

Architectural & Design Guidelines

Phase 2B RSL

Lots 1-46, Block 13

Lots 42 -77, Block 11

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BUILDER

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1.0 OBJECTIVE

The objective of these architectural guidelines is to ensure the very highest standard of visual appeal and image; ensuring compatibility among homes and integration of the community into the natural landscape. Outlining the opportunities and constraints of building, these guidelines will assist builders, designers and home buyers in achieving problem free construction.

2.0 ARCHITECTURAL THEME

Walker Lakes Station will be a neighborhood true to the spirit and values of the National Railroad period. A variety of housing types will blend together with the unifying theme of the Railroad and it's Vernacular architecture inspired by a simpler time.

What defines character and community are the details. In Walker Lakes Station these details will be woven through the blend of housing styles to establish a commonality and relationship. Simpler shapes enclosed by uncomplicated roof forms in moderate to steep pitches will display thoughtful attention to detailing. Uniquely designed knee braces, grill patterns, shutters, louvers and door styles will reinforce the theme. From the unpretentious strength of a simple dwelling to the elegant and stately lines inspired by the great train stations, Walker Lakes Station will celebrate the mettle of the Railroad period.

National Railroad Styling



3.0 STREETSCAPE

Care must be taken to integrate the unique values of each home with special attention to the relationship with neighboring properties. Relative massing, siting and style will be of utmost importance in assuring each home compliments its' neighbor and the subdivision. Building massing, siting and style may be adjusted and/or alternate treatments requested to reinforce the streetscape. Entranceways will be covered at the first level. The style, width, height and detailing of entranceways will together create a sense of arrival.

4.0 HOUSE SIZE

Houses are to have a consistency of mass and volume within the streetscape. As such, house widths and sizes must relate proportionately and logically to the lot width and neighboring houses.

Homes will be reviewed on their individual merits of design, massing, proportion, and compatibility.

5.0 SITE PLANNING AND GRADING

Site planning and grading must accommodate the natural slope of the land with variations in grade absorbed within the building mass as much as possible. Lot grading must be in strict conformance with the approved grading plan for the subdivision.

For lots with a more dramatic change in terrain, there may be a requirement for special terracing and/or retaining walls. The purchaser shall be responsible for the design and construction of such retaining structures and must ensure design grades and lot drainage are not compromised.

Natural elements such as boulders are preferred for construction of all retaining walls, to provide a blend with the natural terrain. If the retaining structure is to be more than one meter in height, it must be stepped to reduce the wall's visual mass.

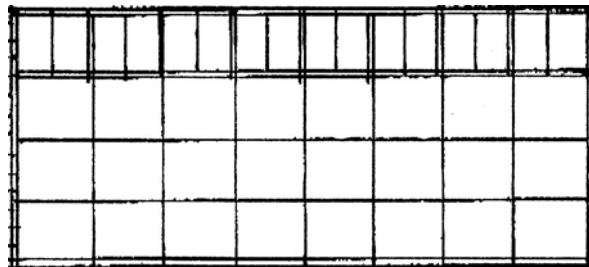
Front entry steps are to be a maximum of three risers per set. Where the grade calls for more than three risers, the run must be split with a landing between sets. Exceptions to this requirement may be granted in consideration of unique design.

Special attention is to be given the treatment of exposed concrete foundation walls. A maximum of 2'6" of parged concrete will be permitted on the front and corner elevations. Variation in grade and basement design may require cladding material be lowered or extended to within 2'6" of ground level accordingly.

Homes will be reviewed on their individual merits of design, massing, proportion and compatibility and, where the Architectural Consultant considers the plan to be exceptional, and, provided that the house conforms with the general trend of the neighborhood, exceptions may be considered.

6.0 GARAGE / DRIVEWAY / WALKWAY

All homes must be provided with a double attached garage, constructed with the home and located in accordance with the garage location plan. Homes should be designed to integrate the garage and minimize its appearance while enhancing the mass of the house itself. Some of the architectural measures that can achieve this are proportionate development of the second floor above the garage and an emphasis on entrance treatments. Overhead doors will be of the style illustrated below with glass panels and long rectangular grills.



