Section 86-248 Outside Storage

- (a) In all classes of residential districts, open storage and accumulation of materials and equipment shall be prohibited. In all other zoning districts, open storage of materials and equipment shall be prohibited in the required front, side, and rear yards, except storage shall be allowed in the required rear yard in industrial districts. Unless prohibited elsewhere in the ordinance, any other outside storage, including outdoor storage tanks, shall be located or screened so as not to be visible from public right-of-way, public parks or any lot within 500 feet in any of the classes of business or residence districts, except in industrial and agricultural zoning districts screening from public right-of-way is not required. The screening may be achieved by fencing or landscaping means compliant with section 86-247. In all classes of business districts, the storage area shall be paved or graveled to control erosion and shall be properly maintained. Temporary storage of building materials intended for construction use on premises shall be allowed during ongoing construction and up to two weeks prior to construction and is exempt from the above requirements provided a valid building permit is obtained.
- (b) Outdoor display of retail merchandise intended for sale or rent and open to public shall be allowed in all classes of business and industrial districts. In all classes of business districts, the display area, except live plants sales area, shall be paved to control dust and erosion and facilitate accessibility and general access to, and moving of, displayed products.

 Except licensed automobile, motorcycle, off-road vehicle, and boat sales lots, and small motorized farm and lawn care equipment sales, the display area shall not be located in the required front and side yards. Outdoor display areas adjacent to any of the classes of residence districts shall be screened by fencing or landscaping means compliant with section 86-247. Outdoor display area shall be adequately lighted.
 - (1) Small off-road vehicles, golf carts, small farm and lawn care equipment, including subcompact tractors, and pre-built sheds may be displayed in the landscaped area, provided they are all located within five feet of a paved surface contiguous with the required parking, and all site landscaping requirements are met.
 - (2) Except licensed automobile, motorcycle, off-road vehicle, recreational vehicles, as defined in Section 74-131, and boat sales lots, and golf carts and new small, motorized farm and lawn care equipment sales, the display area shall not be located in the required front and side yards.