

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING GALLATIN MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 5, BUILDINGS AND BUILDING REGULATIONS, BY ADDING ARTICLE XIV, FENCES

WHEREAS, it is deemed in the public interest to amend the Gallatin Municipal Code from time to time; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council have recommended that the City of Gallatin Municipal Code be amended regarding the parameters of adding fences to properties,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF GALLATIN, TENNESSEE, that the Gallatin Municipal Code, Chapter 5, Buildings and Building Regulations, be amended by adding Article XIV, FENCES, as follows:

**ARTICLE XIV. FENCES**

**Sec. 5-290. Definitions.**

The following definitions shall be applicable to the terms as used within this article:

- (1) "Site plan" shall mean a depiction showing the size and location of proposed fence or wall construction and existing structures on the site and distances from lot lines and any easements recorded.
- (2) "Fence" shall mean a structure meant to provide a barrier enclosing an area of ground to mark a boundary, control access, or prevent escape.

**Sec. 5-291. Approval process for fences.**

The Building Official, City Planner, or one under the direction of either is hereby authorized to administer the following review process to determine approval of the construction of a fence or wall:

- (1) An application must be made to the Building Department, accompanied by a site plan.
- (2) Upon application for a fence or wall to be constructed, the Building Department will be charged to review said application for code compliance with current adopted codes. The Planning Department will be charged to review said application for compliance with Zoning Ordinance 12.01.020. The Engineering Department will be charged to review said application for compliance with all pertinent city ordinances and Gallatin Subdivision Regulations.
- (3) If any department denies said application, reasons shall be provided to the applicant, and the applicant shall be afforded the opportunity to revise a fence plan under the same permit application to present a code-compliant application.

**Sec. 5-292. Permits and Fees.**

If the fence application is approved by all affected departments, the following permits shall be issued:

- (1) For fences or walls less than 6 feet in height, a free building permit will be issued.
- (2) For fences or walls 6 feet or more in height, a building permit will be issued after payment of a \$50 permit fee plus a \$10 administrative fee.
- (3) All fence and wall applications will incur a fee as defined by Chapter 2, Section 2-154 of the Gallatin Municipal Code.

**Sec. 5-293. Inspections**

During the review process, required inspections will be determined based on the specifics of the project. The required inspections will be communicated with the applicant upon issuance of the permit.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF GALLATIN, TENNESSEE,** that this Ordinance shall take effect upon passage, the public welfare requiring such.

PASSED FIRST READING: August 1, 2017.

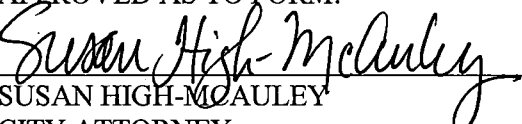
PASSED SECOND READING: August 15, 2017.

  
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