

ORD. #25-48
ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 420-81 A OF THE VILLAGE ZONING ORDINANCE
RELATED TO STANDARDS FOR RESIDENTIAL FENCES IN THE VILLAGE OF PLEASANT
PRAIRIE, KENOSHA COUNTY, WISCONSIN

THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF PLEASANT PRAIRIE, KENOSHA COUNTY, WISCONSIN, DO HEREBY ORDAIN THAT THE FOLLOWING SECTION OF THE VILLAGE ZONING ORDINANCE TO BE AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

- A. Residential fences. A residential fence, including a garbage/recycling dumpster enclosure, is used to provide enclosure of all or a portion of the property for privacy or security in any residential, agricultural, or conservancy district, subject to the following requirements:
- (1) Fence material.
 - (a) Said fence in any Agricultural District, Conservancy District or R-1, R-2, R-3, R-4, R-4.5, R-5, R-6, R-7 or R-8 District may be constructed of brick, field stone, wood (decay-resistant wood), wrought iron, chain link (with a minimum thickness of nine gauge and a top support), decorative aluminum, vinyl, or other appropriate material as may be approved by the Zoning Administrator; however, a residential fence shall not be constructed of corrugated metal or other metal panels and shall not be an agricultural field fence or electric fence and shall not incorporate razor or barbed wire.
 - (b) Said fence in any R-9, R-10 or R-12 District may be constructed of brick, field stone, wood (decay-resistant wood which is stained or painted), wrought iron, chain link (with a minimum thickness of nine gauge and a top support), decorative aluminum, vinyl, or other appropriate material as may be approved by the Zoning Administrator; however, a residential fence shall not be constructed of corrugated metal or other metal panels and shall not be an agricultural field fence or electric fence and shall not incorporate razor or barbed wire.
 - (2) Said fence may be located on the side or rear property lines. See additional requirements for setbacks for property lines adjacent to public or private streets.
 - (3) Said fence may be located in a shore yard, provided that it is not located on the water side of the ordinary high-water mark of said navigable waterway. Said fence shall not block, redirect or impede the flow of water or drainage within the area.
 - (4) Said fence may be placed within a wetland, provided that there is minimal disturbance to the wetlands and the soil from the post holes shall not be placed in the wetlands.
 - (5) Said fence shall be set back a minimum of two feet from any public right-of-way.
 - (6) Said fence shall be set back a minimum of 15 feet from any private road as measured from the outer edge of the gravel shoulder or back of curb.
 - (7) Said fence shall not be located within the vision triangle, as defined by this chapter.
 - (8) Said fence shall not be higher than six feet if located in the rear yard, rear street yard and/or side street yard. The fence height shall include all elevations, including berms, above the overall standard grade of the property, including architectural finials.
 - (9) Said fence shall not be higher than four feet if located within a front street yard, except as provided below. The fence height shall include all elevations, including berms, above the overall standard grade of the property, including architectural finials.

- (a) Concrete or brick pillars located between fence sections may be permitted to a height of six feet in a front street yard. ~~The fence height shall include all elevations, including berms, above the overall standard grade of the property, including architectural finials.~~
 - (b) If the property abuts another residential property within any C-2, R-1, R-2, R-3, R-4, R-4.5, R-5, R-6, R-7 or R-8 District located on the corner of two public streets, then the fence height shall not exceed six feet only if the common property line of the adjacent corner lot is classified as the side street yard or rear street yard.
- (10) Said fence shall not be located within any easement without written permission from the applicable easement holder and the Village.
 - (11) Said fence shall not block, redirect or cause a drainage problem for adjacent or downstream properties.
 - (12) Said fence shall be in compliance with any structural requirements of any local, county and state codes and shall be designed and constructed to resist any wind load.
 - (13) All structural and support components of a fence shall face away from adjacent properties, private streets or public rights-of-way. Fence sections being replaced due to damage/maintenance may be replaced with the same construction materials and by the same construction methods and setback as the original installation as may be approved by the Zoning Administrator.
 - (14) See § 420-57.7G for additional requirements for garbage/recycling dumpster requirements as part of a residential development plan approval.
 - (15) Compliance with any recorded deed restrictions and restrictive covenants recorded on the property. Approval from the property's active architectural control committee shall be provided in writing to the Village.
 - (16) Said fence shall be allowed on a vacant property provided that the fence does not exceed four (4) feet in height.

Adopted this 24th day of November 2025.

VILLAGE OF PLEASANT PRAIRIE

ATTEST:

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