

CRCRC APPROVED
FENCE HEIGHT
PROPOSAL/RECOMMENDATION

ISSUE: Currently the Rollingwood fence ordinance does not have a height limit but requires a permit. Any height over 6' must be stamped by an engineer. Intrusive to adjacent neighbors and right to privacy issues.

APPLICATION: The proposed regulation regarding side and rear residential fencing is applicable to residential zoning districts within the City. Existing fences will be grandfathered and these regulations will not apply. The current front yard fence regulation will remain unchanged.

OVERVIEW OF PROPOSAL/RECOMMENDATION: The standard allowable fence height is to be 6ft from natural grade. All fences exceeding 6ft in height will require certified engineer approval. Fences exceeding 8 ft must be engineered and have Board of Adjustment (Special Exception) approval based on privacy, safety, and continuity.

PROCEDURE: A review of fence ordinances from several adjacent Cities (Westlake Hills, Lakeway, Bee Cave Village, and the City of Austin), was conducted to review and compare the City of Rollingwood's existing ordinance and those of the adjacent Cities. Makayla Rodriguez was instrumental in obtaining the ordinances from the various adjacent Cities.