

Wedding Guidelines and Considerations

Due to our City Ordinance not directly addressing “backyard weddings”, property owners will occasionally call to ask if they are allowed to host a wedding and what permits might they need.

To help answer these questions please find below a series of considerations that property owners should be aware of when planning for their wedding:

1. Street Parking:

- a. It is strongly encouraged that residents have adequate space to accommodate all guests on their property.
 - i. **Notes:** Residents are encouraged to cut grass where guests park to avoid possible grass fires caused by hot vehicles (muffler, catalytic converter, etc.)
- b. However, should they require street parking, we ask that they keep all vehicles to one side of the ROW so there is adequate room for emergency vehicles are able to pass.
- c. Additionally, if the resident take access from a County Highway and require street parking, they must inquire with the Anoka County to obtain a permit.

2. Notifications: Residents are not required to notify any of the below but are encouraged to.

- a. Residents should notify their neighbors with as much information as they feel comfortable disclosing regarding the event.
- b. Residents should notify the Anoka County Sheriff's department that there will be an event.
- c. Notify the City, this way if Public Works has any treatment or grading plans, they are able to work around the wedding as to not disturb the event.

3. Outdoor Tents:

- a. Any tents larger than 10'x10' must be permitted and inspected by the City of Columbus Building Official prior to the wedding.