

Would you like to comment on the proposed setback and safety considerations for carports?

No comment. Concerns addressed.

N/A

No comments

Delete "The area of the front yard carport must be at least 200 sf". Redundant requirement covered by earlier maximum sizes. The height limit is vague suggest providing an absolute maximum.

I support.

I disagree with bullet #2. If a person has multiple cars, and can't fit them in their garage, this shouldn't otherwise limit their ability to have a car port. I disagree with the last bullet. A nearly 3-foot long piercing is excessive in this case considering the light weight of the carport. This puts an undue burden on homeowners.

NO FRONT YARD CARPORTS THEY JUST TRASH UP THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND LOWER VALUSES

GOOD! •A front yard carport is only allowed where the property does not have a garage with two (2) or more parking spaces.

Particularly like the prohibition on carports where two car garages are present. That continues the prohibition in my neighborhood, which is of course my main concern.

Carports should only be allowed in front yard setback. We don't need cars and junk piles in backyards

The 5ft and 10ft setback rule is fine. What do you do about the short driveways in Stetson Hills that have 14ft long driveways that were permitted by the City in 1999. 8ft tall is fine but owners will want and push for higher limits for the huge pick up trucks Should not be taller than the height of the garage door which is 7ft normally. The size limit of the carport area should match the existing garage space not larger. Some homes have a 1 car garage thus a small house they don't need 200sqft of carport. Do not allow home built kits they look trashy and cheap.

The restriction on not allowing a carport if there is a two car garage is

Government overreach. This restriction does not make sense, and unfairly restricts owners with no practical reason.

we should be allowed carports even if we have garages

I have a 2 car garage with 2 parking spaces. I should still be allowed a carport

I don't agree at all with saying that they have to have an unusable backyard or garage. There is no reasoning to not allow someone to put a car port in their driveway if they want to, I don't see how it's a safety problem if other limits are kept. Also, some people have more than a couple of cars, or have times when a garage may be unusable due to storage or moving. Basically, people should be able to use their garage for their cars, but also for other things, and restricting carport use connected to that can cause problems. Requiring the port to be 5 feet back from the sidewalk seems an issue as well.

I am concerned that carports located too close to the street would endanger pedestrians.

Many people use their garage to store things other than cars. Or often have more vehicles than can fit in a garage. Think familys with multiple teen drivers, classic car collectors, etc. This exclusion of homes with 2 car garages is to exclusive.

See my first comments.

Looks Great!

I believe the setbacks of 5 ft from sidewalk and 10 ft from property lines are to great. Consider 3ft and 5 ft...

We have a 2 car garage but they are not deep enough to park regular size pickup in size so this carport would save some of the hail damage they have gotten every year for the last 5 years that has caused our insurance to increase!

If it's the persons property, they should get to use every square inch of it as they choose. Not be told they can't use 5 or 10 feet from a property line. They pay the taxes, they bought the house so they should be allowed to use all the property as they please without outside control or restrictions. Unless the county wants to pay for the parts of the property that's being restricted and controlled.

Don't allow manufacturer recommendations to dictate city safety: require concrete piers regardless. Five feet from the sidewalk is too close. What height limit? It says "may exceed the 8-foot height limit" but doesn't specify an actual height limit.

Many households have more than two residents of driving age or may have additional vehicles. Whether or not you already have a 2 car garage should not exempt someone from the same right to a carport as their neighbors. One carport per property should be allowed without consideration given to existing garage spaces.

The 10 foot setback is too restrictive to be of any use to many smaller lots, especially where grade limits carport placement to driveway areas close to the road. Recommend reducing the setback requirement to 5 feet from the property line for R1-6000 and R1-6000 HS lots. Even at 5 feet from property line, some properties in older neighborhoods may still need variances due to irregular lot line/street placement and grade.

Restricting the allowance of a carport for residences that do not have a two car garage is unreasonable. Most single family homes with a two car garage have more than two vehicles, forcing them to choose which vehicles deserve protection. I should have the right to protect all vehicles/investments. Providing this additional protection will help bring down the extravagant costs of insurance here in Colorado Springs.

you seem to have covered my concerns

sounds good!

