



Legislation Text

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Summary

To: Mayor and Commissioners
From: JP Murphy, Town Manager
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Subject:

First Reading of Ordinance 523 - Fences and Fence Walls

Summary:

Ordinance 523 amends the Town Code of Ordinances relating to fences and fence walls. The Commission previously expressed interest in reviewing current fencing regulations, specifically relating to materials and vegetative shielding. The Planning and Zoning Board discussed the need to address code deficiencies regarding suitable fencing materials, perhaps disallowing some materials like chain-link, the unity of construction heights and materials along fence faces, enforcement of vegetative coverings and appropriate setback limitations for fences. Changes reflected in the Ordinance include:

- All visible retaining walls require caps
- All fences must be maintained subject to 74-517
- Fence heights are determined from grade, but includes berms.
- Fences must have uniform heights along a running face
- Fences may be constructed of one material type and of a type specified
- Chain-link: Must be black coated, have a top rail, be 85% shielded at installation and demonstrate irrigation for vegetation. Green coatings and meshes only for public spaces
- No dangerous fences
- Old fence may not be abandoned in place
- Temporary fences only during construction

Previous Commission Action: N/A

Background/Problem Discussion: N/A

Expenditure Challenges: None

Financial Implications: None

Recommendation: I recommend approval on first reading

Proposed Motion: I move approval of Ordinance 523 on first reading. (Optional: with amendments)