

# MONTANE

### Single-Family Residential Design Vision and Codes



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# Preface

MONTANE is a community set within a spectacular alpine setting with year-round recreational opportunities located within walking distance to the historic downtown of Fernie. The natural environment, including the diverse forest and magnificent views, along with the rich history surrounding the community and the City of Fernie provide the inspiration.

The Vision is intended to ensure that all designs minimize disruption to the site, enhance the overall alpine environment and are consistent with the design objectives of MONTANE. All improvements should comply with local and provincial guidelines.

The following sections set forth the ideas and guidelines for all new buildings, building additions, site work and sustainability measures related to each single family lot. The photos provided are intended to convey concepts, and not to depict specific plans for construction. Guidelines are made to be flexible. All aspects of home design must be approved by the Design Review Committee.

In summary, these guidelines are written to help protect your investment and provide guidance towards a creative uniquely familiar design vision within the MONTANE Community.

Enjoy!

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# 1.0 The Vision

# The Natural Landscape as the Organizing and Dominant Element



The MONTANE Mountain Environment

MONTANE is set within a unique mountain environment, which provides the basis from which the overall character of the landscape and buildings has been established. Our goal of the Vision is to preserve, repurpose and enhance the indigenous landscape pattern. Within this landscape the development of a Modern Mountain architecture is to be crafted. The dominant landscape framework will work with the architecture to build the MONTANE experience.

# **1.1 DESIGN THEME**

The vision for the growth and development of MONTANE focuses on preserving and enhancing the natural resources of the community:

- 1. The landscape dominates the scene: The existing forest landscape is the primary 'form giver' for all improvements and design decisions on the site. The environmental setting, context and landscape are the driving forces behind the design of community elements, buildings, plant palettes and outdoor improvements. MONTANE then will grow into a 'place' nestled into the forest and have the qualities of a mountain settlement that connects with the great outdoors. This principle then provides for the flexibility of diverse solutions that are unified by the landscape.
- 2. **Emphasis on the use of natural and authentic materials:** The predominant use of native landscape plantings and 'modern mountain' construction materials reinforces the principles of maintaining authenticity and instilling a 'sense of place'. Plant materials are to be either native plants or plants well-suited to the climate, natural precipitation patterns and the regional conditions of Fernie.
- 3. **Utilizing informal and simplistic planting patterns:** Landscape planting designs are to replicate the simple but diverse vegetation patterns of the natural landscape.
- 4. Designing "human scale" and understated structures that draw from modern architectural styles to create elements that form part of the forest environment: Buildings, landscape structures and site amenities are to be constructed of natural building materials with modern elements using techniques and detailing that draw from Mountain Modern designs.
- 5. **The implementation of Sustainable Design concepts:** MONTANE is dedicated to establishing sustainable forestry, stormwater, development and building practices.

## 1.2 MONTANE

The incorporation of modern architectural variety and indoor-outdoor elements such as courtyards, outdoor terraces and covered porches are encouraged to help articulate building forms while allowing the home to better relate to the surrounding landscape.

Architectural forms are characterized by simple geometries, integration of inside and outside spaces, and a preference for robust and authentic building materials.

The siting of building and design of architectural forms throughout MONTANE will take advantage of the panoramic views with consideration to the community as a whole. Creativity is encouraged however the **Design Review Committee (DRC) will reserve the right to reject designs that do not fit into the aesthetic goals of MONTANE.** 

# 2.0 Site and Landscape Design Codes



The following chapter sets forth ideas and guidelines for all site work relating to each lot, including grading, planting, siting of structures, design of outdoor areas and preservation and enhancement of landscape and views.

# 2.1 SITE AND LANDSCAPE OBJECTIVES

The site and landscape are to be designed in concert with the architecture to continue to reinforce the MONTANE design theme and achieve the design objectives outlined below:

#### 1. Forest Preservation:

Preserve, protect and enhance the existing diversity of the forest and natural environment so the landscape dominates the scene. Houses are to be sited to minimize tree removal. Any further tree removal must be approved by the DRC or fines may occur. A natural buffer is to be maintained between the house and street, neighbouring lots and other off-site areas.

#### 2. Responsive Integrated Design:

Buildings and associated improvements are to be sited to minimize grading and stormwater impacts, step with the topography and maintain a low, subordinate profile against the backdrop of the surrounding forest.

#### 3. Emphasis on the Outdoor Lifestyle:

Design courtyards, decks and outdoor space to emphasize the outdoor-oriented lifestyle. Natural and existing landscape features such as rock outcroppings, vegetation and topography are to be incorporated into landscape designs to create a gradual transition between the built and natural environments

#### 4. Utilization of natural, modern, 'sustainable' materials:

Use natural and sustainable materials for landscape structures, site walls and outdoor areas that complement Modern Mountain living.

### 2.2 LOT DIAGRAMS

#### **Objectives:**

- Minimize site disturbance and cleared areas.
- Minimize impervious areas.
- Preserve and protect natural resources (vegetation, water quality) to the greatest extent possible.

A Lot Diagram will be prepared for each lot. The Lot Diagram designates an Improvement Envelope, natural area, preferred driveway access, maximum building height, maximum gross floor area, maximum site coverage and other factors affecting the development of the lot.



## 2.2.1 IMPROVEMENT ENVELOPES

The Improvement Envelope is the area designated on the Lot Diagram within which all improvements and site disturbance, with the exception of utility connections, driveways, native landscape enhancements and any associated grading or site walls, are to occur. All non-native landscape plantings are to be kept within the Improvement Envelope. Refer to Section 2.11 Landscaping and Plant Materials.

# 2.2.2 NATURAL AREA

The Natural Area is the remaining area of the Lot outside of the Improvement Envelope, excluding the driveway. This area is to remain as much as possible in its natural condition. Proposed trees, shrubs and other plant materials within the Natural Area are to blend with the site's existing native landscape and create natural screens that lessen the visual impact of buildings on the site. Good forestry practices and clearing of fire hazards are permitted within the Natural Area, subject to committee approval to refer to Section 2.9 Wildfire Mitigation and Section 2.11.5 Planting Codes within the Natural Area.

# 2.2.3 MAXIMUM SITE COVERAGE

In order to minimize the extent of impervious surfaces on the Lot, maximum Site Coverage is indicated on each Lot Diagram. Site Coverage is defined as the total area covered on a Lot by impervious surfaces, including, but not limited to buildings, roof, overhangs, driveways, autocourts, porches and terraces.



### **2.3 SITING CONSIDERATIONS**

#### **Objectives:**

- Integrate built improvements with natural landforms, vegetation and other landscape characteristics that are unique to the Lot.
- Minimize site disturbance to the greatest extent possible.
- Minimize the visual impact of buildings and related structures.

#### Guidelines

- 1. Where possible, the axes of the principle building masses are to be oriented parallel to existing contours to reduce grading impacts.
- 2. Outdoor living areas, such as terraces and lawns are to be contained within the Improvement Envelope with off-site visibility minimized.
- 3. All improvements, driveway turnarounds area, site disturbance and grading around the building are to be located within the Improvement Envelope.

# 2.4 GRADING

#### **Objectives:**

- Protect and preserve existing vegetation.
- Blend site improvements with the natural land form.
- Minimize disturbance to the site.

#### **Guidelines:**

- 1. Where necessary, a Professional Engineer and Landscape Architect are to prepare a full set of drawings including grading, drainage, utility locations, re-vegetation, and sedimentation and erosion control plans for all new construction.
- 2. Flat-pad grading is not permitted.
- 3. Grading designs are to protect and retain as many existing trees and related vegetation as possible.
- 4. Slopes are generally not to exceed 3:1. Slopes in excess of 3:1 may be considered provided the stabilization treatment and design is consistent with the overall guidelines of this section. Natural slopes are to be used instead of structures wherever feasible.
- 5. Grading may not extend outside of the Improvement Envelope with the exception of that associated with driveways, minor paths and utility improvements.
- 6. Cut and fill slopes are to be re-vegetated as soon as possible with plantings and re-vegetation mixes appropriate to the site. Refer to Approved Plant List, Appendix B.

## 2.5 DRAINAGE SYSTEMS AND STRUCTURES

#### Objectives

- Utilize fundamental stewardship concepts to preserve and/or mimic the natural hydrologic functions of the site.
- Minimize disturbance of the site to protect downstream water quality.
- Control stormwater at the source, to the greatest extent possible, by utilizing onsite detention and infiltration techniques.

#### Guidelines

- 1. Utilize the Lot Diagram to identify the optimum area for development. Identify and preserve all sensitive areas that affect hydrology, including drainages, wetlands, steep slopes and mature vegetation to minimize hydrologic impacts.
- 2. Natural drainage courses are to be protected and existing drainage patterns maintained.
- 3. New drainage courses are to appear and function like natural drainage ways.
- 4. Allow for distributed control of stormwater throughout the site at the source. Systems include a combination of infiltration, depression storage, vegetated swales and the utilization of gentle side slopes.