Overhead doors shall be finished in the same color as the wall cladding. The height between the overhead door and eave line should be kept to 2'0". Where the design exceed 2'0", special treatment is required. Front driveways and walkways may be constructed of concrete, including plain, stamped and colored concrete, colored concrete pavers and exposed or washed concrete. Where colored concrete or pavers are utilized, the color must be expressly approved. The front walkway must be a minimum of poured concrete in broom finish. Individual patio blocks will not be permitted.

Driveway is not to exceed the width of the garage to the garage front where the width may then flare to include a walkway to the front and/or rear yards.

7.0 IDENTICAL ELEVATIONS

Similar or approximately identical elevations must not be repeated within two lots or directly across the street (X0AX). To be considered different, an alternate elevation must reflect substantial modifications. On lots designated high visibility, repetition must be addressed at both the front and rear elevations.

8.0 EXTERIOR COLORS

Wooden verandas must be painted or stained in a finished state. Color to match the wall cladding and/or trim.

A clear coat finish on cedar is also acceptable. The landing and treads at the veranda may be left in a natural state.

Colors will be approved on a lot by lot basis without repetition on adjacent lots. All color schemes require a strong contrast at trim and fascia. Color expression was widely used as adornment in the National Railroad period and as such, brighter colors are encouraged for fascia and trim.

The overhead garage door must be painted to match the wall cladding.

9.0 CORNER LOTS

Houses on corner lots require special design consideration. Flanking side elevation will have suitable front elevation treatment with principal roof planes sloping toward view. All models will be considered for corner lots based on their unique suitability to these locations. Variation in wall plane is required. Two story models must incorporate substantial roof line between floors, appropriate wall heights, window placement and detailing consistent with the front elevation styling. All corner lots are highlighted for exceptional treatment.

Corner Lots in Stage 2-B:
Block 13, Lot 1, 28 and 29
Block 11, Lot 42 and 47

10.0 REAR ELEVATION - HIGH VISIBILITY LOTS

High visibility rear elevations require special design consideration. These elevations must have openings of a number and size that is suited to the wall area, and incorporate detailing and massing consistent with the front elevation and overall design. The lots affected in Stage 2B will be those backing onto Welsh Drive, Lots 01 to 08 in Block 13.

11.0 ROOFING

Roof slopes will be a minimum 7/12 with a predominance of gable styled roofs. Hip roof may also be utilized at the main roof with front facing gables.

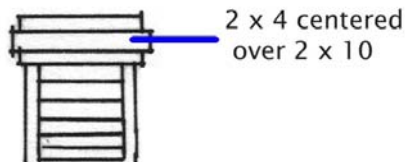
Eave overhangs are to be 12". Cantilevers and boxouts on visible elevations (front,

corner and perimeter lots) must include their own roofline and overhang.

Fascia minimum 6" and maximum 8".

All roofs are to be a standard asphalt shingle in the color of Sandstone in the BP product or Driftwood in the IKO product.

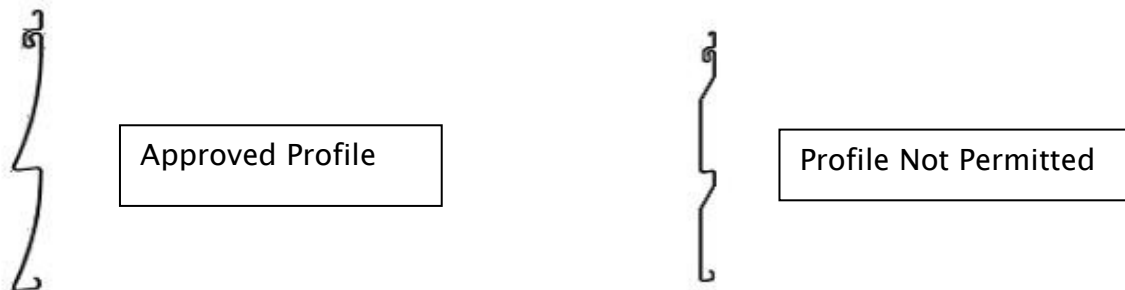
All furnace and fireplace chimneys must be contained in a corbelled chase, 2x4 centered over 2x10 as illustrated.



