

## OAK HILLS HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION FENCE POLICY

**DATE OF BOARD APPROVAL:** March 4, 2020

**FENCE DEFINITION AND NOTES:** The purpose of this policy is to ensure fences are constructed and maintained in such a manner as to enhance the character of Oak Hills, provide for privacy/security, and foster a sense of community. Fence height measurement is done on the side that is most exposed.

## **GUIDELINES INCLUDE:**

- 1) Fence location is on or inside the property line. Fence does not go past the front of the house. Front yard fences are not allowed.
- 2) Approved material includes wood, manufactured material that looks like wood, wrought iron and natural hedge material.
- 3) Material generally not approved includes cinder blocks, brick, stone, vinyl, and chain link. Exceptions can be made on a case by case basis, including for homes that back to Willow Creek, West Union and 143rd Ave.
- 4) Fence height of 6 feet or less. Exceptions may be made on a case by case basis for homes that have side or back yards bordering West Union, 143rd, or non-Oak Hills property. Exceptions up to a maximum of 8 feet may be granted.
- 5) Where changes in grade exist between properties, a combination of fence and retaining wall shall not exceed a maximum of 8 feet. No retaining wall shall exceed 3 feet. (e.g. 3 foot retaining wall with 5 foot fence, 2 foot retaining wall with 6 foot fence, 1 foot retaining wall with 6 foot fence).
- 6) Tops of fence posts shall not exceed 4 inches above the fence.
- 7) Reasonable efforts should be made to complete construction of the fence within 30-60 days after construction begins.

## **APPLICATION:**

It is required to submit an application prior to construction or replacement of a fence. Applications can be found on the ARB webpage at:

http://www.oakhillsoregon.com/uploads/2/9/8/1/29817837/ohha\_arb\_application\_form.pdf

The Application must include:

- 1. Description of the fence design, materials and location.
- 2. Site Plan showing location of fence, house and property lines (Plat maps can be hand drawn or you can use forms found on: <a href="http://www.oakhillsoregon.com/arb.html">http://www.oakhillsoregon.com/arb.html</a> and look for Plat Maps and Propery Lines. Closing packets from your home purchase often also have this information.

Oak Hills HOA is not responsible for surveying/confirming proposed fence lines are accurate or that county records are accurate.