Drainages and/or bioswales are to appear and function like natural drainage ways while adding aesthetic value

- 5. Decrease the need for "structural" drainage systems, by utilizing materials such as native plants, soil, gravel and rock to create integrated drainage systems that mimic the natural hydrologic functions of the site while adding aesthetic value.
- 6. Headwalls, lined ditches, and similar drainage structures visible from off-site are to be built of, or lined with, an approved stone. If used, metal and concrete pipes are to be concealed.
- Drainage plans are to locate snow storage and push zones where snow accumulation will not block drains and/or dam melt-water runoff. Drainage designs are to consider where melt-water will go and/or be retained on-site.
- 8. Drainage is to be directed away from the center of impervious surfaces to avoid ice buildup. Paved or impervious areas are to be sloped a minimum of 2% to increase water flow from surfaces.
- 9. Owners are responsible for controlling and retaining drainage resulting from the development of their Lot. Drainage is not to be directed onto other lots or properties, unless located within a designated drainage easement.
- 10. Trenching for drainage lines should not encroach within the drip line of existing trees

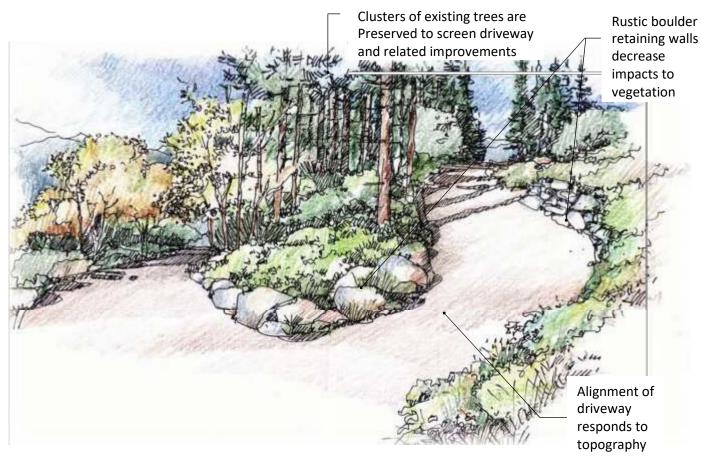
# 2.6 Driveway and Parking Requirements

#### **Objectives:**

- Minimize visibility of garages, paving and parking areas.
- Blend driveways with the existing topography.
- Preserve the natural features of the Lot.

#### **Guidelines:**

- Driveways are to be a minimum of 12 feet (3.5 Meters) and a maximum of 14 feet (5 meters) wide, except where they provide a turnaround at garages. Every effort shall be made to minimize the paved areas of driveways and turnarounds while providing the parking requirements described herein. Pervious paving solutions that may reduce the hydrologic impacts to the site are encouraged.
- Only one driveway entry is permitted per Lot. Preferred driveway access locations are indicated on the Lot Diagram. All driveways are to follow alignments that minimize grading, tree cutting, off-site visibility or other disruption to the Lot.



Neighbourhood Street and driveway blend with existing typography to preserve natural features

- 3. Driveways can be formulated by various materials asphalt, concrete, concrete pavers, natural pavers or pervious blocks but must be approved by the DRC.
- 4. Parking spaces are to be the minimum required to handle the Owner's parking needs. A minimum of one enclosed parking space is required on each Lot.

- 5. Guest parking spaces are to be screened from off-site views.
- 6. Driveways and parking designs are to consider snow removal and snow storage needs.
- 7 Driveway grades may not exceed a 12% gradient but may go up to 16% for short runs. Heated driveways are recommended for grades in excess of 11%. The first and last 20 feet (6 meters) of the driveway may not exceed a 6% gradient.

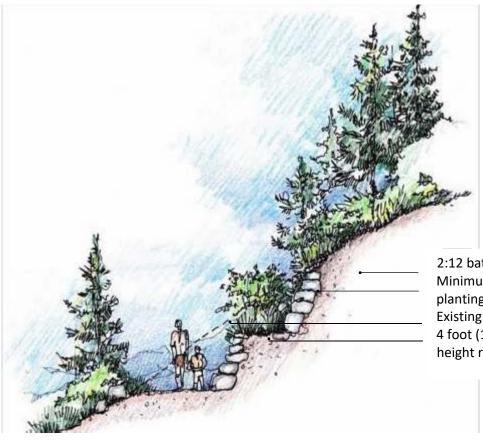
### 2.7 RETAINING AND SITE WALLS

#### **Objectives:**

- Minimize disturbance to the site by utilizing walls to preserve vegetation.
- Integrate retaining walls into the existing topography to reinforce the connection of the built environment with the landscape.
- Use authentic materials that appear to be local to the site and constructed with traditional dry stack, timber and/or boulder methods.

#### **Guidelines:**

- 1. Retaining walls are not to exceed 4 feet (1.25 meters) in height. Walls up to 6 feet (2 meters) in height may be considered on a case by case basis provided they are not visible from public viewpoints.
- 2. Walls in excess of 4 feet (1.25 meters) in height are to be designed by a professional engineer.



2:12 batter Minimum 4 foot (1.25 meter) planting pocket width Existing grade 4 foot (1.25 meter) maximum height retaining wall



Rustic stone retaining wall reinforces the connection of the built environment with the landscape



Retaining wall minimizes site disturbance and transitions naturally into existing landforms



Authentic materials used with dry stack method to appear native to site



Planting integrates wall with landscape

- 3. Terraced wall structures with ample planting pockets (minimum 4 feet wide) are to be used where grade changes exceed 4 feet (1.25 meters).
- 4. Tops of walls are to blend with natural contours. End of walls are not to end abruptly, but are to transition naturally into existing landforms and vegetation.
- 5. Walls in excess of 2 feet (60 centimeters) in height are to be designed with a batter (minimum 2:12).
- 6. All retaining walls that are visible from off-site are to be stone or timber treatments that blend with the forest environment and complement the overall architecture aesthetic.

# 2.8 FENCES, GATES AND SITE WALLS

#### **Objectives**:

- Allow for privately fenced areas that maintain views and minimize off-site visibility.
- Minimize disturbance to the natural vegetation.

#### **Guidelines:**

- 1. In order to maintain the visual quality of an open and natural wooded landscape, fences and site walls are to be minimized and should be sited within the Improvement Envelope
- Fences are not to exceed 5 feet (1.5 meters) in height with the exception of those used for pool enclosures, which are to comply with all safety standards as specified by local jurisdictions. Pool and spa fences may require additional detailing and landscape treatments, as specified by the Committee, to mitigate off-site visibility.
- 3. Fences used as pet enclosures may use wire mesh, finished to recede into the landscape, and added to a wood rail fence provided they are not visible from off-site.
- 4. Dog runs are allowed provided they are constructed of the materials noted above and are not visible from off-site.
- 5. All fences and gates are to extend the architecture of the residence and utilize Modern Mountain inspired designs.
- 6. Plant materials are to be woven in and around fences to help fences blend with the landscape.
- 7. All Fencing profiles are to be approved in writing prior to installation.



# 2.9 WILDFIRE MITIGATION

#### **Objectives:**

- Minimize potential landscape fuels around the Residence.
- Maintain a fire-retardant landscape.

#### **Guidelines:**

General requirements of the Fuel Modification Plan are listed below. All wildfire prevention measures are to comply with the City of Fernie Community Wildfire Protection Plan. A minimum 30 feet (10 meters) of Defensible Space is to be maintained around the perimeter of all structures. Only fire retardant materials, which tend to be more open in structure, have thick stems and are more succulent, are to be planted with the Defensible Space. Within the Defensible Space, the following landscape management standards are to be implemented:

- 1. Eliminate ladder fuels and lower limbs of trees:
  - Remove lower branches up to least 1/3 of the tree height when understory vegetation and small trees are present.
  - When understory vegetation is not present, remove lower branches to a minimum of 6 to 8 feet (2 to 3 meters) above the ground.
  - The lower branches of shrubs are to be removed to provide for at least 12 inches (30 centimeters) of clearance from ground fuels.
- 2. Remove dead vegetation and piled debris (such as firewood) from the Defensible Space and break up the continuity of brush species.
- 3. Replace shrubs with low ground cover and maintain a height of 4 inches (10 centimeters).
- 4. Reduce continuous brush fields to individual plants or small clusters at least 15 feet (4.5 meters) apart.
- 5. Use driveways, paths, turf areas and trails to break up plant continuity.

# 2.10 EXTERIOR HARDSCAPE DESIGN – PATHS, OUTDOOR STAIRS AND TERRACES

#### **Objectives:**

- Design outdoor terraces, rooms and spaces that are natural extensions of the indoors.
- Integrate outdoor site features with the natural topography and vegetation.
- Utilize materials that complement the architecture of the house.



Outdoor "room" is a natural extension of indoor area



Wood header is combined with pervious crushed rock surface to define path



Native stone pavers create natural path

#### **Guidelines:**

- 1. Appropriate paving materials for exterior hardscape areas include:
  - Local stone
  - Brick (veneered, faux brick not permitted)
  - Faux stone that has the appearance of native stone
  - Coloured and/or patterned concrete
  - Pre-cast concrete pavers
  - Crushed compacted rock or similar pervious solutions
  - Chipped stone
- 2. Inappropriate paving materials include:
  - Clay tile
  - Non-coloured, untextured concrete
  - Asphaltic concrete
- 3. The spatial organization of the Residence and that of the outdoor rooms is to blur the line between indoors and outdoors.
- 4. Paths, outdoor stairs and terraces are to follow the natural topography and respond to existing vegetation patterns.
- 5. Fire pits may be built in accordance with local fire and safety standards. All fire pits are to be attached to the patio hardscape. Site plans are to indicate fire pit location in relationship to tree drip lines.
- 6. On-grade terrace areas and outdoor living areas are to be designed with informal shapes, irregular edges and rustic materials to help in the gradual transition from the man-made environment to the natural landscape. Formal shapes are not appropriate.



A diverse forest dominates the site

## 2.11 LANDSCAPING AND PLANT MATERIALS

#### **Objectives:**

- Re-vegetate disturbed areas with native plant materials. Consult with local nurseries for advice.
- Preserve and enhance the diversity of the surrounding forest.
- Use plant materials and existing tree clusters to anchor buildings to the site.
- Protect tree stumps, snags and forest ground plane duff to preserve the unique character of the site.

### 2.11.1. General Planting Codes

1. The planting design of each Lot is to take its cue from the existing diverse plant palette surrounding the Lot. Group or cluster shrubs and trees in informal patterns that mimic the natural pattern found onsite.

