

TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON  
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NO. 241

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE TOWNSHIP  
OF WASHINGTON, NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA,  
AMENDING THE SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT  
ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP, AND REPEALING ALL  
ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT  
HEREWITH.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Supervisors  
of Washington Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Washington Township,  
Northampton County, Pennsylvania, under the powers vested in them by the  
Second Class Township Code and the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning  
Code, as amended, hereby ordain and enact the following amendments to the  
Washington Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance:

SECTION 1. Article 2, Definitions is amended to read as follows:

B. Definitions.

66. Street

c. Local Street - Streets designed to provide direct access from  
abutting properties to collector and arterial streets. Local streets are those streets  
which are so designated on the Official Street Classification Map.

1) Cul-de-sac: A cul-de-sac is a single-access roadway that is terminated at one end by an approved vehicular turnaround. A cul-de-sac's length is considered to be the distance measured along the cul-de-sac's centerline between the intersection of the cul-de-sac's centerline with that of the first 'through' or 'loop' street to which it connects and the center of the approved vehicular turnaround. For the purposes of this Ordinance, this definition will also apply to dead-end streets.

2) Loop Street: A loop street is a roadway that intersects the same 'through' street at two points, and between those two points, a cul-de-sac or dead-end street may be connected. A roadway that curves around to intersect with itself is not considered a loop street. Access to no more than 30 dwelling units (not including those units accessed directly via the cul-de-sac or dead-end street) may be provided by any loop street.

SECTION 2. Section 4.2B, Section 5.2C and Section 6.2C of the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance of Washington Township are deleted and replaced as follows:

4.2B. The Developer shall submit thirteen (13) complete sets of 24' x 36" paper plans, seven (7) sets of all supporting documents, and one (1) complete set of 11" x 17" paper plans and one (1) CD, clearly labeled with the

project name and title and submission date containing all pertinent Portable Document Format (PDF) files, or equivalent, to the Township Secretary-Treasurer accompanied by an application for approval. The application shall note and include a receipt indicating that the appropriate fees have been paid to Washington Township, Northampton County. The application and preliminary plan will be received by the Township, date of receipt noted, and promptly transmitted to the Planning Commission for review.

5.2C. The Developer shall submit seventeen (17) complete sets of 14" x 36" paper plans, seven (7) sets of all supporting documents, one (1) complete set of 11" x 17" paper plans and one (1) CD, clearly labeled with the project name and title and submission date containing all pertinent Portable Document Format (PDF) files, or equivalent, to the Township Secretary-Treasurer accompanied by an application for approval. The application shall note and include a receipt indicating that the appropriate fees have been paid to Washington Township, Northampton County. The application and preliminary plan will be received by the Township, date of receipt noted, and promptly transmitted to the Planning Commission for review.

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SECTION 3. The street design standards contained in Article 10 are amended to read as follows:

10.4 STREETS

F. Street Design Standards

1. Minimum street design standards shall be as shown in Table

10.2

TABLE 10.2

DESIGN STANDARDS FOR STREETS  
(All Dimensions in Feet Unless Specified)

| DESIGN SPECIFICATION  | Type of Street |           |       |                 |
|---|----------------|-----------|-------|-----------------|
|   | Arterial       | Collector | Local | Marginal Access |
| Right-of-Way Width  | 80             | 60        | 50    | 40              |
| Cartway Width   | 28             | 28        | 26    | 26              |
| Cartway Width with<br>Curbs on Both Sides<br>and No Parking         | 30             | 28        | 26    | 26              |
| Cartway Width with<br>Curbs and One Side<br>Parking                 | NA             | 36        | 34    | 34              |
| Cartway Width with<br>Curbs and Two Sides<br>Parking                | NA             | 44        | 42    | 42              |
| Acceleration/Deceleration<br>Lane Width (One Side<br>Without Curbs) | 12             | 12        | NA    | NA              |
| Minimum Sight Distance*   | 475            | 300       | 200   | 150             |
| Minimum Tangent between<br>Reverse Curves**                         | 200            | 100       | 100   | 100             |
| Minimum Centerline Radii<br>for Horizontal Curves                   | 400***         | 300***    | 150   | 100             |
| Maximum Grade****   | 6%             | 8%        | 10%   | 10%             |
| Stabilized or Paved Shoulder<br>Each (without curbs)                | 8'             | 6'        | 4'    | 4'              |

\* Horizontal sight distances shall be measured from a point 3.75 feet above the road surface to a point six (6") inches above the road surface.

