

DEVONSHIRE TREE POLICY

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For some time, Devonshire Neighborhood Association has followed a program of care of trees in its community. There are several factors that make up the practices that are to be followed by both the Association and by individual residents.

The Association has adopted the Architectural Guidelines adopted by the Kings Ridge Master Association as its own. As a part of Kings Ridge, Devonshire can adopt rules or guidelines that are more stringent than those of the Master Association but has generally chosen not to do so. *Please see Kings Ridge Architectural Guideline # 4.10 (Canopy Trees) for information as to the guideline Devonshire residents must follow as regards trees.*

Residents are responsible for those trees that are within their property lines. Failure to maintain these trees may result in damage to the home-site as well as neighboring properties. The Association is not responsible for maintenance and/or replacement of these trees.

Devonshire HOA has historically provided maintenance to existing trees that “front” a resident’s property. These trees can be identified as those that are 10 feet more or less from the edge of the roadway. In most cases this includes trees that may be present on side boundaries of a resident’s property and are 10 feet more or less from the edge of the road.. **Maintenance is defined as providing tree trimming services that maintain the health of the tree and provide protection in strong wind storms and hurricanes.** If any of these trees are destroyed or no longer have any life, they are to be replaced by the Association. The Association will continue this practice of providing service on an “as needed” basis as determined by the Association.

As an accommodation, the Association will allow the resident to apply to remove and replace a “front” canopy tree that has been identified as a tree that has been the Association’s responsibility. The Association may, at its sole discretion, limit the number and location of the trees that are removed on an annual basis. The homeowner must submit the appropriate application to the neighborhood and to the Kings Ridge Architectural Control Committee (ACC) for approval to remove and replace the tree. **The costs to remove and replace the tree are solely the responsibility of the homeowner.**

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President: /s/ Paul Hannon