- 2. Landscape improvements are to incorporate, rehabilitate and enhance the existing forest character by utilizing indigenous species and minimizing areas of intensive irrigation.
- 3. A list of approved planting materials and their applications are included in Appendix B. Approved revegetation seed mixes are also included in Appendix B.
- 4. Proposed plant materials that are not on the Approved Plant List are to be identified on all landscape submissions with a full description of the plant and the intent of its proposed use.
- 5. Native plant materials are to be used for erosion control and are to establish rapid surface stabilization. The Committee may require additional stabilization measures, such as jute matting. Refer to Appendix B for approved seed mixes.
- 6. Sun intensity and penetration is to be considered when locating plant materials.



Careful trimming and/or limbing up of trees may be permitted to open selective views from homes

### 2.11.2 PLANTING MATERIAL REQUIREMENTS

1. At the time of installation, conifers are to be a minimum of 6 feet (2 meters) in height, single-trunk deciduous trees are to be a minimum caliper size of 2 inches (5 centimeters) and multi-trunk deciduous trees are to have a minimum caliper size of 3/4 inches (2 centimeters) at each trunk and are to have a minimum height of 6 feet (2 meters).

- 2. A minimum of 50% of the total shrub count is to be 5 gallons in size. The remaining 50% may be 1 gallon in size. Spacing is to ensure full massing in two growing seasons. Shrub planting as a single monoculture may not be spaced greater than 48 inches (1.25 meters) on centre; 24 to 36 inches (60 to 90 centimeters) on centre is encouraged.
- 3. Groundcover materials are to be representative of industry standards for container size (i.e. flats, liners, 4 inch (10 centimeters) pots, 1 gallon containers). Placement is to be triangular in pattern and spaced to achieve full coverage within two full growing seasons.
- 4. Seed mixes are to be applied according to accepted local practices for seeding rates. The optimal time for seeding is from September 15 to October 30 or April 1 to 30 (assuming adequate snowmelt). Hydroseeding between April 30 and September 15 will require temporary irrigation. Failure to achieve 30% vegetative cover after one growing season will require a re-application of the hydro seed mix.
- 5. The quantity of introduced tree and shrub plantings is to be sufficient to effectively blend buildings with the native forest canopy.



Spirea (spireasp)





Tall Mahonia - Mahonia aquifolium

Creeping Penstemon - Penstemon casespitosus

# 2.11.3 PLANTING CODES WITHIN THE IMPROVEMENT ENVELOPE

- 1. In areas immediately adjacent to buildings and not visible from off-site, a greater variety of non-native plant material, as listed in the Approved Plant List, is permitted. The use of drought tolerant and/or native plant materials is strongly encouraged.
- 2. The landscape design on each Lot is to gradually transition from the Improvement Envelope to the natural area to blend with and enhance the existing native forest pattern.
- 3. New plantings are to be used to frame important view sheds, reduce the visual impact of Residence, and screen outdoor service areas and other improvements from adjacent lots and public viewpoints.



: Non-native plantings and minimized turf areas may be used within the Improvement Envelope

# 2.11.4 LAWN AREAS

Turf or native grass areas are to immediately adjoin outdoor use areas such as patios, and are to be minimized to the greatest extent possible.

## 2.11.5 PLANTING IDEAS WITHIN THE NATURAL AREA

The Natural Area is to be planted only with native plant materials, as listed in Appendix B. Planting patterns and density is to be similar to that of the adjoining natural forest.



Sticky Geranim Geranium viscosissimum



Lewis Mock Orange Philadephus lewisii



Shrubby Cinquefoil Potentilla fruticosa

# 2.12 IRRIGATION

#### **Objectives**:

 Minimize irrigation requirements by using native plant materials and those that are well-suited to the local climate.

#### **Guidelines:**

- 1. Group plant materials according to their water consumption needs.
- 2. Irrigation or supplemental watering, whether in the form of temporary irrigation, drip irrigation, or spray irrigation, is to minimize the impact upon the site and stormwater impacts, while providing enough moisture to ensure healthy plantings.
- 3. All shrub and groundcover plant material are to be drip-irrigated with a permanent automatic system. All non-native planting areas shall receive soil amendments within the root zone and a minimum 2 inches (5 centimeters) of mulch.
- 4. Conventional spray irrigation is limited to defined lawn areas. These systems are to be fully automatic and conform to all local regulations.
- 5. Low spray heads or low-water bubblers are allowed within the Improvement Envelope in close proximity to buildings.
- 6. Drip irrigation of tree and shrub plantings is permitted within the Improvement Envelope.
- 7. Soils are to be amended and surfaced with mulching to increase water retention.

# 2.13 VEGETATION PROTECTION, REMOVAL AND THINNING

#### **Objectives:**

- Remove vegetation as necessary for proper forest management, fuel modification and safety.
- Minimize cleared areas to reduce downstream water quality and erosion impacts.

#### **Guidelines:**

- 1. Building improvements are to be designed around existing trees to the extent feasible.
- 2. The removal of trees on Lots is not permitted except when approved by the DRC. Unauthorized removal or cutting of trees by the Owner or Consultant is subject to fines as established by the Committee.

# 2.14 EXTERIOR LIGHTING

#### **Objectives:**

- Maintain the dark night-time sky.
- Restrict light spill to within the Improvement Envelope and directly adjacent to the building.
- Light fixture designs are to be consistent and complement the Residence's architectural style.

# 2.14.1 LOCATION OF LIGHT FIXTURES

- 1. Light fixtures, with the exception of driveway and address marker lighting, are to be confined to the Improvement Envelope and designed to minimize light overspill on adjacent properties.
- 2. In order to minimize glare and exterior light spill, interior lighting is to be concentrated at activity areas and minimized adjacent to windows. Lighting adjacent to windows is to be directed towards the Residence's interior and baffled with architectural and decorative devices, such as deep roof overhangs and curtains.
- 3. Light fixtures at pathways, where required for safety, may be a maximum height of 48 inches (1.25 meters).

# 2.14.2 LIGHT EMISSION

- 1. Exterior night lighting is to be kept to an absolute minimum as required for safety and address identification at entrances, driveways and buildings. All light fixtures are to be active for short-term use only.
- 2. Light sources are to be a warm, soft colour that accurately renders true colour. Lights that emit harsh, glaring white light are not permitted.
- 3. Exterior lighting is to use downward facing, horizontal cut-off fixtures, which hide the light sources. Uplighting is not allowed unless light spill is confined by architectural elements.
- 4. Lanterns are to use low intensity (25 watt or less) light sources with translucent or frosted glass lenses. Clear glass may be acceptable with low voltage bulbs and clear glass bulbs, subject to the Committee review of visibility from off-site.
- 5. Guardrails and/or posts with reflectors may be used to help delineate the driveway.
- 6. Security lighting for emergency purposes may be permitted by the Committee, provided the sources are not visible from off-site, are fully shielded, and are set on a timer or motion detector.
- 7. Energy conserving bulbs are encouraged.



Fixture designs are downward facing with horizontal cut-offs to minimize light spill

# 2.15 EXTERIOR SERVICE AREAS AND UTILITIES

#### **Objectives:**

- Design exterior service areas to be consistent with and integrated into the building's architecture.
- Screen service areas from off-site views.

#### **Guidelines:**

- 1. Trash disposal, outdoor work areas, utility meters and connections, transformers, air conditioning units, pool/spa equipment and similar above-ground devices are to be completely screened from off-site views by the use of architectural devices and/or plant materials. Where feasible, these areas are to be integrated into the building's architecture. Noise emission from such devices is to be contained.
- 2. Owners are responsible for providing utility services lines to their homes and service areas.
- 3. In order to minimize site disturbance, all utility lines are to be located underground, and when feasible, under or along driveways. Utility alignments are to minimize grading, clearing and tree removal.
- 4. Garbage and recycling is to be kept inside until the day of garbage collection.
- 5. Utility boxes, including meters, are to be attached to or incorporated into the building's architecture and screened from off-site views. All exposed metal related to utilities (meters, outlet covers, etc.) is to be painted to match adjacent natural and/or building materials.
- 6. All items above are to be shown on the site plan and submitted for consideration by the DRC.

### 2.16 ADDRESS MARKERS

#### **Objectives:**

- Install address markers consistent with community-wide design standards.

#### **Guidelines:**

Owner is to obtain the approved address marker design from the Committee. Address markers are to be installed and maintained in accordance with the design specifications and according to the following Codes:

- 1. The address marker is to be located within 20 feet (6 meters), but not closer than 6 feet (2 meters), of the intersection of the driveway and the road.
- 2. Lighting of address markers shall be in accordance with fire regulations and where applicable, is the responsibility of Owners.
- 3. Real estate signs are subject to design location restrictions.
- 4. Any maintenance work performed on address markers by the DRC will be billed to the Owner.

# 2.17 MISCELLANEOUS LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS

#### **Objective:**

- Design miscellaneous landscape improvements to be consistent with the Residence's architecture and the landscape guidelines outlined in the Codes.

#### Guidelines:

- 1. The Committee will review in-ground pools and spas, water features, outdoor artwork and any other improvements not addressed above on a case-by-case basis.
- 2. Such improvements are to be located within the Improvement Envelope, completely screened from offsite and designed in keeping with the guidelines described throughout the Codes.

### **3.1.1 WALL MATERIALS**

#### **Objectives:**

- To use modern, natural and environmentally friendly materials.
- To maintain the horizontal expression of building walls and volumes.
- To utilize contrasting texture and colours for different components of the building to bring a diversity and richness to exterior walls.

#### **Guidelines:**

Wall materials may include stone, varied wood, manufactured treatments and metal accents. The Committee may approve stucco as part of a wall system.

Where changes in wall material occur, there is to be a clear break in the surface plane. Materials are to be consistently applied to all building elevations.

#### **Stone Foundation Walls**

The use of stone is strongly encouraged, particularly on building foundations and to define full-height, three-dimensional elements, such as a completed wing of the house or an accessory structure. The foundation wall may extend up to the porch, deck railing height or window sill height. With the exception of chimneys, stone may not be used for individual elements, such as wall or decorative panels.

Stone surfaces are to have structural, dry-stack appearance. Walls are to incorporate a mix of sizes and shapes with larger stones predominantly at lower levels. Natural bedding planes are to be laid horizontally.



#### Wood

Appropriate wood wall treatments may include:

- Horizontal timbers with or without chinking
- Horizontal wood siding
- Vertical board and batten or board on board
- Rustic or coloured shingle siding
- Engineered lumber or composite wood products
- Reclaimed and/or salvaged wood

Various sizes and profiles of wood siding and engineered products may be used in horizontal or vertical patterns, subject to approval by the DRC.

#### Metal

Metal siding may be used to accent building forms. When used, metal materials, such as COR-TEN steel, copper and zinc, are to have a natural patina appearance that blends with the subtle earth tones of the site.

### 3.1.2 ROOF DESIGN

#### **Guidelines:**

Roofs are not to be a dominant element of the building. Bright coloured roofs will not be considered.

Clipped gables are discouraged. Hipped roofs may only be used on porches to wrap around the building.

#### **Roof Pitches**

In general, primary gable roofs are to have pitch however unique roof designs are encouraged and subject to approval by the DRC. Primary shed roofs are acceptable but will be subject to additional comments and in many instances – recommended changes from the Design Review Committee will occur.

Roofs are to have overhangs and/or eaves that offer protection at outdoor patios, decks, entrances and terraces and provide summer shade while still allowing for penetration of winter sunlight.

#### **Roof Materials**

Approved roof materials include:

- Synthetic materials which simulate wood shakes (per Committee approval)
- Standing seam or corrugated metal roofs, including copper, COR-TEN steel, Galvalume and zinc, with a natural patina
- Slate shingles
- Asphalt shingles

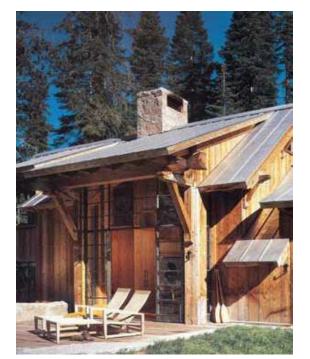
Inappropriate roofing materials include:

- Barrel clay tiles
- Wood shakes

Physical samples of all roofing maters are required for Committee review. **Dormers** 

Shed or gable roof forms may be utilized.

#### **Chimneys, Flues and Roof Vents**



Chimneys are to be finished with stone or an approved manufactured wood wall treatment to match elsewhere on the building. Masonry units and metal treatments will be considered by the Committee on a case by case basis.

Flues and vents are to be consolidated and enclosed within chimney-like enclosures.

Chimneys, flues and roof vents are to be designed with stout upslope diverters to prevent show shed damage.

#### **Gutters, Downspouts and Flashing**

The overall design and strategic placement of roof forms is to be the primary method of managing water runoff and snow-shedding. However, gutters and downspouts may also be used to effectively divert water from entries and outdoor rooms toward surface drainage.

Where required, gutters, downspouts and flashings are to be constructed of durable metals, such as copper or dark metal, which will weather to colours that blend with roofs and walls.

Gutters, downspouts and rain chains draining water from roofs are to be designed to empty into natural drainage systems, such as crushed rock beds or grass-lined swales and away from foundations and paved surfaces.

#### Skylights, Satellite Dishes and Solar Panels

- Skylights and solar panels offer energy savings through natural daylight and solar heat gain. Layout, location, size and configuration of skylights and solar panels are to fit with the design and proportions of building and roof forms.
- Solar panels must lay flat against the roof.

Skylights are to comply with the following standards:

- Glass is to be clear, flat and non-reflective. Skylights are to be mounted on the same plane and angle as the associated roof. Domed and/or bubble skylights are not permitted.
- Interior light may not be pointed upwards or directly emitted through skylights. Skylights are to be located to minimize visibility from neighbouring homesites and adjacent streets.

Satellite dishes are not to exceed 24 inches in diameter. Satellite locations are to minimize off-site visibility.

Satellite dishes may be painted to match roofs and/or other adjacent building materials.

## **3.1.3 PORCHES, STOOPS AND BALCONIES**

#### **Objectives:**

- To incorporate custom railing designs that draw upon the Mountain Modern concept.
- To design decks, porches and balconies as seamless extensions of the indoor areas.

#### **Guidelines:**

1. Balconies, decks and porches are to be constructed on a solid surface as appropriate to the house style and exterior finishes unless specifically approved by the DRC.



Semi-enclosed porch design provides transition to outdoor areas

- 2. Custom column and railing designs should appear as natural extensions of the buildings. Detailing is to be consistent with that of the house, using simple, refined wood and metal forms or stone. Metal accents as railings may be appropriate provided they are treated for a dark, non-reflective, or patinaed appearance.
- 3. If visible from offsite or the street, the underside of porches, decks and balconies shall be finished to a level consistent with the exterior materials and trim of the residence and combined with an integrated planting scheme.

## 3.1.4 WINDOWS AND DOORS

- 1. Proportions of allowable front façade glazing are specific to each house style.
- 2. Casement, double hung and single hung are appropriate window types; opening and non-opening windows must match the profile and detail of the adjacent windows.
- 3. Windows shall be built of wood and are to be painted, stained or clad. Some vinyl window styles and colours may be permitted. No white vinyl is permitted.
- 4. Use of figured or frosted glass only with prior approval.
- 5. Tinted glazing is not permitted in windows facing the street.
- 6. Muntin bars are encouraged to be the same material and finish as the window sash and frame.
- 7. All window lites created by muntins are to be square or vertically rectangular in proportion, including transoms.
- 8. Feature windows may be used only once on the front elevation of each unit.
- 9. Metal sliding patio doors are discouraged on elevations visible from the street.
- 10. Screen doors shall be fully screened and not visible from front of house.
- 11. Garage doors shall be Modern Mountain in appearance
- 12. Garage doors shall not exceed 8 feet in height and 16 feet in width if facing the street.
- 13. Glass block may be used on side elevations of houses, not facing a street when fire code restrictions apply. The proportions of the glass block opening are to be vertically rectangular or square. No stepped patterns will be permitted.

# 3.1.5 COLUMNS

Columns shall be subject to the approval of the Committee.

# 3.1.6 BALUSTRADES

- 1. Where the porch is less than 2 feet above grade, balustrades should function as a sitting rail, 18" minimum to 24" maximum in height above the floor of the porch.
- 2. Sitting rails should be 6" minimum to 18" maximum in depth. Balusters should adjust to this required width.
- 3. Balustrades may be wood, painted steel, glass or beams, depending on the style of the house.
- 4. Balusters must be consistent in the design and materials with the architecture of the house.
- 5. Wood balustrades must have corner newel posts in a size that is appropriate to the design.
- 6. Intermediate newel posts are required in balustrade lengths greater than 8 feet.
- 7. Balusters shall be spaced to meet British Columbia Building Code minimum requirements.
- 8. May be solid shingled, sided or stone to handrail height to match the building base.

# 3.1.7 Soffits and Trim

- 1. Trim should be finished in stained wood or an approved manufactured product. Trim should include:
  - Simple door and window surrounds
  - Cornices and sills
  - Corner boards and battens
  - Detailing
  - Bargeboard
  - Top trim plates on plinths
- 2. Fascia shall be of wood or an approved aluminum or manufactured product. Vinyl fascia is not permitted.
- 3. No stucco trim or raised stucco detailing of any kind will be permitted.
- 4. Eavestrough and downpipes are to be minimized on front elevations, are to be arranged symmetrically, and painted to match trim. Flashings are to be minimized on front elevations, and to be painted to match trim.
- 5. Trim and batten boards must be specified to the DRC on architectural drawings.

## 3.1.8 OUTBUILDINGS AND GARAGES

- 1. Outbuildings shall be consistent in design and materials with the main building. All elevations of the outbuilding must have the same level of detail as the main building.
- 2. Connection to the main building may only occur in the form of an open breezeway or enclosed link, the eave height of either not exceeding one story.
- 3. Where front drive garages are allowed on narrow lots:
  - The garage should be incorporated into the form of the house.
  - The wall of the garage door may not extend beyond the front wall, or porch, of the house.
  - Pared single door garages are encouraged.
  - Windows are recommended on at least one side of the garage; window details are to be consistent with the Design Guidelines for the main body of the house.

### **3.2 APPROVED COLOURS**

Actual samples of exterior finishes are to be brought to the DRC for approval. Architectural drawings coloured appropriately to hard samples provided.

Owners are encouraged to contact the DRC representative via email with any questions they may have prior to meeting with their architect and/or building company.

Owners must use a registered architect and A Licensed building company.

# 4. CONSTRUCTION GUIDELINES

To assure the construction of any improvement within MONTANE occurs in a safe and timely manner without damaging the natural landscape and while minimizing disturbance to residents or guests, these Guidelines will be enforced during all construction activities. The Owner of a Homesite shall be responsible for violations of the Guidelines (including the construction regulations contained herein) by any contractor, subcontractor, agent, or employee performing any activities on behalf of the Owner within MONTANE, whether located on the Homesite or elsewhere within the community.

# 4.1. PRE-CONSTRUCTION CONFERENCE

The Pre-Construction Conference is to be held prior to beginning site clearing. All conditions of final design approval are to be met prior to scheduling the Pre-Construction Conference. During this meeting, the contractor meets with an authorized representative of the Committee to review the approved final plans, the Construction Guidelines, and to coordinate scheduling and construction activities with the Committee. Requirements to be completed before the Construction Conference are as follows:

The contractor is to bring to and/or complete the following items prior to the conference:

- 1. Compliance Deposit (See Section 4.4)
- 2. Construction Sign details (See Section 4.13)
- 3. Contractor Emergency Contact Information

## **4.2 SITE OBSERVATION**

This observation includes review of staking of the Construction Area including all corners of proposed buildings, driveways and extent of grading. In addition, flagging of all areas to be protected will be reviewed.

