



**Planning and Zoning Commission  
June 7, 2023 - Regular Meeting**

To: Dillon Planning and Zoning Commission  
From: Ned West, AICP, Sr. Town Planner  
Subject: Waste & Recycling Enclosures  
Agenda Item: 6

**Discussion Item:**

Introduction to considering potential Code amendments related to requirements and design guidelines for waste and recycling enclosures.

**Background/Time Frame:**

- June 7, 2023: Planning Commission discussion related to waste & recycling enclosures

**Supporting Information:**

The Dillon Municipal Code currently lacks clear regulations and design guidelines for waste and recycling enclosures. Staff believes there needs to be a Code amendment to create such regulations and guidelines.

Currently the Code states:

**“Sec. 16-8-70. - Service areas.**

Service areas, outdoor storage, garbage cans and trash storage areas shall be screened from adjacent properties, streets and other public areas by fences, planting or other suitable means as approved by the Town.

(Ord. 19-96 §8.03)”

**Suggested Code Criteria:**

-It is unlawful to construct a trash and recycling enclosure without a Development Permit and building permit

-Anticipate a Level I (120 SF or less) or Level II (greater than 120 SF) review process

-Does the Planning Commission desire review authority, thus a Level III process?

-Enclosures shall have a roof designed to support the snow and wind loads. The roof shall be designed such that it is not damaged during the servicing of the containers within the enclosure.

-Enclosures for large capacity steel receptacles, “Dumpsters”, shall be designed with bollards along the interior backside to prevent enclosure damage during servicing.

-Service openings shall be designed to provide not less than eighteen inches (18”) of clearance on either side of the proposed container. The opening corners shall be designed with protection (bollards, steel angle iron, etc.) to prevent damage during servicing.

-Swing gates shall have a minimum eight (8) inch clearance above the ground

-A minimum thirty-six inch (36”) access doorway for pedestrians shall be incorporated into the design.

-Provide at least one (1) trash and one (1) recycling container

-Provide a space equal to fifty percent (50%) of the trash container for a recycling container. Enclosures associated with restaurants shall also provide adequate space for a grease container.

-The design, color, and materials of the enclosure shall be architecturally compatible with the primary structure on the site.

-The enclosure shall be sited such that it is not a dominant feature on the frontage of the property.

-Enclosures shall be ventilated but said ventilation does not need to be mechanical unless required by applicable building codes.

-Enclosures shall be landscaped sufficiently enough to screen the structure from adjoining properties or roadways.

-All trash enclosures shall be structurally sound, maintained in good condition, kept clear of snow and ice, and kept clean at all times. No trash enclosure shall constitute a hazard to safety, health, or public welfare. The Town shall have the authority to cause the cleaning, repair, maintenance, or removal and replacement of all trash enclosures which are determined to be in disrepair or pose a hazard to safety, health, or public welfare.

-Owners of trash enclosures shall have fifteen (15) days to comply with a notice to repair.

-If said owner does not repair the enclosure to the satisfaction of the Town within said time period, the condition shall be deemed a nuisance and may be abated in accordance with the nuisance abatement provisions in this Code.