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# **Architectural** Guide

October 30, 2003

With changes through April 11, 2021

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|                | <ul> <li>The Waverly Park Homeowners Association (WPHA) Amended<br/>Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CCR) gives<br/>discretion to the Architectural Committee (AC) to decide what<br/>architecturally-related projects or uses should be permitted. The CCR<br/>also authorize the AC to make such rules or regulations as may be<br/>needed to insure the integrity and appearance of the neighborhood.</li> </ul> |
| Purpose        | <ul> <li>Many CCR sections are clear and leave little room for interpretation.<br/>Those are not repeated in the Guide, except for emphasis. Other<br/>sections leave determination to the AC. This Guide clarifies these<br/>other sections so homeowners will have a reasonable expectation of<br/>approval when the AC reviews plans for projects and uses.</li> </ul>   |
|                | <ul> <li>Most of these guidelines reflect prior actions by ACs since the WPHA<br/>was turned over to the homeowners and do not change the CCR.</li> </ul>   |
|                | <ul> <li>The AC plans review process is detailed.</li> </ul>  |
| Authority      | From the CCR:   |
|                | <ul> <li>Article V, Section 1: "the affirmative vote of a majority of the<br/>Architectural Committee shall be required in order to adopt or<br/>promulgate any rule or regulation"</li> </ul>  |
|                | <ul> <li>Article V, Section 6: The AC "may promulgate rules governing the form<br/>and content of plans to be submitted for approval or requiring specific<br/>improvements on Lots"</li> </ul>   |
|                | <ul> <li>Article VI, Section 6: The AC "may adopt and promulgate rules and<br/>regulations regarding the preservation of trees and other natural<br/>resources and wildlife"</li> </ul>   |
|                | <ul> <li>Article VI, Section 8: The AC may "adopt and promulgate rules and<br/>regulations relating to signs"</li> </ul>  |
|                | <ul> <li>Article VI, Section 10: The AC "may adopt and promulgate reasonable<br/>rules and regulations relating to" garbage/trash cans.</li> </ul>  |
|                | From BOD Resolution 2 of July 16, 2000:1  |
|                | <ul> <li>The AC shall "review the aesthetic impact of the quality of the lawns<br/>and landscaping", "send written notice", and "impose fines"</li> </ul>   |
|                | This Architectural Guide was originally approved by a majority of the   |
| Promulation    | Architectural Committee on October 30, 2003.  |
| Promulgation   | Changes were approved by a majority of the Committee on the dates noted in the footnotes. <sup>2</sup>  |

 $<sup>^1</sup>$  Added 4/11/2021: Consolidates AC authorities.  $^2$  Added 7/14/2015: Clarifies that all changes were properly approved.

## Architectural Committee Procedures

| Plans Required <sup>1</sup> | <ul> <li>A request letter or email from the homeowner explaining the project is required.</li> <li>Additional Information needed as applicable to a project:</li> </ul>      |
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|                             | <ul> <li>Copy of site plan with project location and dimensions (including property line setbacks)</li> </ul>  |
|                             | <ul> <li>Colors, materials to be used</li> </ul>   |
|                             | <ul> <li>Trees to be removed</li> </ul>  |
|                             | <ul> <li>Project picture or line drawing when appropriate</li> </ul>   |
|                             | The Architectural Committee may request other information.   |
|                             | <ul> <li>Plans should be emailed to <u>2wpha.ac@gmail.com</u> or mailed to the<br/>address on the letterhead.</li> </ul>   |
| Plans Review                | <ul> <li>Each member of AC will review plans and decide if they fall within the<br/>covenants and are aesthetically correct for the neighborhood.</li> </ul>                 |
|                             | <ul> <li>Plans may be distributed to AC members via e-mail.</li> </ul>   |
|                             | <ul> <li>Any AC member can ask for a meeting to discuss the project.</li> </ul>  |
|                             | Each member of the AC will vote.   |
| Voting                      | <ul> <li>Plans will be approved/disapproved by a majority vote of the<br/>committee—not just those voting. (Board of Directors Resolution 1 of<br/>July 16, 2000)</li> </ul> |
|                             | <ul> <li>Voting may be via e-mail or at a called AC meeting.</li> </ul>  |
| Notifications               | <ul> <li>Homeowners will be notified of the AC decision in writing.</li> </ul>   |
|                             | <ul> <li>The committee has 30 days to notify homeowner.</li> </ul>   |
|                             | <ul> <li>Homeowners may ask the AC to reconsider a decision.</li> </ul>  |
| Anneala                     | <ul> <li>AC approvals cannot generally be revoked unless</li> </ul>  |
| Appeals                     | 1. Plans/uses violate specific prohibitions and  |
|                             | 2. Approved plans not followed.  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As amended 2/11/2006: Homeowner request via email acceptable, required information clarified.