Just because you have a two car garage is not a reason to not allow a carport. Two car garages BARELY fit 2 cars in many cases, and often have other items like lawnmowers, bicycles, trash & recycling bins, etc... I can see having one (if the household has more than one vehicle) outside the garage and needing protection from the weather (as I type this pea sized hail is pelting my windows)

if we must have these the setbacks laid out are suitable

These should not be exempt from building permits. A maximum size needs to be set base on the maximum allowable driveway coverage area for a front yard but the max size should be 400sqft for a 2car garage and 252sqft for a one car garage. A front yard carport is only allowed where the property does not have a garage with two (2) or more parking spaces. This is a good specification. RECOMMEND KEEP THIS LIMITATION. Need to specify that the garage must be used for parking if requesting a carport. The structure and wind rating of the cover needs to be specified so there don't become airborne projectiles. Carport kits and any designs must be "factory certified" to snow and wind loading. This must be put in the code. We simply cant have uncertified "home built" carport as these pose a hazard to neighboring properties and vehicles wear they rip out and blow over. These need to be PPRBD inspected when installed and permit pulled.

Set back & boundary lines on small lots that have only 1 garage is unacceptable. We have no room, we need it at property line & close to sidewalks.

A lot of properties in town and especially newer developments do not have the 5 and 10 ft set backs. If it's not impacting visibility (no walls) there's no difference between a car in a drive way and a car under a carport in a drive way. All garages are not made the same, anyone with a "two stall garage" and a pick up truck knows that often you can't fit the pickup in the garage. This is ridiculous

Carports should be allowed at ANY residence. Even homes that have two car garages may need them. Older homes have garages that are too small for fit large vehicles. And home prices are so high in the Springs that families often have to squeeze into a smaller home and need the space in the garage for living. It's not up to the city to judge when a carport is needed. As long as it meets the criteria for safety and general not trashiness as outlined on the previous page, the city has no business making limitations beyond that.

yet again. PUR PROPERTY OUR CHOICE

The city should not limit where and when carports can be used. There are a lot of people, even those who have a garage might need a carport. For example, families with more than one or two vehicles (teen drivers). The city should not decide who can and cannot protect their vehicle with a carport. If neighborhoods do t want them, HOAs can make a rule. If a neighborhood doesn't have an HOA they can form one if they really want to control these things.

This ridiculous. Only requirements should be: 2 foot set back from edge of sidewalk closest to house Only cars, motorcycles, or other street vehicles under carport. Anchored from blowing away in high wind. That's it! Stop dictating this stuff. Carports where ever a home owner wants it, or the city can pay for insurance deductibles.

2 car garage does not account for longer vehicles, and stating rear or side yard access is not practical

All carports should be permitted. I don't want them blowing around in a storm

Valid safety considerations.

Not everyone has enough space on their property to meet these requirements while their insurance requires them to have a car port. As long as the carport remains within the property line and is built safely there should be no regulations.

Sounds reasonable except for the bullet "A front yard carport is only allowed where the property does not have a garage with (2) or more parking spaces". If a homeowner has more than 2 cars, a front yard carport that is offset to the side of the garage area should be allowed to protect a third vehicle from hail damage. currently third car has to park in the driveway which is open to hail damage and potentially blocking visibility when pulling out of the driveway. In our situation we have a single mom living with us while she is completing nursing school and she has the 3rd car. It would be good to build carport so that she can park under it to protect vehicle from hail.

Should be anchored for high winds

NO

Carports cause safety concerns due to fire poor sight lines and should not be allowed.

The two space rule is wrong. Some people need covered parking for more people.

10 feet from property line is too far. 5 feet would be more in line of being reasonable.

5 feet from the sidewalk is really unrealistic I do believe these things should have a permanent foundation but I don't think there should be any regulations on the size of these things for the placement of them as long as they're not in the damn street

Can we apply solar panels to the carport? Can we all park on the front lawn? Will you require concrete under the structure?

