

City of Mendota

Yard/Garage Sale Permit Policy

Mendota Municipal Code, Chapter 5: Business Licenses and Regulations, Section 5.04.200 Garage Sales and Yard Sales. The provisions of this chapter apply to garage and yard sales which shall be used interchangeably and shall refer to the selling of used personal property to the public upon the premises of a residence.

- 1.) **Purpose:** This permit allows a garage or yard sale in a residential zone subject to restrictions hereinafter set forth designed to protect the character of residential zones and the peace, privacy, safety and general public welfare of persons within such zones.
- 2.) **Garage or yard sale defined:** Garage, patio, or yard sale means a sale conducted by any occupant of a residence from any location on the premises in any kind of residential zone of personal property accumulated during the course of ordinary residential living by selling the same to the public. Personal property sold at a sale shall not include sale goods obtained for purposes of resale.
- 3.) **Permit Required:** No sale of any such property shall be made until a permit has been issued by the city at a fee of \$5.00, in addition, the permit must be displayed at all time.
- 4.) **Restrictions:** A garage, patio, or yard sale as defined herein only may be conducted as follows:
 - A. Personal property offered for sale shall not be displayed in a front yard except on the day authorized pursuant to a city permit.
 - B. No more than three (3) sales may be conducted in any one calendar year at the same location; unless they can provide proof of new ownership of the premises. All sales shall be conducted during daylight hours between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. NO sale shall last longer than twelve consecutive hours. Nonprofit, charitable organizations shall not be subject to the provisions of this section.
 - C. No sign shall be posted advertising such a sale excepting one sign on the property on which the sale is to take place and on other such property where written permission has been granted by the property owner. Such signs shall be removed from the properties within 6 hours following the close of the sale. No Signs shall be posted on right of ways or utility poles.

Note: The Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer shall monitor for Yard Sale Permits for compliance.

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I further certify that all of said personal property to be sold is owned by me and /or other members of my immediate family or of my household, and that none of the property to be sold has been acquired or consigned for the purpose of having the sale.

Date of Sale: _____

Name: _____ Address: _____

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

City Staff Signature: _____ Date: _____