

The Manor Architectural Design Guidelines

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The many unique characteristics of Spring Creek Ranch community make it unlike any other in eastern Shelby County. Our vision for the community in both its community elements as well as the new homes within it can be summed up in the term "understated eloquence". Nothing fancy or overblown, but everything thoughtful and well executed with quality materials and craftsmanship.

When designing your home plans, please keep in mind the following architectural requirements. Prior to beginning construction, your plans, including a site plan, must be reviewed and approved in writing by the Architectural Control Committee (ACC). To avoid monotony and ensure design variety, homes with substantially similar front elevations shall not be constructed on the same street. Homes shall vary the materials so as not to be the same as those across the street or in near proximity of each other. **Due to their prominent location, certain lots are critical to the overall success of the community. Lots 1, 4, 20, 21, 26, 47, 58, 59 and 179 have been designated as Special Architectural Control lots.** Additional architectural review and attention to detailing of the homes and landscape may be required.

The first step in the design review process will consist of an informal sketch review with the builder and architect, during which we will discuss the general concept of the plan, including the orientation of the house and the garage on the lot, and together agree on any necessary improvements or changes. In addition, your landscape plan must be approved prior to installation of the driveway. The Homeowners Association may impose a substantial fine against anyone who starts construction **prior** to plans approval.

Architects:

All exterior elevations shall be designed by one of the following architects*:

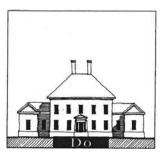
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* Using one of the above architects will involve a short review process. However, if you choose not to use one of the above architects, then you must submit your plans for review to Bill Stevens. The initial review fee is \$450.00 and any required resubmittals are \$250.00/resubmittal.

General Guidelines

- 1. **House Size:** Minimum required heated and finished area is 3,500 square feet.
- 2. **Overall House Image:** Each home should express consistent architectural style rather than a mix of several architectural styles.
- 3. **Scale and Proportion:** Approximate architectural scale and proportion is essential to traditional home designs. Massing of elements should be kept simple and emphasize the main body and the main entry.
- 4 **Garages:** Garages shall face the side or rear, and shall not face the street, unless otherwise approved in writing by the ACC. Corner lots which



Don't clump everything equally under one enormous roof. Many McMansions with a confusing assembly of gables show the guests at first glance neither the entry nor the principal rooms of the house. All buildings should pass the First Glance Test, but many McMansions such as those below fail miserably.

Do mass a house so that it passes the First Glance Test. Massing of a house should clearly show two things at first glance: the location of the main body of the house and the location of the entry for people, which ought to be more important and more noble than the car entry. The houses below illustrate this pattern clearly.



require the garage doors to face the street shall require additional measures such as carriage doors, screen walls or landscaping as required by the ACC to soften/screen this impact.

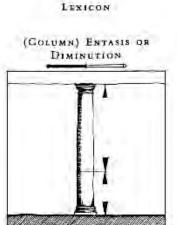
- 5. **Ceiling Height:** Minimum 10' smooth ceilings on first floor and 9' smooth ceilings on second floor.
- 6. **Finished Floor Height:** At least 18-20 inches clearance must be provided between the first floor elevation and finished grade along the entire front of the house (and street side on corner lots), unless otherwise approved by the ACC.
- 7. **Cladding:** Must be wood mold, simulated wood mold, or used brick with an approved mortar color or stucco on all

fronts (and street side on corner lots), and on sides and rear to at least the first floor ceiling joists unless otherwise approved in writing by the ACC. Brick must be queen or modular size (no king size brick permitted).

- 8. **Roofing:** All roofs must meet or exceed dimensional 25 year shingles, and must be of slate blend, weathered wood, weathered gray, oxford gray, estate gray, or shadow gray color, unless otherwise approved in writing by the ACC.
- 9. **Windows & Doors:** All windows must have (or appear to have) wood frames (vinyl clad or aluminum clad windows are acceptable, with color to match trim), and brick mold is

required. True divided lite or simulated divided lite windows shall be used where visible from the public streets. No snap-in grids, or grids between the glass, shall be used on windows visible from the street.

