# ASSOCIATION RULES FOR AVALON VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

# **OCTOBER 21, 2014**

The Design Guidelines / Rules & Regulations, as set forth in this docume nt, shall interpret and implement procedures for the Desi gn Review Committee's review and standards, including, but not limited to, architectural design, placement of build ings, landscaping, plant selection, color schemes, exterior finish and material, signage, and wall de sign. These documents ar e intended to enhance property values and the high standards of deve lopment that exist within the Avalon Village Community Association. Unless speci fically identified as not requir ing submittal for approval within this document, prior written appr oval from the Design Review Committee is required for all and any changes, alterations, or additions to a lot or a house. The Guidelines ar e established to assist residents in conforming to the standards established, and amended from time to time, by the Design Review Committee. Each application will be reviewed on a case by case basis.

#### PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF CONSTRUCTION OR INSTALLATION, ALL PLANS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE. APPROVAL TO PROCEED SHALL BE REQUIRED IN WRITING FROM THE DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE. FOLLOWING THESE GUIDELINES DOES NOT ELIMINATE THE NEED FOR SUBMISSION OF PLANS (UNLESS SPECIFICALLY NOTED).

#### **APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

#### <u>Submittal</u>

Application and plans (which will be kept on file with the Association) should be mailed to:

AVALON VILLAGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

C/O VISION Community Management 16625 S Desert Foothills Pkwy Phoenix, AZ 85048 P: 480-759-4945 F: 480-759-8683 Email:avalonvillage@wearevision.com

The following information should be included with the submittal:

- 1. **Application Form Architectural Design Review Form -** A completed application form (copies may be obtained from the sales or management office).
- 2. **Plot Plan** A site plan showing dimensions, relation to existing dwelling and property lines (setbacks). Measurements must be written on the plans. Plot plans are available at the sales office.
- 3. **Elevation Plans** Plans showing finished appearance of improvement in relation to existing dwelling.
- 4. **Specifications** Detailed description of materials to be used and color samples, and dimensions must be submitted.
- 5. **Photograph** If submittal is for an existing struct ure or improvement, a photograph of the structure or improvement must accompany the submittal application.

All buildings, structures and other improvement s erected within the Bell Pointe Community Association and the use and appearance of all land within the Bell Pointe Community Association, shall comply with all applicable City zoning and code requirements as well as the Declaration and these Rules.

# **REVIEW-APPROVAL AND/OR DENIAL**

The Design Review Committee shall have 60 days after the Association receives a submittal of plans to approve or deny plans. No verbal approvals/denials will be given by the management company. All decisions will be mailed via US Mail. Review and approval or denial will include, but is not limited to, consideration of material, quality of workma nship, colors, and consistency with the external design and color of existing structures on the lot and impact on neighboring lots. The location of the improvement with respect to topography and finished grade elevation is also considered.

Neither the Design Review Committee, nor the Board of Directors, nor the D eclarant shall have any liability in connection with or related to approve d plans, specifications, or improvements. The approval of the plans does not mean that judgeme nt is passed on the structural soundness of the improvement nor its effect upon existing or future drainage. The review of the plans is for aesthetic purposes only.

#### Approval Expiration

Construction must be started within 6 months of the date of the Committee's approval of the application or the Committee's approval shall be d eemed withdrawn and plans must be resubmitted in accordance with these Rules.

#### **Construction Period**

Once started, construction shall be pursued diligently in order to assure prompt completion thereof. Absent a different deadline for completion of construction (which may be shorter or longer, at the Committee's discretion), such construction shall be completed within nine (9) months of the date of the Committee's approval of the application.

