FENCE REQUIREMENTS

Application Requirements:

- Fill out **Zoning Permit**.
- Pay all associated fees.
- Provide two (2) copies of a plot plan/survey or drawing of your property with the dimensions of the proposed fence, its location, and the materials from which it will be constructed. This plan should also include all existing buildings on the property and distances from building(s) to proposed fence.
- Once plans are approved you may begin construction.

Inspections Required:

- Post Hole; once you receive approval, you may begin construction.
- Once construction is complete, call for <u>final inspection</u>.

REQUIREMENTS: GENERAL.

- No fence shall be constructed in a required front open space; provided however, on a corner lot, a wire fence not more than forty-two (42) inches in height and decorative in nature may be constructed in the required front open space along an exterior side lot line, not closer than one (1) foot to any public sidewalk. Chain link fencing shall not be considered decorative.
- No fence within fifteen (15) feet of the intersection of a driveway and the property line shall be constructed of view-obstructing materials to ensure adequate clear vision for vehicular traffic. No fence within this area shall exceed thirty-six (36) inches in height. The property line is generally at the inside edge of the sidewalk.
- For all fence hereinafter erected, the finished side of the fence shall face the property adjacent to the property where the proposed fence is installed.

HEIGHT REGULATIONS.

- No fence shall be less than three (3) feet in height.
- Unless otherwise required by any other ordinance of the City of Mount Clemens, the maximum height of a fence shall be as follows:
 - 1. In or adjoining a residential district, six (6) feet;
 - 2. Not in or adjoining a residential district, eight (8) feet.

FENCE SPECIFICATIONS.

- Wood posts and wood fences shall be sunk at least 42 inches in the ground, not more than eight (8) feet on center. Wood posts shall have a minimum dimension of three and one-half inches (3½") if rectangular, and four inches (4") diameter if round. If any wood fence is constructed out of used lumber, it shall be painted. All metal parts, including nails, screws, bolts, and hardware, shall be corrosion resistant. Wood fences greater than three (3) feet in height shall have top cross members connecting posts at least one and one-half inches (1½") by three inches (3") thickness. If wire fabric is used instead of boards, the wire fabric shall meet the specifications set forth in Subsection C of this Section for wire fences.
- All posts for wire fences shall be sunk in the ground at least thirty (30) inches in a concrete base at least eight (8) inches in diameter. Corner, gate, and end posts shall be at least two (2) inches in outside diameter and other posts shall be at least one and five-eighths (1%) inches of outside diameter. There shall be a top rail of at least one and five-eighths (1%) inches of diameter. The wire fabric shall be securely fastened to the posts and rails. There shall be posts not more than ten (10) feet on center apart. All posts shall be capped. The wire fabric shall be chain-link number eleven (11) gauge wire or thicker, and the mesh shall not be greater than two (2) inches wide. All material shall be corrosion resistant.

SPIKES, NAILS, BARBED WIRE, RAZOR WIRE.

No person shall erect or maintain any fence to which there is affixed or placed or in any manner attached any spike, nail, broken glass, or other sharp or sharply pointed instrument of any kind or description, or any electrified fence or wall or any other substance reasonably calculated to do bodily harm, except as permitted herein. Barbed wire and razor wire may not be used on property which abuts property which is zoned or used for residential purposes.

