

TOWN OF GARDEN CITY, UTAH
ORDINANCE NO. 26-23
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 11C-503 OF THE GARDEN CITY MUNICIPAL
CODE REGARDING TEMPORARY USE PERMITS FOR STORAGE CONTAINERS
STRUCTURES

WHEREAS, the Town of Garden City desires to establish clear and consistent regulations governing the placement and use of temporary storage ~~containers~~ **structures** within the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town recognizes that temporary storage ~~containers~~ **structures** may provide a useful service to property owners while also having the potential to create visual, safety, access, and neighborhood concerns if not properly regulated; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds that reasonable limitations on the duration, location, maintenance, and removal of temporary storage ~~containers~~ **structures** are necessary to protect the health, safety, and general welfare of the residents of Garden City; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council desires to clarify the application, approval, renewal, deposit, identification, exceptions, and removal requirements for temporary storage ~~containers~~ **structures**;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GARDEN CITY, UTAH, AS FOLLOWS:

~~11C-503 Temporary Use Permit~~ Any person installing a temporary storage container must first obtain a Temporary Use Permit and be approved by the mayor and either the building official or Planning Commission Chair. Permits shall be issued for 90 days. A \$500.00 refundable deposit will be required for each permit. The \$500.00 will be refunded when the container is removed from the property. Any container remaining on the property for more than the 90-day permit period will forfeit the \$500.00 deposit. Each container must be identified with a 3-digit number and the number recorded on the permit. The permit can be renewed for a one-time additional 90 days if renewed before the expiration of the original permit.

Section 1. Amendment of Section 11C-503

Section 11C-503 of the Garden City Municipal Code is hereby amended and replaced in its entirety with the following:

11C-503 — TEMPORARY USE PERMIT — STORAGE CONTAINERS **STRUCTURES**

A. Permit Required.

Any person, property owner, tenant, or other responsible party who places, installs, or maintains a temporary storage ~~container~~ **structure** (see [Garden City Code 11A-200-150 for definition](#)) on property within the Town of Garden City shall first obtain a Temporary Use Permit from the Town before the storage ~~container~~ **structure** is delivered to or placed upon the property.

B. Approval.

A Temporary Use Permit for a storage ~~container~~ **structure** shall be reviewed and approved by the Mayor, or the Mayor's designee, and the Building Official, or the Building Official's designee. The Town may refer an application to the Planning Commission for review when the proposed storage ~~container~~ **structure** presents unique site, land-use, neighborhood, or other planning concerns.

C. Permit Duration.

A Temporary Use Permit shall be valid for a period not to exceed ninety (90) consecutive days from the date of issuance.

D. Renewal.

The permittee may request one (1) renewal for an additional period not to exceed ninety (90) consecutive days. The renewal application must be submitted and approved before expiration of the original permit. A renewal shall not be considered automatic and shall be subject to compliance with all provisions of this Section.

E. Deposit.

A refundable deposit of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) shall be required for each permitted storage ~~container~~ **structure**. The deposit shall be held by the Town to ensure timely removal of the storage ~~container~~ **structure** and compliance with this Section.

Upon timely removal of the storage ~~container~~ **structure** and compliance with all permit requirements, the Town shall refund the deposit to the permittee.

If the storage ~~container~~ **structure** remains on the property after expiration of the permit or approved renewal period, the Town may retain the deposit. Retention of the deposit shall not prevent the Town from taking any other enforcement action authorized by law.

F. Identification.

Each permitted storage ~~container~~ **structure** shall be assigned and display a unique three-digit identification number. The identification number shall be recorded on the Temporary Use Permit and shall remain clearly visible on the storage ~~container~~ **structure** for the entire period it is located on the property.

G. Location and Site Requirements.

A temporary storage ~~container~~ **structure** shall:

1. Be located entirely on private property and shall not be placed within a public right-of-way, street, sidewalk, drainage facility, or other public property;
2. Not obstruct or interfere with required parking spaces, driveways, fire access, emergency access, pedestrian access, utilities, easements, or required sight-distance areas;
3. Comply with applicable setback requirements unless otherwise specifically approved by the Town;

4. Be placed on a stable and reasonably level surface and maintained in a safe and sanitary condition;
5. Not be connected to permanent utilities or used as a dwelling, sleeping accommodation, office, commercial establishment, or other occupied structure; and
6. Not create a nuisance, safety hazard, unreasonable noise, unsanitary condition, or other adverse impact on surrounding properties.

