

**CITY OF GOODHUE
COUNTY OF GOODHUE
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

ORDINANCE NO. 168

**AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 168
REGULATING PRIVATE POOLS AND SPAS**

The City Council of the City of Goodhue ordains as follows:

Section 1. Ordinance No. 168 is hereby repealed and replaced with the following:

Private outdoor residential pools, both above and below ground, that exceed 668 square feet/4,997 gallons, and hot tubs are permitted as an accessory use, within the rear yard or non-required side yard setback: except that, for multiple-family dwellings. Private outdoor pools and hot tubs shall meet the following requirements-

- (1) There shall be a distance of not less than ten (10) feet between the adjoining property line and the outside of the pool wall for above ground pools and in-ground pools.
- (2) There shall be a distance of not less than four (4) feet between the outside pool wall and any building located on the same lot.
- (3) No swimming pools shall be located less than ten (10) feet from any street or alley right of way, or the distance required for side yard by the zoning code, whichever is greater.
- (4) No swimming pool shall be located in a public easement.
- (5) All yards containing swimming pools shall, prior to the filling of the swimming pool, be completely enclosed by a fence not less than four (4) feet in height. The gates shall be of a self-closing and self-latching type, with the latch on the inside of the gate, not readily available for children to open. Gates shall be capable of being securely locked when the pool is not in use.
- (6) All yards containing hot tubs shall be secured as provided in subsection (5) or shall have a cover which shall be locked when the hot tubs are not in use.
- (7) A site plan, builder plan, and construction plan shall be submitted for lot review to the city prior to commencement of construction. Inspection completed by Public Official prior to filling.
- (8) All draining of pools or hot tubs shall be directed to the street, not to the rear or side lot of the property.

- (9) Utility Lines. Pools and spas shall not be located beneath utility lines of over underground utility lines of any type.
- (10) Portable Fences. While being constructed, the pool or spa must be fenced with a portable fence, such as a snow fence, of not less than four (4) feet in height.
- (11) Fencing.
 - 1. Minimum Height. All outdoor pools and spas hereafter constructed shall be completely enclosed by a fence or wall so as to be impenetrable by toddlers, afford no external handholds and a minimum of four (4) feet in height.
 - 2. Self-Closing. All outdoor fence openings of outdoor points of entry into the pool or spa area shall be equipped with self-closing and self-latching devices. The openings between the bottom of the fence and the ground or other surfaces shall not be more than three (3) inches.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately after passage and publication.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Goodhue, Minnesota this 22nd day of May, 2024.


Ellen Anderson Buck, Mayor

ATTEST:


Lori A. Luhman, City Clerk