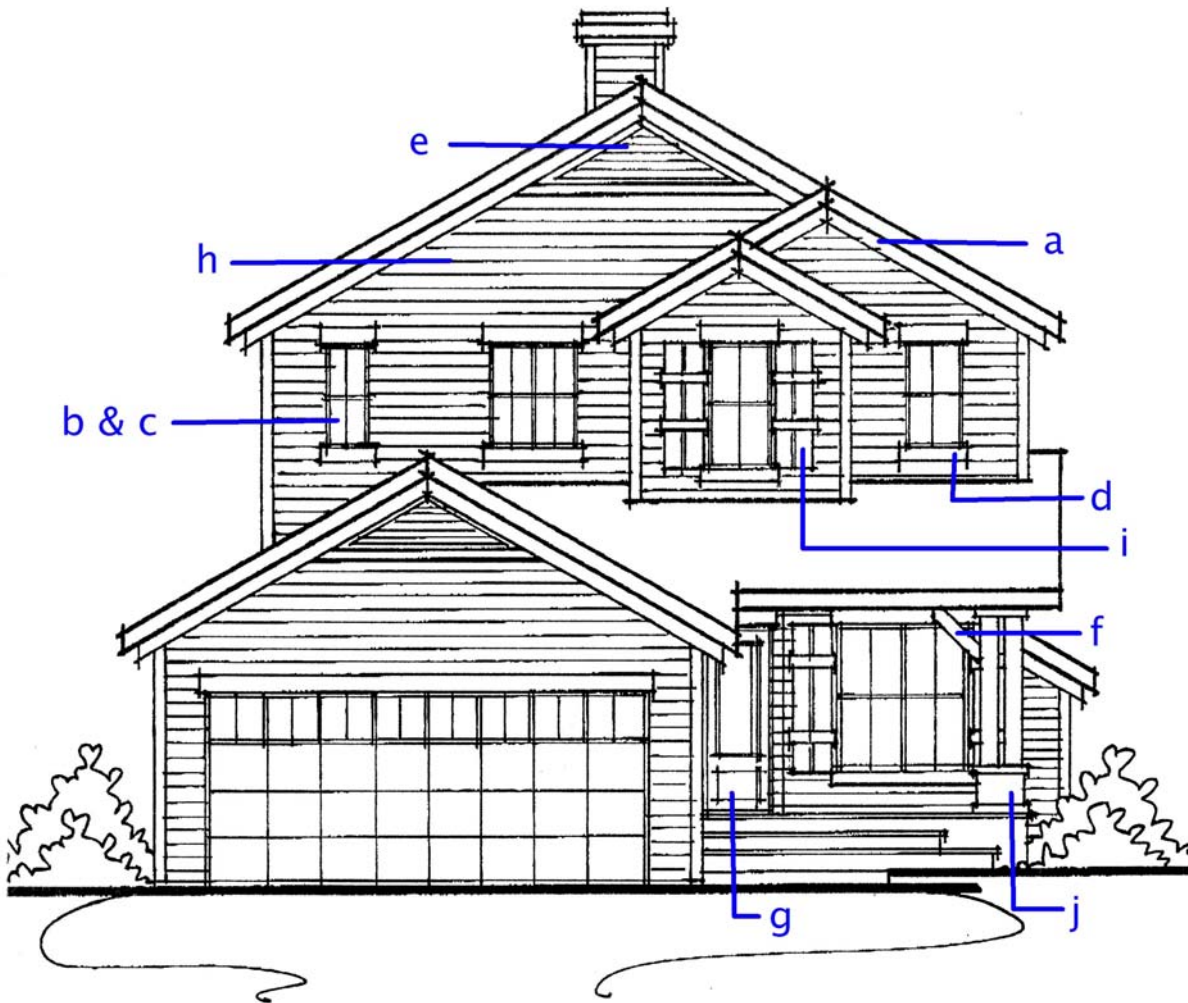
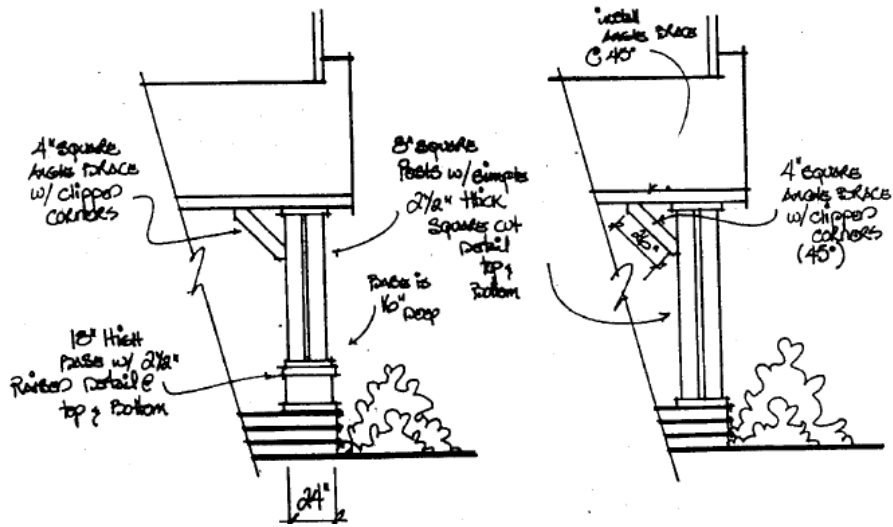
12.0 EXTERIOR FINISHES / STYLING

