

*BUILDING DESIGN FOR HOMELAND SECURITY*

# Unit VIII

## Site and Layout Design Guidance



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# Unit Objectives

**Recognize** basic land use planning, landscape, site planning review, and evaluation.

**Identify** site planning concerns that can create, reduce, or eliminate vulnerabilities and understand the concept of “Layers of Defense.”

**Compare** the pros and cons of barrier mitigation measures that increase stand-off or create controlled access zones.



# Unit Objectives

**Identify** the positive and negative aspects of mitigation approaches for entry control and vehicle access, signage, parking, loading docks, lighting, and site utilities.

**Explain** the basic concepts of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) and its applicability to building security against terrorism.

**Apply** these concepts to an existing site or building and identify mitigation measures needed to reduce vulnerabilities.



# Layout and Site Design

Layout Design

Siting

Entry Control and Vehicle Access

Signage

Parking

Loading Docks

Physical Security Lighting

Site Utilities

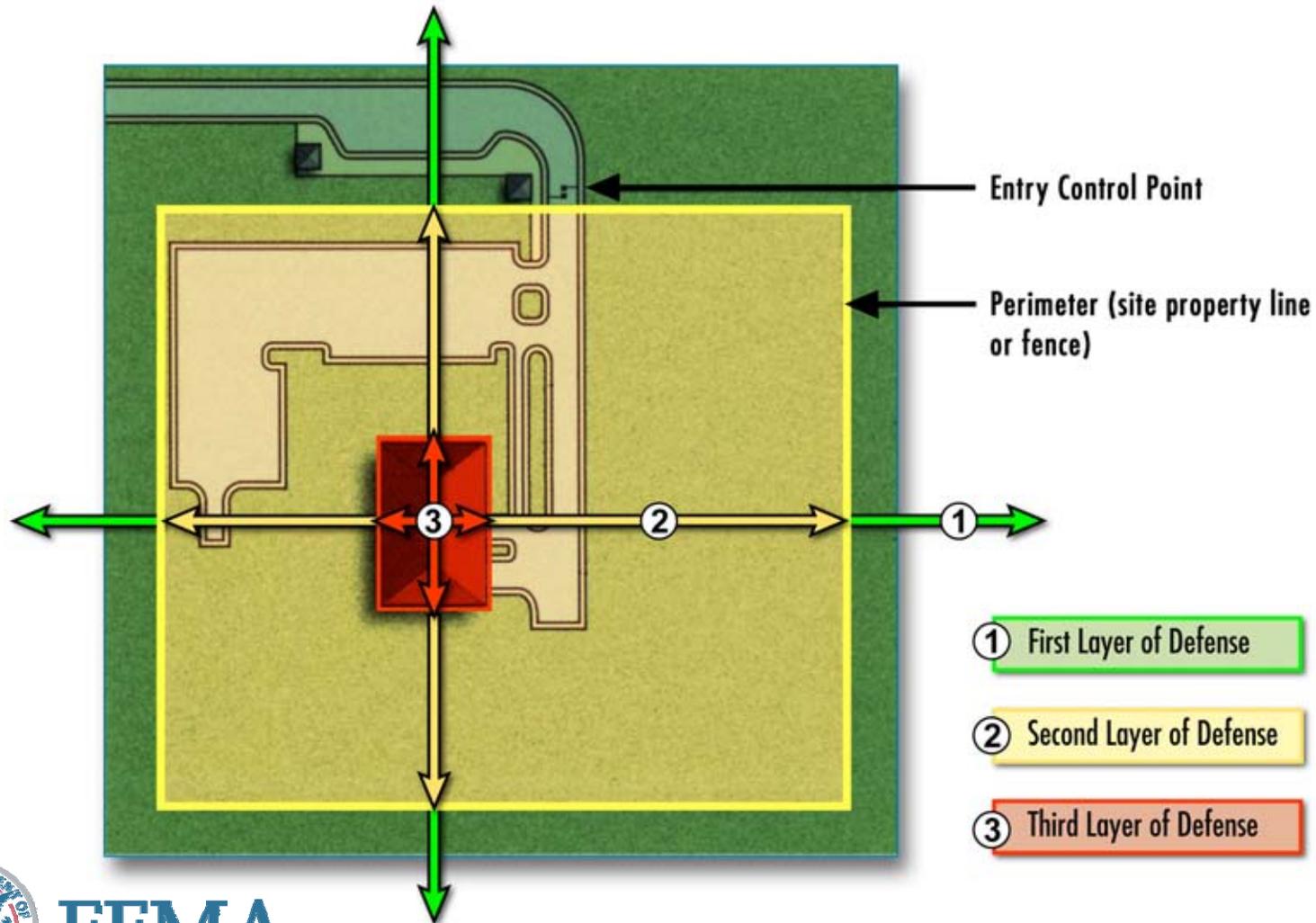
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Vulnerability Assessment  
Checklist, Chapter 1,  
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Site and Layout Design  
Guidance, Chapter 2,  
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# Layers of Defense

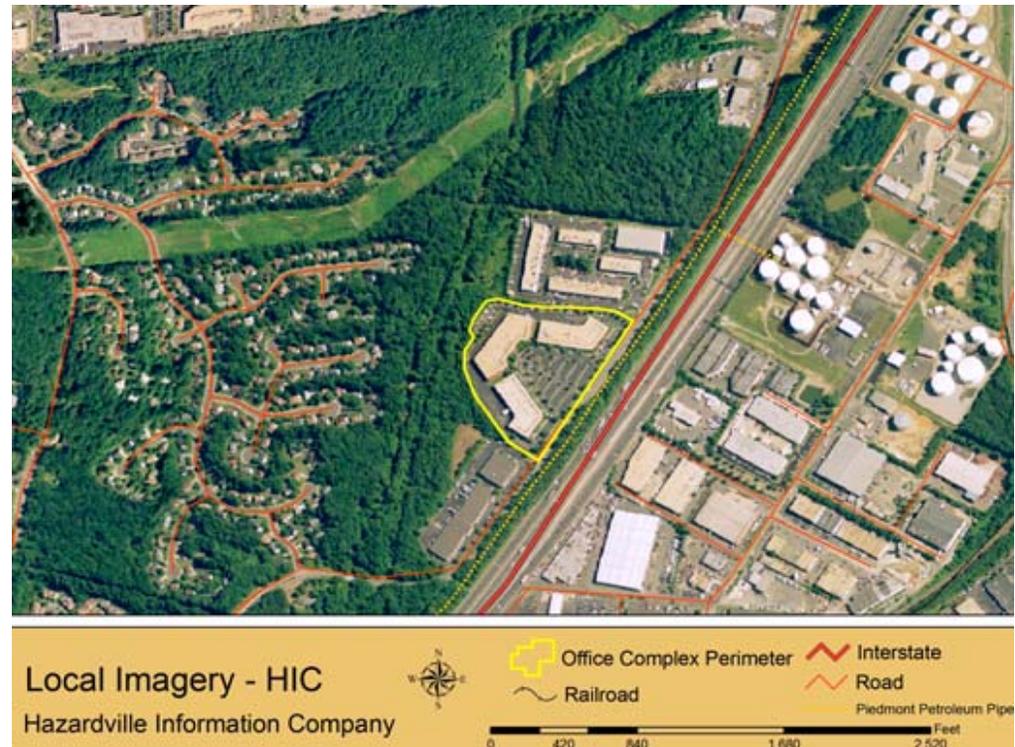


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# Identify Adjacent Hazards

## First Layer of Defense

*Note the large fuel storage and distribution facility in the vicinity of the office building being assessed.*

