

SECOND WARD FENCE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GUIDELINES

The Second Ward Committee encourages residents to make improvements and relocate chain link fences to the proper setback line in the front yards of their homes. Money from the Second Ward Fund has been allocated to assist Second Ward residents with these projects. The following rules will apply for this program:

1. Applicant must be the owner-occupant of the subject property.
2. If the applicant is disabled, or 65 years of age or older, they will qualify for 100% of the total fence cost **up to \$7,500**, to be paid by the City. If the subject property consists of a corner or extra-large lot, a senior and/or disabled owner may qualify for an additional \$2,500 payment towards the total fence cost, provided that the senior and/or disabled owner must enter into a Lien Agreement with the City, allowing for all of the additional cost to be recorded as a Lien against his/her property.
3. Non-disabled and non-senior applicants, will qualify for 50% of the fence cost **up to \$3,750**, to be paid by the City. The City will initially pay for the other 50% of the cost, but the applicant shall sign a Lien Agreement with the City, allowing for his/her portion of the cost to be recorded as a Lien against his/her property. If the subject property consists of a corner or extra-large lot, an owner may qualify for an additional \$2,500 payment towards the total fence cost, provided that an owner must enter into a Lien Agreement with the City allowing for all of the additional cost to be recorded as a Lien against his/her property.
4. The City will be responsible for paying the selected contractor 100% of the contract price upon completion of the work. The applicant's portion of the cost shall be recorded as a Lien against his/her property (as outlined in paragraphs 2 and 3).
5. Work covered by this program includes the removal of existing chain link fence from the front yard and replacement at the proper setback line with wrought iron or an approved alternate material.
6. No applicant will be allowed to install their own fence unless they can provide sufficient proof that they are qualified to perform such work. No existing fences may be removed by the applicant for compensation through this program.
7. Qualifying properties must be located along East New York Street or Galena Boulevard between Smith and Root Street.
8. All fencing proposals will be subject to review by a committee approved by the Second Ward Alderman on a first-come, first-serve basis, budget permitting. Applicants that are not considered in the current year may be put on a waiting list for the following year.
9. All outstanding City of Aurora liens or invoices related to the subject property, as well as the applicant, must be paid before an application for funds under this program will be approved.
10. Applicants must execute the Lien Agreement form and Waiver/Hold Harmless agreement before any work will commence.