To achieve the National Railroad theme, the following elements will be included the home design:

- a. Front facing gables are clad in siding or painted panels and defined by 6" shadow bands at the eaves
- b. Windows have vertical orientation and may include rectangular or elliptical transoms (rake and half round windows will not be permitted)
- c. Window grills are a single 5/8" vertical and 5/8" horizontal as illustrated
- d. 6" sill battens and 8" crown battens will frame all openings and extend 2" past window frame. Sill details may also be suited
- e. Triangular louvers (with brickmold)
- f. One or more angle braces will be utilized at all front elevations as per illustration
- g. Entry doors will be simple panel design and include glazing
- h. Siding must be traditional profile. Cove/Dutchlap profile will not be permitted



- i. Shutters are board and batten style only
- j. Columns will be simple in styling and solid in scale in one of the two styles illustrated. Turned, and more ornamental columns are not suitable



A covered porch or veranda is required. Minimum depth of landing is 5'.

Ledge stone and brick are appropriate to the style and where utilized must be applied in a panel effect or as a substantial accent (5' high c/w heavy trim at top), on all front elevations.

Permitted cladding materials include vinyl siding, and wood siding in traditional profile and horizontal application, brick/stone in stacked application.

All finishes, trims, and masonry details must be returned 24" around corners.

13.0 FENCING

On Lots 65 through 77 in Block 11, backing onto the walkway, fencing may be standard height, wood screen at the side property lines to within ten feet of the rear chain link fence. At this point, the wood screen fence must be angles down to match the height of the coated chain link fence, abutting the walkway. The balance of the fencing will be restricted to coated chain link (without inserts) matching the subdivision fence at the rear property.

All wood screen fencing shall be consistent in design and color with the fencing style established for the community, an illustration of which is attached.

13.1 LANDSCAPING

It is the responsibility of the homeowner to landscape the front yard. In the case of corner lots the front yard shall include the flanking sideyard to the sidewalk, curb or boulevard and to the rear corner of the house.

The minimum landscape standard for all lots shall consist of sod, one tree and a prepared shrub bed containing at least six shrubs. The minimum deciduous tree shall be 2" caliper, measured 6" above ground. The minimum coniferous tree (spruce or pine) must be a minimum 6' tall. Shrubs shall be at minimum 18" in height or spread. A prepared bed is defined by edging (landscaping vinyl, brick, concrete, etc.)

Hard surface landscaping will not be permitted. Rock and wood mulch must be restricted to prepared shrub and tree bed.

All landscaping must be completed, in accordance with the requirements, within six months of completion of the house (subject to seasonal limitations). To ensure compliance with the landscaping requirements, a \$1,500.00 security deposit must be paid by the Purchaser, to be refunded by the Builder, upon confirmation of the satisfactory completion of the landscaping.

14.0 ANCILLARY BUILDINGS / GARDEN SHEDS

Where such structures are visible from public adjacencies (i.e. all perimeter lots, corner lots and lots designated high visibility), exterior wall finishes, style and color shall compliment those used on the house. Roof style and materials are to match the materials used on the roof of the house.

