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Storage Structures in Residential Zones



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STORAGE STRUCTURES

The following are some of the most frequently asked questions by homeowners regarding storage structures. We hope this answers most of your questions. Should you need additional information, please feel free to talk to our staff at the Building & Safety and Planning counters, or phone us at the numbers listed.

What is a storage structure?

Storage structures are used to store a wide variety of items, including, but not limited to, tools, gardening supplies, arts and crafts, seasonal clothes, mementos, etc. Storage structures can be attached to or detached from the main residence. A common type of storage structure is a portable shed. Examples of permanent storage structure is a barn.

Are storage containers allowed?

No. Storage containers, also known as "sea cargo containers" or simply "cargo containers," do not conform to the City's design standards. Cargo containers are only allowed on construction sites with an active building permit.



Do I need a building permit?

Up to 120 square feet floor area, and no more than 12 feet high from finished grade to highest point of structure: **No** permit required. If there is any mechanical, electrical, or plumbing: **Yes**, permit required.

Over 120 square feet floor area or more than 12 feet high: **Yes**, permit required. Contact the Building & Safety Department regarding plan check submittal requirements and code requirements.

What about inspections?

Inspections are required when a building permit is required. For inspection purposes, the approved plans, permit, and inspection card must be present at the time of the inspection. Call the Building & Safety Division at least 24 hours in advance to request an inspection.

What setbacks apply?

All storage structures must be located behind the main building line of the house, plus comply with setback requirements for your zone per the City's Zoning Code. For setback information on your lot, please contact the Planning Division.

What about lot coverage?

Storage structures must be counted in calculating compliance with maximum lot coverage of your zone.

What design standards apply?

All storage structures are subject to the design requirements of the City's Zoning Code, regardless of size or whether a building permit is required. Should be architecturally compatible with residence or primary structure, including form, and architectural style. Additional design standards apply in the Town Core area. For more information, please contact the Planning Division.



Approval Process?

A site plan indicating location, height, and materials should be submitted to the Planning Division for review and approval prior to installation.