# <u>Appeal</u>

Any appeal of the Committee's deci sion must be submitted in writ ing, within 30 days of the mailing date of the Committee decision to:

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# THESE DESIGN GUIDELINES-RULES AND REGULATIONS MAY BE AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

# **DESIGN GUIDELINES**

#### **ANTENNAS/SATELLITE DISHES**

To the extent permitted by applicable law, the installation of antennas, satellite dishes or other devices for the transmission or reception of television or radio signals or any other form of electromagnetic radiation shall be subject to the prior written approval of the Design Review Committee unless applicable law prohibits the Design Review Committee from requiring such approval. If the applicable law prohibits the Design Review Committee from requiring prior approval for the installation of certain antennas, any such antennas are to be installed as follows:

The preferred installation locations are as follows in descending order of preference:

- 1. A location in the back yard of the lot where the neighboring lots will be screened from view by landscaping or other improvements.
- 2. An unscreened location in the backyard of the lot.
- 3. On the roof, but below the roof line.
- 4. A location in the side yard of the lot where neighboring lots and any pole or mast will be screened from view by landscaping or other improvements.
- 5. On the roof above the roofline.
- 6. An unscreened location in the side yard.
- 7. A location in the front yard of the lot wh landscaping or other improvements.

Wires must be securely attached to the dwelling and painted to match where attached.

# **AWNINGS**

All awnings must be approved by the Design Review Committee. Awnings over all windows shall be canvas or similar material, of solid color on both sides, which match the color of the body of the exterior of the home or roof color and shall be installed only on the side and/or rear of the home. All awning submittals must include a drawing with the location of the proposed awning installation. A sample of the material to be used, along with the color and design of the proposed awning is required. Owner is responsible for maintenance and repair of awnings. The Association retains the right to determine when an awning must be repaired and or replaced due to weathering, fading, tearing, ripping, etc.

#### **BASKETBALL GOALS**

- 1. Only pole mounted backboards and goals are acceptable. Poles must be set in the ground permanently. Backboards shall not be attached to the house, garage, or roof.
- 2. Goals installed on the exterior of the driveway (toward the side yard of the lot) require the adjacent neighbor's written approval.
- 3. Permanent basketball poles located in front or rear yards must be painted to match the color of the body of the exterior of the home.
- 4. Backboards must be of a predominantly neutral color (gray, black, or white) or match the color of the body of the exterior of the home. Clear plastic backboards are acceptable without painting.
- 5. All equipment must be constantly maintained. Broken backboards, disfigured or bent rims, ripped or torn nets, chipped and/or peeling paint, etc. must be promptly repaired or replaced.
- 6. Only nylon or similar cord nets are acceptable. Metal or chain nets are expressly prohibited.
- 7. Courts may not be painted or permanently outlined on the driveway or other concrete surfaces in the front or side yard.

- 8. Lighting for night use of the equipment is prohibited.
- 9. Portable basketball goals are expressly prohibited, except in rear yards.

Basketball equipment does not need to be submitted for approval providing the equipment is in compliance with the above rules.

#### **CHIMNEYS**

Chimneys shall be constructed of the same material, texture and color of the home. Exposed flues are prohibited.

#### **DECORATIVE ITEMS**

Decorative items placed in front yards and rear yards with view fencing must be submitted for approval in writing to the Design Review Committee. The Committee reserves the right to require removal of any decorative items in yards that are visible based on the size, quantity, color, location, and any other criteria that the Board may determine.

Seasonal and Decorative Fla	gs Seasonal and decorative flags that are mounted on the house
	below the roofline do not require approval. Seasonal flags must be
	removed within 30 days after the date of the holiday to which the
	flag pertains. Flags must be maintained in good condition at all
	times. Torn, ripped, faded, etc. constitute grounds for fines and
	removal. Flags shall not be offensive to the Association. The Board
	of Directors shall make this determination at its sole discretion.
Holiday Decorations	Holiday decorations may be insta lled 30 days prior to the holiday
	and must be removed within 30 days after the holiday.
<b>Decorative and Seasonal Ite</b>	The Board of Directors reserves the right to require the removal
	of decorative items in front yards based on size, quantity, color,
	location and any other criteria. The Board of Directors, at its sole
	discretion, shall make its determination on a case by case basis.
<b>Decorative Art on Houses</b>	Decorative art on houses shall be neutral in color and may be
	limited in number, so as to not dominate the appearance of the
	home. Dimensions of decorative art shall be no greater than three
	feet in length, width, and height.
Water Features, Statuary, E	tc Items such as fountains, statuary, etc., are permissible within the
	rear yard and do not require submittal to the Design Review
	Committee, except on Lots with view fencing. Any items installed in
	the rear yard must not exceed the wall or fence height. Such
	items must be approved by the Design Review Committee for
	installation in the front yard. Water features may not exceed 4 $\frac{1}{2}$
	feet in height. It is recommended that water features be
	chlorinated. The Committee reserves the right to limit the size and
	quantity of statuary in the front yard, as well as rear yards with
	view fencing. Statuary must not exceed 12 inches in height, must
	be of earth tones and must be approved by the Design Review
	Committee.

