

ORDINANCE 2026-11

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MADEIRA BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING SECTION 110-423 (INTERSECTION VISIBILITY) OF CHAPTER 110 (ZONING), ARTICLE VI (SUPPLEMENTARY DISTRICT REGULATIONS), DIVISION 2 (LOT, YARD, HEIGHT AND OTHER SITE AREA REGULATIONS) OF THE CITY'S LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT, SEVERABILITY AND CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City has determined that the existing intersection visibility regulations contained within the Land Development Regulations include duplicative and conflicting provisions; and

WHEREAS, maintaining a single, clear set of intersection visibility standards promotes consistent administration and enforcement while protecting public safety; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments consolidate the City's intersection visibility requirements into Section 110-423 and remove conflicting or redundant provisions from other sections of the Code; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments clarify how visibility triangles are measured, establish uniform obstruction standards, and provide reasonable exceptions for existing buildings, tree trunks, utility poles, and properly maintained landscaping that do not create a traffic hazard;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF MADEIRA BEACH, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

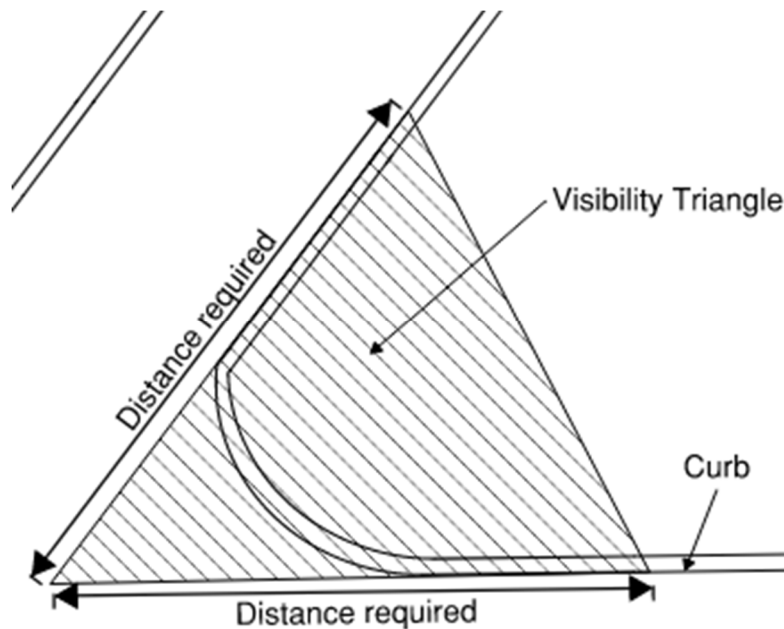
Section 1. That Section 110-423 of Chapter 110 (Zoning), Article VI (Supplementary District Regulations), Division 2 (Lot, Yard, Height, and Other Site Area Regulations) of the Land Development Regulations of the City of Madeira Beach is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 110-423. Intersection visibility.

- (a) At all street intersections, ~~except as noted in subsection (b) of this section,~~ no obstruction to vision ~~(other than an existing building, post, column, or tree)~~

exceeding between 36 inches and eight feet in height above the established grade of the street at the property line shall be erected or maintained on any lot within the triangle formed by the street lot lines of such lot back of curb from the corner intersection, or along the pavement edge where no curb exists and a line drawn between the points along such street lot lines 25 feet distant from their point of intersection, or 15 feet distant when abutting an alley. Where intersections contain a curved corner radius, measurements shall be taken from the theoretical intersection of the tangent curb lines.

- (b) Posts, columns, poles, existing buildings, tree trunks, and properly trimmed plant material shall be permitted within the visibility triangle provided they do not create a traffic hazard as determined by the Community Development Director or their designee. It shall be unlawful for the owner or person in charge of any lot, parcel or piece of land within the city to allow any obstruction to vision in the triangle formed by the lines of two intersecting streets, or street and an alley, and a line joining points on such lines 30 feet distant from their point of intersection by permitting any vegetation to grow or be maintained between the heights of three feet and ten feet above the grade of the centerline of the intersection, or by constructing or maintaining any fence or other structure which by constructing or maintaining any fence or other structure which constitutes an obstruction to view within the triangle.



Section 2. For purposes of codification of any existing section of the Madeira Beach Code herein amended, words **underlined** represent additions to original text, words **~~stricken~~** are deletions from the original text, and words neither underlined nor stricken remain unchanged.

Section 3. Ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith to the extent that such conflict exists are hereby repealed.

Section 4. In the event a court of competent jurisdiction finds any part or provision of the Ordinance unconstitutional or unenforceable as a matter of law, the same shall be stricken and the remainder of the Ordinance shall continue in full force and effect.

Section 5. The Codifier shall codify the substantive amendments to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Madeira Beach contained in Section 1 of this Ordinance as provided for therein and shall not codify the exordial clauses nor any other sections not designated for codification.

Section 6. Pursuant to Florida Statutes §166.041(4), this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY
OF MADEIRA BEACH, FLORIDA, THIS _____ day of _____, 2026.**

Anne-Marie Brooks, Mayor

ATTEST:

Clara VanBlargan, MMC, FCPC, FCRM, MSM, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Thomas J. Trask, City Attorney

PASSED ON FIRST READING: _____

PUBLISHED: _____

PASSED ON SECOND READING: _____