



RESIDENTIAL FENCES

Required Information: The following information (and any other information or documentation requested by planning staff) is required for a complete application:

1. Completed fence permit application form
2. Two Copies of the survey or site plan of the entire property including:
 - Dimension of the lot lines and easement lines
 - Footprint of the house and any structure on or within 30' of the property including: garages, retaining walls, curbs, and driveways
 - Distances from the lot lines to the principal structure and accessory buildings and structures
 - Location of the fence
 - North arrow

General Fence Requirements

1. Fences shall have a clearance of 2 inches from pre-existing grade to bottom of fence.
2. In residential districts, fences shall not exceed 6 feet in height in side and rear yards. Fences in front yards may not exceed 3½ feet in height.
3. Fences can be built up to the property line; however, the City suggests you remain 1 foot or more from the property line to allow for maintenance. The property owner is responsible for locating the property line and ensuring that the fence is not over the property line. It is strongly recommended that you talk with your neighbors regarding the proposed fence location.
4. Fences may only be located within drainage and utility easements if an easement agreement is signed by the property owner; however, no fence shall be located within a drainage and utility easement that is designated as an Emergency Over Flow (EOF) easement or access easement.
5. Fences shall be constructed with the decorative side facing outward towards adjacent property and public right of way.
6. No fence shall restrict or obstruct the flow of water.
7. Fences shall be 20 feet away from the high-water level (HWL) or outside of the drainage and utility easement, whichever is closer to the property line.

8. No fence shall cause a visual obstruction to traffic.
9. The following materials are not allowed to be used in constructing a fence:
 - Chicken wire
 - Barbed wire, woven or welded wire, and straight wire
 - Plastic webbing or netting
 - Snow fences
 - Makeshift, flimsy material or materials such as paper, twine, rope and similar materials