15.0 INTERPRETATION

The enforcement, administration and interpretation of these guidelines shall be at the discretion of MLC Group or it's designated consultant. The unfettered application of these guidelines shall be without notice or precedent.

16.0 SITING

16.1 Consultant

Check with the Architectural Consultant and Surveyor for all applicable drawings, and any special conditions.

16.2 City Regulations

Ensure that city regulations are met and note relevant plans regarding utilities and rights of way.

16.3 Plot Plans

A designated surveyor shall prepare all plot plans and perform all stakeouts in the subdivision to facilitate establishing building elevations that are consistent and appropriate.

17.0 SUBDIVISION APPEARANCE

17.1 Signage

In order to maintain cohesiveness for signage within the subdivision, all signage will be supplied by the Developer, i.e. all model signs, directional signs and general information signs. The only signage to be supplied by the Builders Group will be on lots owned or sold by that Builder. Excessive abuse of signage, including sandwich boards may necessitate removal of ALL Builder and Realtor signs.

17.2 Excavation Material

Builders must ensure that all excavation is kept within the confines of their lot. Any spillage on a road, land, sidewalk or neighboring lot must be removed immediately or the Developer will arrange for its removal and invoice for expenses.

17.3 Clean Up

Builders should encourage timely removal by all subtrades of litter on building sites. Failure to comply will result in a clean-up bill being charged to the lot. Supply of bins by the Builder is recommended. Any general clean up of the subdivision implemented by the Developer can and will be charged pro-rata to all builders.

17.4 Construction Activity

Each Builder is responsible for inspecting the condition of curbs, sidewalks, street lights, services, etc. on his lot and must submit written notice of any damages to the Developer prior to commencing construction, otherwise costs for repairing any damages becomes the sole responsibility of the Purchaser/Builder.

18.0 APPROVAL PROCESS

Prior to application the Builder has inspected the lot and all services. All discrepancies or damage are to be reported in writing to the Developer.

Before applying to the City for a development permit, the applicant shall submit plans for approval of MARIAH CONSULTING LTD. Application shall include the following:

- a) One complete set of house plans; ¼" or 3/16" = 1'
- b) Two Copies of the Plot plan, prepared by Stantec Geomatics, 1:300, showing lot house grades and drainage pattern, floor and garage elevations; and
- c) Completed application form.
- d) Material and color samples, as required.

Incomplete submissions may be returned without review. MARIAH CONSULTING LTD. will review the plan and recommend approval, modification, or rejection of the application based on the adherence of the plans to these guidelines. Should disputes arise, the Developer shall make the final decision on the acceptability of plans. Once approved, MARIAH CONSULTING LTD. will send a copy of the application indicating any changes to the applicant. After approval, the plans may not be altered without prior written approval of MARIAH CONSULTING LTD. MARIAH CONSULTING LTD. will keep an up-to-date record of plans showing house types, color, roof lines and

grades, to advise the applicants of how their proposed house will best fit into the existing situation.

Approval of any and all house plans will be at the sole and unfettered discretion of the Developer.

No stakeout will proceed until architectural approval is granted.

19.0 DAMAGE DEPOSITS

The Builder shall supply a damage deposit or Letter of Credit in the amount of \$5,000.00 (regardless of the number of lots) is due prior to house plan and grade approval to cover:

1. Contravention of architectural objectives.
2. Possible damage to:
 - (a) Curb stop – water valve
 - (b) Sidewalks, curbs and gutters
 - (c) Driveway aprons and asphalt
 - (d) Boulevard landscaping and trees
 - (e) Rear gutters and walkways
 - (f) Light standards
 - (g) Fire hydrants
 - (h) Cathodic Protection points
 - (i) Grading and drainage swales
 - (j) Fencing

19.1 Deposit Return Procedure

Upon completion of construction, site works and landscaping, a final inspection is done to ensure compliance with the architectural guidelines and to check for any damages to municipal improvements. The following items must be completed prior to a request for final inspection:

- * Home constructed in compliance with the Guidelines and the approved plan
- * Construction complete including seasonal work on exterior, site cleared of all debris, sidewalks and curbs cleaned, cc marked and exposed
- * Landscaping completed in accordance with guideline requirements
- * Grading certificate for rough grade is provided with City approval

To initiate the final inspection, the **Builder** must forward to Mariah Consulting Limited a request form accompanied by the approved grading certificate.