Can a homeless person now legally live under it? Bancroft park had a gazebo. It took years of trying, before the gazebo came down, since they took up squatter residence, and refused to leave. Could this happen here??

Front yard setback for the carport must be setback at least the same distance as the home.

Front yard carport shall be used to provide cover for motor vehicles. This is not a storage space for other things such as household items, recreation vehicles, lawn maintenance equipment, etc.

These seem reasonable.

Regardless of the number of garage parking spaces, car ports should be allowed. Due to COVID and the downturn of the economy in some cases I have brought several family members into my home temporarily, but that also brings more cars. I use my garage as much as I can to park my cars, but I still have three other cars that are left exposed.

Hello- wind?? Flying debris.

In general, families or people with shared households still need more than a 2 car garage. The carport can help protect additional vehicles at the home from hail storms.

Who cares. Let people put up carports. The hail here is insane. Fix the damn roads, and stop this silly stuff about carports.

Recommend remove stipulation of only allowed where side or rear yard is inaccessible. Recommend adjustment of setback requirements to 5 feet from property line, not 10 feet.

Older built homes that have "2 car garages" will not hold today's vehicles.

N/A

Please allow carports even if home has 2 garage spaces. Many families have teenagers driving or people visiting and can protect vehicles in driveway.

If the sides are mandated to be free of obstruction then the setback from property lines and sidewalks is not necessary.

It is overly restrictive to only allow carports where there is a single car garage. In my 2 car garage there is 1 car and 2 motorcycles. We have 2 more cars which would not be protected under this rule.

The anchoring requirement for 30 inches or more is quite expensive to implement; 6-8 inches would be more reasonable and affordable. What evidence does the Council have that 30 inches is the minimum?

I feel that two car garage should not be excluded. Saying only single car garage warrant a car port is discriminatory against the household. I would love to have a discussion with whoever came up with this idea

See question # 2's answer.

I support these setback requirements. They are sensible, and practical given the reality of residential lots.

Why does the garage matter? If you have more than two vehicles, you need a carport whether the garage exists or not. The garage stipulation should be removed.

its wrong to prohibit someone with a 2 car garage from having a carport. Since grown adults are still living with family due to UNAFFORDABLE HOUSING IN COLORADO SPRINGS- there are likely households that have 3-4 cars to protect..You don't have the right to legislate people out of protecting their personal property unless you are willing to pay for the damage :-(. That is THEIR real estate they pay taxes on and carports are necessary here in HAIL TOWN.

The setbacks aren't good enough. What about streets that have curves? If my neighbor's put in a carport, even 10 feet from my property line, it would be all I see from my front yard.

Carport should be allowed only if they can fit at least one car in their garage.

The Rule that a carport is only allowed if the home does not have a 2 car garage should be struck completely from this proposed ordinance, there are plenty of legitimate reasons for a property owner to want a carport even if they have a garage. The Set back should be a little more forgiving, 10 feet from the property line in many cases will leave property owners with a carport too short to meet it's intended purpose. 5 feet from the sidewalk or 2 feet from the property line would seem to be a bit more of a reasonable compromise.

The first two bullet points should be struck. The hail in Colorado Springs causes enough property damage every year that anyone who wants to increase their covered parking should be allowed to do so.

Those set backs will not work for most lots in older parts of Colorado Springs. I would like to cover my driveway in front of my two car garage to cover two vehicles. If I did this, I would violate these setback rules.

5 ft from street not enough. Presents a safety hazard.

I think this is very fair.

I would like special considerations for those of us who live in older neighborhoods such as Cheyenne Canyon. Our home is 100 years old with no garage and current city ordinances and specifically setbacks are for modern neighborhoods. Our property line is already over 10 ft from the road, another 10 feet setback would make it difficult to have enough room for a carport. Will permits still be required for carports? Will variance applications be accepted?

