

MATERIALS PALETTE

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All materials should be durable, attractive and compliment the larger site, residence and surrounding context. The long term sustainability of materials is key to maintain an attractive appearance as the material ages. Materials should be durable requiring minimal maintenance. Though some materials may be more expensive upfront, quality materials are more cost effective over their life span. The following outlines appropriate material use by category.

FENCES

Should compliment the materials of the residence or surrounding fences. Materials to avoid include plastic, PVC and chain link particularly on the front of the lot.

- Wood: treated; natural, painted or stain finish
- Metal: iron, steel, aluminum, corten

WALLS

Should reflect historic Chattanooga residential material use and architectural styles. Materials to avoid include railroad ties and manufactured stone.

- Stone
- Cast-in-place Concrete
- Metal: corten or weathering steel
- Wood: timbers
- Brick

STAIRS

Should compliment the materials of adjacent walks and drives.

- Stone
- Brick
- Concrete

DRIVEWAYS

Should follow the natural grade of the site. Particular attention should be given to driveways when accessed from the lot front.

- Concrete
- Asphalt
- Gravel
- Tar and chip
- Unit Pavers: brick, stone, concrete

WALKS

Should follow the natural grade of the site. Particular attention should be given to walkways on the lot front.

- Unit Pavers: brick, stone, concrete
- Cast-in Place Concrete
- Lawn
- Loose cover: gravel, mulch