Appendix E

Car Wash Standards
I. Car Wash Standards

(A) The following Terms shall have the meaning herein set forth unless the context of their use clearly indicates otherwise:

(1) *Car cash installation* as used herein shall mean any area or business using in-bay automatic or conveyor equipment for cleaning and washing motor vehicles, whether as a part of another business operation or as a stand-alone operation, or any type, on a commercial basis and shall include fleet and municipal in-bay automatic and conveyor car wash facilities.

(2) *Conveyor car wash installation* shall mean a system where the car moves through the facility by use of a conveyor belt or other mechanical means while being cleaned.

(3) *In-bay car wash installation* shall mean a system where the car remains stationary while a machine moves back and forth over the vehicle to clean it.

(4) *Self-service car wash installation* shall mean a system where the customer washes the car using a wand that dispenses water and cleanser.

(5) *Operator* shall mean the person, business, or municipal entity responsible for the operation of the car wash installation, whether as owner or lessee of said car wash installation, as indicated in the business license, sales tax or property records of Aurora.

(B) All in-bay automatic and conveyor car washes that obtain a certificate of occupancy or a temporary certificate of occupancy after June 1, 2023 that use water supplied by the Aurora Water system shall be required to be equipped with, and shall maintain in operation, a water recycling system that will recycle not less than 75% of the water being used by such car wash installations.

(C) Any operator of an in-bay automatic and/or conveyor car wash installation that has obtained a certificate of occupancy or a temporary certificate of occupancy prior to June 1, 2023, shall be required to install, and maintain in operation, a water recycling system that will recycle not less than 75% of the water supplied by the Aurora Water system by such car wash installation as a condition of any permit granted by the City of Aurora to:

(1) Enlarge the water tap, meter or service line in any such car wash installation, or

(2) Demolish, destroy or remove and then replace more than 50% of the gross square footage of the floor area of the car wash installation building as it exists on June 1, 2023, except for the purpose of replacing under floor heating equipment, or
(3) Expand the gross square footage of the floor area of the car wash installation building by more than 50% of the square footage of the car wash installation building as it exists on **June 1, 2023**

(D) All self-service car wash installations shall be exempt from the provisions of this specification standard.

(E) Zoning requirements. Notwithstanding the above provisions, all regulations regarding car washes specified in Chapter 146 shall apply.