

Sec. 14.608 Specifications for Carports

(A) **Intent.** It is the intent of the city council that carports be allowed in single family residential zoning districts subject to the regulations and requirements set forth in this section. Carports are expressly prohibited in any zoning districts of the city with the exception of SF-1.

(B) For purposes of this section, a carport is a structure that is not enclosed by any covering on at least three sides and that serves the purpose of providing cover for off-street parking of private vehicles of the residents of a single family dwelling. In order to be permitted in an SF-1 zoning district, a carport shall meet the following requirements:

(1) A side yard shall be required, and shall be a minimum of five feet (5') in width from the property line. No carport shall be adjacent to a public or private street.

(2) A front yard setback for carports shall be a minimum of ten feet (10') from the back of the curb; but in no case shall any portion of the carport project beyond the property line or easement.

(3) No carport shall exceed four hundred fifty square feet (450 sq. ft.) in roofed area.

(4) No carport shall contain an open-sided area that is in excess of ten feet (10') in height.

(5) The supporting structural elements in the outside perimeter of the roofed area shall be constructed of 14-gauge or thicker aluminum or steel and conventional wood framed construction meeting the requirements of the City Building Code as adopted by the City of Lake Worth.

(6) For carports with metal roofs, the roof material shall consist of 26-gauge or thicker aluminum or steel with proper protection by paint or other materials to prevent corrosion and oxidation, or by composition shingles applied over approved decking. Corrugated metal and all-fiberglass panels are expressly prohibited.

(C) **Fees.** The construction of carports shall be subject to all building permit fees and requirements established by the City of Lake Worth.

SECTION 2. Cumulative Clause

This ordinance shall be cumulative of all provisions of ordinances and of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lake Worth, Texas (2004), as amended, except where the

provisions of this ordinance are in direct conflict with the provisions of such ordinances and such Code, in which event the conflicting provisions of such ordinances and such Code are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3.
Severability Clause

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the City Council that the phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of this ordinance are severable, and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality shall not affect any of the remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs and sections of this ordinance, since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation in this ordinance of any such unconstitutional phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph or section.

SECTION 4.
Savings Clause

All rights and remedies of the City of Lake Worth are expressly saved as to any and all violations of any other ordinances affecting zoning and land use which have accrued at the time of the effective date of this ordinance; and, as to such accrued violations and all pending litigation, both civil and criminal, whether pending in court or not, under such ordinances and code, same shall not be affected by this ordinance but may be prosecuted until final disposition by the courts.

SECTION 5.
Penalty Clause

Any person, firm or corporation who violates, disobeys, omits, neglects or refuses to comply with or who resists the enforcement of any of the provisions of this ordinance shall

be fined not more than Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for each offense. Each day that a violation is permitted to exist shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION 6.
Publication Clause

The City Secretary of the City of Lake Worth is hereby directed to publish in the official newspaper of the City of Lake Worth, the caption, penalty clause, publication clause, and effective date clause of this ordinance two (2) days as authorized by Section 52.013 of the Local Government Code.

SECTION 7.
Effective Date

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication and it is so ordained.

PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS 11th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2007.

APPROVED:



Walter Bowen, Mayor


ATTEST:



Linda Rhodes, TRMC/CMC
City Secretary

EFFECTIVE: 12-28-07

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:



CITY ATTORNEY