| Violations Enforcement<br>Procedure <sup>1</sup> | <ul> <li>Violation noted.</li> </ul>   |  |  |  |
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|  | Send <b>Notice of Violation</b> indicating appropriate correction due date and fines that will be assessed. Standard fine is \$25 per day while violation continues. Appropriate correction due dates: |  |  |  |
|  | <ul> <li>2 days for easily corrected violations, e.g. signs, vehicles,<br/>trailers.</li> </ul>  |  |  |  |
|  | <ul> <li>14 days for unapproved construction</li> </ul>  |  |  |  |
|  | <ul> <li>As AC determines based on the violation.</li> </ul>   |  |  |  |
|  | <ul> <li>If corrected by due date: acknowledge with thank you letter/email, file<br/>case; otherwise,</li> </ul>   |  |  |  |
|  | <ul> <li>Send Notice of Continued Violation and Assessment of Fines</li> </ul>   |  |  |  |
|  | <ul> <li>Refer to Board of Directors for other legal actions.</li> </ul>   |  |  |  |
|  | <ul> <li>Should the same violation by the same homeowner occur again after<br/>correction, the Enforcement Procedure picks up at the point previously<br/>reached.</li> </ul>                          |  |  |  |
|  | <ul> <li>\$50 fine is assessed for a project begun without AC review/approval.<br/>AC plan review/approval still required.<sup>2</sup></li> </ul>  |  |  |  |
|  | <ul> <li>Homeowners who fail to correct violations will be fined to compel<br/>compliance.</li> </ul>  |  |  |  |
| Fines and Costs                                  | <ul> <li>A standard daily fine of \$25 will be assessed.</li> </ul>  |  |  |  |
|  | <ul> <li>Fines continue daily until violation is corrected.</li> </ul>   |  |  |  |
|  | A higher fine may be assessed when considered appropriate.   |  |  |  |
|  | <ul> <li>Fines assessed will be referred to the Board of Directors for collection<br/>or other proceeding at law.</li> </ul>   |  |  |  |
|  | <ul> <li>We will do our best to communicate with homeowners in a timely<br/>manner, knowing how important these matters are to them.</li> </ul>  |  |  |  |
| Communication with                               | <ul> <li>Email may be used for homeowners on the WP Email List.<sup>3</sup></li> </ul>   |  |  |  |
| Homeowners                                       | <ul> <li>AC actions will be published on the <u>WPHA website AC Actions page</u><sup>4</sup>.</li> </ul>   |  |  |  |
|  | <ul> <li>Email requests to view AC files to <u>2wpha.ac@gmail.com</u></li> </ul>   |  |  |  |
| Original Zoning<br>Restrictions <sup>5</sup>     | <ul> <li>Changes to property that would require relaxing zoning restrictions in<br/>place when the covenants were adopted will not be approved.</li> </ul>   |  |  |  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Amended 7/13/2019: Procedure streamlined to eliminate warning letter, shorten correction times

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Amended 7/13/2019: Notes fine effective 10/1/2016 as published in WPPX 9/15/2016.

 $<sup>^{3}</sup>$  Amended 7/13/2019: Notes that email may be used.

