

The logo of the Provo City Planning Commission is a circular emblem. It features a stylized sun with rays emanating from the top center. Below the sun, there is a silhouette of a mountain range. The entire emblem is rendered in a light purple or lavender color.

Provo City Planning Commission

Report of Action

October 23, 2019

Item 2* The Community Development Department requests Ordinance Text Amendments to Sections 15.20, 14.10.120, and 14.06.030 (illustrations) to clarify development landscaping requirements and to allow for xeriscape. City-wide impact. Javin Weaver (801) 852-6413 PLOTA20190280

The following action was taken by the Planning Commission on the above described item at its regular meeting of October 23, 2019:

RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL

On a vote of 5:0, the Planning Commission recommended that the Municipal Council approve the above noted application

Motion By: Shannon Ellsworth

Second By: Laurie Urquiaga

Votes in Favor of Motion: Shannon Ellsworth, Laurie Urquiaga, Robert Knudsen, Andrew Howard and. Deborah Jensen
Deborah Jensen was present as Chair.

- Includes facts of the case, analysis, conclusions and recommendations outlined in the Staff Report, with any changes noted; Planning Commission determination is generally consistent with the Staff analysis and determination.

STAFF/APPLICANT PRESENTATION

The Staff Report to the Planning Commission provides details of the facts of the case and the Staff's analysis, conclusions, and recommendations. Key points addressed in the Staff's presentation to the Planning Commission included the following:

- The proposed text amendment is to revise the Development Landscaping Requirements and add a section pertaining to xeric landscaping and artificial turf grass.
- The revisions to the Development Landscaping Requirements include clarification on text that was unclear and an improved flow of information.
- The proposed text amendment will include additional definitions that will be included in the Development Landscaping Requirements that will provide further clarification for staff and the general public,
- The proposed text amendment will assist Code Enforcement as they work with property owners to obtain code compliance.
- The proposed text amendment has changed the name of the department from Community Development to Development Services and Community and Neighborhood Services.
- Illustrations were drafted to show what constitutes a front, rear, and side yard based on the existing definitions.

NEIGHBORHOOD AND PUBLIC COMMENT

- No neighborhood chairs commented
- Public Comments asked to clarify between “Xeric Landscaping” and “Zeroscaping,” and asked about how much water the city would save.

PLANNING COMMISSION DISCUSSION

Key points discussed by the Planning Commission included the following:

- Shannon Ellsworth asked about the requirements for Xeric Landscaping and what is required as a property owner.



Planning Commission Chair



Director of Development Services

See Key Land Use Policies of the Provo City General Plan, applicable Titles of the Provo City Code, and the Staff Report to the Planning Commission for further detailed information. The Staff Report is a part of the record of the decision of this item. Where findings of the Planning Commission differ from findings of Staff, those will be noted in this Report of Action.

Legislative items are noted with an asterisk (*) and require legislative action by the Municipal Council following a public hearing; the Planning Commission provides an advisory recommendation to the Municipal Council following a public hearing.

Administrative decisions of the Planning Commission (items not marked with an asterisk) **may be appealed** by submitting an application/notice of appeal, with the required application and noticing fees, to the Community Development Department, 330 West 100 South, Provo, Utah, **within fourteen (14) calendar days of the Planning Commission's decision** (Provo City office hours are Monday through Thursday, 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.).

BUILDING PERMITS MUST BE OBTAINED BEFORE CONSTRUCTION BEGINS