

STATE OF MINNESOTA

COUNTY OF CHISAGO

CITY OF NORTH BRANCH

ORDINANCE NO. 339-22

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE, CHAPTER 66: ZONING FENCES AND SCREENING

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 66, ARTICLE X, FENCING SCREENING AND LANDSCAPING, SECTION 66-973 FENCING AND SCREENING

SECTION 1 AMENDMENTS

Article X Fencing, Screening and Landscaping shall be amended as follows

**Sec 66-973 Fencing And Screening**

1. No fence located in the rear yard or side yard of any residential property shall exceed six feet in height. No fence in the front yard of any residential property shall exceed four feet in height. **No fence in the corner side yard of any residential property shall exceed four feet in height unless the fence is located at the corner yard building setback line for that zoning district. Fences located to the rear of the corner yard building setback shall not exceed six feet in height. See figure (a) below.** If the construction is being made with pre-assembled panels that are six feet in height, the fence may be placed up to an average of four inches off the ground to allow for easier maintenance of vegetation and will still be considered a six-foot fence. This does not mean that you can use boards over six feet and fill in the space at the bottom.

Figure (a)



7. A building permit is required for all fences over ~~six~~ **seven (7)** feet and design information and structural engineering will also be required.
10. Barbed Wire Fences. Barbed wire, razor wire or similar fences shall not be installed within the city, except for security fences in commercial and industrial zones, **public facilities, or farm fences constructed to contain livestock.**
11. **Fences shall be located entirely upon the private property of the person constructing or causing the construction of such fence, unless the owner of the adjoining property agrees, in writing, that such fence may be erected on the division line of the respective properties. The City may require the owner of the property upon which a fence exists to establish the boundary lines of the property by a survey thereof.**
12. **Fences shall be located a minimum setback distance of two (2) feet from public rights-of-way.**
13. **The finished side of the fence shall face neighboring properties or the street. The finished side is described as the side of the fence without exposed supports or posts.**
14. **No fence, wall, shrubbery or other obstruction shall be permitted within the triangular area formed at the intersection of any street right-of-way lines by a straight line drawn between said right-of-way lines at a distance along each line of**

thirty (30) feet from their point of intersection.

- 15. All swimming pools or portable swimming pools of a water depth greater than 18 inches shall be protected by a fence of not less than four feet in height. All gates shall have a self-closing and self-latching latch installed on the pool side of the fence. All fences shall be nonclimbable and shall have intermediate rails or ornamental pattern such that a sphere four inches in diameter cannot pass through.**

## SECTION 2 EFFECTIVE DATE

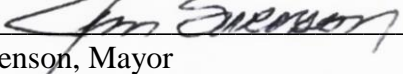
This Ordinance shall take full effect and be in full force after its passage and publication according to law.

<b>RESULT:</b> ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
<b>MOVER:</b> Patrick Meacham, Councilmember
<b>SECONDER:</b> Robert Canada, Councilmember
<b>AYES:</b> Swenson, Neider, Blomquist, Canada, Meacham

Passed and adopted this 12th day of July 2022



CITY OF NORTH BRANCH

BY:   
Jim Swenson, Mayor

ATTEST:   
Renae Fry, City Administrator