



Permits & Inspections
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Permits & Inspections is a Division of the Department of Planning & Development Services

RESIDENTIAL FENCES

Do I need a permit for a fence?

Replacement/construction of any fence *over* 7 feet tall *does* require a permit and will be subject to city inspection. The *maximum* height allowed is 8 feet. *ALL* fences must be built within the property lines and shall not be built on public right-of-way. *Note: It is the responsibility of the property owner to locate all the property lines for the placement of fences. The City of San Angelo does not enforce deed restrictions. All property owners should check deed restrictions prior to construction.*

What are the setbacks for building a fence on a corner lot, interior lot, or double frontage lot?

Please see diagrams on page two for clarification.

How is the height of the fence measured?

The height of the fence is measured at every point along the fence. The average distance along the top of the fence & the immediate adjacent ground surface, on both sides, shall be considered the fence height (*if built on a retaining wall, the wall is considered part of the fence*). See diagram on page two for clarification.

What if I live at the lake or on a canal?

Most construction projects, to include placement of all fences regardless of height, must be approved by the *Architectural Control Committee*, which is ran by Lake Nasworthy Home Owner's Association. All fences will need to adhere to specific guidelines; including but not limited to:

- For lots on the lake, privacy fences which are higher than 4 feet shall not be constructed closer than 75 feet from the water's edge or from the house to the water's edge, whichever is shorter.
- For lots on a canal, privacy fences which are higher than 4 feet shall not be constructed closer than 50 feet from the water's edge or from the house to the water's edge, whichever is shorter.

What if I live inside the River Corridor?

Most construction projects, to include placement of all fences regardless of height, must be approved by the *Design & Historic Review Commission*. To find out if you live inside the boundaries of the River Corridor go to www.cosatx.us/RCmap.

All fences will need to adhere to specific guidelines; including but not limited to:

- Chain-link fences should not be used.
- Fences constructed of predominately natural materials, such as stone and wood, are preferable. However, fences constructed with masonry and textured and/or composed of color-tinted concrete are acceptable.

Hours of Operation: 8 AM - 12 PM & 1 PM - 5 PM

No payments or permit issuance can be made after 4 PM due to accounting constraints.

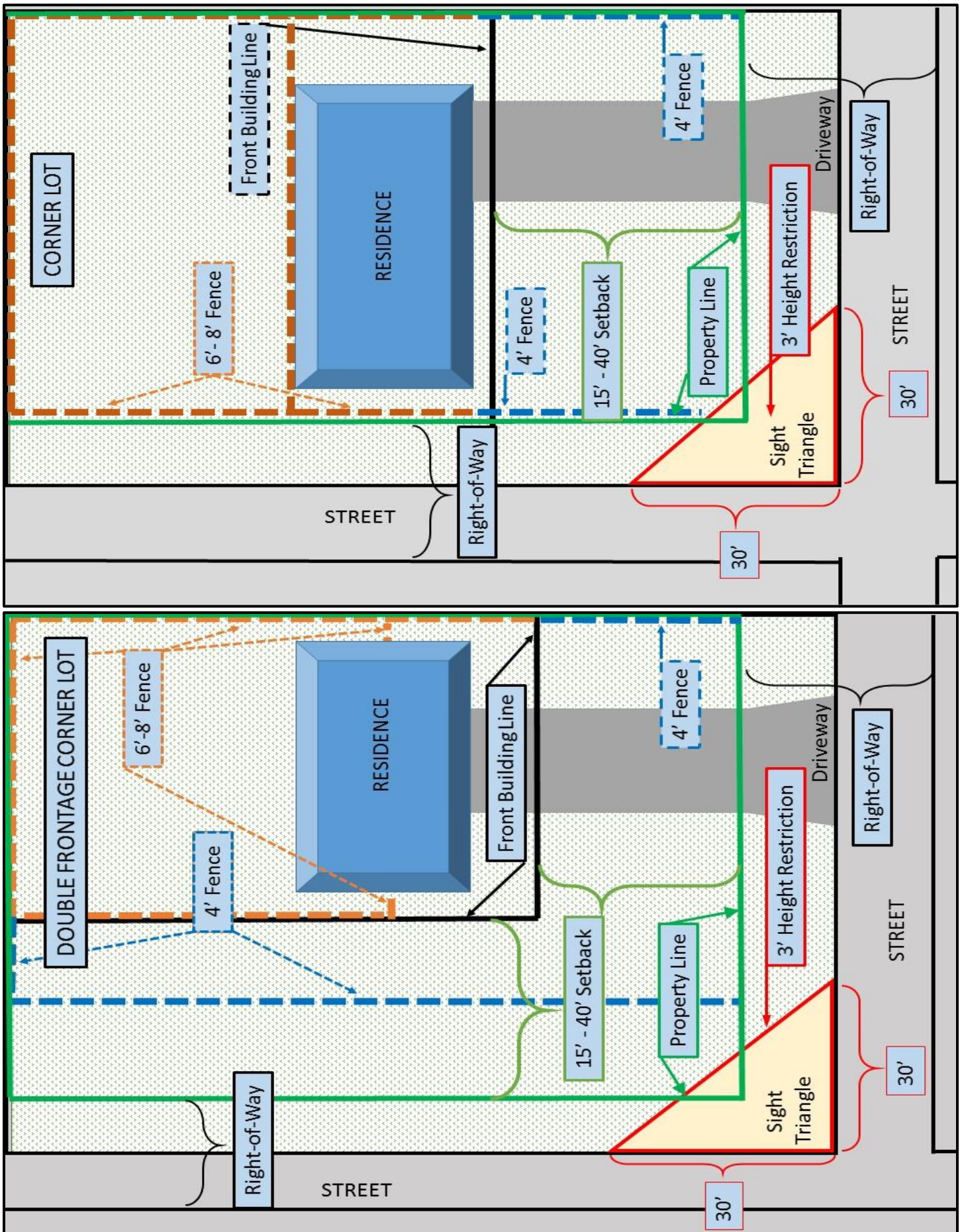
For more information about building fences on a lake/canal or within the River Corridor please contact the Planning Division at 325-657-4210, option #2

