

CITY OF ROCKWALL

ORDINANCE NO. 22-XX

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS, AMENDING THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE [ORDINANCE NO. 20-02] OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, AS HERETOFORE AMENDED, BY AMENDING ARTICLE 05, DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS, AS DEPCITED IN EXHIBIT 'A' OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY OF FINE NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00) FOR EACH OFFENSE; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, an amendment to the City of Rockwall's Unified Development Code [Ordinance No. 20-02] has been initiated by the City Council of the City of Rockwall to amend Article 05, *District Development Standards*, of the Unified Development Code [Ordinance No. 20-02]; and,

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Rockwall and the governing body of the City of Rockwall in compliance with the laws of the State of Texas and the ordinances of the City of Rockwall have given the requisite notices by publication and otherwise, and have held public hearings and afforded a full and fair hearing to all property owners generally and to all persons interested in and situated in the city's corporate boundaries, and the governing body in the exercise of its legislative discretion, has concluded that the Unified Development Code [Ordinance No. 20-02] should be amended as follows:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That Article 05, *District Development Standards*, of the Unified Development Code [Ordinance No. 20-02] of the City of Rockwall, as heretofore amended, be and the same is hereby amended as specifically described in *Exhibit 'A'* of this ordinance;

SECTION 2. That any person, firm, or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punished by a penalty of fine not to exceed the sum of *Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00)* for each offense and each and every day such offense shall continue shall be deemed to constitute a separate offense;

SECTION 3. That if any section, paragraph, or provision of this ordinance or the application of that section, paragraph, or provision to any person, firm, corporation or situation is for any reason judged invalid, the adjudication shall not affect any other section, paragraph, or provision of this ordinance or the application of any other section, paragraph or provision to any other person, firm, corporation or situation, nor shall adjudication affect any other section, paragraph, or provision of the Unified Development Code [Ordinance No. 20-02], and the City Council declares that it would have adopted the valid portions and applications of the ordinance without the invalid parts and to this end the provisions for this ordinance are declared to be severable;

SECTION 4. That this ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCKWALL, TEXAS, THIS THE 5TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2022.

Kevin Fowler, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kristy Teague, *City Secretary*

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Frank J. Garza, *City Attorney*

1st Reading: November 21, 2022

2nd Reading: December 5, 2022

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Exhibit 'A'
*Article 05, District Development Standards, of the
Unified Development Code (UDC)*

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(f) Setback Requirements. *Private utilities* must adhere to the following setbacks:

- (1) Takeline Setback: 0-Feet
- (2) Leased Side Yard Setback: 0-Feet

(g) Additional Requirements.

- (1) Earth Work. Earth work required for the construction of *private utilities* must comply with the erosion control standards set forth in the *Interlocal Lease Agreement*.
- (2) Compliance with Applicable Codes. A *private utility* must comply with all other applicable City of Rockwall codes.
- (3) Damage to the System. Any damage or destruction to any *private utility* by public safety, utility, maintenance, or inspection personnel and/or their vehicles will be the responsibility of the leasing property owner.

(20) Private Walkways.

(a) Definition. *Private walkways* can be a single path or a network of paths installed by the leasing property owner in the takeline area.

(b) Prerequisites. *Private walkways* may only be constructed on a property that has a valid *Residential Sublease Agreement* from the City of Rockwall and -- when constructing in the 435.5 Elevation Zone -- that has constructed a *seawall* along the entire length of the shoreline within the leased area.

(c) Elevation Zone. *Private walkways* shall be allowed in the following zones:

- (1) 438.0: Permitted.
- (2) 435.5: Permitted (if a *Seawall* has been constructed).
- (3) 425.5: Not Permitted.

(d) Conditional Use Standards. *Private walkways* with steps are permitted (see *Landing and Stairs* in [Subsection 06.15\(J\)\(11\)](#)).

(e) Construction Standards.

- (1) Building Materials. *Private walkways* shall be constructed using native stone, brick, concrete and/or rectangle pavers; however, *private walks* shall not consist of loose stone, gravel, sand, or asphalt, or concrete.
- (2) Height. *Private walkways* shall be flush with the surrounding grade, or work within the gradient present of the surrounding grade.
- (3) Size. *Private walkways* shall be no greater than 48-inches in width.
- (4) Location. *Private walkways* may encroach into an existing easement or right-of-way, encroach into an identified future easement or right-of-way, or encroach into an identified or set aside access path, provided that the property owner or sublease is

responsible for repair and/or replacement of the walks in the event they are damaged or removed by the City or other public entity as a result of the necessary use of, or work within or around, said easements. An existing and future easement running through a lease property will be allowed to substitute for the 12-foot wide primary access right-of-way path provided it is 12-feet wide, suitable for access, and will connect to adjacent access paths.

(f) Setback Requirements. *Private walkways* must adhere to the following setbacks:

- (1) Takeline Setback: 0-Feet
- (2) Leased Side Yard Setback: 10-Feet

(g) Additional Requirements.

