17.21 FENCE PERMIT APPLICATION

☐ New Fence
☐ Replacement
☐ Add to Existing
☐ Industrial
☐ Commercial
☐ Residential

Height

Type of Fence

Length of Fence

JOB VALUATION EST:

Permit Fee-if Less than 80 Linear Feet-$35.00
Permit Fee- if more than 80 Linear Feet-$70.00

APPLICANT:
I have received a copy of the Village of Sturtevant’s Ordinance 17.21 and the terms and conditions regarding construction of a fence including fences within drainage ways. I understand that I, as the applicant have a responsibility to comply with all applicable terms and conditions, codes, statutes and ordinances of the Village of Sturtevant. The issuance of the permit creates no legal liability, express, or implied on the Department or the Village.

See back of application for terms and conditions regarding the construction of fences over and across recorded drainage easements

Applicants Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

PERMIT NUMBER: ___________________________

TAX KEY NUMBER: ___________________________

INSPECTORS SIGNATURE ___________________________________ DATE ___________________________
Fences Within Drainage Easements

The construction of fences in recorded drainage easements is permitted only under the following terms and conditions:

1. Fencing can not adversely impede or obstruct the flow of water through the drainage easement.

2. Fence styles must have adequate openings to allow surface water to pass through i.e. split rail, spaced picket, shadow box.

3. Fences that have no space between pickets or boards do not allow unimpeded and unobstructed flow of surface water and are not permitted.

4. Construction of the fence must not change the surface grade in a way that adversely impedes or obstructs the flow of water through the drainage easement.

5. Utilities such as electrical lines and storm water lines are often buried in the drainage easement and access to these utilities can not be obstructed. If a utility or the Village needs to get access to an underground utility, they will remove any obstructing fence and will not compensate the landowner for any damage to the fence and will not reinstall the obstructing fence once work is completed.

6. It is recommended that fences crossing the drainage easement have a gate or a removable section to allow a utility or Village truck to get in and access the underground utility.

7. The granting of a permit by the Village does not relieve a landowner of responsibility to other landowners if the fence causes drainage problems on other properties.

8. The granting of a permit by the Village does not relieve a landowner from any obligation to comply with any applicable restrictive covenants, zoning ordinances or building codes that apply to the parcel.
17.21 FENCES, SCREENS AND BUSHES. (Cr. 6/7/89)

(1) PERMIT. No fence shall be constructed in the Village without first obtaining a permit from the Building Inspector. The application for such permit shall be on a form prescribed by the Village and shall be accompanied by a plot plan showing the lot and the proposed location of the fence.

(2) CONSTRUCTION AND PLACEMENT OF FENCES.

(a) In any residential district, fences shall not exceed the following heights. For purposes of this section the front yard shall extend from the front setback line to the front lot line:

1. 6’ in height in side and rear yards.
2. 3’ in front yards.

(b) In any business or industrial district fences shall not exceed 12’ in height.
(c) In any mobile home park district, fences shall comply with the restrictions imposed in residential districts, except as otherwise provided in the approved plan of the mobile home park.
(d) Fences shall be so constructed so as not to be incompatible with the character of surrounding or neighboring structures and so as not to cause a depreciation of property values. In the event there shall be any dispute with respect to the same, it shall be addressed as provided in Section 17.40.
(e) Fences shall be so constructed and placed so that the side facing adjacent property (outer side) shall be at least as attractive as the side facing toward the fenced property (inner side). Fence post shall be placed on the inner side of the fence and shall not be larger than 4” x 4”. Metal fence posts shall be set in concrete bases.
(f) No barbed wire, creosote-covered materials or other injurious materials shall be used.
(g) Fences must be totally within the installing property owners lot lines and shall be installed no closer than six (6) inches from the lot lines.

(3) MAINTENANCE OF FENCES, SCREENS AND BUSHES.

(a) Fences and screens shall be maintained by the owner in an attractive and good condition.

(b) Fences, screens and bushes located adjacent to a public right-of-way shall be maintained in such fashion so as not to extend into the public right-of-way so as to hinder, obstruct or endanger any person or property within the right-of-way.

(4) VISION CLEARANCE FOR CORNER LOTS. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, to provide adequate vision clearance for persons using the public highways, no fence, screening, structure, bush, tree, branches or mound shall be erected, grown, placed or maintained on a corner lot in the Village which shall obstruct the vision between 3’ and 6’ above the curb level or, if none, the street grade at the location, within a triangle formed by the intersecting street lines and a line connecting such street lines from points 15’ from the intersection of the street lines.
SAMPLE SITE PLAN

REAR YARD

Proposed Deck

FRONT YARD

HOUSE

STREET

Property Line
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