GENERAL FENCE REQUIREMENTS

- 1. A permit is required prior to installing a fence in any zoning district within the City of Cottleville. The fence permit fee is \$25.00
- 2. Applicant must provide a drawing showing the location of the proposed fence and a description of the fence height and materials.
- 3. The owner of the fence is required to repair, paint, remove or otherwise maintain their fence if it becomes unsightly or a nuisance to the public health, safety or welfare.
- 4. It shall be the responsibility of the property owner to insure that their fence does not block or obstruct the flow of storm water
- 5. Fences charged with, or designed to be charged with, electrical current are prohibited.
- 6. Barb wire, single-strand wire, wire mesh, wire grid or chicken wire fences along the perimeter or boundary of a property in a residential district, other than R-1A, shall not be permitted.
- 7. The maximum height of a chain link fence shall be four (4) feet. Masonry, durable wood, vinyl shall not exceed six (6) feet. Fences installed in commercial zoning districts that abut residential properties shall be masonry or vinyl.
- 8. Double fences shall not be permitted.
- 9. Horizontal and vertical support posts shall be on the inside of the fence area or otherwise hidden from both the neighbor's and general public's view. Fences with a shadowbox design shall be considered to hide the supports.
- 10. All fences shall have a minimum of one gate for emergency ingress and egress. The minimum width of such gate shall be three (3) feet.
- 11. Corner and double frontage lots have two (2) front yards by definition. Setbacks for front yards will apply to both street frontages. Refer to Exhibit A for fence setbacks
- 12. In the case of fences constructed over dedicated utility easements, the City shall not be responsible for replacement if the fence must be removed for maintenance or repair purposes. It is very import to accurately locate any utilities on your property **prior to any construction activities**, including fence postholes, to prevent personal injury or utility damage. All utilities can be located free by calling the Missouri One-Call System at 1-800-344-7483.
- 13. It is advisable to check with your homeowners association and review the covenants of the subdivision prior to any fence erection or placement.