# DRIVEWAY EXTENSIONS AND SIDEWALKS

Driveway extensions will be reviewed for approval provided the following conditions are met.

- 1. Only driveway extension submittals located in the side yard of the property will be considered.
- 2. Submittals must include a plot plan with the location and dimensions of the proposed extension noted the existing driveway dimensions, and the total linear feet of lot frontage.
- 3. The total parking area may not exceed the greater of thirty (30) feet of contiguous frontage or fifty percent (50%) of the lot width (existing plus extension) as measured at its widest point.
- 4. Homeowners with four car garages will not be permitted to add a driveway extension since this will exceed the provision directly above. Rather, these homeowners will be permitted to request one of the following options:
  - a) A stabilized decomposed granite driveway that matches the existing granite in the front yard. Homeowners may not park vehicles on this extension. Color samples of existing and proposed granite must be submitted.
  - b) A sidewalk no more than three feet in width from the rear of the yard to the existing driveway. Additionally, the sidewalk may not exceed three feet past the front edge of the home and shall not run parallel to the driveway as to exceed the 30-foot limit.
  - c) Either option must be submitted to the Design Review Committee for consideration for approval.
- 5. If the extension ends within one foot of the side property line, it shall require the written input of the adjacent neighbor, address, date, signature, and clear statement of the proposed improvement. The area between the extension and the lot line must be landscaped with the same ground cover used in the front yard or a material approved by the Design Review Committee.
- 6. Painting of paved surfaces is prohibited.

# **Additional Sidewalks**

Sidewalks installed to utilize the side gates do not need to be submitted if all the following conditions are met:

- 1. The additional sidewalk is three (3) feet or less in width, is one foot or more from the property line and is one foot or further from the homes.
- 2. The area between the home and the sidewalk addition must have groundcover installed per the landscaping guidelines or to match the existing ground cover.

The Design Review Committee reserves the right to review and request changes to the addition per these requirements. Additional sidewalks in any other location must be submitted for approval.

# FENCES AND WALLS INCLUDING DECORATIVE WALLS

Plans to raise the height of a party wall must be submitted for approval with written permission from the adjacent neighbor(s) as well as with information on the height of all walls that will about the wall(s) being

raised. Side and rear walls may not exceed six (6) feet in height from ground level, as measured from the

lowest side of the wall.

Plans for new fences or walls must be submitted to the Architectural Review Committee prior to construction.

Walls must match the existing wall in texture and color.

Access for pool installation must be through the fr ont gate access or by re moving a portion of the front wall. Corner lots must receive prior approval to remove a portion of the sidewall. Access for pool installation is prohibited through common areas.

Decorative or garden walls may not exceed thirty-six (36) inches in height. Decorative or garden walls must be submitted for approval prior to insta llation, and be stuccoed and painted to match the base color of the home.

# **FLAGPOLES**

In accordance with A.R.S. §33-1808, flagpoles are allowed for the outdoor display of the American Flag, provided the flag is displayed in a manner consistent with the Federal Flag Code (P.L. 94-344; 90 STAT.810; 4 United States Code Sections 4 the rough 10). Residences are allowed one flagpole which shall be attached by bracket to the front of the homes only for the display of the American Flag. The American Flag shall be no larger than 3'x 5'. The flag shall only be displayed from sunrise to sunset.

