

**AN ORDINANCE TO UPDATE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR PRIVATE GARAGES  
BY AMENDING SECTIONS 17.04.315, 17.08.030J, 17.10.030N, AND 17.38.030L  
OF THE RAPID CITY MUNICIPAL CODE**

WHEREAS, the City of Rapid City has enacted zoning ordinances that regulate the construction of accessory structures; and

WHEREAS, the size and characteristics of private garages allowed in certain zoning districts have developed over time; and

WHEREAS, from time to time, the modernization of zoning regulations is necessary to keep pace with the demands of city residents; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council finds that updating the definition and regulations relating to private garages is necessary and prudent.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Rapid City, that Section 17.04.315 be and is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

**17.04.315 Garage, private.**

**PRIVATE GARAGE.** ~~An~~ Any accessory building, structure, or part of a main building used primarily for parking or storage or for a permitted accessory use and which shall not be used for commercial purposes. This does not include an Accessory Dwelling Unit. The maximum cumulative allowable size of all ~~garages or carports~~ private garages shall be 1,500 square feet or 30% of the size of the gross floor area of the dwelling unit(s), whichever is greater. In no event shall the size of the building footprint of the private garage(s) ~~or carport(s)~~ exceed the footprint of the dwelling unit(s). The private garage(s) ~~or carport(s)~~ shall be used only by persons residing on the premises. Any ~~garage- private garage not meeting these requirements~~ exceeding the maximum allowed size shall be allowed only as a conditional use pursuant to §§ 17.08.030J., 17.10.030N., 17.12.030A., 17.14.030A., and 17.38.030L., and 17.44.030A.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the City of Rapid City, that Section 17.08.030J be and is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

J. Private residential garage which does not meet the definition of private garage subject to the following:

1. ~~That~~ The proposed garage shall maintain the same building material and color scheme of the existing residence located on the property and is consistent with the residential character of the property on which it is located and with the surrounding neighborhood;
2. ~~That~~ The proposed garage shall be used only for residential purposes incidental to the principal use of the property;
3. The landscaping or fencing may be required to screen the garage from neighboring properties; ~~and~~

4. The proposed garage shall comply with the land area regulations (setbacks, height, lot coverage) of the underlying zoning district; and

5. ~~That~~The applicant submits a site plan and elevation drawings in addition to information on ~~what~~ the types of building materials ~~will~~ to be used for the garage.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the City of Rapid City, that Section 17.10.030N be and is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

N. Private residential garage which does not meet the definition of private garage subject to the following:

1. ~~That~~The proposed garage shall maintain the same building material and color scheme of the existing residence located on the property and is consistent with the residential character of the property on which it is located and with the surrounding neighborhood;

2. ~~That~~The proposed garage shall be used only for residential purposes incidental to the principal use of the property;

3. The landscaping or fencing may be required to screen the garage from neighboring properties; ~~and~~

4. The proposed garage shall comply with the land area regulations (setbacks, height, lot coverage) of the underlying zoning district; and

5. ~~That~~The applicant submits a site plan and elevation drawings in addition to information on ~~what~~ the types of building materials ~~will~~ to be used for the garage.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the City of Rapid City, that Section 17.38.030L be and is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

L. Private residential garage which does not meet the definition of private garage subject to the following:

1. ~~That~~The proposed garage shall maintain the same building material and color scheme of the existing residence located on the property and is consistent with the residential character of the property on which it is located and with the surrounding neighborhood;

2. ~~That~~The proposed garage shall be used only for residential purposes incidental to the principal use of the property;

3. The landscaping or fencing may be required to screen the garage from neighboring properties; ~~and~~

4. The proposed garage shall comply with the land area regulations (setbacks, height, lot coverage) of the underlying zoning district; and

5. ~~That~~The applicant submits a site plan and elevation drawings in addition to information on ~~what~~ the types of building materials ~~will~~ to be used for the garage.

**CITY OF RAPID CITY**

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Steve Allender, Mayor

Attest

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Pauline Sumption, Finance Officer

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