

STATE OF GEORGIA  
CITY OF SANDY SPRINGS

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANDY SPRINGS, GEORGIA  
TO AMEND DEVELOPMENT CODE SECTION 9.4.3. RETAINING WALLS OF THE SANDY  
SPRINGS DEVELOPMENT CODE AS FURTHER DESCRIBED BELOW; TO PROVIDE FOR AN  
EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Sandy Springs is charged with providing for the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Sandy Springs previously adopted and amended the Development Code and has identified text amendments necessary to the proper implementation of The Next Ten Comprehensive Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council have conducted a properly-advertised Public Hearing prior to adoption of this Ordinance in accordance with the Zoning Procedures Act.

**NOW THEREFORE, THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF SANDY SPRINGS  
HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION I:** The City of Sandy Springs Development Code is hereby amended by revising certain sections as follows:

Section	Text to be Adopted
<b>SEC. 9.4.3.A.3. MATERIALS</b>	<p>3. Materials</p> <p>a. Material and Finish All retaining walls must be finished with stucco, brick, or stone. No beveled modular block, plain unfinished concrete masonry units, or other similar materials are allowed.</p> <p>Retaining walls may utilize alternative facing elements such as evergreen vegetation as approved by the Director. The wall must be located only in side or rear yards and be planted with native, non-invasive evergreen planting material. The plant growth must be at a minimum 50% of the wall's face prior to closeout of the permit, and maintained throughout all seasons.</p> <p>Retaining walls which meet the description of Garden Walls below in Sec. 9.4.3.B.3. may also use cross ties, landscape timbers, or similar as a wall, material finish.</p>

**SECTION II:** It is the intention of the City Council and it is hereby ordained by the authority of the City Council that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the City of Sandy Springs Development Code, and the codifier is authorized to make the specified deletions, insertions, additions, and to insert headings, article numbers and section numbers as and where appropriate.

**SECTION IV:** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**SECTION V:** If any section, subsection, provisions, or clause of any part of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid or unconstitutional, or, if the provisions of any part of this Ordinance as applied to any particular situation or set of circumstances shall be declared invalid or unconstitutional, such invalidity shall not be construed to affect the portions of this Ordinance not so held to be invalid, or the application of this Ordinance to other circumstances not so held to be invalid. It is hereby declared as the intent of the City Council that this Ordinance would have been adopted in its current form without the invalid or unconstitutional provision contained therein.

**SECTION VI:** This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this the 18th day of June, 2024.

Approved:

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Russell K. Paul, Mayor

Attest:

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Raquel Gonzalez, City Clerk

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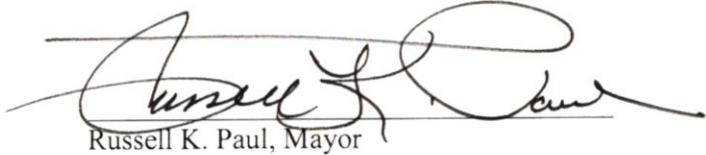
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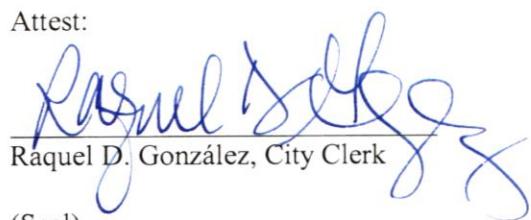
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