 $<sup>^4</sup>$  Amended 7/13/2019: AC Actions now reported on the WP web.

 $<sup>^{5}</sup>$  Amended 2/11/2006: Adherence to original zoning restrictions.

### Architectural Guidelines

Fences

#### **Approved Types**

- Privacy (no spacing between pickets or stones)
- Semi-Privacy (spacing of no more than 2.75 inches between pickets)
- Three or four rail wooden Ranch Rail<sup>1</sup> (See Location Restrictions below.)
- Black or dark green vinyl covered chain link (See Location Restrictions below.)
- Fence Heights:<sup>2</sup>
  - Privacy or Semi-Privacy: 4 or 6 feet
  - Ranch Rail: 4 feet
  - Chain Link: 4 or 6 feet, but never taller than the required privacy/semi-privacy fence.

#### **Location Restrictions**

- No fencing may be placed in front of the house line closest to the street.
  - Privacy or semi-privacy fence is required on all street-facing sides of a lot. Corner lots have two street-facing sides. May be used on all sides of lot.
  - Black or dark green vinyl-coated chain link and three or four rail wooden Ranch Rail<sup>3</sup> may be used ONLY on side and back of lot and ONLY when installed behind an approved privacy/semi-privacy fence.
  - Setbacks from property lines should conform to county zoning unless a formal agreement to share a fence exists with adjacent homeowners.

#### Materials

- Wood, vinyl, stone, black or dark green vinyl-coated chain link.
- 2"x4" galvanized wire may be added to the inside of three or four rail wooden Ranch Rail fencing.<sup>4</sup>

#### Colors

- Natural wood, white, various stains or colors consistent with existing colors throughout Waverly Park
- Satellite Dishes
- Dishes greater than one meter in diameter are not permitted.
  - Safety concerns may restrict placement of smaller dishes.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Amended 7/14/2015: Adds an approved fence type.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Amended 2/1/2017: Adds approved fence heights.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Amended 7/14/2015: Adds location restrictions for new approved fence type.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Amended 7/14/2015: Allows galvanized wiring as indicated.

| Trees  | <ul> <li>Obviously dead trees may be immediately removed without AC approval.</li> </ul>  |
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|  | <ul> <li>12-inch diameter or greater (measured two feet from ground) requires<br/>AC approval prior to removal.</li> </ul>  |
|  | No sign or other advertising device of any nature, including flags, banners<br>or other devices, shall be placed upon any Lot, including in windows, except<br>as provided herein:  |
|  | <ul> <li>One standard real estate for sale/lease/rent sign (including<br/>information packet pouch) is allowed on any lot that is actually for<br/>sale/lease/rent.</li> </ul>  |
|  | <ul> <li>One security system sign, not to exceed one foot by one foot.</li> </ul>   |
|  | <ul> <li>Other approved non-political signs, flags, banners, or devices:</li> </ul>   |
|  | <ul> <li>One unmodified American Flag, not to exceed four feet by<br/>six feet, may be displayed, but not on utility poles, in<br/>accordance with the U.S. Flag Code as provided by the<br/>Freedom to Display the American Flag Act of 2005.</li> </ul> |
| Signs, Flags, Banners¹<br>(continues on next page) | <ul> <li>Several smaller American Flags may be displayed along<br/>driveways, sidewalks and planting beds for recognized<br/>patriotic occasions, e.g. Independence Day, not to exceed<br/>seven days.</li> </ul>   |
|  | <ul> <li>In addition to one American Flag, <u>any one</u> of the following<br/>flags or banners, not to exceed four feet by six feet, may<br/>be displayed at a time:</li> </ul>  |
|  | <ul> <li>A U. S. Armed Forces flag, representing one of the<br/>armed forces: Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air<br/>Force, Coast Guard, Space Force.</li> </ul>   |
|  | <ul> <li>POW/MIA Flag</li> </ul>  |
|  | <ul> <li>School flag</li> </ul>   |
|  | <ul> <li>Sports team flag</li> </ul>  |
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- Decorative, non-political and non-controversial garden flags not to exceed 18 inches by 24 inches.
- Small memorial displays by families of KIA/MIA are permitted on their lots.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Amended 10/23/2020: Clarifies signs, flags, devices approved for display.

