

DISTRICT OF LAKE COUNTRY

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT AREA GUIDELINES CHECKLIST

HILLSIDE

Consideration has been given to the following issues as identified in Section 21.10 of the Official Community Plan relating to Hillside Development Permit Areas:

Views and Ridgeline Guidelines				
Does the proposal avoid developing on or alteration of ridgelines?	Yes	No	N/A	
Are the structures setback a minimum of 10m from ridgelines?	Yes	No	N/A	
Is the structure designed so as not to impede the views from upland properties?	Yes	No	N/A	
Are lots staggered in order to create offset building envelopes to protect views?	Yes	No	N/A	
Does the natural character of the hillside remain, i.e. is the residences and structures not the dominant feature?	Yes	No	N/A	
Site Guidelines				
Has the natural topography been incorporated into the project to minimize site disturbance and blasting?	Yes	No	N/A	
Do the proposed contours and gradients resemble natural occurring terrain?	Yes	No	N/A	
Does the proposal avoid major cut and fills intended to create a buildable lot or flat yards?	Yes	No	N/A	
Do the driveway grades follow the natural terrain?	Yes	No	N/A	
Are manufactured slopes placed behind buildings and are natural slopes mimicked?	Yes	No	N/A	
Have rock cuts been used instead of retaining walls where necessary (i.e. for roads)? Has consideration been given for visual impact of the exposed rock faces?	Yes	No	N/A	
Is lot grading provided on a consistent, comprehensive basis throughout the whole of the development?	Yes	No	N/A	
Have the manufactured slopes been re-vegetated to reflect natural conditions?	Yes	No	N/A	
Site Guidelines - Retaining Walls				
Are retaining walls minimized in order to decrease site disturbance?	Yes	No	N/A	
Are the retaining walls designed to fit with the landscape and reduce the visual impact of the wall?	Yes	No	N/A	
Do the materials evoke a sense of permanence and reflect natural qualities in appearance through the use of context-sensitive materials (i.e. stone, masonry, brick, etc.), colours and textures?	Yes	No	N/A	

 Have large concrete lock blocks been masked or screened (i.e. through use of landscaping)? 	Yes	No	N/A	
 Are they curvilinear and follow the natural contours of the land? 	Yes	No	N/A	
 Have they been terraced to break up apparent mass and to provide planting space for landscaping features? 	Yes	No	N/A	
 Have systems of smaller terraced walls been used instead of a single large wall? 	Yes	No	N/A	
 Has landscaping been provided to screen or supplement all retaining features? 	Yes	No	N/A	
Are retaining wall 1.5 metres or less in height or are retaining walls terraced?	Yes	No	N/A	
Site Guidelines - Lot Configuration and Clustering				
Are subdivisions being clustered on a portion of the site in order to protect open space in steeper areas and the natural environment?	Yes	No	N/A	
Are higher-density developments (e.g. small lot single detached residential, townhouses) being proposed in areas with less steep slopes that are most easily developable?	Yes	No	N/A	
Is the majority of the development in areas with natural slopes of less than 30%? and preserve open space in areas with natural slopes of 30% or more.	Yes	No	N/A	
Has the open space in areas with natural slopes of 30% or more been preserved?	Yes	No	N/A	
Site Guidelines - Roads				
Have roads been aligned to follow natural site contours, conforming to topographic conditions rather than cutting across contours and reducing the impact on hillsides?	Yes	No	N/A	
Has road connectivity been utilized in the road network over long cul-de-sacs and "dead-end" situations where topographic conditions permit? • Allow cul-de-sac length to be increased where connectivity in the road network is not possible due to topographic conditions, provided appropriate emergency access is constructed.	Yes	No	N/A	
Have alternative approaches to turnarounds (e.g. hammerhead configurations) been utilized?	Yes	No	N/A	
Have split roads and/or one-way roads been utilized to preserve significant natural features, to reduce the amount of slope disturbance or to improve accessibility to individual parcels?	Yes	No	N/A	
Have reduced pavement widths and right-of-way widths been utilized where service levels (such as snow plowing) can be maintained, emergency vehicle access can be maintained, the reduced widths provide demonstrably less slope disturbance and the reduced widths contribute to the overall neighbourhood character?	Yes	No	N/A	