Carports should be allowed for houses with garages even if they have 2 or more parking spaces available. Large families need to be addressed also.

These measures are an abuse of power from local government. Carports are privately owned and maintained and should not be the cause of so much legislation. These are discriminatory in every sense. Move to an HOA controlled community if you want to maintain arbitrary rules on perceived integrity. You should all be focused on getting the homeless off the streets, or the shoddy road ways, or rapidly dwindling american values.

I do not agree with 10 feet from the property line. Lots of people have short driveways. 5 feet from the side walk should be enough to allow for sidewalk traffic and visibility. Back and side yard should not matter. Most people put up a carport to cover a vehicle they use regularly.

Carports should not be allowed in Colorado Springs!!!

Setbacks accomplish an order to the neighborhood. Reducing them increases the disorder. Notably the type of anchorage being proposed will not necessarily comply with the design criteria of the codes for open structures.

I think they should be allowed if you have a 2 car garage. These are large homes and usually have more than 2 drivers, as does mine. We have 4 drivers. We need the 3rd car but no place to keep it safe from hail damage.

It shouldn't matter if the home has a garage or not.

A 5 foot setback from the near edge sidewalk is too much. 2' would be more reasonable for homes with shorter driveways.

Do it

What does a 2 car garage have to do with anything? Are you saying that only 2 cars can be protected if you own 3 or more cars? If that is the case then why approve carports at all.

Only concern is visibility

We don't need government to give us permission to do anything.

I disagree with limiting carports to those with less than two garage parking spaces. Carports ought to be allowed for anyone who wants one and can meet the setback and safety considerations.

Nope.

In my culdask, all this will do is give the unlicensed buisnesses the city is doing nothing about, an easy place to do even more unlicensed buisness out of, and park more cars than are already illegally in the driveways and yards and over the sidewalks and more the city is doing nothing about, even when i call or write code enforcement, nothing is done. carports will make it more easy to do these unlicensed and illegal buisnesses with no taxes to the city for them. but whatever, you have'nt listened to us in years. so what does my tax paying opinion matter?

People with a 2 car garage dont need to have carport...But in my street we got them...

Disagree with: A front yard carport is only allowed where the property does not have a garage with two (2) or more parking spaces. Any home owner should be allow to have a carport, even with a garage. Disagree: A front yard carport must be set back at least five (5) feet from the near edge of the front sidewalk, if any, and at least ten (10) feet from the property line. That would not allow enough coverage of my cars. The stopping point should be where the sidewalk and the drive meet, so long as there is no item impeding the flow of traffic on sidewalk.

Garage size is irrelevant and should Not be a factor. May be needed for 3rd car, boat, etc. Why minimum 200 sq. ft? 8x12 should be allowed.

10feet from property line is excessive. It would not be doable on my Ivywild lot. I have no garage and additionally, there is a 2 story house behind me closer than 10 feet! This make no sense.

Many many properties are built barely 25' from the property line (& many back decks/patios were built against code by the builder). If the port is 20', no way you can have 10'. 5' makes sense.

How many households have more than 2 drivers? 2 Parents & 1 driving child is 3 vehicles.

Many garages built are too small fir a full size pickup. Even if you have a garage, it won't fit in it.

The 2 or more parking spot provision leaves out a number of extenuating situations. For example, I have a 2 car garage, but it is physically impossible to fit my two vehicles (Suburban and Oydessy) simultaneously into the garage. I would love to build a carport to protect my outside vehicle, but this provision eliminates the possibility for me.

Do all/many houses really have 10 feet from property line for all existing driveways where a carport could be constructed? I think my neighbors fence might only be five feet away.

No comments about these proposals

This is a good start, but the city needs to make carports even more widely available. If it fits on the lot and within reasonable setbacks, carports should be allowed. Neighborhoods who don't want them can make restrictions through their HOAs. If a neighborhood doesn't have an HOA, maybe it's time they created one. Bottom line, the city shouldn't be restricting carports even this much.