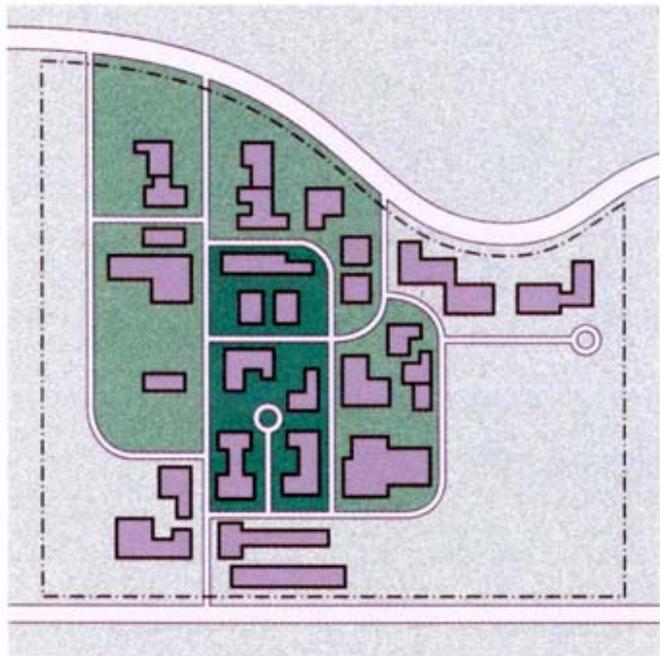


**Figure 2-1: Example of Using GIS to Identify Adjacent Hazards, page 2-5**

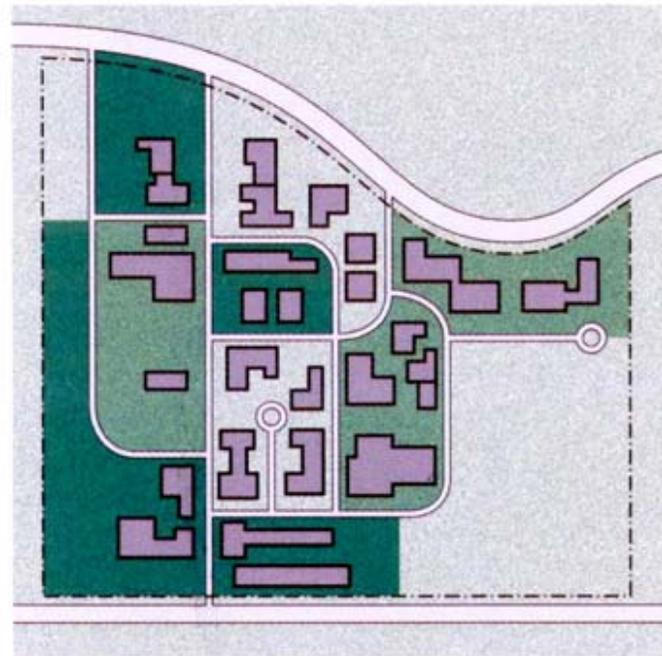


# Layout Design

## First Layer of Defense



Clustered facilities



Dispersed facilities



Figure 2-2: Clustered versus dispersed, page 2-8

# Layout Design

## First Layer of Defense

Orientation has a significant impact on making the building visible to aggressors.

Enhance surveillance opportunities while minimizing views into the building.

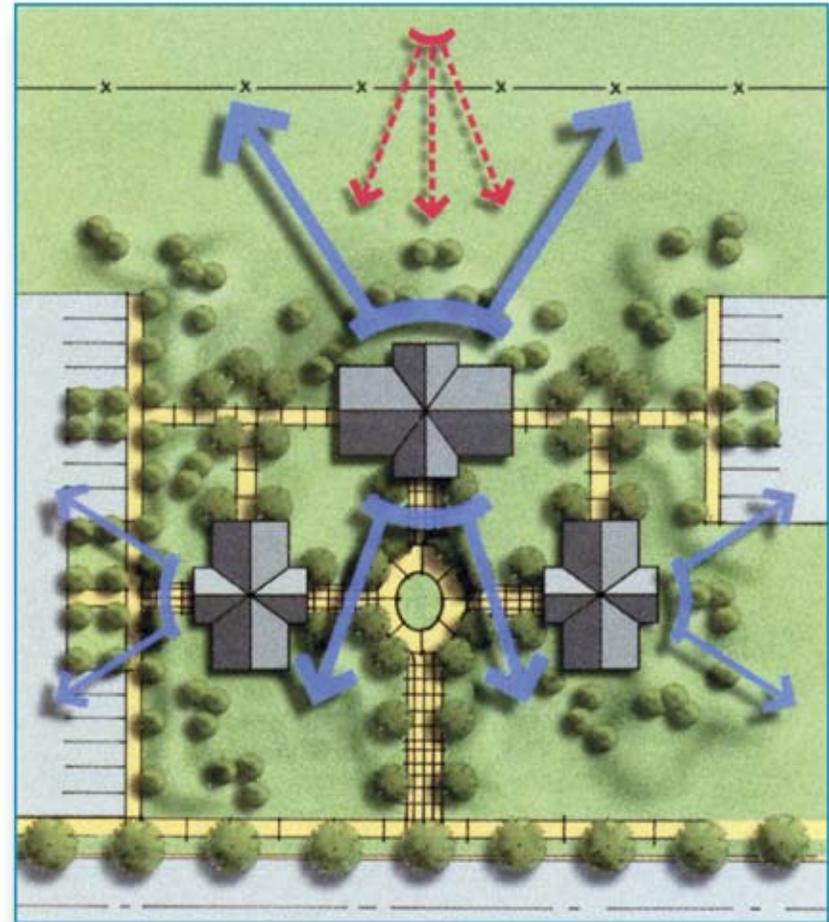
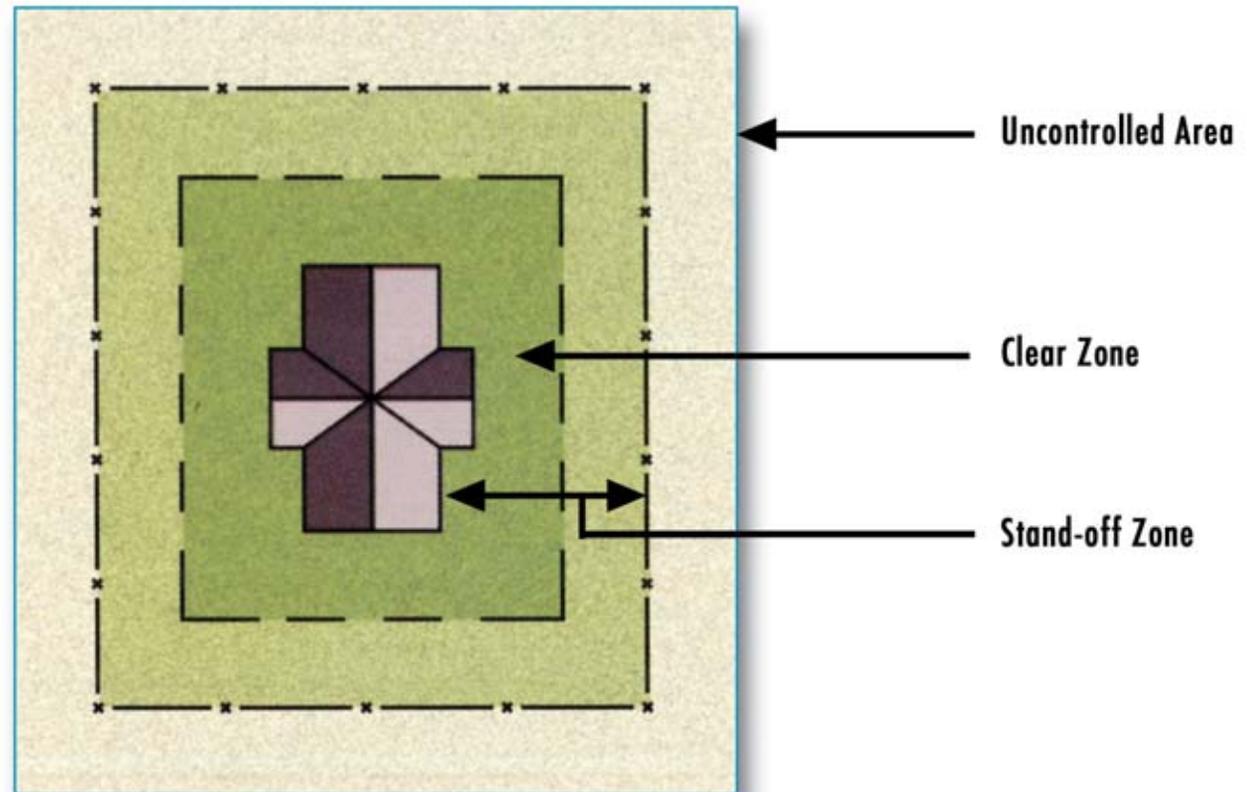


