

**Joint Meeting of
Development Standards Committee
and
Residential Design Review Committees
August 29, 2012 at 5:30pm**

The Woodlands Township
2801 Technology Forest Boulevard
The Woodlands, Texas 77381

MINUTES

DSC Members Present: Deborah Sargeant, Robert Heineman, Chris Florack, Kim Hess, Ken Anderson and Herman Weindel

RDRC Members Present: Arthur Bredehoft, C.W. Wallace, George Newman, Doug Owyang, Vince Frederick, Jennifer Mares

Staff Present: Kimberly McKenna, Hennie van Rensburg and Neslihan Tesno

I. Welcome/call to order

DSC Chair Deborah Sargeant called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Members and staff introduced themselves.

II. Approve the minutes of the meetings of June 29, 2011 & May 29, 2012.

This item was not acted upon.

III. Consideration and Discussion of the Residential Development Standards.

A discussion followed concerning the time line to revise the Standards. Members decided that there would be quarterly Joint Meetings and that in each subsequent meeting staff would provide a draft revision of the Standards discussed for review.

Committee members discussed some items that may require revisions to the Standards:

Red Mulch – Not desirable

Artificial turf – members are satisfied with current Standards in regard to this item.

Light meter – discussed the possibilities of using of a light meter in measuring light trespass. The DSC will be going on a site visit on a light item and will explore use of the light meter to determine appropriate measurements for regulating lights.

Tree Protection – Responding to an email from Mike Bass, Chris Florack and Clarence Wallace of Cochran's Crossing mentioned that the Residential Standards needed to allow for tree protection during construction. A discussion followed concerning the commercial standards tree protection.

Multiple material usage - Chris Florack mentioned that he noticed that many summer kitchens were being built with multiple materials and were not architectural compatible with the dwelling. RDRC members said in some cases they have sent them to DSC. The DSC would like the RDRCs to point out any issues with material on an improvement. The DSC pointed out that they are currently working on developing a definition of summer kitchens and revising the standards.

IV. Committee Member Comments (3 minutes)

Deborah Sargeant encouraged all RDRC members to attend a DSC meeting. Arthur Bredehoft of Alden Bridge RDRC stated that at the RDRC level there is confidence in the DSC by taking the RDRC

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recommendations into consideration when acting upon items. George Newman of Sterling Ridge RDRC inquired at the scheduling of Joint meetings. Joint meetings are usually scheduled in months where there are five Wednesdays in the month.

The next Joint meeting is tentatively scheduled for October 30, 2012 at 5:30. Staff will check room availability.

V. Staff Comments (3 minutes)

There were no staff comments.

VI. Public Comment (3 minutes)

There were no public comments.

VII. Adjournment

There being no further business it was moved by Arthur Bredehoft and seconded by Chris Florack to adjourn the meeting at 6:12 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.