

**CITY OF ST. CHARLES
APPLICATION FOR ZONING PERMIT FOR FENCE**

Owner's Name _____

Address _____

Please attach drawing of proposed fence location in relation to property lines and residence.

Contact Gopher State One Call at 1-800-252-1166 for location of utilities prior to construction.

Zoning Ordinance #152.41(F). Fences in Residential (R-1)Locations of the City of St. Charles:

1. No fence, wall, shrub planting or accessory structure shall be erected within a public easement and/or right-of-way.
2. The finished side shall face the abutting property or street right-of-way.
3. Fences shall not be constructed of chicken wire, welded wire, barbed wire, pallets, snow fence, branches, animal gates, farm fence materials or materials originally intended for other purposes, unless approved by the Zoning Administrator.
4. A Certificate of Survey may be required if property lines cannot be located as the city does not have licensed surveyors on staff to perform this service. If the zoning administrator in his or her sole judgement and discretion, notifies the property owner/applicant that a survey is required, no permit will be issued until a survey is provided to the City by the owner/applicant as signed by a licensed surveyor and that such survey is at the property owner's/applicant's sole cost and expense. Further, it is the responsibility of the property owner/applicant to contact the surveyor and arrange the survey.
5. All fences shall have at least one external access gate.

Fences, walls or accessory structures in side and rear yard:

1. In any residential district, no fence, wall or accessory structure, other than a retaining wall, shall be over 6 feet in height along the side or rear lot line; and
2. The side lot line will be considered that area of a lot which extends along the side line of the lot from the rear property line to a point 25 feet from the front property line.

Fences in front yards must comply with the following:

1. In any residential district, no fence, wall, accessory structure or shrub planting shall be over 36 inches in height within 20 feet of any street corner, except for trees with branches and foliage removed at a height of eight (8) feet above the ground, so as to interfere with traffic visibility across the corner; and
2. No fence, wall, accessory structure or shrub planting shall be over 36 inches in height with an opacity over 50 percent, but may be 48 inches in height with an opacity under 50 percent (e.g. wrought iron, chain link, split rail, vinyl, or board) within 25 feet of the front property line.

NOTE 1: Some properties in the city are governed by homeowner associations/covenants/bylaws that require certain property improvements. Please check to see whether this may apply to you.

I acknowledge that I will ensure that the fence is constructed and installed properly and in accordance with the regulations set forth in the City of St. Charles Zoning Code Ordinance.

Applicant's Signature

Date

A fee of \$25.00 shall be paid upon approval of the permit.

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(FOR ZONING ADMINISTRATOR USE)

Existing Zone Classification _____ Date _____

Comments: _____

(Zoning Administrator)