10. **Dormers:** All dormers shall be constructed to conform to the same scale and proportions



"Entasis" (EN-tuh-sis) is a term that originally described the elaborate aptical correction employed by the Greeks on their most measured buildings. Unfortunately, no one has built to that degree of sophistication for millennia, so the term is now used to describe only one aspect of entasis: the elegant taper or dimination of the classical column.

as those in the approved plans. Attached as "A" Exhibit are pages 232-243 of traditional construction patterns by Stephen A.



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Don't oversize the dormer roof so that it appears to be top-heavy. There are a number of unflattering ways of characterizing dormers with roofs that are too big for their bodies. Oversize tops might be cute on cartoon characters such as Dumbo the Elephant, but they certainly are not on dormers.

Do adopt modest proportions when

detailing the dormer body and roof.



Don't use complicated forms. Too many gables, dormers, and roof breaks waste thousands. Throwing away this kind of money on "street appeal" isn't necessary in neighborhoods where the streets themselves have appeal. This type of house usually spends so much money on the front that no budget remains for detailing on sides or rear, where the owners spend all their outdoor time.

Do keep massing simple. Composing a house of one or a few simple boxes saves tremendous amounts of money for more effective things like proper porch detailing, back porches, garden walls, frontage fences, pergolas, and a number of other things that help the owners enjoy inhabiting all of their property.



Mouzon which is required reading for all builders.

11. **Columns:** Columns must be wood, stone or cast concrete with a smooth finish. Whether round or square, columns must be properly proportioned. If round, the

column must have the proper entasis, or taper, associated with classical proportions. Conventions of classical proportion also dictate that the top of the column shaft must align with the finished face of the beam, or entablature, above.

- 12. **Siding:** Siding must be 4"- 8" wide. No 4' x 8' sheet siding or stucco board allowed.
- 13. **Colors:** Roof, brick, mortar, siding, stucco and paint color selections must be submitted and approved prior to installation or application.
- 14. **Railings:** Railings must have well-proportioned square or turned balusters and shall be made of wood or an approved synthetic such as certain products available from Fypon. Iron railings and combination masonry and iron railings are also acceptable, as approved by the ACC. Certain stone and cast products, as approved by the ACC, will be allowed for use in balustrades. Specific information on desired railings should be submitted to the ACC for approval with construction drawings.
- 15. **Shutters:** Shutters shall be paneled, plank (French), or louvered in configuration and shall be operable or appear operable. When closed, the shutters shall be sized to completely cover the opening to which they are adjacent. Shutters are to be made of wood or an approved synthetic approved by the ACC. Louvered shutters must have blades that are at least 2" wide. All shutters must be hinged and must be held in position with shutter dogs.
- 16. **Chimneys:** Chimneys must be brick or stucco veneer of an approved color. No stucco board or siding is allowed. No metal chimney flues shall be visible. Chimney pots or decorative caps must be used.
- 17. **Flashing:** All flashing visible from the street must be copper, except step flashing (which must be painted to match roof or trim).
- 18. **Concrete:** All sidewalks, where required along the street, must be 4,000 psi exposed pea gravel concrete*. All driveways and all front yard flatwork must be of 4,000 psi exposed pea gravel concrete or brick unless otherwise approved by the ACC. Any stained concrete shall require written approval from the ACC. Asphalt and plain (broom finish) concrete are excluded.

*Sidewalks must be installed by each Lot Owner as shown on the recorded plat and must be installed within 11 months after the top layer of asphalt is installed.

- 19. **Mailboxes:** All lots shall have a Spring Creek Ranch standard mailbox, available from J. Allen Ornamental: Joe Fleece, 351-3866.
- 20. **Landscaping:** Solid sod all yards, front, sides, and rear. At least two trees (4 on corner lots) of a minimum 3" caliper must be planted in the front yard. No landscape credits to buyers. Approved landscaping must be completed by builders within 2 weeks after completion of the house. The value of landscaping material for the front yard must be at least \$1,500 excluding trees and sod. Screen all A/C compressors, meters and transformers completely from view from the street.

