

**Deerfield Village Property Owners' Association**  
**Policy Resolution Number Three A (3A)**  
**Non-Common Area Trees/Shrubs**

Whereas Article Seven (VII) of the By-Laws for Deerfield Village Property Owners' Association grants the Board of Directors the power to conduct POA business and to protect community harmony by providing guidelines and a procedure to address conditions that disrupt that harmony.

Let it be Resolved that the following guidelines will followed in the approval process to allow new trees/shrubs to be planted on individual homeowners properties:

- a. Trees/shrubs planted with the intent to form a barrier for the purpose of isolating one's property or obstructing the view into or out of one's property typically will not be approved by the Streets and Grounds Committee or the Board of Directors. Trees/shrubs planted in a row and/or in close proximity to each other will constitute such a barrier. Each application for planting multiple trees or groups of trees will be evaluated by the Board to determine if they create such a barrier.
- b. It is suggested that residents consider choosing native trees or shrubs. Planting native species offers a number of benefits. Generally, these species are adapted to regional conditions, so they require little maintenance and upkeep but have better survival success.
- c. Homeowners are encouraged to choose trees/shrubs that will enhance the esthetics of Deerfield Village. We also encourage homeowners to think about the long-term care of the trees/shrubs and plan for proper maintenance, pruning, etc.
- d. Homeowners are also encouraged to communicate with their immediate neighbors prior to making any final decisions as to the type and number of trees or shrubs to plant, as well as their location(s). Discuss your landscape plan as well as any long-term plans. Trees and/or shrubs become a permanent addition to your property and Deerfield Village, and *directly* affect all your neighbors. Please be considerate and keep them informed of your plans.

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Effective Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Recorded in the Operations Manual: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

President, Board of Directors:

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