APPENDIX II: SUGGESTIONS FOR STREETSCAPE FENCES AND WALLS

Wall and fence materials, colors, and finishes that complement those of the building enhance the appearance of the structure.

The visual prominence of fences and walls should be minimized by using colors and materials that blend with the natural environment.

Follow the natural grade of the site when placing fences and walls.

Fences that provide relief and texture are encouraged.

- Tall stuccoed walls with masonry columns are suitable for estate-size lots. (Figure a)
- Painted and redwood/cedar fencing provide a good continuation of neighborhood patterns. (Figures b and c)
- Open rail fencing reduces visual and structural bulk. (Figure d)
- Fences that incorporate trellises for background planting reduce visual impact. (Figure e)

City Fence Regulations

Fences, Hedges, or Other Visual Obstructions

*Front Yards*: No fence, hedge, screen planting, or any other type of visual obstruction exceeding four feet in height is allowed from the front property line to the front line of the dwelling.

*Side Yards*: No fence, hedge, screen planting, or any other type of visual obstruction exceeding six feet in height is allowed along side property lines from the front line of the dwelling to the rear property line.

*Corner Lots*: For traffic safety purposes, there is a three-foot height limit for fences, hedges, screening, or other types of visual obstructions on corner lots.

Exceptions to the City's fence height restrictions may be permitted if a use permit is first obtained.

Please contact the City's Community Development Department staff for further information or refer to section 23.64.130 of the Municipal Code for specific fence regulations.