



Town of Medway  
**DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE**  
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February 28, 2017

TO: Members of the Planning and Economic Development Board  
FROM: Matthew Buckley, Chairman  
RE: DRC Comments – Medway Green

Dear Mr. Rodenhiser:

The Design Review Committee [DRC] has reviewed a plan set for the proposed Medway Green that is dated January 23, 2016 [should read 2017]. The DRC is pleased with the efforts of the applicant to develop a site that is compliant with Medway's *Design Review Guidelines*. The DRC would like to offer updated comments on the current plan.

The DRC comments are as follows:

- The DRC requests a more detailed plan be provided for the landscaping along the easterly side of units 5-8, adjacent to the driveway. It is unclear as to how the plantings will be established in this narrow margin. Also, the DRC suggests that a plan should be put forth for how the vegetation in this area is to be sustained.
- The DRC has suggested that the landscape plan for the southeast corner of the site, to the right of the driveway, include a more complete landscaping scheme with low and middle height plantings that provide a more complete visual buffer.
- The DRC recommends that the proposed fence not be of a smooth white vinyl surface because of its reflective qualities. Instead, we recommend use a neutral color with a naturalized texture. An image is attached as an example.
- Details of the dumpster enclosures are not shown. The DRC requests designs for these be included and recommends that they be similar to the fencing material as described above.
- No lighting is shown for the seating/park area at the southwest corner of the site. The DRC recommends down or foot lighting attached to the stone wall and adjacent to the benches.
- The DRC requests a detail of the four proposed benches.

- No lighting is shown on the fronts of the buildings. The DRC recommends a down light be installed under the doorway overhang for each unit to provide lighting directly at each entryway without any additional spillage. Similarly, at the rear of the building, the same lighting can be used under each garage and doorway overhang.
- The DRC has reviewed the color options for the HardiePlank lap siding and recommends that all four of the following colors be used on each set of 4 units  
- CountryLane Red, Evening Blue, Arctic White and Aged Pewter.

The DRC respectfully submits these review comments for the Board's and the applicant's consideration. Once again, the Committee is available to discuss any of these points and would gladly offer any additional recommendations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Matthew J. Buckley". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial 'M' and 'B'.

Matthew Buckley  
Chairman

