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TO: King Farm Architectural Design Trust
FROM: Larry Frank Community Architect
RE Decorative Lawn Lights – Materials Permitted Without Benefit of
 Design Review Application / Procedures
CC: Ted Wessel Legum & Norman, Inc.

The King Farm Community Architect has been asked to provide information regarding appropriate fixtures and installation for decorative lawn lights. The King Farm Architectural Design Trust, Community Manager, and King Farm Architect believe that establishing a standard of criteria of acceptable decorative lawn lights will benefit citizens of King Farm.

Purpose: The establishment of this criteria will enable citizens to install decorative lawn lights subject to the following conditions without the requirement that the installation be reviewed in accordance with King Farm Design Review Application requirements. This criteria seeks to maintain the quality of design appearance established by the King Farm Design Guidelines throughout the community.

Background: The Design Guidelines do not comment on the issue of decorative lawn lights. The King Farm Community Architect has previously recommended approval for decorative lawn lights that met the following criteria when submitted as part of a Design Review Application.

Conditions: This memorandum proposes that certain decorative lawn lights that comply with the following conditions may be permitted to be installed without the need to submit a Design Review Application to the Community Architect for review.

1. Material Type.
 Decorative lawn light fixtures and hanging posts or standards shall be:
 - a. Metal, Steel or Aluminum
 - b. Durable, High Quality, Plastic, that can not be easily broken

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2. Color.
Decorative lawn light fixtures and hanging posts or standards preferably shall be black, bronze, dark green or dark grey. Fixtures whose colors are metallic reflective colors shall not be used.
3. Fixture Size.
The fixture shall not be larger than 8" high by 6" wide by 6" deep with an overall volume not exceeding 288 cubic inches.
4. Mounting Height.
The fixture and hanging post or standard shall not stand more than 18" from the top of the fixture above the ground upon which it has been installed.
5. Style.
The following stylistic conditions shall control:
 - a. Fixtures shall be consistent with existing building mounted lights installed in the same yard.
 - b. The fixture and hanging posts or standards shall be simple in design.
 - c. Fixtures of a traditional style such as bungalow, neo classical, coach lamp are acceptable. If there is question about the acceptability of a fixture a cut sheet or photograph shall be submitted to the King Farm Community Architect for comment.
6. Power Source.
Hardwired and Solar powered fixtures are acceptable.
7. Quantity.
Up to 6 (six) fixtures, total, may be installed in a front and side yard on an individual unit or lot. Up to 6 (six) fixtures, total, may be installed in a rear (back) yard on an individual unit or lot.
8. Spacing.
Lights shall be spaced no closer than 4' on center in any direction.
9. Location.
Fixtures and hanging posts or standards may be placed along leadwalks or at landscape borders.

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10. Uplights.
All upright fixtures shall be submitted for review with a Design Review Application by the Community Architect.

Please call if you have any questions.