

# Fence Permit Application

City of Rainier 556-7301 Inspection  
 Request Line 556-7301 106 West "B" St.,  
 P.O. Box 100 Rainier, Oregon 97048

Attach Detailed Plot Plan

Address of Structure		Tax Lot Number		Permit Number	
Owner		Mailing Address		City-State-Zip	
Contractor		Mailing Address		City-State-Zip	
Oregon Contractors Board License #		City of Rainier Business License #			

Special Conditions & Remarks:

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*Note: Plot plan required showing streets, driveways and dimensions as per attached sample.*

Planning Approval	Public Works Approval
Date	Date

**THIS PERMIT BECOMES NULL AND VOID IF WORK OR CONSTRUCTION AUTHORIZED IS NOT COMMENCED WITHIN 180 DAYS, OR IF CONSTRUCTION OR WORK IS SUSPENDED OR ABANDONED FOR A PERIOD OF 180 DAYS AT ANY TIME AFTER WORK IS COMMENCED.**

This permit is granted on the express condition that the said construction will, in all respects, conform to the ordinances of this jurisdiction, including the Zoning Ordinance, Comprehensive Plan and, Public Works Design Standards of the City of Rainier, regulating the construction and use of buildings, and may be revoked at any time upon violation of any provisions of said ordinances.

It is further certifies that the contractor is registered with the Builder's Board and is in fill force and effect as required by ORS 701.055, that if exempt the basis for the exemption is noted hereon, and that only subcontractors and employees who are in compliance with ORS 701.055 will be used on this project.

The granting of a permit does not presume to give authority to violate or cancel the provisions of any other-state or local law regulating construction or the performance of construction. I hereby certify that I have read and examined this application and know the same to be true and correct. All provisions of law and ordinances governing this work will be complied with whether specified herein or not. By signing this I agree to expressly and unequivocally call for consent to any and all inspections deemed necessary by the Columbia County Building Officials and Officials of the City of Rainier

