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Ms Ferraiolo,

Please see that each member of the Architectural Committee receives this email regarding White Fencing.

Architectural Committee Members,

I watched the Architecture Committee meeting of Wednesday, November 28, 2018 and was very interested in the discussion on the White Vinyl fencing. There are numerous communities in Wellington which have no HOA. As someone who lives in Sugar Pond Manor, which has no HOA, we depend on this committee to uphold high aesthetic standards for our vulnerable community. I urge committee members to think really hard about allowing ANY white solid fencing vinyl OR wood or of any other material.

It is despite the very hard work of the Village's Code Enforcement department that Wellington, since it's inception, has always had problems with fencing and hedging along our thoroughfares. A drive along Forest Hill Blvd, Birkdale Drive, Wellington Trace, Big Blue Trace, Greenview Shores shows some examples of homeowners who just can not keep up their hedging or fencing. I think all Village Council members, past and present, have pledged to find a fix to this ongoing problem, but have been stymied on an effective method of doing so. *Allowing any solid white fencing wood or vinyl will just compound the problem.*

I am including some examples of fencing backing up to busy thoroughfares throughout Wellington. Many of the wooden fencing is mostly stockade or shadow box style. These fencings, though different in style, tend to *blend together* well and do not have a sharp contrast to each other or the hedging.



Any continuity would be destroyed if even 1 homeowner would be able to put in *any type* of white fence (or for that matter painted their old wooden fence white). Imagine just 1 of these fences was painted white and how visibly jarring it would be next to these other fences.





Seeing white fences peppered along a thoroughfare would be disconcerting and, I think, just plain ugly.

Some of these pictures show hedging that Wellington Code Compliance finds 'acceptable'. The 'acceptable' hedging pictures allow for the fencing to be seen either above the hedging or below the hedging. Just imagine if one of these 'acceptable' hedging had a White fence peeking out either above or below. It would stick out like a sore thumb.







I am also including a picture of a WOODEN fence painted white at 13074 La Mirada Circle in Pinewood Grove off of Wellington Trace. This white fencing is an eyesore. Even if the homeowner planted hedging along the outside perimeter; the white fencing would peek through the plantings.





I urge committee members to please reject ALL solid white fencing, be it wood or vinyl or any other material.

Three other points:

1. Was it appropriate to change the night's agenda to add and then discuss a matter that was on the original scheduled agenda? (I really don't know, but it seemed inappropriate.)
2. It is also imperative to allow each member on the committee to voice their thoughts and opinions without another committee member interrupting that member who is speaking.
3. Staff mentioned that some HOAs allow only white fencing. That is fine, as I am sure, that only a specific type of fencing is allowed and the HOA would not allow another homeowner to put up a wooden fence of a different color next to the white fence. HOAs tend to have the same fences.

Please reject ALL SOLID WHITE FENCING in Wellington.

Thank you for taking the time to read this and for serving your community without compensation. I know it is hard to work during the day, then peruse material pertinent to the meeting; and then have to leave your family and home to serve on this committee.

With appreciation,

Sugar Pond Manor resident