

THE WHEELWRIGHT DESIGN GUIDELINE UPDATE

NEW HOUSE COLOR PALETTE HAS BEEN APPROVED BY RESTON ASSOCIATION (RA) DESIGN REVIEW BOARD (DRB)

Wheelwright Cluster is now approved for homeowners to begin updating their house colors to be in compliance with the new house color palette.

- Wheelwright Guidelines require a completed DRB application to be submitted for changing of house colors and/or if a homeowner is choosing to change siding materials from wood or vinyl siding to cement board.
- We are now approved for 8" OC T1-11 wood siding, resilient trim materials, paint in addition to solid color stain, trim capping to be used on any house, new trim capping color to match Olympic Oxford Brown color (not Musket Brown), house colors for upper vertical grooved siding to be available in the new color palette.
- Homeowners will have a 10 year timeframe to become compliant with the new house colors or when substantive repair, replacement, or repaint happens; whichever comes first.
- No adjacent houses may be painted the same color.
- RA approval comes on a "first come, first serve" basis; ensure your DRB forms are correct and complete before submission. The Wheelwright Board or our RA Covenants Advisor can help with any questions.
- DRB forms will need to be completely filled out and submitted for board signatures before sending to RA. A submission ready for RA will have a completed DRB application, elevation photos of all sides of the house, signatures of one adjacent neighbor and one neighbor in line of sight, one board member, and the cluster President or VP. If you cannot get an adjacent neighbor's signature, a certified letter may be sent to that neighbor instead. For further help in this situation, contact our Covenants Advisor.

NEW WHEELWRIGHT COLOR PALETTE



- RA approval typically takes one business day, but the DRB application must be approved before the project can begin.
- Once RA has approved, homeowners have 6 months to begin project and 18 months to complete.
- Trim color to remain Olympic Oxford Brown
- Stucco color to remain Duron Amber White
- Any brand of paint may be used, but color must match the original brand color.
- Wheelwright Cluster has a discount coupon available at the Sherwin-Williams store on Elden St. Contact the Wheelwright Board to obtain a coupon.

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LINK TO DRB FORM:

https://www.dropbox.com/sh/f4ch21s6x062qsc/AACcQxF-YoyaJY7oUZSx07ODa/Application%20Form?dl=0&preview=Application+02.26.20+Fillable.CURRENT.pdf&subfolder_nav_tracking=1

A NEW CLUSTER GUIDELINE PACKET THAT INCLUDES ALL CURRENT UPDATES IS NOW AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD FROM THE WHEELWRIGHT CLUSTER WEBSITE

The Cluster Guidelines are available under the "Cluster Resources" tab of the website or click [here](#).

DESIGN OPTIONS MOVING FORWARD

The Wheelwright Cluster Board is continuing our multi-year endeavor to systematically go through the existing cluster design guidelines to ensure that they provide the most desirable options for homeowners in terms of available modern materials and designs. The Board's goal is to provide homeowners with more options that allow for flexibility of style and functionality, while taking into consideration financial needs, but still maintaining a cohesive aesthetic that is essential to living in an HOA. Many of our design guidelines are in need of updates that: keep pace with newer, more resilient building materials; prioritize availability of materials and costs; and meet the needs of what residents expect of a modern home.

The Board has found the Reston DRB and Covenants Dept. to be very helpful partners; encouraging clusters to address many of these issues and discrepancies within their cluster guidelines.

The Board is eager to hear suggestions from homeowners, regarding design issues and challenges, so that they can be addressed in future updates. We intend to look at every design regulation in our guidelines and evaluate for ideal options.

PLEASE EMAIL THE BOARD IF YOU HAVE SUGGESTIONS OR CONSIDERATIONS FOR FUTURE UPDATES AT WHEELWRIGHT.CLUSTER.ASSOC@GMAIL.COM

WHEELWRIGHT BOARD PROPOSALS FOR DESIGN UPDATES TO DOORS, DECKS, & A/C UNITS

The next phase of the design updates will largely address updating the options for doors and decks. The Wheelwright Cluster board has put together detailed proposals for both of these elements. Slideshows for both are available on our Wheelwright Cluster website, under the new "Design Updates" tab.

PLEASE LOOK THROUGH THE DOOR AND DECK PROPOSALS [HERE](#) ON OUR WEBSITE

DOOR PROPOSAL HIGHLIGHTS:

- Adding more door material options including fiberglass and wood, to the existing steel door requirement
- Additional door styles as options beyond just flat steel; including door styles with simple panel accents and a simple craftsman style door
- Allowing glass panels to be added to front doors
- In-door glass and sidelight options in clear, privacy, or decorative glass
- Making a broader spectrum of door colors available; including a darker wood grain option. Offering many color options allows for personalization.

DECK PROPOSAL HIGHLIGHTS:

- Expanding size of elevated decks
- Adding options for composite decking materials
- Increasing color options for composite decking and wood stain colors that align with existing color guidances for a more polished finish
- Including composite materials as optional replacements for top railing
- Allowing resilient materials options for balusters and railings; including metal and composite
- Offering an option for a glass panel to replace individual filler balusters
- Creating options for under-deck drainage to keep patios dry

A/C UNIT PROPOSAL SUMMARY:

- Some homeowners have independently submitted DRBs to RA to move their exterior A/C units from the front of their house to the back
- This can help residents resolve air circulation issues encountered when newer units are installed in garbage bins
- The board proposes to make this an approved option within the cluster guidelines to make it easier for homeowners to address this change with Reston