STONEBRIDGE WEST PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC.

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ATTN: Stonebridge West Property Owners Association

RE: Guidelines to the planting of trees within our common areas and/or right of ways.

Due to request from multiple residents, we feel it necessary to provide guidance for the planting of trees and bushes within the common areas behind a homeowner's backyard and/or side yard fences which should provide a level of screening from the new apartments that are in being built to the east and north of Catamaran Drive.

We intend to allow homeowners to add trees to any of the common areas for the purpose of screening and privacy. Pursuant to Article VI of the Stonebridge West Covenants and Restrictions, members will need to submit in writing and receive approval from the Board of Directors before any planting or digging is undertaken in these common areas. Before deciding on the location of said plantings, the marking of utilities will be required and avoidance of those utilities by a 3' minimum is also required. Recommendation for spacing between trees should be followed per OSU Extension Service guidelines.

Additionally, the homeowner should choose from a list of better-quality trees such as Maples, Chinese Elm, Chinese Pistache, Bald Cyprus, and Pine for example. Other species may also be considered while keeping in mind overall aesthetics and practicality. Again, OSU Extension Services provides information online on how to choose tree species based on our soil type, local climate, and other factors, including intended use. A 14' overhang clearance over our roadways must be maintained. Tree maintenance including maintaining the before-mentioned clearances will need to be performed by the homeowner, if such tree was planted by the homeowner.

Homeowners have the option to plant whatever kind of tree that they choose on their own property, i.e., within their fence lines.

HAPPY PLANTING,

Stonebridge West Property Owners Association