The above does not apply to model homes with flags, in addition to or other than the American Flag, may be displayed, but only during the time those homes are represented as models. The builder will remove all flags and flagpoles upon completion of the construction of homes within the Association and upon completion of marketing efforts in the Association.

#### **GATES**

All requests for additional gates or gates other than those that were offered by the original developer of the lot/home must be submitted for architect ural approval. Placement of gate(s) must be approved by the Design Review Committee. Double gates may be installed to allow wider access to rear yards. All gates (double or single) should be of the same material, design and color as the originally installed single gate s unless approved by the Design Review Committee. Gates may be painted to match the fence with approval from the Design Review Committee.

# **GUTTERS AND DOWNSPOUTS**

Gutters and downspouts will be considered for approval if the finish matches the color of the home. The Association strongly recommends use of high quality materials that offer long life, as the gutters must be maintained in good condition at all times.

# HVAC INCLUDING EVAPORATIVE COOLERS

Except as initially installed by the Declarant, no heating, air conditioning or evaporative cooling unit shall be placed, installed, constructed or maintained upon any lot without the prior written approval of the Design Review Committee. All units shall be ground mounted, located within the perimeter of the rear yard and screened or concealed from view of all neighboring property.

# LANDSCAPE GUIDELINES Front Yard Landscaping

If landscaping is not installed by the Builder, the Homeowner must install it within 90 days after becoming the Owner of a Lot. All rear yards with view fencing are required to have landscape approved and installed within 90 days from the date of the close of escrow. The landscaping and irrigation improvements shall be installed in accordance with plans approved in writing by the Architectural Committee. Prior to installation of such landscaping, the Owner shall maintain the front yard of the Lot in a weed-free condition.

Front yard landscaping must have a minimum of one (1) fifteen-gallon tree, eight (8) five-gallon shrubs, organic or inorganic ground cover and underground irrigation system to the plant material. The tree requirement may be substituted with approved cactus with a minimum height requirement of five (5) feet.

# The installation and removal of trees and plants from the front yard need not be submitted for approval provided that the trees and plants and front yard design meet the landscape guidelines described in this document.

# **Rear Yard Landscaping**

Rear yard landscaping does not require Architectural Committee approval, except on Lots with view fencing. Lots with view fencing must have landscaping approved and installed within 90 days from the date of close of escrow. All rear yard landscaping must be installed within one (1) year after becoming the Owner of a Lot.

#### <u>Hardscape</u>

Any hardscape items proposed for front yard installation must be approved by the Architectural Committee. Materials included in hardscape are concrete, brick, tile, wood, etc. Examples of hardscape items are planters, walkways, retaining walls, decorative walls, and fountains.

# <u>Turf</u>

Turf installed in the front yard landscaping must be maintained green year round unless otherwise specified by the Board of Directors.

# **Rock Ground Cover**

If decomposed granite or other landscape rock is used, it must be of an "earth tone" color and not white, green, blue, or other bright/unnatural colors. River rock shall be one (1) to six (6) inches in diameter and not more than fifteen percent (15%) of the front yard landscaping. Lava rock is prohibited.

# **Prohibited Plant Material**

The following vegetation types and varieties are expressly prohibited:

- A. Olive trees (Olea europaea) other than the "Swan Hill" variety.
- B. Oleanders (Nerium oleander) other than the dwarf variety and Thevetia. (Thevetia species).
- C. Fountain Grass (Pennesethus setaceum) or Pampas grass (Cortanderia selloana).
- D. All varieties of Citrus are permissible within the confines of the rear yard only.
- E. Mexican Palo Verde (Parkinsonia aculeatea).
- F. All varieties of mulberry trees.

# **LIGHTING**

Please refer to Landscape Rules or Security Lighting.

#### MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT

No machinery, fixtures, or equipment of any type, including, but not limited to, heating, cooling, air conditioning, refrigeration equipment, and clotheslin es, may be placed on any lot or parcel without screening or concealment from view of non-residential neighboring property or public property.

