



Article 10. Landscaping

30-10-4 Material, Design, Installation and Maintenance

30-10-4.12 Maintenance of Planting Yards

A. Plant Protection

Whenever planting yards are adjacent to parking lots or drives, they must be protected from damage by vehicles, lubricants, or fuels.

B. Responsibility

The landowner is responsible for maintaining all required plant materials and planting areas in good health and appearance. Any dead, unhealthy, or missing plants (whether preserved or installed) must be replaced with new plant material equal in quantity and quality to the plant material required to be preserved or installed. Replacement plant material must be replanted within 180 days of the date of owner notification. The obligation for continuous maintenance is binding on any subsequent owners of the property or any other parties having a controlling interest in the property.

C. Irrigation

Drip irrigation including drip misters are recommended for use in required planting yards during the establishment period. After establishment, supplemental watering may be reduced and used on an as-needed basis. Traditional spray irrigation is prohibited except in turf areas.

D. Pruning

All required trees must be allowed to reach their mature size and must be maintained at their mature size. Trimming and pruning must be conducted in strict compliance with the American National Standards Institute. Topping is not an acceptable pruning practice. Topping is the reduction of a tree's size using heading cuts that shorten limbs or branches back to a predetermined crown limit. The Planning and Community Development Director may require the removal and replacement of any trees that have been topped or excessively trimmed to where the health of the trees are significantly impacted.