## **4.3 FINAL OBSERVATION**

Owners and/or their contractors are to schedule the Final Observation prior to applying for Certificate of Occupancy and after all improvements, including landscaping, have been completed.

During this observation, the Committee will verify that final construction has been completed in accordance with approved plans.

If approved, the Committee issues Compliance Certificate within 30 days. If not approved, the Committee issues a Notice to Comply within seven (7) days. In the event a Notice to Comply is issued, the Contractor is to rectify the discrepancies found and schedule an additional observation.

If after final plans have been submitted and final approval is received by the Design Review Committee, any changes that are resubmitted will be subject to a fee of \$250.00 CAD.

## **4.4 COMPLIANCE DEPOSIT**

Prior to commencing any construction activity, a Compliance Deposit in the amount of \$15,000 is to be delivered to the Committee as security for the project's full and faithful performance during the construction process in accordance with Committee-approved final plans.

The amount of the Compliance Deposit may be revised by the Committee from time to time as necessary.

The Committee shall return the Compliance Deposit to the depositor within 30 days of issuance of the Compliance Certificate.

## 4.5 CONSTRUCTION PARKING AREAS

All vehicle and parking areas are to be managed in accordance with the following requirements:

- All vehicles are to be parked in approved parking areas, as shown on the approved Construction Management plan.
- Where parking on the shoulder occurs, all damage to the shoulder and landscape is to be repaired by the Contractor continually and not left for the end of construction. Vehicles may not be parked outside of the Construction Area.
- No vehicle repair is allowed on the Homesite except in the case of emergency or within a full enclosed garage.

# 4.6 DELIVERY AND STORAGE MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT

Each Contractor is responsible for ensuring his/her subcontractors and suppliers obey all posted speed limits and traffic regulations. Fines will be imposed by local police and/or the Committee against the Contractor, Owner and/or Compliance Deposit for repeated violations. The following, additional Guidelines apply to all material delivery and storage.

All building materials, equipment and machinery are to be delivered to and remain within the Improvement Envelope or as otherwise approved by the Committee. This requirement includes all building materials, earthmoving equipment, trailers, generators, mixers, cranes and any other equipment or machinery that will remain on the Construction Site overnight.

Delivery vehicles may not drive across neighbouring properties to access a construction site.

## 4.7 HOURS OF CONSTRUCTION

Daily working hours are limited to Monday through Friday 7:00 a.m. – 6 p.m. Saturday hours are from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. However, Saturday and Sunday construction on sites within 300 feet of an occupied residence is limited to indoor work. Noisy activity is prohibited on Sunday. Construction hours may be revised at the discretion of the Committee.

# 4.8 FIRE AND SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Wildfire prevention is a serious concern at MONTANE. To mitigate this danger, all contractors are to refer to the fire safety guidelines provided by the local Fernie Fire Department. The following additional fire and safety precautions are to be adhered to at all construction sites:

All fires are to be reported even if it is thought to be contained, extinguished or already reported.

- One or more persons are to be appointed as the individual(s) responsible for reporting emergencies and/or phoning 911.
- Access for emergency vehicles is to be maintained at all times.
- Access to fire hydrants, emergency water tanks and emergency turnouts are not to be blocked at any time.
- Smoking materials are to be discarded in approved containers.

# 4.9 CONSTRUCTION TRAILERS AND/OR TEMPORARY STRUCTURES

Upon approval of the Construction Management Plan and receipt of the building permit as required, a temporary construction trailer or portable field office may be located on building site within the Improvement Envelope, subject to the following Guidelines:

- The type, size and colour of construction trailers are to be approved by the Committee during the Pre-Construction Conference.
- The field office may not be placed on site earlier than two weeks prior to the actual start of continuous construction activity.

# 4.10 SANITARY FACILITIES

Owners and their contractors are responsible for providing adequate sanitary facilities for construction workers. Portable toilets are to be located within the Improvement Envelope and in a discreet location, as approved on the Construction Management Plan. Sanitary facilities are not to be located within 50 feet of drainages and/or other sensitive resources

# 4.11 DEBRIS AND WASTE REMOVAL

The following debris and waste removal procedures are to be adhered to at all construction sites:

- Trash and debris are to be cleaned up at the end of each day. Trash and debris are to be removed from each construction site at least once a week and transported to an authorized disposal site.
- Dumping, burying and/or burning trash is not permitted anywhere within MONTANE.
- Heavy and large debris, such as broken stone and wood scraps, are to be removed from the site immediately upon completion of each work trade.

- Concrete washout, from both trucks and mixers, is to be contained within the Improvement Envelope and concealed by structure or covered with backfill. Concrete washout in road rights-of-way, setbacks or on neighbouring properties is strictly prohibited and will be fined.
- During the construction period, each construction site shall be kept neat and is to be properly policed to prevent it from becoming a public eyesore, nuisance or detriment to neighbouring properties.
   Owners are responsible for any clean-up costs incurred by the Committee in enforcing these requirements.
- Dirt, mud and/or other debris is to be promptly removed from public or private roads, open spaces, driveways and/or other portions of MONTANE.

# 4.12 EXCAVATION, GRADING AND EROSION CONTROL

During construction, erosion is to be minimized on exposed cut and/or fill slopes through proper soil stabilization, water control and re-vegetation.

All measures are to comply with the City of Fernie Fire Department.

# 4.13 CONSTRUCTION SIGNS

One temporary construction sign per Homesite is permitted during construction, subject to the following Guidelines:

- The sign is not to exceed 1 square meter.
- The design and information indicated on construction signs are to conform to examples provided by the developer.
- Emergency contact information is to be posted on the construction sign.

# APPENDIX A

# **GLOSSARY OF DEFINED TERMS**

### Applicant

Owner and/or their representative responsible for the Design Codes Approval Processes described in Appendix C.

#### Area of Disturbance

The area surrounding construction activities that is impacted by such construction.

#### **Building Height**

The vertical distance from the highest point of a structure to the average of the highest and lowest points where exterior walls touch natural grade.

#### **Commissioning Agent**

A professional qualified to evaluate and certify a building is designed, constructed and functions in accordance with the Owner's specified operational requirements, such as energy conservation and indoor air quality.

#### Consultant

A person retained by an Owner to provide professional advice or services.

#### Contractor

A person or entity retained by an Owner for the purpose of constructing any improvements within MONTANE.

#### **Design Codes (Codes)**

The standards, guidelines, review procedures and construction regulations adopted and enforced by the Committee as set forth in this document and amended from time to time by the Committee.

### Excavation

The digging and removal of earth from its natural position or the cavity resulting from such removal.

#### Fill

The material used to increase an existing grade.

#### Improvement

Any constructed element on a Lot and/or Parcel, including but not limited to: buildings, terraces, paths, utilities, driveways, walls, garages and the like.

#### Improvement Envelope

That portion of a Lot and/or Parcel, wherein all improvements may take place (as established by front, rear and side setbacks), including all buildings, terraces, autocourts and/or garages, with the exception of some native landscape planting, utilities, walls and driveways.

#### Landscape Architect

A person licensed to practice landscape architecture.

# Lot

Private residential properties within MONTANE.

## Lot Diagram

The individual site plan for each Lot and/or Parcel that describes the unique attributes of the particular site and indicates important design parameters such as topography, the Improvement Envelope, Natural Area, easements of record.

## **Natural Area**

An area that is altered moderately so that it blends with all adjoining naturally landscaped areas and creates natural screens to obscure and soften built improvements from neighbouring areas. All plant materials introduced in these areas are to be native species as indicated in Appendix B – Approved Plant List.

## **Notice to Comply**

Written notice issued to an Owner and/or Contractor of any changes and/or alterations not in compliance with Committee approved plans or the Codes, which are to be corrected as requested by the Committee.

## Site Coverage

The maximum portion of a Lot and/or Parcel that may be covered by a building and/or any other impervious surface including, but not limited to porches, courtyards, terraces and driveways.

## **Subdivision Plan**

The individual site plan, approved by the City of Fernie for each single/multi-family or commercial parcel.

## Sustainable Design (Sustainable, Sustainability)

The implementation of environmentally sensitive and resource conserving techniques into the design of a building and associated landscape. Sustainable Design is intended to create buildings that are integrated with the local landscape and climate to create a healthier living environment for the building's inhabitants and neighbours.

