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RESIDENTIAL FENCES

FENCE PERMITS

A permit is required when:

- A new fence is being constructed
- An existing fence is being extended
- An existing fence is being replaced with a new fence that is a difference size, at a different location or of a different design or construction type (e.g. replacing a chain link fence with a wooden fence)
- More than 50% of the linear length of an existing fence is being replaced

Fence permits are issued by the Building Inspections Division at City Hall. A permit must be obtained prior to the beginning of any construction. The cost of a fence permit is **\$30**.

To obtain a fence permit, an application and a plot plan must be submitted to the Building Inspections Office. A plot plan is based on the property survey drawing that is made when a new house is built or property is sold or mortgaged. If no such drawing is available, contact Building Inspections to determine if a plot plan for your property is on file with the City.

A plot plan must show:

1. Where the new fencing is to be installed in relation to property lines and/or existing buildings
2. Where there is existing fencing on the property that is to remain in place

CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS

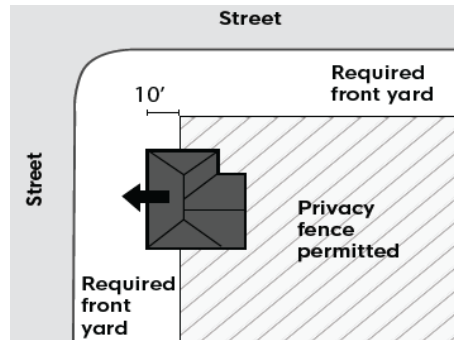
All fences must be constructed with a finished surface facing outward from the property. Any posts or support beams must be inside of the finished surface.

FENCE INSPECTIONS

An inspection must be requested when the fence is complete by contacting the Building Inspections Office. If the fence passes the inspection, a green removable sticker will be placed on the fence. If the fence does not pass the inspection, a red removable sticker will be placed on your fence instructing you to contact Building Inspections for further details.

PRIVACY FENCES

Privacy fences are solid fences that create an opaque wall or screen. Privacy fences may be up to 6 feet in height. Materials allowed for the construction of privacy fences in residential districts include wood (maximum board width of 12 inches), vinyl, or similar materials. Privacy fences are permitted to be located in the side and rear yard, provided that no portion of the fence extends within 10 feet of the front corner of the house.



CHAIN LINK FENCES

Except in the A and RE Districts, a chain link fence is subject to the same requirements regarding where on a lot they can be located as privacy fences. Barbed wire fences are only allowed in agricultural zoning districts.

DECORATIVE FENCES

Decorative fences (split rail, picket, wrought iron) are open fences that are no more than 66% opaque. A shadow-box fence is not a decorative fence. For picket fences, the gap between pickets should be at least half the width of a picket. A 4 foot decorative fence is allowed on any portion of a lot. A decorative fence between 4 and 6 feet in height is subject to the same requirements regarding where on a lot they can be located as privacy fences.

EASEMENTS

Fences are permitted within a platted easement provided that:

- There are no plat restrictions prohibiting fences in an easement
- The property owner removes the fence, or portion of fence, necessary for the City or utility company to gain access to the easement for maintenance purposes

Should the property owner fail to remove the fence sections located within the easement, the City or utility company may do so. The City and utility companies assume no responsibility for the cost of replacing any fences.

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