



# ENTRANCE MONUMENTS AND GATES

City Code Section [78-1405\(a\)\(10\)](#) and (11)

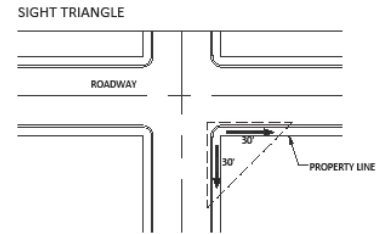
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## DEFINITION

Entrance Monument - A structure or object, natural or artificial, used to depict an entrance to the property.

## ENTRANCE MONUMENTS STANDARDS

- Each monument, with a maximum of two per approved driveway access, is limited to a single pillar with a footprint measuring no larger than 25 square feet and no length to exceed five feet;
- The monument must be set back a minimum of five feet from all property boundaries and at least ten feet from the edge of the paved, traveled roadway;
- All signage proposed for the monuments must comply with the [Orono Sign Code](#);
- The monuments are limited to eight feet in height including any appurtenances. Any monument exceeding the maximum height must meet principal structure setback requirements;
- If the driveway serves one or two residences, the minimum horizontal distance between the monuments is 16 feet. If the driveway serves three or more residences, the minimum horizontal distance between the monuments is 22 feet;
- Lighting is allowed, in conformance with section [78-1573](#) and at the discretion of the planning director;
- Monuments **may not** be located within a public right-of-way or easement without a right-of-way permit and/or encroachment agreement;
- Monuments **may not** be located within a sight triangle. The sight triangle is defined as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the projected curblines (or edge of pavement if no curb) of two intersecting streets; thence 30 feet along one curbline; thence diagonally to a point 30 feet from the point of beginning on the other curbline; thence to the point of beginning.



## GATE IN CONJUNCTION WITH ENTRANCE MONUMENTS

- The gate must open into the property not outward towards the right-of-way.
- Gates serving two or fewer residences shall have a minimum horizontal width of 14 feet in the full open position. Gates serving three or more residences shall have a minimum horizontal width of 20 feet in the full open position.
- Gate height may not exceed the height of the monument, measured from grade, unless principal structure setbacks are met. [Note: If monuments are not proposed, gate height is regulated in accordance with the fence height regulations of Section 78-1405(8)]
- For locked and/or secured gates a knock box, meeting the standards set forth by the police and fire departments, must be provided for emergency access.
- On major thoroughfares (county road or state highway) the monuments and gates must be located 40 feet from the paved, traveled road to allow for vehicle stacking.

## PERMITS

A building permit is required for installation. A site plan must be submitted depicting where the monuments will be placed, and the property corner pins must be located for inspection purposes. Plans and/or elevation views of the proposed monuments (including signage and lighting) are required to be submitted for approval.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION** Contact the Planning and Zoning Department at 952-249-4620 or [planning@ci.orono.mn.us](mailto:planning@ci.orono.mn.us).

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