

[EXT:]Fwd: Phil and Amber Tate's fence 3468 East Summer Hill Dr, Cottonwood Heights



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Subject: Phil and Amber Tate's fence 3468 East Summer Hill Dr, Cottonwood Heights

Planning Commission: thank you for taking opinions on the fence that divides my property with the Tate's. This is not a matter of the Tate's asking for a permit to build. The fence is already installed and was built last summer.

Phil and his General Contractor spoke with me before taking down my wood fence. They both told me that the new fence would be "just like" my wood fence. I was never told the specifics on the fence, rather a picture of what vinyl fencing looked like. Our old wooden fence height easily provided privacy for both properties and I thought it would match that height.

I was told that a cement footing would cover my old cement footing and that the fence would go on that cement footing and on the property line. I was told that it would attach to my wooden fence in front. I was told that they would clean and repair any damage to my landscaping. During the removal of my fence, the men working on the fence used my property to remove the fence (which they had my permission). They did not have my permission to walk on and destroy numerous bushes and ground cover by walking on the plants and leaving nails, cement and other objects for me to clean up. After removal of my wood fence, they added gravel etc to build up their side of the property and poured a driveway. A cement wall approximately 18 inches to 2 feet high on top of my cement footing was added. When I asked the general contractor he told me it needed to be that high to support a vinyl fence. I believe what it allowed them to do was even out their backyard to this new height. They then added the vinyl fence. I believe that the fence does not add to the neighborhood look...especially in the front where it is pokes out over 9 feet tall. I wonder what the people at the church see when they leave their building.

A concern of mine is what happens when I sell my property and the fence separating the properties is so out of compliance with Cottonwood Heights regulations of a fence being 6 feet tall without a permit. If this is granted in favor of the Tate family, I would ask for reinsurance that any future sell of my property would not be hindered due to the height of the fence by Cottonwood Heights.

Phil Tate came to my home on Friday, March 29th and explained his reasons for the fence. I appreciate his willingness and statements on how to solve this problem for both of us. He mentioned asking the commission to reschedule so both parties could be in attendance. He mentioned sharing the cost of redesigning my landscape in the front east side. He would also attach his fence to mine and add gravel to my retaining wall that was removed during construction of the vinyl fence. Let's see if he does what he says this time. Helen Hooper

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