Has reduced roadway cross sections in width been considered if						
parking is to be located on private lots or if special pull-out parking	Yes		No		N/A	
areas are established in strategic positions?						
Have meandering sidewalks adjacent to the road been provided as						
a means of eliminating long, sustained grades, preserving natural						
features, or reducing grading requirements within the right-of-	Yes		No		N/A	
way? Varied offsets between the road and sidewalk will be						
considered for these purposes.						
Landscaping Guidelines - Preserving Vegetation						
Has existing vegetation been retained?	Yes		No		N/A	
Have building envelopes been sited outside areas of established	.,				N. / A	
vegetation?	Yes		No		N/A	
Landscaping Guidelines - Restoration of Vegetation						
Have native plant materials been used to the greatest extent	V		N		N1 / A	
possible?	Yes		No		N/A	
Have dry slopes been replanted with drought and fire-resistant	Vac		Nia		NI/A	
species?	Yes		No		N/A	
Have trees, shrubs and grasses been planted in masses and						
patterns characteristic of a natural setting and with the intent of	Yes		No		N/A	
encouraging biodiversity?						
Does the landscaping pay particular attention to areas adjacent to	Yes		No		N/A	
street frontages and areas adjacent to retaining features?	165		INO	Ш	IN/A	Ш
Have trees and vegetation been replaced in a manner that						
replicates the characteristics and performance of the natural	Yes	П	No		N/A	П
setting, including the provision of a sufficient density of trees,	163		INO		13/74	
sufficient ground cover and intensity of vegetation?						
Have trees been planted in organic clusters rather than in lines or	Yes		No		N/A	
formal arrangements?	163		140		14/ 🗠	
Do manufactured slopes blend in with existing slope conditions?	Yes		No		N/A	
Have water-conserving principles and practices in the choice of						
plant material (xeriscaping) and in the irrigation design and	Yes	П	No		N/A	
watering been followed? (i.e. temporary drip irrigation systems,	163		140		14/ 🖰	
hand watering, and/or automatic shut-off valves).						
Has landscaping been used to minimize the impact to viewscapes	Yes	П	No		N/A	П
by screening building, landscape cuts and retaining walls?	103		140		14/7	
Building and Structure Guidelines						
Are buildings located to minimize site grading?	Yes		No		N/A	
Has the building foundation been stepped back to reduce site						
grading and retaining requirements? (i.e. buildings should be set	Yes		No		N/A	
into the hillside and integrated with the natural slope conditions).						
Have stories been stepped back above second levels to avoid single	Yes		No		N/A	
vertical planes?	163		140		13/71	
Have varying rooflines been provided?	Yes		No		N/A	
Have buildings been articulated to reduce mass and vary rooflines?	Yes		No		N/A	

Have unbroken expanses of wall been avoided?	Yes		No		N/A	
Have buildings been designed in smaller components that appear	Yes		No		N/A	
to fit with the natural topography of the site?			110		.,,,,	
Have roof pitches been designed to reflect the slope of the natural						
terrain? (i.e. angling roof pitches at slopes that are similar to those	Yes		No		N/A	
of the natural terrain).						
Have natural color tones for housing, fences, retaining walls and						
outbuildings been used to help the development blend into the	Yes		No		N/A	
setting?						
Have natural building and retaining wall materials been used	Yes		No		N/A]
wherever possible?	165		INO	Ш	IN/A	
Have buildings been articulated to reduce mass and vary rooflines?	Yes		No		N/A	
Have retaining walls within the front yard been discouraged?	Yes		No		N/A	
Building and Structure Guidelines- Siting and Orientation						
Have buildings been oriented so they run parallel with the natural						
site contours to reduce the need for site grading works and to avoid	Yes		No		N/A	
high wall façades on the downhill elevation.						
Have buildings been sited to minimize interference with the views	Voc		Na]	NI/A	
from nearby (uphill) buildings.	Yes	ш	No	Ш	N/A	Ш
Building and Structure Guidelines- Setbacks						
Have building setbacks been adjusted to allow greater flexibility	Yes		No		N/A	
locating a building and reduce the visual massing effect?	res		INO		IN/A	
Do the setbacks enable off-street parking and utilize the road right-	Yes		No		N/A	
of-way behind the curb or sidewalk to accommodate parking?	162					Ш
Have side-facing or setback garages been utilized as a means to						
reduce excessive cut/fill, help to avoid hazardous slopes or	Yes		No		N/A	
sensitive areas and enhance the neighbourhood?						