

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

TO: THE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS COMMITTEE AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:

**Development Standards Committee
August 21, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.
The Woodlands Township**

Notice is hereby given that the Development Standards Committee will hold a Special Meeting on Friday, August 21, 2020, at 4:00 p.m., via video conference within the boundaries of The Woodlands Township in The Woodlands, Texas, which may be viewed online at <http://www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/778/Meeting-Videos>

To call in to the August 21, 2020 Development Standards Committee meeting to provide public comment, you may call any of the numbers listed below. For the best quality audio, it is recommended to use one of the local numbers:

+1 346 248 7799 or +1 669 900 6833 or +1 253 215 8782 or +1 929 205 6099 or +1 301 715 8592 or +1 312 626 6799 or 888 788 0099 (Toll Free) or 877 853 5247 (Toll Free)

Once you have connected, you will need to enter **Webinar ID: 899 6553 2107**, then enter the pound sign “#” on your telephone keypad.

- I. Welcome/Call Meeting to Order.**
- II. Public Comments *See Guidelines (listed below)**
- III. Consideration and Action of the Residential Applications and Covenant Violations.**
 1. Variance request for a proposed pool with associated decking, that will encroach into the ten foot rear easement and will exceed the maximum amount of hard surface area allowed.
Danny and Dara Engle
6 Aberdeen Crossing Place
Lot 27, Block 01, Section 48 Village of Cochran’s Crossing
- IV. Consideration and discussion pertaining to proposed recommendations for signage standards and use of outdoor facilities for additional seating at commercial parcels, during the COVID-19 pandemic.**
- V. Member Comments**
- VI. Staff Reports**
- VII. Adjourn**

***Modified Guidelines for Public Comments to be used when the Committee is meeting via videoconference during the COVID-19 Pandemic Emergency**
On March 16, 2020, Texas Governor Greg Abbott temporarily suspended certain requirements within the Texas Open Meetings Act (TOMA) to help reduce the potential transmission of COVID-19. These provisions relate to the public health pandemic emergency. The Township began using videoconferencing for their March 25, 2020 Board meeting, and will continue to use this format until normal Township operations have resumed. The following guidelines will be used to allow the public to provide public comment in accordance with the Open Meetings Act and have been modified for the purpose of the Board’s meetings held by videoconference.

Participation by members of the public in open meetings of the Development Standards Committee is welcomed and encouraged. A “public comment” agenda item is included at the beginning of all regular meeting agendas. To produce the most efficient and effective process for allowing constituents to address the Committee, The Committee accepts public comments in accordance with State Law and the following Guidelines for Participating in Public Meetings, which have been adjusted due to the use of videoconferencing during the COVID-19 pandemic emergency:

- Individuals, who wish to make general announcements, address a topic that is not included on the agenda, or who wish to address specific agenda items must do so under the “public comments” agenda item at the beginning of the meeting.
- Individuals will be limited to a total of three (3) minutes regardless of the number of topics, and individuals who provide and utilize a translator will be limited to a total of six (6) minutes.

- State Law prohibits the Committee from formally acting on a specific item or public comment unless it appears on the posted agenda. Therefore, any Committee discussion of items not included on the posted agenda is limited to questions for clarification and whether or not the item should be placed on a future agenda.
- Speakers may express their opinions or viewpoints on an issue, but are not permitted to participate in the debate on an issue.
- Speakers will not use profanity.
- Comments from speakers can be made to the Committee as a whole or to an individual member(s).
- Consistent with in-person meetings, public comment will only be taken during the “public comments” agenda item.

Additional notes for those wishing to call in for Public Comment:

- When calling in, you will be placed in a queue. If you are calling for a specific agenda item, we will request what item you are present for; and return you to the call queue until your item is ready to be presented.
- If you receive a busy signal when calling in and the “public comments” period has not concluded, please hang up and call back. The Committee will make every effort to ensure that all callers have an opportunity to speak.
- **If you are watching the video of the meeting when you are called upon to speak, please mute the volume on your computer before speaking to avoid audio feedback for the Committee members. There is a brief lag between the audio and video feeds.**
- After you have been called upon, you may disconnect from the phone call and continue to watch through the live stream broadcast at <http://www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/778/Meeting-Videos>.
- When your item is being presented, please select *9 to indicate you are present for that matter and wish to speak.

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To request other accommodations, call (281) 210-3800 or email ADA@thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov During the August 21, 2020 videoconference Development Standards Committee Meeting, members of the public may provide public comment by calling the numbers shown above and using the Webinar ID #. Calls will be in the order the calls are received and should call in during the “public comment” in order to identify matter for which we have someone present. These phone number are active only for the August 21, 2020 Development Standards Committee meeting. New Phone numbers will be issued for each future meeting during the public health pandemic emergency.


 Property Compliance Manager
 For The Woodlands Township