- 21. **Irrigation:** Automatic underground irrigation systems are required on all lawn and bed areas visible from the public streets. Backflow preventers, controllers, and meter centers should be indicated on the landscape plans and screened from view
- 22. **Fences:** All fences and walls must be approved prior to construction. It is our desire to use natural materials for the fencing with Spring Creek Ranch. Therefore, no synthetic, pvc, vinyl or concrete panel fence are permitted. No chain link fences are allowed, unless located within a wood fence and screened so as to not be visible from anywhere outside the vard. Brick, stone, wrought iron and wood fences are permitted. Wood fences must be of cedar or cypress, board-to-board, with a wood cap and shall not exceed 6' in height. Fence detail is attached as "Exhibit B". A brick column, as shown on Exhibit "C", shall be erected at the common property line between houses to separate the ownership of the wood fences and shall be painted the color Sail Cloth (Benjamin Moore #77) for uniformity. No top ornamentation permitted on top of brick column. No brick column or wood fence between houses shall be permitted closer to the street than 15' behind the front edge of the house. The existing Spring Creek Ranch standard 3-rail fence on the east side of Lot 161 shall be maintained and must be painted Spring Creek Ranch dark green at all times. Wire backing (no larger than 10 gauge) may be added so long as the wire backing is painted the same green color. Any privacy fencing used inside the fence must be transparent with herbaceous plant material screening it.
- 23. Utilities: All utility connections, including cable TV and telephone must be underground.
- 24. **Satellite Dishes:** No satellite dishes in excess of 18 inches in diameter. All dishes MUST be screened from view from the streets and of neighbors and <u>MUST be approved in</u> writing by the ACC prior to installation.
- 25. **Signage:** Spring Creek Ranch has a complete signage system that all builders and their realtors are required to use for the marketing of the initial new homes (see <u>Exhibit "D"</u> for the format and vendor details). No subcontractor or vendor signs are permitted during the construction of the new homes.
- 26. **Streetlights:** Builders are required to install a Spring Creek Ranch standard street light on each lot designated on the master street light plan. This light shall be installed per the street lighting plan prepared by the developer (attached as <u>Exhibit "E"</u>) and shall be wired to the home using a dedicated circuit without a GFI and must have a dusk till dawn photocell.

Supplier: Tom Kelly at IAC Electrical Supply (383-1865).

27. **Drainage:** It is the responsibility of each builder to familiarize themselves with the overall grading plan for the community approved by the Shelby County Engineer. It is also the responsibility of the builders to coordinate with the adjacent/surrounding builders and/or homeowners to ensure that they do not increase the flow of water onto the surrounding lots or impede the natural or designed flow of the surface drainage. The developer is NOT responsible for drainage issues caused by grading by the builders. Black silt fencing (with no vendor names) must be in place at all times during construction. An overall drainage pattern map is provided to the builders as part of the

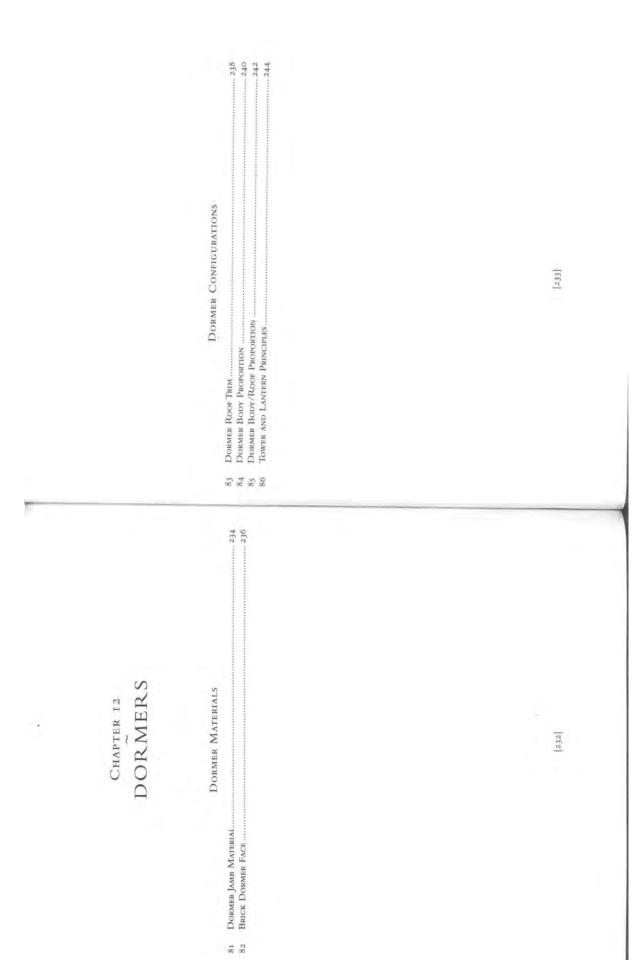
architectural review process. Homeowners should not alter the pattern without written approval from the ACC.

