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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 19-91 OF CHAPTER 19 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF APPLETON, RELATING TO PARKING IN FRONT AND SIDE YARD IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT; PARKING ON TERRACES.

(Municipal Services Committee – 2-1-2023)

The Common Council of the City of Appleton does ordain as follows:

Section 1: That Section 19-91 of Chapter 19 of the Municipal Code of the City of Appleton, relating to parking in front and side yard in residential district; parking on terraces, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 19-91. Parking in front and side yard in residential district; parking on terraces.

(a) ***Purpose.*** The purpose of this section is to clearly define acceptable areas for parking vehicles within the front yard or side yard, as defined in Chapter 23, of private properties in order to address off-street parking issues and maintain the acceptable appearance of City neighborhoods.

(b) ***Residential driveway.*** Residential driveway means that area leading directly from the street to a garage, carport, or rear yard parking area.

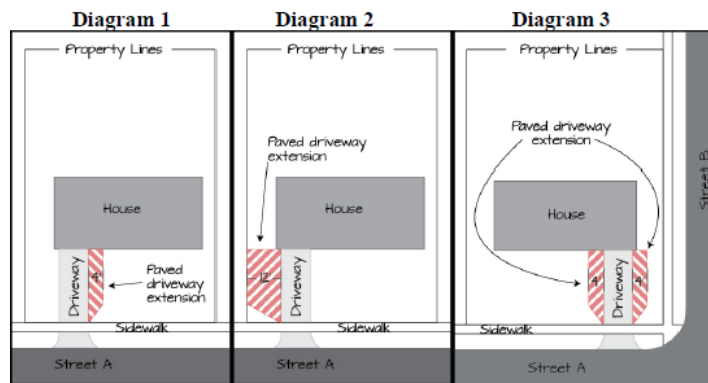
(c) ***Front yard.*** No person shall park or store any motor vehicle, or recreational vehicle of 26 feet or less, i.e., a “camping trailer”, “fifth-wheel trailer”, “motor home” or “recreational vehicle” as those terms are defined by §340.01, Stats., as well as boat trailers and boats, utilities trailers, trailered snowmobiles, trailered jet-ski(s) or fishing shanties in the front yard of any residential district except upon a residential driveway and shall be subject to temporary recreational vehicle parking restrictions set forth in §19-92. No recreational vehicle or boat greater than 26 feet in length may be parked or stored in the front yard of any residential district. Any vehicle parked in the front yard, shall be parked within the driveway area in such a manner as to maintain all wheels on the driveway surface, and shall neither obstruct the sidewalk nor extend onto the driveway apron. Carriage style driveways with a minimum of 2-foot wide strips paved with concrete, asphalt or brick and maintained grass medians in accordance with Sec. 12-59(c)(3) are permitted.

(d) ***Side yard.*** No person shall park or store any motor vehicle, “camping trailer”, “fifth-wheel trailer”, “motor home” or “recreational vehicle” as those terms are defined by §340.01, Stats., as well as boat trailers and trailered boats, pick-up camper tops, utilities trailers, trailered snowmobiles, trailered jet-ski(s) or fishing shanties in the side yard of any residential district unless it is parked on a hard surface and subject to the requirements of this section, including the requirement for a permit for the installation of said hard surface.

(e) **Permits.** The Inspections Supervisor shall issue a driveway extension permit or a side yard parking pad permit upon the filing of a proper application, which shall be on a form furnished by the Director and shall describe the nature of the work, material to be used, measurements, plans and/or specifications of the proposed extension as well as such other information as may be required for inspection. Permits shall be issued prior to the start of the work. Fees for this permit shall be kept on file with the City Clerk.

(f) Extensions to the driveway surface, beyond the area previously described in section (d), are permissible provided all of the following apply:

- (1) The property owner has obtained appropriate driveway extension permit; and,
- (2) Both the extension and driveway are paved as provided in sec. (d) above; and,
- (3) The extension is no greater than twelve (12) feet wide on the side nearest the side lot (See Diagram 2) and no greater than four (4) feet wide in front yard closest to the dwelling (see Diagram 1). Extensions to driveways on corner lots may extend no more than four (4) feet on both sides of the driveway (See Diagram 3); and,



- (4) The paved area is no longer than the length of the driveway, extending from the edge of the City's right-of-way to a carport, rear yard parking area or garage. For the purpose of creating a parking pad, the paved area may extend along the side of the principal structure on the property and may extend to the rear plane of said structure; and,
- (5) Driveway extensions shall be flared at an angle from the sidewalk per Diagrams 1, 2, and 3 above;
- (6) This section shall not apply toward paved circular driveways.
- (7) The paved area shall meet any other requirements of the Municipal Code including, but not limited to, zoning requirements and the Driveway

Installation Policy.

(g) Appeals to the requirements of this section shall be filed with the Inspections Supervisor and heard by the Municipal Services Committee. In hearing and deciding appeals, the Committee shall have the power to grant relief from the terms of this section only where there are unusual and practical difficulties or undue hardships due to an irregular shape of the lot, topographical, or other conditions present, as contrasted with merely granting an advantage or convenience. Decisions of the Committee shall be consistent with the purpose and intent of this section.

(h) Relief granted by the Municipal Services Committee, pursuant to (g) above, shall run with the land.

(i) ***Penalty.***

- (1) *First offense parking forfeiture.* Any person to whom a ticket has been issued for a violation of this section shall incur a forfeiture of forty-five dollars (\$45.00), which may be satisfied by paying twenty dollars (\$20.00) within fifteen (15) days of the date of the ticket. The procedures in Sec. 19-90(i), (k), and (l) apply to first offenses of this section.
- (2) *Second and subsequent violations of this section.* Any person who violates any provision of this section more than one time in a twelve (12) month period shall be subject to a penalty as provided in Sec. 1-16 of the Municipal Code.

Section 2: This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication.