENT OF THE TOWN OF COVENTRY CODE OF ORDINANCES,
7 2008 PART II – GENERAL LEGISLATION,
8 CHAPTER 255, ARTICLE IX – Supplementary Regulations
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10 **Ordinance No. 2026-18**

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12 *The Town Council of the Town of Coventry hereby ordains as follows:*

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14 **Section 1.** The Town of Coventry Code of Ordinance, Part II General Legislation is hereby
15 amended by amending the following Chapter and Sections of Article X:

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17 **Article IX, Chapter 255 — Zoning (Supplementary Regulation)**

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19 **§ 255-930 Supplemental regulations for specific land uses.**

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21 A. Gasoline service stations, automotive repair and drive-in restaurants. Gasoline stations, service
22 stations, drive-in restaurants, car washes, automotive repair shops and similar highway oriented
23 "drive-in" uses shall be designed to conform with the following requirements, in addition to other
24 applicable provisions of this chapter.

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26 (1) The minimum lot area shall be 20,000 square feet with a minimum street frontage of not less
27 than 150 feet.

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29 (2) Suitable separation shall be made between the pedestrian sidewalk and the vehicular parking
30 or moving area with the use of appropriate bumper, wheel guards, or traffic islands in accordance
31 with Article XII of this chapter. Where the portion of the property used for vehicular traffic abuts
32 a street, such portion shall be separated from the street line by a concrete curb at least six inches
33 high.

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35 (3) The entire area used for vehicle service shall be paved, except for such unpaved area as is
36 landscaped and protected from vehicle use by a low barrier.

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38 (4) The construction standards for all drive access openings (curb cuts) shall be in accordance with
39 Code § 255-1230C.

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41 (5) The distance of any driveway from any property line shall be at least 10 feet.

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43 (6) The distance between curb cuts serving the same lot or adjacent lots shall be no less than 40
44 feet.
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46 (7) The distance between a street intersection and a curb cut shall be in accordance with Code §
47 255-1230D.

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49 (8) Buffer landscaping and screening shall be done in accordance with Article XVII of this chapter.

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51 (9) No vehicles shall be stored on site for salvage or dismantling.

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53 (10) Hydraulic hoists, pits, lubricating, greasing, washing and repair equipment shall be entirely
54 enclosed within a building. Tire and battery service and automotive repair, excluding automobile
55 body repair and painting, may be carried out within the premises.

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57 (11) Fuel pumps shall not be located within 100 feet of a residential zoned property, or a property that is
58 currently being used for a residential use.

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60 (12) Fuel pumps shall not be located within 50 feet of a non-residential zoned property.

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62 (13) Fuel pumps shall not be located within 30 feet of a public or private right-of way.

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64 (14) Light shall not produce direct or indirect glare as to cause illumination in excess of 0.50 foot-candles
65 when measured from an adjacent residential zoned parcel, or a parcel that is currently being used as a
66 residential use.

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68 **Section 2.** The Town of Coventry Code of Ordinance, Part II General Legislation is hereby
69 amended by amending the following Chapter and Sections of Article VI: 140.

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71 **Article VI, Chapter 255-Zoning (Zoning District Use and Dimensional Regulations)**

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73 **§ 255-600 Zoning District Use and Dimensional Regulations.**

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75 A. The following Schedule of District Use Regulations, attached to this Chapter as Table 6-1, is
76 designed to regulate the uses in the various zoning districts in the Town. Specific uses are listed
77 for each zoning district.

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79 B. For uses not specifically listed in Table 6-1, the property owner may submit a written request
80 to the Zoning Official for an evaluation and determination of whether the proposed use is of similar
81 type, character, and intensity as a listed use.

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83 C. The following uses are permitted only in the zoning district marked with a " P." Uses
84 permitted in the zoning district as a special use permit under the provisions of Article IV of this
85 chapter are marked with an " S." Where the letter "N" appears, the uses are prohibited. Note that
86 Article XII, regarding parking, Article XVI (Development Plan Review), Article XIV (Land
87 Development Projects), and Article XVII (Landscaping), will likely apply to some residential and
88 agricultural uses, as well as most commercial and industrial uses.

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90 **[Amended _____ by Ord. No. 2026-_____]**
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Town of Coventry Schedule of District Use Regulations

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4. Retail trade: motor vehicles.

	Use	RR5	RR3	RR2	R20	VRC	VMC	GB	BP	I1	I2	Comments
01	Motor vehicle motorcycle or trailer dealers – new and used (including repairs conducted only within a building)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	P	P	N	See § 255-930B
02	Tire, battery and accessory dealers – no service (auto parts store)	N	N	N	N	P	P	P	P	P	N	
03	Gasoline service (full or self) station (minor repairs only, may be combined with convenience store)	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N P	N	N	See § 255-930A
04	Storage, repair and sales of boats	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	P	P	N	See § 255-930CC

[Table 6-1 is a separate document containing amendments]

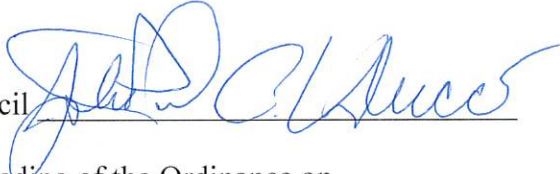
Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and final adoption.

Approved as to Form:

Town Solicitor

Date

Introduced by/Pursuant to: Council



Referred to/for: First Reading of the Ordinance on _____, 2026

Planning Commission for recommendation on _____, 2026

Public Hearing before the Town Council on _____, 2026

Passed or Denied on a vote of _____

John-Paul A. Verducci – Town Council President

Approved:

Daniel O. Parrillo – Town Manager

Certification Actions by Town Clerk:
