

**CITY OF MARSHALL  
ORDINANCE 22-005**

**NOW THEREFORE**, The Common Council of the City of Marshall, in the State of Minnesota, do ordain as follows:

**SECTION 1:**        **AMENDMENT** “Section 86-162 Yard Modifications” of the Marshall Municipal Code is hereby *amended* as follows:

**BEFORE AMENDMENT**

Section 86-162 Yard Modifications

Measurements shall be taken from the nearest point of the wall of a building to the lot line in question, subject to the following qualifications:

- (a) Cornices, awnings, marquees, eaves, pergolas, and balconies may extend into the required front yard a distance not exceeding four feet, and the required side yard distance not exceeding two feet.
- (b) Fire escapes may extend into the required front yard a distance not exceeding five feet. Basement egress window wells may extend into required front and side yards a distance not to exceed three feet.
- (c) A landing or deck may extend into the required front yard to a distance not exceeding eight feet, if they have the floor no higher than the main floor of the building, except a landing installed at the main entrance of existing residential structure and projecting no more than four feet from the structure may extend 15 feet into required front yard. A four-foot square landing, not including stair, or a five-foot square landing serving a ramp, shall always be permitted at the main entrance of existing residential structures if replacing an existing landing. An open railing no higher than three feet may be placed around such structures.
- (d) A bay window having a bow, or angled sides, with windows on all faces projecting no more than two feet from the building wall may extend 20 feet into required front yard.
- (e) The architectural features listed in paragraphs (1) through (4) may also extend into the required rear yard to the same extent as permitted for extension into the required front yard. If an easement coincides with, or is wider than, a required yard, architectural features listed in paragraphs (1) and (2) may extend into such easement not more than two feet with written approval of the city engineer.
- (f) Retaining walls, fences, and other similar structures located in any yard shall not exceed seven feet in height in any of the classes of residential and business districts. Barbed wire or electrical fencing materials are prohibited in these locations.
- (g) Retaining walls, fences or any other structures, both permanent and temporary, located in the front yard of a corner lot at the intersection of streets, except pilon signs, shall not exceed three feet in height as measured above the curb within a 25-foot visibility triangle of the property corner at such intersection and within a ten-foot visibility

triangle adjacent to alleys and driveways.

- (h) On double frontage lots, the required front yard shall be provided on both streets. On corner lots, the required front yard shall be provided on all streets.
- (i) In determining the depth of rear yard for any building where the rear yard opens into an alley, one-half the width of the alley, but not exceeding ten feet, may be considered as a portion of the rear yard.
- (j) Any structure, including fences, built in the rear or side yard that opens into an alley, must not be placed less than three feet from the property line defining this alley. Any garage with overhead door facing, and having a direct vehicle access from, an alley must not be placed less than 18 feet from the alley.
- (k) No front, side or rear yard shall be required in the downtown district, except single family houses and duplexes.
- (l) On a corner lot fronting two intersecting streets, either yard opposite the street may be designated the rear yard; in case of a triangular corner lot, the yard not adjacent to streets shall be designated the rear yard but shall meet the setback requirements of a side yard. On a corner lot fronting three streets, the yard opposite the front yard located between two other front yards shall be designated the rear yard but shall meet the setback requirements of a side yard.
- (m) On a flag lot, the lot side, which faces the street that this lot has an access from, shall be designated the front yard. For such lots, the lot depth calculations shall not include the length of the narrow access portion of the lot.
- (n) On a lot that faces, and is exclusively accessed from, a public roadway easement or recorded access easement providing access to at least one other property beyond said lot, the lot side facing the easement shall be designated the front yard.
- (o) On an interior triangular lot, no rear yard shall be required.

(Code 1976, § 11.19(4)(B); Ord. No. 374 2nd series, § 1, 8-4-1997; Ord. No. 699 2nd series, § 1, 9-9-2015; Ord. No. 725 2nd series, § 1, 1-23-2018; Ord. No. 750 2nd series, § 1, 6-23-2020; Ord. No. 21-002, § 1, 4-27-2021)

## AFTER AMENDMENT

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- (f) Retaining walls, fences, and other similar structures located in any yard shall not exceed seven feet in height in any of the classes of residential and business districts, unless required by a condition for a variance adjustment, or conditional or interim use permit granted for unrelated issue. Barbed wire or electrical fencing materials are prohibited in these locations.
- (g) Retaining walls, fences or any other structures, both permanent and temporary, located in the front yard of a corner lot at the intersection of streets, except pylon signs, shall not exceed three feet in height as measured above the curb within a 25-foot visibility triangle of the property corner at such intersection and within a ten-foot visibility triangle adjacent to alleys and driveways.
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**SECTION 2:            AMENDMENT** “Section 86-248 Outside Storage” of the Marshall Municipal Code is hereby *amended* as follows:

### BEFORE AMENDMENT

#### Section 86-248 Outside Storage

- (a) In all classes of residential districts, open storage and accumulation of materials and equipment shall be prohibited. In all other zoning districts, open storage of materials and equipment shall be prohibited in the required front, side, and rear yards, except storage shall be allowed in the required rear yard in industrial districts. Unless prohibited elsewhere in the ordinance, any other outside storage, including outdoor storage tanks, shall be located or screened so as not to be visible from public right-of-way, public parks or any lot within 500 feet in any of the classes of business or residence districts, except in industrial and agricultural zoning districts screening from public right-of-way is not required. The screening may be achieved by fencing or landscaping means compliant with section 86-247. In all classes of business districts, the storage area shall be paved to control dust and erosion and shall be properly maintained. Temporary storage of building materials intended for construction use on premises shall be allowed during ongoing construction and up to two weeks prior to construction and is exempt from the above requirements provided a valid building permit is obtained.
- (b) Outdoor display of retail merchandise intended for sale or rent and open to public shall be allowed in all classes of business and industrial districts. In all classes of business districts, the display area, except live plants sales area, shall be so designated and paved to control dust and erosion and facilitate moving of displayed products. Except licensed automobile, motorcycle, off-road vehicle, and boat sales lots, and small motorized farm and lawn care equipment sales, the display area shall not be located in the required front and side yards. Outdoor display areas adjacent to any of the classes of residence districts shall be screened by fencing or landscaping means compliant with section 86-247. Outdoor display area shall be adequately lighted.
- (c) Outdoor display and sale shall be allowed in all classes of residential districts and residential properties within other zoning districts during garage and yard sales only. The display area shall be located entirely within the pertinent residential property.
  - (1) Any related signage shall be limited to premises and to other private properties provided permission from the property owners is obtained; all signage shall be erected not earlier than one-day before sale and shall be removed at the termination of the sale. Such signs shall be limited to three square feet each.
  - (2) There shall be no more than four garage sales conducted during any period of

12 calendar months; there shall be no more than two garage sales conducted during any period of 30 calendar days; there shall be no garage sales conducted for more than four consecutive days; and there shall be no garage sales conducted before 7:00 a.m. or after 8:00 p.m.

- (d) Building enlargement and expansions over 50 percent of existing building footprint area, construction of additional buildings on site, or changes of use resulting in new exterior storage or display area shall cause an exterior storage/display area review by city staff for ordinance compliance.
- (e) Trash, garbage, refuse, recycling materials or any other items intended for disposal shall be stored in designated containers or dumpsters which, with the exception of R-1 and R-2 residence districts, shall be located within areas set for collection of garbage as prescribed by section 50-23. In R-1 and R-2 residence districts trash cans shall not be stored in the required front yard except on the day of garbage collection. In R-1 and R-2 residence districts furniture and other bulky items may be left at the curb for pick up by the licensed garbage hauler or anywhere in the front yard for anyone to take for no more than 48 hours. In all classes of business and industrial districts, similar items intended for disposal may be piled together for temporary storage no longer than six months within garbage collection areas in a single stack not higher than five feet and with area no more than 100 square feet.
  - (1) In all classes of multiple-family and business districts, garbage collection areas shall be paved and fully enclosed with secured access and shall not be located in the required front yard. The enclosure shall be between five and six feet high and fully opaque. If it is located next to the building, it shall be finished with materials matching the exterior of the building.
  - (2) Temporary construction dumpsters intended for demolition and other construction debris may be located outside of such enclosures during ongoing construction and up to one week before and after construction provided a valid building permit is displayed on site. No temporary construction dumpster shall be set on public right-of-way or public parking lot unless a city permit is secured.
- (f) Storage containers, including, but not limited to, trailers, semi-trailers, cargo and shipping containers, PODS, and dumpsters, are not allowed as permanent storage units in all classes of residential or business districts. Utilization of a single unit is allowed for temporary storage for no more than 30 days in a calendar year; the 30 days limit may be extended up to 180 days by an interim use permit. The above limitations do not apply to temporary construction dumpsters as regulated in subsection (e). As an exception, shipping containers totaling less than 340 square feet may be permitted by an interim use permit in a B-3 general business district, with the following conditions:
  - (1) The containers shall not be placed in any front or side yard or required rear yard.
  - (2) The containers shall be located so as not to be visible from public right-of-way, public parks, or any lot within 500 feet in any of the classes of residence districts. It may be screened by fencing or landscaping means compliant with section 86-247.
  - (3) The containers shall be new or freshly painted with neutral colors with no