|                                    | • |                            | to signs and flags allowed above, <u>one</u> of these <u>temporary</u><br>he placed at a time, not to exceed time indicated:  |
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|                                    |   | 0                          | Yard sale – not to exceed 7 days  |
|                                    |   | 0                          | Birthdays/Anniversaries/Welcome Home – not to exceed 7 days   |
|                                    |   | 0                          | Graduation – not to exceed 30 days (Also see Entrance<br>Sign Displays)   |
|                                    |   | 0                          | Small contractor sign – during time work is in progress.  |
|                                    | • | garden flag<br>30 days bet | litical sign not to exceed 18 inches by 24 inches <u>or</u> one<br>not to exceed 18 inches by 24 inches may be displayed for<br>fore the date of a primary, runoff, general, or special<br>bject to these restrictions: |
|                                    |   | 0                          | This singular display must relate to a candidate or issue<br>that appears on the Official Ballot for that election that<br>Waverly Park residents will vote on.   |
| Signs, Flags, Banners <sup>1</sup> |   | 0                          | Display must be removed by sundown on the day after the election.   |
| (continued from previous page)     |   | Entrance Si                |   |
|                                    |   | 0                          | All U. S. Armed Forces and MIA/POW flags may be displayed during the weeks of Memorial Day and Veterans Day.  |
|                                    |   | 0                          | Small memorial displays placed by families of KIA/MIA are permitted during the weeks of Memorial Day and Veterans Day.  |
|                                    |   | 0                          | Multiple American Flags may be displayed during Independence Day week.  |
|                                    |   | 0                          | A Graduation Banner recognizing WP graduates may be displayed not to exceed 30 days. Location must not block the entrance sign.   |
|                                    |   | 0                          | HOA Announcements may be displayed.   |
|                                    | • |                            | corations and Displays may be displayed no more than 30 o and 14 days after a holiday.  |
|                                    |   |                            | no wish to display signs, flags, banners or devices not<br>d above, must seek approval before displaying.   |
| Shutters                           | • |                            | ay be repainted with a different color so long as that color another Waverly Park home.   |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Amended 10/23/2020: Clarifies signs, flags, devices approved for display.

| Refuse and Trash Cans | <ul> <li>No lumber, metals or bulk materials shall be stored or allowed to accumulate on any lot.</li> <li>Any materials used for home maintenance shall be stored so that they are not visible from adjacent or surrounding property.</li> <li>Materials used for construction of approved structure are allowed for the duration of the construction.</li> <li>Trash containers or other refuse may be placed at the curb only on an and the stored structure and stored stored structure and stored store</li></ul> |
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|                       | <ul> <li>collection company designated pick up days.</li> <li>Trash containers must be stored at all other times so that they are not visible from the street.</li> </ul>  |
| Driveways             | <ul> <li>All driveways shall be constructed of either concrete or asphalt.</li> </ul>  |
|                       | <ul> <li>All vehicles regularly parked on a property must have an approved parking space.</li> </ul>   |
|                       | <ul> <li>Approved parking spaces for non-commercial vehicles are on the<br/>paved driveway and not "on the grass" or in the street.</li> </ul>   |
| Vehicle Parking       | <ul> <li>Exceptions are permitted for occasional short-term gatherings.</li> </ul>   |
|                       | <ul> <li>Parking space for commercial vehicles with business-related<br/>equipment or materials visible on the outside or oversized vehicles will<br/>not be approved within the subdivision, including on the streets.</li> </ul>   |
|                       | <ul> <li>All vehicles may be parked and<sup>1</sup> utility trailers may be stored off paved<br/>surfaces so long as they do not violate the covenant requirement of<br/>"not visible from the street."</li> </ul>   |
|                       | <ul> <li>Must be located in the rear of the lot.</li> </ul>  |
| Swimming Pools        | <ul> <li>Must be in ground and surrounded by approved fencing.</li> </ul>  |
|                       | <ul> <li>Design and location must be submitted to the AC prior to clearing or<br/>grading.</li> </ul>  |
| Tennis Courts         | <ul> <li>Must be located in the rear of the lot.</li> </ul>  |
|                       | <ul> <li>Design and location must be submitted to the AC prior to clearing or grading.</li> </ul>  |
| Home Businesses       | <ul> <li>Home business of all kinds is not permitted without prior written<br/>approval from the AC and is to be compatible with a high quality<br/>residential neighborhood.</li> </ul>   |

