



PARK STRIP & STREET TREE CHECKLIST

ZONING REQUIREMENTS GUIDE

Reminder: This is meant to be a helpful guide, not a comprehensive list

Required Landscaping

The following standards apply to all park strips in Cottonwood Heights. Park strips must be brought up to the standards below anytime a new primary structure is constructed on a lot. A bond is required assuring installation of required trees before issuance of a building permit (14.44.020 Park strip design standards).

- Landscaping requirements for park strips more than 4 feet wide
 - No more than 50% permeable hardscape.
 - Permeable hardscape sections no more than 10 feet long.
 - Trees must be planted no more than 25 feet apart, excluding driveways.
 - Trees must be a species on the approved City street tree guide or otherwise approved by the City.
 - Trees must have a 6-foot wide planting bed, which excludes any hardscape and must be primarily covered with bark or mulch.
 - Trees must have proper irrigation.
 - Trees must have an 18-inch-deep by 6-foot root barrier on the sidewalk side of the park strip.
- Landscaping requirements for park strips less than 4 feet wide
 - Up to 100% may be permeable hardscape, except for required tree areas.
 - Trees must be a species identified as suitable for spaces less than 4 feet wide on the City street tree guide or otherwise approved by the City.
 - Trees may be planted 4 feet back from the sidewalk in the front yard as a substitute for trees planted in the park strip.
- Prohibited materials in park strips
 - Impervious hardscape landscaping
 - Asphalt
 - Thorn-bearing vegetation
 - Trash
 - Debris
 - Weeds
 - Other vegetation and materials determined to be a nuisance
- Recommendations
 - Water efficient trees and landscaping are highly encouraged in all situations.
 - Wasting water by over-watering, over-spraying, or by creating excess runoff is highly discouraged.
 - Trees that help develop a street canopy and shade are encouraged.
 - Tree diversity is encouraged throughout the city.