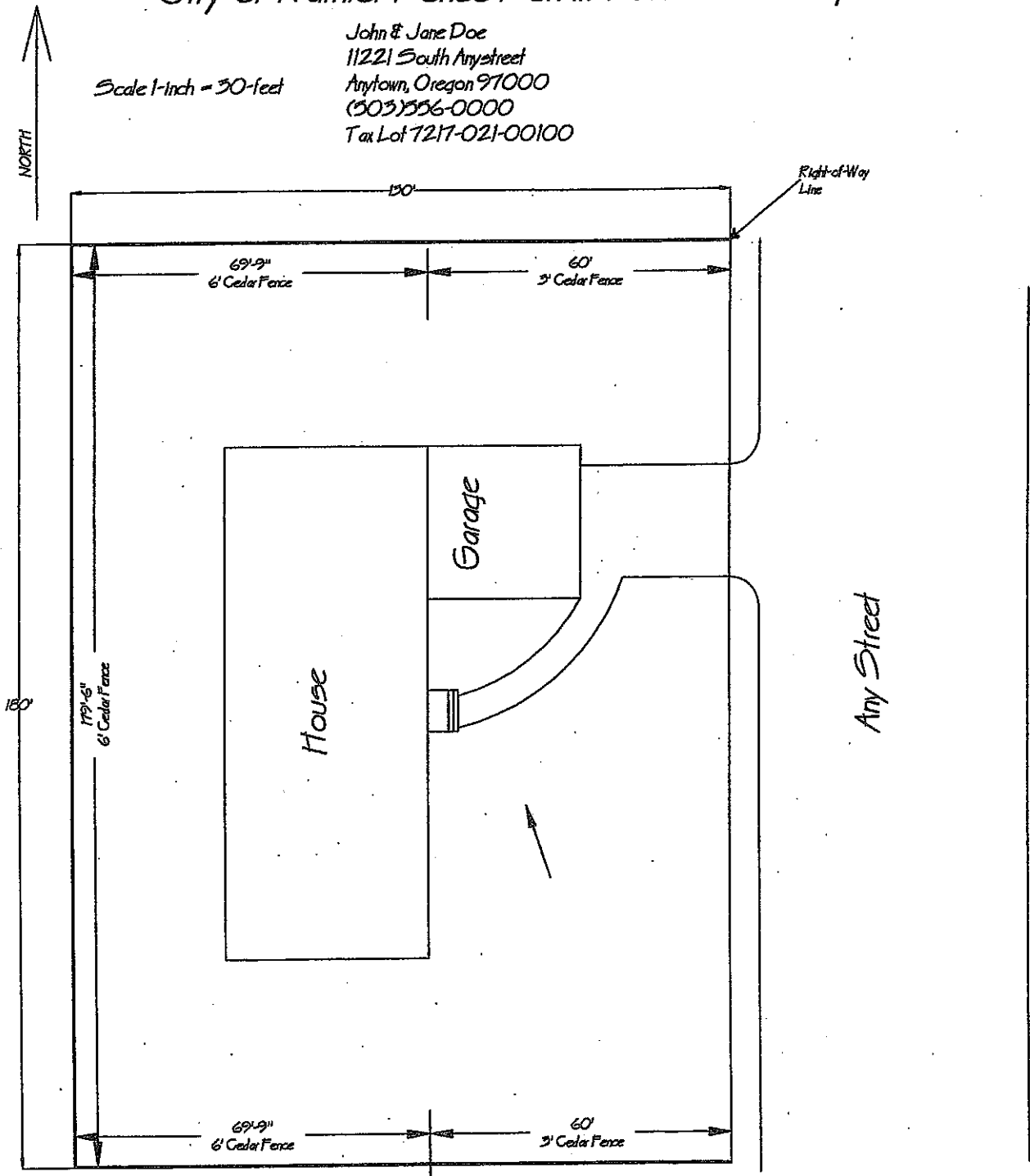
Signature of Contractor or Authorized Agent \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Owner \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# City of Rainier Fence Permit Plot Plan Example

John & Jane Doe  
11221 South Anystreet  
Anytown, Oregon 97000  
(503)556-0000  
Tax Lot 7217-021-00100

Scale 1-inch = 30-feet



Note: The above plot plan example was drawn via computer. A hand drawn plan is OK provided it is clearly legible and to scale.

## RAINIER ZONING ORDINANCE

### **SECTION 5.7 FENCES, WALLS AND HEDGES.**

Fences, walls or hedges may be placed above ground along any property line, subject to the clear-vision area requirements and height standards of this Ordinance. Retaining walls, which support the land below ground level, are subject to the clear-vision area requirements of this Ordinance; however, the height requirements of Section 5.7 do not apply to retaining walls.

**Residential Uses.** Fences, walls and hedges are limited to six (6) feet in height when they are located at the sides of or behind a dwelling. Fences, walls and hedges located in the front yard or street side yard of a dwelling shall be limited to a height of three and one-half (3.5 ) feet. Fences, walls or hedges over six (6) feet in height are not permitted for residential uses.

**Commercial Uses.** Fences, walls or hedges are limited to eight (8) feet in height.

**Industrial Uses.** Fences, walls or hedges are limited to ten (10) feet in height.

**Fence Permit and Fees.** A fence permit is required for the construction of any fence or wall over three and one-half (3.5) feet in height. There is no fee for a fence permit when the fence is to be constructed within the height limitations of this Section. A fee shall be charged when the permit includes a request for fence height exception review.

**Fence Height Exception Review.** When State or Federal regulations governing the type of use require fence or wall heights to exceed the limitations of this Section, the property owner may apply to the City for an exception. The applicant must submit evidence of the required exception and the fee established by City Council to initiate height exception review. The evidence will be reviewed and a maximum height shall be established by the Director of Public Works based on the requirements set forth by the governing agency.

**Decision Process.** Fence permit applications and fence height exceptions shall be reviewed and determined by Planning and Public Works as a Type I Decision.