"inaccessible" to a side or rear yard steps too far. Inaccessible depends not only on the vehicle used, which changes, but also the skill of the driver, and can change due to other elements (vegetation, fences, etc). Inaccessible would have to be better defined. It also fails to consider common uses for the backyard: pet containment, children play area, and garden. None of which are easily made compatible with parking a vehicle in the backyard with many points of conflict. So it unfairly punishes residents in such situations. Restricting residents with 2 car garage also unfairly punishes residents in mildly complex situations: sufficient adults or use-cases to justify 3 vehicles, all of which the resident desires to protect from hail.

There is no way these would be acceptable on most of Colorado Springs streets. We've had a neighbor park a giant RV on their lot blocking the view while we tried to get out of our driveway. Living on a curve this also would be a real issue. In time all these would be would be another place for people to "store" their unsightly junk. Bad idea!!!

Set back ten feet from which property line the front property line? Set back from the sidewalk is not make sense because there were fences and bushes that block line of sight worse than a carport. What is the reason for the not less than 200 square feet?

We do not have an accessible side or back yard to use. We do have a double garage that stores our motorcycle and that we cannot use for our large Dodge Ram 1500 truck. We would meet all the other requirements in terms of distance from property lines, and safety considerations if we build a 20x20 carport. I just don't understand why we can't build a double carport if we have a double garage. It seems rather arbitrary on the city council's part.

This is ridiculous and should be thrown out. Family's that have multiple drivers or trucks that cannot fit in the garage are unfairly targeted with these zoning restrictions. If the neighborhood had no HOA the residents should be allowed to protect their interests.

I feel the setback should be approximately one foot back from the sidewalk and up to as close to the house but not touching. I don't think the sides should be covered from the side closest to the sidewalk back approximately 5 ft because of safety of pedestrians and cars in the visibility

I have had a car port covering my driveway since 2014. It meets, I believe, all of the city standards. I have a 2 car garage in which my boats are stored which allows for protection of my valuable items within the boats and also keeps me from having to pay for storage of them and the inconvenience associated with such storage. My vehicles have been protected from 2 major hailstorms. I hope that any new regulations will not infringe on my rights to protect my property especially since it there has never been a complaint about my carport.

carports should meet the same setbacks as any other structure.

Carport anchoring can be piers but often it is recommended to use 3' rebar pins placed every few feet thru the bottom channel iron of the wall. While piers are ideal, placing a carport on an existing cement driveway will require the removal of a portion of the driveway pad to create the pier unless the requirements will permit the drilling of a 3' deep hole thru the existing concrete drive at a reasonable diameter with the placement of the rebar for anchoring. The considerations need to provide for the homeowner to be able to erect a carport to protect their vehicles from the hail and not intentionally add costs that would prohibit the request. Driving thru town, there are many front-yard structures - nice custom built to factory made and supplier installed. Driveways on a corner need to follow the same rules as plantings and fences. Nothing can block the line of sight for approaching vehicles.

See previous comment.

Same issue for solid fences in front yard setbacks or accessory buildings, should not be allied.

fine

A large family might have more than two cars and might require a carport as well as a two-car garage.

The setback and safety considerations are reasonable, easy to understand, and strike a good balance between property protection and neighborhood visual appeal.

I foresee lots of issues with improper installation.

I fully support item number 2. If the house already has a two (2) car garage it should not be allowed to add a carport.

Yes. Setback from sidewalk should be 10 feet, not 5 feet.

There are safety concerns because carports collect junk. People will put unused propane bottles, barbecue grills, and various other items in the carport instead of their car. All of these create fire hazards.

Those are some good proposals

Set backs must be from alley access or from 50 feet from curb cut

My only comment would be to consider that the majority will abide by the rules. It no different then most of life's choices. Most of the time, it's the few that room or it for the majority.

Do not allow height more than 8'!! The only reason one would be taller than that would be for RV's and/or piles of junk. There are no personal use vehicles that require more than 8'. And if someone jacks up their "Billy Bob" pickup too tall for that - too bad.