Oil pans, carpet, boards or any other object used to collect oil spills from driveways must be removed when not in use to prevent them from being visible.

#### **MOTORIZED VEHICLES (various types)**

All terrain vehicles, motorized scooters, dirt bikes, sand rails, go-karts, and all similar motorized vehicles are prohibited on the streets, sidewalks, or common areas within the community.

#### PAINT COLORS

The paint colors used by the original developer are highly recommended for use in all instances. In the case of any variation from the original colors, the preferred colors are earth tones. Trim colors shall not dominate the exterior appearance and shall be of the same color rang e of the major color. The Design Review Committee must approve exterior color changes prior to painting. Submittals must include a color sample.

#### PATIO COVERS

Roofing materials should match that which were inst alled by the builder on the original roof of the home or that which were offered as an option by the builder for a patio cover. Color and material of supports should match the home. Roof shall be flat or match the pitch of the roof of the home. All patio covers, not installed by the builder, will need to be reviewed by the Design Review Committee on an individual basis, prior to installation, with strong consideration being given to any impact of architectural features in the neighborhood.

# PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Plans for play structures and similar recreational equipment must be submitted for approval since, in most instances, they protrude over the fence line. This is not to eliminate play structures, but to consider privacy issues for adjacent neighbors, and to assure the aesthetic appeal.

The maximum height that will be considered for approval of swing sets and other play equipment without the written input of the immediately adjacent neighbors shall be eight (8) feet. An architectural submittal for any such structure that exceeds eight (8) feet at its maximum height must include the written input from all adjacent neighbors. In no case will the maximum height of any such improvement be permitted to exceed twelve (12) feet. The maximum height for any deck/platform is four (4) feet above ground level.

The play structure may be placed no closer than seven (7) feet to any lot line. When considering plan approval, the Committee will consider the a ppearance, height and proximity to neighboring property. Submittals must include a picture or brochure of the structure, total dimensions, materials and a plot map or drawing indicating the proposed location and its proximity to adjacent property lines.

The color of canopy of the play structure must be one of the following:

- 1. Canvas covers shall be of a "neutral" color, off white, beige or light brown.
- 2. A single solid color of red, blue, green or yellow.
- 3. Stripped with white and one (1) other color; either red, blue, green or yellow.
- 4. Prints and multi-colored stripped canopies are prohibited.

Neighbor input shall include a sign ed statement acknowledging the proposed equipment; it's height, material, and color. Neighbor's name and lot number must be noted.

# POOLS AND SPAS

Pools and spas do not require the prior approval of the Design Review Committee. Perimeter walls on lots bordering common areas, streets, sidewalks, curbs and shared Homeowners Association walls may not be torn down to allow access to rear yards.

Access must be gained by removing a portion of the front wall on the side of the home. Repairs to the wall must be completed in a timely fashion and include repairing the wall to match the texture and color of the remaining wall. All pool and spa equipment must be screened from view of neighboring property. (Lots with view fencing must submit plans for screening for approval by the Design Review Committee.)

Pools may not be backwashed into any common area. Check with your pool contractor concerning City ordinance requirements for backwashing. The Association will repair damage, including erosion, to any common areas due to backwashing and all expenses incurred by the Association will be billed to the homeowner.

# POOL FENCING AND EQUIPMENT

The specifications for rear yard wrought iron pool fencing installation on a Lot with view fencing shall be of a neutral earth tone color to match or blend with the exterior color of the home and meet all City, State, and Federal requirements.

Pool equipment on lots with view fencing must be screened from view from common areas. Screening may be through plant material or hardscape enclosure. Hardscape enclosures do not require approval if the enclosure does not exceed four feet in height and is stuccoed and painted to match the base color of the home. All other screening material requires approval from the Design Review Committee.