# APPENDIX B

# APPROVED PLANT LIST

Trees	Botanical Name	Common Name	Native	Natural Areas	High Soil Moisture Areas
	Abies lasiocarpa	Subalpine Fir			
	Abies amabilis	Amabilis Fir	х		
	Abies concolor	White Fir			х
	Acer ginnala	Amur Maple			х
	Alnus rubra	Red Alder	х	х	
	Amelanchier alnifolia	Saskatoon Serviceberry	х	х	х
	Betula papyrifera	Paper Birch	х	х	
	Crataegus douglasii	Black Hawthorn	х	х	
	Juniperus scopulorum	Rocky Mountain Juniper		х	
	Larix laricina	Tamarack		х	
	Larix occidentalis	Western Larch	х	х	х
	Picea engelmannii	Englemann Spruce	х		
	Picea engelmannii x glauca	Hybrid Sitka and White	х		
	Picea glauca	White Spruce	х		х
	Pinus ponderosa	Ponderosa Pine	х	x	
	Pinus contorta	Shore Pine	х	x	
	Pinus contorta subsp.	Lodgepole pine		x	
	Pinus flexilis	Limber Pine			
	Pinus monticola	Western White Pine	х		
	Pinus nigra	Austrian Pine			
	Pinus ponderosa	Ponderosa Pine		x	х
	Pinus sylvestris	Scotch Pine			
	Poplus basamifera	Black Cottonwood	x		х
	Populus alba	White Poplar			х
	Populus balsmifera subsp.	Northern Black Cottonwood		x	х
	Populus tremuloides	Quaking Aspen	x	x	x
	Prunus emarginata	Bitter Cherry		x	
	Prunus pensylvanica	Bird Cherry		x	
	Prunus virginiana	Choke Cherry		x	
	Pseudotsuga menziesii	Douglas Fir	х	x	x
	Pseudotsuga menziesii	Douglas Fir - Coastal		x	
Trees	Botanical Name	Common Name	Native	Natural Areas	High Soil Moisture Areas
	Salix discolor	Pussy Willow		х	х
	Salix lasiandra	Pacific Willow	х	х	х
	Salix spp.	Willow Sp.	х		
	Thuja plicata	Western Red Cedar	х	х	
	Tsuga heterophylla	Western Hemlock	x		

Shrub, Vine, Ground Covers	Botanical Name	Common Name	Native	Natural Areas	High Soil Moisture Areas
COVERS	Acer douglasii	Douglas Maple	х		Aicas
	Acer grandidentatum	Bigtooth Maple			х
	Alnus sinuata	Sitka Alder	Х	Х	x
	Amelanchieralnifolia	Saskatoon Serviceberry	X	X	
	Angelica arguta	Sharptooth Angelica	X		
	Antennaria racemosa	Racemose Everlasting	X		
	Аросупит	Spreading dogbane	X		
	Arabis glabra	Tower Mustard	X		
	Arabis holboellii	Reflexed rock cress	X		
	Artemesia cana	Sagebrush		х	
	Berberis repens	Creeping mahonia	х		
	Ceanothussanguineus	Redstem ceanothus	X	х	
	Ceanothusvelutinus	Snowbrush		x	
	Chrysothamnus nauseosus	Rabbitbrush		X	
	Cornus sericea	Red-osier Dogwood	Х	X	х
	Cornus sericea	Colorado Red Osier Dogwood	X	~	X
	Cornus sericea	Yellow Twig Dogwood	X		X
	Cornus stolonifera	Red-oiser Dogwood	X		
			X		
	Corylus cornuta	Beaked hazlenut	A		
	Crataegus douglassi	Black Hawthorn		Х	
	Elaegnus commuta	Silverberry			
	Erigonum heracleoides	Wild Buckwheat		Х	Х
	Fallugia paradoxa	Apache Plume		Х	Х
	Holodiscus dumosus	Rock Spiraea			Х
	Lonicera involucrata	Black twinberry		Х	Х
	Lonicera utahensis	Utah Honeysuckle	Х		
	Mahonia aquifolium	Tall Mahonia or Tall Oregon		Х	
	Myrica californica	Wax Myrtle		Х	
	Oplopanax horridus	Devils Club	Х		
	Pachistima myrsinites	Falsebox	х		
	Philadelphus lewisii	Mock Orange		Х	х
	Physocarpus mavaceus	Mallow-Leaf Ninebark		Х	Х
	Physocarpus sp.	Ninebark		Х	Х
Shrub, Vine, Ground Covers	Botanical Name	Common Name	Native	Natural Areas	High Soil Moisture Areas
	Potentilla fruticosa	Shrubby Cinquefoil		х	
	Prunus virginiana	Choke Cherry		Х	х
	Purshia tridentnata	Bitterbrush		Х	х
	Rhododendron albiflorum	White Rhododendron		X	· · · ·
	Rhododendron	Pacific Rhododendron		X	
	Rhus glabra	Smooth Sumac		X	
	Rhus spp.	Sumac		X	х

	Ribes aureum	Flowering yellow Currant			х
	Ribes lacustre	Bristly black current	х		
	Ribes sanguineum	Red-flowering Current		х	
	Ribes uva-crispa	Gooseberry	х		
	Rosa	Rose Spp.	x		
	Rosa acicularis	Prickly rose	x		
	Rosa glauca	Redleaf Shrub Rose			
	Rosa gymnocarpa	Baldhip Rose		х	х
	Rosa nutkana	Nootka Rose		х	
	Rosa pisocarpa	Clustered Wild Rose		х	
	Rosa woodsii	Woods' Rose		х	
	Rubus idaeus	Raspberry	x		
	Rubus parviflorus	Thimbleberry	х	х	
	Salix bebbiana	Bebb's Willow	х		
	Salix hookeriana	Hooker Willow		Х	х
	Salix lasiandra	Pacific Willow			
	Salix scouleriana	Scouler Willow	Х	Х	х
	Salix sp.	Willow	x		
	Sambucus cerulea	Blue-berry Elder		х	
	Sambucus racemosa	Red-berry Elder	Х	Х	х
	Shepherdia argentea	Silver Buffaloberry		х	
	Shepherdia canadensis	Canadian Buffaloberry	Х	х	
	Sorbus sitchensis	Sitka Mountain Ash	Х	х	
	Spiraea densiflora	Mountain Spirea		х	
	Spiraea douglasii	Pacific Hardhack		х	
	Spirea sp.	Spirea			
	Spireaea betulifolia	Flat-top Spirea	Х	х	
	Symphorcarpos albus	Common Snowberry	Х	Х	х
	Vaccinium caespitosum	Dwarf huckleberry	х		
	Vaccinium membranaceum	Black Huckleberry	х		
	Vaccinium ovatum	Evergreen Huckleberry		х	
	Vaccinium parvifolium	Red Huckleberry	х		
Shrub, Vine, Ground Covers	Botanical Name	Common Name	Native	Natural Areas	High Soil Moisture Areas
	Vaccinium uliginosum	Bog Blueberry		х	х
	Viburnum edule	Highbush Cranberry	х		

Forbs, Herbs & Perennials	Botanical Name	Common Name	Native	Natural Areas	High Soil Moisture Areas
	Achillea millefolium	Yarrow			
	Actaea rubra	Red Baneberry			
	Adiantum pedatum	Northern Maidenhair Fern			
	Allium cernuum	Nodding Onion			
	Anaphalis mararitacea	Pearly Everlasting			
	Aquilegia formosa	Western Columbine			

	Aquilegia sp.	Columbine			
	Aralia nudicaulis	Wild Sarsaparilla			
	Arnica cordifolia	Heart-Leaved Arnica			
	Arctostaphylos uva-ursi	Kinnikinnick			
	Artemisia frigida	Fringed Sagebrush	Х	х	
	Aster alpinus	Alpine Aster		~	х
	Aster laevis	Smooth Aster	Х		~
	Aster spectabilis	Showy Aster	x		
	Calochortus apiculatus	Mariposa Lily	x		
	Campanula rotundifolia	Harebell	x		
	Carex nicricans	Black Alpine Sedge	~	х	х
	Carex obnupta	Slough Sedge		X	X
	Carex rostrata	Beaked Sedge	Х	x	X
	Castillejo miniata	Common paintbrush	x		
	Chimaphilia umbellata	Prince's Pine	X		
	Collinsia parviflora	Small-Flowered Blue-Eyed	x		
	Collomia linearis	Narrow Leaved Collomia	x		
	Clintonia uniflora	Queen's Cup	x		
	Cornus canadensis	Canada Bunchberry	x	x	
	Delphinium menziessi	Menzies' Larkspur		X	
	Delphinium spp.	Larkspur			х
	Deschampsia caespitosa	Tufted Hair Grass		x	
	Disporum hookeri	Oregon Fairy-Bell	x		
	Dryopteris expansa	Spiny Wood Fern		x	
	Echinacea purpurea	White Swan Cloneflower	x		
Forbs, Herbs & Perennials	Botanical Name	Common Name	Native	Natural Areas	High Soil Moisture Areas
	Epilobium glaberrimum	Smooth Willow-Herb	x		711000
	Festuca idahoensis	Bluebunch Fescue		x	
	Fragaria virginiana	Wild Strawberry	x	X	
	Gallium aparine	Cleavers	x		
	Galium triflorum	Sweet Scented Bedstraw	x		
	Geum macrophyllum	Large-leaved Avens	x		
	Goodyera oblongifolia	Rattlesnake Plantain	x		
	Hedysarum sulphurescens	Yellow Hedysarum	x		
	Heracleum lanatum	Cow Parsnip	Х		
	Heracleum lanatum Hieracium albiflorum	White Hawkweed	x		
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	Hieracium albiflorum	White Hawkweed	x	x	
	Hieracium albiflorum Hieracium canadense	White Hawkweed Canada Hawkweed Salal Cream-Coloured Vetchling	x	x	
	Hieracium albiflorum Hieracium canadense Gaultheria shallon	White Hawkweed      Canada Hawkweed      Salal      Cream-Coloured Vetchling      Twinflower	X X	x	
	Hieracium albiflorum Hieracium canadense Gaultheria shallon Lathyrus ochrolecus	White Hawkweed Canada Hawkweed Salal Cream-Coloured Vetchling	x x x	x	
	Hieracium albiflorum Hieracium canadense Gaultheria shallon Lathyrus ochrolecus Linnaea borealis	White Hawkweed      Canada Hawkweed      Salal      Cream-Coloured Vetchling      Twinflower      Blue Flax      Hart-Leaved Twayblade	X X X X X	x x	
	Hieracium albiflorum Hieracium canadense Gaultheria shallon Lathyrus ochrolecus Linnaea borealis Linum lewissii	White Hawkweed      Canada Hawkweed      Salal      Cream-Coloured Vetchling      Twinflower      Blue Flax	x x x x x x x		
	Hieracium albiflorum Hieracium canadense Gaultheria shallon Lathyrus ochrolecus Linnaea borealis Linum lewissii Listera cordata	White Hawkweed      Canada Hawkweed      Salal      Cream-Coloured Vetchling      Twinflower      Blue Flax      Hart-Leaved Twayblade	x x x x x x x		
	Hieracium albiflorum Hieracium canadense Gaultheria shallon Lathyrus ochrolecus Linnaea borealis Linum lewissii Listera cordata Lupinus arcticus	White Hawkweed      Canada Hawkweed      Salal      Cream-Coloured Vetchling      Twinflower      Blue Flax      Hart-Leaved Twayblade      Wild Lupine	X X X X X X X		