painted signage, lettering, or advertising and shall be properly maintained.

(4) The interim use permit shall expire when the property changes ownership.

- (g) In all classes of residential districts, a licensed boat, open or closed trailer, camper, motor-home, recreational vehicle or other motorized vehicle, but no more than three units, may be stored outside on the property as regulated in section 74-131. One snowmobile, ATV, golf cart, riding mower, trailer, boat, or camper can be displayed for sale in the front yard, provided it has not been purchased or consigned for resale and is not displayed for longer than seven consecutive days or longer than 30 days in a calendar year. No storage or accumulation of any materials in trailers is permitted.

(Code 1976, § 11.19(3)(A)(2); Ord. No. 687, § 1, 6-10-2014; Ord. No. 749 2nd series, § 1, 6-23-2020; Ord. No. 21-002, § 1, 4-27-2021)

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- (c) In all classes of residential districts and residential properties within other zoning

districts.

oOutdoor display and sale shall be allowed ~~in all classes of residential districts and residential properties within other zoning districts~~ during garage and yard sales only. The display and sales area shall be located entirely within the pertinent residential property.

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limit may be extended up to 180 days by an interim use permit. ~~The above limitations do not apply to~~ The above listed units used for temporary construction related storage shall be allowed during an ongoing construction project and up to a month prior to construction, provided a valid building permit is obtained ~~dumpsters as regulated in subsection (e).~~ As an exception, shipping containers totaling less than 340 square feet may be permitted by an interim use permit in a B-3 general business district, with the following conditions:

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**SECTION 3:** AMENDMENT “Section 70-21 Definitions” of the Marshall Municipal Code is hereby *amended* as follows:

#### BEFORE AMENDMENT

Section 70-21 Definitions

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

*Director* means the director of finance of the city.

*Lodger* means the person obtaining lodging from an operator.

*Lodging* means the furnishing for a consideration of lodging by a hotel, motel, dormitory or roominghouse except where such lodging shall be for a continuous period of 30 days or more to the same lodger. The furnishing of rooms by religious organizations shall not constitute lodging for purposes of this article.

*Motel* means a roadside hotel for motorists.

*Operator* means a person who provides lodging to others or any officer, agent or employee of such person.

*Rent* means the total consideration valued in money charged for lodging whether paid in money or otherwise, but shall not include any charges for services rendered in connection with furnishing lodging other than the room charge itself.

(Ord. No. 668 2nd series, § 1, 12-18-2012)

**Cross reference(s)**—Definitions generally, § 1-2.

#### AFTER AMENDMENT

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PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF MARSHALL COMMON COUNCIL MAY 10, 2022.

	<b>AYE</b>	<b>NAY</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>
Mayor, Robert Byrnes	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Councilmember, Craig Schafer	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Councilmember, Steven Meister	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Councilmember, John DeCramer	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Councilmember, Russ Labat	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>
Councilmember, James Lozinski	<u>  X  </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>	<u>      </u>

Presiding Officer

Attest

  
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Robert Byrnes, Mayor, City of  
Marshall

  
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Sharon Hanson, City Administrator  
City of Marshall