Section 8-1-13  Corner Vision

As an aid to safe movement of vehicles at and near street intersections and in order to promote more adequate protection for the safety of children, pedestrians, and operators of vehicles, there shall be limitations on the height of fences, walls, gateways, ornamental structures, hedges, shrubbery and other fixtures, construction and planting on all corner lots.

A. Such barriers to clear, unobstructed vision at corners of intersecting streets shall be limited to a height of not over two (2) feet above the street elevation of the nearest edge of pavement, for a distance of fifty (50) feet along both the front and side lot lines, measured as indicated below.

B. Within the triangle formed by connecting the ends of the respective fifty (50) foot distances as illustrated in figure 8-1-13, all the structures, fixtures, construction, hedges, shrubbery and other plantings shall be limited to a height of two (2) feet above the elevation of the nearest edge of pavement at the said intersecting streets.

C. Paragraphs A and B of this Section notwithstanding, trees may be located within the fifty (50) foot clear distance if their trunks are no more than eight (8) inches in diameter at a height of twelve (12) inches from the ground, and the foliage is cleared to a height of eight (8) feet above the ground.

D. In interpreting this ordinance, the diagrams shown in Figure 8-1-13 shall be utilized to determine the fifty (50) foot segments and the triangle within which structures are limited in height. In any situation not specifically covered in these diagrams, this Section shall be interpreted in a manner to provide maximum sight distance at the intersection.

E. This Section is applicable to that area within the property, but the property owner is also responsible for that area between the property line and the curb, and to the pavement where no curb exists.

F. A sight distance triangle shall be eligible for modification by the Town Engineer if one or both of the intersecting streets are controlled by stop signs or traffic signals and no decrease in sight distance would occur as a result of the modification.