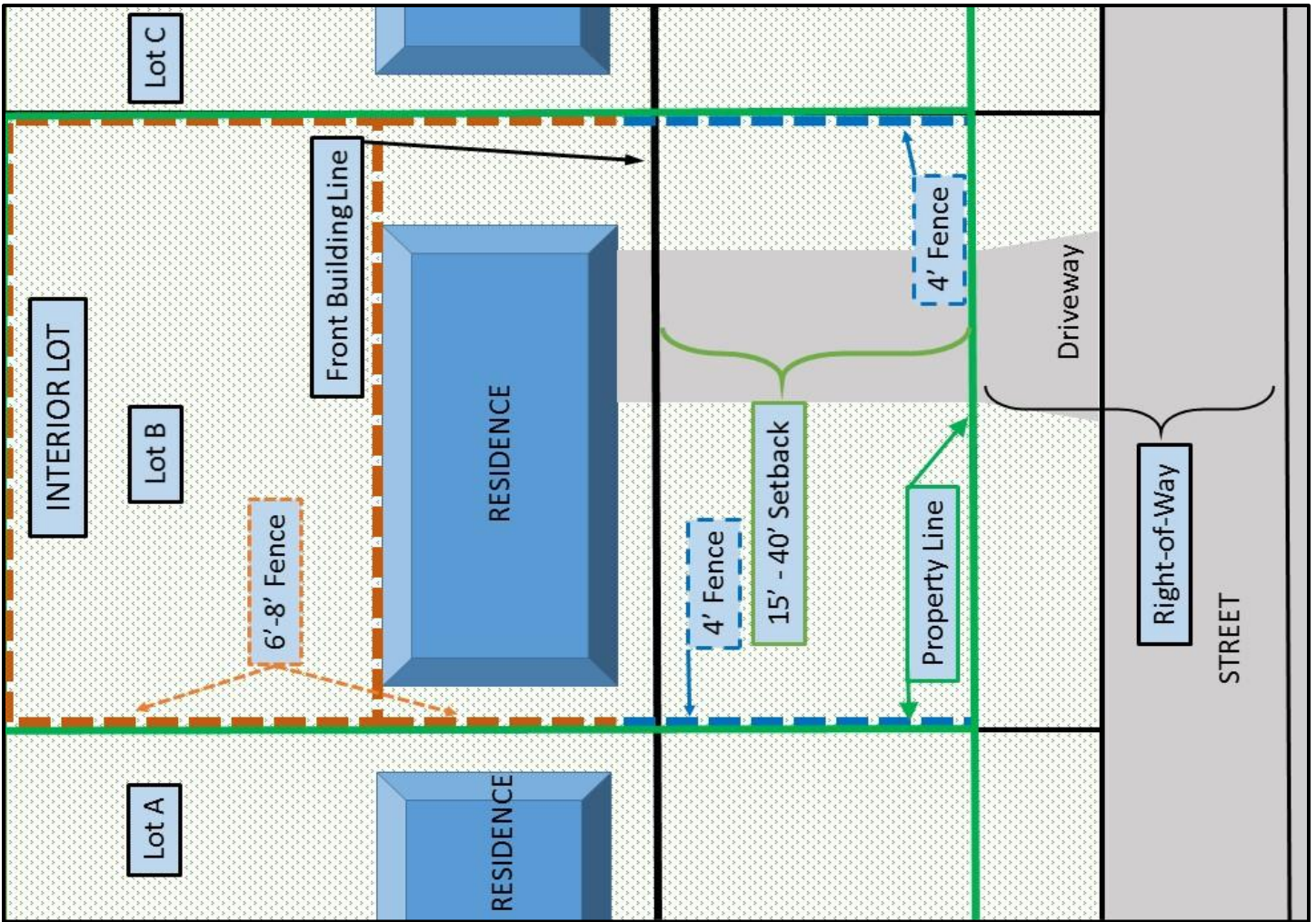
What is the process to obtain a fence permit?

1. Bring in a completed permit application (which can also be found on our website under Departments and Services – Building Permits and Inspections – Information, Handouts and Forms),
 - The permit can generally be issued in minutes.
 - Once the permit has been issued you can start your approved projects.
 - You will need to schedule an inspection once the fence has been completed.

If you have any additional questions please give us a call or come see us in person. We are more than happy to assist you in any way that we can.

The following diagrams illustrate the setback requirements for residential fences:





Height (H) = Average (A) distance between top of fence (●) and the immediate adjacent ground (●)