**SECTION 5.6 CLEAR-VISION AREAS.**

**Street and Railroad Clear-Vision Areas.** A clear-vision area shall be maintained on the corners of all properties adjacent to the intersection of any combination of rights-of-way, including public and private roads, alleys, driveways and railroad crossings. No fence, wall, landscaping, sign, structure or parked vehicle that would impede visibility between a height of 3 feet and 10 feet above the center line grades of the intersecting rights-of-way shall be located within the clear-vision area. No driveway or parking area shall be located in the intersection of a clear-vision area.

**Obstructions.** The following obstructions can be within a street or railroad clear-vision area:

- A. A public utility pole;
- B. A tree trimmed to the trunk to a line at least eight feet above the level of the intersection;
- C. Another plant species of open growth habit that is not planted in the form of a hedge line, which is so planted and trimmed as to leave an all-season clear and unobstructed crossview;
- D. An official warning sign or signal;
- E. A supporting member or appurtenance to a permanent building lawfully existing on the date this standard becomes effective; or
- F. A place where the natural contour of the ground is such that there can be no cross-visibility at the intersection.

**Clear-Vision Triangle.** A clear-vision area shall consist of a triangle two sides of which are curb lines for a distance specified in this Section (**Figure 1**). In areas without curbs, lot lines or other lines as determined by the City shall be used in place of curb lines for measurement purposes (**Figure 2**).

The following measurements shall establish street and railroad clear-vision areas:

- A. A distance of 25 feet at the intersection of a public or private street with another street or a railroad.
- B. A distance of 20 feet at the intersection of an alley with a street.

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### Driveway Clear-Vision Areas.

- A. **Commercial, Industrial, Three or More Attached Dwellings, and Public/Semi-Public Uses (Figures 3 and 4).** Service drives to public streets shall have a minimum clear-vision area formed by the intersection of the edges of the driveway, the street right-of-way line, and a straight line joining said lines through points 20 feet from their intersection. No fence, wall, landscaping, sign, structure or parked vehicle that would impede visibility between a height of 3 feet to 10 feet above the center line grade of the intersecting street shall be located within the clear-vision area. No off-street parking area shall be located in a driveway clear-vision area.
- B. **One- and Two-Unit Residential Developments (Figures 5 and 6).** Driveways to public streets shall have a minimum clear-vision area formed by the intersection of the edges of the driveway, the street right-of-way line, and a straight line joining said lines through points 10 feet from their intersection. No fence, wall, landscaping, sign or other structure that would impede visibility between a height of 3 feet to 10 feet above the center line grade of the intersecting street shall be located within the clear-vision area. No off-street parking area shall be located in a driveway clear-vision area.

# City of Rainier Clear-Vision Standards

FIGURE 1  
Clear-Vision Line With Curbs

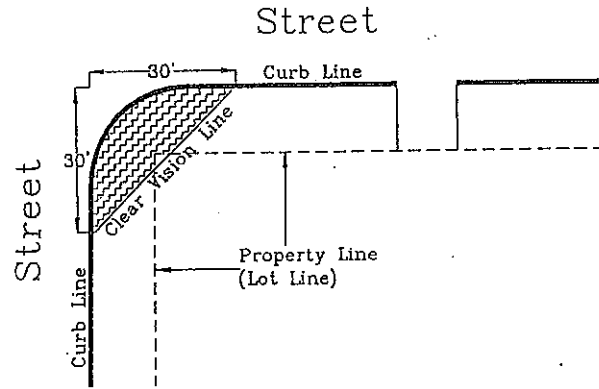


FIGURE 2  
Clear-Vision Line Without Curbs\*

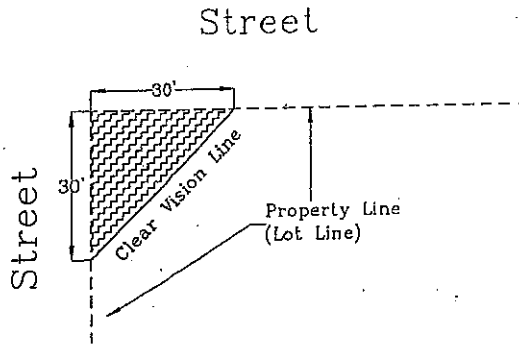


FIGURE 3  
Driveway and Alley Clear-Vision Line With Curbs  
Commercial/Industrial, Public, Semi-Public, Multi-Family

