



## **REFUSE COLLECTION AREAS**

### **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:**

1. **PERMIT FEE:** \$70.00
2. **ZONING:** A plat of survey showing the locations, dimensions, and setbacks of all existing and proposed improvements is required. If the refuse collection area will be located near an existing building, then the plan must indicate the distance between the refuse collection area and the building, the location(s) of any windows or doors near the refuse collection area, and the type(s) of exterior materials used for the building.
3. **HISTORIC DISTRICT:** If the property is located in the Historic District, a Certificate of Appropriateness (COA) is required.
4. **GENERAL:** All refuse must be stored in approved enclosures such as a garbage can or a garbage dumpster until removed by a refuse disposal service.
5. **SCREENING:** All refuse collection areas shall be screened from view from adjoining property and streets by a solid fence or wall with a minimum height of 6 feet.
6. **SUPPORTING MEMBERS:** The posts and all supporting members of the fence must face the interior of the lot on which the fence is located.
7. **LOCATION:** Refuse collection areas shall be located outside of the required building setback from any lot line. Refuse collection areas must be separated from any combustible (wood or vinyl clad) building (including combustible eaves, overhangs, etc.) by a minimum of 5 feet, and from any non-fire rated door or window by a minimum of 10 feet.
8. **EASEMENTS:** Refuse collection areas may be installed in easements; however, it is the property owner's responsibility to contact all utility companies and the City of Elgin to locate possible underground lines and cables within the easement. The property owner assumes all responsibility for any damage that may occur as a result of the City or utility company working within the easement. Refuse collection areas placed in drainage easements shall be installed so as to **not** impede the flow of stormwater.
9. **REQUIRED INFORMATION:** Location and dimensions of the dumpster enclosure.

**INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS:** A final inspection is required upon completion of the work.

**FOR INFORMATION VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT [www.cityofelgin.org](http://www.cityofelgin.org) OR CALL:**  
Community Development at (847) 931-5920 (Zoning, Building and Inspections)  
Historic Preservation or COA's at (847) 931-6004

**CALL BEFORE YOU DIG:** JULIE (800) 892-0123 to locate utility lines