VSCode Container Service

This directory contains the VS Code server container configuration for secure remote development.

Contents

- Dockerfile: Builds the code-server image with SSL support and development tools
- generate_certs.sh: Script to generate self-signed SSL certificates using mkcert or OpenSSL
- .env.template: Example environment file for configuration variables
- extensions.json: Recommended VS Code extensions (PlantUML, AsciiDoctor)
- nginx.conf: Nginx configuration (currently unused, SSL handled directly by code-server)

How it Works

The VS Code container is designed to run as part of the main docker-compose setup:

1. From the docker/ directory, run:

```
docker-compose up
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- 2. The container starts and automatically:
 - Generates SSL certificates for secure HTTPS access
 - Installs recommended extensions (PlantUML, AsciiDoctor)
 - Starts code-server on port 8443 with SSL enabled
- 3. Access your VS Code environment at https://localhost:8443

Certificate Generation

The generate_certs.sh script handles SSL certificate creation:

- **Preferred**: Uses mkcert for locally trusted certificates
- Fallback: Uses OpenSSL for self-signed certificates
- Supports multiple hostnames via CERT_HOSTNAMES environment variable

Development Tools Included

- PlantUML: For creating diagrams (with Java runtime and Graphviz)
- AsciiDoctor: For documentation authoring

- mkcert: For generating trusted local certificates
- Standard development tools: curl, wget, openssl

Configuration

Copy .env.template to .env and customize:

CERT_HOSTNAMES=localhost 127.0.0.1 steamdeck.fritz.box

Security

- Code-server requires password authentication
- All traffic is encrypted via HTTPS
- Certificates are automatically generated and managed
- Container runs as non-root user (coder)