

Proposed text amendment to Zoning Regulations

Public Hearing March 1, 2023

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Delete **firing ranges** in definition of Recreation Facility, Commercial Outdoor

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Article 4 Supplementary Regulations Section 4.20 Commercial Outdoor Recreation

Section 4.20.3 Commercial Outdoor Recreation and Recreation Uses Special Standards (iii) and (iv)

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