

DCCR Revisions Committee Progress and Planning 2008-2009

The purpose of the DCCR Revisions Committee is to develop a plan for determining what changes in the DCCRs can receive 70% of the member's approval by Jan. 1, 2012, and then to develop a system for approval: creating the document, distributing it prior to July 1, 2011, recording results and reporting to the board and the membership.

From the chartering of the committee in May 2008 through October, open meetings were held twice a month. The first half of each meeting was used for the committee's organization and planning. The second half was a period of input from members concerning the DCCRs. Notes from all meetings were published through the SVRA email and website.

In August, the committee decided to use the input from meetings on the Ranch to develop a DCCR Revisions Preliminary Survey to be mailed to the entire SVRA community. By the end of March 2009, 34% of our community had responded, and that is an extraordinary number for which the committee is grateful.

In 2008 the committee also met twice with the SVRA lawyer to answer questions brought forward by members during our meetings, and also to begin to clarify the procedures for voting on DCCR changes in 2011-12. Member questions largely concerned whether the DCCRs continued to take precedence now that a Town government has been formed and Town ordinances are being written. Remarks from the lawyer with references from a variety of documents were published in Chairman Angelovic's report in the 2009 Annual Newsletter, pp. 14-15.

The work of the Committee for 2009 will be centered on using the data we have received from our 2008 meetings and the survey to write discussion papers for an educational packet that will be sent to all members in the fall. Our plan is to ask members to read the packet and then fill out a response sheet that will help the committee determine which items can receive a 70% vote of the membership for change.

We will also work with the Board of Directors, the General Manager and the SVRA lawyer to clarify questions and consider ideas that have been brought to the committee that may not require a 70% vote. An example is the Fences Committee chaired by Curtis Cheshire, a member of the board. The DCCRs prohibit fencing in the front of houses only. Our survey indicated strong support for the current DCCR but also strong support for clarifying back yard fence guidelines, procedures and approval by the board and Architectural Committee.

The DCCR Revisions blog has been replaced by a new DCCR Committee email, dccrsvra@silverstar.com. We welcome input or questions from members through our email or at the end of our meetings. Members are welcome to our 2009 work meetings, which will be announced via email and the marquees.

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