STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF OAKLAND
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BLOOMFIELD

ORDINANCE NO. 663

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE 3.0 ZONING
DISTRICTS, SECTION 42-3.10 GENERAL EXCEPTIONS
IN CHAPTER 42, ZONING, OF THE CODE OF
ORDINANCES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF
BLOOMFIELD TO ALLOW LANDSCAPE WALLS AND
PIERS ADJACENT TO A RESIDENCE.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BLOOMFIELD ORDAINS:

Section 1.

Article 3, Zoning Districts, Section 42-3.10 General Exceptions, is hereby
amended with the illustration as follows:

42 – 3.10 GENERAL EXCEPTIONS

The regulations in this Chapter shall be subject to the following interpretations and
exceptions:

1. through 6. [no change].

7. Terrace or patio. An open, unenclosed paved terrace or patio may project into a
required front, rear and secondary front yard setback for a distance not
exceeding ten (10) feet or no more than twenty five (25) percent of the front,
secondary front, or rear yard but it shall not be interpreted to include or permit
fixed canopies. Patios and terraces immediately adjacent to the principal
residence may incorporate landscape walls and/or piers not to exceed four (4) ft.
in height and setback at least sixteen (16) ft. from the side lot line.

A. Illumination. Piers and landscape walls may be illuminated with the overall
height, including light fixtures, not to exceed four (4) ft. Landscape lighting
should provide the user with illumination appropriate for the designed activity (i.e.
parking, walking, outdoor dining space, etc.). Illumination shall be confined
through the use of shields, vegetative screening, or other methods to eliminate
glare onto adjacent properties.

B. Permitted Structures. When incorporated within a patio and located in a rear
or secondary yard, gas fire pits and masonry kitchenettes, barbeques, and seat
walls are allowed subject to the required setbacks. This provision excludes
fireplaces and other accessory structures pursuant to Section 42- 5.1, Accessory
Structures.
8. through 10. [no change].

Section 2. Repealer.
All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are repealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.

Section 3. Severability.
If any section, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared to be unconstitutional, void, illegal or ineffective by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such section, clause or provision declared to be unconstitutional, void or illegal shall thereby cease to be a part of this Ordinance, but the remainder of this Ordinance shall stand and be in full force and effect.

Section 4. Savings.
All proceedings pending and all rights and liabilities existing, acquired or incurred at the time this Ordinance takes effect are saved and may be consummated according to the law when they were commenced.

Section 5. Effective Date.
The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby ordered to take effect immediately upon publication.

Section 6. Adoption.
This Ordinance is hereby declared to have been adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Bloomfield at a meeting thereof duly called and held on the 22nd day of July, 2019, and ordered to be given publication in the manner prescribed by the Charter Township of Bloomfield.

CERTIFICATION
I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Bloomfield at a meeting held on July 22, 2019, and that the original of this Ordinance is on file in my office.

Janet Roncelli, Township Clerk

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