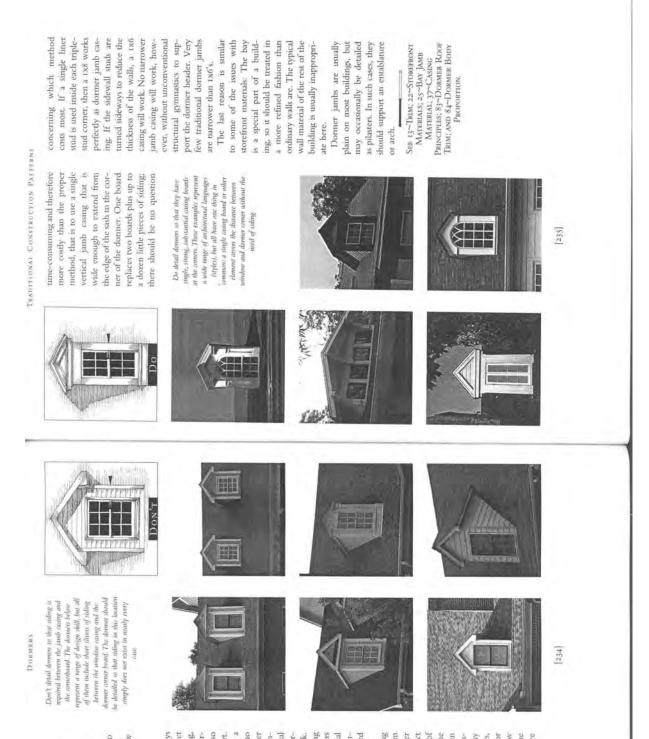
28. **Culvert Design:** All lots with a required swale and drainage pipe must be cut to the appropriate Spring Creek Ranch standard design. All pipes require mitered end sections as shown on the spec sheet attached as <u>Exhibit "F"</u>. All lots shall adhere to specific pipe sizes set by Fisher & Arnold (Engineer).

The above is not a complete list of covenants and restrictions. Please refer to the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions, and the recorded final plat of Spring Creek Ranch P.D. for additional information and conditions. The developers of Spring Creek Ranch reserve the right to modify these architectural design guidelines from time to time as needed without notice.

Should you have any questions or if we may be of any help at any time, please do not hesitate to call us at 766-4213.

EXHIBIT A





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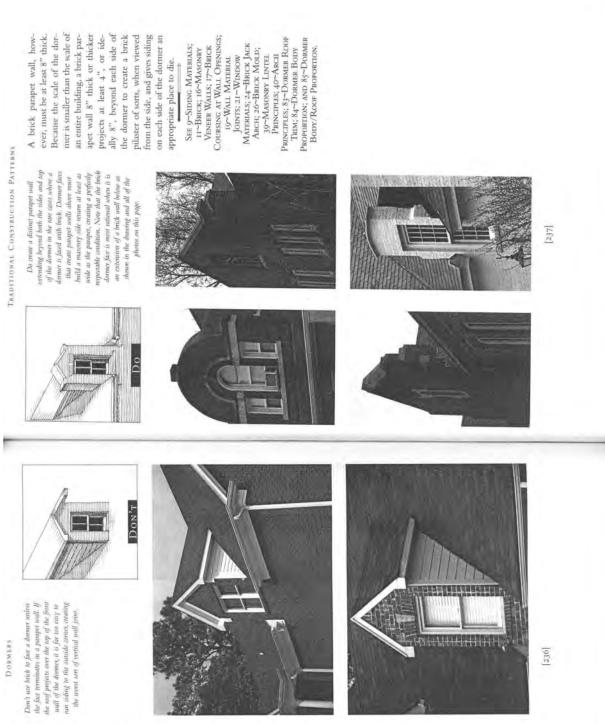
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Dormers are similar to bays in that, because they project from the wall of a building, Dormers with single, strong casing boards at the corners they should be seen primaras framing members so that they have visual support. If they appear simply as a siding-covered box with no visible stiffening, then either the house appears to be constructed of a too-light material such as cardboard, or the dormuch more substantial dard windows set in a standard than those that resemble stanmer looks unnaturally weak wall with siding. look ily

