

Circle Improvement Guidelines

1. Mowing, fertilizing, aerating, adding lime or seeding the circles may be done at any time by homeowners without prior approval from the Deerfield Village Board of Directors (BoD).
2. All landscaping changes to the circles must be low maintenance, drought resistant, sun tolerant and approved by the BoD.
3. For now, improvements are at homeowner cost. There is no additional money in the budget for circle improvements.
4. All landscaping maintenance is to be performed by the circle implementing the changes. This includes maintenance costs and labor. If the Board feels that maintenance is too costly or labor intensive it will not approve the changes to the circle.
5. For landscaping improvements please select from the BoD recommended plans on the Deerfield Village website. There are 3 plans with a general design plan, general plant list, a very rough cost estimate, a rough maintenance plan and options to add other items such as benches.
6. A Circle Improvement Form (CIF), located on the website, must be completed for any landscaping changes to the circles. All homeowners on the affected circle must sign the Circle Improvement Form and indicate whether they are for the landscaping change or against it. An approval of 5 out of 7 is needed on circles with 7 homes. An approval of 6 out of 9 is needed on circles with 9 homes. Landscaping changes are not recommended on incomplete circles due to probable construction storage during building.
7. Plans may be implemented in stages but stages must be indicated on Circle Improvement Form.
8. All sections on the CIF must be completed before submitting to the Board for review.
9. If there are changes to the Board recommended plans those changes must be detailed on the CIF **and** shown on the design plan.
10. Submitted forms will be reviewed at the next scheduled Board meeting. Board meetings are usually on the first Tuesday of the month.
11. In order for the improvement to be implemented, two thirds of the Board (6 of 9) must vote in favor of the improvement.