UDO Amendments

Landscaping Standards and other minor amendments

Purpose

- Increase planting standards
- Enhance aesthetics and environmental health of the community
- Enhance aesthetics around ponds, and utilize natural measures in order to deter geese
- Encourage and incentivize plant preservation
- Ensure maintenance of landscaping once planted
- > Encourage plant diversity for a more natural look

5.31: General Landscaping Standards

- Prohibits artificial plant material
- Encourages plant groupings
- Requires replanting when existing plants are removed
- Requires maintenance
- Requires and encourages plant preservation
- Increases required minimum plant size
- Encourages diversity of plant species



5.32: Non-Res. Landscaping Standards

- Increases existing planting standards
- Differentiates small and large facades and lots with requirements for landscaping





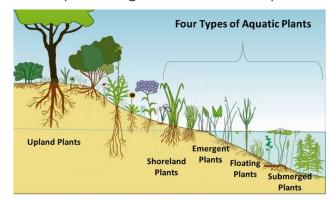
5.33: Multi-Family Residential Landscaping Standards

- Adds Mobile Home Parks to the standards
- Increases standards for RM
- Creates standards for MP
- Requires diversity in tree types
- Permits use of native grasses in place of required yard plantings



5.34: Landscaping around Ponds

- New standards that apply to all zones
- Discourages geese habitats
- Applies when collective acreage of all ponds is ½
 acre or more
- Requires vegetative buffer strip





5.35: Parking Lot Landscaping Standards

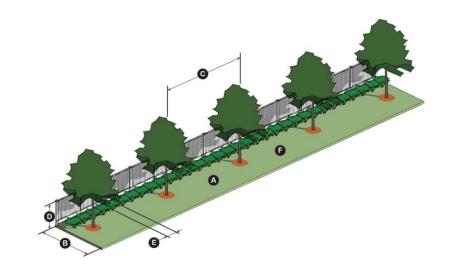
- Increases parking lot landscaping standards
- Differentiates parking lot sizes by required plantings





5.36: Bufferyard Landscaping Standards

- Applies when rezoned, or new or expanded primary structure
- 3 types of bufferyards depending on intensity of neighbor



5.37: Landscaping Screening Standards

- Applies to institutional, commercial, and industrial districts
- Requires screening of mechanical equipment
- Increases standards of screening
- Requires landscaping around screening walls



Other Minor Amendments

- > 2.08: Change maximum height for accessory structures in single-family residential zones
- 2.28: Increase maximum primary structure height for General Industrial and change accessory structure height restriction
- > 2.20: Remove maximum height for structures in Business Central zone
- > 2.24: Remove maximum height for structures in Business Highway zone
- > 5.16: Remove pond buffer requirement in Environmental Standards
- > 5.53: Allows a traffic impact study to be waived by City Engineer at their discretion
- > Article 11: Adds some new definitions in relation to landscaping amendments

Next Steps:

- 1. Incorporate final staff revisions May 9th, 2022
- 2. Introduce Ordinance to City Council May 16th, 2022
- 3. Conduct Public Hearing With Plan Commission May 23rd, 2022
- 4. Final Reading and Adoption by City Council June 6th, 2022