FENCE REGULATIONS

Height of fences:

No portion of any fence shall exceed a height of three (3) feet in any part of any front yard unless a site development permit has been approved in accordance with Chapter 8 of this Title, or a height of six (6) feet in any side or rear yard. In no event shall any fence height exceed six (6) feet at any point on the lot.

The term “fence” shall include any open or solid barrier using, but not limited to brick, stone, concrete, steel, iron, wood, and/or plastic for its construction.

Any fence not more than six (6) feet in height in existence on August 19, 1977, in any front yard is exempted from the Provisions of this Section, provided, however that said fence is not located within the public right-of-way and shall not block the sight distance at a street intersection.

Site distance requirement:

No obstruction over three (3) feet in height shall be permitted within a triangle delineated by sides forty (40) feet long on the right of way lines of intersecting streets.

Visibility and safety of vehicular and pedestrian traffic shall be a primary consideration.

Prior to construction of any fence, please contact the Building Department at (408) 354-2805 to inquire if your proposed fence requires any permit.

(See other side of handout for intersection angles and return radii information)

DRIVEWAY GATES

Driveway gates are required to meet all of the height regulations for fences described above. Additionally, driveway (entrance) gates shall be no less than twenty (20) feet from the edge of any public improvement i.e., pavement or sidewalk. Electric gates and related improvements require a building permit from the City.

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SECTION 13.02.080 INTERSECTING ANGLES AND RETURN RADII

Streets will be required to intersect one another at an angle as near to a right angle as practicable in each specific case, unless otherwise necessitated by topographic conditions.

Rounded returns with a minimum radius of twenty (20) feet, or equivalent diagonal cut-offs, shall be required in all cases. The right-of-way line radius of return may vary upwards in relation to the width of roadway, angle of intersection, intersection design and type of land use.

Visibility and safety of vehicular and pedestrian traffic shall be a primary consideration.

No obstruction over three (3) feet and less than six (6) feet in height shall be permitted within a triangle delineated by sides forty (40) feet long on the right-of-way lines of intersecting streets, measured from the point of intersection of said lines or their extensions, and the hypotenuse connecting the ends of said sides when such obstruction would interfere with a clear view of passing traffic on either street (Ordinance 42 E, Article 7, Section 1.7 – 4.5)