Figure 2-3: Lines of Sight, page 2-8



# Siting

## First Layer of Defense



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Figure 2-7: Clear Zone with Unobstructed Views, page 2-21

# Siting

## First Layer of Defense

Stand-off  
Distance

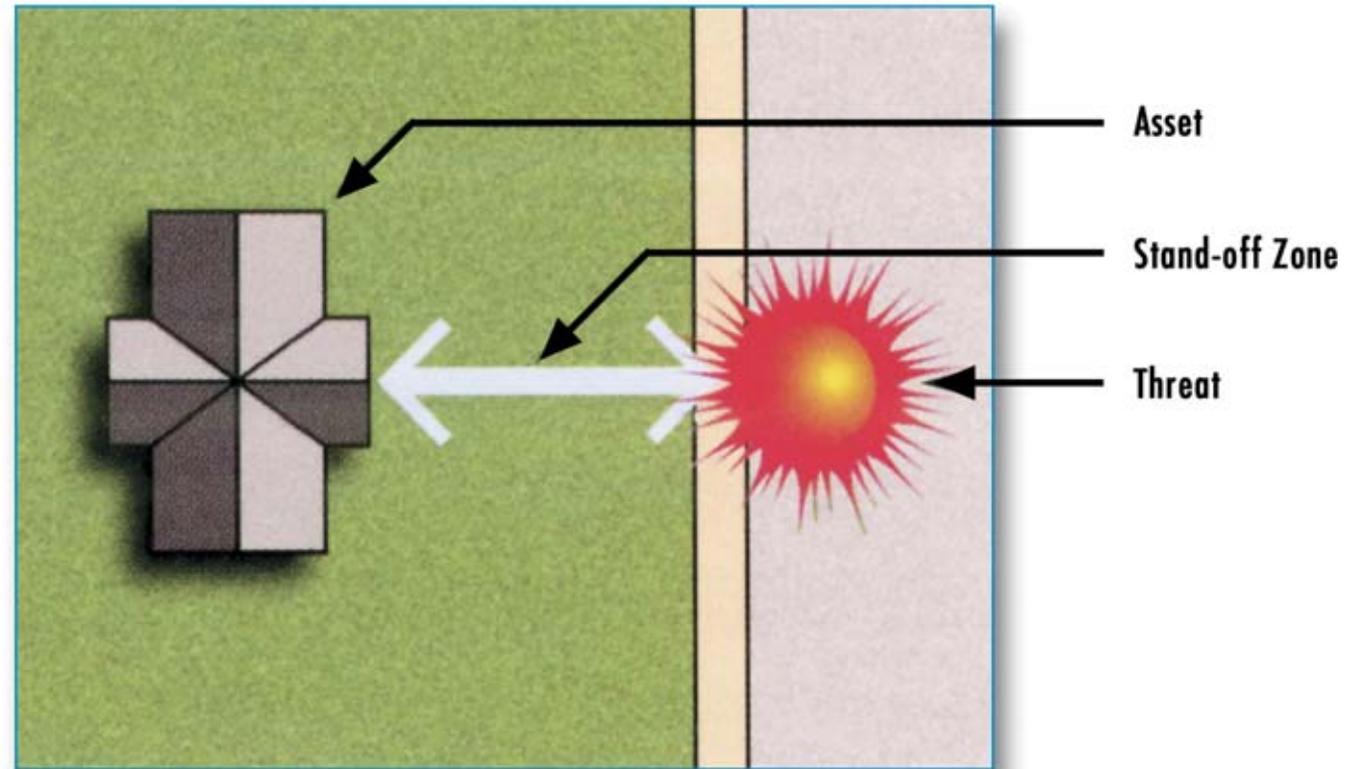


Figure 2-8: Concept of Stand-off Distance, page 2-22

# Siting

## First Layer of Defense

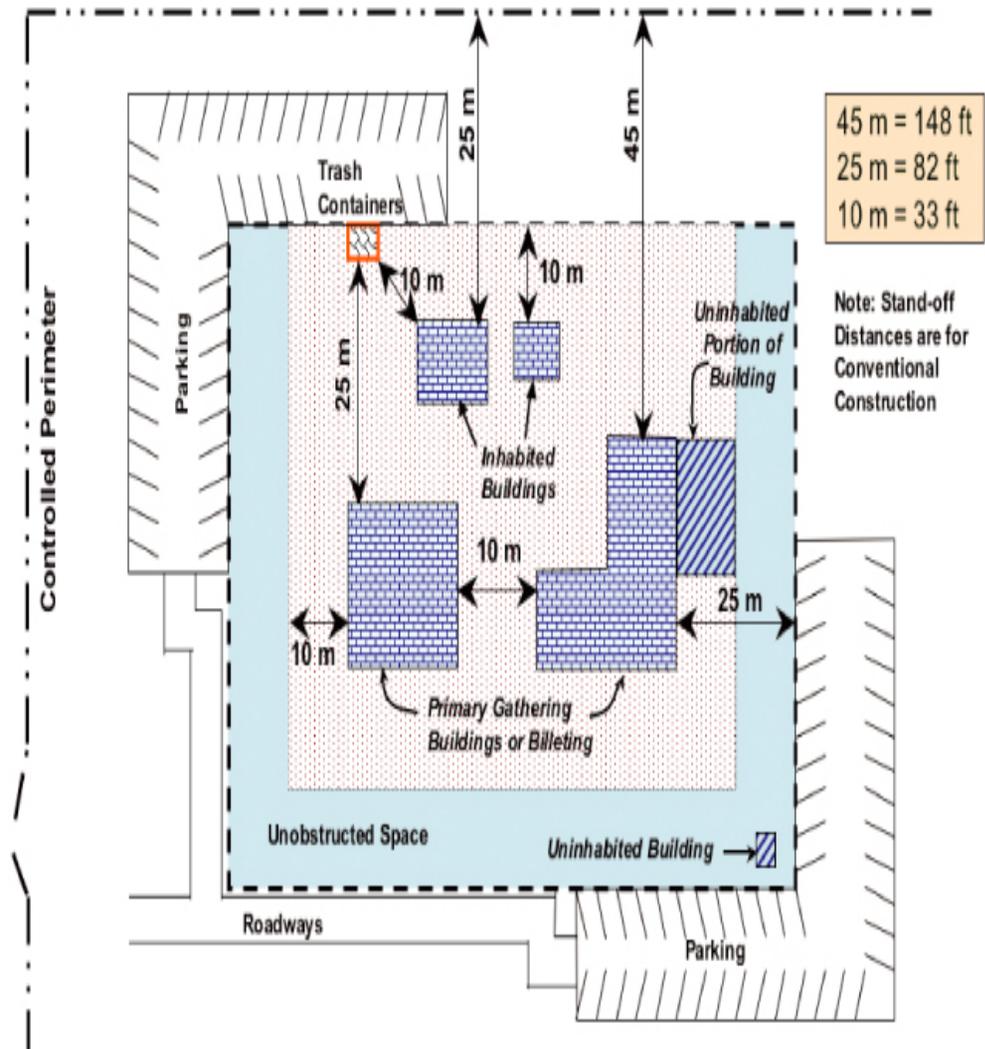
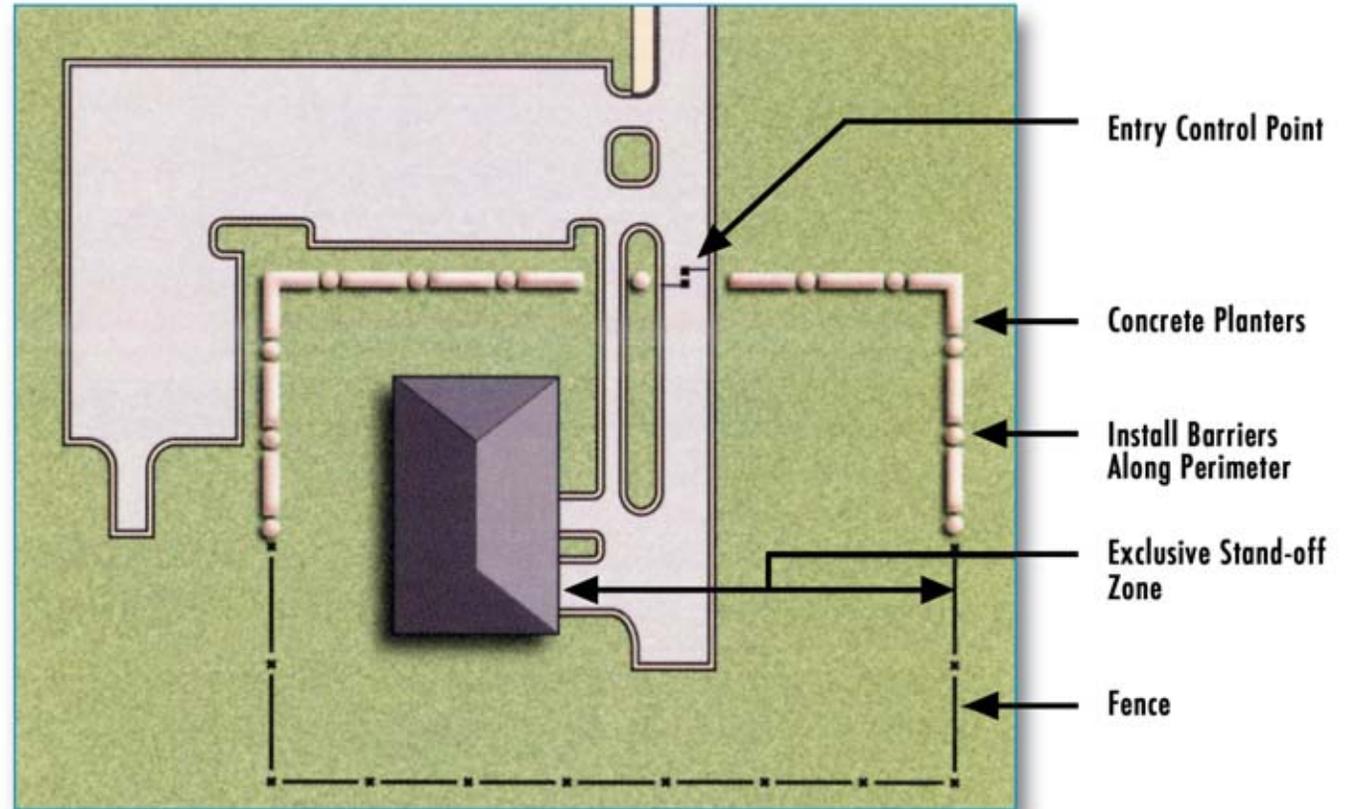


