

## City of West Covina

### Landscaping Standards for Yards Visible from a Street

- Yard areas shall be covered with vegetative material or permeable materials such as mulch, decomposed granite or similar permeable materials (with the exception of allowed driveways and walkways).
- At least 50 percent of the yard shall be covered with organic materials such as vegetative materials and mulch or bark. Any remaining areas shall be covered with inorganic permeable materials (with the exception of allowed driveways and walkways).
- Synthetic grass with lifelike individual blades of grass that emulates real grass and has a pile height of 1¾ inches or more may also be used on the 50 percent portion of the lot that allows inorganic materials.
- At least 50 percent of the yard shall be covered and maintained with some combination of live trees, shrubs, vines, ground covers, flowers, lawns or other types of vegetation.
- A minimum of one tree per fifty feet of lot width is encouraged (in addition to street trees).
- Drought-tolerant landscaping is encouraged, as long as in compliance with other standards.
- All yards shall be kept in a neat, clean, and healthful condition per Section 26-416 (c.)(2.) of the West Covina Municipal Code. Damaged, diseased or dead plant materials shall be replaced. Bare places in lawns or planters shall be re-vegetated. Lawn areas shall not exceed 10 inches in height. Plants shall not extend over public sidewalks, streets or other public property.