	Mahonia nervosa	Dull Oregon Grape	x		
	Mahonia repens	Creeping Oregon Grape		х	
	Mimulus guttatus	Yellow Monkey-Flower		x	
	Mimulus lewisii	Pink Monkey-Flower		х	
	Meliotus alba	White Sweet-Clover	x		
	Meliotus officinalis	Yellow Sweet-Clover	x		
	Monarda didyma	Bee Balm			
	Moneses uniflora	Single Delight	x		
	Nothochelone nemorosa	Woodland Penstemon		x	
	Orthilia secunda	One-sided Wintergreen	x		
	Osmorhiza chilensis	Bluntfruted Sweet Cicely	x		
Forbs, Herbs & Perennials	Botanical Name	Common Name	Native	Natural Areas	High Soil Moisture Areas
	Pedicularis bracteosa	Western Lousewort	х		
	Pedicularis racemosa	Leafy Sickletop Lousewort	х		
	Penstemon davidsonii	Davidson's Penstemon		х	
	Penstemon fruticosus	Shrubby Penstemon		х	
	Penstemon ovatus	Broad Leaved Penstemon		х	
	Penstemon procerus	Small-flowered Penstemon		x	
	Philedelphus lewisii	Mock Orange		х	х
	Plantago major	Common Plantain	x		
	Polygonum douglasii	Douglas Knotweed	x		
	Polystichum munitum	Sword Fern		x	
	Potentilla fruticosa	Shrubby Cinquefoil			x
	Potentilla pensylvanica	Prairie Cinquefoil	x		
	Prunella vulgaris	Selfheal	x		
	Pyrola asarifolia	Pink wintergreen	x		
	Ribes cereum	Wax Currant		х	х
	Rosa spp.	Rose			
	Scirpus spp., Carex spp.	Sedges	x		х
	Senecio sphaerocephalus	Black-Tipped Butterweed	x		
	Senecio triangularis	Arrow-leaved groundsel	x		
	Scirpus microcarpus	Small-flowered Bulrush		x	x
	Silene douglasii	Douglas Silene	x		
	Sisyrinchium angustifolium	Blue-eyed Grass		x	
	Solidago missouriensis	Low Goldenrod	x		-
	Stellaria umbellata	Umbellate Starwort	x		
	Steptopus amplexifolius	Clasping-Leaved Twisted-	x		
	Steptopus lanceolatus	RoseTwisted Stalk	x		
	Smilacina racemosa	Flase Solomon's Seal	x		
	Symphoricarpos mollis	Trailing Snowberry		x	
	Chrysanthemum x morifolium	Eldorado Garden Mum	x		1
	Euthamia gramnifolia	Flat-top Goldentop	x		
	Rudbeckia laciniata	Tall Coneflower	x		
	Tiarella trifoliata	Foamflower	x		
	Trifolium hybridum	Alskie Clover	x		

Trifolium species	Clover	х		х
Typha latifolia	Cattail	x		х
Veronica wormskjoldii	Apline Speedwell	x		
Vicia americana	American Vetch	x		
Viola adunca	Early Blue Violet	x		
Viola canadensis	Canada Violet	x		
Viola orbiculata	Round Leaved Violet	x		
Viola Spp	Violet Spp	х	х	

Ground Covers	Botanical Name	Common Name	Native	Natural Area	High Soil Moisture Areas
	Arctostaphylos uva-ursi	Kinnikinnick		x	x
	Artemesia schmidtiana	Silver Mound Wormwood			
	Euonymus fortunei radicans	Wintercreeper euonymus			
	Juniperus communis	Rocky Mountian Juniper			
	Juniperus sabina	Savin Juniper			
	Juniperus sabina	Tamarax Juniper	x		
	Mahonia repens	Creeping Mahonia		х	
	Penstemon caespitosus	Creeping Penstemon			
	Potentilla verna	Cinquefoil Potentilla			
	Parthenocissus quinquefolia	Virginia Creeper			

Vines	Botanical Name	Common Name	Native	Natural Areas	High Soil Moisture Areas Only
	Hydranea anomala sp	Climbing Hydrangea			Х
Grasses	Botanical Name	Common Name	Native	Natural Areas	High Soil Moisture Areas Only
	Agropyron caninum	Bearded Wheatgrass	х		
	Agrostis scabra	Rough Hair Grass	х		
	Calamagrostis canadensis	Bluejoint	х		х
	Calamagrostis rubescens	Pinegrass	х		х
	Carex rostrata	Beaked Sedge	х	х	х
	Cinna latifolia	Woodreed	х		
	Deschampsia cespitosa	Tufted Hairgrass	х		
	Deschampsia englongata	Slender Hairgrass	х		
	Dryopteris expansa	Spiny Wood Fern	х		х
	Elymus trachycaulus	Slender Wheatgrass		х	х
	Equisetum arvense	Common Horsetail	х		х
	Festuca idahoensis	Idaho Fescue	х	х	х
	Festuca ovina 'Covar'	Sheep Fescue		х	х
	Festuca scabrella	Rough Fescue		х	х
	Gymnocarpium dryopteris	Oak Fern	х		Х

Koeleria cristata	Prairie Junegass		х	Х
Phleum pratense	Timothy	х		
Pseudoroegneria spicata	Bluebunch Wheatgrass		х	Х
Pteridium aquilinum	Bracken Fern	х		х
Scripus acutus	Hardstem Bulrush		х	х
Stipa comata	Needle-and-thread	х		

Ornamental Grasses	Botanical Name	Common Name	Native	Natural Areas	High Soil Moisture Areas
	Carex bebbii	Bebbs' Sedge			x
	Carex lanuginosa	Wooly Sedge			x
	Festuca sp.	Blue Fescue			х
	Helictotrichon sempervirens	Blue Oat Grass			х
	Panicum capillare	Switch Grass			х
	Schizachyrium scoparium	Little Bluestem			х

Wildflowers	Botanical Name	Common Name	Native	Natural Areas	High Soil Moisture Areas
	Heterotheca villosa	Hairy Golden Aster		x	х
	Linum lewissii	Blue Flax		х	х
	Lupinus polyphyllus	Large Leaf Lupine		х	х
	Lupinus sp.	Lupine		х	х
	Penstemon sp.	Penstemon		х	х
Ferns and Fern-allies	Botanical Name	Common Name	Native	Natural Areas	High Soil Moisture Areas
	Cystopteris fragilis	Bladderfern	х		
	Equisetum pratense	Horsetail	х		
	Dryopteris filix-mas	Sheildfern	х		

Mosses, Lichens and Liverworts	Botanical Name	Common Name	Native	Natural Areas	High Soil Moisture Areas
	Cladoina sp.	British Soldier	х		
	Dicranum sp.	British Soldier	x		
	Lycopodium clavatum	Club Moss	x		
	Marchantia sp.	British Soldier	x		
	Peltigera sp.	Lungwort	x		
	Pleurozium schreberi	Red-Stemmed Feathermoss	x		
	Polytrichum juniperinum	Lungwort	x		
	Ptilium crista-castrensis	Feather Moss	x		
	Rhytidiopsis robusta	Pipecleaner Moss	x		
	Sphagnum sp.	Sphagnum Moss	х		

**Recommendations – Seed Mixtures** 

Forb	Botanical Name	Common Name	Native	Natural Areas	High Soil Moisture Areas Only
	Aster chilensis	Creeping Aster			
	Heuchera parviflora	littleflower alumroot			
	Penstemon eriantherus	Fuzzy-Tongued Penstemon			
	Phacelia hastata	Silverleaf Phacelia			
	Potentilla hippiana	Woolly Cinquefoil			
	Sphaeralcea coccinea	Scarlet Globemallow			

Grass	Botanical Name	Common Name	Native	Natural Areas	High Soil Moisture Areas Only
	Carex paysonis	Payson's Edge			
	Deschampsia cespitosa	Tufted Hairgrass			
	Elymus trachycaulus	Sender Wheatgrass			
	Juncus balticus	Baltic Rush			
	Leymus cinereus	Basin Wildrye			
	Achnatherum hymenoides	Indian Ricegrass			
	Pascopyrum smithii	Western Wheatgrass			
	Poa alpina	Alpine Buegrass			
	Poa ampla	Big Bluegrass			
	Poa compressa	Canada Bluegrass			
	Poa spp.	Bluegrass Species			
	Pseudoroegneria spicata	Bluebunch Wheatgrass			

Shrub	Botanical Name	Common Name	Native	Natural Areas	High Soil Moisture Areas Only
	Juniperus horizontalis	Creeping Juniper			
	Purshia tridentata	Antelope Bitterbrush			
	Rosa woodsii	Wood's Rose			
	Shepherdia argentea	Silver Buffaloberry			
	Symphoricarpos albus	Common Snowberry			
	Symphoricarpos occidentalis	Western Snowberry			
	Ribes Species	Currant Species			

### **Notes for Seeding**

- For all forb and woody species a pre-treatment would be required (acid or soaking) to break dormancy; or can be planted in the fall, pre-dormant.
- Control weeds in the first year through mowing (no lower than 6") or herbicide (only after germination of all species).
- Fall fertilize to initiate seed head development.
- See production begins in the second growing season.

