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Fence Permit Application

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APPLICANT/CON	ITACT: Own	er 🔲 Owner's Ag	ent Contrac	tor	or's Agent	
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Assessor / Tax Parcel Number:						
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Below is a checklist of items that must be submitted as part of your application for a fence permit review and the minimum information that must be provided on your plan sheets. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the Planning Department.					
	1.	Fence Permit Application			
	2.	A Recorded Survey			
	3.	Site Plan showing: a. All property lines and their dimensions b. All easements and rights of way (streets, sidewalks adjacent to property, etc.) c. Location of all existing structures (outline of house, garages and driveway), including existing fences			
	4.	Fence design drawings showing: a. Height of fence in all areas of proposed fencing b. Type of materials that will be used to construct the fence c. Design of fence d. Location of proposed fence and relative distance to all four property lines			

Applicants shall comply with all regulations listed in Chapter 14.64.180 Fences.

- A. Fences are permitted as follows:
 - 1. The sight distance requirements of DMC 14.64.160 shall be observed.
 - 2. No fence shall be located on any public right-of-way.
 - 3. Fences shall not be constructed of a material which has a color or surface finish which can cause glare or eye discomfort or other safety hazards.
 - 4. New barbed wire fences are not permitted in any zone within City limits, except as specified in the light industrial and public facility zone section. Existing barbed wire fences are permitted until a new fence is proposed or the subject property redevelops, whichever occurs sooner.
 - 5. Electric fences shall be not be permitted except in non-residential zoning districts and in specific cases by permit from the city. Such fences shall not be permitted adjacent to the primary public right-of-way. Electric fences shall comply with the requirements stated below:
 - a. Warning signs located at maximum intervals of seventy-five (75) feet when within five feet of and essentially parallel to a property line and without protective fence.
 - b. Electric fence charging units shall bear a seal of approval by Underwriter's Laboratories or by the U.S. Bureau of Standards.
 - c. Invisible fences are permitted in residential districts and are permitted adjacent to the primary public right-of-way in the same manner as a residential zone fence.
 - 6. Whenever a fence is placed on top of a new retaining wall and/or original grade, the height of the fence and the retaining wall/grade together shall not exceed six feet measured from the original grade unless otherwise approved by the planning director. Departures from this requirement are not typically given to fences fronting a public right-of-way.
 - 7. Arbors are allowed in conjunction with fences or standalone, provided:
 - a. The arbors do not exceed ten (10) feet in height;
 - b. Whenever an arbor is placed on top of a retaining wall and/or original grade, the height of the arbor and the retaining wall/grade together shall not exceed ten (10) feet measured from the original grade;

c. Where the portion of the arbor exceeds the maximum allowed fence height, the construction material used shall provide minimum eighty (80) percent transparency.

B. Residential Zone Fences.

- 1. In residential zoning districts, fences may be constructed to a maximum height of four feet in front yards and six feet on the sides and rear of a lot, except as specified in this section.
- 2. For the purposes of this regulation, the front yard shall begin at the front corner of the dwelling unit.
- 3. Front yard fences shall be designed to be see through, except as specified in this section.
- C. Residential zone fences located along the following routes (NE Cherry Valley Rd, NE Big Rock Rd, NE 150th St, NE 145th St, NE 152nd St (Bruett Rd.), NE Stephens St., 3rd Ave NE, 275th Ave NE and Batten Rd NE:
 - 1. Front yard fences may be permitted as approved by the Planning director above the four height limitation provided that they choose one of the following options:
 - a. Front yard fences may be a maximum of six feet tall and solid, provided that a Type II six-foot wide landscaping buffer is provided between the back edge of sidewalk and the fence. See DMC 14.38 Landscaping for Type II planting specifications; or,
 - b. Front yard fences may be a maximum of six feet tall, four feet of which is solid from sidewalk grade to four feet above grade, provided that the top two feet are decoratively patterned. Fences shall be set back a minimum of four feet from the back edge of sidewalk, and Type III low cover landscaping shall be provided between the sidewalk and the fence.
- D. Mixed Use and Commercial Zone Fences.
 - 1. Fences are not permitted adjacent to the primary street frontage unless approved by the city as part of a site plan approval or other permit.
 - 2. Fences may be constructed of any suitable material to a maximum height of six feet on any part of a lot (barbed wire not permitted), other than the primary street frontage.
 - 3. Chain link industrial type fence or fence of other suitable material approved by the director may be constructed to a maximum height of six feet on any part of a lot except within a setback adjoining a street, or adjacent to the primary street frontage.
- E. Light Industrial and Public Facility Zone Fences.
 - 1. In the LI and PF zone, chain link industrial type fence or fence of other suitable material approved by the director may be constructed to a maximum height of six feet, excluding barbed wire, on any part of a lot, except fences are not permitted adjacent to the primary street frontage unless approved as part of the site plan approval or other permit.
 - 2. Barbed wire may be used along the top of industrial type fence provided the lowest strand has a minimum height of six feet from ground level and such wire is approved as part of the site plan approval, if applicable.
- F. Where possible, the use of landscaping instead of fences is encouraged. Landscaping is not subject to the six foot height restriction of this section, except that landscaping is subject to the four foot front yard restriction in residential zoning districts.
- G. Gated residential communities shall not be permitted.
- H. Fences for city-owned facilities and public and private schools. Fences for city-owned facilities and public and private schools may be constructed above the six-foot fence height limitation upon site plan review by the planning department. Specific conditions may be required by the director on a case by case basis (i.e. landscaping). The applicant shall obtain a permit from the building department for any fence constructed over six feet.

(Ord. No. 1233, § 4(Exh. D), 2-6-2018; Ord. No. 1231, § 4(Exh. C10), 12-19-2017; Ord. No. 1174, § 1, 11-25-2014; Ord. 1056 § 1 Exh. A (part), 2007)