



## Legislation Text

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### Summary

**To:** Planning & Zoning Board  
**From:** JP Murphy, Town Manager  
**Date:** 5/10/2019  
**Subject:**  
Discussion of Fence Regulations

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### Summary:

The Commission previously expressed interest in reviewing current fencing regulations, specifically relating to materials and vegetative shielding. The Town Commission discussed the need to address code deficiencies regarding suitable fencing materials, perhaps disallowing some materials like chain-link, the unity of construction heights and materials along fence faces, enforcement of vegetative coverings and appropriate setback limitations for fences. Changes reflected in the attachments include:

- All visible retaining walls require caps
- All fences must be maintained subject to 74-517
- Fence heights are determined from grade, but includes berms
- Fences must have uniform heights along a running face
- Fences may be constructed of one material type and of a type specified
- Chain-link: Must be black coated, have a top rail, be 85% shielded at installation and demonstrate irrigation for vegetation. Green coatings and meshes only for public spaces
- No dangerous fences
- Old fence may not be abandoned in place
- Temporary fences only during construction

Also attached are sample plantings that might serve as suitable buffers.

**Expenditure Challenges:** None

**Financial Implications:** None

**Recommendation:** I recommend the amendments as provided. The board can still consider other elements as necessary.

**Proposed Motion:** No proposed motion, amendments and/or approval is appropriate