

CONSTRUCTION & PLANTING

What requires a permit?

The following boulevard improvements require a Works Permit:

- Retaining walls, stairs and paving stones
- Fencing, gates, pergolas and trellises
- Raised beds or rock placements
- Tree or shrubs more than 1m (3 ft.) in height at maturity
- Artificial turf, lighting and irrigation

OBTAINING A PERMIT

To obtain a Works Permit, you must apply in writing to the City's Engineering, Parks and Environment Department. The application must include a description of the proposal and a detailed drawing. Work cannot proceed without permission from the City.

Improvements proposed on the City Boulevard may require the homeowner to enter into a legal agreement with the City, which may see the improvements registered on the property's legal title. All necessary fees will be covered by the applicant.

For a complete list of features that do and do not require a permit or for more information on obtaining a permit, please contact the City at **604 983 7333** or email **eng@cnv.org**.



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For more information about landscaping and maintenance
visit: **cnv.org/BoulevardLandscapeGuide**

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BOULEVARD LANDSCAPING GUIDE



BOULEVARD CARE & MAINTENANCE

Property owners are responsible for the care and maintenance of landscaping features located within the City boulevard adjacent to their properties – as outlined in the Street and Traffic Bylaw. This includes trimming plants, mowing lawns, raking leaves as well as removing snow and ice from sidewalks. Snow and leaf clearing along greenways is the responsibility of the City.

Trees located in the boulevard are solely maintained by the City. To submit a request the City to trim trees, please call **604 983 7333**.

PROPERTY LINE

On a typical lot, the property line is located closer to the building rather than at the edge of the road or sidewalk. All landscape features, (plants, hedges, fences, paths, etc.) located in the boulevard are located on public property.

To see approximately where your property line is on your property, visit cnv.org/PropertyCityMap.

LANDSCAPE ENCROACHMENTS

A landscape encroachment is any landscape feature located in the boulevard exceeding the guidelines below.

- Vegetation must be kept clear of sidewalks with a maximum height of 0.45m (18 in.) within 2m (6 1/2 ft.) of the sidewalk (or street curb where no sidewalk exists)
- Traffic and information signs must be clear of vegetation for a minimum of 0.6m (2 ft.) in all directions
- Landscape features including fences, raised planting beds, decks, pergolas, artificial turf, lighting and irrigation systems are prohibited within the boulevard without a permit
- Vegetation should be no closer than 1m (3 ft.) to the edge of asphalt in the laneway

The City may alter or remove any landscape feature that does not comply with the landscape guidelines or to undertake work in the boulevard at any time. The City will not replace any landscape feature when work is complete.

SIGHTLINE OBSTRUCTIONS

A sightline obstruction is anything that restricts the view of vehicles or pedestrians. To ensure safe sightlines at intersections of roads, driveways and laneways, all structures (ie. fences) and vegetation should be a maximum of 1m (3 ft.) tall, measured from the height of the sidewalk, within a 4.6m (15 ft.) setback from the corner of the property line.

