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BOARD & COUNSEL REVIEW

Please note that MC approval is required prior to the installation or construction of any improvement or change. If an improvement is made without MC approval, the Board of Directors for Waterside Estates Community Association, Inc., has the legal right to enforce its removal.

Easements

The MC cannot approve any application if there is an encroachment on an easement until the homeowner provides a Consent for Encroachment, or resubmits revised plans. Any non-portable structure on an easement is considered permanent, and thus an encroachment. Homeowners must secure a Consent to Encroachment or a Release of Easement from all affected utility companies. If your plans show an encroachment, obtain your Consent for Encroachment before applying to the MC, or your application will be rejected. If you have an aerial easement on your lot, the utility company may permit you to place a permanent structure in the easement, as long as the structure is not higher than the aerial easement. To be on the safe side, you should discuss it with them first.

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Approval by the MC of any encroachment of an easement shall not serve as an amendment or change of that easement and shall not create liability through the MC, any encroachment upon such easement shall be at the sole risk and expense of the owner.

Variances

Each application is considered on its own merit and the MC may grant a variance from these guidelines or the Declaration if, in the sole discretion of the MC, the circumstances warrant. Variances will be granted in writing only and, when given, will become part of these guidelines to the extent of the particular lot(s) involved. Because a variance may have been granted in one instance does not mean that improvements of a similar nature need not be applied for. Unless the guidelines are amended and reissued, applications for improvements must be submitted, regardless of any variances previously granted.

Inspection

All improvements are subject to inspection by the MC.

Compliance/Non Compliance

As stated earlier, these guidelines include all relevant stipulations from the Declaration, but also include many more supplementary details and restrictions that have been approved by the Board of Directors.

The Declaration was in existence prior to any home building in Waterside Estates. It is expected that all residents will comply with the restrictions and requirements specified in that document. This includes the requirement to file an application for approval to the MC for all improvements, conditions or restrictions specified in the Declaration.

Sec. C (p. 6): Blanket ban, sub-1-meter size cap, or prior approval requirement on satellite dishes or antennas is preempted by federal FCC OTARD regulations.

Statutory / Legal Reference: 47 C.F.R. § 1.4000 (FCC OTARD Rule)

Statutory Comparison: The FCC Over-the-Air Reception Devices rule (47 C.F.R. § 1.4000, as expanded by the 2021 OTARD Report and Order, FCC 21-10) preempts community association restrictions that prohibit, charge application fees for, require prior architectural approval for, or impose sub-1-meter (39.37-inch) diameter caps on the installation, maintenance, or use of television broadcast antennas, direct-broadcast satellite dishes 1 meter or less in diameter, and fixed wireless broadband antennas (including hub and relay antennas) situated on property within the exclusive use or control of the owner/tenant.

CURRENT WORDING IN DOCUMENT:

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SAMPLE DISCUSSION WORDING (FOR HOA ATTORNEY REVIEW):

Provided that this restriction shall not prohibit or require prior approval for any owner or occupant installing an antenna, fixed wireless broadband hub/relay device, or satellite dish of one meter (39.37 inches) or less in diameter within areas under the owner's or occupant's exclusive use or control, in accordance with FCC OTARD regulations (47 C.F.R. § 1.4000).