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Title: Amendment of Municipal Code Chapter 13-96 by modifying

regulations concerning private garage construction and

location requirements

Committee(s) Assignment: Committee on Zoning, Landmarks and Building Standards

ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

SECTION 1. The Municipal Code of the City of Chicago is hereby amended by revising Article VII of Chapter 13-96, by adding the language underscored and deleting the language struck through, as follows:

(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance)

13-96-270 Construction – Private Garages.

(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance)

- (b) A private garage shall not exceed one story and 15 feet in height.
- (eb) Floor construction of all private garages shall be of concrete or equivalent noncombustible materials providing fire resistance of not less than two hours. The area of floor used for parking of automobiles or other vehicles shall be sloped not less than 1/4-inch per foot to facilitate the movement of liquids to a drain or toward the main vehicle entry doorway.
- $(\underline{\text{dc}})$ The clear height of vehicle and pedestrian traffic areas shall be not less than seven feet.
 - (ed) Doors shall be limited to eight feet in height.
- (fe) Automatic garage door openers, where provided, shall be listed in accordance with UL 325-02.

(Omitted text is not affected by this ordinance)

13-96-280 Location – Private Garage.

- (a) A private garage of Types IV-A or IV-B construction shall be located not less than two feet from an interior lot line and not less than six feet from another building on the same lot; and-
- (b) Any exterior wall of a private garage located less than six feet from another building on the same lot shall be of construction providing fire resistance of not less than one hour. There shall be no opening through such construction except that there may be one access doorway not exceeding 21 square feet in area, protected with a self-closing and self-latching door not less fire resistive than a solid wood door one and three-quarters inches thick.
- (c) when a vertical exit discharges into the rear yard between a residential building and its garage, a three foot open sideyard with access to the alley or public way shall be provided at least on one side of the garage A private garage shall not be located in a manner that obstructs the path between an outside exit and the public way as required by Section 13-160-230.

13-96-281 Location - Carport.

A carport may be partially enclosed with non-load-bearing partitions or gates of combustible construction located not less than three feet from an interior lot line and not less than six feet from another building or structure on the same lot.

13-96-285 Space for Refuse Containers.

On a property with alley refuse collection, suitable storage space for refuse containers shall be provided on the property adjacent to the alley lot line, as required by Section 7-28-230, but in no case shall an area of less than 30 inches by 6 feet be provided. The storage space shall not be located in any required driveways, parking aisles, or parking spaces. The storage space shall not block or impede any fire exits or any pedestrian or vehicular access. The floor of the storage space shall be level and of concrete or equivalent noncombustible material.

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance is effective upon passage and publication.

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