

**ORDINANCE #13 of 2012**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 91 “BUILDINGS, DEMOLITION OF” OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MARGATE CITY, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Commissioners of the City of Margate City, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey as follows:

The Construction Official shall have jurisdiction regarding the use, safety, and esthetics of all vacant lots created via demolition under permits issued by the City of Margate, and more specifically shall enforce & interpret the following requirements:

- (a) After demolition of structures, the owner shall install a two-foot plywood fence/barrier around the entire property line of the lot; if there is any question about the exact location of this barrier or its method of installation, the Construction Official shall provide the determination.
- (b) After six (6) months, if an ongoing construction project has not commenced, the owner shall remove the fence, finish grade the property as per specification of the Construction Official and either provide seed planting or sod installation of grass covering the entire site, and shall maintain same per other sections of this ordinance.
- (c) There shall be no storage of materials or dumping of any dirt, concrete, stones or any other loose fill other than dirt to level lot to average grade. No vehicles or equipment may be stored on the lot, unless there is a building permit issued and said vehicles are required for construction under said permit.
- (d) Should the existing sidewalk be removed or if it is in a hazardous condition the owner of lot shall provide a temporary safe walkway for pedestrian traffic to traverse the sidewalk area; the construction material of this walkway shall be asphalt, or other material to be determined on a case-by-case basis by the Construction Official.
- (e) The owner of lot shall be responsible for the removal from the lot any debris, materials, animal droppings, etc. which, in the opinion of the Construction Official, is a health, safety or esthetic concern; weed or other vegetative growth shall be maintained at less than six (6”) inches above grade.

**SECTION 2.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with any terms of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency only.

**SECTION 3.** This ordinance shall take effect upon its final passage and publication as required by law.

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Board of Commissioners of the City of Margate City, New Jersey

Introduction: 9/6/12

Adoption: