

Title	Flagpoles Camera Poles
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Policy Type

Local Planning Policy

Policy Purpose

Flag poles and camera poles in residential areas have the potential to negatively impact the visual amenity of adjoining properties and the streetscape. Development requirements can control the location and characteristics of these structures to limit their impact on adjoining properties and the streetscape. The Residential Design Codes (R-Codes) don't provide specific guidance for this type of development.

The policy provides guidelines to outline the development requirements for flag poles and camera poles within the Residential zone. A set of criteria are provided to determine those proposals that are considered exempt from requiring planning approval.

Policy Statement

(1) Scope

This policy applies to the development of land within the residential zone as identified in the Town Planning Scheme No. 3 (TPS 3).

(2) Definitions

Flagpole: A structure designed to support a flag and containing nothing other than a flag.

Camera pole: A structure designed to support security cameras.

(3) Exemptions from Planning Approval - Flagpoles

If all of the following criteria are met, a flagpole is considered exempt from requiring planning approval:

1. Where the maximum height of structure does not exceed 6 metres from natural ground level.
2. Where the structure is located behind the minimum primary street setback (as detailed below):
 - R20-R25 – 3m
 - R30-R40 – 2m
 - R50-R60 – 1m
 - R80 – 0.5m

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3. Where only one (1) flagpole is proposed per lot.
4. Where the structure is setback from side boundaries as if they were treated as a wall with no major openings in accordance with table 2a of the R-Codes.
5. Where the structure is not used for commercial advertising.
6. Where the structure is not proposed on a lot on the Heritage List identified under TPS 3.

(4) Exemptions from Planning Approval - Camera Poles

If all of the following criteria are met, a camera pole is considered exempt from requiring planning approval:

1. Where the maximum height of the structure does not exceed the height (wall height) of the existing/proposed dwelling on-site, to a maximum height of 6m.
2. Where the structure is located behind the alignment of the existing/proposed dwelling.
3. Where only one (1) camera pole is proposed per lot.
4. Where the structure is setback from side boundaries as if they were treated as a wall with no major openings in accordance with table 2a of the R-codes.
5. Where the structure is not proposed on a lot on the Heritage List identified under TPS 3.
6. Where no more than two (2) security cameras are fixed to the structure and the security cameras are directed towards the subject site and/or the street, not adjoining properties.
7. In the event that a proposed flagpole or camera pole does not meet the above provisions, a development application shall be lodged for approval by the City including justification clearly demonstrating why a variation is being sought and how the proposal will not detrimentally impact adjoining properties and the streetscape. In this regard the proposal will be advertised to potentially affected adjoining and nearby landowners for comment.
8. Overall, camera poles are not encouraged in residential areas and security cameras (if required) should be fixed to the existing/proposed dwelling.

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