# **Aberdeen Fencing Options**

## Commentary beyond the Community Development Code

- Overview: This is a supplement to the Community Development Code (CDC) that is the governing document; it is located at <u>www.aberdeenelw.com</u> in the Community Documents section. Because the CDC provides some flexibility to homeowners, we wanted to share some guidance on alternate fence styles and landscaping that would likely generate approval of an Exterior Change Application for a fence.
- Benefits: The Board wants to stay current with fence design options suited for our neighborhood and allow lower maintenance options that should lead to longer useful life and better appearance.
- Fence Types: Various styles of fencing may be considered (e.g. wood, composite, plastic, aluminum, steel, wrought iron). Please keep in mind the maintenance needs. For example: PVC/plastic fences often mildew more quickly; the lattice tops of fences are often the first to fall apart. Note: chain link fences are never permitted, regardless of visibility.

Other Factors: Approval from two neighbors is required. Fence color and landscaping around the fence also influence the Architectural Committee, with preference for a natural appearance. The extent to which the fence is visible from the street is also a consideration.

### **Examples of Approved Fence Types:**

### **Traditional Aberdeen Fence**

• Acceptable with or without shurbs in front



Wood Privacy Fence

• Acceptable with or without shurbs in front

### **Examples of Fence Types Considered Upon Request:**

### Aluminum / Wrought Iron Fence

• Shrubs in front were an important factor



### **Vinyl Fence**

• Natural wood-like vinyl and setback from the front of the home were important factors.

