



July 21, 2023  
12:00 p.m.

MEMBER COMMENTS:  
PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE ARCHITECTURAL STANDARDS FEE SCHEDULE

June 1 – July 21, 2023

*The member comment period for the proposed changes to the Architectural Standards Fee Schedule started June 1 with the notice posted in the June Tahoe Donner News. The notice was also posted on the 45-Day Notice webpage on the Tahoe Donner website. Comments must be submitted noon on July 21, 2023. There were two (2) comments submitted between June 1 and July 21, 2023.*

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I'm am extremely and firmly opposed to this. Increase in staffing costs are covered by our annual HOA fee. If you want to increase our ASO fees, we have to see a decrease in our HOA fee. I will be there and extremely vocal about this unacceptable proposal.

Thanks.  
Rob Stattuck

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Following up on my earlier email regarding the ASO fee structure and the 45- day notice at <https://www.tahoedonner.com/45-day-notice-architectural-standards-fee-schedule-changes-2/>.

In general I support the proposed ASO fee structure with one significant correction.

The correction is about a "Non-permit fee" which is not explained or detailed anywhere in ASO documents.

I listened to ASC chair comment that the policy about non-permitted alterations to TD structures follows the example of Town of Truckee building department (ToT) policies. I strongly believe that this approach makes no sense.

In the simple language TD ASO should strive to ensure that the properties "look nice" and do not adversely affect neighbors. Whereas ToT focuses on safety and building code. ToT needs to thoroughly analyze each project before issuing a permit.





TD ASO inspector, who notices a change done w/o a permit, may instantly see that the change does not violate any ASO rules, looks nice or at least better than it used to look, or looks like a feature on many other homes.

We need a clarification, that a "non-permit fee" should be assessed only in case of some visual rules violations. Otherwise we are punishing the owners, who improved the TD value, especially those, who make minor exterior changes.

I anticipate some old and invalid arguments that if you do not persecute non-permitted changes you will encourage members to avoid ASO permits. There are many ways to encourage members to seek ASO permits and the blind application of the "non-permit fee" is one of the worst ways.

I want to remind you that the goal of ASO is not to police the permit process but to make our neighborhoods nice and harmonious.

Thanks again,  
Pavel Bosin

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