

## Section 2.3 Definitions and Terms

### MINI-WAREHOUSE/SELF-STORAGE

A facility in which storage space such as rooms, lockers, and/or containers (storage units) are rented to tenants, usually on a short-term basis (month-to-month), for profit. ~~The term does not include outdoor storage outside of a permanent structure.~~ *The facility may include outdoor storage areas for boats and recreational vehicles (RVs) that are licensed and in operable condition.*

### 4.3.4 COMMERCIAL USES

#### C. Commercial Services

##### 2. *Mini-Warehouse/Self Storage*

*When located in the B-2 District or UMXZ District or when established on a lot having frontage on Market Street, Carolina Beach Road, College Road, or Castle Hayne Road, mini-warehouse/self-storage facilities shall comply with the following standards:*

- a. Except as otherwise authorized in this subsection, all property stored on the site shall be enclosed entirely within enclosed buildings.*
- b. A minimum of ten percent of the area of each building façade that faces a public or private street, a shared parking area, a pedestrianway, or designated open space shall consist of transparent windows or doors. For purposes of this requirement, portions of a façade that are screened from view at ground level from the street, parking area, pedestrianway, or open space, as applicable, shall not count toward the building façade area.*
- c. The color of building exteriors visible from ground level view from the street or from abutting properties at ground level shall be natural tones found as predominant colors in the natural environment, such as muted tones of green, brown, beige, yellow, or tan. The use of colors on a building exterior that are significantly more intense, vibrant, or bright compared to nearby properties so as to call attention to the establishment is prohibited.*
- c. The use of metal as a primary material is prohibited on perimeter or exterior walls that are visible from an arterial street or from a residential district or existing residential development.*
- d. The only commercial uses permitted on-site shall be the rental of storage space, the pickup and deposit of goods or property in dead storage, and the sale or rental of goods incidental to on-site storage (e.g., boxes, tape, and labels).*

- e. *Outdoor storage shall be limited to the storage of licensed and operational recreational vehicles and boats. Such storage shall:*
  - 1. *Be located to the rear of a principal structure;*
  - 2. *Be screened from all public rights-of-way and abutting properties by a fence or wall and vegetation that complies with the design requirements for a Combination Planted Buffer Strip and Fencing type of transitional buffer.*
  - 3. *Be limited to a specific delineated area which does not interfere with on-site vehicular circulation;*
  - 4. *Not exceed 20 percent of the buildable area of the site; and*
  - 5. *Not include any dry stacking of boats (dry stacking of boats is prohibited).*