

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE RESIDENTIAL
IMPROVEMENT GUIDELINES COMMITTEE OF
INSPIRATION METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

Held: Wednesday, May 19th, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. via
videoconference during the COVID State of
Emergency

Attendance

The regular meeting of the Residential Improvement Guidelines Committee was called and held as shown above and in accordance with the applicable statutes of the State of Colorado. The following members, having been approved by the Board of Directors to serve on the Committee, were in attendance:

Joyce Adams
Chris Bolz
Jim Franklin
Vail Hanlon (Chair)
Allen Schubert (Vice Chair)
Holly Svetz (Board Liaison)
Courtney Thomas
Chuck Wagner

Absent were: Josie Christensen (Secretary),
Cheryl Short, Brenda Skoglund, Terry Nguyen

Also present were Sharon Sulzle of AMI and residents
Teresa LeGare, Tracy Nichols, and Shelli Wolf.

Call to Order

It was noted by Chair Vail Hanlon that a quorum of the Committee was present, and the meeting was called to order.

April Minutes

The April minutes were reviewed and approved unanimously.

Board Report

Ms. Svetz reported that the Board approved the revised Guidelines as revised and with 14 additional changes recommended by legal counsel. The new Guidelines have been posted on the website.

Compliance Report

Ms. Sulzle reported the numbers of design requests and progress made and covenant violations and progress made. The Committee discussed several violations, including those involving trellises against the District fence, failure to landscape backyards, a colored pergola, a pool equipment shed, and a large pergola.

Storage Containers	The Committee reviewed a proposed storage container and agreed the committee should recommending a limit on their height. Ms. Sulzle agreed to perform some research.
PUBLIC COMMENT	None.
Fence Material	A resident stated that the price of cedar had tripled and requested approval to use pressure treated lumber for fence material. After discussion, the Committee declined to revise the Guidelines.
Hardscape percentage	Mr. Bolz asked the Committee to consider whether a percentage of hardscape should be limited in smaller lots. After discussion, the Committee declined to revise the Guidelines.
Retaining walls	Ms. Hanlon requested the Committee to consider whether a Guideline was needed to address design of retaining walls. After discussion, the Committee declined to revise the Guidelines.
Dog doors and ramps	Ms. Sulzle provided photos of three residences that had installed ramps on the side of their homes with a dog door in the middle of the side wall. After discussion, the Committee agreed to recommend that the Guidelines be revised to only permit dog doors at ground level and to decline exterior ramps for dogs.
Pergolas	The Committee discussed the City of Aurora’s restrictions on pergola size and potential need for a permit and agreed to recommend that the Guidelines be revised to provide notice of the City’s requirements and include the size and permit requirements.
Rabbit mesh in fences	The Committee discussed an issue with rabbits destroying residents’ landscaping and agreed to recommend that the Guidelines be revised to permit ½” x ½” 16-gauge mesh to be installed inside any fence, including District fences, from the lowest rail to the ground to prevent rabbit intrusion.
Eaves lighting	The Committee discussed the two choices that the Committee members had voted on in the last several weeks. 7 members voted for option 1, which would allow eaves lighting with specific restrictions and 5 members voted for option 2, which would not allow eaves lighting except during the holiday season from Nov 15 to Jan 15. The specific restrictions in option 1 include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 additional holidays when colored lighting would

be allowed: Valentine's Day, St. Patrick's Day. 4th of July, Halloween, and Veterans' Day.

- Other than Nov 15 – Jan 15 and the five holidays specified above, the eaves lighting must be set on dim, only every 4th bulb may be lit, the color is limited to soft white or a more yellow color
- The lights must be turned off by 10 PM.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Committee, the Committee determined to adjourn the meeting.

The foregoing constitutes a true and correct copy of the minutes of the above-referenced meeting.

Secretary