

## Resolution Number 3, 2/23/11

# WINDSOR PARK CLUSTER ASSOCIATION LANDSCAPING STANDARDS

Part of the Cluster Standards

### 7.13 Landscaping

The Windsor Park Cluster is an award-winning community with a strong design element of consistency among residences. It is important to maintain this design element and to promote individuality to the extent it enhances the overall appeal of the cluster.

The Windsor Park Cluster is subject to guidelines and standards approved by the Reston Association for cluster housing, found at <https://www.reston.org/PropertyOwnerResources/DesignReview/DesignGuidelines/ClusterHousing/Default.aspx?qenc=HzT9ACzZbNs%3d&fqenc=mH6MALreYBbJyID%2fDvNzpg%3d%3d>.

The Reston Covenants place restrictions on things like retaining walls, decks, privacy fences, outside (deck and garden) lighting, the use of white stones as a landscape element, and other things. The use of non-approved designs is prohibited. If you have ANY question about approved designs, consult a Board member. On application, non-approved designs may be approved, on a case-by-case basis, by your neighbors, the Windsor Park Board AND the Reston Association.

Please maintain a neat appearance to your front yards. Plant beds near most residence entrances are the owner's responsibility. Owners are responsible for the following:

7.13.1 **Dead Plants.** Remove and replace dead plants, especially shrubs and trees.

7.13.2 **Weeds.** Keep your garden as weed free as possible. Given the growing conditions in this area, weeds can quickly overtake your garden. Taking a few minutes each month to remove weeds (all unwanted plants) generally improves the attractiveness of the area. Specific areas to evaluate: the strip between your driveway and your neighbor's driveway; the plant bed next to your entrance; the mulch rings around trees.

7.13.3 **Edging.** Spade edging (a "moat" around your trees and plant beds) is appropriate. Do not use white stones or plastic for edging.

7.13.4 **Mulching.** Most plant beds need mulch at least once a year to help eliminate water loss and to discourage weeds. If not mulched twice a year, beds should be mulched in the spring. The landscape contractor will mulch the major trees in front yards, but smaller trees and flower beds are your responsibility. Use dark brown (not red) shredded (or double shredded) hardwood mulch to maintain a consistent appearance.

7.13.5 **Strips between Driveways.** The strips between driveways are a shared responsibility between adjacent residences. You should work with your neighbor to determine what can be done and who should do it.

7.13.6 **Plant Beds.** Don't plant larger beds than you can take care of. Shrubs and perennials must be periodically pruned, the bed must be weeded, and dead or diseased plants must be removed or treated. Ask a member of the Landscape Committee for suggestions or assistance if you don't know whether certain plants will do well or not.

7.13.7 **Lighting.** The Reston Covenants require incandescent lights in the porch, outside garage, and post lights. Porch and garage lights shall be clear (not frosted), 60 watt, incandescent bulbs.

## **CERTIFICATION**

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify:

THAT I am the duly elected and acting secretary of Windsor Park Cluster Association, a Virginia non-stock corporation: and

THAT the foregoing Resolution constitutes the Landscaping Standards of said Association, as duly adopted at a meeting of the Board of Directors thereof, held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of February, 2011.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name of said Association this 23rd of February, 2011.

Chip Mayse  
Secretary