

CHAPTER 13.04: DEFINITIONS

LANDSCAPING, LANDSCAPED: Shall be highly water efficient consisting of a combination of planted trees, shrubs, vines, vegetative ground cover, perennial plants and annual plants or lawn, together with a water efficient drip type irrigation system to maintain the plants alive and flourishing for the length of time the plantings are to be maintained if not in perpetuity. A maximum of ~~fifty percent (50%)~~sixty-five percent (65%) of the total required landscaped area may include permeable materials such as organic mulch, inorganic materials such as rocks, boulders, gravel, or other materials, and/or ornamental objects such as fountains, pools, statues, retaining walls, or benches.

LOCALSCAPES®: A landscaping approach designed to create locally adapted and sustainable landscapes through a 5-part approach (central open shape, gathering areas, activity zones, connecting pathways and planting beds).

A. Activity Zones: Portions of the landscape designed for recreation or function, such as storage areas, fire pits, vegetable gardens, and playgrounds. Activity zones are located outside of the central open shape and shall be surfaced with materials other than turfgrass lawn.

~~B. Active Recreation Areas: Areas of the landscape dedicated to active play where Lawn may be used as the playing surface (ex. sports fields and play areas).~~

~~BC.~~ Central Open Shape: An unobstructed area that functions as the focal point of Localscapes and is designed in a shape that is geometric in nature.

1. Turfgrass areas shall not exceed the greater of two hundred fifty square feet (250 sf), or thirty-five percent (35%) of the property's total landscaped area.
2. A turfgrass central open shape may not be less than ten feet (10') in width.
3. Small residential lots in which the total landscaped area is less than two hundred fifty square feet (250 sf), are exempt from the ten feet (10') minimum width requirement for turfgrass.
4. Lawn shall not be installed in park strips, paths, or on slopes greater than 25% or 4:1 grade.

~~CD.~~ Gathering Areas: Portions of the landscape that are dedicated to congregating, such as patios, gazebos, decks, and other seating areas.

~~E. Hardscape: Durable landscape materials, such as concrete, wood, pavers, stone, or compacted inorganic mulch.~~

~~D.~~ Connecting Pathways. Paths and walkways shall be comprised of materials that do not include lawn, such as hardscape, mulch, or other durable materials.

~~E.~~ Planting Beds. Planting Beds shall be located outside of the central open shape and may not utilize turfgrass. They shall be surfaced by mulch, rock, gravel, or other similar material where not covered by plantings. A minimum of seventy-five percent (75%) of the planting bed shall be comprised of live plant material.