Retaining Wall Design Guidelines

INTENT

These provisions are intended to mitigate the impact of large, monotonous retaining walls in the right-of-way by requiring architectural and landscaping treatments that reduce the harshness of such walls and reflect the community identity.

PROVISIONS

1. The architectural finish of retaining walls shall depict artistic images having a strong relationship to the Pacific Northwest and the surrounding natural environment including native trees, flora, and fauna of the region. (see examples in Figures 1 and 2)

FIGURE 1



FIGURE 2



2. The architectural finish can deviate from the requirements of Provision 1 if landscaping and vegetation are incorporated which effectively break up the monotony of the wall finish such as in the examples in Figures 3 and 4 below.

FIGURE 3



FIGURE 4