I do not think having a garage should prohibit the ability to have a proper carport if needed. Otherwise all is good. One may have more than two cars, or have other needs for an enclosed garage. Having a garage should not preclude the ability to also have a carport as long as the carport meets all requirements.

Carports should be allowed on the side setbacks were many driveways are located on the 10ft. side setback (between the side of the house and the property line/fence). By placing the carport on the side of the home (over the driveway)as apposed to in front of the home, the view of the street, neighborhood and home would be less disturbed. Carports built over driveways would have at least 3 open sides, allowing access to the garage behind the home that is difficult to maneuver in and out from.

They should not be allowed. You don't care that you are blocking other neighbor's views. Bad bad idea. But its all about the money right?

if you have a 2 car garage ,you dont need a car port too

There should be no allowed front yard carports.

The carport should be allowed regardless of how the resident uses their garage.

Carports should be allowed even when there is a garage that sits two parking spaces. Some properties do not have the space to follow set back restrictions and those should be removed.

If a carport can fit some where on the property then no it does not belong in the front yard, if someone has a 2 car garage they should be using that space and not awarded a carport, great addition of language

I feel that the requirement for not allowing a carport if the property already has a 2 car garage should remain in the language. This is the exact same language that would be used if a homeowner wanted to make an addition to their garage. It is obvious that the homeowner is already using the garage for some other purpose which it was not intended for, including a storage room. That is not an excuse to add a carport, which is essentially a garage addition. Only in extreme circumstances should it be allowed to circumvent this requirement through a variance process.

Carports should be allowed where there is a garage of two or more spaces. Many (most?) people use at least one garage space for storage or a work shop area, and shouldn't be prevented from protecting their vehicles as a result.

Having an existing 2-car garage should have no bearing on whether or not a resident is allowed to have a carport. It's an irrelevant requirement. Please ensure carports are setback at least 5 feet from all sidewalks. This is imperative.

5 feet seems pretty close to a sidewalk. Is the house set back 25 feet? How long is a typical car? The allowances have to permit a carport long enough to be useful.

Front yard setbacks exist for a reason; no structures should be allowed in them. The setbacks and height requirements are not new -- it would be difficult to find a homeowner or renter who occupied their home prior to the requirements taking effect. If the home they chose did not meet their needs with the associated building restrictions, they should have chosen otherwise.

Need to allow for multiple garage space homes.

Keep the "garage with two (2) or more parking spaces" provision. Keep the 5-foot and 10-foot setbacks. Height should not exceed the height of the primary use.

Lot size must be considered

It shouldn't matter how much garage space a homeowner has if other criteria are met.

My driveway is not long enough for a 5' setback off the sidewalk. My driveway is on my property line, next to my neighbor's fence. My concrete driveway is 2 cars wide; it is not possible to set 30" piers. My street is straight, on a slight grade; visibility through an open-sided structure will not be a problem.

Setbacks are key, particularly the setback from the front property line

I agree that a carport should not be allowed when a garage with two or more parking spaces is present. I do not agree with carports within 5' of the sidewalk.

They should not be allowed

Absurd that you cannot have if you have a two car garage. Not all homes have basements or other storage or room for a third car garage for storage. Please remove that restriction. It makes no sense.

Again, private property needs to be left to the home owner. Whether it's a 1 car, or 4 car the idea that city government decides is wrong. Further some smaller lots have very limited front lots and the 5' or 10' could effectively further restrict what little space a owner has. Understanding a "reasonable" offset from the side walk, but oppose the 5' and 10' mark. If the Council moves forward with any height requirements the wall (eave) height or peak height needs to be clearly defined in this section or removed all together. The "pre-made" bolting limitations do not allow for any number of alternative fasteners methods. Most carports would not be set on concrete piers but rather set on an existing concrete slab, most which would be in the range of 3.5" thick. If you do decide to place requirements on anchoring, this needs to be more reasonable and utilize a certain number of anchor bolts to post ratio rather than depth. I urge to element all setback limitations.

still unnecessary. look trashy

I agree with the safety considerations, especially concerning sight distance requirements. Some of the other considerations are too restrictive.