# APPENDIX C

# DRAWING REQUIREMENTS

## **Architectural Approval Process**

In addition to the review and approval requirements of the City of Fernie, the Design Review Committee (DRC) has established a design review process to ensure that the completed residence conforms to the MONTANE design vision. The architectural approval process must be completed prior to, and is required by the Committee for submission for a Building Permit. Every design proposal must be reviewed by the Committee or their representative, to determine the appropriateness of the submission for the given site. The submission of a proposal or significant architectural merit may minimize the necessity of adherence to specific items from these Codes.

#### **Preliminary Design Review**

It is recommended the Applicant submit a preliminary sketch of the proposed building, or modifications to an Approved Plan, as early in the process as possible. This is to ensure the submitted design conforms to the Codes, prior to completion of full working drawings.

### **Application for Architectural Approval**

- 1. Before an Applicant can apply for a Building Permit, the applicant must receive Architectural Approval of the building(s) plans for conformance to the Codes. The following is to be submitted to the Committee for approval:
  - The Application for Architectural Approval completed entirely and signed by the Applicant
  - House site plan
  - House construction working drawings
  - Landscape plan
- 2. Drawings are required to have the information as outlined by the Committee.
- 3. It is preferred that all application materials are submitted electronically in pdf format.
- 4. Drawings are to be sent as complete sets only (even if revisions are made to a single drawing).
- 5. When multiple applications are made, each drawing set is to be sent as a separate email message.
- 6. The Committee shall review the application for conformance to the Codes. The Committee will issue an approval, rejection or conditional approval with a list of required amendments within 10 working days.
- 7. Approval: Houses which are approved shall require no further review and may proceed immediately to Building Permit.
- 8. Conditional Approval: Conditional approval generally applies to those house designs which have only minor conditions which are not consistent with the Architectural Codes. These changes are often simple to rectify, and require no further review by the Committee with the understanding that the Applicant will make the required changes. Two sets of marked-up plans and/or elevations shall be returned to the

Applicant with his/her signature certifying that he/she has understood and will comply with the prescribed changes pertaining to his/her approval.

- 9. Second Review Required: A second architectural review will be required when:
  - The First Review requires rejection from several conditions which do not conform to the Code.
  - The building does not conform to the intent of the Architectural Codes. A second review will be required after the prescribed changes have been completed by the Applicant.
- 10. The Committee and/or their representative are in no way responsible for the losses or delays incurred due to the requirements for a second design review, or for a design which has been rejected.
- 11. Samples and/or specification of materials and/or finishes which are proposed but not previously approved may be submitted for review and approval. One sample shall be provided for record/library purposes, a second shall be provided as the site inspection control sample.
- 12. Applications which do not provide adequate information for review may be returned as incomplete. Incomplete information shall be construes as:
  - Any missing component of the required information for Application; or
  - Drawings and/or specifications with insufficient notation and/or details to accurately describe all elevations and/or details, materials and colours of the elevation. Applications will not be advanced until all the required information has been completed.
- 13. The Codes shall be complied with in addition to all the requirements of all other regulations of the regulatory bodies having jurisdiction, including, but not limited to:
  - The City of Fernie Bylaws (most current issue)
  - The British Columbia Building Code (most current issue)
  - The MONTANE Design Code

The Committee and/or their representation are not responsible for reviewing drawings for conformance to regulatory codes other than those provided by the Committee.

- 14. Notwithstanding any statement or drawings in this document, the Committee reserves the right of final approval of the elevation design; colour and site work of all homes in MONTANE.
- 15. Notwithstanding any statement or drawing in this document, the Committee reserves the right to alter the architectural controls at any time if required.
- 16. Changes or alterations to any item previously approved is not permitted without written authorization from the Committee. Revisions are to be submitted as follows:
  - I. Application for Approval;
  - II. Letter describing requested revisions for approval (2 copies);
  - III. Completed drawings describing requested revisions for approval (4 copies); and
  - IV. Builder's fee.

## **Final Building Approval**

Upon completion of the building and all required landscaping, the Applicant shall request final inspection by the Committee. The Committee shall issue a letter to the Applicant indicating that all conditions of the Architectural Code Approval have been met. The Purchaser/Builder will be required to submit this letter to the City of Fernie for final occupancy approval.

If all conditions have not been met, the purchaser will receive a list of deficiencies to be completed, after which the Purchaser/Builder shall apply for a second inspection.

NB: The Committee and/or their representative shall not be responsible for delays to unapproved revisions or deficiencies in the work.

### **Drawing Requirements**

Information required on drawings to be submitted as part of the Application for Architectural Approval:

- 1. <u>House Siting Plan</u>, drawn at 1:100 (or 1/8" = 1'0") scale, including the following, but not limited to:
  - finished grade elevations at the midpoint of side property lines;
  - finished grade elevations at all house corners, garage corners, centre of the garage door and main entry to the house;
  - top of new footing elevations;
  - elevations of basement and garage floor slabs;
  - elevations of finished main floor;
  - elevations of porch finished floor;
  - all exterior dimensioning of the house and garage;
  - location of all setbacks from the property lines;
  - dimensions of all buildings from all property lines, and from all other buildings;
  - location and sizes of porches, decks, patios, stairs and ramps;
  - slope of driveway;
  - slope of finished grade, and;
  - surface drainage pattern, specifically the location, size and depth of swales, if required.
- 2. <u>House Construction (Working) Drawings,</u> drawn at a scale of 1:50 (or ¼" = 1'0"), including the following, but not limited to:
  - fully dimensioned and annotated plans of all floors;
  - fully dimensioned and annotated elevations of all sides of the building;
  - fully dimensioned and annotated longitudinal section of the building;
  - all materials and colours on all elevations are to be listed on elevational drawings, and/or in a finishing schedule, detailing:
    - a) wall cladding, grout, trim, corner boards, door and window surrounds
    - b) gable end wall cladding
    - c) bay cladding
    - d) roof materials
    - e) main roof: soffits, fascia, eavestrough
    - f) porch roof: soffits, fascia, eavestrough

- g) porch floors and stairs to the house/porch
- h) columns and column bases, balustrades
- existing finishes and/or materials are to be clearly annotated;
- elevations of all floors; and
- slopes of all roofs.
- 3. <u>Landscape Plan</u>, drawn at a scale of 1:100 (or 1/8'' = 1'0''), including the following, but not limited to:
  - accurate locations of all proposed tree and shrub planting, and ornamental features;
  - schedule of all proposed tree and shrub planting;
  - accurate locations of all fencing; and
  - elevations of all fencing types.

# APPENDIX D

# PHOTO SAMPLES OF MOUNTAIN MODERN HOMES

























## **Schedule of Restrictions**

- 1. All dwellings must be designed to conform to the Design Vision and receive approval by the Design Review Committee (DRC) prior to applying for a building permit.
- 2. No dwelling shall be occupied until after the exterior of the dwelling is completely finished.
- 3. No dwelling or other building shall be erected or maintained on any Lot until the plans and specifications therefore showing the nature, kind, size , height and location of such structure including a site or plot plan have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Declarant and the refusal or failure of the Declarant to give such approval shall not be actionable by any person under any circumstances, it being the sole discretion of the Declarant to give or withhold such approval but such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- 4. It is recommended that prospective buyers and builders submit preliminary drawings to the Declarant for discussion purpose to avoid unnecessary expenses.
- 5. Landscaping of the front yard must be completed within one year of occupancy.
- 6. No wrecked or partially dismantled cars, salvage materials, or any other unsightly items or any unlicensed or abandoned vehicles or any equipment or trucks shall be parked on or adjacent to the Lot.
- 7. No motor vehicles shall be parked in the front yard of the Lot or adjacent to the Lot unless they are currently licensed with appropriate license plates and decals.
- 8. No condoning, excusing or waiver by any person of any default, breach or non-observance, or so as to defeat or affect in any way the rights of any person in respect of such continuing default, breach or non-observance, and no wavier shall be inferred or implied by anything done or omitted to be done by the person having such rights.
- 9. The restrictions and benefits imposed and conferred upon the Lots are hereby declared to be for the mutual benefit and advantage of all the Lots and the owners thereof from time to time, and any owner may commence, take or prosecute an action, suit or proceeding in any court of competent jurisdiction for the enforcement of any restriction or benefit imposed or conferred upon the Lots by this BuildingScheme.
- 10. Nothing herein shall be or be deemed to be construed as an admission of responsibility or liability whatsoever on the part of the Declarant to or for the benefit of any third party whether an owner of lands or a Lot or Lots in the area of otherwise, to enforce, overs, maintain or otherwise control the activities of an owner of a Lot or Lots or any of them.
- 11. Should any part of this Building Scheme be declared or held invalid or unenforceable for any reason or reasons, such invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect the remainder of this Building Scheme which shall continue in full force and effect and be construed as if this Building Scheme had been declared

without such invalid or unenforceable part.

- 12. No fifth-wheel trailer, travel trailer, motorhome or other recreational vehicle shall be used as a primary residence.
- 13. No storage of fifth-wheel trailer, travel trailer, motorhome or other recreational vehicle on the premises unless contained within the garage.
- 14. No billboards, placards, advertising or signs of any kind shall be erected or placed on the Lot, or in any window or door in any residence or building on the Lot with the exception of temporary signs indicating that the property is for sale or rent, signs such as "Block Parent" and signs displaying the owner's name and address, such signs to be an ornamental nature and not to exceed 12" x 24".
- 15. It is the responsibility of the Lot owner to ensure that his/her Lot is properly maintained to a reasonable level so as not to detract from the neighbourhood.
- 16. Save as herein provided, the Declarant as owner or owners for the time being of the part or parts of the said development remaining unsold shall have power, in its absolute discretion, from time to time by any deed or deeds or in writing under its hand to waive or vary or release any of the said stipulations in respect of the unsold lots and either subject or not subject to any different restrictions or stipulation.