APPLICATION FOR HOUSE PLAN APPROVAL

In the Neighbourhood of

LOT _____ BLOCK _____ PLAN _____ STAGE _____
 CIVIC ADDRESS _____

BUILDER _____ CONTACT _____
 ADDRESS _____ POSTAL CODE _____
 PHONE # _____ FAX # _____ JOB # _____
 HOMEOWNER _____

House Type: Bungalow Bi-level Split 1½ Storey 2 Storey Roof Pitch _____
 _____ sq. ft. Main Floor + _____ sq. ft. Second Floor = _____ sq. ft. TOTAL

	Material	Manufacturer	Color
Roof	_____	_____	_____
Wall Cladding	_____	_____	_____
Soffit/Fascia	_____	_____	_____
Eaves/Downspouts	_____	_____	_____
Trim -Windows/Doors	_____	_____	_____
-Louvers/Shutters	_____	_____	_____
-Shakes/Crezone	_____	_____	_____
Veranda	_____	_____	_____
Brick/Stone	_____	_____	_____
Window Sash/Grills	_____	_____	_____
Entry Door	_____	_____	_____
Garage Door	_____	_____	_____
Driveway/Walkway	_____	_____	_____

SITING AND GRADES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ATTACHED PLOT PLAN PREPARED BY THE DESIGNATED SURVEYOR. THE BUILDER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MEETING THE REQUIRED ELEVATIONS AND ENSURING ACCEPTABLE DRAINAGE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE APPROVED GRADING PLAN AND PLOT PLAN.

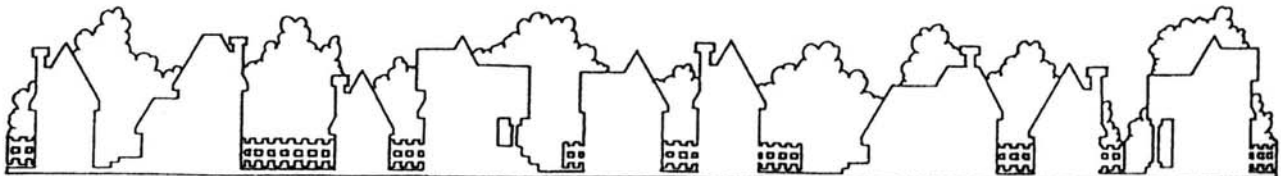
Use of House Plan Approval

The applicant acknowledges that the house plan approval is provided as a service and the Developer and Mariah Consulting Limited assume no responsibility for the accuracy of the information provided or for any losses or damages resulting from the use thereof. The Applicant further acknowledges that he will hold the Developer and Mariah Consulting Limited harmless from any action resulting from the use of this information.

Date _____, 200__ Signature of Applicant _____

MARIAH CONSULTING LIMITED

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**FINAL INSPECTION REQUEST
MARIAH CONSULTING LIMITED**

Lot _____ Block _____ Plan _____ Civic Address _____
 Subdivision _____ Stage _____ Date of Request _____
 Builder _____ Contact _____
 Phone _____ Fax _____

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- ✓ Home constructed in compliance with the Architectural Guidelines and the approved plan.
- ✓ Construction complete, including seasonal work on exterior. Site cleared of all debris, sidewalks and curbs cleaned, cc exposed and marked.
- ✓ Landscaping complete in accordance with the minimum requirements as set out in the guidelines.
- ✓ Grading Certificate is attached and City Approval of same.
 - Rough
 - Final
- ✓ Fencing completed if required.

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Grading _____ Architectural Guidelines _____ Landscaping _____ Damages _____

Comments/Deficiencies: _____ In Compliance: YES / NO

Inspected by: Mariah Consulting Limited Date: _____

Reporting Date: _____ Reported to: Developer and Builder

Attachments: Yes _____ No _____

Re-Inspection Request (when needed)

Date: _____

We hereby confirm that **all** deficiencies have been rectified _____
Builder Signature

Re-Inspection Completed: _____

Comments: _____

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