

Landscaping Plan

Your required landscaping points are equal to the total lot square footage not covered by buildings. Each square foot = 1 point.

Lot square footage - Building square footage = Total Points Needed

Total Required Points:

	Requirments	New Landscape Material	Number of Units New Landscape Material	Existing Mature/ Landscape Material	Number of Units Mature Landscape Material	Total Points
Type						
Large Trees	Minimum mature spread of 4 feet or Conifers reaching a mature height of over 20 feet.	2000 points		5000 Points		
Medium Trees	Minimum mature spread of 25 feet or Conifers reaching a mature height of at least 20 feet.	1000 points		2500 Points		
Small trees	Minimum mature spread of 15 feet. Conifers reaching a mature height of less than 3 feet	500 points		1500 Points		
Shrubs	Minimum mature height of 2 feet	250 points		500 Points		
Live Ground Coverage	Minimum mature height of 2 feet	100 points		300 Points		
Grass	1 square yard	10 Points		10 Points		
Opaque Hedge	Minimum mature height of 2 feet	500 Points		10 Points		

Total Sum:

The Total Sum of Points from your proposed landscaping must be equal to or greater than the required points at the top of this form

A landscape plan is required, ideally prepared by a landscape professional.

The plan should include the following:

1. Plot plan showing all existing and proposed landscape elements.
2. The irrigation system shall be detailed, showing the layout, system components, and water delivery specifics.
3. Specifications for the types, locations, and sizes of all proposed plant materials.
4. These plans must be approved prior to the issuance of a building permit.

Secs. 44-176 Landscape Regulations

Purpose. These regulations aim to enhance public safety, aesthetic quality, and environmental conditions by establishing standards for landscaping that contribute to stormwater management, reduce heat, and create attractive public spaces.

Landscaping Required. Landscaping is required for all new developments, including parking areas for fifty (50) vehicles or more, and when expanding or modifying an existing structure.

Landscape Requirements. The following requirements are considered to be a minimum and shall be approved on the basis of a landscape plan submitted by the applicant to the city attorney, and installed per the approved plan

- a. All required landscaping shall comply with the intent and purpose of these regulations
- b. A maximum of twenty-five (25) percent of the required landscaping may be within the public right-of-way provided that it does not impede upon standard operations of public infrastructure;
- c. Arterial or collector street right-of-way landscaping shall be limited to shrubs, ground cover, or turf.
- d. Parking lots of fifty (50) spaces and greater shall provide interior planter areas at a ratio of two hundred (200) square feet for every fifty (50) spaces. These interior planter areas shall provide a minimum of one (1) tree with shrubs, ground cover and/or mulch covering the base. Each parking space shall not be greater than one hundred and twenty (120) feet from either the perimeter of the parking lot or an interior planter area.
- e. The amount and type of material shall be based on a point system determined by the square footage of the lot not covered by a building, where one (1) square foot is equal to one (1) point. In phased development, the building official or planning commission will determine the lot area for the purpose of this article. Trees, shrubs, grass, and ground cover, both existing and proposed, shall receive points toward landscape requirements.
- f. Landscaping requirements are exempt for all residential developments, except apartment complexes.