wall with siding. The second reason for using a single board to case from dormer window to dormer corner is the result of the fact that dormers exist because of their windows. Usually, the windows extend almost from corner to corner. The cornnon method is to use scrawny corner boards at the corners, a" or narrower brick mold for window casing, and narrow divers of siding between the two. This is significantly more

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BRICK SHOULD BE USED FOR A DORMER FACE ONLY WHEN THE BRICK FORMS A PARAPET AT BRICK DORMER THE TOP OF THE DORMER. FACE

wood construction. As with viewer understands that brick is a weighty material. These the mythical maintenance free The only exception to this Dormers are almost always in most cases) supported by would make it appear to be brick wallpaper, because every sary, but the current rage for material makes brick dormers even when the rest of the building is built of brick. Brick clearly is too heavy a material to be safely (and legally, other aspects of brick construction, its use on dormers, comments should be unneceseven if properly supported. constructed entirely of wood a possibility. I

rule is the brick dormer face that aligns over a brick wall below and creates a parapet window is half in the wall The eaves of the main roof cally occurs with the relatively below and half in the dormer. wall above. This most typirare "half-dormer," where the intersect the dormer somewhere near the midpoint.

A single wythe of brick is ates an improper material inappropriate, because it crechange at an outside corner.

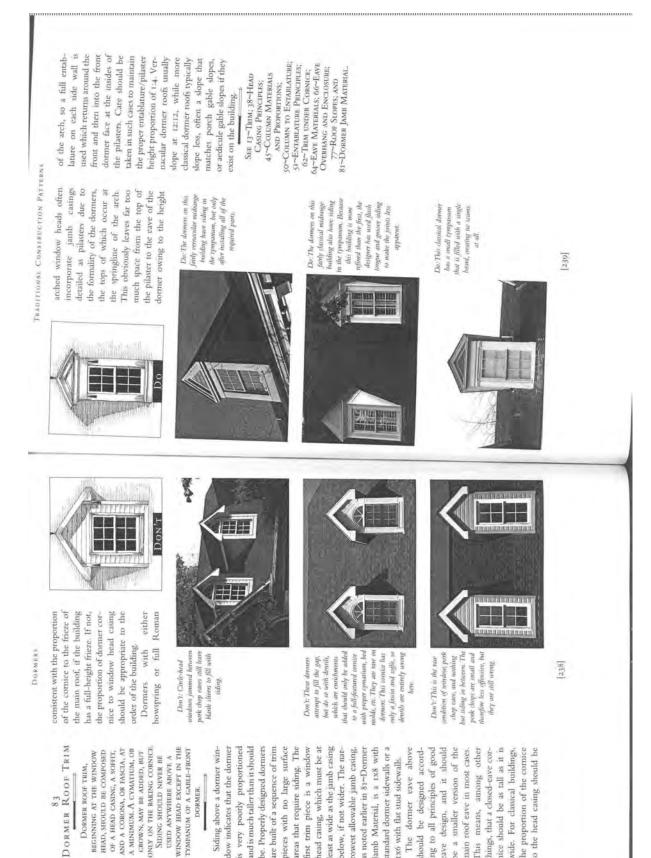


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WINDOW HEAD EXCEPT IN THE TYMPANUM OF A GABLE-FRONT USED ANYWHERE ABOVE A ft DORMER.

head casing, which must be at be. Properly designed dormers are built of a sequence of trim pieces with no large surface areas that require siding. The first trim piece is a window least as wide as the jamb casing Siding above a dormer window indicates that the dorme is very poorly proportioned and is much taller than it should below, if not wider. The narrowest allowable jamb casing as noted earlier in 81~Dormer amb Material, is a 1x8 with standard dormer sidewalls or a