In our varied topo, must allow for artful solutions to all needs - not just the luck of the draw by rigid, arbitrary rules.

Allow people to put up anything they want, as long as it's safe.

If the old north end and Broadmoor area can have hedges and landscaping which obstruct views, why can't people protect their property? This is an HOA issue not a city imposing more restrictions. Our taxes are high and throwing more fees is a way for the city to strangle more money out of its citizens, specifically lower income and blue collar neighborhoods. This is another example of the city trying to force middle class families out to make room for developers.

Setback from side yards should be 5 ft. Min. Not 10.

We discussed the rule being setback 1 foot from sidewalk. Also carports should be allowed for homes with 2 car garage. Our homes are built in the 80 s and the space is smaller than today's build. It is a safety issue for the disabled to have To maneuver around a garage like ours
The disabled need the carport to protect them from the elements getting in and out of the car.

"At least ten (10) feet from a property line" sets an impossible standard. Very few homes constructed in Colorado Springs over the last 40 years have 20+ feet between a driveway and a property line. Please consider revising this to two (2) feet.

Definitely keep this: " A front yard carport is only allowed where the side or rear yard is inaccessible or usable due to size or steep grade."

Again, safety would be diminished. Enforcement would be a burden to the city. Appearance of neighborhoods would be blighted. Encouraging the accumulation of junk should be avoided.It would only increase illegal drug production. All of which would be unfair to neighbors.

Remove "A front yard carport is only allowed where the side or rear yard is inaccessible or usable due to size or steep grade." and "A front yard carport is only allowed where the property does not have a garage with two (2) or more parking spaces." as increasing safety and reducing costs to everyone is always more important then aesthetics. Remove "A front yard carport must be set back at least five (5) feet from the near edge of the front sidewalk, if any, and at least ten (10) feet from the property line." driveways have 5ft property line setback so it is not practical to build carport supports in the middle of a driveway. Also, no point in an open carport being 5ft from the sidewalk when a fence can be built next to one. Replace with a requirement for drainage away from sidewalks, same setback as fencing to the sidewalk, and 5ft setback from property line.Remove minimum size requirement as it does not take into account a variety of small paces or bikes/cycles of all types.

If the front of the house/garage is over 8' fine, but if not I do not see a need for you to have one higher than the front of your home.

I agree

I would like to see a further setback from the front sidewalk to reduce visual impact for the neighborhood. 15-20 feet?

The requirement for no two car garage should be removed. Garages in our older homes are small, such that my mid-size SUV barely fits in ours, with no room left for another car. Consider families with two working adults and driving teens, a property may have 3+ vehicles to protect. A 10ft setback from the property line seems excessive, especially when the setback from the road is only 5. Does this apply to homes on a culdesac that have less space at street level?

I think a height limit needs to be implemented. A carport sized to house a bus style RV is displeasing to the eye. There is a house in my neighborhood with a large carport that ends up blocking the 2nd story window of the residence. This can create a lower value in the neighborhood.

I believe the set back from the sidewalk should be retained at the current 10 foot limit. I feel 5 feet is too close to the sidewalk. I also agree that if a house has 2 or garage spaces, there should not be a carport allowed.

The carport should not extend out past the front of the home, it needs to be set back farther from sidewalks to ensure visibility of pedestrians using sidewalks, needs to match design of the home and neighborhood, no prefab metal or material awnings

The setback for safety should depend on location.

People with 2 car garages should be allowed a carport. There should not be a min area or a max height.

remove all the rules for people who have already put one in. I am unable to cut mine down. it doesn't interfere with the sidewalk in any way. If you come onto my property you will hit the carport. stay on the sidewalk where my carport does not exist. Grandfather people in that followed the previous rules of under 20 x 20 and had no clue that there were rules about putting things in my own front yard to provide safety and security to my property.

