

15.0110 Policy on Construction of Fences and Planting of Vegetation

**ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO THE ERECTION  
OF FENCES AND THE PLANTING OF VEGETATON ON PROPERTY LINES**

The following conditions shall be met in the construction of fencing or the planting of any trees or shrubs along property lines:

A building permit shall be required for fences so that utility lines can be located and marked before construction begins. All fences shall be of an approved construction material.

- a.) In residential districts, no fence shall be more than eight feet in height in any rear or side yard or eight feet in height in any front yard; provided further that on a corner lot, no fence structure or planting higher than three and one-half feet above the established street grades, which obstructs vision of the intersection, shall be maintained within twenty (20) feet of any street intersection.
- b.) All fences in front or corner yards shall be 13 feet as measured from the curb.
- c.) All fences in rear yards shall be 13 feet form the centerline of the alley or utility easement.
- d.) All side yard fence poles and anchoring materials shall be set in three feet on the builders' property unless a written perpetual agreement is secured form the abutting property owner.
- e.) In commercial and industrial districts, no fence shall be more than ten feet in height unless specifically granted by the City Council.
- f.) All hedges and shrubs shall be planted too allow for full growth on the side of the owner. Any foliage extending onto abutting property may, be prudently trimmed by the neighbor.
- g.) Fences and fence lines must be kept in a well-maintained condition i.e.: weeds pulled, painted, etc.
- h.) All fences must have a gate accessible to utility meter readers.

Wherever possible, survey markers must be adhered to, if there are no survey points on the property, a current survey will be required.

Persons in violation of this ordinance are subject to a fine of up to one hundred dollars (\$100.00) and the removal or reinstallation of the fence.