Figure 2-9: Stand-off distance and building separation, page 2-23

# Siting

## First Layer of Defense



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Figure 2-11: Application of perimeter barrier elements, page 2-28

# Entry Control/Vehicular Access

Prevent unauthorized access

- Avoid traffic queuing
- Rejection routes
- Search area out of traffic flow

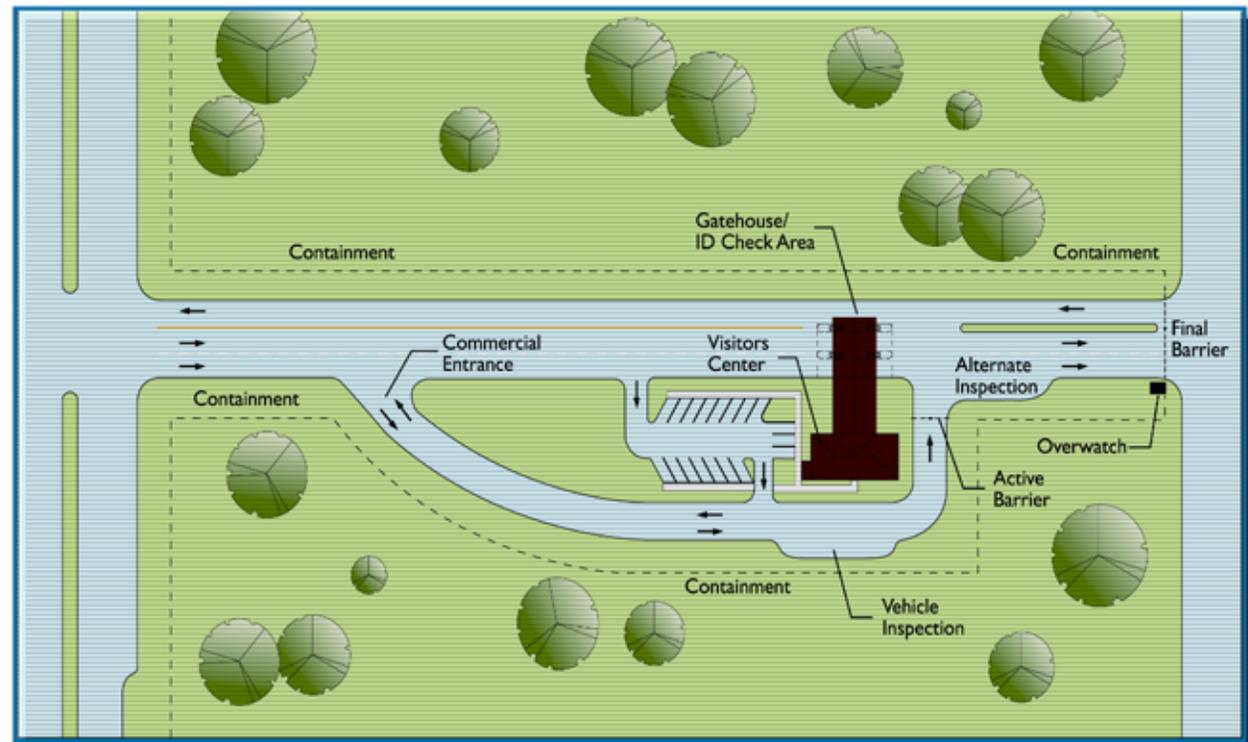
Traffic calming

- Avoid high speed approaches
- Commercial vehicle gate



# Entry Control/Vehicular Access and Roadway Design

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# Site Access and Entry Control

