

## Protecting Your Investment

The care you provide your plant material while it becomes established is critical to its long-term health and survival. Newly planted material will require regular watering during the first 2-3 years of establishment. Except for the most xeric plant selections, supplemental watering will be required throughout the life of the plant material.



Greeley's watering restrictions allow hand watering of plants, trees or turf at any time. Hand watering is holding a hose with a restrictive nozzle, using a watering can, drip irrigation, low volume bubblers or weeping type soaker hoses. Sprinklers and irrigation systems should only be used following Greeley's watering restrictions. Although hand watering is allowed any time, it is not encouraged between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.



Your local nursery as well as the CSU Extension Master Gardener Program (970-304-6535) can provide information regarding specific watering requirements for the plant materials you have selected.



## Additional Information

### Right-of-Way Planting Permit

[www.greeleygov.com/forestry/permit.aspx](http://www.greeleygov.com/forestry/permit.aspx)

### Site Plan Drawing Sheet

[www.greeleygov.com/forestry/permit.aspx](http://www.greeleygov.com/forestry/permit.aspx)

### An Illustrated Guide to Tree Planting

[www.greeleygov.com/forestry/permit.aspx](http://www.greeleygov.com/forestry/permit.aspx)

### Species Recommended ROW Planting

[www.greeleygov.com/forestry/permit.aspx](http://www.greeleygov.com/forestry/permit.aspx)

### Short Form Building Permit

*for Sprinkler Systems*

[www.greeleygov.com/BuildingInspection/BuildingForms.aspx](http://www.greeleygov.com/BuildingInspection/BuildingForms.aspx)

### Landscape Requirements

[www.greeleygov.com/CommunityDevelopment/PlanningDocuments.aspx](http://www.greeleygov.com/CommunityDevelopment/PlanningDocuments.aspx)

### New Lawn Installation Guidelines

[www.greeleygov.com/Water/variances.aspx](http://www.greeleygov.com/Water/variances.aspx)

### Water Conservation

[www.greeleygov.com/wc](http://www.greeleygov.com/wc)

### Xeriscape

[www.greeleygov.com/Water/xeriscape.aspx](http://www.greeleygov.com/Water/xeriscape.aspx)

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## City of Greeley Parkway Planting Regulations



# Frequently Asked Questions

## What is a Parkway?

The parkway is located between the curb and sidewalk when the sidewalk is not adjacent to the curb. This area is public right-of-way (ROW). All rules and regulations pertaining to ROW planting apply.

## Who Maintains the Parkway?

The property owner adjacent to the parkway/ROW is responsible for the perpetual maintenance of the parkway/ROW, unless an owners' association has agreed in writing to perpetually maintain the area. See city code 18.44.070 for more information.



## What can I plant in the Parkway?

Landowners are required by city code to plant and maintain at least 50% of any parkway/ROW, excluding driveways and public sidewalks, in live plantings. This includes tree plantings. Perennials and shrubs must not exceed a mature height of 18 inches. Please reference the following City of Greeley publications:



- *Species Recommended for ROW Planting* gives information on specific plant materials.
- The Community Development Department's Landscaping brochure provides landscape regulations and guidelines on measuring landscaping.

## Do I need a permit?

Plantings other than sod or non-woody ground covers under 6 inches at maturity require a Right-of-Way Planting Permit. You are required to use the following procedure to apply for a permit:

**Step 1:** Call **811** for utility locates.

**Step 2:** Using the site plan drawing sheet, develop a scaled drawing that illustrates the perimeter of the area to be planted, the location of any and all utilities, existing and proposed plant locations, north arrow and scale (e.g. 1"=10'). Get an application at [www.greeleygov.com/Forestry/permit.aspx](http://www.greeleygov.com/Forestry/permit.aspx). Submit plan, completed application and fees to the Community Development Department, Planning Division, 1100 10th Street, Suite 202.

**Step 3:** Your plan will be reviewed by City staff. Within 7-10 days, a staff member will contact you regarding a site visit to confirm plan details and layout. You will be expected to have your individual planting sites determined when staff arrives on site. These can be marked with labeled stakes, flags or spray paint on the ground. You do not need to be present.



**Step 4:** Your plan will be approved and mailed to you with a "*plant by*" date. Any and all revisions will require a plan re-submittal.

**Step 5:** Following the expiration of your "*plant by*" date, City staff will review the installation and offer feedback if required.

## What are the permit fees?

- *Individual Residential:* \$10
- *Commercial:* \$50/hour of review time. \$50 minimum (includes subdivisions).

## Who should I call before I dig?

Before you move that first shovel of dirt, it is your responsibility to call **811**. One call to starts the process to have your underground utilities marked for **free**. This is a crucial step in the protection of you and your family. You will also want to take note of any overhead utilities that may affect the selection of plant material.



## Is there anything else I should know?

- To install backflow valve, a Short Form Building Permit is required. Work must be completed by a licensed plumber. Contact Building Inspection 1100 10th Street or 350-9830.
- Failure to obtain a ROW Landscaping permit will result in a fine twice the amount of the permit. Non-permitted plantings may be ordered to be removed by the City of Greeley.
- Only ground cover planting is allowed within 4 feet of any water meter pit.
- If new turf is installed, get a variance to water it outside of the watering restrictions. At least 4 cubic yards of compost is required for every 1,000 square feet of lawn area. Call 336-4134 for more information.

