

Subd. 5. Yard cover. Exposed areas surrounding (or within) a principal or accessory use, including street boulevards which are not devoted to parking, drives, sidewalks, patios or other such uses, must be landscaped with grass, shrubs, trees, or other ornamented landscape material. Such landscaping shall be maintained in good condition and free of noxious weeds. Weeds, including tall grass, may not exceed eight inches in height. Perennial native prairie vegetation including grasses and/or wildflowers as identified by the city Forester, installed as a primary component of an approved raingarden or a restored prairie, is excluded from this rule on a case-by-case basis. The enforcement policy for this subdivision, and at section 820.15, shall be set and amended from time to time by resolution of the City Council. (Amended, Ord. No. 91-05, Sec. 1; Ord. No. 17-15, Sec. 1)

Subd. 6. Gutters and downspouts. Existing gutters, leaders and downspouts must be maintained in good working condition as to provide proper drainage of storm water. In no case may storm water be channeled into the sanitary sewer system. Storm water, ice, or snow may not be directed onto, or channeled across walkways or streets where it is likely to be a hazard to life or health.

Subd. 7. Exterior lighting. For multiple family dwellings, all exterior parking areas and walkways must be provided with an average, maintained, horizontal illumination of six-tenths (0.6) foot-candles. Parking lot illumination must not cause excess amounts of light to be cast on a public street or adjoining property. (See Zoning Code, subsection 510.25, subdivision 5.)

Subd. 8. Snow and ice removal. Snow must be removed from abutting public sidewalks within 12 hours after cessation of snowfall.

Subd. 9. Walks, drives, lawn steps, decks and stoops. Walks, drives, lawn steps, decks and stoops must be maintained in good repair. (Added, Ord. No. 03-06; Ord. No. 14-02)

425.17. Minimum standards for basic services and utilities. Subdivision 1. Minimum plumbing standards. Plumbing in dwelling units and shared or public areas must be properly installed and maintained in a sanitary, safe, and functioning condition, and must be connected to an approved utility system.

- (a) A fixture, facility, or piece of equipment requiring a sewer connection must have a functioning and vented connection, be free from cracks, defects, leaks, or obstructions, and shall possess sufficient capacity to drain all other fixtures, facilities, or pieces of equipment which feed into it. The sewer system, whether municipal or private, must be capable of conveying and disposing of the sewage in a legal, safe, sanitary, and adequate manner. (Amended, Ord. No. 03-06)
- (b) A fixture, facility, or piece of equipment requiring a water connection shall have a functioning connection, free from defects, leaks, or obstructions. Each water connection must possess sufficient capacity to adequately supply all fixtures, facilities, or pieces of equipment to which connected with an uncontaminated, controllable flow of water.
- (c) Fixtures that cannot be made clean or sanitary due to cracks, delamination, or deterioration shall be repaired or replaced. (Added, Ord. No. 07-18)