H. Number of Containers.

Unless otherwise approved by the Town, no more than one (1) temporary storage ~~container~~ **structure** shall be permitted on a single property at any one time.

I. Maintenance and Condition.

The storage ~~container~~ **structure** shall be maintained in good condition and shall not be structurally damaged, leaking, excessively deteriorated, or otherwise maintained in a condition that creates a nuisance or adversely affects surrounding properties.

J. Removal.

The permittee shall remove the storage ~~container~~ **structure** from the property on or before the expiration date stated on the Temporary Use Permit. The permittee shall notify the Town when the storage ~~container~~ **structure** has been removed.

Failure to remove the storage ~~container~~ **structure** within the permitted period shall constitute a violation of this Section and may result in forfeiture of the required deposit and any other enforcement action authorized by the Garden City Municipal Code or Utah law.

K. No Circumvention of Permit Limits.

Removal of a storage ~~container~~ **structure** for the purpose of avoiding the time limitations of this Section shall not restart or extend the allowable permit period. The Town may consider the prior presence of a storage ~~container~~ **structure** on the property when determining whether a subsequent application constitutes an attempt to circumvent the requirements of this Section.

L. Exceptions.

The following shall not be subject to the Temporary Use Permit requirements of this Section when otherwise permitted by the Garden City Municipal Code:

1. Storage ~~containers~~ **structures** used in conjunction with active construction for which a valid building permit has been issued, provided the ~~container~~ **structure** is removed upon completion or expiration of the applicable construction permit;
2. Temporary storage ~~containers~~ **structures** owned or operated by the Town of Garden City or another governmental entity when used for an authorized governmental

purpose, and shall not be allowed on lots adjacent to Highway 89, State Road 30, 300 West, or Paradise Parkway.

3. A critical public utility may place and maintain a temporary storage ~~container~~ **structure** for the storage of equipment, materials, or supplies necessary for the operation and maintenance of its utility facilities. For purposes of this Section, a critical public utility is a public utility that provides services necessary for the health, safety, and welfare of the public.
 - a. Such ~~container~~ **structure** shall not exceed forty feet (40') in length and shall be maintained in good condition; and
 - b. Shall not be allowed on lots adjacent to Highway 89, State Road 30, 300 West, or Paradise Parkway ; and
 - c. The exterior of the ~~container~~ **structure** shall be painted in a color that reasonably complements the surrounding area and may include a landscape-themed mural or other landscape artwork approved by the Town. The mural shall be maintained in good condition and shall not contain commercial advertising.
4. Other temporary storage uses specifically authorized elsewhere in the Garden City Municipal Code.

M. Enforcement.

A person who places or maintains a temporary storage ~~container~~ **structure** in violation of this Section shall be subject to the enforcement provisions and penalties established by the Garden City Municipal Code. The Town may require the immediate removal of a storage ~~container~~ **structure** that creates an imminent threat to public health, safety, or welfare.

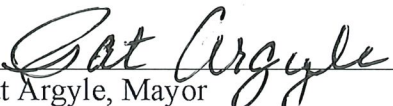
If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this ordinance is, for any reason, held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such provision shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

The Town Clerk is authorized and directed to codify this Ordinance of the Garden City Municipal Code and to make such nonsubstantive numbering, formatting, grammatical, and editorial changes as necessary for codification.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 8th day of October 2026

APPROVED:

Attest:


Pat Argyle, Mayor




Cathie Rasmussen, Town Clerk

Voting:

Aye Nye

Davis

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Hansen

✓ _____

House

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Larsen

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Argyle

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STATE OF UTAH)
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County of Rich)

I, Cathie Rasmussen, the duly appointed Clerk/Recorder of the Town of Garden City, Utah, do hereby certify that the attached and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance #26-23 passed by the Town Council of Garden City, on the 8th day of October 2026.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said Town this 8th day of October 2026.

Cathie Rasmussen
Town Clerk

