OUTDOOR DEVELOPMENT GUIDE

We want to help make outdoor improvements to residential property a quick and easy process for residents. Below is a short list of activities and the types of approvals that they may require. For more detailed information on improvements for your property:

1: Consult the City's **Online Code of Ordinances**

2: Contact McKenna Associates at (248) 596-0920

50-foot Rule of Thumb:

What we do within 50 feet of Lake Angelus is likely to affect the whole community, especially when all changes are considered together. For improvements near the lakeshore or any plan involving MDEQ, please contact us for assistance.

Everyday Residential Activities

No City Approval Needed

- Cutting or trimming vegetation that leaves the plant in a viable condition
- Flower or vegetable gardening at least 25 feet from the Lake
- Installation of a seasonal dock that is less than 75 feet in length





Semi-Permanent Improvements

Administrative Approval (Check with McKenna for permit requirement)

- Fences and entrance gates
- Removal of Trees within 50 feet of the Lake
- Planting trees and shrubs along property lines and near the lakeshore
- Soil stabilization and erosion controls
- New driveways, sidewalks, and other paving
- Landscape Lighting and irrigation systems

Substantial Land Improvements

Site Plan Approval by Planning Commission

- Construction of buildings, retaining walls, fire pits, and similar structures
- Moving of soil or grading on any residential property
- Any Special Land Use as defined in the zoning code





Potential to Effect the Community

Site Plan and Special Land Use Approval by City Council

- Construction or reconstruction of buildings or structures, or any change in ground surface features within 50 feet of the Lake
- New or replacement access routes to the waterfront
- Stormwater management within 50 feet of the Lake
- Construction/replacement/reconstruction of a seawall
- Moving of soil or grading within 50 feet of the Lake