## First Layer of Defense



Entrance



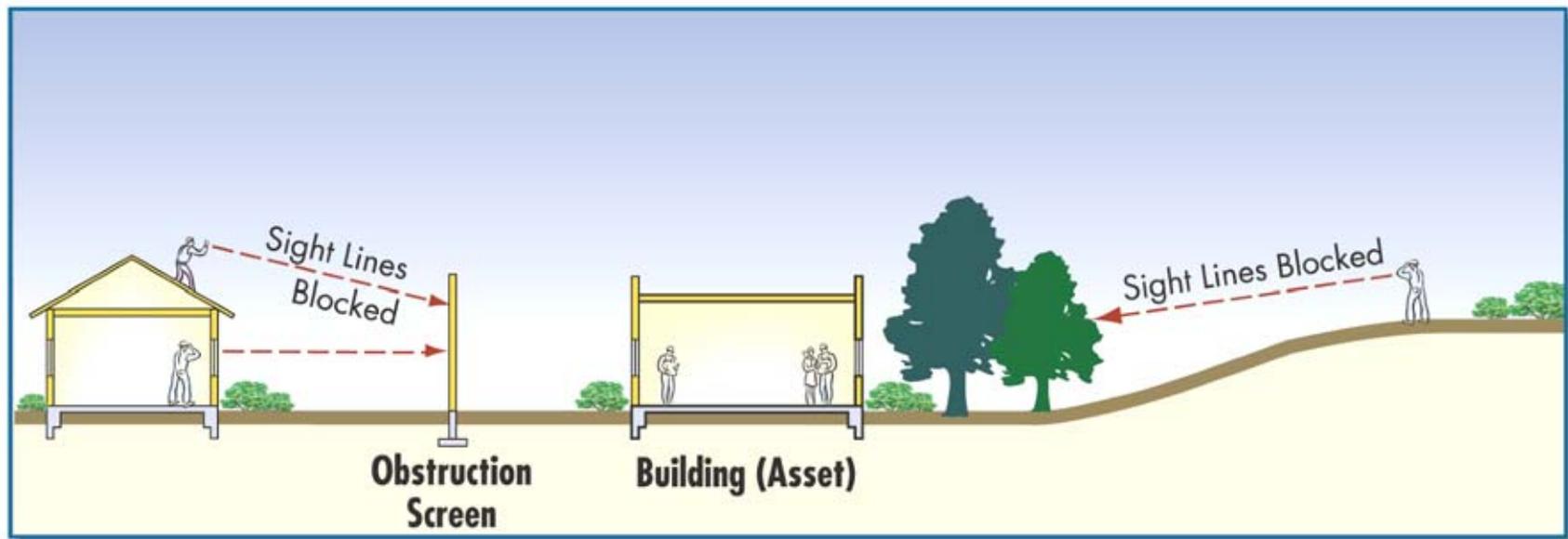
Exit



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# Building Siting and View Relationships

