

CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO

ORDINANCE NO. 5331

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS OF THE ZONING AND DEVELOPMENT
CODE (TITLE 21 OF THE GRAND JUNCTION MUNICIPAL CODE) REGARDING
BICYCLE PARKING AND STORAGE

Recitals

The City Council desires to maintain effective zoning and development regulations that implement the vision and goals of the Comprehensive Plan while being flexible and responsive to the community's desires and market conditions and has directed that the Code be reviewed and amended as necessary.

The Housing Affordability Code Task Force has identified an item concerning the provision of bicycle parking with development that pose challenges to the implementation of adopted principles, goals, and strategies of the City.

After public notice and public hearing as required by the Grand Junction Zoning and Development Code, the Grand Junction Planning Commission recommended approval of the proposed amendments.

After public notice and public hearing, the Grand Junction City Council finds that the amendments to the Zoning & Development Code implement the vision and goals of the Comprehensive Plan and that the amendments provided in this Ordinance are responsive to the community's desires, encourage orderly development of real property in the City, and otherwise advance and protect the public health, safety, and welfare of the City and its residents.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
GRAND JUNCTION THAT:**

**The following sections of the Zoning and Development Code (Title 21 of the
Grand Junction Municipal Code) are amended as follows (deletions struck
through, added language underlined):**

21.08.020 BICYCLE PARKING AND STORAGE.

(a) Amount Required. Bicycle parking shall be provided for the following Principal Uses at a rate of 2 spaces plus 1 space per 20,000 square feet of gross floor area:

(1) Each nonresidential principal structure shall provide the following, depending on the category of the use as shown in Table 21.04-1: Principal Use Table: Food and Beverage Service, Office and Personal Services, Recreation and Entertainment, and Retail Sales: 2 spaces plus 1 space per 20,000 square feet of gross floor area.

Table 21.04-1: Minimum Bicycle Parking Spaces Required		
Use or Use Category	Short-Term Spaces	Long-Term Spaces
Multi-unit dwelling	2 plus .05 per bedroom	2 plus .05 per bedroom
Food and beverage service, recreation and entertainment, and retail uses	2 plus 1 per 3,000 square feet of gross floor area	2 plus 1 per 12,000 square feet of gross floor area
Office uses	2 plus 1 per 20,000 square feet of gross floor area	2 plus 1 per 10,000 square feet gross floor area
Industrial uses^a	2	2 plus 1 per 15,000 square feet internal gross floor area
All other nonresidential uses	2 plus 1 per 20,000 square feet of gross floor area	2 plus 1 per 12,000 square feet internal gross floor area
^aWarehouse uses, including mini-warehouse, shall not be required to provide parking for the additional gross floor area used for storage only.		

(2) If more than 10 bicycle parking spaces are required, a minimum of 10% of the required bicycle parking spaces shall be designed to accommodate cargo bicycles or bicycles with trailers. Multi-unit dwelling: 2 spaces plus 0.025 spaces per dwelling unit.

(b) Location and Design.

(1) Short-Term Bicycle Spaces. All bicycle parking areas shall be designated for bicycle parking only and located so that they are easily accessed from the street and clearly visible to passersby for natural surveillance.

(i) Short-term bicycle spaces shall be located within 50 feet from the main entrance of the principal building.

(ii) Short-term bicycle racks shall be located so that they:

- (A) Are easily accessed from the street and protected from motor vehicles;
- (B) Are visible to passers-by to promote usage and enhance security;
- (C) Do not impede or interfere with pedestrian traffic or routine maintenance activities;
- (D) Do not block access to buildings, bus boarding or freight loading;
- (E) Allow reasonable clearance for opening of passenger-side doors of parked cars; and

(F) Are covered, to the maximum extent practicable, where users will leave their bikes for a longer amount of time.

(2) Long-Term Bicycle Parking. Long-term bicycle parking shall be enclosed and secured to the maximum extent practicable. Enclosed bicycle parking includes but is not limited to: an area enclosed by a secure fence with a lockable entrance, a secure and accessible room in a building, a secure and accessible enclosure within a parking structure, or a cluster of bicycle lockers. Bicycle racks shall be anchored on improved non-permeable surfaces and installed with no less than three feet of distance between any building wall, edge of curb, edge of pavement, or other obstruction. Other dimensions may be considered if it can be demonstrated that the rack will maintain full functionality.

(3) The quantity of required spaces may be reduced if existing bicycle parking facilities are located within 100 feet of the building's main entrance within the public right-of-way, provided that a minimum of two bicycle parking spaces is provided on site.

(c) Design Standards.

(1) No more than 50% of the required bicycle parking spaces may require the bicycle to be hung or parked vertically, rather than being parked with both tires on the ground.

(2) Accounting for the length or width of a standard bicycle, the parking shall not reduce the minimum sidewalk width, as required by provisions of this Code and any applicable overlays.

(3) Cargo bicycle and bicycle trailer parking spaces shall be a minimum of 10 feet long and three feet wide.

(4) A three-foot-wide aisle is required between rows of bicycle parking spaces or between a row of bicycle parking spaces and any wall or any other obstruction, as measured from the center of the bicycle rack. The edge of the bicycle rack shall be a minimum of three feet from the edge of curb or pavement along a roadway.

(5) Bicycle racks shall be located on improved non-permeable surfaces and shall be anchored to the ground.

(6) Bicycle racks shall provide two points of contact with the bicycle frame such as an inverted "U" or a post and ring. Wave, schoolyard, wheel well, bollard and spiral racks are prohibited.

(7) Bicycle racks shall accommodate varied bicycle and styles, including electric bicycles and cargo bicycles, with greater clearance from obstructions, walkways, and other bicycle parking spaces to the maximum extent practicable.

(8) Bicycle racks shall be constructed of rust-resistant, sturdy, and high-quality materials and designed so that they cannot be disassembled or tampered with.

~~(9) Areas designated for bicycle parking shall be clearly marked and reserved for bicycle parking only.~~

~~(d) Alternative Bicycle Parking. The Director may waive or reduce the requirements of this section pursuant to the following criteria:~~

~~(1) The location and design standards may be waived or reduced if the applicant can demonstrate that unique or unusual characteristics exist on a development site; or~~

~~(2) The quantity of required spaces may be reduced if existing bicycle parking facilities are located within the public right-of-way and within 100 feet of the building's main entrance, provided that a minimum of two bicycle parking spaces are provided on-site.~~

INTRODUCED on first reading this 1st day of July 2026 and ordered published in pamphlet form.

ADOPTED on second reading this 15th day of July 2026 and ordered published in pamphlet form.

ATTEST:



Laurel Lutz
President of the City Council



Selestina Sandoval
City Clerk



I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing Ordinance, being Ordinance No. 5331 was introduced by the City Council of the City of Grand Junction, Colorado at a regular meeting of said body held on the 1st of July, 2026, and the same was published in The Daily Sentinel, a newspaper published and in general circulation in said City, in pamphlet form, at least ten days before its final passage.

I FURTHER CERTIFY THAT a Public Hearing was held on the day of the 15th of July 2026, at which Ordinance No. 5331 was read, considered, adopted, and ordered published in pamphlet form by the Grand Junction City Council.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of said City this 20th day of July 2026.



Deputy City Clerk

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