# **ROOF AND ROOF STRUCTURES**

If the dwelling unit has pitched roof, the roofing material for that portion visible from neighboring property must be clay or concrete tile. Unless specifically authorized in this document, no heating, air-conditioning, ventilation equipment, or any other equipment or structuries shall be located or installed on any roof (please see SOLAR PANELS). In addition, any such equipment or structures shall not be located or installed or maintained anyw here on a lot if it is visible from neighboring property.

# **SANITATION**

No garbage or trash may be placed on any lot or parcel except in covered containers meeting the City

specifications, and must be stored out of sight. Trashcans may be placed out for pickup only on days of collection. Rubbish, debris, and garbage shall not be allowed to accumulate.

Each owner shall be responsible for removal of rubbish, debris, and garbage not only from his lot or parcel, but also from all public right-of-ways either fronting or along side his lot or parcel, excluding (a) public roadway improvements, and (b) those areas specified on a Tract Declaration or subdivision plat to be maintained by the City or the Association.

# **SECURITY LIGHTING/DEVICES**

Security lighting must be directed so that it does not shine on neighboring property. Security features including but not limited to doors and windows must be submitted for approval.

# SECURITY/SCREEN DOORS/SUNSCREENS

Wrought iron security/screen doors need not be submitted for approval provided they are painted to match the base color of the home, or are a neutral "earth tone" color. Silver colored aluminum screen/security doors and/or wire screen mesh doors are strictly prohibited on front doors.

Bronze, gray, charcoal, brown or beige sunscreen material may be installed and not submitted for approval provided that the window frame matches the sunscreen material or the existing window frames.

Reflective window films are expressly prohibited. Bronze or charcoal non-reflective window tinting may be installed without Design Review Committee review.

# <u>SIGNS</u>

No signs shall be displayed on any lot except the following:

- (A) Signs used by the Declarant to advertise the lots and residence thereon for sale.
- (B) One temporary "For Sale" or "For Rent" sign with a maximum face area of five hundred (500) square inches in size, and no sign is placed closer to the street than six (6) feet.
- (C) Such signs as may be required by law.
- (D) One residential identification sign with a maximum face area of eighty (80) square inches.
- (E) Signs approved by the Design Review Committee.
- (F) Political signs as allowed by law.

All signs shall conform and comply with City ordinances. Signs advertising landscaping or pool contractors, etc. must be removed within forty-eight (48) hours of completion of work.

#### Security signs

Security signs must be located a minimum distance of two feet from the street, and they may not exceed 12 inches by 12 inches.

# SOLAR EQUIPMENT

Roof mounted solar equipment, (excluding the solar panels), must match the roof material. Panels must be an integrated part of the roof design and mounted directly to the roof plane. Solar units

must not break the roof ridgeline, visibility must be minimized from public view, and may be required to be screened from neighboring property in a manner approved by the Design Review Committee.

#### **STORAGE SHEDS**

Storage sheds will be permitted and need not be submitted for approval, provided the maximum height of the shed, including roof, do not exceed the height of the immediately surrounding walls(s) or fences(s). Sheds shall have a minimum setback of 5 feet from any rear yard walls.

Sheds whose maximum height exceeds the height of the immediately surrounding wall(s) or fence(s) must be constructed of block, stuccoed and painted to match the home, and with a tile roof to match the existing tile on the home. Storage sheds on lots with a view fence are subject to the following provisions:

- 1. The shed may not be placed adjacent to the view fence.
- 2. The shed must be screened from view with approved plant materials.
- 3. Placement of the shed must be approved prior to installation.

#### **WINDOWS**

Permanent draperies or suitable window treatments shall be installed on all front-facing windows within ninety (90) days of occupancy. Fabric or shade type window treatments must show white or off-white (cream color) to the exterior. Shutters in white, cream, off-white, or natural wood color are also acceptable. No reflective materials, including but not limited to, aluminum foil, reflective screens or glass, mirrors or similar type material, shall be installed or placed upon the outside or inside of any windows. Exterior window coverings or treatments used to shelf or decorate openings must be compatible, with respect to materials and color, with the style and color of the home. Security or black out exterior roll down shutters and exterior window guards/bars are expressly prohibited.

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