(1) Earth Work. Earth work required for the construction of *private walkways* must comply with the erosion control standards set forth in the *Interlocal Lease Agreement*.

(2) Compliance with Applicable Codes. A *private walkway* must comply with all other applicable City of Rockwall codes.

(3) Damage to the System. Any damage or destruction to any *private walkway* by public safety, utility, maintenance, or inspection personnel and/or their vehicles will be the responsibility of the leasing property owner.

(21) Seawall.

(a) Definition. A *seawall* is an engineered concrete or steel structure at the water's edge that is typically designed to curb shoreline erosion where it is installed.

(b) Prerequisites. A *seawall* may only be constructed on a property that has a valid *Residential Sublease Agreement* from the City of Rockwall.

(c) Elevation Zone. A *seawall* shall be allowed in the following zones:

- (1) 438.0: Not Permitted.
- (2) 435.5: Not Permitted.
- (3) 425.5: Permitted.

NOTE: Seawalls are *only* permitted along the shoreline.

(d) Construction Standards.

(1) Concrete Cap. A six (6) foot wide concrete cap must be constructed along the entire length of the erosion control structure. In order to allow the backfill material to properly settle, the construction of the concrete cap may be delayed for several weeks/months after the construction of the erosion control structure; however, in no case should the construction of the concrete cap be delayed for a time period exceeding one (1) year from the date of construction of the erosion control structure.



SUBSECTION 07.05: LAKE RAY HUBBARD TAKELINE OVERLAY (TL OV) DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

LAND USE ¹	CONDITIONAL USE REFERENCE SEE SUBSECTION 06.15(J)	PRE-REQUISITES L: SEAWALL, FP: FIXED PIER	ELEVATION ZONES			MINIMUM SIZE (FEET OR SQUARE FEET)	MAXIMUM SIZE (FEET, INCHES, OR SQUARE FEET)	MINIMUM HEIGHT (FEET OR INCHES)	MAXIMUM HEIGHT (FEET)	SIDE YARD SETBACK (FEET)	BUILDING MATERIALS
			438.0	435.5	425.5						
BARBECUE PIT	(1)	L	P	X	X	3' x 3'	8' x 3'	0'	6'	6'	NS, B, C, AND IR
BOAT HOUSE ^{2, 4, 5, & 15}	(2)	L, S, & FP	X	X	P	8' x 30'	12' x 30'	16'	21'	10'	CM FOR CATWALK AND DECKING; GM, IR, S, OR A FOR THE SUPPORTS ³ ; CM, GM, IR, S, A, CW, IW, OR RW FOR ROOF BEAMS; AND SSM FOR THE ROOF
COVERED PATIO ^{5 & 15}	(3)	L & S ¹⁶	P	P	X	0'	12' x 20'	0'	15' ^{6 & 7}	20'	CW, IW, & RW IN THE 438.0 ELEVATION ZONE; CM OR M IN THE 435.5 ELEVATION ZONE; SSM FOR THE ROOF
DECK ^{5 & 18}	(4)	L & S ¹⁶	P	P	X	0'	1,000 SF	2' OR 24"	1'	20'	CM FOR THE DECKING, C FOOTINGS FOR FOUNDATION, AND WR FOR FENCING/RAILING
DOCK DECK ^{2 & 5}	(5)	L, S, & FP	X	X	P	8' x 10'	12' x 30'	0'	8' ⁸	10'	CM
FENCE	(6)	L	P	X	X	0'	45'	4'	4'	0'	WR
FLAGPOLE ^{5 & 9}	(7)	L & S ¹⁶	P	P	X	5" BASE	8" BASE	0'	20'	6'	SS OR A
FIXED PIER ^{2 & 5}	(8)	L & S	X	X	P	0'	6' x 40'	0'	8' ¹⁰	10'	CM FOR CATWALK AND DECKING; CM OR S FOR RAILINGS
FIRE PIT	(9)	L & S ¹⁶	P	X	X	3' x 3'	5' x 5'	0'	3'	6'	NS, B, AND C
GAZEBO ^{5 & 15}	(10)	L & S ¹⁶	P	P	X	0'	12' x 12'	0'	15'/18' ^{7 & 11}	20'	CW, RW, IW, CM, OR M IN THE 438.0 ELEVATION ZONE; AND CM OR M IN THE 435.5 ELEVATION ZONE
LANDING AND STAIRS	(11)	L & S ¹⁷	P	P	P	0'	8' x 8' x 6'	3'	SAME AS RETAINING WALL	5'	NS, B, AND C FOR THE STAIRS; WR OR BLACK S FOR THE RAILINGS AND/OR FENCE
PATIO ^{5 & 18}	(15)	L	P	P	X	0'	1,000 SF	0'	1'	20'	NS FOR THE DECK AREA AND WR FOR RAILINGS
PERGOLA ⁵	(16)	L & S ¹⁶	P	P	X	0'	12' x 20'	0'	12' ⁷	20'	CW, RW, IW, OR CM IN THE 438.0 ELEVATION ZONE; CM OR M IN THE 435.5 ELEVATION ZONE
PICNIC TABLE	(17)	L	P	P	X	0'	8' x 10'	0'	3' OR 36"	6'	NS, B, AND C
PRIVATE PLAY STRUCTURE	(18)	L	P	X	X	0 SF	1,000 SF	0'	8'	20'	A, GM, R, CW, RW, AND IW
PRIVATE WALKWAYS	(20)	L & S ¹⁶	P	P	X	0'	48" WIDE	0'	FLUSH WITH GRADE	10'	NS, B, C, AND RECTANGULAR PAVERS
LANDSCAPING AND RETAINING WALLS ^{12 & 13}	(12)	L	P	P	X	NOTES: ^{1:} FOR ALL LAND USES CHECK SECTION 06.15, LAKE RAY HUBBARD TAKELINE OVERLAY (TL OV) DISTRICT FOR ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS. ^{2:} BOATHOUSES, FIXED PIERS, DOCK DECKS, OR ANY COMBINATION OF THESE STRUCTURES MAY NOT EXTEND MORE THAN 40-FEET INTO THE WATER FROM THE 435.5 ELEVATION CONTOUR. ^{3:} REQUIRES A HIP ROOF, A MINIMUM OF 2:1 ROOF PITCH, WITH ONE (1) CUPOLA (3' x 4') IN THE MIDDLE OF THE ROOF OR TWO (2) CUPOLAS (3' x 4') AT EACH END OF THE ROOF. ^{4:} SUPPORT POSTS MAY BE WRAPPED IN A COMPOSITE MATERIAL. ^{5:} THE STRUCTURE SHALL BE GENERALLY CENTERED IN THE LEASE AREA BEHIND THE PRIMARY STRUCTURE ON THE LEASING PROPERTY IF LOCATED IN THE 435.5 OR 425.5 ELEVATION ZONES (IF PERMITTED IN THE ZONE).					
MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	(13)	NONE	P	P	P						
OUTDOOR LIGHTING	(14)	L	P	X	X						
PRIVATE UTILITIES	(19)	L	P	P	X						
SEAWALL	(21)	L	X	X	P						
SPRINKLER/ IRRIGATION SYSTEM ¹⁴	(22)	L	P	P	X						

