

**LANDSCAPING PLAN REQUIREMENTS FOR  
MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, INSTITUTIONAL  
AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT**

A Guide to the Municipal Approvals Process in Chilliwack  
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**INTRODUCTION**

The purpose of this brochure is to provide guidelines for the preparation of landscaping plans required for development permit (form & character) and/or building permit application review (for new development or changes to existing development).

**FENCING, SCREENING AND LANDSCAPING REQUIREMENTS**

Fencing, screening and landscaping requirements for multi-family residential, commercial, institutional and industrial development are contained within Section 5.05 of City of Chilliwack Zoning Bylaw 2001, No. 2800 and supplemented in the Official Community Plan by design guidelines for Development Permit Areas (controlling form and character of development).

**LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT PLAN CERTIFICATION**

Planning and designing of landscape work required to be completed by a professional consultant having expertise appropriate to the needs of the project, as contained within Section 5.05 (8) and (9) of City of Chilliwack Zoning Bylaw 2001, No. 2800, may include (but is not limited to): a landscape architect, professional horticulturalist, urban forester, arborist, environmental consultant or agronomist. The provision of Schedules of Assurance as part of the Building Permit process certifies the work has been completed by a professional, necessary field reviews are conducted and provides confirmation that the work has been completed as per the approved landscape drawings.

The City of Chilliwack accepts the BCSLA Schedules when signed and sealed by a registered landscape architect.

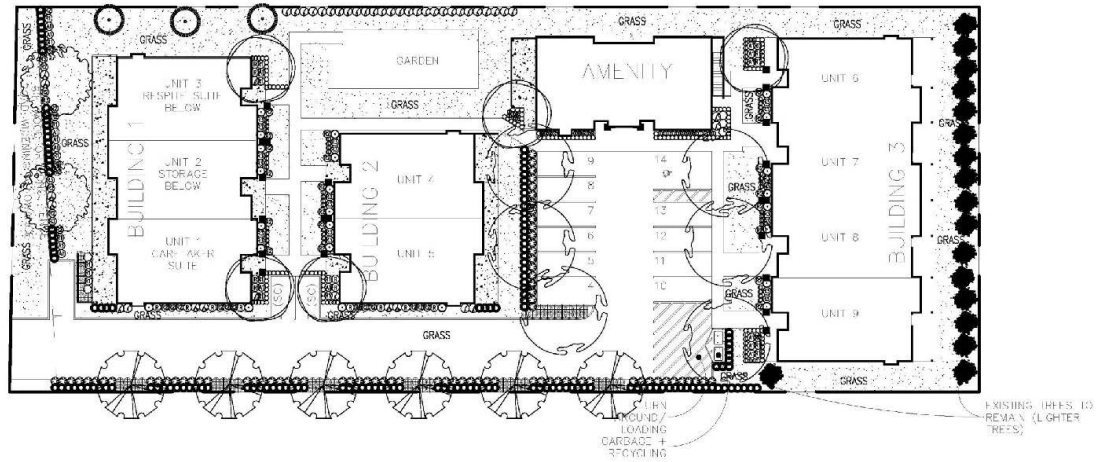
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Subdivision and Development Control Bylaw 2014, No. 3055 outlines the information to be included in landscape plans:

- (1) Date, scale, north arrow, names, addresses and telephone numbers of both the property owner and the person preparing the plan
- (2) Project name, street address and legal description of the subject property

- (3) Location of existing boundary lines and dimensions of the property, and the zoning classifications of the property and its adjacent properties. A vicinity map shall be attached to or rendered a part of the plan
- (4) Existing and proposed contour lines and dimensions of the property, and the zoning classifications of the property and adjacent properties. A vicinity map shall be attached to or rendered a part of the plan
- (5) Approximate centerlines of existing water courses, the location of the floodway, and the location and size of existing and proposed streets and alleys, utility easements, driveways and sidewalks on or adjacent to the property
- (6) Existing and proposed contour lines sufficient to identify and properly specify landscaping for areas where grade changes and screening are proposed (0.3 to 0.5 m contour intervals are recommended)
- (7) Project data information, including the total area of the property, building footprints, parking and other vehicular use areas, and landscaped (general and extensively planted) areas
- (8) Location, height and material of the proposed screening, fencing and berms
- (9) Complete description of plant materials shown on the plan, including names (common and botanical names), locations, quantities, container or caliper sizes, heights, spread and spacing at installation
- (10) Location, height/size and type of existing vegetation to be preserved
- (11) A description of how existing vegetation proposed for preservation will be protected during construction
- (12) Parking layout and the number of parking spaces provided
- (13) Size, height, location and material of the proposed seating, lighting, planters, sculptures and water features