## First Layer of Defense



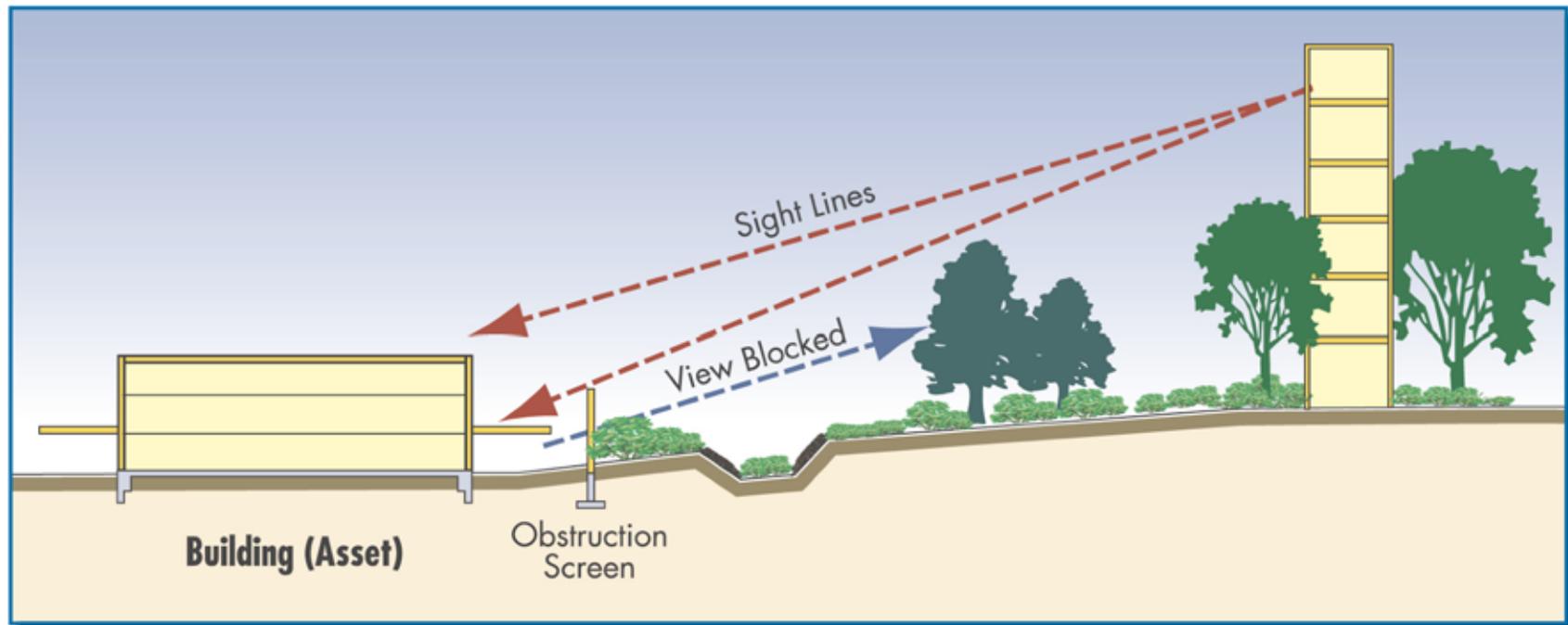
Blocking Sight Lines



Figure 2-5: Blocking of Site Lines, page 2-20

# Building Siting and View Relationships

## First Layer of Defense



Blocking Sight Lines and Establishing Clear Zones

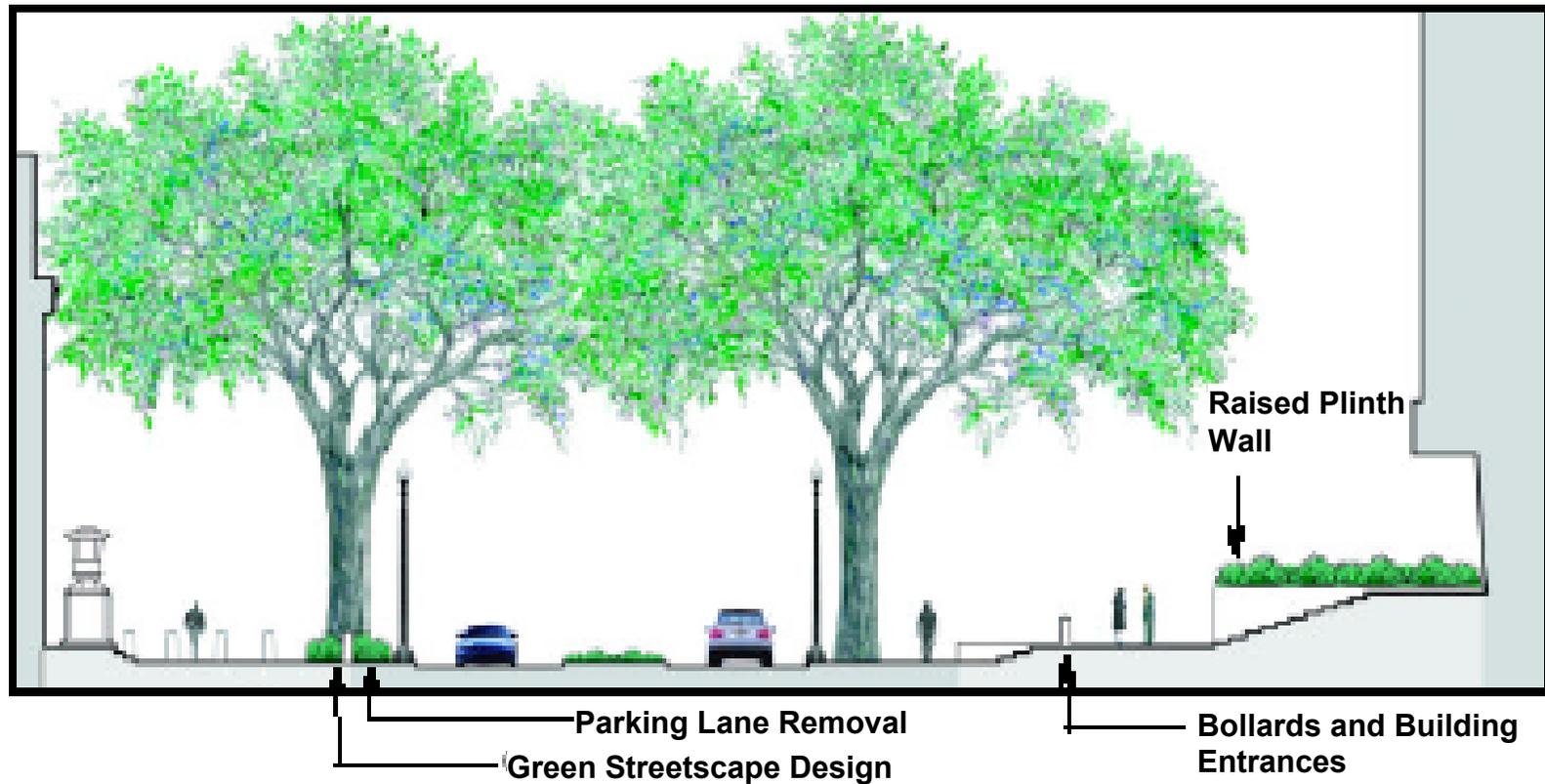


Figure 2-6: Improper Building Siting, page 2-21

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# Urban Design

## Second Layer of Defense

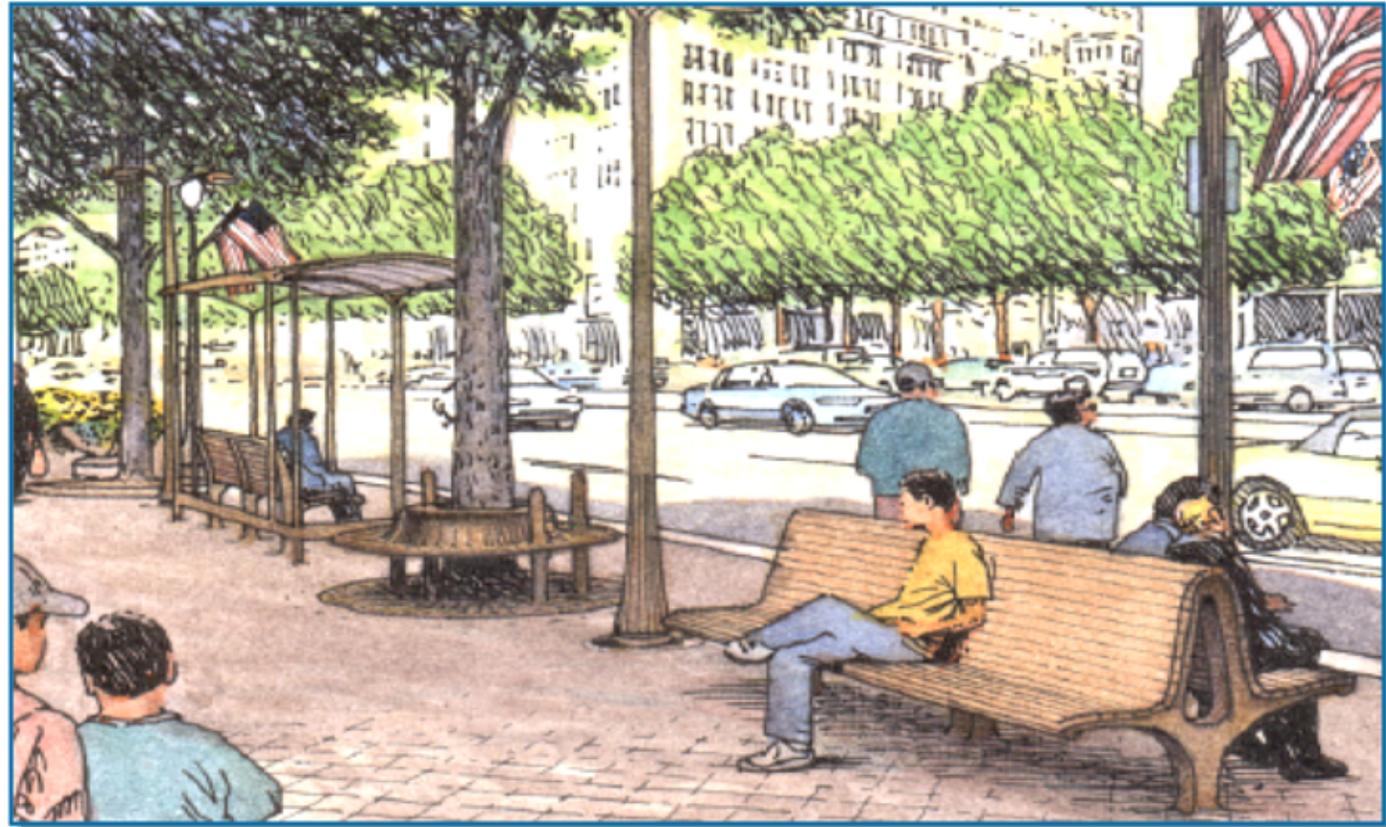


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Figure 2-4: Streetscape Security Elements, page 2-18

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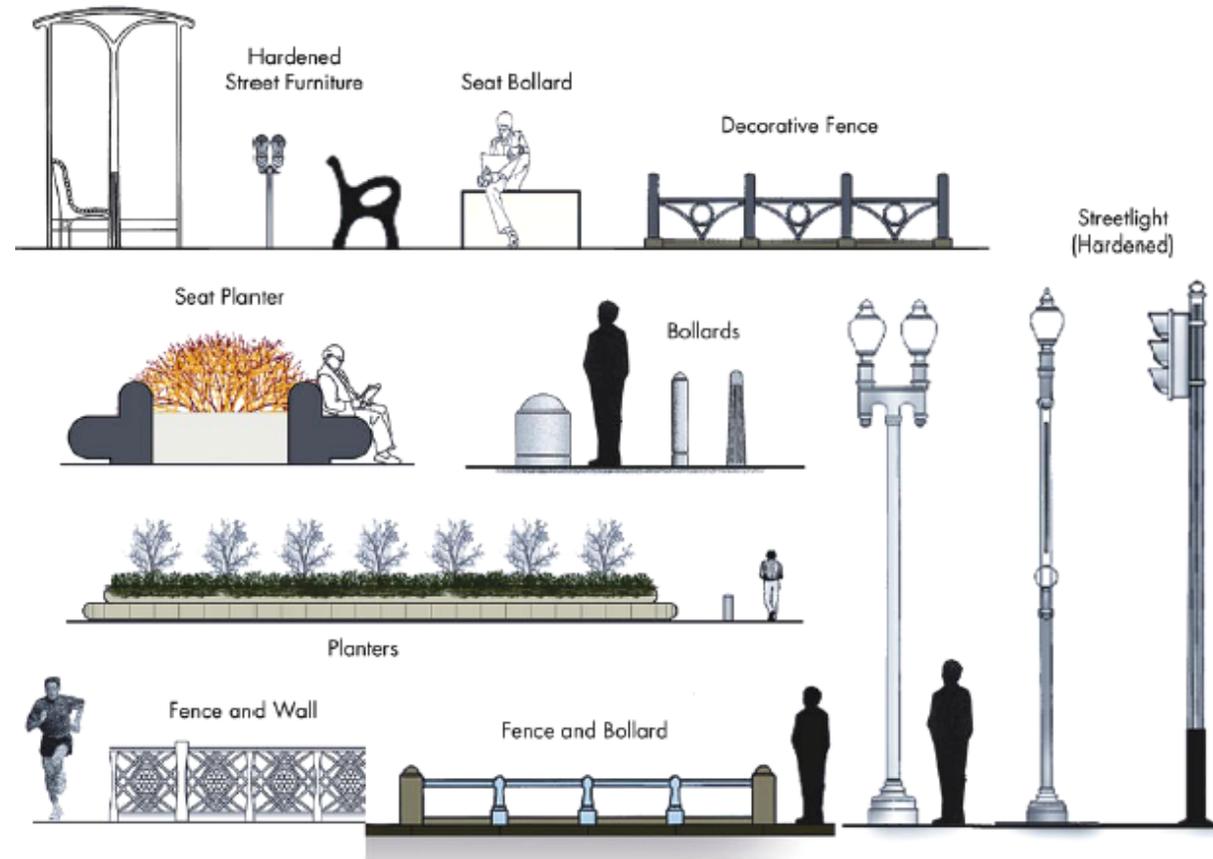
## Second Layer of Defense



