City of Valdosta Land Development Regulations

- 2. Unfinished concrete block.
- 3. (Metal siding on wall surfaces facing and plainly visible from a street or customer/visitor parking lot. Metal siding components that are clearly decorative and incidental to the wall of the building, are not included in this prohibition.
- 4. Vinyl siding.
- (b) Ratios and Amounts of Allowed Building Materials.
 - i. Facade Calculations. With the exception of accent/trim materials, there shall be no more than three primary building materials used. The allowed facade materials shall not apply to entry doors and/or roll-up doors.
 - ii. The amount of permitted material shall be calculated using the gross square footage of wall area per facade.
 - For example, a building has a front facade with a gross facade area of 1,200 square feet with 400 square ft. consisting of windows and doors. Begin with 1,200 square feet for required building material calculations. A wall area of 1,200 square feet shall have no more than 600 square feet of stucco on the front facade [e.g. $(1,200 \times 50\% = 600)$]. The balance shall be brick or other allowed material. Trim or accent material may account for up to 10% or 120 square feet.
- (c) Roof Materials for Pitched Roofs. Materials for pitched roofs shall be limited to architectural grade composition shingles, natural slate, natural terra cotta, natural wood shake, copper or factory finished sheet metal.
- (3) Building Massing and Modulation. The massing of building facades longer than 150 feet that are approximately parallel to the right-of-way and oriented to a public street shall be modulated to increase visual interest, as follows: (See Figure 8 of Urban Commercial Corridor Overlay District Design Guidelines.)
 - (a) Facades of buildings that are larger than 10,000 square feet on the ground floor shall be varied in form and shall give the outward appearance of a series of compatible elements clustered or joined together. This appearance should be achieved by using a variety of roof forms, parapet heights and shapes, facade modulations, pronounced entries and other architectural details.
 - (b) Building facades that are more than 100 feet long shall have off-sets in the horizontal plane (plan view) that are at least four (4) feet in depth and at least 20 feet in length. At least one offset in horizontal plane shall be provided for every additional 50 feet of facade length beyond 100 feet.
 - (c) Blank Wall Facades. The length of a blank wall (no windows, doors, or other offsets in the horizontal plane) shall not exceed 50 feet for building facades in non-industrial zoning districts which are visible from public streets or parking lots.
- (4) Pronounced Entries. Principal building entrances must be oriented to the public street and provide cover from sun and rain. This may be accomplished by recessing the entry way, placing it within an arcade, under a projecting canopy, or within a mass or tower projecting from the primary facade.
- (5) Architectural Details. All exterior building facades shall provide visual interest through the repetitive use of one or more architectural features such as columns, awnings, canopies, arches, balconies, towers, dormers, cupolas, etc.
- (6) Building Facades for Buildings in Commercial Zoning Districts. The following standards shall apply to building facades visible from public streets or parking lots on properties within the