

**RESIDENTIAL
DESIGN GUIDELINES**

FOR

**THE PARK
AT
LAKE FOREST
(30 FOOT LOTS)**

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INTRODUCTION

These Residential Design Guidelines have been approved by The Lake Forest Residential Architectural Review Committee (RARC) and shall be applicable to all lots in The Park at Lake Forest (30 foot lots). The RARC may publish additions or revisions from time to time. Conformance to these guidelines will be a major consideration by the RARC as it reviews each plan submitted for approval. In accordance with Article VIII, Section 8.2 of the recorded Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions, Easements, Charges and Liens on and for Lake Forest Addition (DCR's), no improvement shall be erected, placed, or altered on any lot until all plans and specifications have been submitted to and approved in writing by the RARC. Terms as defined in the DCR's are used in these Residential Design Guidelines.

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1. **ARCHITECTURAL STYLE:** The architectural style of the homes shall be based on the Renaissance Classical designs of French origin.

2. **PLAN SUBMITTAL:** Prior to the erection, construction or alteration of any building, structure, fence, wall or improvement of any kind or nature on any lot, all plans and specifications must be submitted and approved in writing by the RARC. The Plans shall include but are not limited to:
 - (a) A site plan showing the "footprint" of the Structure, location of all existing trees with a six inch caliper or greater and proposed improvements, including but not limited to, Structures, patios, sidewalks, walkways, swimming pools, driveways, parking areas and structures, fences and walls.
 - (b) Exterior elevations of all proposed Structures.
 - (c) A description and samples of exterior materials, colors, textures and shapes of all Structures.
 - (d) Landscape plans, which shall include sidewalks, walkways, fences, walls, details, elevation changes, irrigation and watering systems, trees, vegetation and ground cover (indicating size, spacing and quantity).
 - (e) A tree mitigation plan, similar to that required by the City of Dallas for a building permit, which shall specifically identify any tree protected by PD-381 to be removed (destroyed) during the construction process. The Lake Forest Developer shall have the option at its sole cost to remove the protected tree(s) for planting elsewhere at Lake Forest upon these terms:
 - (i) the Developer's option must be exercised in writing at or prior to the time the Plans are approved by the RARC under this paragraph 2; and
 - (ii) the Developer must remove the protected tree(s) five business days from the date the Plans are approved or prior to the date construction commences on the lot in question, whichever occurs later.
 - (f) The location of air conditioning compressors and pool equipment, which shall be in the rear yard.
 - (g) Exterior illumination and location.
 - (h) Dimensional floor plan of all enclosed spaces and any garages or parking facilities.
 - (i) Mailbox location.

- (j) For lots with no alley, the location and screening plan for trash storage.
- (k) A drainage plan that complies with the Master Grading Plan.
- (l) An erosion control plan.
- (m) Such other matters as may be required by the Zoning Ordinance, the Existing Restrictions and building codes of the City.
- (n) Any other data or information requested or deemed necessary by the RARC.

3. **BUILDING SETBACK REQUIREMENTS:** Front yard, rear yard and side yard setbacks shall conform to the requirements established by the Zoning Ordinance (PD-381) and as approved by the RARC. Those requirements are:

- Front Yard - 5 feet
- Rear Yard - 5 feet
- Side Yard - 1 foot/2 foot
- Side Yard - on corner lots, shall be as approved by RARC

- 4. **MINIMUM FLOOR SPACE:** 1,800 square feet of air-conditioned and heated floor area, exclusive of porches, breezeways and garages.
- 5. **LOT COVERAGE:** 80% as established by the Zoning Ordinance.
- 6. **NUMBER OF STORIES:** Maximum of 2 stories and a height of no more than 24 feet for single-story or 30 feet for two-story homes as provided for in the Zoning Ordinance.
- 7. **EXTERIOR SURFACES:** 100% masonry (brick or stone) facade except for openings, trim, eaves, cantilevered areas, or wood-supported sections.
- 8. **EXTERIOR MATERIAL:** All brick, stone, glass or other material colors and blends must be approved by the RARC. Use of white or gray brick is not permitted unless specifically approved by the RARC. The brick size shall be limited to "King-size" or smaller. Mortars are to be "cream" unless specifically approved by RARC.