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# Urban Design

## Second Layer of Defense



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Figure 2-4: Streetscape Security Elements, page 2-17

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# Bollard Applications

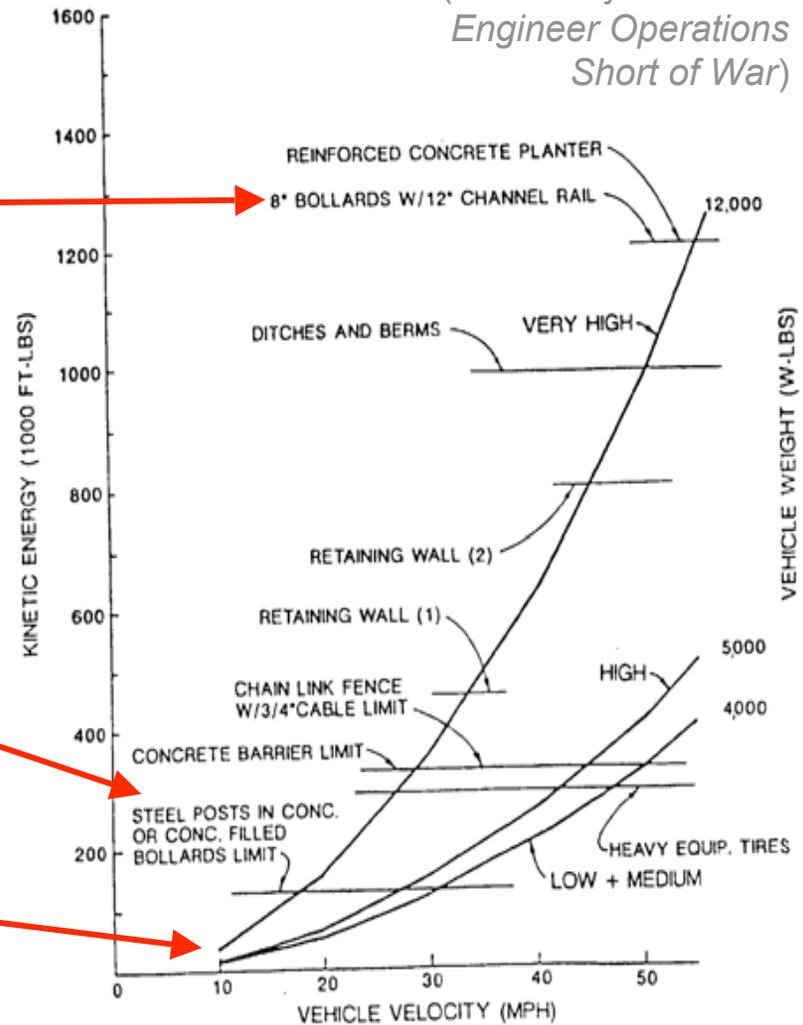
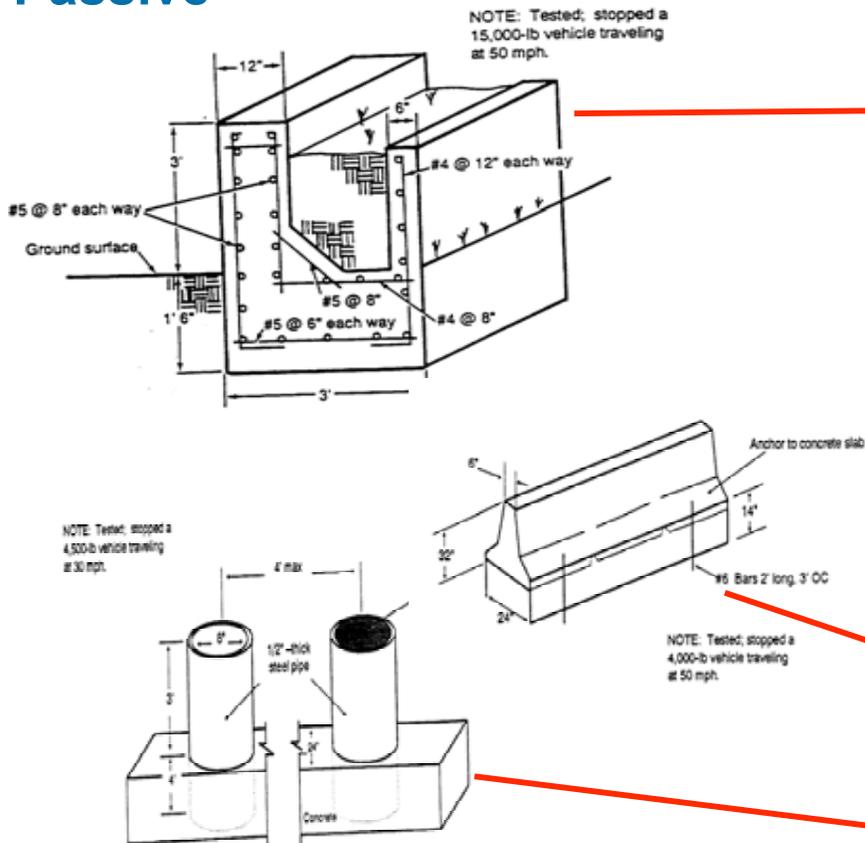


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# Physical Protective Barriers

(U.S. Army FM 5-114  
*Engineer Operations  
 Short of War*)

## Passive



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## Active

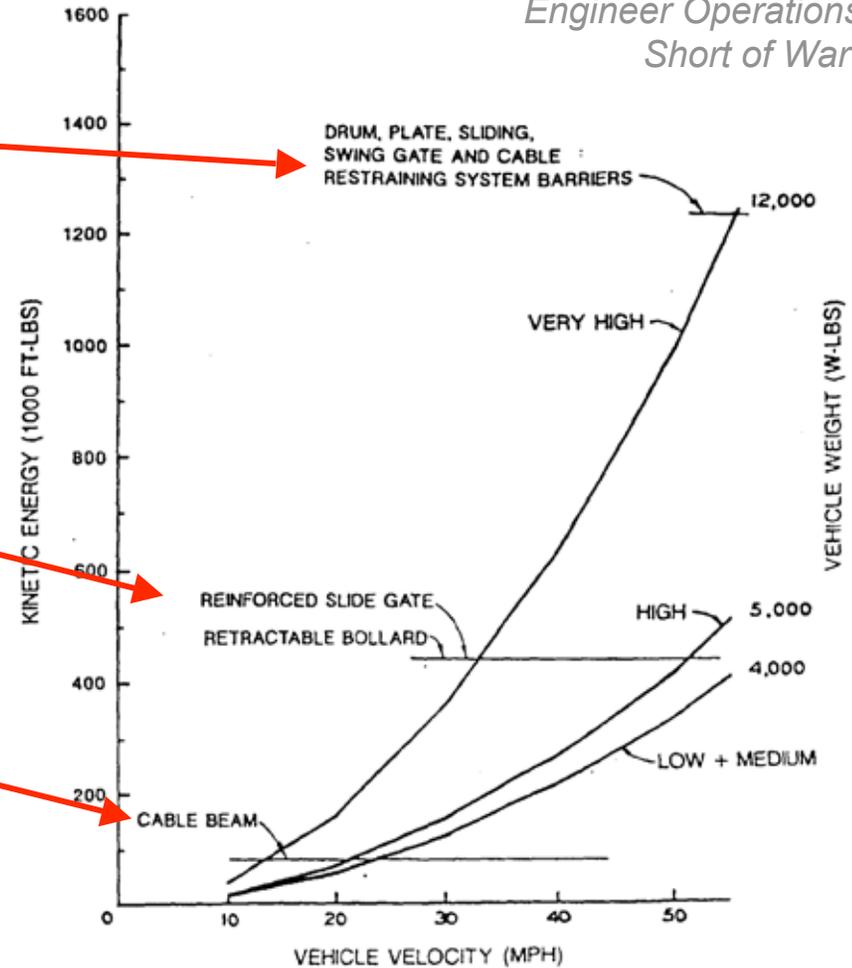
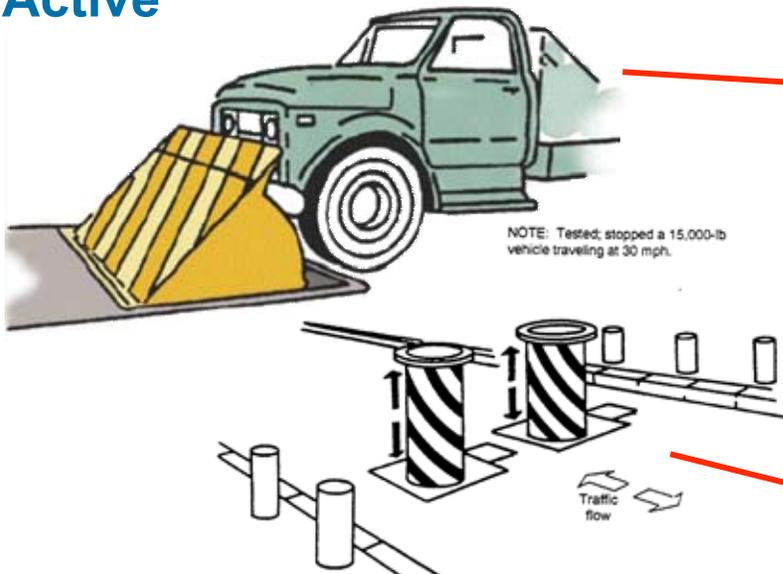