 $<sup>^1</sup>$  Amended 7/14/2015: Resolves conflict with the covenant allowing vehicle parking so long as the vehicle is not visible from the street.

|  | <ul> <li>Lawns should be completely mowed regularly during the growing season.</li> </ul>   |
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|  | <ul> <li>Street curbs should be edged to present a neat appearance.</li> </ul>  |
|  | <ul> <li>Grass clippings should be blown from the street.</li> </ul>  |
| Property Maintenance <sup>1</sup>      | <ul> <li>All landscaping, shrubs, flower beds, etc. should be neatly maintained<br/>free of excessive weeds and nuisance overgrowth as to not detract<br/>from the overall appearance of the neighborhood.</li> </ul>                       |
|  | <ul> <li>Landscaping shrubs around mailboxes should not exceed the height of<br/>mail box.</li> </ul>   |
|  | <ul> <li>Mulch, pine straw and landscaping materials should be spread out<br/>within two weeks.</li> </ul>  |
|  | <ul> <li>Home exterior walls should be periodically washed to remove algae,<br/>mildew etc.</li> </ul>  |
|  | <ul> <li>Trim and shutters should be repainted or replaced when faded or<br/>discolored.</li> </ul>   |
|  | <ul> <li>Steps, fascia boards, porches and railings should be maintained as to<br/>not detract from the general neighborhood appearance.</li> </ul>   |
|  | <ul> <li>Exterior of the home including fences and out buildings should be kept<br/>in good repair. The outside of the home and the property should be<br/>maintained in a neat, orderly fashion and free of debris and clutter.</li> </ul> |
| Tree Houses/Play<br>Structures         | <ul> <li>The AC must approve the location, structure, construction and color<br/>scheme of tree houses and play structures.</li> </ul>  |
| Project Commencement<br>and Completion | <ul> <li>Projects must be started within six months and completed within nine<br/>months of the AC approval date.</li> </ul>  |
|  | <ul> <li>Failure to start or finish the project within this time frame voids the<br/>approval.</li> </ul>   |
| Mailboxes                              | <ul> <li>Mailboxes and posts must closely resemble the originals.</li> </ul>  |
|  | <ul> <li>Brick or stone structures are not permitted (county ordinance.)</li> </ul>   |

 $<sup>^1</sup>$  Amended 4/11/2021: Combines Yard Maintenance & Regular Home Maintenance into Property Maintenance; clarifies.

| Utilities            | <ul> <li>All utilities on a lot must be underground from the source in or near the right-of-way.</li> <li>Utilities to detached buildings/garages must be underground from the source.</li> </ul>  |
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| Roofing <sup>1</sup> | <ul> <li>Replacement roofing must be of the same material and colors as originally approved and found throughout the neighborhood</li> <li>Homeowners may replace existing roofing with the same materials and colors without further reference to the Architectural Committee.</li> </ul> |
| Materials, Colors    | <ul> <li>No concrete blocks shall be used above ground elevation unless blocks are covered with brick veneer, stucco, or stone.</li> <li>Colors and materials should match existing colors and materials found in Waverly Park.</li> </ul>   |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Amended 2/11/2006: Clarifies replacement roofing