

**AN ORDINANCE
OF THE
CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS**

By Schiff

Amending Title 20, Chapter 536 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Zoning Code: Regulations of General Applicability.

The City Council of The City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That Section 536.20 the above-entitled ordinance be amended as to read as follows:

536.20. Specific Development Standards. The uses listed below are subject to the following specific development standards, in addition to all other applicable regulations:

Multiple family dwelling, five units or more:

- (1) Except in the UA University Area Overlay District, all multiple family dwellings of five (5) or more units in the R4, R5 and R6 Districts shall provide an outdoor children's play area to serve residents of the development when one (1) or more of the dwelling units contain three (3) or more bedrooms. Required outdoor children's play areas shall be subject to the following requirements:
 - a. An active, outdoor children's play area shall be a minimum of fifty (50) square feet for each unit containing three (3) or more bedrooms, but not less than three hundred (300) square feet of play area to a maximum required area of two thousand (2,000) square feet.
 - b. The play area shall be secure, shall be separated from parking and maneuvering areas, and shall be designed to facilitate adult supervision.
 - c. Play equipment shall be effectively screened from any adjacent residential use located in a residence or office residence district or from a ground floor permitted or conditional residential use, as specified in Chapter 530, Site Plan Review.
 - d. The play area shall include play equipment, or natural features suitable for children in both preschool and elementary school. If pre-fabricated, play equipment shall be installed to manufacturer's specifications.
 - e. Areas should be designed for winter use and relate to the built form with consideration given to elements such as providing shelter from wind, utilizing seasonally appropriate materials, maximizing access to sunlight and providing for snow and ice removal.

f. Play equipment shall not be located in a required yard and not more than twenty five (25) percent of the required square footage of the play area may be located in a required yard.