## **Landscape Standards**

- 1. All yards visible from the street shall have sod from the home to the street curb, unless otherwise approved by the ARB.
- 2. All unpaved areas of the yard must have sod, except planting beds which are required to contain plants installed by the builder or other plants approved by the ARB. All planting beds should be free of weeds and contain a natural, non-synthetic type and color of mulch, pine straw, or other ground cover such as rocks approved by the ARB. Grass is not considered an acceptable ground cover for flower beds.
- The grass shall be edged in all areas that meet concrete walkways, sidewalks, curbs, and flower beds. Any grass growing between the curbing and the road needs to be removed by the Homeowner.
- 4. Lawn grass and weeds therein should be a uniform height of no more than approximately 5 inches. During growing season, it is recommended that yards are maintained every 7 days to ensure this goal is accomplished.
- 5. Landscape plants shall be maintained in the planting beds at the front of the property installed by the builder. If the Homeowner wishes to replace existing plantings with new plantings, an ARB application must be completed for approval.
- 6. Homeowners must keep all doorway and window areas trimmed and free of trees, shrubs, or any other vegetation as to not obstruct any egress to doorways or view from windows on the property to the street. No more than 25% of window areas may be obstructed by vegetation of any kind.
- 7. House address numbers must remain visible from the street at all times and may not be obstructed from view by any trees, shrubs, vegetation, or structure. House numbers should be maintained in good condition and should be repaired or replaced when necessary.
- 8. Sidewalks, driveways, and pathways must be clear of any plant growth.
- Plant and tree pruning should consist of the removal of dead, dying, diseased, and obstructive limbs. When pruning plants and trees, care should be taken to trim and shape them in a manner that is typical of their species.
- 10. It is recommended that Homeowners treat yards and planting beds with a weed and feed to prevent overgrowth and help control weeds.