The dormer eave above ing to all principles of good cave design, and it should nice should be as tall as it is the proportion of the cornice should be designed accordbe a smaller version of the main roof eave in most cases. This means, among other things, that a closed-eave corwide. For classical buildings, to the head casing should be 1x6 with flat stud sidewalls.

shorter. This is particularly buildings narrower than windows in dows are taller than the second-level windows. Dormer windows are often somewhat the wall below, because larger dormer windows can create where the main-level winheavy-looking dormers with a chunky appearance. Narrowing the dormer windows, however, requires that their height be reduced to maintain As with the square dormers above, the dormer body prodow proportion. Preference should be given to getting the window proportion exactly mer body proportion from the portion is driven by the wincorrect and deriving the dorwindow proportion. Multiwindow dormers, which may be gabled or hipped but are will be wider than square in most cases, and the individual correct window proportions. more often shedded, obviously window proportions should appropriate on also drive this.

Do proportion dorner and undustr or that the toulousy topely gills the dorner face. The Do draving tudiates a good dotner proportion for dession buildings. 1: This is a dorner on a laitly vernacular midenige hullding. It is somewhat shorter than the classical dormer, but also fills us face until with the window 2: Dormers can be wider than square only if they entirely fill the face of the dormer with properly roportioned windows and their carny 241 Û 大学を Do 64 -----Don'T TYFFFFFFFFF Don't proportion a single-window dormer to be horizontal. v. This dormer TRICOT 240

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for the wordow width, 3: This dormer is an aukward-looking over-reaction to dormer that are too all for their height, 3: This dormer is a near mics of a square proportion with small windows. far too chunky for a tall dormer and is a had match for the window size. 2: This one is even under. It is a good is noticeably taller than square, yet is match for the window height, but not -

> THE BODY OF A SINGLE-WINDOW DORMER SHOULD BE VERTICALLY PROPORTIONED OR

84 Dormer Body

PROPORTION

SQUARE. DORMER WINDOWS SHOULD BE PROPORTIONED SIMILAR TO OR SLIGHTLY

SHORTER THAN TYPICAL





37~CASING PRINCIPLES, 38~HEAD CASING PRINCIPLES, AND 81~DORMER JAMB

MATERIAL.

BUILDING STYLE, 31~WINDOW AND WINDOW STYLE VERSUS

PROPORTIONS; 32~WINDOW PANE PROPORTIONS;

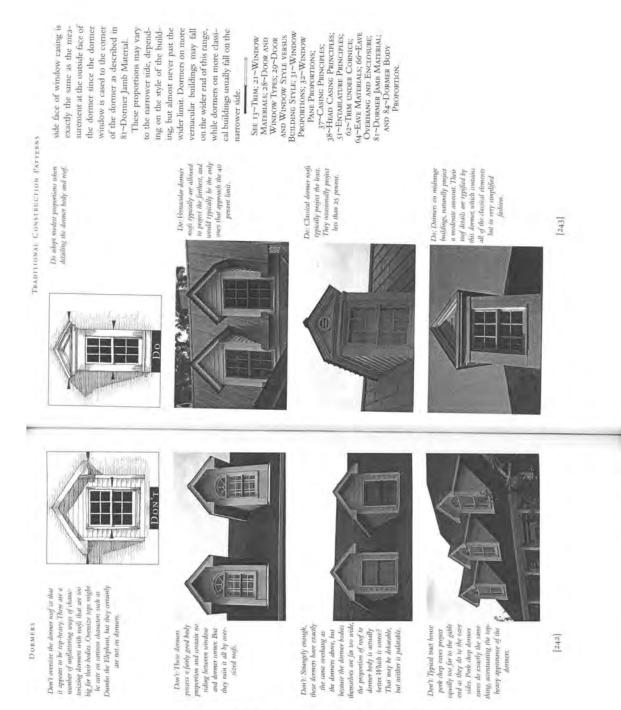
SEE 13~TRIM; 21~WINDOW MATERIALS; 28~DOOR AND WINDOW TYPES; 29~DOOR

The two exceptions to this mer and its close cousin, the round dormer, by definition, has a height/width proportion close to or exactly 1:2, while tively rare and are specific to rule are the half-round doreyebrow dormer. The halfthe eyebrow dormer is wider. Both of these types are rela-WINDOWS IN THE FLOOR BELOW.

