

ORDINANCE NO. 1530

CITY OF BURNSVILLE, MINNESOTA

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 10, ZONING CHAPTER 30A LANDSCAPE REQUIREMENTS TO INCORPORATE CHANGES RELATED TO LANDSCAPING INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS IN OPEN SPACE ON MULTI-FAMILY, COMMERCIAL, MIXED USE, AND INDUSTRIAL LOTS AND TO MODIFY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE INSTALLATION OF BUILDING PERIMETER LANDSCAPING

CASE FILE NO. DEV2020-0022

The City Council of the City of Burnsville, Minnesota ordains as follows:

**Section 1.** Title 10, Chapter 30A LANDSCAPE REQUIREMENTS, Section 8: LANDSCAPING REQUIREMENTS IN MULTIPLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL, BUSINESS, MIXED USE AND INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS Subsection (A) is hereby amended by deleting the ~~strickethrough~~ language and adding the underlined language as follows:

(A) General Requirements: General requirements that shall apply in all multiple-family residential, business, mixed use and industrial districts include the following: (Ord. 1247, 9-20-2011)

1. Open Area: for the purpose of calculating the required Plant Diversity in Section 10-30A-8 (A) 2 on this ordinance open area shall be the lot area with the following deductions.
  - a. Storm water ponds:
  - b. Wetlands:
  - c. Utility easements containing pipelines or overhead transmission lines where the planting of trees /shrubs may interfere with the operation or maintenance of the in-place utility.
  - d. Steep Slopes: Slopes having a grades exceeding 12 %.
  - e. Woodland preservation areas. Areas contain significant tree masses which are in a tree preservation area. Tree preservation areas will be calculated by drawing geometric figure along the edge of the tree canopies of a significant tree preservation area.
  - f. Buildings, parking areas, loading areas sidewalks and other impervious surface.

~~12.~~ Plant Diversity: In addition to the twenty five percent (25%) plant diversity requirement, the landscape plan design shall, at a minimum, provide at least three (3) of the following required numbers of trees and shrubs. ~~in addition to any trees and shrubs required for screening in subsections (A)4 and (B) of this section:~~

- a. One overstory tree per three thousand (3,000) square feet of open area.
- b. One ornamental tree per one thousand five hundred (1,500) square feet of open space.
- c. One evergreen tree per three thousand (3,000) square feet of open area.
- d. One deciduous or evergreen shrub per one hundred (100) square feet of open area.

~~2.~~ At least fifty percent (50%) of the total building perimeter shall be sodded or landscaped with approved ground cover, shrubbery and trees in an area of no less than six feet (6') in width.

3. Building Perimeter Landscaping:

a Multiple Family, Office, Clinic, Daycare, Restaurants and Industrial Uses: At least fifty 50% of the total building perimeter shall be sodded or landscaped with an approved ground cover, shrubbery, and trees in an area of no less than six (6') feet in width. A reduction in the percent of building perimeter landscaping may be allowed with the provision of alternative landscape option; Aesthetic Design in accordance with Section 10-30A-8(C)6 of this ordinance located within ten (10) feet of the building wall.

b Multitenant Commercial Retail, Retail On- Site Service businesses and Shopping Center uses: At least thirty percent (30%) of the total building perimeter shall be sodded or landscaped with an approved ground cover, shrubbery and trees in an area of no less than six (6') feet in width. A reduction in the percent of building perimeter landscaping may be allowed with the provision of alternative landscape option; Aesthetic Design in accordance with Section 10-30A-8(C)6 of this ordinance.

34. Heat Island Reduction: To minimize impact on microclimate, human and wildlife habitat, shading of parking lots is required. At least one overstory tree shall be planted for every ten (10) parking stalls on site. To satisfy this requirement trees must be located at least four feet (4') and within ten feet (10') of a curb adjacent to any internal parking or drive area. Said trees shall count toward meeting the overall site green space and landscaping requirements identified by this chapter for the underlying zoning district.

4.5. Buffer Yards:

a. Buffer Yard Location: Where any business or industrial use (i.e., structure, parking or storage) abuts a residential zone or use, such business or industry shall provide a buffer yard and screening along the boundary of the residential property. The buffer area and screening shall also be provided where a business or industry is across the street from a residential zone or use, but not on that side of a business or industry considered to be the front as defined by the city. (Ord. 1142, 11-18-2008)

b. Buffer Yard Design: Except in areas of steep slopes or where natural vegetation is acceptable, as approved by the city, buffer yards shall contain a combination of earth berms, plantings, or privacy fencing of a sufficient density to provide a minimum visual screen and a reasonable buffer to the following heights:

(1) Plantings: All designated buffer yards must be seeded or sodded except in areas of steep slopes where natural vegetation is acceptable as approved by the city. Trees and shrubs planted in a buffer yard shall count toward meeting the overall site tree/ shrub count requirements identified within Section 10-30A-8(A)1 on this title. All plantings within designated buffer yards shall adhere to the following:

**Section 2.** Title 10, Chapter 30A LANDSCAPE REQUIREMENTS, Section 8: LANDSCAPING REQUIREMENTS IN MULTIPLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL, BUSINESS, MIXED USE AND INDUSTRIAL DISTRICTS Subsection (B) is hereby amended by deleting the ~~strikethrough~~ language and adding the underlined language as follows:

(B) Parking Lot Landscaping Requirements: The following shall apply to all new development and redevelopment of parking lots for expansions creating five thousand (5,000) square feet or more of impervious surface or disturbance of one-half (1/2) acre or more of land. Trees and shrubs planted as parking

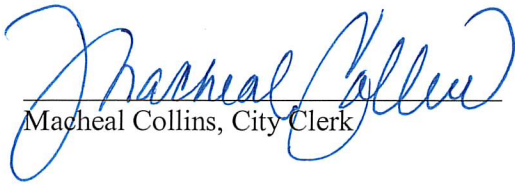
lot Landscaping shall count toward meeting the overall site tree/ shrub count requirements identified within Section 10-30A-8(A)1 of this title.

**Section 3.** This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage and publication according to law.

PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED THIS 2nd day of November, 2020 by the City Council of the City of Burnsville.

  
Elizabeth B. Kautz, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Macheal Collins, City Clerk