

## Sample Homeowners Enhanced Maintenance Guidelines and Responsibilities Schedule C

### **Trees**

#### Deep Root Watering

- Must be at a very low-pressure level. Surface watering is as important as deep root watering.
- Soil replacement, as needed. Replacement soil must meet the Design and Construction Standards (Volume 5 Landscaping) for quality and weed-free status, and proof of weed-free status may be required.
- Any stockpiling of soil must meet the requirements in the Contractor's Environmental Responsibility Package, and depending on volumes can include
  - ensuring the pile is stable and not stored on a steep slope
  - located away from catch basins and water bodies
  - controlling weeds, protecting from wind and rain
- Shredded wood mulch replacement (no rock or shale mulch is authorized), as needed
- Mulch specifications
- Please call 311 to request Tree pruning

### **Shrubs**

- Shrub Pruning, as needed.
- As needed shrub planting (replacement planting only), please call 311 to assess the appropriateness of shrubs.
- The Homeowner's Association is responsible for all maintenance regarding establishing newly planted inventory, such as watering, monitoring and subsequent replacements. Refer to the City of Edmonton Volume 5 Landscape Design and Construction Standards for planting specifications.
- Shredded wood mulch replacement (no rock or shale mulch is authorized), as needed
- No work should be done on shrubs in natural areas or river valley/ravine areas.

### **Flower beds**

- Manual weeding, by hand, as needed. (no herbicides, pesticides, or other chemicals are authorized).
- Install, plant and maintain flower planters only on parkland; (considered as temporary)

### **Fertilizer, Litter and Dog Bag Stands**

- Dog bag stand replacement of bags; Clean up of litter - please call 311 to

- determine type and quantity allowed
- Fertilizing - Please call 311 to determine type and quantity allowed

**Maintaining Grassed Areas**

Notify the City in advance if the Enhanced Maintenance activities will replace the City's scheduled base maintenance.

**Naturalized Areas including Stormwater Management Facility**

- A number of stormwater management facilities throughout the City will be naturalized; the limits of the naturalized areas will be signed and should not be mowed.
- Mowing by the Homeowner's Association would not be permitted within the naturalized areas, in accordance with the City of Edmonton's landscape standards for stormwater management facilities.
  - Additional mowing and trimming on mowed buffers and ornamental seating areas and viewpoints is something that can be done by the Homeowner's Association
- Weed control
  - Mechanical weed removal (hand pulling and "weed wacking")
  - Pesticides and herbicides are not permitted to be used
- Horticulture
  - Enhanced shrub bed maintenance in maintained shrub beds outside of on ornamental shrub beds surrounding the naturalized areas
  - Shrub beds within naturalized areas will be naturalized
  - Mulch should not be topped up in naturalized areas
- Tree and Shrub Pruning and Planting
  - Please call 311 to request Tree pruning

**Maintenance Service Request:**

*HOA (Homeowner Association) (insert name)* is responsible for:

- contacting 311 (or 780-442-5311 outside city boundaries), 311@edmonton.ca including but not limited to the following requests:
  - to consult with the city to obtain approval for any changes to the improvements such as replacements and installations of landscaping, signs, and structures
- consult with the Neighbourhood Resource Coordinator prior to initiating any significant construction projects.