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Fence permit planning sheet

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The starting point

The current adopted residential amendment exempts ordinary fences not over 6 feet from a building permit. The current Engineering service separately requires a no-fee fence permit adjacent to public right-of-way, submitted with its fence form/sketch to Engineering. Check current LUC4.3.5(C), sidewalk/alley constraints and easements even for exempt work. For required Building work, email the city's application, site plan, material elevation and requested design documents to Building Services; confirm assessment, issuance and inspections.

Before work starts

- [ ] Confirm Fort Collins city jurisdiction, zoning, vested plans and any special site restrictions.
- [ ] Describe new, replacement or repair scope, total height, material, grade and pool/retaining functions.
- [ ] Locate legal lot/right-of-way lines, sidewalk, easements, alley garage doors and visibility areas.
- [ ] Check Building exemption and Engineering adjacent-right-of-way review as separate questions.
- [ ] Prepare the required sketch or Building drawings and send the correct application to the responsible department.
- [ ] Confirm current fees/tax, issued approvals and inspections before required work; retain final records.

Not a permit, property survey, engineering plan or legal determination.

Confirm current rules, site conditions and required approvals with the authority.

Official sources, conditions and the full guide:

fenceadvisors.com/blog/fort-collins-co-fence-permits-code

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