EXAMPLE LANDSCAPE PLANS



KEY	BOTANICAL NAME	PLANT LIST COMMON NAME	QTY.	SIZE	SPACING	REMARKS
○	ACER RUBRUM BOWHALL	BOWHALL RED MAPLE	8	6 CM CAL.	AS SHOWN	B. & B.
○	ACER RUBRUM AUTUMN FLAME	AUTUMN FLAME MAPLE	8	6 CM CAL.	AS SHOWN	B. & B.
○	CORNUS FLORIDA 'TIGERBAY'	RED FLOWERING DOGWOOD	2	6 CM CAL.	AS SHOWN	B. & B.
○	ACER PALMATA 'BLOODGOOD'	BLOODGOOD JAP. MAPLE	4	3.00 METERS	AS SHOWN	B. & B.
○	TSUGA HETEROPHYLLA	WESTERN HEMLOCK	3	3.00 METERS	AS SHOWN	B. & B.
⊗	AZALEA JAPONICA 'INO CRIMSON'	CRIMSON AZALEA	9	#2 POT	85 CM O.C.	
○	ABELIA EDWARD GONDCHIEF	EDWARD GOUCHER ABELIA	5	#3 POT	90 CM O.C.	
○	BURIS MACROPHYLLA 'WINTER GEM'	ASIAN BONGWOOD	121	#3 POT	45 CM O.C.	
○	HYDRANGEA MACROPHYLLA 'NIKKO BLUE'	HYDRANGEA	24	#3 POT	90 CM O.C.	
○	SPRENGER NEROPONDA 'SHOWROUND'	SHOWROUND SPRENGER	8	#3 POT	90 CM O.C.	
○	JUNIPERUS HORIZONTALIS 'HUGUES'	HUGUES JUNIPER	80	#3 POT	90 CM O.C.	
○	RHOODOENDRON 'DUNNINGHAM'S WHITE'	RHOODOENDRON	14	#3 POT	90 CM O.C.	
○	RHOODOENDRON 'BANDY'	RHOODOENDRON	14	#3 POT	90 CM O.C.	
○	RHOODOENDRON 'COTTON CANDY'	RHOODOENDRON	43	#3 POT	90 CM O.C.	
○	RHOODOENDRON 'FLAM'	RHOODOENDRON	24	#3 POT	90 CM O.C.	
○	SYRINGA VULGARIS 'MICHEL BUCHNER'	LILAC	36	#3 POT	90 CM O.C.	
○	FRAXINUS LAURICORTEXIS 'OTTO LYNNEN'	OTTO LYNNEN LAUREL	72	#3 POT	90 CM O.C.	
○	TAJUA OCCIDENTALIS 'SMARAGD'	EMERALD ARBORYVITAE	161	1.00 METERS	65 M. O.C.	
○	LAVANDULA ANGUSTIFOLIA 'WUNSTEAD'	LAVENDER	71	#3 POT	45 CM O.C.	
○	RUBICECKIA TRILoba	BLACK-EYED SUSAN	19	#3 POT	45 CM O.C.	

ZONING BYLAW LANDSCAPING REQUIREMENTS		
	Required	Proposed
Front Lot Line Setback Area – pervious surfaces	40%	78%
Front Lot Line Setback Area - landscaped	20%	78%
Overall site – pervious surface	20%	34%
Overall Site - landscaped	15%	15%
Overall Site – intensive landscaping	7%	8%

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This is one in a series of public information brochures covering the Municipal Approvals process in the City of Chilliwack.

This brochure can also be found on the city website at <http://www.chilliwack.com>

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