\*\* All tangents shall be measured along the street centerline.

\*\*\* Larger radii may be required as determined by the Township Engineer and/or appropriate State Agency.

\*\*\*\* Minimum grades for all streets shall be 0.75%.

NA Not Applicable

I. Cul-De-Sac Streets and Dead-End Streets

1. Cul-de-sacs and dead-end streets may be approved at the discretion of the Township, but only as a Modification sought by the Developer, recommended by the Planning Commission, and approved by the Board of Supervisors in accordance with Section 1.7 of this Ordinance.

2. All cul-de-sacs and dead-end streets shall be terminated with an approved vehicular turnaround:

a. Circular turnarounds where parking along the pavement edge is prohibited shall have a paved radius of 48 feet (where parking is permitted, the paved radius shall be 58 feet). The width of the right-of-way around the circular turnaround shall be 10 feet. The edge of the roadway shall transition between the circular turnaround and the approach pavement with 40'-radius arcs (the right-of-way shall transition with 30'-radius arcs). The center of the turnaround may be offset to the left, but not to the right. A curving roadway that terminates at an intersection with itself and creates an island of building lots is considered a vehicular turnaround if it has only one access to a 'through' or 'loop' street (such a roadway is considered to be a cul-de-sac and is subject to all applicable regulations herein):

b. A curving roadway that terminates at an intersection with itself and that may or may not create an island of building lots is considered a vehicular turnaround if it has only one access to a 'through' or 'loop' street. Such a turnaround/single-access roadway arrangement is considered to be a cul-de-sac and is subject to all applicable regulations herein. The length of this type of cul-de-sac shall be considered to be the distance measured along this roadway's centerline between the intersection of the centerline with that of the first 'through' or 'loop' street to which it connects and the midpoint of the roadway segment that is located after the roadway's intersection with itself.

c. Other turnarounds, such as the 120-foot hammerhead, 60-foot 'Y', and 70-foot 'T', which may be approved by the Board of Supervisors.

3. If a cul-de-sac or dead-end street is to be extended in the future, a temporary approved turnaround or cul-de-sac shall be constructed using the same dimensional standards specified herein for a permanent turnaround or cul-de-sac. The temporary turnaround or cul-de-sac shall be improved to an all weather surface using oil and chip or other stabilized surface to the satisfaction of the Board of Supervisors.

4. A cul-de-sac or dead-end street shall not provide access for more than 15 dwelling units or be more than 750 feet long.

SECTION 4. Any Ordinance, or part thereof, inconsistent with this Ordinance is hereby repealed.

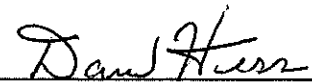
SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall placed into effect immediately upon enactment hereof.


ENACTED AND ORDAINED, into law by the Township of Washington,  
Northampton County, Pennsylvania, this 11th day of January, 2006.

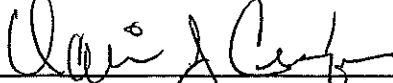
Attest:

  
Lori Dobson, Secretary

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



By:   
David Hess, Chairman

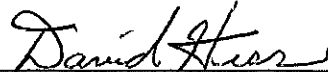
By:   
David Renaldo, Vice Chairman

By:   
Daniel Crafa

Approved and certified this 11th day of January, 2006.

Attest:

  
By:   
Lori Dobson, Secretary

  
David Hess, Chairman