



City of Othello
Washington
Ordinance No. 1544

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF OTHELLO
AMENDING SECTION 14.36.030
OF CHAPTER 14.36 TITLED “FENCES, WALLS AND HEDGES”**

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OTHELLO, WASHINGTON ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Amendment. Othello Municipal Code Section 14.3.6.030 of Chapter 14.36 titled “Fences, Walls and Hedges” is hereby amended as follows:

14.36.030 Restrictions.

The following restrictions shall apply to construction, maintenance, repair or placement of fences and hedges, and no deviation from these requirements shall be made except as provided in Section 14.36.090:

- (a) Corner Lot. A maximum of six feet in height anywhere on a corner lot, except as follows:
 - (1) A maximum of three feet in height where closer than forty-five feet from the point of projected intersections of the street curb face;
 - (2) A maximum of three feet in height where closer than twenty feet from the front street property line (right of way);
 - (3) A maximum of three feet in height where closer than thirteen feet from a point located by projecting the side street curb and the alley right of way.
- (b) Interior Lot. A maximum of six feet in height anywhere on an interior lot, provided a maximum of three feet in height where closer than twenty feet from the front property line.
- (c) Public Right of Way. Property owners constructing or reconstructing a fence on public right of way shall provide a public sidewalk parallel to the curb for the full length of the lot side per the public works design standards. Wood and chain link fences on public right of way shall be considered licensed by the city with the building permit. Masonry and/or decorative metal fences shall obtain a standard public right-of-way license approved by council. Fences on public right of

way will be removed at the adjacent landowner's expense within sixty days of terminating said license. Upon request of removal, the fence shall be considered a public nuisance.

(d) **Driver Visibility.** Property owners shall not allow a hedge to grow such that a visibility hazard is created for a driver of a vehicle on or entering onto public right of way. (Ord. 1152 § 1 (part), 2003; Ord. 586 § 3, 1979).

(e) Fences along alleys shall be located completely on private property and at least 10' from the alley centerline.

Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after this ordinance or a summary thereof consisting of the title is published.

PASSED by the City Council of Othello, Washington this ____ day of _____, 2020.

By: _____
Shawn Logan, Mayor

ATTEST:

By: _____
Tania D. Morelos, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: _____
Kelly E. Konkright, City Attorney

PASSED the ____ day of _____, 2020
APPROVED the ____ day of _____, 2020
PUBLISHED the ____ day of _____, 2020