It makes no sense to only allow carports if you have a one car garage. We have a two car garage, but it is small--our cars barely fit in it. We would like to get a full size pickup truck, but it would not fit in our garage. We would put a carport in front of the garage, that's the only place we could do it. But if this is not allowed, we would not buy a new or newer truck and risk getting hail damage. Why should people have to risk damage to their vehicles if they have to be outside? Are you going to pay for the damage to them? Also maybe insurance rates would not be so high if more cars could be protected by carports.

So, only houses with no garage, or only a single car garage, could build a carport? I like this, but almost all houses here in original 1950s Skyway have only single car garages, so all would be eligible to erect carports. It is just not a good look. A design eyesore!

Sounds good.

Who will enforce these considerations? If there is no enforcement, it doesn't really matter what you pass.

I disagree with point 2 above. I have a two car garage but one space is for my motorcycle and my truck will not fit through the door. Others have ATVs and such their garages to prevent theft. If a one car garage can have a 20x20 carport, I see no rational reason that a two car garage shouldn't have the same option to protect vehicles that don't fit or when the garage is being use to protect high value recreational vehicles that are more susceptible to theft.

N/A

No front yard carports!

10' back from sidewalk

The only comment I have is that they should be anchored so they cannot blow away in a strong wind

It is impossible to end a carport 5 feet from city sidewalk because the driveways are to short. 3 feet would be more acceptable or dooable for residents in older neighborhoods

If you back out of a driveway you still have to be aware of pedestrians Make a proposal that cars have to be backed in

Pre-made carports should not be exempt from building permits. They should not be allowed at all. The council will do this city an extreme disservice if they allow such an obnoxious display of cheap and flimsy architecture at 5 feet of a public sidewalk.

I don't like car ports in general. They are usually not well maintained. I don't care how you dictate the set backs.

I see no safety concerns in car ports.

I do not agree. The City should allow Car Ports even with garages. Car Ports should be allowed in front over existing driveways. The City should concern itself with the number of sidewalks not wide enough to comply with the Americans with disabilities acts. Therefore the 5 foot set back should be reviewed. A set back of one foot from the foot of the driveway near the sidewalk is understandable.

2 car garage is plenty. Dont need ugly carport too.

30 days max for carports to comply with new rules..

the carport should not be seen from the street. And should only be allowed inclement weather/hail season as a permanent structure make them temporary OR MUST BE IN the side or rear yard as stated above

Front yard carports should be allowed whenever the driveway and garage door are in the front yard, providing the carport meets the size and setback criteria. Requiring backyard gates, potentially from alleys, and new driveway construction is an unreasonable burden. It is not clear why there is a minimum carport size.

10' back from sidewalk.

I would like no carports at all..

My garage is considered a 2 car garage, but it is TOO NARROW to fit 2 cars. Also there are many homes with 3 drivers and 3 cars. Prohibiting a front yard car port if a house has a 2 car garage would not always provide the protection we are trying to accomplish.

Most garages only allow 2 cars. With the severe hail that occurs in Colorado Springs it seems unfair to only allow 2 spots (in the garage) to protect your vehicles from hail. Many people have young adults where four or five cars are normal. We should legally be allowed to protect all our vehicles. A simple carport on the front side of our property fixes this. Requiring a setback from the side property line would require many carports to be placed in the center of a yard instead of along the edge where it makes sense.

Please, please don't permit them at all!!!

Reasonable variances should be granted for deviations from these setback requirements for existing structures based on considerations of additional expense, and loss of trees, shrubs and landscaping. We consulted an architect during our site selection process to accommodate unique characteristics of our property.

Don't want carports

A carport should be allowed for houses with 2 car parking. Most residents utilize half of their garage as work spaces, or storage and the other spot for car parking. However, carport size remain the same.

10 from sidewalk, 15 " lenght

10-12 feet back.

I oppose the construction of carports in front yard setbacks.

Our home was built in the mid 60s. We have a double car garage, but regular sized pickup will barely fit. We aren't able to get around vehicle with garage doors closed.