^{6:} REQUIRES A HIP OR GABLE ROOF WITH A CUPOLA OR CLERESTORY AND A MINIMUM ROOF PITCH OF 4:1.
^{7:} SHALL NOT EXCEED ONE (1) STORY OR BE USED AS A ROOF TOP DECK.
^{8:} EIGHT (8) FEET ABOVE THE SURFACE AREA OF THE FLAT FLOOR SURFACE WITH NO MORE THAN FOUR (4) POLE STRUCTURES ALLOWED.
^{9:} A MAXIMUM OF TWO (2) FLAG POLES ARE PERMITTED AND ONLY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND TEXAS FLAGS ARE TO BE FLOWN.
^{10:} EIGHT (8) FEET ABOVE THE SURFACE AREA OF THE FLAT FLOOR SURFACE WITH NO MORE THAN TWO (2) POLE STRUCTURES ALLOWED.
^{11:} REQUIRES A HIP OR GABEL ROOF OR A HIP AND/OR GABEL ROOF, WITH A MINIMUM ROOF PITCH OF 2:1, AND THAT IS A MAXIMUM OF 15- FEET WITHOUT A CLERESTORY OR CUPOLA OR 18- FEET WITH A CLERESTORY OR CUPOLA.
^{12:} REMEDIAL LANDSCAPING ALLOWED IN THE 425.5 ELEVATION ZONE WITH THE INTENT TO MAINTAIN THE INTEGRITY OF THE SHORELINE.
^{13:} RETAINING WALLS THAT ARE A PART OF LANDSCAPING ARE LIMITED TO LESS THAN THREE (3) FEET IN HEIGHT.
^{14:} HEADS SHOULD EXTEND NO HIGHER THAN THREE (3) FEET FROM THE AVREAGE BASE OF THE SURROUNDING TERRIAN WITHIN A THREE (3) FOOT RADIUS.
^{15:} ROOF OVERHANGS SHALL NOT EXCEED 18-INCHES.
^{16:} A SEAWALL IS ONLY REQUIRED FOR CONSTRUCTION IN THE 435.5 ELEVATION ZONE.
^{17:} A SEAWALL IS ONLY REQUIRED FOR CONSTRUCTION IN THE 435.5 OR 425.5 ELEVATION ZONES.
^{18:} HANDRAILS ARE PROBITED IN THE 435.5 ELEVATION ZONE.