Square dormers are slightly more common and also somewhat less style-specific. The term "square dormer" is a bit mers that are close to square should usually be detailed with Obviously, the actual body may vary slightly from square depending on the widths of the jamb casings, the head casing, and the subsill and apron. Windows in the common vertical dormers should be proportioned similar to the uppermost windows in the wall below. If they vary from the proportions of those windows, they should be slightly of a misnomer, because dora perfectly square window only a few styles.

TRADITIONAL CONSTRUCTION PATTERNS





detailed, the measurement of

the dormer width at the out-

and the outside of roof fascia.

effective way of measuring body/roof proportion is to the outside of the window casing If the dormer jamb is properly

Proper dormer roofs vary in proportion from about 125 percent of dormer body width to about 140 percent of dormer body width. The most

child, but it is simply awkward

on a building.

One of the most glaring signs builder is a donner roof that mer body. Unfortunately, it has been common practice for

TOTAL WIDTH OF THE DORMER ROOF OF ALMOST ANY PROPER STYLE SHOULD BF 25 PERCENT

TO 40 PERCENT LARGER THAN THE WIDTH OF THE DORMER

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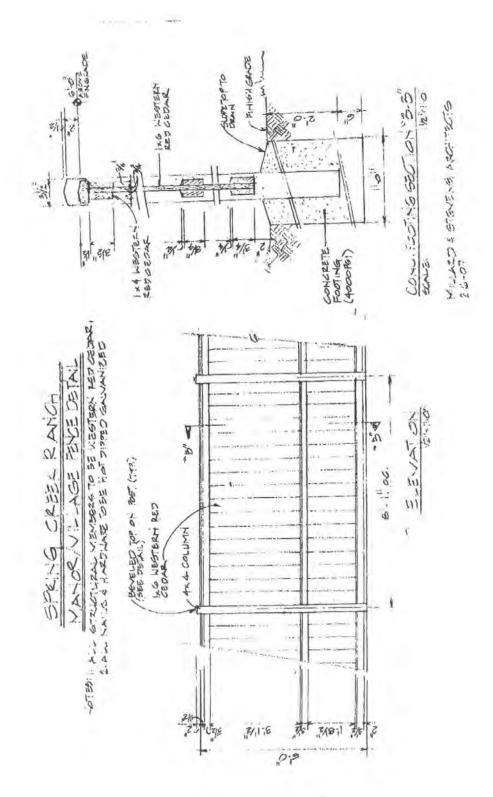
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of an ill-informed designer or is far too large for the dorsome time to build dormer roofs with the same eave detail as used for the main roof. The eave may be slightly reduced always results in a dormer roof and top-heavy, similar to the

in some cases, but the conventional eave detail almost that is enormously oversized appearance of a toddler trying to wear her father's hat. This may be amusing with a young

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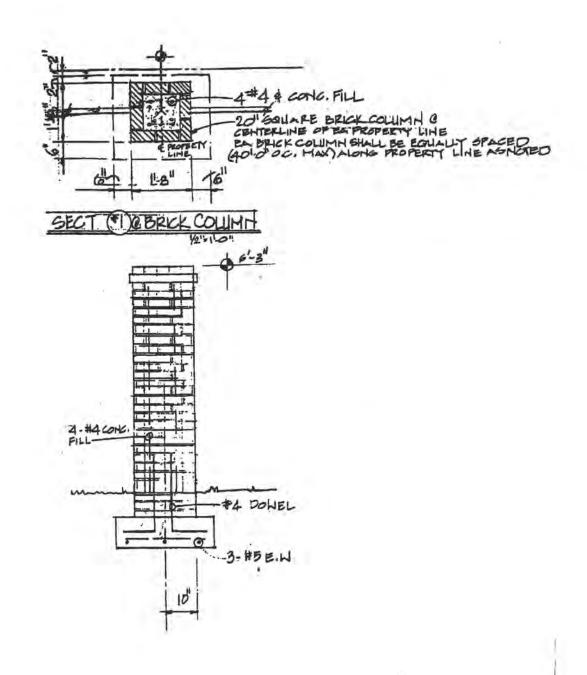


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The Manor lot signs



EXHIBIT E



EXHIBIT F

