

113.07 CONTAINER SCREENING/PLACEMENT

1. Commercial Establishments and Multiple Dwelling Units. Any bulk container or dumpster used for the storage of mixed municipal solid waste, recyclables, or organics must be screened from view of the public right-of-way, public park, or residential area. Any bulk container or dumpster located inside a building for collection of mixed municipal solid waste must be metal for fire safety. Laundry rooms must have metal cans with metal lids for collection of mixed municipal solid waste. Recycling containers less than one (1) cubic yard in capacity do not need to be screened from view of the public right-of-way, provided there are less than six (6) containers at a given location, but must be placed on a paved surface. Baled recyclables must be stored out of view from the public right-of-way other than a 24-hour time period before a scheduled collection.

Screening shall consist of a solid fence or wall not less than six (6) feet high in the side and rear yards and shall not extend to within fifteen (15) feet of any "street right-of-way" line. Mixed municipal solid waste, organics and recyclables container enclosures must be constructed in a manner that does not prevent residents or haulers from accessibility to other containers placed therein. Plantings may be used in addition to, or in lieu of, fencing. If plantings are used to meet screening requirements, the type, size and location of such plantings must be approved by the Community Development Director or designee.

The screening requirements shall be satisfied by the use of a screening fence or planting screen according to the following standards:

- a. Plantings shall not be placed so as to obstruct lines of sight at street corners and driveways.
 - b. A screening fence shall be attractive, in a state of good repair, and compatible with the principal building and the surrounding land use.
 - c. A planting screen shall consist of a closely grown hedge, shrubs, evergreens or other vegetation approved by the Community Development Director or designee and shall be kept weeded, watered and maintained in good health.
 - d. If the topography, natural growth of vegetation, permanent buildings or other barriers meet the standards for screening as approved by the City, they may be substituted for all or part of the screening fence or planting screen.
 - e. If a four-sided enclosure is necessary to screen a solid waste container from the public right-of way, doors, allowing for removal of the container, must be constructed of durable material in a location that allows for safe material pickup, and shall be maintained in an attractive, well-kept condition. The doors must be constructed so that residents or commercial establishments may easily access solid waste, recycling, yard waste and organics dumpsters and containers within.
2. Residential Properties. Wheeled containers used for the storage of mixed municipal solid waste, recyclables, yard waste and organics may be placed at the curb, but not in the public drive area of the right-of-way, for collection from 5:00 pm the day prior to collection until 9:00 pm the day of collection. Containers must not be stored between weekly collections in the front yard setback.

HISTORY

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