Figure 3-9. Vehicle Barrier Kinetic Energy Capacities (Active Barriers).



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# Passive Vehicle Barrier Application



# Active Vehicle Barrier



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# Active Vehicle Barrier Application



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# Temporary Active Vehicle Barriers



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# Signage

Additional information

Place warning signs where required by law to enforce restricted areas

Variable message signs

Demarcate controlled perimeter and jurisdiction

Limit



# Parking

Maintain stand-off distance

Restrict parking and access between buildings

Consider one-way circulation in parking lots

Locate parking within view of occupied buildings

Restrict parking underneath buildings

Well-lit, with security presence, emergency communications, and/or CCTV

Apply progressive collapse hardening to columns when parking garage is in the building



# Parking



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# Loading Docks/Service Access

Ensure separation from critical systems and utility service entrances.

Avoid driving trucks into or under building.

Provide clear signage.

Large truck carrying large bomb could go relatively unnoticed unless access control performed a significant distance from loading dock.



# Loading Dock Example



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# Physical Security Lighting

High-mast lighting at entry control points

Continuous lighting

- Glare projection
- Controlled lighting (avoid glare)
- Closed circuit television (CCTV)



Standby lighting

Movable lighting

Emergency lighting



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# Site Utilities

Underground versus overhead

Concealed versus exposed

Protected/secure versus accessible

Separate service paths

Redundant following different path

Looped versus radial distribution

Don't forget communications



# Site Utilities



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# Site Utilities

Utility plant accessibility

Tankage

Secure utility penetrations

Public address system/call boxes



# CPTED

Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design

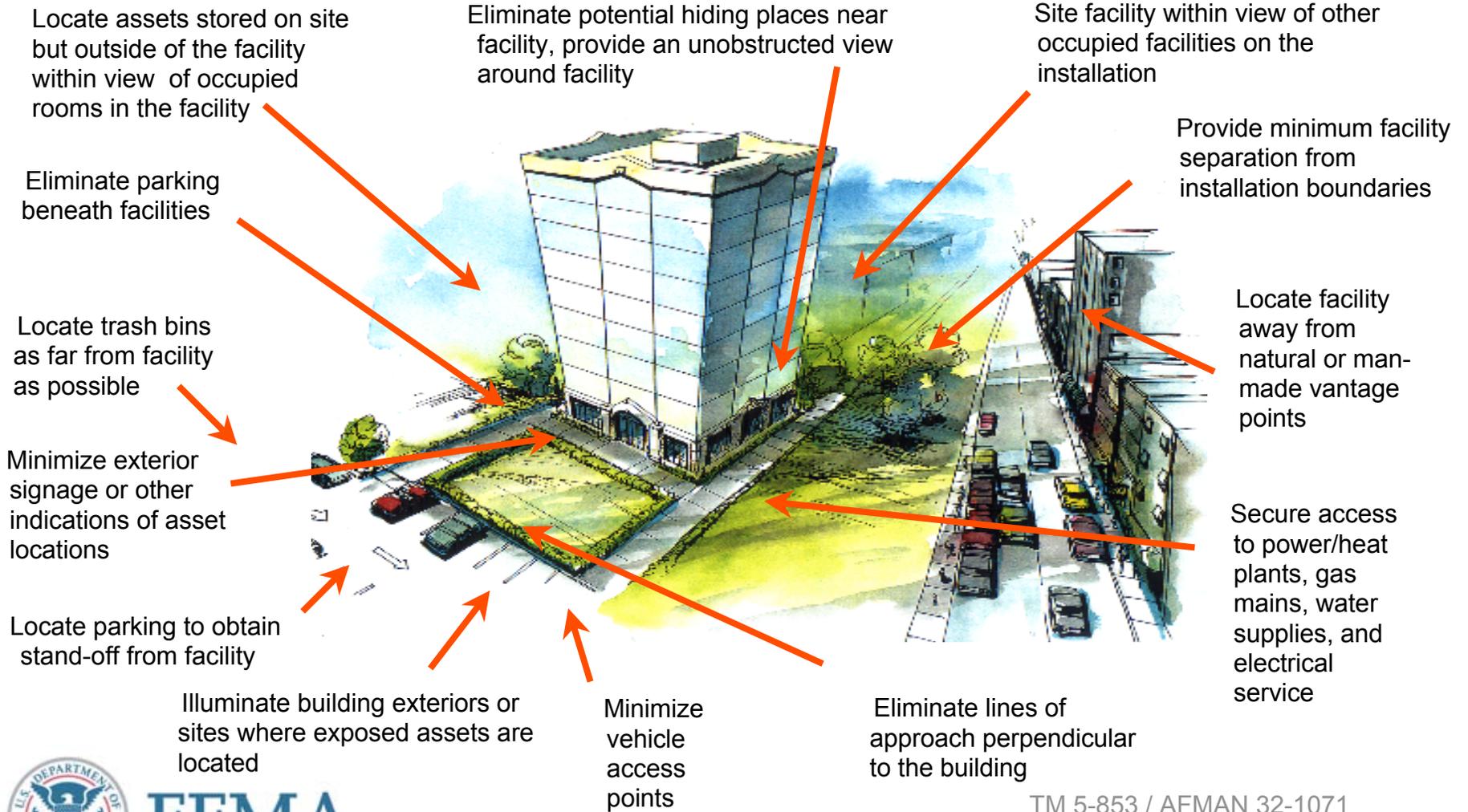
Territoriality (using buildings, fences, pavement, signs, and landscaping to express ownership)

Natural surveillance (placing physical features, activities, and people to maximize visibility)

Access control (the judicious placement of entrances, exits, fencing, landscaping, and lighting)



# Summary of Site Mitigation Measures



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# Unit VIII Case Study Activity

## Site and Layout Design Guidance

### Background

FEMA 426, Building Vulnerability Assessment Checklist: screening tool for preliminary design vulnerability assessment

### Requirements: Vulnerability Rating Approach

Assign sections of the checklist to qualified group members

Refer to HIC case study and GIS portfolio, and answer worksheet questions

Review results to identify site and layout vulnerabilities and possible mitigation measures