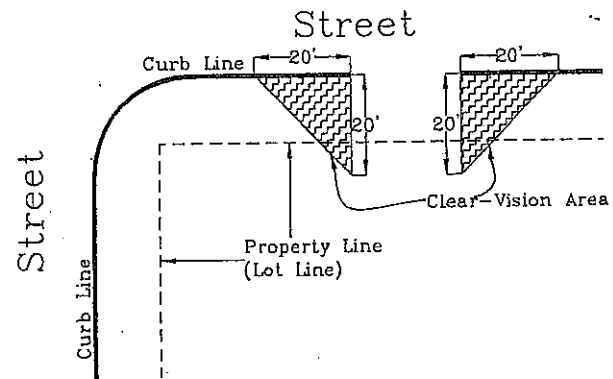


FIGURE 4  
Driveway and Alley Clear-Vision Line Without Curbs\*  
Commercial/Industrial, Public, Semi-Public, Multi-Family

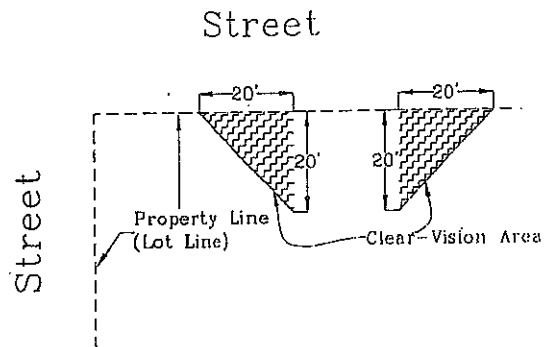


FIGURE 5  
Driveway Clear-Vision Line With Curbs  
One and Two Unit Single Family

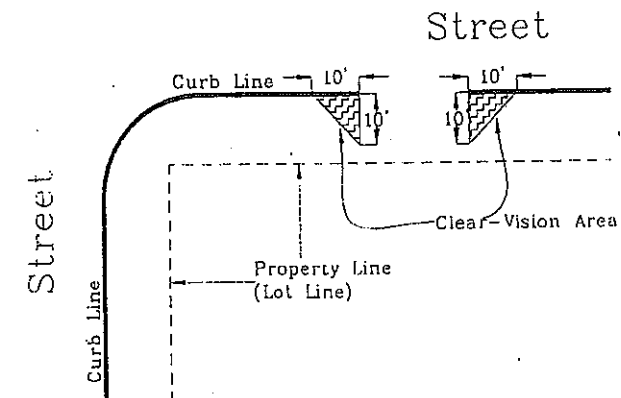
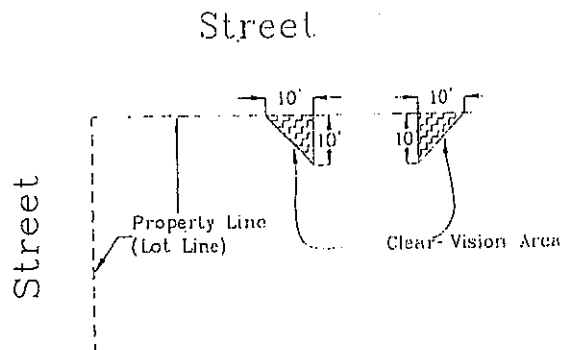


FIGURE 6  
Driveway Clear-Vision Line Without Curbs\*  
One and Two Unit Single Family



\*NOTE: Measurement points on streets without curbs may be modified as determined by City