

CITY OF ENGLEWOOD

ORDINANCE #25-04

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 317 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ENGLEWOOD TO PERMIT DEER FENCES

WHEREAS, the deer population within the City of Englewood has and continues to present issues impacting the public welfare, health and safety of the City of Englewood including, but not limited to damage to the environment and ecosystem, negatively impacting other species of animals and vegetation, and other safety concerns; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to minimize these negative impacts, the City of Englewood seeks to permit deer fences in accordance with the rules and regulations set forth below.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Governing Body of the City of Englewood, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

Chapter 317. Entitled Property Maintenance of the Code of the City of Englewood is hereby supplemented by the addition of the following:

A. Deer Fences

Open fencing design for the purpose of repelling and preventing the travel or entry of deer may be installed in rear and side yards only as those terms are defined by Chapter 317 of the Code of the City of Englewood. The control of deer by the construction of deer fencing shall be subject to the following regulations:

1. No deer fence shall be erected, constructed or installed which is over 8 feet in height;
2. Deer fences shall only be constructed of a black polypropylene material or metal core covered by black polypropylene material only;
3. Deer fencing may not be attached to trees, and must be securely supported by black posts or attached to existing fencing and shall be installed in accordance with manufacture specifications;
4. Deer fencing must be safely staked or secured at ground level and may not have caps or rails or other decorative or non-fencing material at its top edge;
5. Deer Fencing may not be visible from any street.

B. Fence Permit

In order to construct deer fencing a permit for said construction shall be required. A sample of the proposed fencing material must be submitted to the building inspector for approval as to material, strength, durability, warranty, gage, suitability and compliance in order to for a permit to be obtained.

C. Maintenance Violations and Penalties

Deer fencing and its installation shall be maintained in good condition and be subject to periodic inspection by the building inspector to assure that it has not deteriorated, come loose or has otherwise become a visual or safety nuisance or hazard. Enforcement and penalties for violations hereof shall be in accordance with Chapter 317, the Property Maintenance Code of the Code of the City of Englewood.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication as required by law.

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RECORD OF VOTE

FIRST READING DATE: January 21, 2025

COUNCIL	MOTION	VOTE
David	X	Y
Rosenzweig		Y
Tokayer		Y
Wilson		N
Wisotsky		Y

DATE PUBLISHED IN THE RECORD: January 27, 2025

DATES PUBLIC HEARINGS HELD: February 4, 2025

DATE SECOND READING HELD: February 4, 2025

COUNCIL	MOTION	OPEN	MOTION	CLOSE	MOTION	ADOPT
David						
Rosenzweig						
Tokayer						
Wilson						
Wisotsky						

Y=YES

N=OPPOSED

A=ABSTAINED

AB=ABSENT

PRESENTED TO MAYOR:

APPROVED _____

REJECTED _____ (VETO) _____

MAYOR MICHAEL WILDES

DATE: _____

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of
an Ordinance adopted and approved by the Mayor and
Council of the City of Englewood.

Yancy Wazirmas, RMC
City Clerk