9. **ROOF MATERIAL AND ROOF PITCH:** Roof material shall be composition (30 year), or equivalent. The color shall be "Weathered Wood" for composition material or as approved by the RARC. No wood or tile will be allowed as an exterior roofing material. Minimum 12:4.5 roof pitch.
10. **WINDOW LOCATIONS:** All window locations will be approved by the RARC. Windows will not be located on the zero side unless viewed to a courtyard enclosed by masonry. No second floor windows will be allowed on the rear elevation of rear entry homes or on the zero side of the home unless approved by the RARC.
11. **FACING WINDOWS:** All windows facing a public thoroughfare (excluding alleys) will be wood as manufactured by Kolbe & Kolbe, Weathershield, Lincoln, or approved equivalent. The RARC will review all window locations to determine that wood windows are properly utilized.
12. **FRONT WALKS AND DRIVEWAYS:** Sidewalks and driveways will be installed as required by the Zoning Ordinance. Finishes other than broom-finished concrete shall be approved by the RARC.
13. **CIRCULAR DRIVES:** Are not permitted.
14. **GARAGES:** Minimum two-car with automatic opener. All front entry garages must have decorative doors. Detached garages require the approval of the RARC.
15. **MAILBOXES:** *Mailboxes will be located in pairs as determined by the RARC and shall be Brandon Industries, Model P53-M1 in Republic Green. (Rev. 10/7/99)*
16. **ADDRESS PLAQUE:** Cast stone on front of home as approved by the RARC.
17. **EXTERIOR LIGHTING:** All exterior lighting must be approved by RARC. Tree lighting shall be installed in all required front yard landscape trees. Tree lighting shall be operated with a photo-electric on-off cell and an emergency switch. All landscape lighting in the front yard (except porches) shall be mercury vapor. Exterior lighting must not produce glare or direct illumination across a property line of an intensity that creates a nuisance or detracts from the use or enjoyment of adjacent property in Lake Forest.

18. FENCES:

- (a) Front yard: Masonry to match the home or wrought iron approved by the RARC. Gates shall be wrought iron or architectural wood design as approved by the RARC.
- (b) Adjacent to side street: Masonry to match the home, specified wrought iron, or a combination of masonry and specified wrought iron as approved by the RARC.
- (c) Other: Masonry to match home, specified wrought iron or wood. Wood is permitted only along the rear alley and other rear locations as may be approved by the RARC. If wood is utilized:
 - (i) steel posts (7 feet tall, spaced at no greater than 8 foot intervals);
 - (ii) the material shall be 1 x 4 No. 1 Western red cedar (8 feet tall) and construction shall be board on board with 2 x 4 rails;
 - (iii) the faced side shall in each instance be towards adjacent properties or alleys and shall be stained with an opaque gray color approved by the RARC; and
 - (iv) painting of wood fencing is prohibited.
 - (v) No wood fence can be constructed at the side or rear yard of the homes along the "Green Belt", that would obstruct the view of the adjacent property.

19. RETAINING WALLS: Any retaining wall material visible from a public street (excluding alleys) shall be of mortar-jointed "granbury" stone or a material approved by the RARC. Retaining walls not visible from public streets may be concrete, rock, or wolmanized wood as approved by the RARC. The owner/builder of the "high side" property shall be responsible for installation of side property line retaining walls.

20. LANDSCAPING AND SPRINKLER SYSTEM: The required landscaping features are considered minimum requirements and shall be installed prior to occupancy:

- (a) Flower and/or shrub beds across the front of each dwelling.
- (b) One tree on a front entry lot or two trees on a rear entry lot (red oak, live oak, pecan or cedar elm) of not less than 5 inch caliper in the front yard and an ornamental tree of not less than 12 feet in height.
- (c) Solid bermuda grass sodding of the lawn area.

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- (a) Flower and/or shrub beds across the front of each dwelling.
 - (b) Fifteen (15) caliper inches of trees (red oak, live oak, pecan or cedar elm) of not less than 5 caliper inches each in the front yard and an ornamental tree of not less than 12 feet in height.
 - (c) Solid bermuda grass sodding of the lawn area unless otherwise approved by the RARC.
 - (d) An appropriate irrigation system for all landscaped areas.
20. **DRAINAGE:** A site plan prepared for each lot by the builder showing the proposed grading plan for the lot shall be submitted to the RARC for approval. Following completion of the dwelling construction and landscaping, the builder will request review and confirmation from the Project Engineer that the grading has been completed in accordance with the site grading plan and the master development grading plan (collectively, the "Master Grading Plan"). The builder will submit the written confirmation provided by the Project Engineer to the RARC prior to occupancy.
21. **FORM SURVEYS:** Each builder shall provide to the RARC, prior to placement of concrete, a form-board survey prepared by a registered land surveyor. Proposed drainage patterns shall be indicated. No concrete shall be placed if such survey indicates encroachments of any kind.
22. **CONSTRUCTION HOURS:** *According to the PD-381, Dallas ordinance No. 21584, dated February 24, 1993 exterior construction is allowed Monday-Friday 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. No exterior construction is allowed on Sundays.*